

Silverthread Outdoor Recreation Club and Silverthreaders Club
Minutes for **September 16, 2014** at South Fork Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by President, George Powell. A Pot Luck Meal was enjoyed before the meeting by 27 members. Sam Hutson, David and Lisa Hutson's nephew, was our guest.

The Minutes and Financial Report by Lloyd Thiesfeld were approved--- Net Income \$234.46

President's Report:

1. \$18,509.00 has been allocated for grooming. Pray for snow this year---not all of last year's money was used.
2. The 2 axle enclosed ATV carry trailer has been sold for an \$1,800 profit
3. Martha Williamson is our new Ranger for the Divide. She is in Creede tonight and will be with us at a future meeting.
4. An email is out for "Groomer Training". Lloyd brought to our attention that more groomers are needed in case of an emergency. Loading and unloading is cold, but the CAT has a very nice heater. You will experience the beauty of nature and wildlife firsthand with this bold experience.

Hiking Report:

1. **Wayne Moulds**---We have Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday hikes. We get from 25 to 30 hikers on Mondays. Thursday hikes will stop soon. Wayne thanked all the hikers for making it a fun experience.
2. **Barbara Thiesfeld** expressed her appreciation to the hike leaders.
3. **Doug Knutson** expressed Monday and Wednesday hikes for next year. Tough hikes on Tuesday have gone easy---perhaps Monday hikers are tired and need a day of rest. Doug hopes his foot will be better next year!

ATV Report: Harry Fluck

1. We ride on Tuesdays and work on Fridays.
2. We will work to put up poles for snowmobile season.

Other Reports:

1. **Doug Knutson on Hunting Season:** It's Elk Hunting Season--- Linda Moulds was the first to get to the nice looking bull that the hunter shot! Hikers and ATVers need to focus on safety during hunting season---we don't want to lose anyone. Go on off days or wear bright orange jumpsuits.
2. **Barbara Thiesfeld on merchandise:** We do have stuff for sale. We hope to have bright orange hats and shirts next year. Since Tommy is gone, production is on hold.

Old Business:

1. **Community Potluck:** We will be hosting the Community Potluck on October 14. All are invited. Wear your Silverthread shirts. We will be setting up at 10:30 AM. An email will be going out.

2. **For Sale:** Let George know who wants a 4000 watt generator with an electric start and a fiberglass trailer for an ATV

New Business:

1. **Trash Pickup:** Trash picked up for the winter---Friday, September 26 at 10AM. Meet at the Visitor Center. Jim Patterson will be providing the hamburgers at their new home construction site. Bring something to go with the burgers.
2. **Nominating Committee:** We need new people to replace Margie and Jim Patterson, and Bob Munro. We will elect new people in November. Wayne, Lloyd, and Gary are on the nominating committee. We need a volunteer for the Social Chairman position. Give them your ideas.
3. **Satellite Phone:** The club will buy a satellite phone for the groomers that might get stranded. Groomers have gotten in white outs for 20 minutes where you can't even see the blade in front of you and groom trails are hard to spot. Lloyd found a feasible satellite phone, since the old one is outdated and without service. We need this for help and safety. It could also be used by the summer hikers. ATVers can ride to get cell service. Think safety first---this past week Frank and Susan Luna were cutting firewood when the chainsaw grabbed her loose clothing---that was cutting it close! This is going to be a big snow year, so be safe!
4. **Swap Meet:** Barbara wants us to think about having a swap meet in the spring. Someone might want what you have, and vice versa. We could advertise on the website and open it to everyone. We could include trailers or anything you want to get rid of. Just think about it!

The 50/50 was won by Margie Patterson. The meeting was adjourned.

Margie Patterson,
Secretary