

Silverthread Outdoor Recreation Club and Silverthreaders Club Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2016

Elizabeth Baugh, our president, called the meeting to order at 7:00PM at the Community Center. 22 members enjoyed a delicious Pot Luck Meal at 6:30 before the meeting. No guests were present.

The November Minutes and the Financial Report provided by Elizabeth were approved. We have a total of \$18,675.70 in the bank.

Snowshoe Report by Doug Knutson

- We have been averaging 8 to 9 hikers after Christmas. Dennis is back.
- We meet at the Visitor Center on Mondays at 10AM.

Snowmobile Report by Jim Patterson

- We had a ride on New Year's Eve to Fox Mountain. A group of 9 rode last Thursday to Willow Park.
- Call Jim Patterson for information on Snowmobile Rides. Both rides have been on Thursdays at 10AM.

Christmas Party by Ellen Boyles

- A group of 22 had a great party with good food and lots of fun games.

New Business:

- **Colorado Springs Snowmobile Group on Feb 21, 22, and 23rd:**
 - ❖ 4 different groups of riders will include: **1) Trail Riders/ Mostly 2) Couples/ No Trails 3) Guys/ No Trails and 4) High Level Riders with Curtis Miller**
 - ❖ Will meet at the Visitor Center at 10AM on all 3 days
 - ❖ For more information call Chuck Ramsey at 970-897-3124
 - ❖ They will give a donation to the club for services provided and will take the guides out to dinner
 - ❖ Creede doesn't have a snow cat, so we will show them South Fork trails daily
 - ❖ Consider Dwayne or Steve and Linda for the Trail Riders guide, because Jim can't do trails with his mountain machine and Wayne and Linda will be in Crested Butte.
 - ❖ George suggested riders take extra gas, so they don't get stranded.
- **Grooming Report by George Powell**
 - ❖ Jim is a fantastic driver. He loads and unloads the cat.
 - ❖ We have lots of snow this year. We have groomed 130 hours to date. We have 54 hours left for our limit for this season.

- ❖ We will groom as many hours as we can for long as we can, so we might get more than our normal allocation next year. April 15 is the deadline.
- ❖ 345 isn't groomed due to logging. We are grooming Blowout now. Blowout and Love Lake in Creede might start logging.
- ❖ George thanked the club for the cell phone. The cat wouldn't start at 5:15PM. It started after 15 to 20 minutes of George and Harolena just sitting and talking. Fortunately, they didn't have to spend the night. With whiteout conditions and 12' deep of snow, George and Harolena made it downhill Aqua Ramon. Harolena told George what a great job he had done that day. They found out after Christmas that they did have an emergency throttle switch to raise and lower.
- ❖ George hasn't gotten any emergency calls this year. Last year, he earned \$500 for the club. \$500 is the standard price for hauling someone out. Sometimes drivers can't be hauled out, because pretty steep is pretty stupid!

Other Business:

- Barbara Thiesfeld had an accident and broke her wrist at the parking lot on the mountain today. She didn't even make it to the lift ticket office for her lift pass. Elizabeth drove her car home. She got her wrist temporarily set at the ER in Alamosa. She was getting into Del Norte at 6PM with pills for the pain. She will have surgery on Monday.
- The Grey Wolves got 127 tickets at Base Camp today. They got 64 tickets at the ticket office. Tuesdays is free hot chocolate for the Grey Wolves.
- Frank Walter is having shoulder surgery in Colorado Springs on February 2nd.
- Bonnie Munro is hosting Cross Country Skiing tomorrow at 6 Miles Flat in Creede for many beginners. We'll have lunch at Tommyknocker Tavern. Meet at the Visitor Center at 10AM.
- Dennis Shepherd is having a Moonlight Snowshoe Outing on Friday at 5:30PM at the Lower Beaver Creek Campground by Tewksbury. Carpool because parking is limited. Susan will keep the fire burning. A snowshoe email with all the information will be going out.

The 50/50: No 50/50

The meeting was adjourned.

Margie Patterson, Secretary