

Silverthread Outdoor Recreation Club

General meeting minutes

January 20, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Longfellow at 7:05 pm at the South Fork Community Building after a pot luck dinner.

Bill welcomed everyone, 27 members present. We welcomed new member Kim Krahn.

Bill asked if everyone had a chance to read the November club meeting minutes (there were no minutes for December as we had no meeting, only a great Christmas Party.) Since there were no additions or corrections, motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Lloyd presented the financial report for 2008. Although we sustained a net loss for 2008, our overall cash position is improved. We have only two more groomer payments to make, one in the spring of this year, and one more payment in the spring of 2010. We are eagerly anticipating the grooming monies George has already billed for \$6100.00.

President's Message: Bill read the heartfelt thank you notes for the club's remembrance of the Gillespie's upon the death of their grand daughter, and for his wife Gail upon the unexpected death of her mother. Bill again thanked George for all of his hard work on behalf of the club after which a round of applause ensued. He introduced the new slate of officers: VP George Powell, Treasurer Lloyd Thiesfeld, Secretary Sally Towns, and Directors Connie Gillespie and Chuck Holton (not present.) Bill stated that the informal purpose of the club will be: *Friendship, Fellowship and Fun*. He then asked for volunteers for a Membership Committee to increase our numbers.

Snowshoe Report: Harolena gave the report. Last week's shoe was to the Cow Camp with 13 hikers, and yesterday to the Boulder Field. with 11 participating. There was also the recent Moonlight Outing with cookout and snowshoeing under a brilliant moon. To snowshoe, meet at the Visitors Center at 9:00 on Mondays. Bring water, lunch and a friend.

Snowmobile Report: Chuck Holton will be the focal point for snowmobiling. There is no set day at this point. Chuck's rides usually leave the Visitor Center at 10:30 am. Joe De Grado will also lead rides on Thursdays when feasible. Sales Report: Barbara showed off the new long sleeved polo style shirt with your first name on the front worn by her husband. She also has new style caps and other Silverthreader paraphernalia. There are even several knives left at a great price! Tommy Goetz is now doing the embroidery work. Social Report: The Silverthreaders will host the February 10th Community Pot Luck at 6:30 pm. If you can, meet at the community building at 10:00 am to help set up. All help is appreciated. Old Business: After an email survey of the membership, it has been determined that our club meetings will continue on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

New Business: Joe reports the annual Jay Becker Memorial Sled Race will commence on Saturday 2/21 at 9:00am at the Visitor Center. Location of this year's race will depend on how much snow we get, or fail to get, between now and then. Joe would like to utilize a closer place than Tucker Ponds if possible. Don't own a snowmobile? No problem. All comers will be provided transportation to and from the sled race. This year there will be several new prizes to be awarded. Don't miss the fun!

Joe is also proposing a new event for those who snowmobile and/or snowshoe. At the first new snow, snow buffs will get together for dogs or burgers and fun and fellowship on a Sunday or Monday. Twin Pines Motor Sports will provide machines for all who want to try snowmobiling. Hopefully these sorts of gatherings will get more people involved in club activities! Watch your email for time and place. Don't miss this fun either!

Bill wants to use the club's web page as the focal point for dissemination of information to club members, the general public and potential club members. Notices of meetings and activities will be posted on the web site. The club's calendar will be posted. Email alerts to members will contain a link to the web page where the information can be obtained.

Directory: The new Silverthreader Club Directory was handed out by Lloyd who has updated this directory of our membership. Thanks for all you do, Lloyd.

Fishing: Dwayne Powers reminds everyone that there is fishing to be enjoyed. He heads up the Friday activity that leaves the Hungry Logger at 8:00-8:30 after breakfast at 7:30. Come for breakfast, too! Lately the catch has been 12-15" brook trout. Bowling: Bill reminds everyone that the club bowls on Wednesdays at 1:00 at the bowling alley in Monte Vista. They also get special senior citizen discounts! Helping Hand Award: This quarter's award goes to Gary Goetz who always has a ready hand to help those in need. FFOF Award: Still up for grabs but Chuck is on the prowl, so look out! 50/50: The drawing was won by Connie and Nicki (no one knows how) who donated their half back to the club.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Towns