

Bowdoinham Snowbirds Minutes

December 15, 2010

Meeting Called to Order

Announcements: Super Raffle drawing was yesterday. Everything should be posted tomorrow. Mr. Truffant's obituary was in the paper and Bev sent a card.

Correspondence: None

Secretary's Report read and accepted

Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: Not much new to report. Need snow and these wind storms are making things hard. On your first trip out take a saw to clear the trail. The sled have been registered. We need a couple of new signs and Al suggested we use Banana Banners. They will charge us \$85 for the red metal signs that we currently have. Motion to get 3 new signs was presented and passed.

Website: Thank Alan for updates about trail conditions last year. Keep it up as it helps outside people know what is happening in the area. Send any updates to Val or Dave.

Maps: Maps are in and look great. Thanks Bev and Bobby for getting all the sponsors. We raised \$500 from the business members. Great job.

Trip: If you are interested let Bev know soon.

Old Business: We have sold 973 tickets to date, which gives the club \$794. Insurance has been purchased and is in place for the club.

New Business: Bev will be checking with Will Dale on apparel for the club. She will be able to update us at the next meeting. It's time to start thinking about the election of officers. Who is interested. We might want to look at changing the bylaws so that we would elect the secretary and the treasurer every 2 years instead of every year.

Good of the Club: We should see if Bowdoin has any maps.

Next meeting is January 19, 2011 at 6:00 for dinner and 7:00 for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

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November 17, 2010

Meeting Called to Order

Announcements: Super Raffle tickets need to be in by 12/7 to Bev.

Correspondence: Grant application was received by the state.

Secretary's Report read and accepted

Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: A lot of progress so far. There is a new trail from Ridge Road to White Road. The trail from the tunnels to Ackers Acres will be rerouted. Bridges still need work.

Website: Nothing new.

Maps: Dave sent a map up of the map for review. Please see if it needs any changes and let him know. Would like to have the map done by 12/6 to get them printed for the next meeting.

Trip: Bev reported that there are no rooms at Shinpond. They are full the weekend we want to go up. She reserved Eagle Lake for 2/3-2/6. The price should be around \$25 to \$35 per night per person.

Sign: Pat has it under control. We need some more Bowdoinham Snowbird signs made up.

Old Business: We have sold 681 tickets to date.

New Business: Pat went to the Bowdoin Club meeting. He reported that there is General Liability now available that can be purchased at a more reasonable price. This would protect the club members from lawsuits if something happens when we are grooming, etc, up to \$1,000,000 with no deductibles. The cost is \$506 a year. Person to contact is Cross Insurance in Lewiston. Motion to get insurance was introduced and passed for all in attendance.

Good of the Club:

Next meeting is December 15th at 6:00 for dinner and 7:00 for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Bowdoinham Snowbirds Minutes

October 20, 2010

Meeting Called to Order

Announcements: Bowdoin Club welcome. The president is George, Clint is the trail master and Mr. Brown is the treasurer. Let us know if you want post cards sent or if e-mail reminders work. Jr. is still collecting Skidoo tickets, last date is 11/15. MSA Regional meeting will be 11/7.

Correspondence: None

Secretary's Report read and accepted

Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: Meeting every Sunday so far and making progress. Bridges are the worst and most need repairs. Need to purchase a lot of planks. Trail grant is put together.

Website: Nothing new.

Maps: Dave wasn't at the meeting for an update. Bev is charging \$20 for business members and they seem to like the idea.

Trip: Let Bev know of any suggestions. Bev is still trying to get prices.

Old Business: We have sold 495 tickets to date. Bob Cote bridge sign. We discussed options. Metro signs could do something that is personal. Forming a sign committee to start with Loy, Bev and Bobby.

New Business: Motion to give Dave and Barb \$100 for the tent rental during the landowners BBQ.

Good of the Club: Motion to pay business and personal membership for Bud Bowley and Shadetree Engineering. Motion passed. Bowdoin club reported about a couple of trails. Their meeting will be November 2nd at the Fire Station in Bowdoin.

Next meeting is November 17th at 6:00 for dinner and 7:00 for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

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September 15, 2010

Meeting Called to Order

Announcements: Welcome New Members/Visitors

Correspondence: Lisbon Falls will be hosting this years MSA meeting on 10/10. It will be d the MTM Center at 3:00 pm

Secretary's Report read and accepted

Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: Tow behind bushhog has been purchased for trails. Check bridges around your area and let us know what shape they are in. Check with landowners to be sure we can use the bushhog on their land for the trails. Pat will have time sheets for the next meeting. Richmond club has indicated that the Wallace Bridge is good to go. Trail 18 through Richmond is a question. The Richmond club doesn't think they will be able to keep up with it this year. There is a Life Flight sign at the Post Road/201 intersection. First meeting for trail maintenance is this Sunday at the town landing. *9+ hrs. l.*

Website: Still up and going strong. Officers have e-mail accounts.

Maps: It was suggested to use just the front of the maps when we redo them this year. This would reduce our cost and we would be able to sell space for less also, around \$20 or 25. Bev is going to approach our business members to see what kind of support we can get.

Trip: Start thinking about our trip for February. Bev will call some places and get some prices.

Old Business:

New Business: Labor for landowners was won by the Pinnetts but our trail doesn't go through their land any more. Motion to skip the landowners work this year. Motion approved.

Motion was presented to pay for the business memberships for Kevin O'Farrell, *en-s* Dave Weeks and Bob Anair this year. Motion passed.

Naming a bridge: How do we go about doing that? Motion that the bridge behind Bob Cote's house be named The Bob Cote Bridge. Motion passed. Al will talk to Loy to see if he would be able to make a sign. Also Kevin mentioned that Voc 10 might be able to do something for us also at a reasonable price.

Good of the Club:

Next meeting is October 20th at 6:00 for dinner and 7:00 for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

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April 21, 2010

Meeting Called to Order

Announcements: Last meeting for the year

Correspondence: Turn in worksheets by end of month. Check received for the skidoo in the amount of \$140.00

Secretary's Report read and accepted

Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: Pat has quite a few trail sheets already. Things look good. Meeting at 9:00 am at his house to put things together. Richmond Club will take care of the Wallace Bridge. Believe they will call if they need help. Nothing else to report.

Website: Not working on the site until Fall

Maps: Dave G. contacted David West regarding putting business information on the maps. We could do 60 small ads on the back for \$50 or \$60 per single space add. For 500 full color (front) for \$1237.50 this would have black on the back for the ads. Cost goes up from there. We would have to sell the ads for around \$47 each. Dave has the e-mail for the company. Jim will call to try to get more information and report back in September.

Old Business:

New Business: Landowner's BBQ is set for 1st Saturday in August (8/7) Val will ask to if Barb and Dave will host again. Val will e-mail everyone on dates of the meetings to get this organized. Motion to spend \$1000 for the BBQ was presented and approved.

Celebrate Bowdoinham is 9/11: Kevin will donate his truck. Will schedule meetings to work on the float.

Carol indicated that we don't have to give the proceeds from the 50/50 to the auxiliary any longer. We will pay rent of \$75 for the fire station

Brian would like to set up a trip to the Allagash trains. He is trying to get information. Hoping to have information for the September meeting.

Good of the Club: We will put the plaque we received from MSA in the display case for next year.

Club wants to do Pot Luck again next year.

Next meeting is September 15th at 6:00 for dinner and 7:00 for the meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Bowdoinham Snowbirds Minutes

February 17, 2010

March

Meeting called to order

Announcements: None

Correspondence: Received information from Beaver Creek Lodge in Utah for snowmobile & stay packages. Also received information from Crown Park Inn in Caribou to save 20 per person per night.

Secretary's Report read and accepted

Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: Still a good base except for fields. Not much else going on. New drag is done by Dennis Weeks. He gave us a really good deal and we thanked him for his work. Dennis was present at the meeting. Need Snow.

Website: Photos are being updated as Dave can get to them. The site is awesome. To date we have had 299 visits to the site.

Trip: Everyone had a great time. Val thanked Bev for set up, Pat and Jim for leading the groups and June for her work in the kitchen.

Spaghetti: Postponed due to lack of snow. May not have it this season. Pat brought up donating money to the Pinetree Society instead this year if we don't do the dinner. We have donated \$100 in the past. Tabled until next meeting.

Old Business: None

New Business: Nominating committee needs to be organized for selection of officers. Need to nominate the Secretary, the Treasurer and a Director. Dave Acker, Kevin O'Farrell and Jim McGee will be on the committee.

For the Good of the Club:

Next meeting is Pot Luck 6:00 pm

Next meeting will be March 17, 2010 at 7:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned.

Bowdoinham Snowbirds Minutes
January 20, 2010

Meeting called to order

Announcements: Received notice that our capital grant request had been received. We should know by May what we will get. Trail maintenance grant was also received and should be received by April.

Correspondence: Received information from MSA about their raffle. They are selling tickets for \$25 each. To date 1000 have been sold.

Secretary's Reports for November and December read and accepted
Treasurer's Report read and accepted

Committee Reports:

Trail Masters: Good snow and riding. Holes and washouts have been and need to be filled in. Need to find someone to groom here in town. Pat is not expecting much from the capital grant due to the economy. The 4x4 is doing great. Road crossings are high right now. Please help shovel the ones you can. Pat was wondering how much we paid for the last drag. Bev indicated around \$400 was recorded in the records. Pat indicated to be careful at Egypt's field. Watch for trail markers. Please stay on the trail.

Website: Dave indicated that link to the website was sent to everyone he had an e-mail for. Dave went through the different pages that we will have links to: About us, Officers, Photos, Videos, etc. Give us any feedback or ideas that you may have to make the site better or let us know what you like.

Maps: Val indicated we received \$600 from the town for the last 2 years.

Trip: So far we have 17 adults and 2 children ready to go. Cost is \$35 pp a night and we will be there 3 nights.

Spaghetti: Ready to put up signs. Date will be February 20. Please sign up for a time that you can work. Want to give everyone a chance to enjoy the day. Bev and Barb will get together a list of items needed and Bev and Carol will go shopping. If you can bring a dessert, please do.

Old Business: We can order t-shirts ext from Atlantic Sportswear in Portland. They can do a few as 12 items for an order to be put in. The old Skidoo has finally been sold.

New Business: There will be a club ride this Sunday, the 24th. Meet at the tunnels.

For the Good of the Club: Think more snow.

Next meeting is Pot Luck

Next meeting will be February 17, 2010 at 6:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned.

Shawn Mowers

From: Valerie Chiang [devsgal@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2010 12:07 AM
To: Shawn Mowers
Subject: December minutes

Hi Shawn,

Here's my attempt at putting together minutes from last month...

December 16, 2009 meeting called to order.

There were no announcements.

Correspondence included information from various lodging facilities and a Christmas card from Liebl Printing.

There was no Secretary's Report.

Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

Trailmaster's Report: The project at Kathy Johnson's turned out well. There was a good crew in the morning. There has been a good turnout for overall trail work. Repairs have been made to nearly every bridge. Signs are out on the trails. Trails look good. The cold weather is helping. Thanks to Bobby and Junior for going above and beyond. Thanks also to Walter for joining right in with the trail work.

Trip Committee: There are about 13-14 people signed up so far. Bev will cancel the extra cabin that has been reserved. Room is still available for more people to come.

Website Committee: David and Valerie have been continuing to set things up with the website and hope to have something to show everyone next month.

Old Business:

Spaghetti Feed: Bev stopped at Tri-Sports to look into door prizes, and was told that Tri-Sports would be donating the items for the spaghetti feed. Next month there will be a sign-up sheet for time blocks so that everyone can help out and also get a chance to enjoy the activities going on.

Maps: There are still enough maps leftover from last year. Maps have been distributed to Tri-Sports, Woody's, Town Office, Town Landing, Bowdoinham Country Store, Exit 43, Quik Stop, Pat's Gas. Valerie has been communicating with Kathy at the Town Office to find out where things stood with the map money now that Tony is no longer working for the town.

Shirts/hats are set up in Portland from the last go-around. Pat suggested holding off on ordering any more given our available cash at hand and the need to pay for gas for grooming. We will look into prices for embroidering versus screen printing, and consider taking orders for specific items, as opposed to ordering a dozen of something or another. This way, everyone can get what they want, in the color selection that they want.

No New Business

Next Club meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 20th - 6pm potluck, 7pm meeting.

Think snow!