



White Mountain Open Trails Association, Inc.

***PO Box 833,
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General Club Meeting Agenda
Date 2015-11-12
Show Low Café, Show Low, AZ

Call to Order/Officer Roll Call: Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM Jack Dyer, Craig Bruner, Laura Galusha, Karen Smith, Boyce Drake, Roger Held, Jane Dyer, Chuck Woods.

Welcome: Introduction of new members Don and Betty Fortier. Guests: Tracks representative George.

Officer Reports:

President's Report: New officers have been installed and assumed their duties.

- The board expressed interest in having more joint activities with the Apache County ATV. We should proceed with caution so our numbers don't get unmanageable. We ride the same trails so it makes sense to work together.
- We want to keep active all year and at this time, Roger will organize a ride near Parker in January and Karen will have a ride near Apache Junction in February. We will keep you posted.
- Our next general club meeting will be in April.
- We need more ride leaders. Please volunteer and someone will teach you the trails.
- We will include the phone numbers for the President and Ride Leader with future ride descriptions. If there is a cancellation due to weather, we will try a mass email or you can call for confirmation.
- We would like to have two different types of rides if we can get the ride leaders. One would be longer and faster with the other a more leisurely and scenic event.

Vice President's Report: The trailer is at Griffins. Thanks to Craig Bruner and the Griffins we have new tires, locks, and a maintenance folder. We recommend Haralson's Tire and Auto Repair in Snowflake! They saved us over \$100.

Secretary's Report:

- Get well cards were sent to David Donno and Andy Riberio. Thank you cards were sent to Dyers and Wojicks for their donations of extra meat on the Turkey Ride.
- We have a new agenda item called "For the Good of the Club". If you have a ride to invite people to or something to brag about you may have two minutes here. If you want the secretary to send a card to someone let them know here.
- Liability waivers will be scanned to a disc and kept with club documents in secretary's box. Thank you to Christine for getting that going.

Motion by George and seconded by Stan to approve last meetings minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking/Savings accounts:

- Prior balance \$2,680.44
- Income \$940.00 (50/50, volunteers, LogoUp sales, membership dues)
- Expenses \$474.17 (June, July, Oct. rides, campouts, padlocks for trailer)
- Insurance Reserve Account \$100.00 (total reserve \$1400.21)
- Social Committee cash on hand \$50.00
- Checking account current balance \$3046.27 +/- from last month +\$465.87

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- Total assets September \$4496.48

Compared to last year we are approximately \$1,000.00 ahead due to increased dues, new members, and 2 poker runs. Also thanks to Roger's donations to the auction.

Membership Director's Report: We are still having difficulties with the website. We have several new members from the Apache County ATV that joined us on the Turkey Ride. We've had seven new couples join in the last six weeks.

Ride Committee Chairperson's Report:

- The April ride will be Whiplash near Aripine. Kristie Bruner will be ride leader.
- Roger will need help with the Rodeo in July. He will have signup sheets at meetings starting in April.
- We are invited to a ride in Parker sometime in January. There will be a fast ride and John Savino will have a leisurely (slow) ride for the group in Parker.

Social Committee Chairperson's Report: Jane was voted in as Social Committee Chair at the November 3 Board of Director's meeting.

- We earned \$195 at poker on the Turkey Ride that was held at Lary and Christine's ranch. There were 50 attendees for dinner. **Thank you for opening your ranch to the campers and your home to the revelers!!!!**
- The Toy Ride was a success. Maurice will take the toys to the Fire Department to be distributed.
- Please think about alternatives to breakfast before the ride. There is a grill in the trailer that could be used for lunch.

Webmaster's Report: Our continuing problems with Word Press require that we hire someone to fix it. This needs to be done before we can fix our calendar and email issues. If you know of someone, please contact Chuck.

Committees:

Trail Coordinator's Report: Karen reported that October 27 a crew of about 15 people cleaned up the old signs and installed new signs every quarter mile for 11 miles of the 53 mile of the Maverick Trail starting at Clay Springs. Lorna had a family emergency and may not return until after Thanksgiving so we may not be able to work more on it until spring.

Chamber of Commerce Reports:

Show Low (Mike) – no report

Pinetop/Lakeside (Maurice) – no report

Sponsor's Reports:

Castle's Dirt Works – n/a

Show Low Motorsports – n/a

Redline – Robert thanked us for our support. They are located near Car Quest in Pinetop at 612 E. White Mountain Blvd, 928-367-2630. Shop rate is \$75 per hour.

Agency Reports:

Game and Fish: Mark Terrill described putting together a pamphlet related to the laws, updates, and common violations of OHV riding. He also talked about the Ambassador Program which is funded by an OHV Grant for responsible riding and safety. He will send more information.

National Forest Service: n/a

Arizona State Parks: n/a

Old Business:

New Business:

- Tracks representatives, George and Tom, shared a copy of a trail map from Prescott that included both off road trails and hiking trails. There is a grant available to fund a similar map for our area from Arizona Parks and Recreation. If

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our two groups work together, we could create a map with both kinds of trails and include rules and regulations as well as information markers. The City of Pinetop-Lakeside would do the cartography for free. It would cost approximately 22¢ per 50,000. Noteworthy is that Arizona is the only state where hikers, and motorized off roaders work together. Maurice and George will be our committee for this project.

- The Chamber asked us if we would be interested in purchasing a small advertising spot on the t-shirts Blue Ridge High School students will sell this year as their fundraiser. The board voted 4 to 2 to spend the \$90 as another way to give back to the community.
- John Kleinman brought up the Blue Ribbon Coalition at sharetrails.org. It is another organization that we may want to join because they are involved nationwide to keep trails open and we used to be members. They try to protect the rights of off-roaders. John made a motion to join and Christine seconded it. It would cost \$100 per year. After discussion the motion was amended to look in to the cost and benefits of joining. The amended motion passed.
- We have plans to make certificates of appreciation to our business sponsors.
- There was discussion about having all rides leaving at 10:00 AM. It was the general opinion of the members that each ride depends on weather and distance of the ride. Since ride descriptions are posted, this would be unnecessary.
- Christine reported that our Facebook followers have increased to 133. Ride information and pictures are posted there, so please like our page.

Upcoming Ride: The April ride will be Whiplash near Aripine. Kristie Bruner will be the leader.

Flag of Ill Fate: Has been put to rest until next year. Thankfully Jane is okay after her face plant on the Toy Ride and nobody saw her do it.

50/50 Raffle: \$33.50 Won by Roger for some much needed gas money. We thank him for searching out great campsites.

For the Good of the Club:

- Laura will send a sympathy card to Lorna.
- Maurice said he had lunch with David Donno and he appreciates the cards and is doing well.
- Roger encourages all to come to Parker the week of January 15 as there is a huge race event with outstanding machines to look at.

Next meeting: April 14, 2016

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 7:15 made by Jack and seconded by Roger. Passed unanimously.