

Nor'Easters Snowmobile Club

Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2017



Present: Sue Keough, Dave DiTullio, Jeanne Cleveland, Doug Cleveland, Jeff Peters, Ed Cook, Natalie Cook, Jon Lavoie, Sherry Wyskiel, Joe Vallier, Chris Moulton, Mark Lambert, Kevin Majeski, David Weldiz, Tim Martineau, Larry Moore, Amos White.

Meeting called to order: By Dave DiTullio at 7:00pm, pledge of allegiance & welcome.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made to accept November 14, 2017 Secretary's Report, seconded and all were in favor.

Old Business:

-Tri-Club Map Update – (Dave DiTullio) – Update

- **Brookline, Hollis, Wilton – 1 single regional trail map**
- -Done – Jon Lavoie will distribute map inventory by December 16th.
- -Job well done by map committee!
- -Funds will be distributed monthly to clubs after expenses are paid.
- -Vendors will get a credit for any unsold old maps they had paid for – vendors unsold old maps will be returned to clubs.

Special Presentation: Amos White

- A special presentation gift was made to Amos White thanking him for his time and dedication to the club as past Trail Administrator and Board of Director Member.

Communications: Doug Cleveland

- Birch's Thank you card to Nor'Easters & Bentley Management Group.
- NHSA – Christmas Card.
- 2017 PINK RIDE – Thank you card.
- NHSA – Thank you card to all 2017 Grass Drag volunteers.
- NHSA Raffle Tickets – club has a few left to sell.

Membership Update: Jeanne Cleveland

****Season July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018 Membership****

*****Your Annual Membership Renewal Helps Build and Maintain Good Trails*****

Membership renewals and sign-ups can be done at www.noreasters.org. Paper membership forms can be filled out & submitted at all club events.

Membership statistics:

2017-2018 Season: As of 12/12/17 – 138 Memberships 221 Members.

2016-2017 Season: As of 12/13/16 – 130 Memberships 208 Members.

Trail Master Report: Jeff Peters

Current/Upcoming/Completed Projects – not all are listed:

- “Thank you” to everyone who volunteered time for year round trail work- your help is very much appreciated by all trail users!
- **UPDATES:**
- The Cleveland Trail has been redone – Hayden Road crossing is gone. Trail was moved off the Birch Hill property – Birch family gave the club a substantial donation for trail work.
- Lights/wiring on equipment is now done.
- Beware of NEW deep swales & culverts in orchard – STAY ON THE TRAIL!
- State Park – Stairs were install on Dunklee Pond Trail – Sherry Wyskiel will try to get a hold of the State Park officials to discuss & will keep Jeff Peters informed on progress.
- Jeff Peter will order two 30x30 Snowmobile Trail Closure Signs. A \$300 sign budget was approved for Jeff.
- New Arrowhead Drag for the Kubota seems to pull well.
- Equipment numbering has started – just need to place numbers on equipment.
- Groomer operator training classes are being scheduled.
- Thank you to all the “Trail Work Volunteers” your help is very much appreciated!
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- **POTENTIAL FUTURE PROJECTS:**
- Nothing new discussed.

Trail Work:

- If you have some free time on a Saturday, Sunday or a week day during the course of the year and would like to volunteer for some trail work please contact Jeff Peters at trails@noreasters.org.

Trail Administrator Report: John Mahan (Dave DiTullio reporting for John)

- Still need to obtain a few more certificates of insurance for non-club owned equipment.
- Groomer operator exam needs to be taken before an operator can groom – no test - no grooming.
- Emergency cards are being prepared for all vehicles.
- Land Owner Permission Project – master list is in progress – Tim Martineau is working on getting land owner permission in his area – he should be all set for this season.

County Meeting Update:

- County Basket discussed – this season’s theme is Hunting/Fishing.
- Jon Lavoie will do a Facebook post asking for member donations to Easter Seals County Basket – all donations need to be brought to the January 29th County Meeting which is hosted by Hollis Nor’Easters.
- Next County Meeting is January 29th 7pm – Nor’Easters, Hollis.

Website Update: Jon Lavoie

- Facebook – Invite your friends to join our group – share the page. Join Nor'Easters Facebook group for trail updates & club event information.
- NHSA Membership link update once NHSA is back online.
- Nor'Easters online apparel store website link.
- Nor'Easters QR Code problem – resolve – Jon & Joe

Previous Club & Other Event Recaps:

Safety Class – Saturday, December 9, 2017 – Brookline Icebreakers hosted

-13/14 Students and a couple of adults took course.

-Tri-club Safety Class seemed to be the way to go forward – online & Fish & Game classes seemed to be cutting into class attendance.

Pre-Season Cookout – Saturday, December 9, 2017 – Brookdale Fruit Farm

-Snowy day, good attendance – Pizza went over well.

-Opinion – it was nice to have the cookout the same day as the Luminary Parade.

Luminary Parade – Saturday, December 9, 2017

-Canceled due to weather conditions.

Events – Please watch your emails for our upcoming event information.

Upcoming Club & Other Event Schedule & Information:

NH State Parks First Day Hike – Monday, January 1, 2018

-Volunteers are needed – Jon Lavoie will do a Facebook post asking for club volunteers.

-Parking lot attendees – Dave DiTullio and Joe Vallier.

-Signs are needed to direct traffic.

-Check with State for detours signs.

2018 PINK RIDE – Saturday, February 10, 2018

Planning has started!

New Business:

-Nothing new discussed.

Next Monthly Club Meeting – January 9, 2018 - 7pm – Lawrence Barn, Hollis.

Club Slogan: “Enjoy the Trails? Join our Club!”

Meeting adjourned by Dave DiTullio at 8:17pm.