

SNOBLAZERS NEWSLETTER

Club Meeting Date:

Tuesday, October 4, 2011

Club Officers

- President – John Pooler
- Vice President – Doug Johnson
- Treasurer – Jack Schuster
- Secretary – Mona Schuster

Board Members

- Andy Anderson
- Tom Bieh
- Paul Ommen
- Marie Jorland
- Chris McGraw
- Kim Osmonson

Links:

Club Website:

<http://www.snoblazers.com/>

Club Pictures:

<http://www.snoblazers.com/pictures.htm>

Club Trips:

http://www.snoblazers.com/club_trips.htm

Contact Us:

<http://www.snoblazers.com/contact.htm>

Club meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month (October – April) at Lord Fletcher's at 7:00pm



Making It Better Since 1972

Introductions

- New and returning members. We had a total number of attendees at 51.

2011 Recap

- New Year's Trip in Brule
- Pink Ribbon Ride
- Walker, MN
- Winter, WI
- Local Rides from the Clubhouse
- Local Rides Not from the Clubhouse
- Spirit of the Lake Parade
- Al & Alma's Boat Cruise
- Maxwell's Bay Get Together
- Deck Party (canceled)
- Clubhouse events
- Waconia Vintage Show
- Adopt-A-Highway
- Trail Marking

IMPORTANT DETAILS REGARDING OUR MOVE TO LORD FLETCHER'S

1. Fletcher's has been contacted and we are confirmed to have our November 1, 2011 meeting at Fletcher's. A room has been reserved from 6:00 – 9:00pm for the first Tuesday of each month (November 1, 2010 through April 3, 2011). Our server will be in our room and available during these hours.
2. We must meet a food/beverage total of \$350 minimum. Otherwise, discussion was held regarding the purchase of a Fletcher's gift certificate to make up the difference.
3. ***IN ORDER FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL PURCHASES OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE TO GO AGAINST THE \$350 MINIMUM, THE ITEM(S) MUST BE PURCHASED IN OUR MEETING ROOM FROM OUR DESIGNATED SERVER.*** If you purchase something from the bar individually – it will not go against our total bill.

New Business

- Memberships Dues: \$40/year again this year. Dues must be paid by October 31, 2011 for the 2011/2012 Season. Please see Jack Schuster and the Club Meetings or send your payment to: WSB, P.O. Box 204, Mound, MN 55364. Must be paid to vote at the General Meetings.
- Budget: We currently have a balance of \$6,313.00. The budget was approved for the 2011/2012 season.
- Survey Results: A brief summary of the survey was to have shorter meetings, and over 50% want a change in venue.
- Location of General Meetings: Discussion was held regarding the Club moving the General Meetings to Lord Fletcher's. Fletcher's has the expectation that the Club food/beverage total must be a minimum of \$350/minimum. A motion was made, and second, to move our meetings to Fletcher's (29 yes and 3 no).
- Al & Alma's Boat Cruise: A deposit is required now of \$600 to reserve one of the boats. The current date is set for Thursday, June 28th. Some members were concerned of a lack of turnout on a Thursday evening. The Friday/Saturday option was more expensive and already booked during our normal time of the year.
- Holiday Party: When, Where, Committee: The Yacht Club is the only location in the area that will allow alcohol beverages. Marie Jorland, Sharon Holden and Tracy Biehl will serve on the committee this year. Marie will contact the Yacht Club and reserve the December date.
- MNUSA Winter Rendezvous: February 9-12, 2012 in Fairmont, MN.
- BRP \$1 Million to clubs (September 1 through November 15, 2011)
- Brochure Holders: Tri-K, Ox Yoke, Jeff Cordes, St.Boni Motor Sports all have brochure holders. Sharon Holden will investigate putting some brochures in the Mound Transit location. New trail maps, approximately 5,000 will be coming out in the near future and can be put with our brochures.
- Region 8 Update: The next Region 8 meeting has invited Steve Smith as well as lobbyist Don Franzen to speak. Please watch your emails for further details. Signs were ordered (five sets) for endangered trails and will be approved by the DNR. Nancy, from MNUSA, applied for a grant and half of the costs of the signs were covered by the grant.
- Trail Marking: Kelly Winger and Jeff Cordes. Trails must be marked by December 1, 2011. The Snoblazers are required to speak with the 'farmer' where the trail goes through his property - Ezra Bisson has spoken to the farmer and has been granted approval. The portion of the Luce Line Trail to Hwy. 7 will be picked up by the Snoblazers. No need to make new trail marking signs at this point.
- Adopt-A-Highway: October 11, 2011 at 6pm Sharp. Kurt Silton is the coordinator and will have all supplies available. Meet at County Road 6 and Town Line Road. A beverage will be purchased by the Club after the cleanup is complete.
- SW Trails Update: Kurt Silton. SW trails have asked the Snoblazers to 'brush' the trails (cutting down the brush that is covering the trails). The Park portion will be covered by the Park District. A solar beacon will be placed by the Minnetonka Regional Park area and will be covered by SW Trails.
- BRP Open House: October 29, 2010 at St. Boni MotorSports.
- Wearables Update: Chris McGraw is the wearable contact and will have new apparel for this year. New logo, along with new clothing options.
- Clubhouse: Install, move, and remove, maintenance (committee): Re-enforced steel under the front. Good to go... John Pooler will donate batteries. A motion was passed to purchase the Clubhouse license - Paul Holden will coordinate.
- Open position on Board: New Board Member is Paul Ommen (thank you for volunteering - the Club appreciates the participation).
- Paul Rashleger will bring his karaoke 'setup' for the Club to use the microphone so everyone can hear the discussions.
- Business cards: The purchase of \$5,000 business cards was approved by the membership. Chris McGraw will purchase the cards.

Upcoming Events

- Board Meeting: October 17, 2011 at 7:00pm at the Mound American Legion

Remember to stay within your personal riding experience and alcohol consumption limits