

BIRCHWOOD BOBCAT ATV MEETING

May 11th, 2011

President Steve Lobitz called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

Judy made a motion to approve the agenda and seconded by Roger.

The treasurers' report was handed out and a motion was made by Roger to approve and it was seconded by Bob E.

A motion was made by Roger to approve the minutes from the April meeting and it was seconded by Bob E.

GUEST: Greg Olson North West Regional Coordinator for WATVA. He touched on the Trail Ambassador Patrol refresher course coming up June 11th, 2011 at the Birchwood Snowmobile Clubhouse at 9 A.M. Kathy Oginski is hosting the course. Also Saturday August 13th, 2011 is the Wisconsin ATV Association Northwest Region Meeting @ the Iron River Community Center 8275 East Mill St., Iron River, WI. 53847, hosted by the Trails North ATV Club. If you are interested in attending any of these functions contact Greg @ 612-280-1220 or E-mail nwrwatva@yahoo.com. Dairyland Cycle Insurance is offering a free quote for ATV insurance. Watch newsletter for further details. The club will receive \$10.00 back for every referral given out. We need to sign up as a club and get an ID number to enter when prompted. The question was asked of Greg, can't we do something about the Tuscobia Trail. It is bad, needs a lot of maintenance. Greg will try to help us with this trail, he will talk to Kathy.

MAPS: New maps are here. We will have them at the establishments by Memorial Day weekend. Pick up a new map and follow closely, as some of the routes have changed and new ones have opened. Remember always ride Safely and Responsibly.

RAFFLE TICKETS: As of this meeting date only 35 tickets have been sold. Please help us meet our goal of selling 200 tickets. This is our only fundraiser to help maintain and keep our trail system operating. Drawing is October 5th, 2011. Contact Cindy Lobitz at 715-354-3041 if you would like to purchase a ticket or for further information. Tickets are \$50.00 each and only 200 will be sold.

ADVERTISING: Nicci will get the information to the school by Friday the 13th for our ad.

WEBSITE: Check us out at www.birchwoodatv.com We are constantly updating the site.

TRAIL REPORTS: Kendall asked who had the 6 missing locks. Mystery solved, they will be returned to the County by Thursday May 12th, 2011.

They opened up the North end of Hwy M to access the Rockford House. Follow the new map.

The trails in Washburn Cty open the Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

31N Mike Thompson and Steve Bethke will check out before opening day to make sure the trails are cleared of debris and safe to ride for the opening weekend.

Steve Lobitz will contact Kathy about the big water hole on 31S, just off the Tuscobia Trail.

Kendall rode trails in Washburn Cty and cleared all downed trees but also reported we need to have missing and damaged signs replaced.

Craig Minnick will check out some of the trails in Washburn Cty also, to make sure they are safe and cleared of any trees and etc.

We had a workday scheduled for May 21st, 2011 but had to cancel due to lack of participation.

Greg Olson also told us there is another Fund out there to help out the land owners that let us user there land for recreational purposes. There will be more info on this at a later date.

Anyone willing to help work on the ATV trails whether on a weekday or weekend, please contact Steve Lobitz @ 715-354-7041. All help is appreciated. If we don't get the help we need, the work will not get done and it could affect some trail openings.

OLD BUSINESS: Payment to Craig Minnick for work done on trails last year. We would like to compensate Craig for all the time and effort he put in on the trails to keep them in good conditions and safe. After much research and discussion by the BOD it was decided to pay him \$599.00. It will be a 1 time payment. Craig got up and wanted to let everyone know that he never asked to get paid and he appreciated all the club has done for him, but asked that others step up and help out. This is how the club makes their money to keep it operating. Craig also state that he has been working with Steve Widiker the past couple of years and he will continue to do so till all the gravel that Steve set aside for ATV trails is used up.

Tim Lee brought up the idea of putting up another storage shed to park our Dump Truck in and keep it out of the weather. After much discussion it was decided to leave things as they are. Tim Lee said he might let us store the truck in his pole barn this winter.

There will be another ATV class in June, led by Mike Paul. Watch the newsletter for more details.

NEW BUSINESS: The snowmobile club is asking for \$750.00 a year for rent from the ATV Club for the 2011 season and \$1,000.00 for the 2012 season plus an additional \$75.00 for any other functions we would hold at the club house. Mike Thompson will go to the Snowmobile BOD meeting and relay the message that we will continue to pay our \$500.00 a year rent if this is acceptable. Otherwise we will check out other places to hold our meetings and etc. As of this date the snowmobile club will not accept our offer to continue holding our meetings at the club house, so we are now looking for a new meeting place. Check the bottom of this newsletter for time and place of the June meeting.

NOMINATIONS:

PRESIDENT	Steve Lobitz
VICE PRESIDENT	Tim Lee
SECRETARY	LaVonne Thompson
TREASURER	Nicci Minnick

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Kendall Johnson
Gary Koel
Warren Martiny
Steve Bethke
Roger Beffa
Lee Ellerbruch (alternate)

DELEGATES TO ALLIANCE
Dave Drew
Steve Lobitz
Tim Lee
Dick Olson
Dick Engness (alternate)

MEMBERSHIP
Cindy Lobitz

50/50 won by Roger Beffa

**CHANGE IN MEETING PLACE FOR THE ATV CLUB
WEDNESDAY JUNE 8TH, 2011 @ 7:00 PM**

**SPIDER LAKE SALOON
N2586 SPIDER LAKE TRAIL
BIRCHWOOD, WI 54817**

That is 5 miles North of Birchwood on Cty. Hwy. T

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm

Respectfully submitted
Judy Martiny

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Your membership helps maintain the trails, is good from April 1st thru March 31st.
Please make checks payable to: Birchwood Bobcat ATV Club, Inc.
Mail to: PO Box 345, Birchwood, WI. 54817

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