

Tamworth Outing Club minutes, January 28, 2019

Present:

Board Members: Suzanne Morgan, Sheldon Perry, Kathi Brown, Dylan Alden, Amy Berrier, Anne Chant, Kit Morgan, Karl Behr, & Brian Cutter.

Meeting called to order at 7:15.

Secretary's Report:

Report from January 7 meeting approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Approved.

Sled Dog Race:

Sled dog race has been postponed to March 2-3, due to adverse conditions on the lake. The snowmobile got stuck in the messy snow and slush mix during grooming on the lake. Brian and Karl got it unstuck.

Extended discussion of trail access, landowner permission (or lack of it), trail grooming, etc.

Peter Smart will assist with grooming for the March 2-3 race. He will go over the trails between the Saturday and Sunday races.

Sheldon reports thirty-four sponsors. Discussion followed.

Lyceum has requested that they be able to sell t-shirts specially made for sled dog races in a previous year when the race was cancelled. There is no date/year on the shirts. Shirts would sell for \$15 and TOC would get \$6-\$7 per shirt.

Boy Scouts have a Chocorua ornament that they would like to sell.

Board agreed that these two organizations can sell sled dog and Chocorua themed memorabilia. Sheldon will let them know.

Gemini Sign has info for the race banner and will print it if race is on. Minuteman Press will print the flyer. Dylan will pick these items up before the race.

Friday before the races: trailer goes to the lake and snowbank sign is erected.
Saturday: sandwich board sign with sponsors goes up on the lake.

Remick Museum Ice Harvest Festival:

Ice Harvest Festival will be February 16. Sheldon is all set, with help, to set up a winter camping exhibit there and be on hand to greet visitors throughout the event.

Ski Program:

Kathi gave a brief (and positive!) report on the ski program so far.

Dances:

Adult/teen admission was raised to \$8 at the start of 2019. Amy reports that the increase from \$7 to \$8 helped us to break even with the January Second Saturday dance. (The thought is to proceed without a partner/sponsor, with the possible exception of Chocorua Lake Association in August, since they did such an amazing job on publicity, in addition to the \$100 sponsorship).

Karl has Christmas lights available to string around the Town House upstairs for future dances.

Discussion of whether to have a meal or appetizers at the March 9 dance at The Preserve.

Ski Trail Sign:

Dylan laminated the existing Ferncroft trail maps and posted them at the trailhead kiosk. Mark Smith updated these maps to make them easier to read. Updated maps will be laminated and posted at some point.

Cranmore Ski Day:

Following up on Barb's invitation to all board members to join her for a complimentary ski day at Cranmore, all interested should meet at 10 AM this Sunday, February 3. Amy, Anne, and possibly Sheldon and Hannah will be there. Anne will email Barb.

Other Business:

Sheldon let everyone know about an upcoming program about the history of the White Mountain National Forest entitled "The People's Forest." This will be on Sunday, March 17, 3:30 at Runnells Hall.

The article for the March 2019 Warrant is all set.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Next meeting: Monday, February 25, 7:15

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier