HV4W

Meeting Minutes January 16, 2024

Call to Order: 8:01 p.m. Crew Restaurant, Poughkeepsie

Pledge of Allegiance

Motion to accept minutes of November, 2023, meeting passed by unanimous vote.

President's Report:

- Pres. Gennodie reported the Festival of Lights event was a big hit with a great turnout.
- An email seeking an indication of interest went out to all members regarding a "club crawl" competition. The club is looking for four entries and needs one more to complete a team. The event will be held at Rausch creek on April 20th.
- There will be a NOVA meeting this Sunday at Tar Hollow.
- Any who attended one of the CPR/first aid training sessions, and filled-out the necessary paperwork, should be receiving certificates of completion, soon.
- Mr. President reminded all in attendance that trespassing for purposes of trail riding is highly discouraged and won't be tolerated especially if it implicates HV4W in any way.
- The holiday party hosted by the club was a sold-out success. Several members noted the good times that were had.
- The club will be sending out an email request for updated contact details from each the membership.
- Stealing the Trail Coordinator's thunder, Kevin reported that the ride last Saturday was good and that there will be several "snow runs" planned for this year.

Treasurer's report:

Jarret reported the club's finances as such:

Checking: \$2523Savings: \$1946Paypal \$300

o Cash \$68

The net outlay by the club for the holiday party was \$1226 including food, tax, tip, prizes and admission of several distinguished guests.

Secretary's Report:

 All members were reminded that the annual club membership agreement must be signed by every member, each year. The waiver is available on the website for all to sign for 2024. Please do so at your earliest convenience so you're not excluded from a club event or ride.

Trail report:

- There were two rides at New Paltz since the November meeting. Both were good. The night ride was especially fun with some rigs still sporting lights and decorations from the Festival of Lights parade.
- There are over twenty rides on the calendar for 2024, already, with two rides scheduled for this February. One at New Paltz and one at Beaver Dam.

Old Business:

- The club's survey of its member's interest in rides and events has concluded. It was determined that, despite past trends, most members indicated primary interest in blue and black-level trails with many also interested in rides that require travel and overnight stays.
- Joe Rizzo reported on his trip to the Good Evening Ranch. Joe said it was about a 10 hour drive to get there but the ranch has plenty of trails options and offers great accommodations, especially for larger groups. This could be a very good "travel ride" venue for the club and something to keep in mind.
- Kevin reported the club will continue membership in NEA for the 2024 season and reminded members to please check their calendar and partake in any events that are available to member clubs. Membership offers many opportunities for HV4W to participate in distant rides/events. NEA dues will be paid in March.

New Business:

- Pres. Gennodie noted that some members (Andy M.) may have availability and interest in going for rides on weekdays. This is something that can be arranged and accommodated if there is interest.
- K. Gennodie will be attending the meeting of Massachusetts Mudders this month.

- Wheeling4Warriors has been posted online. Registration will begin sometime in April. It is, again, expected to sell out very quickly so, if you're interested in going, you'd best check their site and be ready to click the link as soon as registration opens.
- The club is looking to expand its venue options for its monthly meetings to perhaps offer some different locations that are more convenient for members who travel from further away. Kevin welcomed all suggestions and will report back in the future.

New Attendees:

While not a new attendee, Kevin G. welcomed Renee R. back to a meeting of HV4W. Renee heads-up Lady Jeepers of NY and hopes to personally participate in more HV4W events this season. If you're a lady, take a look at their website and all that they offer the lady Jeep enthusiast.

K. Gennodie also welcomed back a former member, James Burns. James reported he has been wheeling Jeeps for many years and wants to reconnect with the club.

50/50:

The club had limited 50/50 tickets on hand so the price of each ticket was raised to \$2. Congratulations to M. Ventorino.

Adjourned:

Further sayeth not, the meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.