

Kelly Lake Sportsman's Club, www.kellylakesportsmansclub.com & Facebook
Meeting Minutes, January 26th, Don's Place, Klondike

Meeting called to order by President Arlyn Libal with 14 members present.

Secretary's minutes: Motion made by Earl Macha to approve minutes from last meeting as printed, seconded by Rick Kozlovsky. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report read by Nancy Macha: Motion made by Pam Lemorande to approve treasurer's report, seconded by Earl Macha. Motion carried.

K.L.S.C. Ice Fishing Derby: Treasurer Nancy Macha handed out a financial summary report . The report broke down each area of the derby with expenses & profits. It also compared the numbers to last year. The derby was a great success thanks to all attending. Food stand went well for the Brazeau Fire Department. Meat Raffle and Silent Auction both gained profit from last year.

Two volunteers (Amy & Jamie) sold \$600.00 worth of raffle tickets on the ice, day of derby. Both said they are looking forward to selling again next year. Great job and thank you! John Campbell reported the ticket sells for the 1st 50/50 were good, the 2nd 50/50 sells were excellent.

Rick Kozlovsky reported on bar service, club will up the order of Bud Light for next year. Rick also reported on Fish Registration, a lot of nice fish were registered. Rick suggested, for 2018, club have a specific registration rule sign posted. Rebecca Becky commended the team for the great job on the 42 bucket raffle prizes. Merrilee Libal suggested a Meat Raffle sign. Cindy Brokiewicz suggested a Grand/Main Ticket Prize sign and new road Ice Derby signage. Board will follow up on these ideas for next year. Earl Macha reminded the chairs of each area to update their file folders. Cindy Brokiewicz reported Bernie Madison's idea to have zippered money/ticket raffle bags were a big hit with the bars/businesses. Club will order more for next year. Savannah Sleeter added a KLSC Ice Fishing Derby thank you on our website per Cindy Brokiewicz.

Cindy Brokiewicz checked with the Times Herald regarding an ad in their newspaper for a Ice Derby article and thank you, something club has done in the past. A 5x7 ad would cost \$171.00. Club members thought this would be a good thing, perhaps adding the Peshtigo Times. Arlyn Libal volunteered to do the press release article. Thank you Arlyn.

K.L.S.C. Gun Banquet: Arlyn Libal will chair the event this year. Rick Kozlovsky, board member, will purchase the guns. \$10,000.00 budget, as a start , was allocated for gun purchase which is in line with last year. Discussion as to whether the "1 in 6 attendees Will Win a Gun" promotion will be done again this year. Rick Kozlovsky suggested perhaps "Buy a Table" type promotion , where attendees can purchase a 10 seat dinner table for \$1000.00 and 1 person on that table would be guaranteed to win a gun. Board members will discuss at next meeting. Merrilee Libal suggested listing the prime guns on our posters and invitations to draw attention to the quality of guns. Members thought this would be a good idea.

Earl Macha proposed including youths this year, club members agreed, more to follow on this idea. Cindy Brokiewicz mentioned club should check with Romy's Holiday Inn regarding fish on our menu for the banquet. It had already been printed in our winter newsletter that we would have fish on the banquet menu. Mailing list and labels will be done by Cindy Brokiewicz. Glen Bouchard, club member, will be asked to run the meat raffle again this year. Issue of number of attendees was addressed by John Campbell. To prevent a dinner seating problem perhaps club should have a cut off number of attendees. Rick Kozlovsky suggested having it on the posters and invitation that there are limited # of seats available. It was decided to table this discussion. Arlyn will speak to Romy's Holiday Inn for the maximum seating numbers and report at the next board meeting.

Sunshine Club: Cindy Brokiewicz, chairperson, sent cards to Arlyn Libal, Dave Parmentier and Ron Tank.

K.L.A.A. Liaison: Rebecca Fabry reported the KLAA Comprehensive Management Plan Survey will be sent out within the next couple weeks. Also, the Clean Boats/Clean Waters starting date for manning the boat landings will start at ice out this year. Rebecca thanked the club again for all their volunteer hours put in last year.

Pheasants/Suring Sportsman's Club Liaisons (co-chairs) Earl Macha & Bernie Madison reported 100 pheasants ordered so far for next year's plant & hunt. Gift certificates were given to the (2) land owners which donate land for the club's pheasant program.

Liaison Reports: Oconto County Sportsman's Alliance donated \$200.00 to our Gun Banquet. Our club donated (2) gift certificates to White Potato Lake Ice Fishing Derby.

Kids Fishing Derby: (co-chairs) Pam Lemorande and Cindy Brokiewicz reminded club the derby will take place June 4th, 2017. Last year 78 kids were registered. Past attendees and club members comprise the mailing list for invitations. More details of the derby will be reported at a later date.

Fish Stocking: co-chair Arlyn Libal reported 2017 is a non-walleye year per the DNR planting program. Discussion was opened up to club members as to if the club should pursue any other species to plant in Kelly Lake. Blue Gills were suggested. Arlyn will check with the DNR and report back to club.

Memberships: Chair Cindy Brokiewicz advised that the club ended 2016 with 230 paid members which is up from 2015 by 32. Bonnie Lade & Merrilee Libal sold 28 memberships at the Ice Fishing Derby this year. Thank you!

Unfinished Business from Last Meeting: Donation request for a Suring Veteran Memorial tabled for more information.

New Business: Scholarship program was discussed. Letters from students are due to the club by March 1st to qualify for 1 of two \$500.00 scholarships offered. One question to club : How do the students know about the scholarships? We post in our newsletter, Facebook and website. Also, in the past, area schools were notified. Jim Trochte, club member, suggested contacting the DNR area Warden or Oconto County Sportsman's Alliance for any suggestions how other clubs run or promote their scholarship programs. Jim volunteered to do some follow up on this issue. Arlyn suggested changing the criteria for the scholarships to include more college fields. Rebecca Fabry would like to see the schoolships increased to \$800.00 each. All good ideas which the board will take into consideration for next year.

Misc: Two letters, which were emailed to our club, read by club secretary. One from a club member commended the club's pheasant program and hunt. The second from a member in appreciation for the updates he receives in regards to the club's activities. Thank you!

Savannah Sleeter was thanked for the excellent job she is doing keeping our website updated!

No further information regarding a possible Fish Sticks at our Memorial Park site on Kelly Lake.

Thank you all for attending.

Motion made to adjourn by Rebecca Fabry, 2nd by Nancy Macha, Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by
Cindy Brokiewicz
Club Secretary

