

SOUTHERN MAINE TRACTOR CLUB



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

MERRY CHRISTMAS

So is everyone wishing for a new tractor for Christmas? Maybe just peace on earth is a better wish and a Happy New Year.

We had a really good pot luck lunch with plenty of good food last Sunday. Everyone should come to one of these dinners and enjoy the good food and company. Roxanne came up with a great idea for the high points award. She took pictures of all the pullers and the winners

received a coffee cup with a collage of themselves around the cup. Also the club gave each winner a \$20.00 Wal-Mart gift certificate. Joey Boudreau and Bucket were not present to receive their awards. At the business meeting, it was voted to put a binding resolution on the ballot. If the majority vote yes, anti-tip over devices (wheelie bars) will be mandatory for everyone next year. Last year the majority was in favor of wheelie bars and we recommended it. Some did not install them and we had two close calls this summer. Rather than 35 people at a meeting making the decision, I would like everyone to have a say.

Next meeting will be at Bob Hanson's garage on January 17th at 1 PM. The K of P has raised the rent on the hall so we will try moving the meeting around.

Bob Hanson's garage is on Pleasant Hill Rd which is a left off 117 off of 202 in Hollis Center.

There is a sign for the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church at the corner. Bob's garage is just beyond the church.

Roxanne and I want to thank each and every one of you for your help and support that you have given us this year. We could not do it without you. An active membership makes the club strong.

Have a safe and Happy Holiday.

Frank Bumford

TREASURER'S REPORT

opening balance	\$3,543.00
mailing	\$81.98
trophies & gifts	\$638.23
website	\$35.85
total spent	\$756.06
closing balance	\$2,786.94

MINUTES OF DECEMBER MEETING

Minutes December 13, 2009

K of P Hall

Berwick, Me

After a pot luck dinner and the presentation of the high points winners and gifts of appreciation, the meeting was called to order by Frank Bumford.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Lenny Tibbetts made a motion to accept the minutes as read. The motion was seconded and passed.

The treasurer's report was passed out. Walter Osborne made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as written. It was seconded and passed.

The thank you note from Betsy Clark was read. The club had sent Don some yellow and green flowers.

Old Business

There was none brought up.

New business

Frank bought up the club balance. He stated that it had been brought up to him that the original intent of the club was to have very little money left over at the end of the year. The club after paying its insurance will have about \$1000. It was discussed and decided to keep that money as a cushion. John Martell made a motion to keep the money as a cushion. It was seconded and passed. The dues and insurance will remain the same as last year.

After discussion on wheelie bars, it was decided to put a binding question on the ballot concerning wheelie bars. The club membership will decide if wheelie bars will be mandatory.

Lenny Tibbetts made the motion to place the wheelie bar question on the ballot. It was seconded and passed.

We discussed meeting places. The K of P Hall has raised the amount that they want to rent the hall. The next meeting January 17th at 1PM will be held at Willie and Bob's .

Lenny Tibbetts said that the Lebanon Mud run would like to build a track for truck and tractor pulls. He will have more details at a later date.

Nominations:

President: Bob Hanson nominated Frank Bumford and it was seconded.

Secretary/ Treasurer: Willie Whitten nominated Roxanne Bumford. It was seconded.

Vice President: Woody Cone nominated Lenny Tibbetts and it was seconded. Willie Whitten nominated Herman Sanborn, he declined.

Nominations were

Pulling Committee:

Walter Osborne nominated Greg Haley and it was seconded.

Roxanne Bumford nominated Willie Whitten and it was seconded.

Lenny Tibbetts nominated Lucien Roy and it was seconded.

Frank Bumford nominated Ray Hillsgrove, he declined.

Bob Hanson nominated Art Marshall and it was seconded.

Greg Haley nominated Al Williams and it was seconded.

Willie Whitten nominated Adam Watson and it was seconded.

David Bumford nominated Willie Ball and it was seconded.

Dick Smith made a motion that nominations cease. Ballots should be mailed to Woody by January 9th.

Woody Cone was appointed ballot clerk and all ballots should be mailed to Woody by January 9th.

There was no other business. Lenny Tibbetts mad a motion to adjourn at 1:45 PM and it was seconded. Next meeting will be January 17th at 1:00PM at Willie and Bob's.

Roxanne Bumford

