

ALASKA EXTREME 4x4 MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JUNE 24, 2004
7:00PM @ VALLEY STREET PARK

OFFICER'S IN ATTENDANCE: Dan Lance-President, Kurt Hala- Vice President, Scott Hala-Treasurer/Membership Coordinator, Carrie Lance-Secretary, Corey Menzel-Sergeant At Arms

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Gary Ehrheart, Chaz Irvine, Kyle and Letitia Jones, Brian Thomas, Dan Waugh, Jay and Stephanie Bird

GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE: Gus Gustafson, Stephanie Jasper, Chris Williams, Jon Miller, Emmanuel Smith, Wes Dietrich, Bill and Katey Connell,

If you did not sign in at the meeting, your name will not appear here

Meeting was called to order @ approx. 7:00pm

Dan Lance asked for introduction of any visitors. Wes- is in the Air Force in avionics. He has been here a few years and knows Paco and Piff. He has 3 kids and drives a white TJ with 33's and a Warn HS9500ti winch.

Dan Lance brought up a request/complaint from someone about previous meetings. The person was concerned with the volume level of people talking while the meetings are going on and people not being able to hear. Dan asked that we try to keep "side-talk" and noise to a minimum so that all in attendance are able to hear what is being said.

Dan Lance brought up the topic of the Meet and Greet. He said overall it all went well and thank you to all who helped make it happen. There are Meet and Greet T-shirts left in almost all sizes-see club officer to purchase one. Thank you to Noah Miller for the great design. There was a discussion about people's comments and suggestions and some of the main ones that have been brought to Dan by various people. One being cussing/swearing on trail runs, especially over the FRS radios as well as at the raffle/t-shirt booth. We discussed that this shouldn't happen due to the variety of people on the runs and to better represent the club to outsiders. It was said that this needs to be kept under control at meetings as well. Dan asked the people present to give their comments and suggestions.

*Some suggested moving the bonfire further away from the sleeping area, some suggested having a quiet time during which stereos and voices were turned down out of respect for those trying to sleep.

* People commented on the great variety of raffle goods and it was suggested to give some business to those who supported the Meet and Greet by giving of their goods or services.

*People commented on the lack of shade-it was discussed to have people bring more tarps and awnings next year.

*Someone suggested spreading out the trail runs more, possibly to 2 days.

*People discussed the issue of too many people being on the runs mostly due to people joining the runs outside the fair grounds.

***All of these ideas and issues will be discussed at the Meet and Greet Committee

follow-up meeting on Friday. Dan asked that anyone else who may have comments to let him know.

Two people were eligible for nominations to become club members. "Chilly" Chris Williams and Al Hofler both received the necessary nominations and were voted in as members.

Ryan Frost, the President of Alaska Off -Road, the off-roading club in Kenai, will be leading a run scheduled as of today for July 17 to Red Mountain for trail upkeep/repairing.

Jay Bird has offered to do a chain saw safety demonstration to help us prevent accidents on the trail. He is a firefighter and has just completed a multiple day course on chain saw use. He recommended that any person using a chainsaw always wear: chain saw chaps, safety goggles, gloves. He also said they should always use a chain cover, be sure to mix the oil and gas, and use the chain brake. He showed how to safely start a chain saw.

Corey Menzel announced that the ARB snatch strap and shackles are still being raffled off. See Corey for tickets.

Dan Lance announced that the Bear Paw Parade and a run to Hicks are both scheduled for July 10. After a short discussion we decided that those who want to participate in the Bear Paw Parade can and those who want to go on the run can and those who run the parade will probably get together for a run afterward. The Bear Paw theme this year is "American Dreams".

There was a run to Boulder scheduled for this weekend, however there was no interest as many people said they will be at the Air Show.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 8, 2004 @ 7:00pm. @ Tony Roma's Restaurant

Meeting adjourned @ approx. 8:00pm

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