

PC Hiking Club Minutes

March 18, 2024

Officers Present: Neal Wring, President and Carol Rice, Secretary

Meeting called to Order: 4:15 pm; Adjourned: 4:30 pm

Meeting held at the Oasis Pool, spring picnic

- **Opening Remarks:**

Recent club events were all well attended, desert center hike at Lake Pleasant, International Women's Day celebration at Kris Raczkiwicz's house, 2nd Annual Octogenarian urban hike at the Goodyear Civic Square and a club backpacking trip.

Thank you to Rowena Stephenson and the Social Committee for putting together the annual picnic and raffle.

- **Executive Committee Activities:**

The February 2023 minutes were approved, Motion to accept the minutes was made by Ann Rohlman with approval made by Linda Schmillen

Financial Report:

Current Balance	\$2591.25
Income	\$100.00
Club Dues Collected	\$100.00
Expenses	\$873.39
Garmin	\$ 71.70
Lake Pleasant Tour	\$ 80.00
Amazon (InReach)	\$475.40
Amazon (walkie/talkie)	\$ 54.39
Speedy Dee Embroidery	\$150.00
(Honorary members)	
Garmin setup/monthly	\$ 41.90

Club Membership 132 (25 new)

There was one new member, Neal Wring will connect him with Nancy Love to schedule an intro hike.

- **Hike Schedule Highlights:**

Dennis Zigmunt lead the first EZ hike and it was well attended. He brought up that he should have a set of radios for those hikes. Barb Kripps brought up that we need to identify what safety gear is needed to support these hikes. Need to determine how much of a medical kit is needed in addition to the

required items that each hikers carries. The EZ hikes will be added to the calendar.

If you are interested in attending the Life of a Saguaro hike, please notify Nancy Love. The hike is April 20th at the McDowell Sonoran Preserve.

- **General Topics:**

Neal Wring reminded everyone that there is a mandatory list of items that need to be carried by each hiker for every hike. This applies to members and visitors. Hike leaders have the authority to tell someone they cannot join the hike if they are not adequately prepared with the mandatory items and water.

Saturday hikes have been well attended, getting 18 to 20 people each week. We need some people to step up to lead the Saturday hikes next season.

Reminder that the weather is warming up and hikers need to carry more water and electrolytes.

- **Elections:**

Tom Wick was elected as Vice President and Mike Tansey as Treasurer. Terms start April 1, 2024 and run for two years. Thanks for stepping forward to run for office and welcome to the Board Tom and Mike!

A big thank you to Nancy Love and Ron Hoffman for serving on the Board the last two years. We appreciate all of the time and effort you put in to support the club.

- **Club Stats:**

The following people met milestones since our February meeting:

Steve McElroy 2000 miles
Eileen Lords Mosse 8000 miles

Laurie Rosenbloom 400 hikes
Sandy Mednick 600 hikes
Neal Wring 600 hikes
Kris Raczkiwicz 1000 hikes
Lynn Warren 1900 hikes

Congratulations to all!

- **Next Meeting:** Monday, April 15, 2024 at 7pm at the Palm Room, Eagles Nest

