



Grand River Trail Riders

P.O. Box 22

Austinburg, Ohio 44010

DECEMBER 9, 2018 – 1:00 P.M. – GRAND RIVER CELLARS MEETING MINUTES

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The minutes/newsletter from the November 11, 2018 meeting was reviewed and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was reviewed and approved.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thanks so much to Paul Carpenter and Rod Butcher for chairing the club float for the Jefferson Christmas parade and to those who helped set up the float, pass out candy, and ride on the float the night of the parade. Our float won "Best Overall—Best of Show"!!

TRAIL BOSS REPORT

The tracked tractor was serviced.

Work still needs to be done on the Jefferson Trail. A trail party will be held on Sunday, December 16, at 8:30 a.m.

There is a new trail which by-passes Deb Armington's field that goes north through the woods.

There is a trail in the Metro-Parks property located off of Cork Cold Springs Road.

Rod worked on the club sled – it is ready to go.

AUSTINBURG CHRISTMAS PARADE – Gary Hines entered the tracked tractor and groomer in Austinburg's Christmas parade.

PARK BOARD

The Park Board is looking into purchasing the parcel of land for the Rock Creek by-pass.

People for Parks is selling raffle tickets for a CVA Optima V2 Muzzleloader, stainless steel scope, and kit at a cost of \$5.00 each. Contact Gary Hines if you are interested in purchasing or selling tickets.

PUBLICITY

Facebook – The club's Facebook page is now "Read Only" and will be used to provide information regarding club events, post when the Greenway trail is open or closed, etc.

Website – Information regarding the club, posting of club events and newsletters, trail conditions, etc., may be found at the club's website: www.grandrivertrailriders.com. If you would like to have pictures or news articles posted on the website, please e-mail them to: stevenbutcher94@gmail.com.

REVERSE RAFFLE

Charity for 2019 Reverse Raffle – Three charities have been recommended for our next reverse raffle--Boy Scouts, Shannon's Market in Austinburg who donates presents to the needy at Christmastime, and Blessings in a Backpack. The second round of voting took place, and Blessings in a Backpack received the majority of the votes from the November and December meetings. The next reverse raffle is going to be held on Saturday, April 27, 2019.

FAMILY FUN DAY – A family fun day will be held on January 20. More details will be available at a later date.

VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE SHOW – The vintage snowmobile show will be held Saturday, February 9. Our club house will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Any vintage sled is welcome. The event will be held—snow or no snow. For more information, call Gary Hines at 440-344-3555.

OSSA

Safety Class – The next safety class will be held on Sunday, January 6, 2019 at the Geauga Observatory Park in Montville from noon to 5:00 p.m. for children ten years of age and older.

Two Ride-In's – OSSA is going to have **two** Ride-In events this coming season. The first Ride-In will be held January 24-27, 2019 at Chautauqua Inn & Suites in New York. NOTE: Snowmobilers can gain access to the trail system from Chautauqua Inn & Suites via the boy scout camp. The second Ride-In will be held February 20-24 at Kewadin Hotel and Convention Center in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. **Both events will be held if there is ample snow.** Fliers are available on both our club's website and OSSA's website.

Winter Fun Day – Since Jewel's Dance Hall in Austinburg has closed, OSSA will find a new location to hold their Winter Fun Day.

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, January 13, at 6:00 p.m. at the Grand River Manor

OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE 2018-2019 SEASON

Officers

President - Barry Weaver - 440-576-0635
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Jefferson's 'Charlie Brown Christmas' parade winners



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Grand River Trail Riders Snowmobile Club was named the Best of Show in Jefferson's Christmas parade.

MUSICAL GROUPS, BATON, BAND & DRILL

1st place, Jefferson Area High School Marching Band
2nd place, Emerald City Twirlers

EQUESTRIAN AND HORSE-DRAWN VEHICLES

1st place, Abigail Butcher
2nd place, Jan Sharp

RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

1st place, Hope Community Church
2nd place, Jefferson Area Children's Choir

COMMERCIAL & BUSINESS

1st place, King Luminaire
2nd place, Lakeview Federal Credit Union

COMMUNITY SERVICE

1st place, Ashtabula County Technical and Career Campus
2nd place, American Cancer Society/Relay for Life of Ashtabula County

BEST OVERALL - BEST OF SHOW

Grand River Trail Riders Snowmobile Club