

August 8,2024

Jamie called the meeting to order at 7:13pm. The meeting was started with the Pledge of Allegiance. The treasurer's report was read by Sara Lou and accepted by Ricky Rhuda and seconded by Mike Maguire. The minutes were passed out for members to review. Ricky Rhuda made a motion to accept them and seconded by Mike Maguire

Old Business:

Jamie discussed Unity weekend, had a great ride, that was well attended with 40- 50 boats , good lunch , had 50 tables, pool party was success too, overall very successful weekend, the meeting was also well attended . - Jamie discussed possibly doing something at the landing next year. Matt discussed the 10 year management meeting , the room was packed & overall a positive experience – FWC understanding our passion .

We held our first Airboat Show Committee meeting, was well attended, got the ball rolling if there is anyone else that wants to be part of it please let us know , takes a lot of people.

Discussed FAA conference call- had over 400 people at unity banquet, raffled a lot of guns, THE STATE RIDE that was set for Sept 7th has been cancelled this was due to the volume of people that were attending and the location of the event, discussed possible rides but there is not a definite date or location of where the first state ride will be.

Website update was given , we have a QR code now , working on the google listing and other things but it is live.

Mike Magurie mentioned Chelsea was interested in partaking in the show and doing a kid zone, they have a variety of games and options.

Robbie mentioned the Touch a Truck as an option, to bring an airboat/ buggy and have save the date cards there before the event. Jeneane was looking into it, the date for it is 1/25/25.

Informed everyone of Caroll Wright's passing and to keep Bishop & family in their prayers. Her services are scheduled for August 18th at Palms West Funeral Home.

- € **Jamie gave report from BOCC meeting today – got everything waived, also got archery approved with the 4-H sharpshooters again, we will need to pay for 2 cleaning people for the day, we will also be able to have information on the digital banner, have kids corner, buggy rides, they also mentioned TDC has paperwork pending grant approval.**
- € **Feb 1. 2025 is FSCA Youth Day encourage members to help and attend, Jamie asked people to help him with fishing area.**
- € **Labor Day 9/2/24 - Robbie is going to pull a buggy in the parade with a banner to start promoting the show , we are going to get fliers or cards printed to hand out as well, if anyone else would like to pull a buggy , boat side x side etc you are welcome to just let us or Robbie know if you'd like to help in passing out cards or ride please let us know, we could set up a booth Monday too if anyone wanted to .**
- € **Matt has a date to do the hunter safety instructor course, it will be Tuesday August 20th. Names were listed for those that signed up for our club and then a few others were added that night & just told form needs to be filled out prior.**
- € **Next FAA Quarterly Meeting will be Oct 12th off 112, all are welcome to attend there will be a ride afterwards as well.**
- € **Matt discussed the pre hunting meeting that will be at the youth camp 8/27 at youth camp at Corbett at 7pm, lots of things will be discussed, definitely encourage attendance .**

- € Indian River Club has a clay shoot on October 5th , discussed sponsorship opportunities, voted to do a \$ 250.00 sponsorship .
- € Discussion on Christmas party & location, we had previously decided on 12/14/24 , however that is not possible for president, however members could still do it. then we discussed 12/8 or 12/15 , will discuss more at upcoming meeting.
- € First youth hunt is Oct 25-27th at Lamb Island.
- € Jamie informed all that when they were on the ride him & Charley went by and seen that the whole flag pole at Tin Shed was gone. Discussion on this and what to do & ways to replace it, concrete?
- € Jamie brought up that he priced a shipping container to store the tree stands- the price for it is \$2,250. There was some discussion on it, even putting axles on it., permission . We need to deiced something by the end of January as we won't be able to keep them where they have previously been stored after then.
- € Ricky and several members wanted to set a date and finish tin shed and get the road cleaned up there, date was not set.
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The incentive drawing- Larry Tatum, not present.

Happy birthday & Happy Anniversary to our members who have a birthday or Anniversary in August & will have one in September!

If you would like the newsletter emailed to you instead of being mailed please send me your email address at loaaairboaters@gmail.com

If you are on Facebook please like our club page , Lake Okeechobee Airboat Association. We do our best to post upcoming events and pictures so go check us out!

Please check out our website www.LOAA1988.com

As always we are open to any new ideas & suggestions to grow our club & get it out there to others! Our next meeting is September 12th at Good Spirits, meeting starts at 7pm.

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As always slide safely !

