



**Indian River County Airboat Association Inc.
Meeting Minutes –Marsh Landing Fellsmere, FL**

Meeting Minutes

March 23rd, 2016- Monthly Meeting

Called to order @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: 28 club members were present

Minutes: Paul Shutes- Requested a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting as stated in the newsletter sent on March 4th, 2016 to each member via email or postal mail and can also be accessed via the website. Sindy Smith made the motion to accept the minutes and Jay Davey seconded it.

Treasurer: Heather Holbrook- Heather read the financial report. A motion to accept the financial report was made by Chris Worthen and Sam Adams seconded it.

Old Business:

- **50/50-** This month's 50/50 was \$76.00 the winner was Robin Curry winning \$38.00 and the other \$38.00 will go back to the club.
- **2016/2017 Airboat-** Paul gave an update on the status of the airboat. Wade has almost completed the Hull and will begin working on the Rigging, Schmidt has purchased the Motor and is in the process of overhauling it. Wade and Schmidt will be working together on the color scheme and Paul will be getting with Wade to take some photos of the boats progress. We should have it by the time FAA gives their boat away.
- **4-H Hog-** We had a cap this year for buying a swine of \$5.00 lb which was more than last year but barely enough to get a hog. The starting bids were \$5.00 and up so we ended up purchasing a buy back at the end for \$1,495.00.
- **Events Attended since last meeting**
 - ✚ **ShrimpFest-** Everyone who worked had a great time, the Shrimp which were grown right in Fellsmere and were awesome. We sold a lot of t-shirts and tickets on the cooler and gun.
 - ✚ **Cracker Day Rodeo-** Everyone had a good time, we had the club trailer there, and sold quite a few t-shirts and raffle tickets, Heather said that we made more there then we made all weekend at Shrimpfest.

- 🚒 **IRC Firefighters Fair-** We had the club trailer there all week long and did pretty good in trailer sales and raffle sales but as always we did NOT have enough help or we could have done a lot better. We gave the Cooler and Gun's away on Saturday. The winner of the Browning X-Bolt Medallion gun package was **Bobbie Williams of Arcadia** she was excited when we called her she said she bought her ticket at Shrimpfest. The Winner of the Yeti Cooler was **Tasha Taylor** of Okeechobee and the winner of the 10/22 Ruger was **Wynn Owle** of Vero Beach congratulations to all the winners.

New Business:

- **New Members**
We had 4 new Club members this Month- Mike Staski, Alan Hall, Eric Williams and Josh Jenkins. Thank you for joining we appreciate your support and welcome to our club!
- **Guest Speaker**
Joe Earman who is running for County Commissioner District 3 came to speak to the club to ask for our support. Joe said that he has lived in Indian River County all his life and that he is a retired Firefighter and an avid hunter and fisherman. He stated that he is Pro outdoors and pro recreation and if there is anything he can do to make outdoor recreation better for us as a county commissioner then he is 100% behind us. He also stated that he knows we as a club are out there to protect our conservation and land and if we will support him then he will in return support us. Thank You Joe for coming and speaking with us.
- **New Raffle Item**
Since everything was given away at the fair we will need to purchase new items for the upcoming events. Everyone gave opinions as to what to purchase for the next raffle but since Guns and Coolers are our biggest raffle items everyone wants to stick with them instead of trying something different. This topic was tabled till the next meeting to let everyone think about it. The Next event is Osceola's Stomp in the Swamp we would like to have our trailer there and will need someone to work it and pull the trailer there, so please volunteer if you can.
- **Stock Trailer**
We are getting low on product again and need to place an order. Sam Adams made a motion to spend up to \$1,500.00 to restock Hats, Shirts and Koozies it was seconded by Robert Gardner, a show of hands were in favor motion passed.
- **Outdoor Jamboree**
We would like ideas from club members on doing another event in Fellsmere because of how good they have been to the club. We plan on approaching this event by having a good time not making money so there will not be NO Entry fees. Please be thinking about ideas and a date we will discuss it further at the next meeting April 27th. Once we get a date and time we will then take it to the City for approval. Susan Adams sad we can get input from the people in the community because they have done plenty of events.
- **Marsh/Road Clean-Up**

We will be having our annual Marsh/Road Clean-Up & BBQ on Saturday May 7th, 2016- Lunch will be right after the clean-up. We need people to please sign up to participate in the clean-up (marsh & Road) and please bring a side dish for the Lunch.

➤ **Upcoming Events**

- **Gulf Stream Turkey Hunt- March 25-26-27th** - Chad Smalley is the Huntmaster
- **Istapoka Turkey Hunt- April 1st 2nd-3rd**- Doug Flood is the HuntMaster
- **Hog Hunt- April 29th-30th 1st**- Robert Anderson in the Huntmaster
- **Osceola Stomp in the Swamp- Saturday April 30th**- We need help with this someone to pull the trailer and work the booth
- **Marsh /Road Clean-Up & BBQ May 7th**- Garcia's Boat Ramp on 512 in Fellsmere at 8:00am- Please sign up too work it and bring a side dish for the BBQ
- **Airboat Rodeo & Poker Run & BBQ- May 21st, 2016** @ Summer Camp in the East Marsh. Please let us know if you will be attending and bringing a side dish.

➤ **Meeting Date**

The Club voted to move the meetings to Wednesday but the Bi-Laws were never amended to reflect the changes. We now need to make a decision as to keep the meetings on Wednesday or change them back to Mondays. Please think about it get back with the club at the next meeting. Mike Herndon will make the necessary changes.

➤ **Open Discussion**

Robert/Jim Smalley- Jim is working on getting the ball rolling for the 3rd Annual Youth Hunt Golf Fundraising Tournament together. If you would like to help, please get with Jim.

Paul- He Purchased 3 table Runners that were approved months back, Mr. Smalley agreed to pay for 2 of them for the club. Paul will work out the details with him.

Hanna- She wanted to thank the club for getting the bid started on her Swine FloodButt, because until we got it started no one was bidding. She ended up getting \$10.00 a lb. for her swine which by the way won Reserve Grand Champion. Great Job Hanna!!!

Paul- Crosslife is doing a Fundraiser – CJ Cannons with a Fly away to the Keys, please get with Paul for details of this such as cost, dates etc.

Doug- He is looking into the cost of repairing the Awning for the Club Trailer.

➤ **Club Meeting Pot**

We started the pot with \$100.00 plus collected \$12.00 so the total pot was \$112.00 and because the winner **HT Emmons** has not been to the meetings it will roll over till next month. Please remember every members name goes in the POT and you must have attended 2 consecutive meetings in order to win and we encourage you to please pay a dollar at every meeting so that we can get the pot bigger.

➤ **Next club meeting:**

Next club meeting is on Wednesday April 27th, 2016 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm at Marsh Landing. We hope to see everyone there!

Meeting Adjourned