



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

Meeting Minutes

May 25th, 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 May 18th, 2016 to each member via email or postal mail and can also be accessed via the website. Sam Adams made the motion to accept the minutes and Chris Worthen seconded it.

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

Old Business:

- **50/50:** There was no winner for 50/50 last month because I forgot the tickets at home.
- **2016/2017 Airboat:** Paul gave an update on the status of the airboat. The Motor was picked up by Paul and Jeff and delivered to Hamant Airboats. Robert and Eric picked up the Trailer. The motor and Trailer are paid in full now we are just waiting on Wade to start working on the boat. Paul said that the paint scheme is Earth Tones (Green/Brown) and he will update us with photos as it comes along.
- **Scholarships :** Deadline was tonight May 25th at the meeting so we will be turning them over to have 2 names chosen. We will announce it once it's been done, also for those of you who are new to the club every year we give away 2 \$1,000.00 scholarships.
- **Down Town Friday:** Sam Smith made a motion to renew our Down Town Friday Membership for \$50.00. It was seconded by Chad Smalley because we will be in need of a both once we get the airboat done. I am working on getting the cost of the Monthly Downtown Friday each month.
- **Unity Weekend:** Every year the club buys 1-2 (8 person) tables for \$200.00 each. Do we want to go ahead and buy 2 tables and then collect money from those who plan on attending? Sam Smith made a motion to purchase 2 tables for \$400.00. It was seconded

by Chad Smalley a show of hands were in favor, motion passed. If you plan on attending the Dinner Saturday please get with Heather or Myself to pay your \$25.00 to the club. Thank you everyone.

- **3rd Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser:** Jim Smalley and Robert Anderson are heading up the Golf Tournament again this year and they will need at least 10-12 volunteers the morning of at 6:00am. This year we are looking to purchase some Go Pros- Feeders and do a lot of Camper Repairs. The Tournament starts at 8:30 Sharp and the cost for Hole Sponsors and Players are \$50.00. We look forward to this tournament every year, it is a lot of fun. The awards after party will be at Sandy's Grille again.
- **4th of July Parade- Sebastian:** We will have a booth in the park and will need volunteers to help sell Raffle tickets and club merchandise. We would like to have a big showing again, we usually have about 10-12 boats and 3-4 Buggies as well as our float. Work dates for the float will start June 29th and continue each night until Monday Morning the 4th of July. We will be putting the float together at Kerney's house again.
- **Club Ride to Camp Holly:** We will be having our club ride to Camp Holly for Bobby Hinkle's Nephew Wyatt who is suffering with Leukemia. Last month the club agreed to send his family a check for \$500.00 and putting a silent auction package together of club product. They have also asked our club to do the Poker Run which we agreed to do. We will be meeting at the Fellsmere Grade at 8:30am.
FYI- Sam wanted to let everyone know that you are no longer allowed to be pulling up and parking on any of the Levey's in Brevard so be aware they are not writing tickets only a notice to appear on court. Also there are 2 FWC officers who are in plain clothing using normal recreational Airboats so please watch out.
- **Events Attended since last meeting**
 - ✚ **Istapoka Hog Hunt-** Robert Anderson said we will NOT be doing that hunt again next year because SFWMD wants all of their property treated like management areas (No Baiting at all)so it's not a good piece of property for Hog or Turkey Hunting. He said they did not see a single hog all weekend.
 - ✚ **Crunch & Munch Derby-** This was a 1st time event and it was nowhere near the attendance they were expecting and even though we only have a few hundred dollars we got our name out there and that it what it's all about.
 - ✚ **Marsh & Road Clean-Up/BBQ-** We had a good time although the turnout from the club was the worst it's ever been. We collected about 32 bags of trash, found swimming pools, bathtubs, tv's and even pulled an airboat out of the water. There was also an older guy from Ft Pierce, who rolled his boat over in the canal Robert and Jay went to his rescue. They managed to get his boat rolled back over and pulled out of the water. He was so thankful and appreciative of the Clubs help that he became a club member.

New Business:

- **New Members:** We had 3 new Club members this Month- Matt Tharp, Adam Bridwell and Harry Rainey. Thank you for joining we appreciate your support and welcome to our club!

- **FAA:** It is that time again. Our \$200.00 FAA Fees are due so Sam Smith made a motion to renew them and it was seconded by Chad Smalley. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed.
- **HT Emmons:** HT Emmons (Danny Emmons father) was great guy and a longtime member of our Airboat club, he passed away. I am sending around a sympathy card for everyone to sign so we can send it to his family. The family will be doing a memorial in the marsh but we do not have a date or time yet but when we do we will let everyone know.
- **Club Dig on Peace River:** Paul Is trying to get a dig together for the club on Peace River. It will be around March or April in 2017 so please think about it and we will discuss it again so see if everyone is interested in doing one once Paul can get us some dates.
- **Sebastian/Vero Club Ad's for Athletic Clubs:** Heather (Colby) made a motion to see if we wanted to sponsor an AD for the Sebastian Sharks and Vero Beach Indians Athletic program book ¼ page ad for Sebastian in Color is \$75.00 and ¼ page for Vero B/W is \$80.00. It was seconded by Doug Flood. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed. I will get our logo to them along with a small description of what our club is about.

Upcoming Events

- ✚ **Fellsmere City Council Meeting- June 2nd** @ 7:00pm -Discussion on the 10,000 acre recreation area, everyone should be there.
- ✚ **Wrac Meeting- June 9th**- Palm Bay 6:00pm-9:00pm. It will be held by FWC and St Johns. Agenda will be what's going on in our marshes and there is open discussion at the end for public comments. Sam also said that he heard there was going to be major discussion about tour boats operating out of Garcia's boat ramp.
- ✚ **Camp Holly Club Ride/Poker Run -June 11th-** 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
- ✚ **4th of July Parade- Monday July 4th** – We will be building a float and have a booth in the park so please everyone volunteer some of your time to work on the float or help out at the booth.
- ✚ **3rd Annual Golf Tournament- Saturday July 9th**- We will be having our 3rd annual youth hunting fundraiser golf tournament at the Sebastian Municipal Golf Course@ 8:30am with an after party at Sandy's Grille. It's a blast to watch so please come play and or volunteer to help out. We do this so that the Youth Hunting program sponsored by the Airboat club can be self-sufficient and not rely on club funds to buy supplies and materials for the hunts.
- ✚ **Unity Weekend- July 15-16-17th** - Okeechobee at the KOA Campground. The cost for dinner is \$25.00 per person. They will have 50/50, Raffle items as well as a silent auction so bring plenty of money. Please come out and support the FAA who uses their funds to fight for our rights to Airboat.
- ✚ **Lake George- July 22-23-24th**- We will be having our annual Lake George trip to the springs. We will supply lunch on Saturday (on the water) and the meat for Saturday night's dinner. Everyone is encouraged to please bring a side dish for Saturday nights dinner.

➤ **Open Discussion:**

Jeff- FAA Unity weekend is July 15-16-17th. FAA Quarterly meeting is on Friday 15th at TinFish @ 6:30pm they will have a guest speaker FWC officer Richard Gore. Unity dinner is on Saturday 16th at the KOA Campground like last year. Dinner will include Steak or Chicken, green beans, baked potato & a dinner roll. He also said it's very important to get the tables reserved so they know how much food to prepare. He also said that they are looking for 10 vendors and 10-12 NICE airboats to display so if you want to bring your boat please get with Jeff Lessara.

Robert- Requested a motion to give Jeff Lesarra \$50.00 for a gas invoice from his business for going to pick up the motor. It was seconded by Sam Smith. The only issue was that he did not have an actual gas receipt just an invoice made up by his business, and Heather said the by-laws state it must be an actual receipt to be reimbursed. **Sam** said if someone drove all the way to FT Lauderdale they should be reimbursed no matter what and besides he further stated that it was approved a long time ago that if anyone used their personal vehicle for club purposes that they are to be reimbursed for gas if requested. A show of hands were in favor, motion passed.

Chad- Wanted to let everyone know that there will be an Election party at the Tiki Bar for Wesley Davis at 5:30pm on June 9th, 2016 so if you are not planning on attending the WRAC meeting then perhaps you can go support Wesley Davis with his election.

Bill Olexa- He was having Septic issues so he called Hinkle Septic because he sponsored our Youth Hunt Club Trailer and Mr. Hinkle mentioned that he seen the trailer being pulled the other day and that his name was not on it. Bill assured him that next time he seen it that his name would be on it because Jay Davey was working on getting it updated.

Club Meeting Pot: We started the pot with \$100.00 plus collected \$23.00 so the total pot was \$123.00 and the winner was Rusty Cooper (2nd time) who has not attended any of the meetings so it will roll over till next month. Please remember every members name goes in the POT and you must have attended 2 consecutive meetings and paid your \$1.00 at each meeting 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 June 22nd, 2016 from 7:00pm – 8:00pm at Marsh Landing. We hope to see everyone there!

Meeting Adjourned