



SUNDOWNERS 4X4 CLUB

Meeting Minutes

August 11th 2022



Call to Order, A club meeting of Sundowners 4x4 Club was held on August 11, 2022 and via ZOOM. Meeting began at 7:00pm and was presided over by Tim Lamphere, with Paul Cochran taking over due to a family emergency and David Perigo as secretary.

Attendees

- Tim Lamphere – President
- David Perigo – Secretary
- Paul Cochran – Trailmaster
- Linda Sholdice – Treasurer
- Kerry Robbins – IT/Webmaster
- + 13 members present, + 2 on Zoom

- Club dues are \$60 (remember we all expired on New Year's Eve).
- These can be paid at any event or meeting, or visit our updated website and pay via PayPal of \$63 (Sundowners4x4.org).
- If you have recently moved, please keep us updated with your new address.



Yearly Participation Award

This year's participation award will be an awesome recovery kit valued about \$400. Paul debuted the gear from Discovery 4x4 Adventures.

- We give out 1 ticket to each current member that shows up to a club function. That includes; meetings, runs, meet and greets, etc. At the end of the year one ticket will be drawn and one lucky winner will receive a cool prize valued up to \$400. This drawing will be held at the end of the year Christmas party.



Old Business

- OffroadBusinesslist.com will be a site where a customer or business can list a shop or parts store that they recommend. They are up to 350 businesses listed nationwide. Please try listing your favorite off road businesses.
- Adopt-a-highway clean-up of our stretch of US-131 Hwy between mile marker 36 and 38 (Stadium Drive and West Main/M-43) for Adopt-A-Highway.
 - July 23 & 24th cleanup had 7 show for Saturday and 3 for Sunday.
 - Must be 3 or more people at a session. No kids under 12 years old.
- We plan on having a Sundowners family/Meet & Greet picnic & potluck.
 - Sunday August 14th from 12 – 2 with a short trail ride to follow.
 - Yankee Springs State Park, 2104 Briggs Rd South, Middleville, MI.
 - Sundowners will provide Subs and water.
 - Bring your own drinks and chairs and a dish to pass if you can.
- Raffle license is in the works. Still working with Gas pedal Customs for the raffle. Just waiting on the state.
- The Dock at Bayview is continuing the Jeep Nights on the first Wednesday of the month.
 - They announce a different Jeep theme on their Facebook page for each month.





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- Sunday Aug 7th was the annual Great Lakes Burn Camp escort-kids-to-camp parade from Wings Stadium to Pretty Lake camp in Mattawan.
 - 8 Jeeps came out and braved the rain along with 150-200 motorcycles and 30-40 firetrucks. Then the Firemen fed everyone hotdogs and burgers.
 - Club donate \$1600 this year; we feel this is a worthy cause to help.
- Advertising budget for GTD and Slim toy drive.
 - \$300 was spent for FB adds last year.
 - What are some other ways to advertise??
 - We'll collect more data and look at this again.
- We need to come up with some solid money raising efforts for our annual Toy Drive and Burn Camp
 - Board will come together and verify our operating budget on Sept 12th
 - A Rodeo, or a 4-wheel drive blessing
 - Poker run -maybe in Allegan Forest
 - Go fund me, or T-shirt/hat sales, or Swap meet
 - 50/50 goes to fundraiser instead of club
 - Car Crush (like a Rage Room) Paul can donate the first victim vehicle.



Treasurer Report

- Financial numbers were approved this month
 - Checking – \$9293.13
 - Savings – \$1561.44
 - Grant/Donation – \$175.44
 - Slim Memorial – \$985.44
 - PayPal – \$0
- Some checks cleared;
 - \$993.49 – T-Shirt sales
 - \$362.33 – Sub trays for Family picnic
- More details available upon request



Affiliation Director

- Please feel free to contact Adam with any suggestions he can bring up to the higher-level associations.





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Trailmaster

- July 23 & 24th Highway cleanup had 7 show for Saturday and 3 for Sunday.
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New Members

- No new members

Coming Up!

- Aug 17-21st Lake City Trail Ride (members only, limited space)
- Sep 1-5th Labor Day Run at Bundy (public welcome)
- Sep 10th Truck/Jeep Show at Gilmore Car Museum (public welcome)
- Sep 14-18th Gaylord / Vanderbilt Trail Ride Pigeon River State Forest (Elk sighting, members only)
- Sep 24-25th Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup on US-131 (2 days)
- Oct 5-9th Drummond Island Adventure (members only, limited space)



Next Get-together, Meet & Greet

- Non planned due to Sunday picnic

Next Club Meeting

- Sept 8th at The Club Car Grill and via [Zoom](#).
 - 6225 D Ave West, Kalamazoo, MI 49009
 - For those who wish to attend via Zoom, a link will be posted on our [Sundowners FB](#) site.



Awards

Turkey Award

...No Change

Cable Puller

...No Change

50/50 Drawing

WINNER - Mike



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2022 Club Events / Runs

PLEASE NOTE: Our events are private (CURRENT MEMBERS ONLY) or by invite, unless listed as PUBLIC WELCOME.

- ~~Jan 8th Slim's ride at Rouch World from 10a-4p preceding the Party (members only)~~
- ~~Jan 8th Sundowners Christmas Party at Cowboy Up in Mendon (members only)~~
- ~~Jan 29th Doug's Birthday Run at Allegan State Game Area (members only)~~
- ~~Feb 12-13th Evert Winter Run, Evert Michigan (members only)~~
- ~~Mar 26th Run Bundy Hill (opens at 9am, public welcome)~~
- ~~Apr 16th Allegan State Game Area Trail Cleanup~~
- ~~Apr 20-24th Rausch Creek PA (canceled)~~
- ~~Apr 30th Annual Jeep Blessing in Mesick Michigan (public welcome)~~
- ~~May 1st Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup on US-131 (public welcome)~~
- ~~May 4-8th Grayling Trail Run, Grayling Michigan (members only, limited space) Canceled~~
- ~~May 7th White Cloud/Baldwin Trail Ride (members only) NEW~~
- ~~May 6-8th Jeep the Mac (public welcome)~~
- ~~May 21st Go Topless Day Jeep/Car Show~~
 - (public welcome, see Facebook or Eventbrite for more details)
- ~~May 26-30th Memorial Day Run at Bundy (members only, limited space, 13 camp spots reserved)~~
- ~~Jun 2-5th Silver Lake Sand Dunes Jeep Invasion (public welcome)~~
- ~~Jun 11th Ladies Only trail ride Canceled~~
- ~~Jun 26th Kalamazoo Growlers Sundowner's Jeep Game (open at 11:45, game at 1:35, public welcome)~~
- ~~July 9th Butler Speedway and Fireworks (public welcome) Canceled~~
- ~~July 16th Hero's on the Dunes, Silver Lake (public welcome)~~
- ~~July 23-24th Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup on US-131 (2 days)~~
- ~~Aug 7th Great Lakes Burn Camp Parade~~
- ~~Aug 12th Toledo OH Jeep Fest (public welcome)~~
- ~~Aug 14th Sundowners Summer Picnic Yankee Springs State Park (public welcome)~~
- ~~Aug 17-21st Lake City Trail Ride (members only, limited space)~~
- **Aug?? Extreme Off-Road Expo Jeep Fest, Ionia Michigan (public welcome)**
- **Sept 1-5th Labor Day Run @ Bundy (public welcome)**
- **Sept 10th Truck/Jeep Show @ Gilmore Car Museum 9a-4p (public welcome)**
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- **Sept 24-25th Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup on US-131 (2 days)**
- **Oct 5-9th Drummond Island Adventure (*members only*, limited space)**
- **Oct 22rd Fall Color Tour and Night Run**
- **Dec 3rd Slim Stull 2nd Annual Christmas Toy Drive (public welcome)**



BOLD DATES – are confirmed dates

Keep an eye on the Facebook pages (both public and private) for “spur of the moment” runs.

Links (Click on pictures to go to websites)

