

Slow Boys News



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Meeting Minutes March 2024

The Slow Boys Meeting was called to order by President Art Downs. About 27 members were present.

New Members: Hello to Sam and Owen Pree who joined and attended this month's meeting!

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve by Billie Conrad. Seconded by Wayne Becker. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Matt Hall gave the Treasurer's Report. Checking account balance was \$2329.11 and the savings balance was \$5512.20. Motion to approve made by Allyn Kleinert seconded by Lucas Kronos. Motion approved.

Old Business:

Yearly Membership: Membership fees remain at \$40 for the year. Please attend next month's meeting to pay your dues or mail them to our club address: P.O. Box 64, Gilman, IL 60938.

Plow Day: Art Downs had a plow day on March 2nd. It was a bit rough, and a few people had to be pulled out, but they did get the job done!

Pedal Tractor: The club previously purchased a Farmall Super M pedal tractor. We have had it for a few years now with no decision on what to do with it since it was too pretty to modify it for a track tractor. Discussion was made about what to do with it with several options given. In the end, Leroy Ritzma motioned to sell it to Allyn Kleinert for \$450 (which is what the club has invested in it). Lucas Kronos seconded it. A vote was made and all were in favor.

New Business:

Passing of Club Members: Jerry Holsten passed away on March 10th, and Russ Schuler (the last of the club's founding members) passed away on March 18th. Sincerest condolences are offered to both of the families for their loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

Club Fundraising Cookout: April 13th at Hometown Family Foods in Gilman. We will need 9 or more volunteers from 8:30am to 1pm. The more people we have, the shorter the shifts we can have. Please contact Corinne if you can help so she can figure out the schedule for everyone.

Spring Tractor Drive: This year's spring drive will be on April 6th. It will leave out of Mowery's Auction at 10am and head towards Cissna Park this year. Give Corinne a call to sign up if you haven't already!

Donovan FFA Silent Auction: April 20th will be their annual meeting at 6pm followed by the Silent auction at 6:45pm.

Please contact the FFA advisor, Katie Libbey, to let her know if you will attend the meal so she can plan the food accordingly.

New Tractor Pulls: Rankin will have a pull on Friday evening, June 28th. Boswell, Indiana on July 18th - Benton County Fair. July 6th in Onarga, IL is hoping to have a regular tractor pull and a kiddie pull after the parade on Saturday. They are working through some insurance issues before making a final call. More information will be available on all of the events as we get closer to the pulling season.

Iroquois County Fair Kiddie Pull: Will need extra volunteers for Saturday's Kid's pedal pull at the fair this year! Art Downs, who normally announces for us, will be working the FFA Zero turn mower competition during the Kid's pull and therefore unavailable. We will be asking for volunteers to help with the fair and fair events within the next couple months. Please think about how you can help with this year's fair!

Thank you's Received: The club received thank you letters and cards from the following organizations for our donations: Watseka Food Pantry, God's Food Pantry, Martinton Food Pantry, Clifton Food Pantry, IMH Hospice of Iroquois County, The Garage in Gilman, and Shriner's Children's Hospital.

For Sale:

- **Russell Tjarks** has the phone number for someone that is looking to sell a Farmall Super C for \$2200 and an International B with a disc plow for \$2000. Please contact him if you are interested.
- **Noah Fink** is selling a styled John Deere A tractor and is asking \$4500. Contact him with any questions or for more information.

50/50 Drawing: Winning Ticket #3680 was \$25 to the Winner. As this month's winner, Mike Minor donated it back to the club. Thank you Mike!

April's Events:

- Spring Tractor Drive - April 6th
- Donovan FFA Silent Auction - April 20th

Lunch Tonight: Greg and Adrienne Roeder

Lunch Next Month: Ann Roach

Adjourn the meeting: Motion made by Addison Brown seconded by Lucas Kronos. Motion approved.

Next Meeting - April 22nd., 2024 at 7pm at the Crescent City Community Center.

Secretary – Adrienne Roeder

2024 Officers:

President, Art Downs 815-471-6166 - Vice President, Mike Minor – Secretary, Adrienne Roeder – Treasurer, Matt Hall

Additional Board of Directors:

Mike Buhrmester, Matt Hall, Dave Hall, Russell Schuler, Mike Minor, Milton Blume, and Allyn Kleinert