# Hodag 4-Wheelers ATV / UTV Club

Tuesday, December 9, 2025, <u>Club ANNUAL</u> Meeting Minutes Fireside Supper Club, Rhinelander – 6:00 PM

- Call to Order Sergeant at Arms
- Attendance
- Presentation of new members Roger & Kathleen thanks for joining.
- Secretary Report see website for last meeting minutes
- **Treasurer Report** receipts and payments were approved as noted. A recap of 2025 receipts, fundraisers, trail work (tractor payments), etc. was given.

# President Report

➤ This meeting tonight is intended to discuss "things gone right & things gone wrong" to make next season even better. We will not meet again as a club until April 14<sup>th</sup>. But in the next 3 months, your EC and committee members will be considering what we discuss tonight to plan the 2026 season. We aim to be brief and stay on target. Member preparation to comment will help us out.

**Discussion:** Reg recapped his review of 2025 - 1. We ride, 2. We support Rhinelander tourism and 3. We do trail maintenance.

#### Unfinished Club Business

➤ Election of president, treasurer and (3) directors. Passed out the paper ballot.

# • Reports of Committees

### General Meeting

• Meeting time & schedule - Continue with 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at the Fireside Supper Club at 6:00 PM? April through December?

**Discussion:** Everyone agreed that timing and place is great. Would guest speakers be good? What else would you like to have at the meetings, contact Reg with ideas. It was brought up to have a 50/50 drawing at each meeting; everyone was happy with that. We'll go ahead with that for 2026. Would we want to go to the UTV/ATV dealers and offer free membership for a year when they purchase a new machine?

### Grants

**Discussion:** Sickle bar grant from Rhinelander Community Foundation and generator grant through the Rhinelander Chamber.

#### > Trails

**Discussion:** Scott is happy with the way the year went. The new tractor and sickle bar are a work in progress. Signs are out on Hwy. 17. We did get a couple grants that helped with fuel and equipment. Scott would like to get some new committee members for the trails for 2026, just let him know.

A Facebook survey that was done showed 97% favored rugged, natural trails, 3% like flat, gravel. Our trails are County owned so we need to follow their direction on the condition of the trails. We consider our trails natural.

#### Membership

**Discussion:** No change of fees for 2026 – memberships due expire 12/31/2025.

Current membership - 11 single (same as 2024), 61 family members (increase of 7 from 2024). One new lifetime membership. 9 associate members, increase of 3.

# Website / Facebook / Newsletter / You Tube / Other Publicity

**Discussion:** How do we get notification to our members if we have changes in rides, places, etc.? Would it be a good idea to put changes on the web page and everyone could check prior to the event. Most preferred email notification.

#### Maps & Map Sales

- New map status
  - a. 47-48 Committed
  - b. Seven from 2023 said no. but we have 12 new sponsors

#### Merchandise

**Discussion:** No discussion.

### Club Rides

**Discussion:** Need to get the Ride Committee formed to meet in early January. Look at a couple "Picnic Rides" in 2026.

- Fundraising keep, drop, change details, add another?
  - Cash raffle Best for club members to sell them directly instead of putting them in a bar. This is a good option to continue in 2026.
  - Meat raffle no discussion.
  - Share nights Pizza Ranch, DQ, Culver's Chris volunteered to take on the Share night organization for 2026.
  - Poker run no discussion.

# Event Planning - keep, drop, change details, add another?

- Christmas Party review Last Cast. 2025 party was fun. Plan is to continue the party in 2026.
- Let's Ride Expo Oshkosh, May 1

Promote our club and attract ridership to the Rhinelander area. It's held in Oshkosh. Plan for 2026 would be to highlight the system of Harrison Hills, Parish Highlander, Hodag 4-Wheelers and Pelco Mudd Nutz trails.

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade fun time.
- Rhinelander Heritage Day Festival it showed the community who we are.
- Trailside BBQ not really a benefit to the club. Discontinue in 2026 by show of hands.
- Chili Feed and Night Ride continue for 2026 by show of hands.
- Senior Fun Rides continue in 2026. Get the press and TV stations involved to get us some publicity.
- YMCA Not So Scary Halloween Trail Continue in 2026.
- Highway K Clean-up will continue in 2026. Dates are already set.
- Summer "Member Appreciation" Picnic New for 2026.
- Winter Sponsor Gatherings will continue in 2026. Scott has five lined up first one is Dinky Diner on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM.

# Anything Else / New Business

Announcement - winners of election
President Reg Videgar
Treasurer – Sue Dartsch

Directors – Larry Yenter, Joe Maschke, Ben Parsons

Thanks to all who participated.

• Adjournment – see you April 14th