

Sedona Westerners General Membership Meeting, January 12, 2017

Trail Boss Jim Warren called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. The minutes of the General Membership Meeting of November 10, 2016 were approved as posted. After welcoming new members and guests and asking them to introduce themselves, Jim called on the officers to make their reports.

Hike Boss Reports (Details at end of minutes)

Dogie Boss (Dave Vanderwater): Dave acknowledged the following leaders and co-leaders: Barbara O'Connor, Bob Dannert, Tom Blecha, Dave Minott, Mary McCaffrey, Michael McCaffrey, Bob Taylor, Dave Vanderwater, George Witteman, Tom Pallas, Louise Osborn, Charlie Schudson, Mark Ducharme, and Charlie Schudson.

Upcoming hikes include: Boynton Canyon, Pac Man, and Broken Ankle.

Tracker Boss (Everett Davidson): Everett spoke highly of the "Star Gazing" event hosted by A.J. and Peg Cook. There was a slide show, and A.J. demonstrated his programmed telescope. They also served food to those participating. The event at Red Tank Draw was cancelled due to bad weather and will be rescheduled for March 22. On February 15 there will be a tour of Historic Clarkdale. Everett announced that he is seeking a replacement for next year's Tracker Boss. Anyone interested should speak to him or Mary McCaffrey.

Rustler Boss (Al Barton): Al thanked his enthusiastic hike leaders and co-leaders: Mark Ducharme, Don Kling, Jodi Ball, John Losse, Debby Losse, Liz Sweeney, Tony Paunicka, Merribeth Paunicka, Paul LeFevre and Angela LeFevre.

Mustang Boss (Jim Kemper for Tom Yager): Jim expressed appreciation to the following hike leaders and co-leaders: Jim Kemper, John Avery, Ernie Pratt, Linda Warren, Tom Yager, Dave Minott, Jay Mackey, Dave Kieres, Robert Paterson, John Freeman, John Losse, and Debby Losse. Jim invited hikers to join in the upcoming hikes: Broken Ankle, Mescal and More, and Soldiers Heights Loop.

Drover Boss (Bert McLean): Bert announced that two hikes had been cancelled due to inclement weather. He thanked the following leaders and co-leaders: Bob Dannert, Cathy Lutz, Toni Paunicka, Dave Kieres, Debby Losse, John Losse, Dave Vanderwater, Don Kling, Barb O'Connor, Bob Dannert, Tom Blecha, and Dave Minott.

Upcoming hikes include Damfino, Big Park Overlook, and Devil's Bridge.

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Rough Rider Boss (Brad Bell): Brad acknowledged the help of the following hike leaders and co-leaders: Kevin O'Connor, Gini O'Brien, Tom Blecha, Linda Archer, Tom Blecha, Walter Krywucki, Mark Frank, Paul Sullivan, Marion Hadji-Agha, Habib Hadji-Agha, Cherie Ferguson and Al Vanderpeut.

He advised hikers to keep checking the schedule for changes in hike destination due to changing weather conditions.

Ambler Boss (Scott McFeely): The Amblers have had a busy schedule: Grand Canyon, Sedona Loop (Two Fence/Cultural Park); Cow Pies, Mayan Maiden, Coffee Pot Ledge, Jim Thompson/Wilson Canyon. Coming up will be Court House Butte, Rabbit Ears, Easy Breezy, and Cibola Loop. He thanked hike leaders and co-leaders: Scott McFeely, Pat Capanna, Hassan Hosseini, Marj Haas, Linda Schermer, Jan Taylor, Scott McFeely, and Pat Capanna.

Scott and Linda Schermer presented to certificates to those hikers who had completed all six segments of the Sedona Loop. Those to receive certificates were: Al Barton, Hassan Hosseini, Diane Luce, Pat Capanna, J.V. Tekell, Marj Haas, and Pat Bloom. Scott thanked Linda Schermer for putting together and leading the hikes on the Sedona Loop. He gave her a certificate in recognition of her efforts in setting up the loop for Amblers.

Roundup Boss (Louise Osborn): Louise began her remarks by stating that she is not an employee of the Red Rock News but a volunteer for the Sedona Westerners. She has currently eighteen articles on hikes and needs an additional fourteen to complete the season. She thanked Linda Warren, Jim Kemper, Alan Gore, Lin Ennis, Cy Elliott, Angela LeFevre, Bob Taylor for submitting articles. Linda Warren, Jim Warren, and Jim Kemper were acknowledged for writing two articles. Louise also thanked Alan Gore, Karen, Schudson, and John Losse for submitting photographs. Velma Keller was most helpful in putting the articles on the website. Louise has been working closely with Historian Janet Wheeler.

Prospector (Kevin O'Connor): Kevin announced that there are now 317 members of which seventy are new. He also thanked members who had sent letters of condolence to his family.

Ranger (Paul Sullivan): Westerners have noticed more graffiti on the trail. Please report any that you notice while out hiking to Paul Sullivan. For those who have been trained in brushing, should you wish to do any while scouting a hike, please contact Bret Edstrom of the U.S. Forest Servi

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No reports from Historian (Janet Wheeler), Cliff Walker (Paul Cooley) or Lookout (Charlie Schudson)

Chuck Wagon Boss (Perlina McCombs): Perlina thanked those who brought cookies and snacks for the meeting and encouraged people to sign up to bring snacks for future meetings.

Foreman (Gretchen Yager) (Detailed report at the end of the minutes)

Starting Cash Balance *	\$ 8,600.00
Income	\$ 9,170.00
Expenses	\$ 7,981.38
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 7,981.38

*Period of Dec 1, 2016 to Dec 31, 2016

Sunbeam (Karen Schudson)

11/12/16 Get well card to Ken Ferguson
12/7/16 Condolences to Jerry Walters on the death of his mother
12/12/16 Condolences to Kevin and Barbara O'Connor on the death of Kevin's sister and brother-in-law
12/18/16 Get well card to Sue Dannert, who broke her wrist
12/25/16 Get well to Linda Warren, who broke her wrist

Trail Boss (Jim Warren): Jim mentioned that hats are still available for purchase. They will be available at future meetings during the break. He also encouraged members to frequent those businesses who had contributed door prizes for the Holiday Party. He pointed to a poster with the names of each contributor.

Immediate Past Trail Boss (Mary McCaffrey): One of the duties of the immediate past trail boss is to recruit members to serve as officers in the coming year. Mary will be appointing a committee to propose a slate to the membership. If you are interested in serving as an officer, please contact Mary McCaffrey and speak to the person currently serving in that position if you want to know more of what the job entails.

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The proposed slate will be announced in March and voted on in April. The new officers will assume their positions after the Spring Cookout.

Break.

Speaker: Ken Rowe, Bronze Sculptor

Wagon Boss Barbara O'Connor introduced sculptor Ken Rowe. Born in Arizona, Ken began his career as a taxidermist, but switched to bronze sculpture in 1987. Since then he has won many awards for his small and large animal sculptures. He showed us the evolution of his work from the earliest to the most recent. He spoke of his experience interacting with the animals he sculpts and of the importance of telling a story with each animal sculpture. He showed us photos and videos of the live animals that he has sculpted: mountain lions, buffalo, grizzly bears, ravens, blue herons, and wolves.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Losse, Wrangler

Attachments: Detailed Foreman's Report
Detailed Hike Bosses' Report

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Foreman's Report - 01/08/2017

	<u>This Season</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<i>Starting cash balance</i>	\$5,266.54	\$8,600.00
<i>Income</i>		
Dues: cash/check	\$4,230.00	
Dues: Paypal	\$4,770.00	
Misc. Income	\$301.00	
Total Income	\$9,301.00	\$9,170.00
<i>Expenses</i>		
Insurance	\$2,387.03	
Spring Cookout	\$0.00	
Fall Cookout	\$1,404.07	
Holiday Party	\$1,218.23	
PayPal Fees	\$188.40	
Meeting Room Rental	\$200.00	
Sunbeam	\$60.67	
Chuck Wagon (meetings)	\$23.20	
Honorarium	\$400.00	
Nametags	\$258.95	
Historian	\$99.00	
eMail services	\$76.50	
Miscellaneous	\$270.11	
Total Expenses	\$6,586.16	\$7,981.38
<i>Ending cash balance</i>		\$7,981.38

* Reporting period is Dec 1, 2016 to Dec 31, 2016

Hike Report Summary - starting Nov 11, 2016

Hike Date	Hike Name	Group	Number Hikers	Leader	Co-Leader	Remarks
Nov 17, 2016	Grand Canyon Bright Angel Trail	Amblers	13	Jan Taylor	Scott McFeely	Rigorous and cold but otherwise uneventful
Dec 01, 2016	Sedona Loop #6 (Two Fence/Cultural Park or High School)	Amblers	18	Linda Schermer	Scott McFeely	All hikers completed the hike and the hike was otherwise uneventful.
Dec 29, 2016	Munds Wagon/ Cow Pies	Amblers	13	Scott McFeely	Pat Capanna	Uneventful - but rather long. About 7.2 miles RT.
Dec 08, 2016	Mayan Maiden	Amblers	13	Hassan Hosseini	Marj Haas	Uneventful
Dec 15, 2016	Coffee Pot Ledge	Amblers	10	Pat Capanna	Linda Schermer	Uneventful
Jan 05, 2017	Jim Thompson/Wilson Canyon	Amblers	5	Jan Taylor	Scott McFeely	A short hike on a heavily overcast day with rain threatening - otherwise uneventful.
Nov 13, 2016	Soldier Pass / Arches	Drovers	25	Gretchen Yager	Bob Kenney	Tailgaters were Tom Yager and Randy Barcus. Followed the gps track in the database.
Nov 20,	Cathedral and More	Drovers	12	Bob Dannert	Cathy Lutz	Hike interrupted

2016						by rain and shortened.
Dec 04, 2016	Teacup	Drovers	14	Tony Paunika	Dave Kieres	Dave was tailgater.
Dec 11, 2016	Long Canyon	Drovers	13	Debby Losse	John Losse	John was tailgater.
Dec 18, 2016	Pac Man Rock	Drovers	11	Dave Vanderwater	Don Kling	Cold but sunny hike with no casualties. Tailgaters were leaders.
Nov 15, 2016	Mushroom	Dogies	10	Barb O'Connor	Bob Dannert	Tailgater: Bob Dannert
Dec 13, 2016	Carroll Canyon / Red Rock Crossing Loop	Dogies	20	Tom Blecha	Dave Minott	tailgaters Cathy Lutz and Perlina McCombs
Nov 29, 2016	Mormon Overlook	Dogies	18	Mary McCaffrey	Michael McCaffrey	tailgaters John Losse, Don Kling
Dec 06, 2016	Mescal and Beyond	Dogies	17	Bob Taylor	Dave Vanderwater	
Jan 03, 2017	Mayan Man and More	Dogies	18	George Witteman	Tom Pallas	due to weather, we actually did a route past Mayan Maid instead
Dec 27, 2016	Jim Bryant Trail	Dogies	12	Louise Osborn	Charlie Schudson	due to weather, we actually did a route on Cibola Pass
Dec 20, 2016	Kissing Rock	Dogies	21	Mark Ducharme	Charlie Schudson	tailgaters - Jim Warren, Dan

						Wheeler
Nov 17, 2016	Horse Mesa Loop	Mustangs	21	Jim Kemper	John Avery	Tailgaters: Don Kling & Bert McLean
Dec 01, 2016	South Wilson	Mustangs	19	Ernie Pratt	Linda Warren	tailgaters - Don Kling, Tom Yager
Dec 08, 2016	Rabbit Ears	Mustangs	19	Tom Yager	Dave Minott	tailgaters - Don Kling, John Freeman
Dec 15, 2016	Bear Mountain / Fay Canyon Overlook	Mustangs	16	Jay Mackey	Dave Kieres	Tailgaters: Tom Yager, Don Kling
Dec 29, 2016	Turkey Breast	Mustangs	16	Robert Paterson	John Freeman	tailgaters: Randy Barcus & Dave Vanderwater
Nov 12, 2016	Sycamore Canyon Lollipop	Rough Riders	15	Kevin O'Connor	Gini O'Brien	
Nov 19, 2016	Mushroom & More	Rough Riders	20	Tom Blecha	Linda Archer	
Nov 26, 2016	Turkey Feathers	Rough Riders	19	Tom Blecha	Walter Krywucki	
Dec 03, 2016	The Queen's Garden	Rough Riders	26	Mark Frank	Paul Sullivan	
Dec 10, 2016	Lost Wilson / Brins Mesa Loop	Rough Riders	19	Marion	Hadji	
Jan 07, 2017	Bear Left	Rough Riders	27	Cherie	Al	
Dec 17, 2016	Long Canyon	Rough Riders	0	Curt Kommer	Trisha Travis	
Nov 12,	Soldier Pass / Arches	Rustlers	14	Mark Ducharme	Don Kling	

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Nov 19, 2016	Airport Loop / Brewer Trail	Rustlers	12	Jodi Ball		
Nov 26, 2016	Long Canyon	Rustlers	18	John Losse	Debbie Losse	
Nov 12, 2016	Soldier Pass / Arches	Rustlers	14	Mark Ducharme	Don King	
Nov 19, 2016	Airport Loop / Brewer Trail	Rustlers	12	Jodi Ball		
Nov 26, 2016	Long Canyon	Rustlers	18	John Losse	Debra Losse	
Dec 03, 2016	Schuerman Mountain/Lime Kiln	Rustlers	17	Liz Sweeney	Al Barton	
Dec 10, 2016	Doe Mountain	Rustlers	9	Tony Paunicka	Merribeth Paunicka	
Dec 17, 2016	Aerie Trail & More	Rustlers	5	Paul LeFevre	Angela LeFevre	