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131st ANNUAL HOO-HOO INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

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130th Annual Hoo-Hoo International Convention

Pre-Board Meeting Minutes

- The Pre-Board Meeting was called to order at 8:59am by Snark of the Universe Paul Todd 99499.
- The Invocation was given by Robyn Beckett Young 99870.
- Antitrust - Jim Maicki L-86469
- Roll Call - Warren Biss L-90909
 - Board Members Present
 - Snark of the Universe - Paul Todd 99499
 - Chairman of the Board - Steve Allison 98064
 - 1st Vice President - Paul Beltgens 90980
 - Secretary/Treasurer - Warren Biss L-90909
 - Supreme 9 Jurisdiction 2 - Jim Maicki L-86469
 - Supreme 9 Jurisdiction 4 - Ray Lamari 97512
 - Supreme 9 Jurisdiction 5 - Jan Bradford 99092
 - Supreme 9 Jurisdiction 6 - John Taylor 95673
 - Supreme 9 Jurisdiction 9 - Robyn Beckett Young 99870
 - Non Board Members Present
 - Executive Secretary - Kalene Hooks 101910
 - John Yeakel - L-87462
 - Heather Gattone - 100067
 - Jack Miller - 95025
- 2022 Mid-Year Minutes were read
 - A motion was made by Jim Maicki L-86469 and a Second was made by Robyn Beckett Young 99870
 - Motion Carried.
- Comments from Chairman of the Board Steve Allison 98064 and Snark Paul Todd 99499 were given.
- Comments from 1st Vice President Paul Beltgens were given.
 - Paul will be stepping back at least one year due to personal reasons, and hopes to step back in.
- Comments from Executive Secretary Kalene Hooks 101910
 - Multiple visitors at the museum have been asking about shirts.
 - Board approves to have shirts made to sell from the International Office with onlines orders available. 144 shirts with possibly 2-3 shirt ideas.
 - The funds will come out of promotions account and Chairman of the Board Steve Allison 98064 will take roll on to produce the shirts.
 - A motion was made by Chairman of the Board Steve Allison 98064. A second followed by S9J6 John Taylor 95673.
 - Motion Carried.
- Reports were given from each Supreme Nine present.

- Budget Report was given by Warren Biss L-90909
 - Will get with Mac McIntosh about insurance issues.
- Convention Report - Special Resolution to possibly move Convention for one year to the Forest Festival.
 - Will vote in Cowichan Valley Convention 2023 if it is to go through.
- The Executive Committee Report was given by Paul Todd 99499.
 - Ron Gattone L-99428 has volunteered to take over the Legislation and Good of the Order.

(UNFINISHED - KALENE'S NOTES HAVE NOT BEEN FOUND)

(MISSING PRE-CONVENTION MUSEUM MEETING NOTES FROM 2022 CONVENTION)

(MISSING GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING NOTES FROM 2022 CONVENTION)

(MISSING POST-CONVENTION HHI MEETING NOTES FROM 2022 CONVENTION)

(MISSING POST-CONVENTION MUSEUM MEETING NOTES FROM 2022 CONVENTION)

Mid-Year HHI Board Of Directors Meeting Minutes

Saturday, February 18, 2023 8:59 a.m.
Gurdon, AR Jimmy Jones Boardroom

OPENING

The Mid-Year Meeting was called to order at 9:19am by Snark of the Universe Paul Todd 99499 on Saturday, February 18, 2023 at the Hoo-Hoo Museum in Gurdon, Arkansas.

The Invocation was given by RM104 Robyn Young 99870

The Antitrust was read by 1st VP Paul Beltgens 90980

ATTENDANCE

Roll Call was done by HHI Secretary/Treasurer Warren Biss L-90909

- Board members present:
 - Steve Allison 98064 – Chairman of the Board (Zoom)
 - Paul Todd 99499 – Snark of the Universe
 - Warren Biss L-90909 – Secretary/Treasurer
 - Paul Beltgens 90980 – 1st Vice President
 - Jack Miller, Jr. 95025 – Supreme Nine J1
 - Jim Maicki L-86469 – Supreme Nine J2
 - Jim Miller 101099 – Supreme Nine J3 (Zoom)
 - Heather Gattone 100067 for Ray Lamari 97512 – Supreme Nine J4
 - Roland Massey 84609 – Supreme Nine J7
 - Paul Boehmer 88436 – Supreme Nine J8
 - RM104 Robyn Young 99870 – Supreme Nine J9
- Non-Board members present
 - Natalie Leamons 101999 – Executive Secretary
 - Billy Tarpley 91099 – Guest
- Apologies
 - John Taylor 95673– Second Vice President
 - Jan Bradford 99092 – Supreme Nine of J5
 - Jeffery Ward 100164 – Supreme Nine of J6

PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes of previous meeting were NOT approved - they have not been located

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary/Treasurer Warren Biss L-90909 read his report - still working on reconstructing last year's budget, hopefully by August 2023 we will have everything straightened out. Still have over \$100,000 in the bank.

Executive Secretary Natalie Leamons 101999 read her reports - she explained changes to the Chart of Accounts in Quickbooks. Still working on updating records.

SUPREME NINE REPORTS

Supreme Nine J1 – Jack Miller, Jr. 95025 reported that Harry L. Folsom is struggling with officer changes. He is working with them. Noah Burton from Vermont has a woodworking company and has joined HHI. Plan on bringing more members to join and rebuild Green Mountain Club #153. Would like to see New Hampshire rebuilt. A gentleman contacted Jack from Washington, D.C., may rebuild also.

Supreme Nine J2 – Jim Maicki L-86469 reported Detroit Club has 5 new members, starting to see more interest. Dues collection is going well. Planning a Cigar & Bourbon Night.

Supreme Nine J3 – Jim Miller 101099 reported he hopes to start an Alaska chapter and get Hawaii going again after personal commitments. For the 2025 Convention, Black Bart & Tacoma-Olympia could possibly host a cruise to Hawaii.

Supreme Nine J4 – Heather Gattone 100067 for Ray Lamari 97512 reported that JIV was fortunate to hold their first mini-convention since 2019 in July 2022 in Adelaide, organized by JIV's thanks to Heather Gattone and Trish Waters. They changed and shortened the format which will be adopted moving forward. Zoom was used to replace long board meetings and allow more time for exploring and gathering. Membership continues to decline. They are hopeful the upcoming convention in Ballarat can bring some fresh life to the area. Everyone is invited. Ron Gattone has vowed to try to get the Sydney club up and running again. Leschenaultia is going strong and plan to assist in starting a new club in Albany. Beverly Chapple, of Brisbane Club, recently passed away. Her husband Alf is a founding member of the Brisbane Club and life member of 40 years. 2026 HHI Convention will be held in Sydney.

Supreme Nine J5 – Paul Beltgens read the report from Jan Bradford 99092. Clint Cowan passed away. Anna Beltgens moved from Cowichan Club President to Club Treasurer. They are preparing for the upcoming convention.

Supreme Nine J6 – Jeffery Ward 100164, no report

Supreme Nine J7 – Roland Massey 84609 reported that the Houston Club has opened up and held their first golf tournament in two years, the 17th annual Frank Aranza golf tournament (held twice per year). Also held a Halloween Tournament where, traditionally, the Snark receives a cowboy hat. The tournament is always planned after the Forest Festival in Gurdon. They earned enough money to purchase gift cards for almost 100 kids at Boys & Girls Country. Looking forward to meeting Gurdon Club members. Heather suggested gathering photos and preparing an article on Boys & Girls Country to feature in the Log & Tally. Jack Miller suggested having another convention in Texas.

Supreme Nine J8 – Paul Boehmer 88436 reported that J8 is down to Twin Cities Club. Sioux Falls Club is unfortunately recently inactive. Membership numbers are down. They have 20 active paid members. December last year Paul Todd visited for the 100 year anniversary dinner. Had a very good turnout. They concatenated 2 kittens, and one member was reinstated. They are planning a Top Golf event.

Supreme Nine J9 – RM104 Robyn Young 99870 reported she is still working on getting the Daytona Club going. She is glad to see and hear about S9's attempting to rebuild clubs and suggested that active clubs support other clubs that are starting up.

BREAK AT 10:19am

RESUME AT 10:49am

COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORTS

Administration – Chairman Mac McIntosh 101133 no report. Discussion about insurance quote and shopping around. Snark Paul Todd tabled it.

Advertising – Chairman Jim Maicki L-86469 reported that he will send emails and contact people about advertising. He asked S9's to contact their clubs about buying a business builder and ads. He will contact those who are no longer advertising. Jack Miller suggested adding a way to pay for ads to the website similar to how members can pay their dues.

Budget – Chairman Warren Biss L-90909 reports that we are under budget so far and doing well.

Convention – Chairwoman Robyn Young 99870 reported that the 2023 convention will be hosted by Cowichan Valley, Paul Beltgens coming in as Snark. Roger Williams Club is preparing to host the 2024 Convention. The tentative schedule is:

- 2023 - Cowichan Valley Club of J5
- 2024 - Roger Williams Club of J1
- 2025 - Black Bart & Tacoma Clubs? of J6 & J3
- 2026 - Sydney, Australia of J4
- 2027 - Gurdon Club of J7
- 2028 - Twin Cities Club of J8

Deidre Fountain “took the floor” to explain the options for the 2024 convention. The Board voted on the 10 day Holland America cruise from Montreal, QC to Boston, MA, August 31, 2024-September 10, 2024. More information will be available by convention.

Executive – Chairman Paul Todd 99499 continues to get more people involved. S9's work more with local clubs. Clubs need to go to the S9, and S9 will go to the Board with issues. Need a back-up plan for password books, notes, etc. in case of emergency.

Forest Products Education & Environmental – Chairman John Gerlach 100500 - no report

Legislation & Good of the Order – Chairman Ray Lamari 97512 - no report

Marketing – Chairman Steve Allison 98064 - no report

Membership – Chairman Paul Beltgens 90980 reported that he will continue to think about how to bring in younger members. Snark Paul Todd suggested getting kids and grandkids involved. Chair Paul Beltgens will send membership report when finished

Museum – Chairman Paul Todd 99499 motioned to skip this report for the Museum meeting.

Nominations – Heather Gattone 100067 for Chairman Ron Gattone 99428

Nominations for 2023-2024:

Chairman of the Board Paul Todd

Snark of the Universe Paul Beltgens

First Vice President John Taylor

Second Vice President Dave Trykto (needs to be confirmed)

Operation Manual – Chairman Paul Todd 99499 - no changes, needs to be a focus next year.

Redwood Grove – Chairman David Jones 82806 - no report - Warren Biss reported that he looked at the finances yesterday, talked to Dave Jones, and decided to close the Redwood Grove account of approximately \$3,000.00 and transfer into a one-year CD at a 4.5% interest rate. Look into Wells Fargo at a higher percentage next year.

Technology – Chairman Steve Allison 98064 - no report - Snark Paul Todd reported that we are still working on updating.

OTHER TOPICS DISCUSSED

Log & Tally - Warren Biss is concerned about people receiving the Log & Tally who have not been paying for a membership or who have passed away. This affects our budget.

Website - A concern was brought up about the website. Robyn Young mentioned that Heather Gattone has a computer out at events to help people with the website, how to log-on, etc. Officers need to be updated in a timely manner so that they have proper access each year.

OLD BUSINESS

- The dog that HHI sponsored is working now with a veteran
- JIV sent a letter to Snark Paul Todd and Chairman of the Board Steve Allison asking for an extension on paying dues to wait on the exchange rate to improve. Approved.

- Paul Boehmer and Paul Beltgens to check on Vancouver paying dues.

Motion to adjourn for lunch by Jim Maicki - second by Roland Massey - unanimous - 12:09 pm

Reconvene - 12:39 pm

NEW BUSINESS

Changes to By-Laws

Article 1 Section 2e - Warren Biss suggested that the by-laws be amended to integrate Antitrust concerns to accommodate international clubs.

- It was suggested to change the wording to say “As per your country,...”
- *No second was made, adopted by consensus*

Article 2 Section 5a - Warren Biss suggested that the statement about the 99999 pin be removed.

- The board discussed that it be kept so that its location is documented.

Article 2 Section 6 - Life Memberships were discussed.

- A change was not suggested except that it needs consistent terminology.
- If a club goes inactive, is the life member still a life member? Who pays dues?
 - Need to change by-laws to include what the protocol is
 - They become a member-at-large and pay their own dues
- How is it supposed to show up on the Remittance list?
 - A Life member says \$0
 - Need an “L” beside their name
- What does their invoice look like?
- Clubs keep up with life members and pay their dues, as check to HHI
- *No specific motion was made, no seconds, nothing passed*

Article 4 Section 1(a) - Warren Biss suggested that we change “39” days to “99” days.

- Jack Miller suggested instead of changing the day, add “unless approved by the board”.
- Warren will send to Ron Gattone to clean up the wording
- *No second was made, no substitute motion was made, nothing passed*
- *Need to refer the motion to an appropriate committee with instructions to report back*

Article 6 Section 1 - Warren Biss suggested we not make the meeting during Forest Festival mandatory for the Board.

- Delete “October”
- Instead of “shall” change to “may” to read “Other meetings may be in such a place and such a time as the Snark may designate.”
- *No substitute motion was made, no second was made, nothing passed*

Article 6 Section 2 - Warren Biss suggested changing the 14 day timeframe.

- Change "14 days" to "72 hours"
- *No second was made, all agreed, adopt by consensus (if possible)*

Article 15 Section 3 - Warren Biss suggested that the Secretary/Treasurer be given permission to also hold a concatenation.

- Add "International Board" to read, "The Snark of the Universe, Rameses, any member of the Supreme Nine, and any member of the International Board, may hold concatenations..."
- *No substitute motion was made, no seconds, all agreed, adopt by consensus (if possible)*

Article 17(b) - Warren Biss suggested that the minimum number of members change.

- Drop the minimum of "nine".
- No final decision was discussed on what the final wording should be
- *No specific/substitute motion was made, no seconds, nothing passed*

During discussion, the following topics were interjected...

- It was suggested that the Mid-Year meeting be held in Gurdon every year.
- Nowhere in the by-laws is the Mid-Year meeting mentioned.

Have Executive Secretary to take over the Log & Tally by Robyn Young

- Executive Secretary was nominated to take over publishing of Log & Tally, in the future, for \$600 per issue, the same as Joy.
- Robyn Young motioned, Paul Beltgens seconded, adopt by consensus, motion passed

Motion to adjourn for concatenation by Jim Maicki, seconded by Paul Beltgens at 1:59 pm

Reconvened at 2:39 pm

NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED

Clubs pins for number of years by Paul Boehmer

- Get a 100 year pin made for club banners
- Heather passed around a pin that everyone approved to have made for 100 year pin
- *Adopt by consensus*

Create & order new letterhead by Natalie Leamons

- We discussed going back to the older version of letterheads that lists officers down the left side and has more Hoo-Hoo information as a professional official letterhead.
- Do not order reams, just create it as a document that can be changed and printed as needed.
- Add to website for clubs to download and use?
- *Adopt by consensus*

New membership program software by Robyn Young

- Shop around and look at prices for a new membership program
- *All agreed*

Museum donation receipts by Natalie Leamons

- Natalie has not found museum receipts, will talk to Beth about what she used before
- Must have tax ID and information about donations being tax deductible
- Roland and Paul Boehmer provided examples

Star of Hoo-Hoo by Heather Gattone for Ron Gattone

- Promote for \$499
- Stars are in the safe deposit box along with list of recipients
- Need to update list, last updated 2019
- Paul Todd recommended Anita Cabe receive a Star at the convention or Forest Festival
- *All agreed, adopt by consensus*

Ad asterisk to HooHoo monument by Paul Todd

- Paul suggested that an asterisk be engraved by the names of Snarks on the monument that served "multiple terms"
- *All agreed, adopt by consensus*

Letter introducing Natalie Leamons as New Executive Secretary

- Natalie wrote an introduction to send to the BOD
- Paul Boehmer will work on a "press release" to send to all members

Deputy S9 for Jurisdiction 7 by Roland Massey

- Roland suggested that Billy Tarpley serve as Deputy S9 for J7
- *All agreed, adopt by consensus*

Chris Goff in advanced medical care

Paul Boehmer still on transplant list, Jack drove him to Gurdon

Warren Biss is working on a cookbook project for Hoo-Hoo

- Recipes donated from Hoo-Hoo members
- Asked if BOD agreed to help get recipes
- Spread the word via ad space in L&T

Jim Maicki made motion to Adjourn at 3:29pm - all in favor

ACTION ITEMS:

- JIV obituary for Beverly Chapple?
- Roland Massey will gather photos and help work on an article for the Log & Tally
- Board of Directors will look into getting different insurance quotes

- Robyn suggested that Cowichan Valley will send email and/or forms to club officers requesting donations for the 2023 convention
- Heather will report to Ron to revisit the nomination list to make sure Dave Trytko is committed to serve and that Dave Siwek can line up correctly with the planned convention hosted by Twin Cities.
- Warren will look into the other savings accounts.
- Paul Boehmer and Paul Beltgens to check on Vancouver paying dues.
- Steve Allison and Heather Gattone will meet via TeamViewer/Zoom to discuss website
- Need Steve to get "L" to show up everywhere beside life member names
- Need to see the pin Heather passed around so that Natalie Leamons can order them from Jostens
- Put ad in L&T for members to donate recipes, send to Warren Biss

SNARK'S REPORT

Hello one and all, I am getting so excited about seeing everyone at this year's convention in Duncan BC. I am approaching the end of my second term as Snark of the Universe. Although it has at times been trying and a little scary, it's been a true pleasure to meet so many wonderful members in my travels.

After our convention in Sacramento, California I attended the Forest Festival in Gurdon, Arkansas, which is always the last Saturday in October. It is where our International headquarters and museum are. It's also where we started from. It's always a pleasure to go there although it is a small town. The people are so appreciative of Hoo-Hoo. It was a good time by one and all.

My next trip was in December. I drove to Detroit, Michigan to attend their Christmas meeting. There were a lot of people there. We got to concatenate new kittens which is always great and an honor to do so. I would like to thank everyone there for their hospitality. You guys always make me feel at home.

After the meeting I started my drive to the Christmas meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota with an overnight stop along the way. This was the first time that I went in and it didn't snow on me, which this southern boy was grateful for. The meeting in Minnesota was just great. Got to meet old friends and make new friends. I would like to personally thank Paul Boehmer and John Gerlach for their hospitality as well as everyone else's.

The next morning I departed to drive back to Atlanta with a stop at the Tennessee-Kentucky border for an overnight stay after a long drive. I was unfortunately not able to attend the Trifecta in California because of some conflicts and I apologize for that. If you've never been, you need to go. They are great people and they put on great meetings.

This year I decided to hold our mid-year board meeting in Gurdon, Arkansas at our headquarters to help support the restart of the Gurdon club. We had a great meeting. Lots of work was done in the building that needed to be done. Got to meet Natalie, our new secretary and her family, wonderful people, salt-of-the-Earth.

This year I was invited by the JIV clubs to come to Australia and attend their convention. Many thanks to Ray Lamari, Heather Gattone, and many others for their hospitality. I started out by flying into Sydney and was hosted by Ron and Heather Gattone. We went to their house in Sydney...what a beautiful city, unbelievable view from there. Heather and I flew down to Melbourne to attend the convention which was being held in Ballarat about two hours outside of Melbourne. It was a little cooler and rainy there, but the warmth of the people at the convention more than made up for it. Thank you so much. It was a pleasure seeing old friends that I haven't seen in a while because of the distance and making new friends. We stayed there for four days.

We flew back to Sydney for a couple days and from there we flew down to Perth, Australia, which is on the Indian Ocean. I got to meet club members there, travel around and learn more about the forest industry and what they are doing in Australia. It is a beautiful area...the Indian ocean is absolutely gorgeous. Got to go to Bondi beach. I got to see wild kangaroos, emus, and beautiful scenery. It was absolutely gorgeous. Thank you all so much. This was a trip of a lifetime. I truly needed this in the last few years.

I stayed in Australia for three weeks and the weather was really nice. I feel so blessed to have been able to make this trip. Thank you one and all.

We then flew back to Sydney for my last few days before I flew back to the states. It was so refreshing I will always keep everyone on all my trips in my memories. I don't feel so alone now. Thank you all. It just reinforced that this is the greatest organization I have ever been associated with...the best people in the world, we are truly a family.

I am so looking forward to this year's convention in Duncan, BC. I hope to see and talk to one and all. I am so looking forward to everyone getting to meet our new executive secretary, Natalie, and her husband this year. We will be installing our new Snark Paul Beltgens who lives in the area with his wife, Anna. He is a great guy and will do a wonderful job as Snark. I am so looking forward to my embalming. It should be lots of fun with lots of laughs for one and all.

Finally, I would like to thank one and all for all your support and patience with not only me, but also all the trials and tribulations that not only the world went through, but what we went through as an organization. We could not have got through this without you all. I will be forever grateful to all of you for your caring support for me and also this club. I know that I will never be truly alone. I truly love and care for you all. Again thank you so much.

Paul R Todd 99499
Snark of the Universe
HH&LL

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD REPORT

What a great trip!!! In 1997 I went to my first convention in Boston and fell in love with all of the great people in Hoo-Hoo and found what an international organization should be about. Over the last 26 years, I have had the privilege of making many friends, both in the local club and around the world. I have been blessed to have met great people and seen amazing local places to expand my knowledge of the forest products industry.

With this convention, I end my journey through the chairs and rest in the House of Ancients. I would like to thank each and every one of you for the experiences we have shared and will continue to share over the years to come. May God bless this organization for years ahead and rest assured, I will do my best to help in any way I can to continue this organization for centuries to come.

Health, Happiness, and Long Life to each and every one of you.
Steve Allison - 98064 R106

1st VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Hello Everyone!

The year is slipping by very quickly, and my time to become Snark is rapidly approaching! The challenge for me is to find the time to make all the changes necessary to get away to meet as many clubs as possible!

I cannot say enough thanks to the convention committee of Cowichan Club 229 for all the hard work and determination to make the convention a reality.

If you are coming, enjoy ! For those that could not come, we will see you at the next convention, but in the meantime, get involved in your club's activities, support your fellow members in making it work and promoting Hoo Hoo.

Paul Beltgens
First Vice President

SECRETARY/TREASURER REPORT

2023, I would like to thank Cowichan Club #229 for inviting us back to the Valley. If at all like our last time to the Island, it will be fun and enlightening. Covid-19 has been a challenge for social clubs, our numbers have fallen as has our cash flow. Now that we are beyond the lockdown, zoom meetings we need to focus on rebuilding or spirit, clubs and membership.

We are trying to stay as streamlined as possible, and have a new Executive Secretary, from family from our history. Natalie Leamons has joined Hoo-Hoo International in the Gurdon office, where her Dad Billy Tarpley was our first Executive Secretary in Gurdon. A shining star in Gurdon is that Gurdon Club #120 is active and meeting. From our museum we had an issue of a collapsing flagpole. Snark Paul Todd, and Natalie spearheaded donations, and a grant from the Cabe Foundation to erect a new set of flag poles at no cost to HHI or the HHI Museum.

We need our club secretaries, club treasurers and clubs to be diligent to encourage on time dues payments. We all know our bills are due and an on-time payment is something we all have to be conscientious of. The bills come due for all sides and as any business person knows, cash flow is important. Let's all stay on the same page and start rebuilding our great fraternity.

We have some business that needs to be done to update our bi-laws and help secure our next hundred years for the next generations to enjoy. As you build and rebuild you travel bucket lists, remember our Hoo-Hoo Museum, a nice step into our heritage and just a fun place to visit. The last Saturday of October lights up Gurdon with the Forest Festival is just the busiest time to visit, but any time is a good time. We look forward to seeing you all again.

Come sail away with Roger Williams Club #51 on our Canadian Maritime tour for the 2,024 Hoo-Hoo-International convention

Health, Happiness and Long Life
Warren A. Biss L-90909
International Secretary – Treasurer

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT

To be presented at PRE-CONVENTION HHI BOARD MEETING

Natalie Leamons 101999, Executive Secretary

Thank you Cowichan Valley for hosting the 131st Hoo-Hoo International Convention. I am honored to be your Executive Secretary and am so excited to be at my first convention! I owe many, many thank you's, but mostly I should say thank you to the 2022-2023 Board of Directors for hiring me and trusting me with the bookkeeping and up-keep of your organization. I hope to be here many years "if the creek don't rise"! I still have much to learn, but you all have been SO kind and understanding. I truly feel the love everyday. It keeps me going!

Under Snark Paul Todd, the Board of Directors had a productive Mid-Year meeting February 18th where I witnessed much enthusiasm in making this organization stronger and larger. Plans and changes were discussed, but I see that it is going to take every single club and every single member to spread the Hoo-Hoo joy and recruit members. It is essential for local clubs to have an active program for the retention, reinstatement, and recruitment of Hoo-Hoo members. We know that everyone is busy with jobs and family, but we need our members to step up to the plate and like Robyn Young said in the MidYear meeting, if you spent just 10 minutes a day on Hoo-Hoo business you would be amazed at what you could accomplish.

I thank you ALL for everything you are doing. There are many members who work so hard and go above and beyond to keep history going. We see you!

A few highlights from the Executive Secretary desk...

Dues & Membership

It is very critical that members pay dues on time. Per the by-laws, the deadline for dues to be paid (by members on the roster from the previous year) is December 9 each year. We will be sending invoices out in the next couple of weeks. Be expecting an update post-convention on some decisions that will be made about dues and membership that are in the best interest of your organization and keep business running smoothly.

This is something you already know, but in order to survive a membership crisis like the one we are experiencing along with many other membership organizations, we all have to be active at the most grassroots level. That includes our committees. It's going to take more from everybody. I have learned a lot these 8 ½ months, and I know what I want to do better, but this is your organization to keep running. I can't wait to see what this next year brings!

Finances

I have HHI set-up on Quickbooks and am able to easily keep track of our accounts and run reports. You may receive invoices from Quickbooks for ads, but for now, we will continue to send invoices for dues in the mail that are run from the membership program. Our accountant is still working on closing out the books for 2022-2023.

Log & Tally

We desperately need members and business to buy ads to help fund the magazine, which is very important because it is a large expense. Members, clubs, and businesses can buy regular ad space, but there is also the option to buy a Business Builder ad. Be on the lookout for the new ad form for this year!

We always need articles and photos from the jurisdictions for the website and Log & Tally. If the material is sent to info@hoo-hoo.org, along with a request to place it on our site or in the magazine, it will be done. Please encourage your clubs to share their activities and events with others by using the site. I am also trying to increase our social media presence and encourage clubs to do the same! Make sure to tag Hoo-Hoo International if you do!

With the recent transition in the International office, there are a few things that went undone, or delayed. With time and more experience, I plan on being able to focus more on obtaining quality content for your magazine and getting them printed in a timely manner. Please remind your local clubs to submit newsworthy articles to the Log & Tally. Send to logandtally@hoo-hoo.org or info@hoo-hoo.org.

T-shirts

I have been working with Print Mania to get shirt designs for the Gurdon Hoo-Hoo Club and HHI. Gurdon plans on selling shirts as a fundraiser, but these shirts can also be purchased by HHI and sold in the museum if the board votes to do so.



Hoo-Hoo International, Inc.

Profit and Loss August 2022 - July 2023

	TOTAL
Income	
400 HHI Membership Dues	
401 Regular Dues	42,066.79
402 J-IV Dues	2,510.00
404 New Members	2,048.75
405 Members at Large	
405a MAL J1	69.99
405b MAL J2	69.99
405f MAL J6	69.99
Total 405 Members at Large	209.97
Total 400 HHI Membership Dues	46,835.51
410 Back dues	1,474.79
511 Dividends, Interest, CapitalGai	66.70
530 Advertising - Log & Tally	1,575.00
531 Business Builder Ads	3,696.19
532 Log & Tally subscription	7.99
540 Sale of Buttons/Pins	6.99
550 Miscellaneous	527.37
552 Donation Members & Clubs	325.02
Services	15,654.01
Uncategorized Income	1,026.00
Total Income	\$71,195.57
GROSS PROFIT	\$71,195.57
Expenses	
600 Executive Secretary	17,102.90
602 Taxes paid	-100.05
603 Extra Office Help	600.00
604 Insurance	5,255.64
608 Telephone	907.46
609 Utilities	3,093.66
610 Professional Services	5,472.89
611 Postage & Freight	1,883.24
612 Office Supplies	2,305.67
613 Printing & Stationery	147.03
614 Software Upgrade	97.67
617 Safe Deposit & Bank Chgs	53.00
619 Pins	2,793.30
628 Card Processing Fees	685.17
633 Building-Other	137.90
645 Printing - Log & Tally	8,650.55
647 Editorial Exp, Log & Tally	2,400.00
648 Postage Cost, Log & Tally	2,893.05

Hoo-Hoo International, Inc.

Profit and Loss

August 2022 - July 2023

	TOTAL
652 Promotion & Sponsorships	540.64
653 Miscellaneous Expenses	2,003.17
654 Subscriptions	678.31
656 Dues	135.00
660 Snark Expense	3,500.00
661 Board of Directors Exp	1,156.45
668 Convention Expenses	305.12
672 Internet Services	191.84
674 - Website & More	2,935.00
680 Federal Income Tax	1,308.33
800 USPS permits & dues?	605.86
975 Lawn Care	450.00
Convention Reimbursements	1,063.79
Total Expenses	\$69,252.59
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$1,942.98
Other Expenses	
617a Collection fees	135.60
629 Paypal	46.44
Total Other Expenses	\$182.04
NET OTHER INCOME	\$ -182.04
NET INCOME	\$1,760.94

Hoo-Hoo International, Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of July 31, 2023

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
101 General Operating *1403	74.31
103 CD	3,720.71
104 0231 Money Market	0.00
105 1401 FSB - Dual Sig Gen - FD	0.00
105-FSB 145751401	4,831.71
107-FSB Savings 9020231	951.96
107a Alpha Capital - HHI	105,230.79
110 1410 FSB Savings - Life Member.	0.00
110-FSB Life 245751410	-0.43
115-FSB Redwood 145751413	3,646.10
116 1414 FSB Savings - Forest Prod	0.00
116-FSB Forest 145751414	241.14
Total Bank Accounts	\$118,696.29
Accounts Receivable	
120 A/R Members	921.92
122-A/R Other	6,175.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$7,096.92
Other Current Assets	
140 Inventory - Pins	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$0.00
Total Current Assets	\$125,793.21
Fixed Assets	
150 Equipment	16,255.00
160 Accumulated Depreciation	-16,255.00
Total Fixed Assets	\$0.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$125,793.21
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
200 Accounts Payable	668.46
Total Accounts Payable	\$668.46
Credit Cards	
Bank of America	
205 Credit Card payments	112.07
Total Bank of America	112.07

Hoo-Hoo International, Inc.

Balance Sheet

As of July 31, 2023

	TOTAL
Total Credit Cards	\$112.07
Other Current Liabilities	
230 Payroll Tax Payable	-569.91
232 State Tax withholding	-562.40
240 Income Tax Payable	205.00
250 Club pass-through	59.98
250a Harry L. Folsom 13	899.74
250b Detroit Club 28	-94.93
250c North Cascade Club 230	-20.00
250e Winema Club 216	7.00
250g Portland Club 47	0.00
250h Seattle 34	0.00
250m Humboldt Club 63	10.00
250o Southern California Club 117	2,364.83
250p Sacramento Club 109	20.00
250q Black Bart Club 181	39.98
250r Gurdon Club 120	-70.01
250s Houston Club 23	25.00
250t Twin Cities Club 12	-40.00
250v Atlanta-Dick Wilson Club 1	0.00
Total 250 Club pass-through	3,201.59
260 Advance Dues - Reg	1,896.79
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$4,171.07
Total Current Liabilities	\$4,951.60
Total Liabilities	\$4,951.60
Equity	
300 Opening Bal Equity	119,080.67
301 Fund Balance - All Funds	
Net Income	1,760.94
Total Equity	\$120,841.61
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$125,793.21

**Member Totals
2022-2023 Membership Year**

Jurisdiction	Total members on rosters as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
I	113	20	1	0	25	46	41%	67	79%
II	74	21	6	0	39	64	86%	10	14%
III	256	20	5	1	145	155	61%	101	39%
IV	164	4	0	0	0	*	*	*	*
V	239	9	2	0	91	102	43%	137	57%
VI	332	39	31	9	224	303	91%	29	9%
VII	46	6	7	2	21	36	78%	10	22%
VIII	55	1	7	0	46	54	98%	1	2%
IX	19	6	0	0	7	13	68%	6	32%
TOTAL	1,298	126	59	12	598	937	72%	361	28%

*JIV takes membership total at the end of their membership year and pays for all.

** Members PAID for 2022-2023 – Board voted not to drop unpaid members for this year.

JURISDICTION I

Supreme Nine - Jack Miller

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
13	Harry L. Folsom <i>Boston, MA</i>	100	9	0	0	25	34	34%	66	66%
9991	Members at Large	13	11	1	0	0	12	92%	1	8%
	TOTAL	113	20	1	0	25	46	41%	67	79%

JURISDICTION II

Supreme Nine - Jim Maicki

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
28	Detroit <i>Detroit, MI</i>	58	10	6	0	38	52	90%	6	10%
9992	Members at Large	16	11	0	0	1	12	75%	4	25%
	TOTAL	74	21	6	0	39	64	86%	10	14%

JURISDICTION III

Supreme Nine - Jim Miller

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
33	Willamette Valley Eugene, OR	39	4	0	1	19	24	62%	15	38%
34	Seattle Seattle, WA	34	5	0	0	3	8	24%	26	76%
47	Portland Portland, OR	19	0	0	0	1	1	5%	18	95%
89	Tacoma-Olympia Tacoma/Olympia, WA	21	0	0	0	18	18	86%	3	14%
216	Winema Klamath Falls, OR	41	1	3	0	36	40	98%	1	2%
230	North Cascade Arlington, WA	92	4	2	0	52	58	63%	34	37%
9993	Members at Large	10	6	0	0	0	6	60%	4	40%
	TOTAL	256	20	5	1	145	155	61%	101	39%

OTHER CLUBS:

N.E.W. Club #238 - Total Members: 6 - Life: 1 - New: 0 - Reinstated: 0 - Renewed: 0 - Paid Members: 1 - 17% - Unpaid Members: 5 - 83%

JURISDICTION IV

Supreme Nine - Ray Lamari

NOTE: JIV's year runs April 1-March 31 - They collect member numbers at the end of the year then get invoiced for that many

Club	Name	Total members paid for 2021-2022 membership year	Total members paid for 2022-2023 membership year
214	Mt. Gambier <i>Mt. Gambier, SA</i>	9	8
215	Sydney <i>Sydney, NSW</i>	7	7
217	Melbourne <i>Melbourne, VIC</i>	19	19
236	N.E. Victoria <i>Benalla, VIC</i>	24	20
239	Launceston <i>Launceston, TAS</i>	9	9
256	Ballarat <i>Ballarat, VIC</i>	16	10
261	FNQ Cairns <i>Cairns, QLD</i>	8	7
272	N.W. Tasmania <i>Burnie, TAS</i>	24	23
274	Leschenaultia <i>Bunbury, WA</i>	31	30
275	Malaysia <i>Kuala Lumpur, MY</i>	24	27
	TOTAL	175	164

Members at Large	Total: 31	Life: 4	New: 0	Reinstated: 0	Renewed: 0	Paid: 4 - 13%	Unpaid: 27 - 87%
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JURISDICTION V

Supreme Nine - Jan Bradford

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
48	Vancouver <i>Vancouver, BC</i>	182	8	0	0	56	64	35%	118	65%
229	Cowichan Valley <i>Duncan, BC</i>	56	1	2	0	35	38	68%	18	32%
9995	Members at Large	1	0	0	0	0	0	0%	1	100%
	TOTAL	239	9	2	0	91	102	43%	137	57%

JURISDICTION VI

Supreme Nine - Jeffery Ward

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
63	Humboldt <i>Eureka, CA</i>	44	1	4	2	35	42	95%	2	5%
109	Sacramento <i>Sacramento, CA</i>	57	0	9	1	47	57	100%	0	0%
117	Southern California <i>Riverside, CA</i>	90	2	7	2	56	67	74%	23	26%
181	Black Bart <i>Windsor, CA</i>	99	4	11	4	80	99	100%	0	0%
9996	Members at Large	42	32	0	0	6	38	90%	4	10%

	TOTAL	332	39	31	9	224	303	91%	29	9%
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JURISDICTION VII

Supreme Nine - Roland Massey

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
23	Houston <i>Houston, TX</i>	23	2	0	2	15	19	83%	4	17%
120	Gurdon <i>Gurdon, AR</i>	13	0	7	0	4	11	85%	2	15%
9997	Members at Large	10	4	0	0	2	6	60%	4	40%
	TOTAL	46	6	7	2	21	36	78%	10	22%

JURISDICTION VIII

Supreme Nine - Paul Boehmer

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
12	Twin Cities <i>Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN</i>	46	0	7	0	39	46	100%	0	0%
9991	Members at Large	9	1	0	0	7	8	89%	1	11%
	TOTAL	55	1	7	0	46	54	98%	1	2%

JURISDICTION IX

Supreme Nine - Robyn Young

Club	Name	Total members on roster as of July 31, 2022	Life	New	Reinstated	Renewed	Paid	% Paid	Unpaid	% Unpaid
9991	Members at Large	19	6	0	0	7	13	68%	6	32%

	TOTAL	19	6	0	7	13	68%	6	32%
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Membership Figures – December 31, 2021 Jurisdiction JIV

Club	Name	Total Members 12/31/2021	Total Members 03/31/2022
212	Adelaide	16	In Recess
214	Mount Gambler	9	9
215	Sydney	7	7
217	Melbourne	18	19
218	Brisbane	0	In Recess
236	North East Victoria	25	24
239	Launceston	9	NIL
248	Auckland	21	16
256	Ballarat	25	31
261	Far N. Queensland	10	24
265	North Queensland	0	8
272	North West Tasmania	26	In Recess
274	Leschenaultia	29	24
275	Malaysia	26	9
999	New Members 2019	0	4
Total Paid		221	175

As always, I wish you all Health, Happiness, and Long Life!

Natalie Leamons 101999

HHI Executive Secretary

SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION I REPORT

No Report

SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION II REPORT

Detroit #28 is the only active club in Jurisdiction II. Not much action from Detroit #28. Detroit #28 board cannot get members involved, we have become a one meeting club.

Detroit #28 Christmas Party Event will be Monday December 4, 2023 at "The Henry" very near our other location "The Dearborn Inn". The Dearborn Inn meeting area's closed for renovations.

In the Detroit market independent lumber yards who struggle with succession plans are selling to the "Big Boys". Recently two independents (two yards each) have sold to Builders First Source.

We supply yards throughout the Midwest, noticing that U.S.Lbm and Builders First Source have been on a buying spree of independents. I have concerns, as we will be forced to supply the "Big Boys" with rebates, which are BS.. I/we have seen this before!

I turned 70 y.o. this year, thinking as my age has advanced I could spend more time with Detroit #28 and HHI. I have been a horrible steward of JII, I frequent board meetings and conventions but have little time to represent JII "out on the street" so to speak. If someone in JII aspires for the S9 position, Please step forward. Many of us struggle to be great stewards of Hoo Hoo as our lives have become so busy.

I will miss 131 st HHI Convention hosted by Cowichan Valley Club #229

HH&LL

Jim Maicki

L-86469

S9 Jurisdiction II

SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION III REPORT

Hello from your Supreme 9 for Jurisdiction 3,

I have been in the middle of two moves and have been having health issues which have prevented me from any HooHoo activity!! I'm working on my health!! Trying to get settled in Alaska still!! And unable to make the Convention this year which I'm really bummed about!!

Side note: MRI need's scheduled on both my shoulders once insurance approves. Doc thinking surgery but MRI will tell!!

I really look forward to meeting our Executive Secretary Natalie Leamons and sincerely appreciate the HooHoo Spirit and detail she is bringing to our Club!!

I'm also stepping down from S9 unfortunately, but hope HHI finds someone great to replace me!! Have a super time!! Hugs to All!!

Jim Miller 101099

SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION IV REPORT

Snark of the Universe Paul, Chairman of the Board Steve, and Fellow board members, it is with regret that I tender my apologies as I cannot be in attendance at this convention however it gives me great pleasure to present this report and I wish it could be a lot more positive.

At this stage we have 164 members in JIV and are clinging to life so to speak. The only active clubs actually meeting and conducting Hoo-Hoo affairs are FNQ, Ballarat, NW Tasmania, NE Victoria, Malaysia and Leschenaultia, which I am very grateful for. Leschenaultia Club's World Forestry Day attracts over 100 people to their dinners. Malaysia Club recently held a Blood Donation Campaign which was well supported and Far North Queensland Golf Day raised \$ 7000.00 for a local builder Andrew Derrington who has Brain Cancer, and not expected to live past Christmas.

The board of JIV is trying to invigorate the other clubs in JIV who do not meet regularly but still retain membership, we are not sure if we are going to succeed.

It was great to have the Snark travel over to JIV for the first time since 2016, Snark Paul was with us for the JIV Convention which was held in Ballarat a great country town with a marvellous history relating to gold mining and we showed him some of that great Aussie, Aussie, Aussie Hoo-Hoo Spirit. Leschenaultia Club 274 hosted Snark Paul and our JIV Secretary on a 4-day trip to Western Australia, visiting forests and other interesting events. We trust he will share that at this International Convention, and hopefully entice a large contingent to come out and visit us in 2026.

The website is forever expanding, and we really need to encourage all our members to log into their account, and start using it as a means of communication and interaction between us all Internationally JIV has started its own Facebook page JIV HOO-HOO INTERNATIONAL please go and take a look.

On a brighter note I'd like to officially welcome our new HHI Secretary – Mrs. Natalie Leamons, and one of the greatest regrets in not attending this convention is not meeting her. Since commencing she has handled the position nicely and has come up with some great ideas for Hoo-Hoo in general, and also maintenance of the museum – WELCOME NATALIE!

I'd like to thank all the board members for your hard work and acknowledge the difficulty to find time for Hoo-Hoo in today's busy, busy world, so without you we **really** would have **nothing**.

Conventions:

JIV has also agreed to host the 2026 combined HHI/JIV Convention in Sydney with more details to come, but for those of you with a penchant for travel our JIV Mini will be in Kuching (Cat City) – Malaysia in 2025.

Thank you for your participation in the convention, and I encourage you to keep coming along and invite others as this is the only thing that will keep us together.

When I was re-elected 4 years ago, I introduced the 4 R's, which I believe are as significant today, as they were back then!

Relevance

Reinvigorate

Reinstatement

Retention

Simple words, but if we could just find a way and the time to apply them, it is what we need to help our membership, and keep us strong as members of HHI.

I wish you all

Health Happiness and Long Life

Ray Lamari

Supreme 9 JIV

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SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION V REPORT

Wow - 2023 is finally here with Cowichan Valley hosting the International Convention. It seems like a few weeks ago we still had 3 years to plan, and we were reminding each other to focus, because time goes by quickly.

Club 229 has been active this last year, and not just with Convention planning. We love supporting BC Forest Discovery Centre, and this year is no different. As many of you know, we have an amazing BBQ that uses briquettes to cook the most delicious steaks. This summer we brought the BBQ to the Forest Discovery Centre and over three days, had 4 of our members cook hotdogs and hamburgers for hungry guests. Paul & Anna Beltgens, along with Rocky Bradford and Nic Frueh cooked hundreds of burgers each day, and the Centre was thrilled to have the donated help. For us it was so little, but for a museum every bit of help is Appreciated.

Late spring saw us (finally) have a Concat. It was many years since we did one, and our members were able to get some amazing new kittens for our club. We promise to go easy on them for the first little bit then have more participation.

Our club will again be having our Fall Social, and I am sure that since we had no problems finding close to 100 members and guests attend our Spring Social, we will do the same in October. At the last social we changed location to the Duncan Lodge, which overlooks Quamichan Lake, and with ample room out front to cook our steaks on the BBQ, the view of the lake from the back, and their kitchen and bar setup, it is turning into a great place to congregate. The two clubs in JV, Vancouver 48, and Cowichan 229 continue to move along, and work together.

I look forward to seeing old friends, and new people very soon. Cowichan Valley and area is an amazing place and since most of the board have been here close to our whole lives we should be able to give you good advice on where to go, what to see, or feed you a line if we just don't know the answer.

Health, Happiness and Long Life
Jan Bradford 99092
JV Supreme 9 & Club Secretary

SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION VI REPORT

January started off with a bang! The 2023 Trifecta kicked off on Tuesday the 24th in Sacramento, Ca. with club #109's concatenation where they brought in 9 new kittens to their club and 2 new members for club #47. I had the pleasure of serving on the degree team as the visiting officer from club #181 & J-6. We had approximately 70 members and kittens in attendance.

Wednesday the 25th Black Bart #181 held their Industry Night event in Redwood Valley, Ca. where 89 men and women attended a delicious dinner served at the Broiler Steak House. Our host Dave Dahlen was the emcee for the night. Guests donated swag and gifts for a huge raffle. This event is when #181 installs our new President for the year of 2022-2023. Steve Bernardi was presented with the Black Bart perpetual presidential trophy. Congratulations Steve! This award has been going to our presidents since 1954. Each year the president's name is engraved on a plaque and placed on the plaque for the last 69 years.

Thursday the 26th was the famous Humboldt Hoo-Hoo club #63 Crab feed. 250 of our industry's best were in attendance. The host for this event was the one and only Rich Giacone. Club #63 honors one industry leader every year as Lumberman of the Year. This year the recipient was Rich Graham from Schmidbauer Lumber Company in Eureka; Ca. Rich very graciously accepted the award and spoke to the crowd like a pro.

February 11th Club #109 held their Valentine Dinner dance at the Delta King, a floating hotel in Old Town Sacramento, Ca. Lori and I love this event. We have enjoyed attending and staying on board this paddle wheel ship that was used to ferry customers between San Francisco & Sacramento for years. This dinner dance is hosted by Pat Zan and John Taylor. If you have never gone to this dinner and dance next year may be your opportunity.

March 15 Club #181 Black Bart held a Concatenation in Santa Rosa, Ca. 12 new kittens were brought into the club that night. This club is strong and growing.

April 14th Club #181 Black Bart Hosted Its Trap shoot in Ukiah, Ca. Over seventy men & women attended this fun event. We had a wonderful time, the weather was great, BBQ lunch was as always over the top. Lots of prizes including three guns, yeti's, tools & of course lots of alcohol. (After all the guns were put away)

May 18th Club #109 help their prestigious Silver Dollar Golf tournament in in the Sierra Foothills. This is an event you do not want to miss every year. We had a wonderful time playing with a full roster of industry leaders though out the western states.

Aug 25th Club #63 held their Golf tournament, Behind the Redwood curtain in Arcata, Ca. Rich Giacone reported that they had the best turn out for this event in years. Playing golf while standing between manistic Redwoods is an experience everyone should do.

Upcoming events:

Oct 6th Club #181 Black Bart is holding its Golf tournament in Ukiah, Ca.

Oct 13 Club #117 is hosting the Gregson Golf tournament in Chino Hills, Ca. At the Los Serranos Country Club.

Black Bart Club #181 Report:

Currently our club has 98 members:

Life members; 4

New members: 11

Reinstated: 4

Renewed: 79

Paid members: 98

Unpaid members: 0

As a club our goal is to grow again this coming year, we want to see many more young people join this organization and pass along the values of Hoo-Hoo to those we live and work with.

I believe that if we just use this mind set of (**Each one, reach one**) we can double our numbers.

If each member makes it a goal to recruit just one person this coming year, just one! Can you imagine the growth we can see as individual clubs and HHI at home and abroad?

Jeff Ward

#100164

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SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION VII REPORT

Greetings from VERY HOT Houston, Texas! We are burning up down here with close to 40 days of over 100* temperatures. We have also had about 45 days with no rain, although a few scattered showers in the last couple of days, but not at my house... This has put a damper on a lot of business, as it is just too hot to work in many cases, but the business is still there and hopefully will come around in September.

Houston Hoo Hoo Club #23 has not been very active in 2023. We have had more consolidations of very large lumber dealers and we have only a handful of independents left, and the large conglomerates are trying to figure out who they are and what they can do. This is very sad for our local club that has been so strong in years past. We will continue to have one or two golf tournaments per year and support our charity, Boys and Girls Country. We do have a Golf Tournament scheduled for October 30th at a TBD location, as our two venues that we have used in the past years are not available, but we will have one, somewhere. It has always been our tradition to have our tournament on the Monday following the Gurdon Forest Festival and the New Snark usually starts his tour in Gurdon and then comes to Houston. We hope that will be the plan again this year and we can welcome our new Snark of the Universe to Houston!

The Gurdon Club has really taken off and I am so happy for them and would like to see them again at the convention, but hopefully will see them at the Forest Festival and hear more about what they are doing.

Unfortunately, Marilyn and I will not be attending the convention this year due to some scheduled minor surgery that can't be changed. We will miss all of our Hoo Hoo friends, but will see you next year and at the mid-year Board meeting.

Health, Happiness and Long Life,

Roland Massey 84609

President Houston Hoo Hoo Club #23

Supreme Nine J VII

SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION VIII REPORT

As you all know J8 has one club which is the Twin Cities Hoo Hoo Club #12. I have been a member of this club since 1980. My Father was a member, two of my brothers were members and my son Mac is currently a member. So as you can see my family has strong ties to Club #12 as well as other families Siweks, O'Mearas, Scherers. The count of current members is 46 with gaining 6 new members and we will add more next year due to the diligence of our board and members.

We had two good events this year so far. A golf event at TopGolf in Mpls chaired by Dave & Mandi Siwek and a golf tournament at Chomonix Golf Course in Lino Lakes, MN. I was the chairman of the tournament but due to my transplant, I was in the hospital that day so Ron Paul and John Gerlach ran the tournament. It was semi successful, meaning we could have had more golfers but the hole sponsors helped us make money for the club. This was the first since 2019 and we are planning it to be better in the future.

Upcoming events are an auction in September/October. We will have an online auction with the materials at Forest Specialties, Mpls. In late October we will have our fall dinner giving 2-3 scholarships out to Dunwoody Technical College, Mpls. students in the construction program there. Then to close out the year we will have our Annual Lumberman of the Year Award at Jax Cafe in Mpls. The recipient has been voted on by 6 to 8 past winners but kept will be wrapped until we let the new person know sometime in October.

We have plans on sponsoring the Project Learning Tree program once we get some more information the main coordinator has for us at the State of Minnesota. In the big picture of things the club is financially in decent shape. For those who do not know, a past treasurer of Club #12 embezzled approximately \$171K from us and we have received approximately \$71K back to us in restitution, this has been a ten year process which has surprised the living blank out of me. We now implemented that there be two signatures on all checks and more detailed reports.

Health, Happiness and Long Life

Paul Boehmer #88436 S9 J8

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SUPREME NINE JURISDICTION IX REPORT

Dear Snark and Board of Directors:

Jurisdiction 9 has great potential to say the least. There are many Members at Large that live in Florida that will be my first contacts to help reactivate the Volusia Club 136, because this is the place to retire! LOL! Jurisdiction 9 at one time consisted of the following clubs: Those in **GREEN** are Active, those in **YELLOW** are in the process of being reactivated and those in **BLUE** no longer exist at this time. Like I said there is GREAT POTENTIAL in all Jurisdictions to reactivate clubs.

JURISDICTION 9 CLUBS

Atlanta, GA, Atlanta-Dick Wilson Club 1
Birmingham, AL, Of Birmingham Club 172
Charleston, SC, Charleston Club 273
Charlotte, NC, Charlotte Club 96
Cocoa, FL, Brevard County Club 221
Columbia, SC, Columbia Club 162
Daytona Beach, FL, Halifax Area Club 223
Daytona Beach, FL, Volusia County Club 136
Fort Meyers, FL, Fort Meyers Club 202
Greenville, SC, Piedmont Club 167
Jacksonville, FL, Jacksonville Club 52
Knoxville, TN, Knoxville Club 145
Macon, GA, Macon Club 67
Miami, FL, Greater Miami Club 42
Montgomery, AL, Montgomery Club 122
Nashville, TN, Nashville Club 168
Newport News, VA, Hampton Roads Club 154
Orlando, FL, Central Florida Club 115
Orlando, FL, Sunshine State Club 271
Palm Beach, FL, Palm Beach Club 147
Piedmont, NC, Greensboro Club 243
Richmond, VA, Richmond Club 123
Roanoke, VA, Appalachian Club of VA Club 169
Savannah, GA, Savannah Club 134
St. Petersburg, FL, St. Petersburg Club 64
Tampa, FL, Tampa Club 56
Tampa-St. Pete, FL, Bay Area Club 225

I have had so many family emergencies over the last year I just, very honestly, have not had the time to focus and do the work needed to get the Volusia Club 136 active and growing. I live in beautiful Daytona Beach, Florida and there are many businesses in the lumber industry

along with people who would join I am confident. Lots of wonderful attractions, concert venues, restaurants, beaches, sunshine and great places to explore for a Hoo-Hoo International Convention.

My goal is to accomplish the task of reactivating this club and helping other Jurisdictions to do the same.

I wish to thank Sacramento Club 109 for a wonderful Hoo-Hoo International Convention and applaud them for being one of those clubs that was recently reactivated and thriving. I also wish to thank Black Bart Club 181 for coming along side Sacramento financially and mentoring the Board of Directors. This is a great example of how we truly can reactivate clubs...just takes a little help from our friends.

Health, Happiness and Long Life.
RM104 Robyn Beckett Young 99870
Supreme 9 Jurisdiction 9

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

No Report

ADVERTISING COMMITTEE

No Report

BUDGET COMMITTEE

No Report

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

Dear Snark and Board of Directors:

It is a pleasure to support the Board and its members in the process of contacting clubs and seeing if they are willing and able to sponsor a Hoo-Hoo International Convention, which by the way is an honor and what we are all about...Goodwill and Fellowship.

Here is the current list that was discussed at the 2022 Sacramento HHI Convention:

2023: Cowichan Valley Club 229-Jurisdiction 5: ENJOY the beauty of this area and whale watching! It will be an amazing convention. I am so sorry to miss it this year!

2024: Roger Williams Club 51-Jurisdiction 1: Warren Biss and Deidre Fountain will host a Cruise along the East Coast.

2025: Black Bart Club 181-Jurisdiction 6: We do not have plans in stone, but we will be hoping to visit the West coast this year. Stay tuned!

2026: Sydney Club 215-Jurisdiction 4: If you have never visited Australia, this is your big opportunity. You can never see enough of this awesome place.

2027: Twin Cities Club 12-Jurisdiction 8: Did anyone say Snark Siwek?

2028/2029: We would like to hear from Jurisdiction 2 and 3 for the next two years. We have plenty of Hoo-Hoo Clubs in these Jurisdictions to step up.

2030: Gurdon Club 120-Jurisdiction 7. I highly recommend that the Gurdon Club 120 have a convention at least every 10 years. This is the HOME OF HOO-HOO and we should recognize and visit faithfully. So...2030, 2040, 2050, etc.

2031: Volusia County Club 136-Jurisdiction 9: Greg and Robyn Young to plan either a Daytona Beach area event or a cruise out of Ft. Lauderdale somewhere.

I look forward to discussing these convention destinations with our Jurisdictions, Clubs and Membership. Please feel free to contact me with any comments, ideas or changes. Supreme Nines the ball is always in your court.

Keep Sparking!

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Convention Committee Chair

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The last couple years have been trying times for the world, and Hoo-Hoo was not left out; we have, however great members, great clubs. We were very fortunate to have gotten a very good new executive secretary, Natalie, Lemons she came to us with very good credentials, along with a caring positive attitude and the other benefit is her family who have been involved in Hoo-Hoo for years so hopefully she will be with us for a long long time. There are and always will be issues that come up or feel. We are definitely back on track with everyone's support at the new leadership of our income is Snark, Paul Beltgens.

Thank you one and all for everything you do for this great organization and also for all your support for me.

Paul Todd – 99499

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FOREST PRODUCTS EDUCATION COMMITTEE

No Report

LEGISLATION AND GOOD OF THE ORDER COMMITTEE

No Report

MARKETING COMMITTEE

No Report

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

No Report

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Members of the HHI Board.

I hereby submit the following nominations, for consideration by the Convention, for the HHI Board positions for the year 2023-2024.

International President:	Paul Beltgens
1 st Vice President:	John Taylor
2 nd Vice President:	No nomination received
Secretary/Treasurer:	Warren Biss
S9 JI:	Jack Miller
S9 JIII:	No nomination received
S9 JV:	Jan Bradford
S9 JVII:	Roland Massey
S9 JIX:	Robyn Young

Submitted by Ron Gattone 99428
Nominations Committee Chairperson
August 31, 2023.

OPERATIONS MANUAL COMMITTEE

No Report

REDWOOD GROVE COMMITTEE

No Report

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

HHL has continued to move forward. We have fixed a charging issue with the ring doorbell, updated the alarm system, and done several items to make Natalie's life easier in the Administration of Hoo-Hoo through the website. Look for more updates and great things in the year ahead.

HHL

Steve Allison 98064 R106
Chairman Technology Committee



STAR OF HOO-HOO

Star Number	Recipient	Purchaser
1	RM 102 Mary Moynihan 96820	Twin Cities Hoo-Hoo Club No. 12
2	Dave Dahlen 94339	Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club No. 181
3	Ronald E. Loveness 74160	Winema Hoo-Hoo Club No. 216
4	Paul Wunder L-85881	Winema Hoo-Hoo Club No. 216
5	Harry Stuchell L-49775	North Cascade Hoo-Hoo Club No. 230
6	Michael Nicholson 89383	Southern California Hoo-Hoo Club No. 117
7	Beth Thomas 96757	Winema Hoo-Hoo Club No. 216
9	Hoo-Hoo Museum	Jim Miller
12	John Gerlach 100500	Twin Cities Hoo-Hoo Club No. 12
13	Jack Miller, Jr. 95025	Harry L. Folsom Hoo-Hoo Club No. 13
17	Trish Burgoyne & Joseph Burgoyne 101127, in memory of Joe Burgoyne L-89129	Harry L. Folsom Hoo-Hoo Club No. 13
23	Christopher Goff L-86656	Houston Hoo-Hoo Club
24	Ron Harrington JIVL-89619	Ballarat Hoo-Hoo Club 256**
26	Rich Giacone 96238	Humboldt Hoo-Hoo Club No. 63
28	(Not assigned)	Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club 28
32	Bob Dagais 87953	Tacoma/Olympia Hoo-Hoo Club No. 89
33	Jason LeRoy 100128	Cowichan Valley Hoo-Hoo Club No. 229
49	Terry Hammerschmith 99531	Tacoma/Olympia Hoo-Hoo Club No. 89

51 thru 65* JIV (Note HHI now has 54, see notes at bottom of this - BT) Re-Gifted by HHI Board

51	Greg Meacham 92446	Leschenaultia Hoo-Hoo Club No. 274*
52	JIV Listed as "No Recipient as yet"	Leschenaultia Hoo-Hoo Club No. 274*
58	Trish Waters 99278, Club Treasurer & JIV Treasurer	Melbourne Club 217 - Awarded 2023
61	Kent Bond 89381	Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club No. 181
62	JIV Listed as "No Recipient as yet"	Auckland Hoo-Hoo Club No. 248*

64	Ross Maloney JIVL-88204	Auckland Hoo-Hoo Club No. 248*
65	Colin Mason JIVL-88205	Auckland Hoo-Hoo Club No. 248*
69	Jim Miller 101099	Jim Miller
73	Archie Brown L-81675	Willamette Valley Hoo-Hoo Club 33
79	Ren Reinke 92911	Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club No. 181
80	Dick Miles 77718	Winema Hoo-Hoo Club 216
81	RM 81 Phil Cocks L-77298	JIV Club**
86	RM 86 Manny Litvin L-60272	Detroit Hoo-Hoo Club No. 28
89	RM 89 Al Meier L-71555	Tacoma/Olympia Hoo-Hoo Club No. 89
90	(SAVE FOR Warren Biss L-90909 HHI Secretary/Treasurer)	(ROGER WILLIAMS CLUB)
95	RM 95 Gary Gamble 79682	Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club No. 181
96	RM 96 David Jones L-82806	Black Bart Hoo-Hoo Club No. 181
99	Hoo-Hoo Museum	Gifted

Notes: The international office gave Heather Star 24 (Ron Harrington) for JIV at Seattle Convention 2017. At the Cairns Convention in 2016, HHI gave JIV Star 81 (Phil Cocks).

Heather gave the international office Star 53 & 54 at the Seattle Convention 2017 – Swapping of Star 24 and Star 81.

International office received Star 61 to give to Kent Bond. As of February 20, 2019, JIV is due a Star from Hoo-Hoo International.

Whistler Convention – Returned Star 53 to Heather (JIV), to replace Star 61.

List Completed 09/01/2020 for Zoom Convention - BT

In the future, I would like to add dates the Stars were awarded -NL