

# Joyriders Snowmobile Club

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### President's Corner

Last night our annual dinner ride was held. On our way to the event Kathy and I drove in the rain. Needless to say everyone was disappointed that we could not drive our snowmobiles that day but support for the event was great with over 70 people attending, and \$200 plus dollars raised for the Brazeau Rescue Squad. I want to personally thank the member who made this event a success.

Our club is blessed with some really great people who work very hard to support our club and last night a special award was given to one of those couples. Loddie & Gladys Koutsky was given a LIFE MEMBERSHIP to our club and a plaque presented to them by me. I told the people present at the event that Loddie & Gladys has supported our club for over 25 years, and it was there constant support even in the tough years that allowed our club to prosper and grow. Loddie & Gladys we thank you for your many years of service.

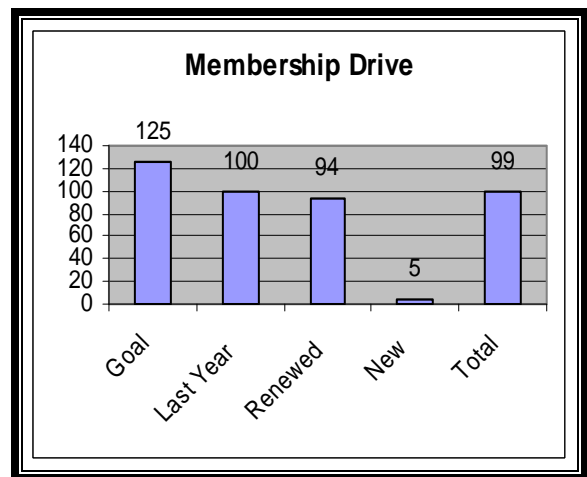
In addition we were honored to have some of our landowners attend the dinner and we thank them for coming. Without their support we could not have a snowmobile trail in our area.

All we have to do is THINK SNOW and we still might be able to get some riding in this year. I sure hope so my machines are just inching to go down the trail. See you on the trail I hope.

Roy Lawrenz

### Membership Drive

As your membership chairman I want to thank everyone who has renewed their membership this year, and those new members that have joined our club. With a low snow year like the one we are experiencing this year your support of our club is very much appreciated.



Having our membership reach 99 for the year and 5 new members join is a great accomplishment, thank you very much.

Roy

Bagley & Brazeau

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### **EVENTS AND MEETING SCHEDULE**

February 11, 2006  
Vance's, Klondike, WI  
10:00 a.m.

March 11, 2006  
Walker's Bay, White Potato Lake  
10:00 a.m.

April 8, 2006 Spring Clean Up  
9:00 a.m.  
Joyriders Storage Shed  
Lunch to follow

### **January 14, 2006 Minutes**

Meeting was called to order by  
President Roy Lawrenz at 10:30 A.M.  
at the Black Bear Country Club.

#### **First Order of Business:** Secretary's Report

A motion to accept minutes as mailed  
was made by Jerry Frey, seconded  
by Tony Gmand. Motion approved.

#### **Second Order of Business:** **Treasures Report**

A motion to accept treasures report  
as given by Bob Oseland was made  
by Jerry Frey and seconded by Andy  
Baker. Motion approved.

#### **Third Order of Business:** **Old Business:**

Discussion took place regarding our  
annual Dinner Ride Event and raffle to  
be held on January 28th. A committee  
consisting of Bob Oseland, Eva Gmand,  
Paula Lamberg, Kathy Lawrenz and  
Joyce Sukowski was formed. A  
suggestion was made that name tags  
of a different color should be use to  
designate landowners attending the  
dinner. A motion was made by Bob  
Oseland to designate \$400 to purchase  
items to be used in the raffle, seconded  
by Jerry Frey. Motion carried. A  
presentation of a plaque will be made  
to Lottie and Gladys Koutsky for their  
many years of service to the club.

#### **Four Order of Business:** **New Business:**

#### **Groomer Payment / Contract:**

A payment of \$4400 was made to Mark  
Kuchta for the grooming performed the  
early part of the season. Roy informed  
that a change has taken place for this  
year only which increases the amount  
of funding that club receives from the  
state from \$60 to \$65 for the type of  
equipment used to groom our trails.  
Roy indicated that a change in the  
contract we have with Mark Kuchta  
needed to be made to allow the club to

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pay Mark the additional \$5.00 that we will receive this year from the state.

Roy came up with the following suggestion. Rather than change the wording in the contract he recommended an addendum to the contract should be made which changed the wording in the contract giving a specific amount to read the amount paid to Mark would be \$5.00 less than the amount paid to us by the state. Examples of the addendum were pasted out to the membership with the exact reading. After further discussion A motion was made by Tom Stadler to add the addendum to the lease (section 2) to change the wording on compensation paid to Mark for grooming, seconded by Bob Oseland . Motion approved.

### **State Funding:**

The first 2006 state funding request for payment was submitted by Roy Lawrenz in the amount of \$6,218.33 of for reimbursement. This payment was for the labor, and trail supplies purchased which included lumber for an up grade of one of our bridges.

### **Michigan Technical Request:**

A request from the Michigan Technical School for \$500 donation

was received to fund studies on how to reduce noise levels, and safety for snowmobiles. After further discussion the club decided to let the manufactures support this effort and not participate at this time.

### **Snowmobile Drag Improvement:**

Tom Stadler requested reimbursement for parts he purchased on his own to improve the performance of the snowmobile drag that Mark uses on our trail. He felt even though it is the responsibility of the Mark to provide the equipment it was a good investment for the club. After further explanation on what the improvement made a motion to reimburse Tom was made by Joyce Sukowski, seconded by Bob Oseland. Motion approved.

### **Snowmobile Safety Course:**

Bob Oseland brought up to the club the need to provide snowmobile safety course to young people who want to drive a snowmobile. Courses of this type are not offered in this area and are really needed. He volunteered to become a safety course instructor and will look into the steps needed to be taken to offer to our members the course for the 06/07 season. Tom Stadler suggested that Dale Benke knows what is involved in offering the

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course and Bob volunteered to contact Dale and report back to the club.

### **Groomer Parking in Shed:**

Tom Stadler brought up an issue regarding the groomer and drag parking in the snowmobile shed. The groomer is 1' foot longer than the shed. Roy indicated that he talked to Ron Tank about it and Ron is looking into options to make the shed larger to accommodate the groomer.

### **Groomer Driver Parking:**

Tom Stadler made a suggestion regarding the groomer drivers vehicles parked at the snowmobile shed while they are out grooming. There is times when Mark or Gene will leave their personal vehicle parked at the shed over night and for that reason he recommended we allow the drivers to part inside the building. Discussion on parking of vehicles inside the shed took place and it was agreed that those persons grooming or doing other service work for club could park vehicle inside.

### **Trails:**

Permission was received from the Brazeau town board for the snowmobile road routes. Discussion on Klondike trail corn field that has not been removed and

probably won't this season was held. It was agreed that Jerry Frey contact owner to ask permission to groom trail thru corn field.

### **AWSC Report:**

AWSC raffle ticket sales to date we have received some response, please members this is our major fund raising event this year. Your support in selling will make this a success. Remember to return unsold ticket. Additional tickets are available, contact Roy Lawrenz.

Our membership and all members of the AWSC is asked to take a stand against the extended T-Zone hunt. On Jan. 23, in Madison a vote is to be taken, members Jerry Frey, Tony & Eva Ghand and Bob & Joyce Sukowski volunteered to accompany other members from Oconto County Alliance on a trip to Madison to show legislatures that the Snowmobile Clubs stand against a late T-Zone hunt as trail work and signing is done after hunting season. Also the AWSC is in support of a state wide 55 mile per hour night speed limit. Slowing down at night when most of the fatalities occur.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jerry Frey, seconded by Don Wittman. Motion approved.