

Bagley & Brazeau

Joyriders Snowmobile Club

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September 2009 Snow News & Minutes

Presidents Corner

Last year we had another outstanding year, but that was last year. The 2009-10 season is just around the corner. Your senior Trail Boss Tom Stadler has been working all summer on some great opportunities to improve our trail system. Tom has received permission to use the county land along Marl Lake Road which will be a huge improvement to our trail system. To make things better the County has done some logging in that area and as a result some of the work has been completed for us, but there is a lot of brush that needs to be cleared out. This is a big project but once it is completed it will make a huge improvement to our trail system. That is why we have called a meeting our first meeting October 3rd the first Saturday of the month. The meeting will be held at our Club storage building at 9:00 am behind Lee Lake Tap. Please do try to attend.

At our meeting on Saturday October 3rd we will also have election of officers. It is with great sadness that I have to tell you that Debbie Baumberger has requested to resign her position of Secretary/Treasurer. She has done an outstanding job in that position and we all thank her for the contribution to our club, you did an excellent job and you will be missed. These are to very important positions to our club and it is my hope that two people will step up to take these positions. At this meeting it is also important for our trail bosses to be present to get all the current information regarding the landowners you work with. As I mentioned this is a new year with many challenges but also many opportunities to make our club and trail system the best in the area.

Our club over the years has done an excellent of retaining and growing our annual membership, for this I want to thank you our loyal members who renew your membership with us each year. We ended our year with 116 family memberships and we already off to a great start with 3 new members that have already joined our club this season. Enclosed is your 09-10 renewal membership envelope. Please take the time to send in your renewal today. It is a big help to the secretary and me because we don't have to track those members who have not renewed their membership and send out reminder envelopes, and it also saves the club on postage.

On August 6th of this year I, along with 16 other residents in the Town of Brazeau was invited to a Town meeting regarding the town's facilities, and the need for more room for the Fire & Rescue Squad in the Town of Brazeau. Included in the meeting were individual residents along with Presidents of clubs in the area like myself. As a resident and not an officer of any club I volunteered to be part of the Brazeau Citizens Ad Hoc Building Committee, and have taken on the Communications Committee Chairman position for the committee. As we go through the process of evaluating the Towns Facilities and their needs it is my intent to keep you up to date through this newsletter. Remember the Town of Brazeau Rescue Squad purchased special equipment to rescue injured snowmobilers.

Yours Truly,

Roy Lawrenz

First Scheduled Meeting for 09-10 Season

October 3rd, 2009

Location

Club Storage Building

Behind Lee Lake Tap

Time 9:00 am

Please try to attend this meeting. We have a lot of exciting projects to complete this fall to make our trail system even better. For the trail bosses we will have all the updated information regarding your landowners. Last year was a very good year for our club; let's make this one even better

For sale Corner

As in the past your club newsletter gives our members the opportunity to advertise items related to the sport of snowmobiling. If you would like to advertise something in our newsletter send the information to:

Roy Lawrenz
10261 Lee Lake Park Lane
Pound, WI 54161

For Sale

Tony & Eva Gnad are offering an excellent deal on their snowmobiles and trailer to an interest party, they just decided the warm weather in the south is more appealing than snow.

Offered for sale:

2001 Polaris 544cc Indy Super Sport, electric start, reverse, and cover

\$1595.00

1998 Polaris 488cc Indy Trial, electric start, reverse, and cover

\$995.00

Triton All Aluminum 2 place snowmobile trailer, full size 10' long 8' wide

\$429.00

All the equipment has been store inside and is in excellent condition.

You can buy the whole package, the 2 snowmobiles and trailer for just \$2999.00

If you are interested you can contact Tony or Eva Gnad at 920-897-2282. If you know a family that might be interested in getting into snowmobiling they really have to take a look at this offer.

April 4, 2009 Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President, Roy Lawrenz at 9:05 A.M. at the club storage shed. Seven members were present.

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Secretary's Report

A motion to accept the Secretary's report in the minutes was made by Tom Stadler and seconded by Tony Gnad. Motion approved.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report

A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as given was made by Tom Yingling and seconded by Tony Gnad. Motion approved. The February 7, 2009 dinner banquet financial statement was presented and read into the minutes.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Old Business

TRAIL REPORTS

Tom Stadler reported that Andy Baker was not able to attend today's meeting because of his work but he will be removing all of his signs next weekend.

MAP ADS

Dale Behnke reported that Joyce Sukowski is doing a very good job handling the Oconto County map ad renewals and has also volunteered to pick up the map boxes from their locations.

TRAIL RE-ROUTE

The club will be looking into the possibility of rerouting a few sections on the trail system next season. The road route around Lee Lake area due to grooming difficulties, an area near the pipeline in Suring, the ditch line on Hwy 64 near the Mobil Station, and a small section in back of Lee Lake Tavern due to the close proximity of the trail to some of the homes. These areas will be discussed further at the fall meeting.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

New Business

MEMBERSHIP

Roy reported that the final membership ended up at 116 members up 3 family memberships from a year ago. WE also received a second check from one of our members to cover their membership.

LANDOWNER GIFT CERTIFICATES

Roy Lawrenz reported that this past week a thank you letter with two gift certificates valued at \$10.00 each has been sent to the landowners. They can use the certificates at three restaurants in the area, Walker's Bay Super Club, Holiday Inn Restaurant, and the Black Bear Trail Golf Course. He also sent letters to the restaurants participating in the certificate program, and trail bosses explaining how the program will work and how to get reimbursement for the certificates.

AWSC MEETINGS REPORT BY DALE BEHNKE

DAY AT THE MADISON CAPITOL

The AWSC organized a day to meet with the legislatures in Madison, WI representing the interests of the snowmobiles clubs across Wisconsin. Approximately 400 AWSC Members attended and 12 people represented the Marinette and Oconto

Counties. The state Assembly persons & Senators or staff took time out to meet with the group.

AWSC DIRECTORS MEETING MARCH 27, 28, AND 29, 2009

There were 906 people registered for the convention 150 was youths.

Tom Stadler made a point to thank one of our youngest members of our club Mike for attending our meeting this morning and his help in maintaining the trail system. It is really great to see young people like that to get involved.

There was talk of having the term for the AWSC President a 2 year term and all other officers. After discussion a motion was made by Tom Stadler and second by Tom Yingling endorsing the proposal and directing Dale Behnke at the next Alliance meeting to pass on the sediments of our club.

New Trail Pass Program

Here is how the new Cap / Step program would work. There would be a onetime registration fee of \$15.00 and that would be good as long as own the sled, if sold the new owner would have to pay the \$15.00 registration fee. The trail pass sticker would be \$35.00 per season and could be purchased were ever DNR license are sold. There is talk involving an AWSC membership program were trail passé would be \$15.00 for club members. It is not considered a membership discount because club membership would be at least \$20.00 so the total cost for membership and sticker would still be \$35.00. To get the new law passed which has the potential of generating additional revenue for the trail system we will have to give some moneys back to others programs to get the legislature to approve the recommendations. The AWSC feels it is a good investment and will pursue the new law.

Dale reported that the 55 miles speed limit for night driving will probably stay into effect.

Dale also reported that the Home Land and Security Department has requested a list of Snowmobilers that could be available to help out in emergencies when regular safety equipment cannot get to the location. The example used was the bad snow storm that stranded 75 cars on interstate 90/94 where stranded for over 12 hours and the only way supplies could get to them was by snowmobile. Roy indicated he would send a letter to the members who live year round on our trail system asking them to volunteer there name for the list.

OWI Issue, the AWSC is working with the Governor's Council on this, from what I got out of the meeting is that the AWSC don't want snowmobilers to be singled out if they are to pass a law, then they need to look at all DNR programs like ATV's, hunters, etc.

AWSC Memberships

Oconto County had two clubs in the top 5 for membership. The two clubs were the Red Arrow Snowmobile / ATV Club, and the Chute Pound SC Club Inc.

AWSC Award Program

The AWSC is looking for nominations for the Family of the Year, Groomer of Year, and Dealership of the year. If you would like to make a nomination for any of these areas contact the secretary for the application.

Dale has reserved the AWSC Information trailer for the Oconto County Fair that will be held on August 27th – 30th at Gillett, WI. He is looking for volunteers to help work the booth.

Oconto County Alliance promotional program, the Alliance will not renew the contract with Discover Wisconsin. They are looking at another site that could give our County better coverage. The cost of this program would be \$3,000. Last year our club helped pay for the Discover Wisconsin program. Tom Stadler suggested that the Alliance should be going to the businesses in the area for the funding and not the clubs because they are the ones that benefit having additional snowmobilers in the area, for the club it just increases our cost of grooming, etc.

A request was made to cover the cost of the hotel by Dale Behnke for attending the AWSC Convention. The club has approved this cost in the past. Tom Stadler made a motion to approve the cost Second by Tom Yingling, motion approved.

TRAIL SIGNS

Tom Stadler reported that he will be ordering the new signs to be used on our trail system next year. If any members need special signs contact Tom.

WARNING SIGNS

Dale Behnke suggested the club invest in warning signs that could be carried in the groomer incase if breaks down on the trail system. The same type of sign truckers use, Tom indicated he would look into purchasing them.

SPEED LIMIT SIGNS

On the north end of our trail system on some of the roads in Marinette County 25 mile per hour signs have been put up for snowmobiles and ATV's. Tickets have been issued and a rider came to us for help regarding the ticket. We did not put up the signs. We will be looking into if the Town put up the signs.

GOLDHORN ROAD

Roy reported receiving a call from one of the home owners on Goldhorn Road that the owners along that road will be going to the Town to stop us from riding the road. Dale reported that according to state law they cannot the club from using the right away. What the club really wants to do is get off of the road and use the fields in the area. We will be working on that this year.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m. was made by Tom Yingling and second by Tony Gnad.

Submitted by Acting Secretary, Lynn Stadler

NEW TRAIL BOSS

Club member, Chuck Panure has volunteered to be the trail boss in the White Potato Lake area. He will be taking over the area south from Walkers Bay Supper Club. We want to thank him for volunteering to take this position.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:53 P.M. was made by Don Wittmann and seconded by Mike Lambert. Motion approved.

The next meeting date has been changed to April 4th, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. at the Club storage shed.

Submitted by Secretary, Debra Baumberger

Please remember that our next snowmobile meeting is on October 3rd, 2009 at our club storage building right behind Lee Lake Tap.
Please try to attend.