

Bagley & Brazeau

Joyriders Snowmobile Club

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March 2018 Snow News & Minutes

Presidents Corner

This has really been an up and down year. On the good side thanks to some really loyal members our trails have never been better, all we is more snow. A big thanks to our groomer drivers who do an excellent job in grooming our trails. Also want to thank Tom Kutcha and his family who do all of the maintenance of the equipment that grooms our trails. We had a couple issues this year and they were right on top of it making the necessary repairs. It is truly a team effort.

Another success this year was the club all day ride. We had 18 sleds and 20 people participate in the ride, and 25 members for dinner. Tom Stadler again this year did an excellent job as our leader and everyone really had a good time. It is really neat ounce a year to ride in a big group like that. We are already talking about next year. Should we do a repeat of an all day ride, or again do the overnight ride. Your impute would be helpful, drop me an e-mail and let me know what you would like to do, roylawrenz@msn.com.

Now for the downer. Every time we would get a really nice snow fall the temperatures would warm up and there goes the snow again. It would be nice just to have a normal winter where we get the snow and it says cold enough to keep it. But we don't have any control over that. Let's hope that we still get some good snow storms yet this year, and that next year will be better.

Roy Lawrenz
President

Important Club Events

Meeting Location Change

Note that we have a meeting change location for the March Club Meeting. We will be meeting again at Gp UP North, N4111 County Rd S, Corner of County Rd S and Highway 64. Meeting will start at 9:00 am on Saturday March 3rd.

Annual Landowner Appreciation Dinner

The Landowner Appreciation Dinner will be held again this year at the Holiday Inn on Kelly Lake, on April 6th. Dinner will feature Romy's great Chicken & Tips Family Style for only \$16.00 per person. Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm, enjoy cocktails before.

We use this event to thank our landowners for allowing us to cross their land by inviting 2 people from each family as our guest. We also use this event to raise money for the Brazeau Rescue Squad. Over the year se have raised over \$13,000 for the rescue squad at this event.

Please register for this event by calling me at 920-897-2499 our dropping me an e-mail at roylawrenz@msn.com so we know how many people to plan for.

Receive Your Monthly Newsletter by e-mail

At our last meeting we discussed giving the option to our membership of receiving your monthly newsletter using e-mail. Fifteen members are taking advantage of receiving the newsletter by e-mail. All you have to do to receive your newsletters by e-mail is e-mail me at roylawrenz@msn.com and we work to put you on our e-mail list.

Meeting Events Schedule

March 3, 2018

Change of Location
Gp UP North
N4111 County Rd S
Corner of County Rd S
and Highway 64
Gas Station/Resturant
Time 9:00 am

April 6, 2018 Special Event

Landowner Appreciation Dinner
Holiday Inn, Kelly Lake, WI

April 7, 2018

Club Meeting - Work Weekend
Location:
Club Storage Building, Lee Lake, WI. –
Time 9:00 am

FEBRUARY 10, 2018 MEMBER MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at Brad's Wouters II , White Potato Lake, Wi. at 9:00 AM by Club President, Roy Lawrenz.

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

A motion to approve the report was made by Hubert Weidemeier and seconded by Jerry Frye. Motion approved.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Income and expense report was made by Treasurer, Chuck Panure. A motion was made to accept this by Tom Stadler and seconded by Tom Yingling.

Old Business

Roy reported that we have come to an agreement with Tom on our equipment lease in regard to our groomer.

New Business

AWSC News

A notice by Sam Landes- Executive Director-Dan county AWSC Legislative Committee Chair, Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs was read by Roy: Because of the additional funding our fund received from the trail pass program, a provision in the 2017-2018 State Budget raised our base trail aids (which our clubs can apply for) from \$250 a mile on funded trails to \$300 a mile, and raise our base grooming amount from \$150 to \$200 a mile of that amount. These rates have not been raised for nearly 20 years. It also removed the sunset on our trail pass program, so that we can continue to provide our volunteer clubs this financial help.

Also all revenue collected from snowmobile registrations, annual trail passes and out of state user sticker fees (minus 75 cents each for printing and distribution) are deposited into our Segregated Snowmobile Trail Aids Fund. We also receive into that fund the fuel tax revenues on 50 gallons of gas per registered snowmobile in our state along with an additional 55% of that figure (in consideration of out-of-state users as well.) This fund is how the clubs get reimbursed for trail maintenance and grooming. It is also how projects and grants are awarded to clubs and club alliances that include replacing and repairing brings and trails on our self-funded trail system.

We have accomplished both major goals of the trail pass legislation. Our membership went from a low of 24,000 members to over 40,000 family members at present. We have added approximately \$2.5 million dollars to our trail aids fund. Many clubs that have put forth an effort to obtain, communicate and involve their membership have seen increased participation.

Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance News

We need 1200 hours to jump into supplemental funding. As of Tuesday night's meeting we were about 850 with two of the clubs not reporting. We anticipate that we will have enough hours in our county for supplemental funding. Our club was a big part in that we had 185 hours of that 850 before grooming on Friday.

Kurt Butler is running for AWSC office once more and Roy signed for our club so he may do so.

Trail Reports

Roy spent a day with Monty as they GPSED the whole trail system with a sophisticated object that sat on back of his snowmobile that reached about 4 feet high. They rode every trail including spurs around to Round and down to Lee Lake and wound up with 68.2 miles and are being paid for 68.8. He gave me a detailed map of what our trail system looks like with all the turns and corners and such. A very interesting day! Because of Monty we are able to work through our county instead of Marinette.

Tom mentioned that five years ago he and Tom and Lynn took a ride through the whole trail system and clocked 68.8...that is amazing!

Annual AWSC convention is March 23-25 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Roy had forms available and encouraged those who could to attend.

Tom Stadler reported we will not be grooming trails through the Suring Golf Course this year. If you hit those trails, it will get rougher as the season goes on.

A discussion as to where to hold the March Meeting was held. It was suggested to hold it back at G3 Gas station. Breakfast was a good selling point! Motion made and seconded. Motion approved.

Tom talked about a map called "The Hunter," which map for cell phones that costs \$30 a year and it provides you with name of every person that owns a lot or acreage. Tom would like to purchase the AP as it would help us find landowners.. Roy made a motion to do so. Jerry Frye seconded it. Motion approved.

Tom Yingling made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Stan Holtger seconded it. Motion approved.

from _____ Jerry