



SNO-EAGLES, INC. SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Eagle River, WI



NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2018

Website: www.snoeagles.org also on facebook: sno-eagles snowmobile club

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is beginning to look a lot like winter here in the Northwoods. We have had a dusting of snow from time to time and more in the forecast. Excitement is building, and I am looking forward to another fun year snowmobiling in Wisconsin. Due to the countless hours our volunteers have spent in the woods, our trail system is nearly ready for the snow season. Our equipment is also ready to go another year, again thank you to the small group of volunteers that performed the maintenance. I am entering my third year as your President and I am still so very excited and proud to be a part of this great club. We have so many wonderful people in the club and they make this club a great social club and an integral part of the Northwoods Community. One of my many responsibilities as your President is to guide our club both financially and with good organization. Your Board of Directors along with myself has looked at replacing one of our Groomers this year. It does make sense as this club cannot afford to spend thousands of dollars each year in maintenance. This is good business sense. Of course, with a purchase of a late model used Groomer comes debt. In the future I will be asking for more donations to help lessen our debt, I hope our club understands the need for good equipment. With good equipment, volunteers and leadership the club can provide our members and the community with safe and wonderfully groomed snowmobile trails. Again, I urge our members to attend our monthly membership meetings to fully appreciate what is happening in your club. This month the club will crown our 2018-19 Miss Sno-Eagle, Cheyanne Warren at Riverstone Restaurant. I urge you to come and join us in welcoming Cheyanne. The club is planning their annual Christmas Party, please sign up. This year it is a German Christmas at Catch 22 on Dec. 13. Come out and have a great time and meet fellow members. Start your Snow Dance and of course ask the Weatherman for Cold Temperatures to get the 2018-19 snowmobile season off to a grand start.

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THIS MONTH'S VOLUNTEERS

. On behalf of the Sno-Eagles club, I would like to extend our thanks to the many volunteers that make our club great. I am sure I am missing a few names but the club thanks all of you that volunteer for the club. I have attended many of our events and have enjoyed talking to our volunteers. You will notice that the same people volunteer for many committees. Please contact the club to volunteer this year. The Sno-Eagles want to thank:

Equipment Maintenance: Jim Joritz, Marv Radloff

Trail Brushing: Brian Scheid, Jerry Fancher, Bugs Mathieu, Dan Lynch, Ron Engels, Marv Radloff, Jerry Lathrop, George Cavaligos, Dennis & Jason Jantz, Michelle & Evan Jenet, Jim Ayers, Fred Bode

Saturday Brushing Meal setup/cooking: Rusty & Cheryl Wolf, Audrey Stearns, Deana Jansa.

You are here trail signs: Jim Ehler, Brian Scheid and Rusty

Trail Map Sales Volunteers: Steve Linn, Bugs Mathieu, Jim Ayers, John Norman, Chuck Bodie, Fred Rockafellow, Dennis Kirby, Cliff Erickson, Elmer Jensen, Mac McCoy.

Ride with Pride Raffle Volunteers: John Norman, Rusty Wolf, Steve Linn, Bugs Mathieu, Chuck Bodie, Jerry Fancher, Jim Ehler and Glenn Dalton

Now it's your turn! Please go to the website or contact one of your Officers to sign up to volunteer on one of the many committees of the club. Thank you in advance.

Volunteers Needed at the new World Championship Derby Complex:

The new owners of the old Derby Track, now called the World Championship Derby Complex have asked the Sno-Eagles to provide volunteers for their upcoming events. The new owners will compensate our club for the number of volunteers that we can provide. Let's show our Sno-Eagle support and sign up. Please send an email to President Rusty Wolf at hwolf48@me.com if you can help out. . You can sign up for the following areas:

Help with parking, ticket sales, hot seats, and kitchen staff sales are needed for all three Derby weekend events:

Vintage Derby Weekend: Jan. 11-13, 2019

Championship Derby Weekend: Jan. 18-20, 2019

World Series of Snowmobiles Weekend: Mar. 9-10, 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

Be sure to put these important Sno-Eagle activities on your calendar:

November

- 8 - Trail Brushing
- 10 – Trail Brushing & Groomer Headquarters Cookout
- 15 - Trail Brushing & Member Meeting at Riverstone
- 24 - SNO at Eagle Lanes and Lounge

December

- 4 – Board of Directors Meeting
- ????????– Trails Open – Conditions permitting
- 13 – Sno-Eagles Christmas Party – Catch 22 Supper Club

January

- 8 – Board of Directors Meeting
- 17– Member meeting at VFW Post
- 25-27 – Women on Snow
- 26 – Saturday Night Out – location TBA

TRAIL BOSS REPORT

Looking into November I realize we're approximately six weeks from the earliest trails can open. We will be ready for inspection the first week of December.

Brushing & signing season has gone well so far. However I need to point out the need for volunteers. Over the last 10 years I have seen our Thursday volunteers decrease and our Saturday's attendance has been lower than expected. We really appreciate those that have shown up to help so far, but we need to keep reminding members, community partners, friends, and family we need the help. Brushing & signing is one of the most important items we do as a club. We can't groom if we don't brush & sign

This November symbolizes the farewell to our 2004 BR-180 Snowcat. This unit is the last of our grooming units to either be sold or traded since I was named Trail Boss just over two years ago. I knew coming into this position we would be challenged to update equipment and to decrease the overall maintenance costs that were paralyzing this club the last several years. We as a board have done that by making good decisions purchasing equipment, having really dedicated maintenance volunteers, and continuing the overall commitment to grooming quality trails for the community of Eagle River and it's members. At the November board meeting, the board will be facing a very big decision what brand and type of unit will replace the BR-180. Thank You to everyone that has donated to the groomer replacement fund. Replacing a grooming unit will cost the club upwards of \$225,000. We are thankful for your donations thus far as we continue to ask for your financial support.

See you on the trails very soon!

Brian Scheid- Trail Boss

SNO –EAGLES CHRISTMAS PARTY – DECEMBER 13

This year the Sno-Eagles Snowmobile Club will hold a themed Christmas party - a German Christmas in Eagle River.

- Cocktails at 6:00 (cash bar). Dinner at 7:00
- We will have a buffet of German cuisine with multiple German entrees.
- Price is \$25 per person. This includes meal, tax, tip and entertainment.
- We will have a live musician playing your German favorites.
- There will be a 50/50 raffle along with multiple raffle prizes.
- Send your reservations to Sno-Eagles Snowmobile Club, PO Box 866, Eagle River, WI 54521. Enclose your name/names along with your check made out to Sno-Eagles for \$25 per person.

Men wear your lederhosen and women your dirndl dress if you care!

2018 Sno-Eagles Christmas Party Donation Information

A Sno-Eagles member asked the club to choose a group for donations at this year's Christmas Party to help needy in Vilas County. The club has selected the "School Food Backpack Program."

A little background on this program. A few years ago, teachers at the various elementary schools in the county asked school counselors to investigate why some children have a hard time at school on Monday's. The counselors found that there were students that had their last meal on Friday at school and did not eat again until Monday at school. Approximately a dozen churches in the area started this program. There is a room at the elementary school that will have backpacks filled with food items for kids to take home and return the empty backpack on Monday. Prince of Peace Lutheran is the church that collects food and stuffs the backpacks each week. Currently there are 65 elementary school kids who receive a backpack and 9 high schoolers. This is a great program for our club to give back to the community and help some kids. I ask that members attending our Christmas Party Dec. 13 bring along some food items from the list and we will get the items to assist this wonderful program.

Items needed:

- Granola bars or breakfast bars
- Individual macaroni and cheese microwavable cups (not boxes that require stovetop cooking)
- Ramen noodles
- Individual size cereal boxes
- Individual size pudding, or fruit cups
- Microwavable bowls of stew and soup
- Juice boxes

The Sno-Eagles will deliver the items donated after the Christmas Party to Prince of Peace. Thank you in advance for your generosity. I hope to see many members at our Christmas Party.

RIDE WITH PRIDE FUNDRAISER

Ride with Pride, a major fundraiser for local snowmobile clubs, has been launched. The event is co-sponsored by three area snowmobile clubs – Sno-Eagles of Eagle River, Sno-Buddies of Conover, and Northern Lights Snowmobile Club of Three Lakes.

Track Side of Eagle River has donated a 2019 Ski-Doo MXZ 600ES snowmobile OR a 2019 Can-AM Outlander 570 ATV, as the grand prize in the raffle. Second prize is a Yellowstone snowmobile trip and \$500 for travel expenses. Included is 3 nights lodging and 2 days of snowmobile rental (2 sleds), two days snowmobile clothing, 1st tank of fuel each day for each sled, hot breakfast each morning, and a prime rib dinner. Third prize is a weekend getaway at Wild Eagle Lodge. Fourth prize is a dinner for two (up to \$100) at Eagle Waters Resort.

Raffle tickets are \$5 each or 3 for \$10 and will be available at local restaurants, bars, resorts, marinas, businesses and at the World Snowmobile Headquarters. The drawing will be held at Track Side in Eagle River on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 12 noon. The winner need not be present.

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PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENT

The following Bylaws Amendment was approved by the Board of Directors at their November 6th meeting. Please read this Amendment and be prepared to vote on it at the January 17 General membership Meeting.

SNO-EAGLES, INC. SNOWMOBILE CLUB

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS
DATED SEPTEMBER 20, 2018**

RESOLVED, that Article IV, Section 3 of the Sno-Eagles Bylaws be, and hereby is, amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Section 3. **Family** memberships are defined in the current AWSC Handbook. A family membership shall be entitled to two votes in the elections of club officers and directors and at general membership meetings.

RESOLVED, that Article IX, Section 3 of the Sno-Eagles Bylaws be, and hereby is, amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Section 3. The election shall be by ballot vote of eligible members attending the Annual Meeting in March. Eligible members are defined as single or family members whose dues are paid in full for the current year. Those with Individual memberships have one vote; Family memberships have two votes. Voting by proxy will not be accepted. Any member who is unable to attend the Annual Meeting may make a written or electronic request for an absentee ballot from the Secretary.

The undersigned, as Secretary of Sno-Eagles, Inc. Snowmobile Club, does hereby certify that the above amendments to the bylaws of the corporation were duly adopted by 2/3 majority vote at a regular meeting of club membership on January 17, 2019

Deana Jansa Secretary

Date: January 17, 2019

WOMEN ON SNOW

Women's Weekend Getaway January 25-27, 2019

Women on Snow is a snowmobile trail riding event that started in Eagle River in 1985. Women from all over the Midwest gather here to enjoy this event.

For more information and to register, go to www.womenonsnow.org. You can also call **Judy Pacanowski** at 715- 479-2686.

BEV DITTMAR – SNOWMOBILER OF THE YEAR

Sno-Eagles member Bev Dittmar was named as the Snowmobiler of the Year at the AWSC Fall Workshop. She has been very active in all aspects of snowmobiling in Wisconsin since the 1970's. There is a nice article about her in the Nov. 7 issue of the News-Review. Congratulations to Bev!

Our 2019 Weekday Getaway - FEBRUARY 12-14

Mark your calendar for February 12, 13 and 14, 2019. That's our weekday Valentine's getaway snowmobile trip to Doll's Lakeside Bed and Breakfast in Florence, WI.

Reserve your room soon! This B&B has only nine rooms and they are filling up..

Enjoy the snowmobile trails during the week when they are at their best and safest for a group ride.

Call **Marv and Carol Radloff** for more information at 715-479-5153.

Doll's Lakeside Bed and Breakfast
715-528-3259
PO Box 200
Florence, WI 54121

ANOTHER GREAT SAFETY CLASS

This year 21 students, some from as far away as Illinois, participated in the snowmobile safety course. They were taught by our club members **Scott Linn, Chris Fuller and Carole Linn** who are WDNR certified snowmobile safety instructors. All the students completed the class successfully.

The students learned some of the basics of snowmobiling such as snowmobile parts, snowmobile maintenance, and protective gear. They received instruction on riding positions, responsible riding, group riding, trail etiquette and emergency situations.

Trackside of Eagle River donated three snowmobiles for the class that were utilized as training aids during the one-and-a-half-day course. Lunch was provided by Buckshot's, Sweetwater, and House of Dogs. Each of these establishments donated pizzas for the class. In addition, Trig's donated soda, and Carole provided homemade cookies and brownies.

GET YOUR NEW TRAIL MAP

The 2018/2019 trail maps are printed & available. A huge thank you goes to Steve Linn for putting the map together and to his crew of map ad sales people. Our trail map is our biggest fundraiser of the year and is vital to the financial health of the club. **Miss Sno-Eagle – Cheyanne Warren** - is featured on the cover of the map.

SATURDAY NIGHT OUT

As a reminder, Sno-Eagles has a monthly event called Saturday Night Out at restaurants that support our club with a map ad or other business support. **Cheryl Storms** has been making the arrangements for these dinners since the program started seven years ago. These are casual events with no business meeting. Just an informal dinner with your friends from Sno-Eagles. They are usually held on the last Saturday of the month. The November Saturday Night Out will be held on November 24th at Eagle Lanes & Lounge. Cocktails at 5:30 PM and dinner at 6 PM. The pizza is really great! Come and join the group. All club members are welcome. Because of the holidays and Christmas Dinner, no event will be held in December. The January event will be held on January 25 – location TBA.

IMPORTANT MEMBERSHIP NOTES

When you join Sno-Eagles or renew your membership by mail or on line, Fred Rockafellow submits your AWSC dues to them. From the time he receives an app, it could be three to four weeks before a member gets their AWSC card. The timing was not a big issue in the summer and fall but as we get closer to the season it will become a problem for some people.

If your dues & sled registrations are current, you can purchase your trail passes. Buy them on-line at www.awsc.com. Have your member number and sled registration numbers in front of you before you begin. Your member number is on the label of your AWSC Wisconsin Snowmobile news magazine. Also, you can look up your member number on the home page of the AWSC website. Click on Member Inquiry. It can take up to 21 days to receive your trail passes in the mail but you can ride on your trail pass receipt – so print a copy when you order on line.

Snow is coming soon so don't delay!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We have had many new members join our Sno-Eagles family this fall. We want to welcome them to our club and look forward to meeting them at our events and on the trails. We'll list additional new members in future newsletters:

Dan & Cathy Dampitz	Stillman Valley, IL
Cheryl DeVault	Monoma, WI
Branden & Jennifer Dixon	Sobieski, WI
Neal & Barbara Hall	Franklin, WI
Kevin Dunn & Debbie Hammond	Carrollton, TX
Greg & Bree Highstrom	Fort Riley, KS
Kelly Kraetsch & Dave Konopacky	Phelps, WI
Andrew & Tracy Motowski	Black Creek, WI
Scott & Colleen Preisler	Eagle River
Wayne Sadek	Lodi, WI
Chuck & Lois Schlueter	Eagle River
Mark Windschanz	Oak Creek, WI
Lorraine Wyke	Eagle River

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

To submit written articles and/or photos for the Newsletter, contact **Ken Storms, Editor** at 715-479-5599 or snoeagles@gmail.com. The Newsletter is published monthly from September to April by the Sno-Eagles Snowmobile Club.

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General Membership Meeting Minutes **October 25, 2018 at Blue Heron**

1. Meeting was opened at 7:00 by VP Chuck Bodie. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the opening.
2. Chuck both current and newly elected Officers and Directors. Deana Jansa was appointed Secretary at the October Board Meeting due to the resignation of Natalie Spiess. Chuck announced there will be a Suggestion Box at every meeting so if you have any suggestions they can be put in the box and they will be taken to the next Board meeting to review and discuss. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and silent auction at each membership meeting this year.
3. Secretary Report: September minutes distributed on October 6, 2018. Fred Rockafellow made a motion to approve, Glenn Dalton seconded and the motion was accepted.
4. Treasurer's Report: Fred Rockafellow gave the September 2018 financial report. Steve Linn made a motion to accept the Treas. Report, Ken Anderson seconded the motion and motion passed.
5. Membership Report: Chuck introduced new members Scott and Colleen Priesler who were in attendance at the meeting.
6. Fundraising Committee Reports: The Chair of all Fundraising Committees is our VP Chuck Bodie.
 - a. Sno-Eagles clothing is for sale on the website now.
 - b. Ride with Pride Raffle- will be shared with Sno-Buddies, Conover, and Three Lakes Northern Lights and Sno-Eagles this year, Phelps is no longer participating. Tickets are printed and will be distributed to sales volunteers tomorrow. Ticket sales were kicked off at Cranberry Fest with a great success, ~\$2200.00 in sales. Prizes include: First prize Sled/ATV, 2nd Prize, Yellowstone trip, 3rd prize, Wild Eagle Lodge stay Fourth Prize, Eagle Waters Resort dinner.
7. Activities Committee Report: Club Director Carole Linn is the Chair to oversee the various Activity Committees. Chuck reported for Carole.
 - a. Miss Sno-Eagle for 2018-19 has been chosen, Cheyenne Warren was selected. She is a senior at Northland Pines with a long history of snowmobiling in her family. Will be crowned at the November meeting.
 - b. Constant Contact emails are sent weekly.
 - c. Website has been upgraded and updated with community partnership members noted, and the purpose statement was updated. Check it out at www.snoeagles.org
 - d. SNO (Saturday Night Out) Cheryl Storms organizes these dinners. Next one is October 27th at Leif's, please contact Cheryl to RSVP.
 - e. Snowmobile Safety School was held Oct. 19th and 20th at Trees for Tomorrow. Carole Linn and Scott Linn instructed, there were 21 participants. Trackside provided the snowmobiles for demonstration and Buckshots, Sweetwater and House of Dogs.

donated pizzas for the event. The trail brushing crew of 9 also joined the class for pizza.

8. Trail Boss Report: Brian reported trail brushing continues, and will continue every Thursday starting at 8 am at the Shed. There is also 1 more Saturday trail brushing dates on November 10th. If you are able to volunteer for any of these dates we are always looking for volunteers. Dates are on the website and in the newsletters. The BR180 has sold to a club in New York and will be picked up soon. We have received payment. The Board had approved the purchase of a Brush Hog for the tractor at a the last meeting but the heater in the shop broke down so the heater was replaced instead of purchasing the mower. Will look to purchase the mower next season.
9. Upcoming Events:
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Saturday Brushing - Nov 10
November Membership Meeting-Nov 15th Riverstone
Christmas Party – December 13th Catch 22- German Theme
10. Old Business: Fred gave a brief report on the family membership votes issue raised at the September meeting, The Bylaws Committee has met and have drafted an amendment to Article IV, Section 3 of the bylaws to allow 2 votes for a family membership in the elections of club officers and directors at the general membership meetings. The amended language will be distributed to all members and a vote on this amendment will occur at the January 17, 2019 membership meeting.
11. New Business:
No New Business topics were brought to the floor for discussion. a 50/50 Drawing and raffle prize drawings were completed.

Adjourn: There being no further business Ken Anderson made a motion to adjourn Kathy Rockafellow seconded and motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Deana Jansa, Secretary