



SNO-EAGLES, INC. SNOWMOBILE CLUB Eagle River, WI



NEWSLETTER - April 2021

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings from the Snowmobile Capital of the World. The 2021 snowmobile season will go down as a relatively short snowmobile season but the riding in late January and all of February was wonderful. Hat's off to our Trail Boss Brian and his crew of awesome Groomer Operators. Feb. 27 was the Groom to Ride raffle drawing and it turned into a wonderful event with three tables full of silent auction items. Our silent auction brought in another \$900 to the club. Thank you to all who participated. Shawn Frietag from Montello, WI won the 2021 Ski-Doo 600, snowmobile. club will again net over \$11,000 from the raffle. Thank you all. In March of each year the club has elections of new officers and directors. This year a new Vice President was elected and he is Keith Nettesheim, our Treasurer Fred Rockafellow was reelected as Treasurer as well as Directors Carole Linn, Sandra Lathrop and Ron Engels. Congratulations to all and the club wants to thank Chuck Bodie for his last 4 years as our VP. We have received comments to do live broadcasts all year even when the membership meetings start again in September. The Board will look into this action during the April and August Board meetings. Each month I try and recognize all the volunteers that have helped support the club. I cannot thank our volunteers enough, as without our volunteers, this club could not survive. We received nominations from the membership as to the club Volunteer of the Year. This year I am happy to announce that Mark Heeren was selected as our Volunteer of the Year. Mark has been a regular volunteer during our trail brushing and Mark and his wife volunteer regularly at the Derby Concession Stand. Congratulations Mark. I remember reading that Winston Churchill once said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give". How true these words are today.

On a personal note, I am finishing my fifth year as your President and I am truly honored to have served the club. I do hope that all members and their families remain healthy and safe in 2021. I look forward to meeting with as many members as possible throughout the year. I am so proud of the Sno-Eagles Snowmobile Club and our members.

Thanking our March Volunteers:

Let us all thank our volunteers who helped the club.

Concession Stand Volunteers – Sno-Cross Weekend

Sandra Lathrop, Fred Rockafellow, Ron Engels, Carol John Prill, Nick Petreikis, Dennis Gorges, Keith Nettesheim, Dan & Tammy Ullsperger

Concession Stand Volunteers – Second Sno-Cross Weekend

Brian & Jeanine Hunter, Charlie & Lynn Check, Jan Sather, Mark & Lori Heeren, Sandy Lathrop

Groomer Shed Cleaning Mar. 6:

Brian Scheid, Keith Nettesheim, Jerry Lathrop, James Runte, Brian & Trevor Schiele, Ron Engels, Josh Johnson, Mike Knier, Rusty Wolf

Constant Contact – Weekly Email:

Carole Linn

Newsletter:

Ken Storms

Volunteer Coordinator

Sandy Lathrop

2020 – 2021 Volunteer Recognition

I want to recognize all the member volunteers that helped the club in the following areas:

- WCDC Food Concession Booth
- Trail Brushing, Maintenance and Signs
- Groomer Equipment Maintenance
- Building Maintenance
- Trail Map Sales
- Clothing sales
- Groom to Ride sales
- Snowmobile Safety Course
- Weekday Away
- Miss Sno-Eagle
- Trail Easements
- Publicity and Marketing
- Facebook and Constant Contact
- Daily Trail Reports and SNARS reporting

The list is extensive and the volunteers are many. The club wishes to thank all who gave their time and talent in support of the club. I hope other members will join us and volunteer!

Howard Wolf President

TRAIL BOSS REPORT

Spring arrived fast, furious and warm! Your help going into Spring and Summer is requested. Every year we have to clean up the trails so a date has been set based on the spring thaw.

Club Event: Trail Workday

When: Saturday April 24th.

Time: 9:00am-12:00noon

Location: 1024 Bluebird Rd. Eagle River, WI

Description: Take down fencing & signs for summer. Clean up shop, and organize to prepare for maintenance.

RSVP: Brian 715-891-2332

Time to get the boat and campers out!

Brian Scheid Trail Boss

LAST MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE YEAR

Our last membership meeting until September will be Thursday April 15. We will conclude our year with another live stream meeting beginning at 7 PM on the Sno-Eagles Facebook page.

At their April meeting, the Board of Directors discussed the possibility of returning to live membership meeting next year. Hopefully that can be done depending, of course, on the Covid-19 status in our area. At the same time, live stream meetings have been popular especially with our out of the area members. Perhaps a hybrid model might work. Stay tuned!

CLUB ELECTION RESULTS

At the March meeting, the following officers and board members were elected:

Vice-President – **Keith Nettesheim**,

Treasurer– **Fred Rockafellow**,

Directors – **Ron Engels, Sandy Lathrop, Carole Linn.**

“OF THE YEAR” AWARD WINNERS FOR 2020-21



Keith Nettesheim
Groomer Driver of the Year



Mark Heeren
Volunteer of the Year

OFF SEASON ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The riding season is over, but Sno-Eagles is still here and will be active until the snow flies again. Activities continue throughout the off season.

Current plans include Beer Pong at Beer Fest on June 12, a Brat & Bake Sale at Trigs on July 1, the 4th of July Parade in Eagle River, and manning the concession stand at the Swap Meet at the Derby Track on August 27 & 28.

We hope that you can join in as a participant or volunteer to help with planning. There's more to being a member of Sno-Eagles than buying a discounted trail pass to ride our great trails. The same small group of people now plan and lead most club activities. They are getting old, tired, & cranky. The club really needs some new blood to be infused into our activity leadership. The off season is a great time to do it. Sandy Lathrop, board member and Sno-Eagles Volunteer Coordinator is your contact person. You may be hearing from her about jobs that need to be done to make Sno-Eagles an even better club. You can call her at 319-360-1279 to volunteer for our events.

SNO-EAGLES DRINK COASTERS

The club has purchased 1000 nice 2-sided drink coasters to distribute to restaurants and bars in Sno-Eagle country. Look for them at your favorite watering hole soon. Both sides have QR Codes to promote interest in our club and membership.



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MEMBERSHIP NEWS - YEAR ENDS ON JUNE 30TH

The membership year for Sno-Eagles and the AWSC ends of June 30, 2021. You will receive an email reminder about that time. To qualify for the \$10 trail passes for your sleds for next season, you must have a current membership. You can't purchase them without renewing your membership or joining if you aren't currently a member. **You can renew or join beginning on July 1, 2021.** Please wait until July. The membership committee needs a little break in the action.

In other membership news, the Board of Directors at their April meeting voted to increase the annual Individual or Family Membership dues to \$50. This includes your membership in both Sno-Eagles and the AWSC. The family membership includes a married couple and all of their children under the age of 19. Anyone 19 and older needs his or her own membership. Benefits of membership include our club communication (Newsletter and emails), Wisconsin Snowmobile News magazine, and, of course, the discounted \$10 trail passes for your sleds.

We also offer an Associate Family Membership for current members of another Wisconsin snowmobile club who wish to show their support for Sno-Eagles. This membership only includes Sno-Eagles. The other club provides the AWSC membership and benefits. The price of the Associate Membership remains at \$25 for the year.

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During the summer we don't publish our newsletter. This is the last issue until fall. Sno-Eagles will, however, continue to notify members of upcoming events and important news via email updates. We will also post items on the calendar on our website. I want to thank those members who have made positive comments about the Newsletter this year. I appreciate it.

Ken Storms – Editor

Annual Membership Meeting Minutes, March 19 2021

Kim Swisher Communications, Live Stream

Minutes of the March 19, 2021 General Membership Meeting held at Kim Swisher and Livestream on Facebook! Thank you to Dan Dumas and Brian Scheid for organizing the livestream of the meeting and our meeting sponsors, Kim Swisher Communications, Body Craft-Collision Repair and Finishing, Antioch, IL., Locally Global Realty Group- Dallas and Eagle River and World Snowmobile Headquarters.

1. Meeting was opened at 7:00 by President Rusty Wolf.
2. Opening Comments—Rusty has received feedback to continue the live-stream for the membership meetings. The Board will review and determine if possible.
3. Secretary Report: Minutes February, 2021 motion to approve Deana and Second Chuck Bodie. Motion carried.
4. Treasurer's Report: Fred Rockafellow and gave the 6-month Financial Summary, reviewed the fundraising events we did have this year and the overall financial picture is stable despite the challenging year. New Holland T5 tractor was sold and loan paid off, reducing debt 36%. We expect to end the year in a good financial position.
5. Miss Sno Eagle—Cheyenne Warren reported the Youth Club ages have been modified for age 12-18 so that youth can sign up to be involved after attendance at a Safety Course. Please contact Cheyenne if you have interest in joining the youth group. Cheyenne also reported on recent events she has attended and thanked the Sno-Eagles for the opportunity to represent us. Thank you Cheyenne for a job well done.
6. Trail Boss Report: Finished the year well getting 640.00 per mile for trail maintenance which is excellent due to the limited snow and season. There will be a trail brushing day on April 17th to remove fencing and signs in town. Watch the emails for details.
7. Fundraising Committee Reports: VP Chuck Bodie.
 - a. Sno-Eagles clothing is for sale on the website. Check it out. We also have clothing displayed at the Snowmobile Headquarters if you want to purchase when in town.
 - b. Brat and Bake Sale- Scheduled for July 1, 2021
 - c. Beer Pong at Beerfest – June 12, 2021.
8. Activities Committee Report:
 - a. Volunteers will be needed for WCDC Concessions this weekend for the National Snocross Championship.
 - b. Thank you to all the volunteers who have been helping the club out.
 - c. If you have a nomination for Volunteer of the Year contact anyone on the Board to let them know.
9. New Business
 - a. Weekday Away Ride February 9-10 to the Black Bear, White Pine MI went well, all had a great time.

- b. Women on Snow Donation- Judy Pacanowski presented Sno-eagles with a donation from the Women on Snow participants.
- c. March Elections –Judy Pacanowski reported the slate of candidates is uncontested and motions to approve the slate as follows: Keith Nettesheim- Vice President, Fred Rockafellow-Treasurer, Sandra Lothrop, Ron Engels and Carole Linn – Directors. Motion seconded by Chuck Bodie, motion carried
- d. Miss Sno-Eagle application is on the website if anyone knows of any individuals who are interested. Committee- Cheryl Wolf, Jessica Pollack and Carole Linn can be contacted with questions.

Member Comments — If anyone has feedback on the Live Stream meeting please contact any of the Board Members or Trail Boss

Adjourn: There being no further business Fred made a motion to adjourn Charlie seconded, motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by *Deana Jansa*, Secretary

