



SNO-EAGLES NEWSLETTER

September 2020

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President's Message – Sept. 2020

I hope this message finds our members and their families healthy. As we have experienced an awesome summer here in Eagle River, I want to remind the club that volunteers have been working throughout the summer on trails and equipment. Soon our first General Membership meeting of the season will be upon us. Our first General Membership meeting is scheduled for Sept. 17, 2020 to be held at the WCDC Derby Hall. Due to social distancing and COVID the club will not be serving any food or drinks during the meetings this year. I also want to mention to our members that due to the COVID pandemic, our fundraising for the year will be greatly cut short. The club still needs money to function, pay groomer payments and to maintain trails. We will be asking the members to purchase Groom to Ride raffle tickets and other fundraisers throughout the year in support of your club. Our club is 54 years old and still going strong because of the dedication and work of many. I would like to thank the many members, volunteers and businesses that have supported the Sno-Eagles throughout our 54 year history.

Lastly, as I enter my fifth year as the club President, I must tell you how honored and happy I am to serve in this capacity for the club. I wish all the members to have a safe, fun-filled, and enjoyable 2020-2021 snowmobile season.

Smile.Amazon.com

I am asking all members and family members to use Smile.Amazon the next time you purchase items through Amazon. It is super easy. Just type smile.amazon.com and then smile amazon comes up on the screen. It will ask you which charitable organization you would like to have Amazon send a donation. You select Sno-Eagles Inc. Eagle River. (next time it will come up automatically) then go shopping. Amazon will donate .5% of sales to our club. It is a small donation of 50 cents with a \$100 order, but it all helps. Amazon deposits the donations right into our checking account.

Let the Season Begin,

Howard Wolf, President

MONTHLY MEETINGS START IN SEPTEMBER

Our first member meeting for the 2020-2021 year will be held on September 17 at 7 PM. All member meetings this year will be held at the WCDC Snowmobile Derby Hall. No refreshments will be served at this year's meetings.

Please wear your masks and social distancing will be practiced. Club members will need to clean tables, chairs, and bathrooms after the meeting. We appreciate the WCDC letting us use their facility for our meetings this year.

UPCOMING SNO-EAGLES EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- **Sept 8, 2020** - BOD meeting 6PM, Eagle River VFW, social distancing & masks per Governor's Emergency Order #1
- **Sept 17, 2020** - Membership meeting 7PM, WCDC, social distancing & masks per Governor's Emergency Order #1
- **Sept 24, 2020** - Trail brushing 8AM-12 noon, Grooming HQ
- **Sept 26, 2020** - Trail brushing 9AM-1PM, Grooming HQ
- **October 1, 2020** - Trail brushing 8AM-12 noon, Grooming HQ
- **October 6, 2020** - BOD meeting 6PM, Eagle River VFW, social distancing & masks per Governor's Emergency Order #1
- **October 8, 2020** - Trail brushing 8AM-12 noon, Grooming HQ
- **October 15, 2020** - Trail brushing 8AM-12 noon, Grooming HQ
- **October 15, 2020** - Membership meeting 7PM, WCDC, social distancing & masks per Governor's Emergency Order #1
- **October 22, 2020** - Trail brushing 8AM-12 noon, Grooming HQ
- **October 23 & 24, 2020** - Snowmobile Safety Class

TRAIL BOSS REPORT

September is here and to me it's the official start to the snowmobile season. Many aspects of the club are already in full swing.

Trail brushing workdays begin Thursday September 20th. If you can lend a hand on the trails please see the brushing dates scheduled and meet at the shop. We also have three Saturday scheduled days planned each month.

I encourage members to contact me directly with trail questions, concerns, or comments so please do not hesitate to call. I look forward to another year as Trail Boss and the prediction from the Farmers Almanac! THINK SNOW!

Brian Scheid

Trail Boss

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MEMBERSHIP NOTES

By now, you have received your September Wisconsin Snowmobile News magazine in the mail. On the cover in BIG letters it says "Your AWSC Membership Has Expired!" That's a not so gentle reminder that the membership year has changed to end on June 31. More than 150 of you have already renewed your membership and we really appreciate your promptness. If you haven't done so, go to our website: www.snoeagles.org and renew today. You can't purchase your discounted trail passes for this season until your membership is current.

Encourage your non-member friends to join and become part of the Sno-Eagles family. Our family membership dues are \$35 which includes both the Sno-Eagles and AWSC memberships.

If you know someone who would like to join Sno-Eagles, they can download an application on the club website..

We have added a new individual membership category in addition to the family membership. Both of these have an annual membership fee of \$35. This includes both Sno-Eagles and the AWSC. We also have an Associate Family Membership. This is for those folks who are current members of another Wisconsin snowmobile club and pay their AWSC dues through that club. In this case we won't collect dues for AWSC and only charge the \$25 Sno-Eagles Dues. On the application, you must provide the name of your other club and your AWSC number. **Associate members must buy their trail passes through your other club.**

There is a place on our application to indicate areas of interest. We encourage everyone to check at least one item. There is also a place for a groomer fund donation. NOTE: Sno-Eagles is now a 501c3 organization and donations to Sno-Eagles are now tax deductible. You have the option to make for a voluntary \$10.00 donation if you choose to get your newsletter via USPS mail to help cover the cost of postage and printing. Remember, our newsletter is posted on the club website and you will receive an email with a link to the new newsletter each month to alert you that it is now posted. So, for most people it's not necessary to receive a paper copy.

All other club mail is only sent by email

DISCOUNTED TRAIL PASSES

Trail Passes for 2020/21 are now available. ALL sleds (except antique sleds) need a trail pass sticker in Wisconsin. As a current member of both the AWSC and Sno-Eagles, you can purchase stickers for your personal sleds registered in Wisconsin at the discounted rate of \$10 for each sled. Go to www.awsc.org for more information. Our website also has a link to AWSC to purchase the discounted trail passes. The process is very easy and quick.

The process is very easy:

1. You do need your AWSC member number from the address label on your Wisconsin Snowmobile News magazine or the AWSC website. Call or email Ken Storms if you can't find your number. (715-479-5599 or snoeagles@gmail.com)
2. You also need the current Wisconsin registration sticker number for each sled. (go to the garage and look at your sleds or go the DNR Go Wild page on your computer.
3. You must buy them directly from the AWSC either on line or by mail using the form on page 4 of the September Wisconsin Snowmobile news magazine. On line purchases are preferred and are encouraged by AWSC.

**Discounted trail passes cost \$10 rather than the regular \$30 fee.
Take advantage of this great membership benefit**

NEW MEMBERS

Our snow season hasn't started yet, but Sno-Eagles has already acquired some new members. Welcome to our Sno-Eagles family. Each month we will list additional new members.

Jeffrey Bakran	Oshkosh, WI
Mike & Becky Bolf	Eagle River, WI

In addition, about 50 Trail Map advertisers are members of Sno-Eagles. When you get your 2020/21 Trail Map be sure to visit the businesses and thank them for their involvement with our club through their ads.

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY SCHOOL

At this time, we are planning on conducting our annual WDNR Snowmobile Safety education class October 23rd and 24th. This is subject to change pending WDNR directives regarding Covid-19.

Covid-19 mitigation measures will be in effect.

The course will be taught by Sno-Eagles volunteer WDNR certified snowmobile safety instructors.

Any person who is born on or after January 1st, 1985 and who has reached the age of 12, must have completed and received a snowmobile safety certificate to operate a snowmobile on public trails in Wisconsin. There is no minimum age required to attend the safety course, but certificates are not valid in Wisconsin until the student has reached 12 years of age.

The snowmobile safety course consists of eight hours of basic instruction in the principles of snowmobile safety. It will be held Friday, October 23rd from 6 to 9 PM and Saturday, October 24th from 8:30 AM to 3 PM. Attendance at both sessions is mandatory. A parent or guardian must pick up each minor student at the end of class on Friday and Saturday.

The class will be held at Trees for Tomorrow in the large classroom. Trees for Tomorrow is located at 519 E. Sheridan Street in Eagle River, WI. The large classroom is in the first main building on the right side of the campus as you enter. Enter through the double glass doors. The classroom is on the left. The class is indoors. No outdoor clothing is required.

A Wisconsin DNR customer ID number is required before enrolling in any safety class. Students are encouraged to obtain a DNR customer ID and enroll online at Wisconsin DNR [GoWild](#). An ID number can also be obtained by calling DNR Customer Service from 7AM to 10PM at 1-888-936-7463, or by visiting a DNR Service Center during regular scheduled hours. The ID number must be provided to the instructor. In addition, once students have a WDNR customer ID number, they can enroll by contacting the lead instructor, Scott Linn, directly at 850-496-7324 or email [Scott](#).

The course fee is \$10 which covers all materials.

For more information contact Scott Linn at (850) 496-7324.

Please Volunteer To Help Your Club

Please go to the website or contact Sandy Lathrop, Volunteer Coordinator, to sign up to volunteer on one of the many committees of the club. We need help with trail brushing, working special events, making phone calls, groomer barn cleanup, and many other activities. Watch the Weekly email for opportunities to help. Any time you can spare to help YOUR club will be greatly appreciated. You can reach Sandy at 319-360-1274

AWSC FALL WORKSHOP CANCELLED

AWSC will not hold its Annual Workshop this year because of Covid-19 concerns. Read the President's Communique on page 5 of the September Wisconsin Snowmobile News for more related AWSC information.

SATURDAY NIGHT OUT (SNO)

Sno-Eagles has hosted a social outing each month called Saturday Night Out. The purpose was to thank those restaurants that advertise on our Trail Map or donate to our club in some other way. Cheryl Storms has been arranging these events since 2011. They were usually held the last Saturday of the month. No business meeting, just a great relaxing dinner with other Sno-Eagles members.

Now the bad news, because of Covid-19, no SNO events will be held until further notice. We hope to resume these events in the future. Stay tuned.

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If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, these are the people to call!

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

The Newsletter is published monthly from September to April by the Sno-Eagles Snowmobile Club for the use of our club members.

To submit contributions for the Newsletter, contact **Ken Storms, Editor** at 715-479-5599 or snoeagles@gmail.com.