



SNO-EAGLES NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Greetings from the "Snowmobile Capital of the world"

Hard to believe that Fall is right around the corner and soon the temps will drop and white flakes will be falling from the sky. I want to thank the many volunteers who keep our club running all year long. Hundreds if not thousands of hours volunteering in so many different ways: fundraising events, equipment and building maintenance, working with landowners, working on trails, selling trail map ads, Groom to Ride, website updates, Constant Contact messages, newsletters, Facebook updates, meeting planning, grant applications etc. It takes a lot to run this run club and I am so grateful for the many volunteers that work together to make our club successful and continue to bring fresh ideas forward. I apologize for not naming everyone on this message as the list is quite large.

One large initiative we have this year is to increase our membership. Please, if you are getting this message, reach out to family and friends who are not members and ask if they would consider becoming a member. Even if you are a member of another club, you can be an associate member of the Sno-Eagles for \$25.00. We also have a number of members who don't snowmobile. Owning or riding a snowmobile is not a prerequisite. People join to help the club be successful. It's so critical to the overall economy that our club provide world class trails that are safe and enjoyable to ride, both in and out of Eagle River. If you ride, in Eagle River, please consider being a member. If you are a member, please help encourage others to join.

Our first membership meeting will be September 21st at the Veterans Resource Center in Eagle River (VFW). Please join us if you can to kick off the 2023-24 season.

October 14th and 21st, we will have our club brushing days followed by a cook out. Anyone can help, bring your friends, kids or grand kids. You get to see the trails a different way. It's fun, rewarding and you got to meet a lot of great people. I promise you be glad you helped!

There will be some trail updates coming this season, however we are still waiting to finalize a few things before we make an announcement. Also, I will be looking for a Trail Boss, if you have any interest, please reach out to me.

Stay current with the club news. Between Constant Contact, the newsletter, our website and Facebook, you will be well informed on what is happening in Sno-Eagle Country.

I look forward to meeting you at anyone of our many events!

Keith Nettesheim

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MONTHLY MEETINGS START IN SEPTEMBER

Our first member meeting for the 2023-2024 year will be held on September 21st at 7 PM at the Veteran's Resource Center (formerly the VFW). Meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of the month from September to April. Mark these dates on your calendar now so you won't miss a meeting.

UPCOMING SNO-EAGLES EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- **September 21, 2023** - Membership Meeting @ VFW/Veterans Resource Center 7pm
- **September 30, 2023** - SNO @ Last Cast 5pm, 6 pm
- **October 3, 2023** - Board of Directors meeting @ SWH - 6 pm
- **October 7, 2023** - Cranberry Fest - 8am – 4:30 pm
- **October 8, 2023** - Cranberry Fest - 8am -12:30 pm
- **October 14, 2023** - Trail Brushing 8 - 12 meet at groomer shed
- **October 19, 2023** - Membership Meeting TBD
- **October 20, 2023** - WDNR Snowmobile Safety Class 6-9 pm
- **October 21, 2023** - WDNR Snowmobile Safety Class 8:30am-3 pm
- **October 21, 2023** - Trail Brushing 8 - 12 meet at groomer shed
- **October 28, 2023** - SNO @ Eadie B's White Spruce 5pm, 6pm

SNO-EAGLES SUMMER ACTIVITIES 2023

Sno-Eagles members don't rest or forget about the club during "the off season". They continue to volunteer for club activities and fund-raising opportunities to help make us even better.

In June, we participated in Up North Beerfest 2023 and ran a Giant Beer Pong game. We also had two brat and bake sales at Trigs.

In July we had a float in the Eagle River 4th of July Parade.

In August we ran the food booth at downtown events – Paul Bunyon Fest and the Eagle River Car Show.

In September we ran the food booth at another downtown event – the Labor Day Arts and Crafts Show. We held our Sno-Eagles Party and Cash Raffle at Buckshots. Listed below are the cash raffle winners.

So many people were involved in these events so we're not going to try to list everyone here. Needless to say, everyone's efforts were greatly appreciated. Look at more information about these events in the News section of our website.

CASH RAFFLE WINNERS

Here is the list of Cash Raffle Winners from our event at Buckshots on September 2nd. A total of \$16,500 was won by these lucky people. All 300 of the \$100 tickets were purchased prior to the drawing.

1st Donald E McKain
2nd Madeline Mathisen
3rd Sarah Anderson
4th Brian Lane
5th Joe and Dawn Schreider

6th Jim Ayers
7th Charles Bodie
8th Bill and Sandy Kilty
9th Bill Weber
10th Bill Kirby

Cranberry Fest

The Sno-Eagles will be manning the Bake Sale.



October 7 @ 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
October 8 @ 8:00 AM – 12:30 PM

We're looking for help selling bakery items.

For more info or to volunteer contact sandy@snoeagles.org

Trail Brushing Coming Up



FALL BRUSHING DATES SET

October 14th and October 21st
8am till 12 noon

Please lend a hand to help get our trails ready!

Bring your kids and grandkids!

Meet at the [groomer barn](#) located at 1024 Bluebird Rd.
Eagle River, WI at **8:00AM**.

We'll divide up into 4 work teams.

At 12 noon, volunteers will meet for lunch provided by the club.

Please sign up using the buttons below

[Trail Brushing October 14th](#)

[Trail Brushing October 21st](#)

You can also sign up by visiting the Sno-Eagles website Events page
at snoeagles.org/events

SATURDAY NIGHT OUT (SNO)

Saturday Night Out events continued over the summer and will continue throughout the year. SNO is an informal social activity held at restaurants that support Sno-Eagles with a map ad or other assistance to the club. This is one way to thank them for their support. No business meeting – just an informal dinner for fun and conversation with fellow Sno-Eagles members.

Since the end of the snow season, events have been held at Mike & Brandi's, Off the Chain, Sweetwater, and the Heid Out. We've had lots of old members and well as some new ones attend. It's a great way to keep in touch with your Sno-Eagles family.

We'd love to have you attend the next two events. On September 30 we will be at the Last Cast in Sugar Camp (formerly the Kathan Inn. On October 28 we will be at Eddie B's White Spruce. Please RSVP to Cheryl Storms at 715-479-5599 or snoeagles@gmail.com

Scenes from recent SNO events





MEMBERSHIP NOTES

REMINDER: The membership year for Sno-Eagles and the AWSC ends on June 30 each year. Many 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 \$50 which includes membership in both the Sno-Eagles and AWSC. A downloadable printable membership form is available on the Sno-Eagles website membership page.

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. If you ride here and want to support our club, we encourage you to support our trails with this Associate Membership.**

There is a place on our application to indicate volunteer 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 receive the newsletter via USPS for \$15.00 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](#)

SNO-EAGLES CHAMPION DONATION CAMPAIGN

Did You Know...

- we have 3 groomers and an outstanding loan balance of \$264,520
- the groomer barn needs major improvements including installing heat and pouring a floor
- we groom 80 miles of trails
- only 67 miles are funded by the state in the amount of \$60,300
- we spend \$120,000 to \$140,000 - each year on equipment payments, groomer operator wages, maintenance, fuel, utilities, insurance, signage and fencing
- THAT LEAVES A \$59,700 to \$76,700 GAP

HELP US FILL THAT GAP!!!!!!

Please consider becoming a **Sno-Eagles Champion** by including a donation with your membership. You'll receive a special gift in recognition of your support.

Championship Level Donation Recognition Gifts

Pit Crew	\$50	Fleece headband
Heat Winner	\$100	Packable travel blanket
Finals Qualifier	\$150	Insulated lunch cooler
Derby Champion	\$300	Columbia backpack

(Descriptions on website)

Remember, Sno-Eagles is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Your donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

DISCOUNTED TRAIL PASSES

Trail Passes for 2023/24 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.
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 6 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 many new members:

Woodie & Molly Ahlborn	Eagle River
Kevin Behnke	Franklin, WI
Bill & Mary Berger	Neenah, WI
Jeff & Connie Burbach	Eagle River
Adam & Rhiannon Cira	Minocqua, WI
Jeff & Lisa Cole	Eagle River
Larry & Jennifer Creadon	Genoa, IL
Paul & Diane Denner	Appleton, WI
Vincent & Patricia DiFiori	Eagle River
S S Elliott	Eagle River
Baron Fiedler	Eagle River
Clint Hamblen	St. Germain, WI
Cliff Harvengt	Eagle River
Brian & Rene Heid	Eagle River
Paul & Julie Hellenbrand	Waunakee, WI
Josh & Rachel Lathrop	Swisher, IA
Brett & Suda Khan Maday	Eagle River
Mark & Suzette Merkel	South Milwaukee, WI
Luke & Marilyn Olejniczak	Eagle River
Heidi Reiter & Jade Kramsvogel	Eagle River
Paul & Lena Rosenthal	Bristol, WI
Kyle & Dana Rowe	Waupun, WI
John & Sara Sarber	Kokomo, IN
Ron VanDusen	Eagle River

Welcome to our Sno-Eagles family. Each month we list additional new members

In addition, about 50 Trail Map advertisers are members of Sno-Eagles. When you get your 2023-24 Trail Map be sure to visit the businesses and thank them for their support our club through their ads.

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, concessions, selling raffle tickets, 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 her at: sandy@snoeagles.org

SNOWMOBILE SAFETY SCHOOL

WDNR Snowmobile Safety Education Class

October 20 - 21

Sponsored by the Sno-Eagles at Trees for Tomorrow



Picture: Class of 2022

The course will be taught by 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 20th from 6 to 9 PM and Saturday, October 21st from 8:30 AM to 3 PM. Attendance at both sessions is mandatory. Parents/guardians are asked to remain for the first half-hour of class on Friday to finalize registration, sign enrollment forms for minors, and receive pertinent information. 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 the WDNR [GoWild](#) website. 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 Chris Wilhelm at (715) 891-6995 or via email at cjwilhelm@yahoo.com

The course fee is \$10 which covers all materials. A pizza lunch will be provided.

For more information contact Chris Wilhelm at (715) 891-6995