

# Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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## Upcoming Events

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

Adams County Snowmobile  
Association Meeting  
7:00 pm – Cedar Shack

**February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Club Meeting  
9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

**March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**

Adams County Snowmobile  
Association Meeting  
7:00 pm – Cedar Shack

**March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Club Meeting  
9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

**April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Adams County Snowmobile  
Association Meeting  
7:00 pm – Cedar Shack

**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Club Meeting  
9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

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## Message From President, Tom Warner

I hope the first month of the new year has been good for everyone and that you have been able to get on your sled somewhere! I know we sure seem to be in a snow drought by us and I pray that it ends soon! So, if you haven't already, start that SNOW DANCE!!

What can I say but AMAZING! The Sno-Bandits Petenwell Palooza was unbelievable. The prizes were fantastic and the raffles just seemed to go on and on! The fishing was pretty good too! There were so many fishermen and even more people inside for the raffles. The feedback I have received is extremely positive and people can't wait for next year. The Palooza committee deserves a HUGE thank you for all the hard work and tons of time putting this all together! Of course, the volunteers were amazing and the day would not have been so smooth without all of you! Our volunteers are amazing and SO SO appreciated for all your time you give to the Sno-Bandits! THANK YOU!

The Sno Bandits club trip is in the books and it was just so much fun! The weather was great, the trails were great and the club members, well what else can I say but they were GREAT! It amazes me sometimes to see how much fun we have as a club! We were invited to the Spirit View by the Northern Lights Snowmobile Club for lunch and guided snowmobile tours of the area on Friday and it was awesome. On Saturday, the Sno-Bandits hosted a potluck for the Northern Lights Club. It was a fun time and lots of fun was had by all. It was so nice to be able to see two clubs from two very different areas come together and enjoy time together! This is what being part of a club should be.

As always, THINK SNOW!

Tom Warner  
President



## *Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger*

I would like to ask the person that is doing the successful snow dance to do it in Rome as the snow keeps missing Adams County. Many of the southern Wisconsin clubs appreciate your efforts as they now have their trails open.

We have a great base on our trails and only need a few inches of snow to open our trails. With the snow we received last weekend, our trails are very close to being ready to open, but the other two clubs in our zone have several open fields that have very little snow because the wind has accompanied the snow and blew it off the fields. We can't open our trails until everyone in our zone can.

I want to applaud the area snowmobilers for respecting the closed trail status and staying off our trails, very impressive considering the many rider issues other clubs in the state are contending with.

DO A SNOW DANCE, THINK POSITIVE, THINK SNOW!!!

Jerry Wiessinger  
Trail Boss

## *Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer*

Hello Sno-Bandits!

It feels like winter is finally here! It sure would be nice if Mother Nature gave us a little more snow to play with. So close!

Lots has happened in the last month since we have talked. It was great to see all the club support at the Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle! It was a fun day and a record-breaking day! One of our best fundraisers to date! One of the biggest things I noticed from last year to this year was the club involvement! So wonderful to see the club come together and help raise money for the club and community! Thank you to everyone from our sponsors, donators, volunteers, and The Lure for letting us take over their establishment, and the list goes on. So proud to be a part of this event! Thank you so much! We are already working on next year's event which will be held January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024. If you would like to be on the fisheree committee, please let us know. Also, if you see any great deals when you are out shopping, please let us know.

The next thing I would like to say thanks for, is everyone who was able to make it on the club trip. It was nice to spend some time with members I don't normal get to talk with and it was nice to get out and ride! Some were able to get more miles on than others! For those who were able to go to Three Lakes and meet up with the Northern Lights Club, what an opportunity to have another club show you around in an area you don't ride that often. Thank you, Northern Lights, for putting all that together.

Finally, if you have been snowmobiling you know things don't always go as planned. One thing you can count on is the support and muscle from other snowmobilers! I am thankful for everyone that was there to give me a hand when my machine didn't want to play anymore. You fellow snowmobilers rock!

Brap!!

Bryan Meyer  
Vice President

## CMN POLAR PLUNGE LURE BAR & GRILL



**Left:** Club members attended the Polar Plunge and cheered on team Rome Sno-Bandits. The Sno-Bandit's donated \$500 in support of our team.

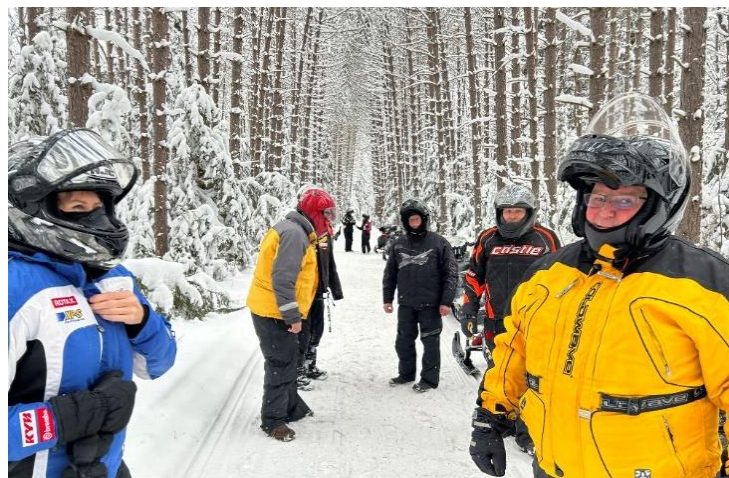
**Below:** Jenny Daun, Fletcher Daun and Gunnar Anderson raised \$1,150. This was Fletcher's first time jumping and he did amazing!



## Club Trip 2023 – St. Germain



**Northern Lights Club President, Reg Videgar & Rome Sno-Bandits President, Tom Warner**



# Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle 2023







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## Annual Membership Renewal

**Rome Sno-Bandit & AWSC memberships both expire on June 30<sup>th</sup> annually.**

We process membership with the AWSC monthly in the summer and weekly in winter to minimize processing fees. We encourage you to renew your membership in July or August to avoid delays in receiving your trail pass. Membership applications can be found on our website along with trail pass information.

### Ways to renew your membership:

**ON-LINE:** Through our website: [www.RomeSnoBandits.com](http://www.RomeSnoBandits.com). Click on [Membership Application](#) under the Membership Page and pay with SECURE on-line payment with credit/debit card or PayPal.

**MAIL:** Send completed membership application with check to:  
**Rome Sno-Bandits, 302 13<sup>th</sup> Ave, Nekoosa, WI 54457**

**CLUB MEETINGS:** Bring your membership application to a meeting with your check or cash payment. Applications are available at all meetings.

### Your Club Membership Includes:

- You automatically become a member of the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs. (AWSC)
- You will receive seven issues each year of the Wisconsin Snowmobile News (WSN) magazine. It includes articles of interest to snowmobilers, activities of clubs across the state, reports of legislative events and snowmobile product information.
- You will be eligible for a discount Wisconsin Trail Pass through the AWSC.
- Monthly club newsletter.
- Membership to the Adams County Snowmobile Association.
- Great way to meet and socialize with other snowmobilers.

## Trail Passes

**Discount Wisconsin Trail Passes for the 2022-2023 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.**

Go to: <https://awsc.org/Trail-Pass-Registration> to order your trail pass.

**Trail passes** are purchased through the AWSC and are available after your membership has been processed. If you provide your email address with your membership application, you will receive an email from the AWSC confirming your membership has been processed. This email will include your membership number and directions for ordering your trail pass.

You can also find your AWSC Membership number on the mailing label of your WSN Magazine or at <https://www.awsc.org/About-Us/Member-Lookup>. Your membership number never changes.

Membership Contact: Suzanne Kostreva  
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## Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am with President, Tom Warner, as the chair and 6 officers present. There were 39 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

We welcomed new club member Brooklyn Wolfe!

### Secretary's Report

There were no changes to the Secretary's report. A motion was made by Willy Sandfox to accept the report as it was presented in the newsletter. Ray Glen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### Treasurer's Report

Cathy Steinke reported on the checking & savings account balances. Bob Sweet made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Jim Fisher seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. \$9,542.00 in donation were made by our club in 2022!

### Trails Boss Report

Thank you to everyone that helped with storm damage clean up. Trails were able to be open for two days. We have a good base. Trail to Country Sports is not open yet as the wording in the agreement is still being worked on.

\$6,843 was submitted for brushing, signing and trail work.

\$2,411 was submitted for storm damage work

\$1,432 was submitted for rolling & grooming

A new electric chainsaw was purchased for the groomer.

Steve Ottowitz will be trained to be a groomer operator.

The windshield wiper on the tractor is being worked on.

### Social Committee Report

No cards were sent this last month.

The balance in the fund is \$116.68.

### Activities Report

**Fisheree: January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022.** The event looks popular. We have a lot of door prizes and raffle baskets. The volunteer schedule is available for anyone wanting to help the day of the event.

**Club Trip:** Our club trip will be January 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022. We will be staying at the Rustic Manor Motor Lodge in St Germain. Get your rooms booked soon! Three Lakes Snowmobile Club will host a ride on Friday January 27<sup>th</sup> with a lunch stop planned. We will split up into a few groups according to how long you want to ride. We will host that club at a meal on Saturday night at the hotel. Gunnar will provide pulled pork. They club will provide leftover chili from trail brushing. Please bring a dish to share and snacks and food for Thursday and Friday if you plan to stay in for dinner.



## Adams County Snowmobile Association Report

The new maps and intersections numbers are working great. Trails were open two days in Zones A & B will zone C stayed closed due to a Holiday Hunt. Monroe Center was closed off due to highline work being done.

### AWSC Report

No report.

### Old Business

Gunnar Anderson, Jenny Daun and Fletcher Daun represented the Rome Sno-Bandits at the CMN Polar Plunge at the Lure Bar & Grill. They raised \$1,150 with the \$500 club matching donation.

Membership totals are: 149 Memberships with 101 spouses.

Adult safety class was popular and members would like to do it again next year. We will look into extending and invite to other clubs.

### New Business

Mark Kane from the Rome Fire Department would like to do another mock snowmobile crash training next year.

ACSA Calendars are available. Cathy Steinke made a motion for the club to purchase a calendar. Melissa Rhodes seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Brian Palmer will be doing the Snowball Cancer Run again this year. Cathy Steinke made a motion to donate \$100. Will Sandfox seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn at 9:40 am was made by Melissa Rhodes and seconded by Ray Glen. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was Terry Miller. \$90 for the club and \$90 for the winner.

Respectfully Submitted

Melissa Rhodes

Secretary



## Adams County Snowmobile Association Minutes January 5th, 2023 - Cedar Shack

Meeting was cancelled. Next meeting will be February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023.

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