

Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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Upcoming Events

August 6th, 2023

Club Picnic
11 am – 3 pm

Rome Town Center Park Gazebo

September 9th, 2023

Club Meeting
9 am - Rome Town Hall

October 14th, 2023

Club Meeting
9 am - Rome Town Hall

November 11th, 2023

Trail Brushing - 8 am
Chili Dump - Noon
Club meeting to follow chili dump

December 2nd, 2023

Christmas in Rome

December 9th, 2023

Club Meeting
9 am – Rome Town Hall

January 13th, 2024

Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree
Lure Bar & Grill

February 1st - 4th, 2024

Club Trip
The Lodge at Crooked
Lake Hotel in Siren, WI

Message From President, Tom Warner

I want to start out by thanking everyone that volunteered at the car show this year! The car show was a HUGE success again this year! We had a lot of beautiful cars, trucks, and sleds at the show! Miss Snowflake spent the day with us and even brought her sled to the show. We were also surprised by former Miss Snowflake, Tia Fuchs. After she read her letter about Larry Halverson there wasn't a dry eye in the park! It was truly a special day! As I have said in the past, we have some truly special members that generously volunteer their time and we always have fun while we are doing it! Again, this year I was able to meet new members and make new friendships! This is what makes the Sno-Bandits so special. It's an opportunity to spend time with people who love to snowmobile, help their community, and have fun!!

Don't forget about the club picnic on August 6th, at 11 am at the Rome Town Park gazebo. The club will be cooking burgers and brats for everyone as well as providing soda and beer. We ask that you just bring your favorite dish to pass. Mike and Donna Bohn are this year's organizers, and it sounds like it will be a lot of fun! Hope to see everyone there!

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of the summer and don't forget that club meetings resume September 9th at 9 am. There is a lot going on for the club and the town, so I hope to see everyone attending the meetings.

As always THINK SNOW!!



Tom Warner
President



Club Picnic Sunday, August 6th, 2023



Rome Town Center Park Gazebo - 11 am – 3 pm

Join us for our club picnic! Meat and beverages will be provided. Please bring a dish to pass, any yard games that you may have, and a lawn chair.

Contact Mike & Donna Bohn with any questions.

Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger

For those who were not at the June meeting, the membership approved moving forward with the Groomer Shed Completion Project not to exceed \$60,000. This project will take place in the summer of 2024. We will apply for a grant from Visit Rome which could offset some of the cost. We will need a lot of volunteers to help move everything out of the building into storage containers so the concrete floor can be poured, then the ceiling and walls insulated and paneled. Then after the work is completed, everything needs to be moved back in.

I am continuing to be in contact with Savion who is proposing to build the second solar farm in Saratoga. Currently, they have been very willing to work with us to find a new route for the Country Sports trail between Blue Ridge and the north end of the solar farm.

If you have not heard, there is a solar company proposing to build a solar farm on some of the Meteor land in Rome north of Cty D and north of Alpine where the Corridor and Camelot trails are. I think most everyone in Town is opposed to this, but it may be a long-drawn-out legal battle to stop it. At this point it is only in the planning stage with no definite location decided.

Jerry Wiessinger
Trail Boss

Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer

Hi all! We had another successful car show! Thanks to all that had a hand in making it happened! It was a perfect day for a show. Now that the tents, tables, grill, coolers, extension cords, are put away we are focused on the next day of fun. We will have a concession stand at the trap shooting range on July 15th! We will roll a trailer in Friday afternoon and sell all day Saturday or until we run out of food. It is going to be a busy day! Our goal is to serve over 500 meals!!

More good news! We have the prizes picked for the main Fisheree raffle. This means we have more raffle tickets to buy / sell! The team really knocked it out of the park with great prizes. The Fisheree will be held January 13th, 2024 at the Lure Bar and Grill.

Everyone be safe over the summer and hope to see you out and about. Also remember when it gets HOT, think snow!! The days are already getting shorter! BRAP!

Bryan Meyer
Vice President

ROME *Classic* SHOW

CAR & SNOWMOBILE

Well, the 2023 Rome Sno-Bandits Classic Car and Snowmobile show has come and gone. The one noticeable difference this year is the absence of Larry Halverson. This year was going to be difficult for all of us, and we all had HUGE shoes to fill. It took a team effort to pull this off, and I'd couldn't have done it without the help of our committee heads; Melissa Rhodes, Jerry Wiessinger, Tom Warner, Gary Gevers, Jeff Hoffman, Bryan Mayer, Cathy Steinke and Kathy Halverson. I'd also like to thank all of the volunteers that helped pull this off.

We were blessed with outstanding weather, and we were able to have close to 170 Classic Cars and Antique Sleds which were all very cool to see. Franco from the Creepers Car Club provided a wonderful musical backdrop for the show as well.

This year we did I something a bit different where we had the current Miss Snowflake and past Miss Snowflake attend and have their choice of favorite sled and car. We presented the Miss Snowflake Choice - Larry Halverson Memorial Trophy and this will continue to be a part of the show moving forward as this is his and our legacy for the future. I was proud to be part of this with each one of you. Thanks again, and the wheels and "tracks" are moving forward for next year.

Jeff Parmeter
Car Show Organizer





Larry Halverson Memorial Bench

The Larry Halverson memorial bench was donated to the Rome Town Center Park by the Creepers Car Club, Room to Roam Dog Park, and the Rome Sno-Bandits. Larry was a very active and important member of all these organizations. He will be missed by many and left big shoes to fill.



2021 Car Show





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Annual Membership Renewal

Rome Sno-Bandit & AWSC memberships both expire on June 30th 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. 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 13th 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 2023-2024 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1st, 2023.

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.

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Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting June 10th, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 am with President, Tom Warner, as the chair and 3 officers present. There were 18 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Secretary's Report

There were no changes to the Secretary's report. A motion was made by Gary Gevers to accept the report as it was presented in the newsletter. Jerry Wiessinger seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Gary Gevers read Cathy Steinke's treasurer's report. He reported on the checking & savings account balances. Scott Murphy made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Jeff Parmeter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trails Boss Report

Tractor went in for service last week. Estimate for repairs is \$5,018.00. \$3,200 of that is labor and the rest is for parts. Jerry will get more details. Clutch and fuel line problems. Motion was made by Ted Sorenson to approve the repairs for \$5,018.00. Jeff Parmeter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. If the cost goes over this amount, the board must vote to authorize the additional expense.

Bids for improvements to the groomer shed have been received. We would be able to have meetings, heat and the floor would be concrete. The next step after that would be a septic and another building. Jeff Parmeter made a motion to proceed with groomer shed upgrades in the amount of \$60,000 with a 5% overage allowance. Ted Sorenson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A new garage door opener will be purchased and install this year.

Social Committee Report

No report

Activities Report

Car Show: Jeff will pick up trophies. Gary will handle the food trailer. Friday at 3 pm is setup at the park. Greg Enzenroth fixed the ticket drum.

Club Picnic: Picnic will be Sunday, August 6th from 11 am – 3 pm at the Rome Town Park gazebo. Donna and Mike Bohn will organize the picnic. Let them know if you would like to help out.

Fisheree: No updates

Club Trip: The club trip will be held on February 1st - 4th, 2024 at Crooked Lake Lodge in Siren. More information to come.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Report

No report

AWSC Report

No report

New Business

Kathy Halverson made a motion to purchase \$100 of Rome Fire Department raffle tickets. Scott Murphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn at 9:57 am was made by Scott Murphy and seconded by Bryan Meyer. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was Terry Miller. \$30 for the club and \$30 for the winner.

Respectfully Submitted
Melissa Rhodes
Secretary

Thank you to Kathy Halverson for filling in and taking the minutes so I could attend the International Snowmobile Congress in Moline Illinois! You are appreciated! ~ Melissa

Adams County Snowmobile Association Next meeting in Fall of 2023



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