

Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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UPCOMING EVENTS

March 12th, 2022

Club Meeting With Nominations
9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

March 25th & 27th, 2022

AWSC Spring Convention
Radisson Hotel & Conference
Center, Green Bay, WI

April 9th, 2022

Annual Meeting & Elections
9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

May 14th, 2022

Club Meeting & Road Pickup
Rome Town Hall
9:00 am – Meeting
Adopt-A-Highway Road Pickup
Following Meeting

June 8th – 11th, 2022

International Snowmobile
Congress (ISC)
Dubuque, Iowa

June 11th, 2022

Club Meeting
9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

June 18th, 2022

Rome Classic Car, Bike &
Snowmobile Show
Rome Town Center Park

NOTICE

The Rome Sno-Bandits **Annual Meeting of Members** will be held on April 9th, 2022 at the Rome Town Hall at 9:00 am. Elections of Officers & Directors will take place at this meeting. Positions open for nominations are President, Treasurer and one Director. Nominations can be made by contacting a board member or from the floor at our March meeting.



Message From President Tom Warner

Just wanted to say **Thank You** to all our members for making the Rome Sno-Bandits the great club we are! The hard work every year by everyone does not go unnoticed! The Sno-Bandits have had some amazing accomplishments the last few years and that's because of all of you!!

Thanks again and as always THINK SNOW!!

Tom Warner
President



OFFICIAL TRAIL CONDITIONS/CLOSINGS

**Adams County Parks
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**Always Check To Make
Sure Trails Are Open
Before Riding!**



Message From Trail Boss Larry Halverson

I would imagine all you snowmobilers are as frustrated with the weather as I am. Keep the faith as there are still several weeks before the trails are officially closed for the season. All the grooming equipment is sitting in the shed patiently waiting for snow.

Larry



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Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle

The 1st Annual Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle was a huge success. Thank you to all our club members and friends that pitched in to help us on the day of the event. A huge thank you to the LURE BAR & GRILL for providing us with the perfect venue and for selling raffle tickets. With everyone helping, we were able to raise over \$16,000.

Due to the success of this event, we will be holding it again next year. We are working on locking in a date and will announce it as soon as we can. We would like to have a couple club members help with planning and will need help the day before and day of the event. Please let one of us know if you are interested in joining the committee.

If you would like to donate items to this event, we can turn your donation in to money for the club. We are looking for items like booze, wine, fishing gear, camping and outdoor gear and anything we can use to make raffle baskets. If you have any connections to these items or see items on clearance, please let the committee know.

Palooza Committee ~ Gunnar, Melissa, Bryan & Scott

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CLUB APPAREL

Our club will be placing an apparel order with Dawn & Mark Kalata of Heres Ur Sign after our March meeting. Orders can be brought to the March meeting or emailed to Melissa or Dawn.

Picture #1 is a new design that they created for us to recognize our Snowmobile Club of the Year award. We went with a different design then what was in the February newsletter. Thank you, Dawn, for giving us different option to choose from.

Heres Ur Sign also has approximately twenty decals of #2 available.

You can view the items available at www.sportswearcollection.com. When placing your order, please give a second option and color in case the item and color are not available. The print goes best on darker colors and can go on either the front or back of apparel.

Short Sleeve T-shirts:	S-XL \$10.75	2-5XL \$13.85	Style Gildan 8000
Long Sleeve T-shirts:	S-XL \$13.55	2-3XL \$17.25	Style Gildan 8400
Hoodies:	S-XL \$19.00	2-5XL \$25.50	Style Gildan 18500
Cowl Neck (Ladies):	S-2XL \$27.95		Style J.America 8673
Crew Neck Sweatshirts:	S-XL \$18.45	2-3XL \$22.25	Style Gildan 12000
Zip Up Sweatshirts:	S-XL 22.25	2-5XL \$28.65	Style Gildan 18600

#1



#2





Other Items Available from Here's Ur Sign

Sno-Bandit's Logo can go on any of these hats!



Tumbler available.
20 oz for \$20,
30 oz for \$28 and
kids 12 oz for \$20.
Either design can
go on the tumbler
or they can be
personalized.
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be changed.



Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting February 12th, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 pm with Vice President, Bryan Meyer, as the chair and 7 officers present. There were 39 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. Scott Fitzgerald seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Cathy Steinke reported on the checking & savings account balances. Linda Randall made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Ray Glen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trail Boss Report - Larry Halverson

Our trails were open for 2 ½ days. The New Holland tractor is working great. We helped neighboring club, Monroe Prairie Winter Pals, by grooming their trails as their operator was unable to do them due to surgery. If anyone is interested in learning the Trail Boss position, please let Larry know. He will not be doing this job forever and is willing to share his knowledge.

Social Committee Report

A get-well card was sent to Kathy Manning. She broke her arm in a snowmobiling accident. After purchasing donuts, the balance in the kitty is \$256.32.

Adams County Report

Larry reported on January & February County Alliance meetings. New Adams County Rec Officer Caleb H reported on an accident on private land involving a father and son who collided at a high rate of speed. The weekend our trails were open, Caleb was out giving warnings and tickets. He is very safety focused and does not give warnings where safety is involved. Nominations and elections are coming up in March and April. All positions are open and they are always looking for club members to help out. Two snowmobile safety classes were held. 21 students graduated from the first class and 18 from the second class. A fundraising committee was set up. Bryan Meyer, Melissa Rhodes, Steve McIntosh, Susan McIntosh, Bob Spies and Kurt M are on the committee. They will look in to fundraising ideas.

Membership

We currently have 279 members.

Activities Report

The Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle was a huge success. Over \$16,000 was raised for our club. Thank you to the committee, Bryan Meyer, Scott Fitzgerald, Melissa Rhodes and Gunnar Anderson and to all the club members that helped out on the day of the event. We are looking to hold this event again next year and will be looking for help prior to the event. It was nice to get our clubs name out to the public.

The club trip was a lot of fun. Some members were able to ride to Minocqua and watch Fletcher Daun race. Our club had been invited to join the Northern Lights Snowmobile Club for our club trip next year. They would lead us on trail rides. Melissa will get more information on this so we can lock in a date. Northern Lights Club is in Three Lakes Wisconsin.

Old Business

Club apparel and cups can be ordered from Dawn Kalata or by contacting Melissa.

New Business

Our club will be holding a snowmobile safety class in the fall. Most likely in November.

If anyone is interested in attending the AWSC Spring Convention, please let Cathy Steinke know. We would like representation at the convention. The convention will be held March 25th - 27th at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center in Green Bay, WI

We will be taking nominations for the positions of President, Treasurer and one director. Please let a board member know if you are interested. Elections will take place at the April meeting.

Our club is in the running for National Club of the Year. We are going to reserve 6 hotel rooms. If you are interested in attending, please let Cathy Steinke know. It will take place in Dubuque Iowa on June 8th - 11th.

The Lure Bar & Grill has gone above and beyond for our club over the past year with the pull tab machine, hosting our meetings during Covid while the Town Hall was closed and by providing a great venue for the Fisheree. Our club would like to show our appreciation to them. A thank you letter will be written and a plaque will be given. We will also be giving all their employees club t-shirts. Thank you Tom & Joni for all you have done for our club.

The car show will be held on June 18th. This will be the last year Larry & Kathy will run it. If anyone is interested in taking over, please let them know. Thank you to Larry and Kathy for running this for so many years. Your hard work is appreciated.

We will start including the Adams County Snowmobile Association minutes in our newsletter. Kathy Halverson is doing an excellent job as the county secretary and taking minutes. Thank you Kathy for stepping up.

Cathy Steinke is working on setting up an account at Kwik Trip for our club.

A club member suggested a brat & burger cookout in March. We will revisit this idea when the weather warms up.

A motion to adjourn at 10:00 am was made by Suzanne Kostreva and seconded by Scott Fitzgerald. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was Julie Stohr. \$75.00 for the club and \$75.00 for the winner.

Respectfully Submitted
Melissa Rhodes
Secretary



Adams County Snowmobile Association Meeting Minutes February 3, 2022 Cedar Shack

The February 3, 2022 meeting of the Adams County Snowmobile Association was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice President Steve McIntosh. There were 19 members present. All clubs were represented except New Haven. The **Secretary** read the minutes from the January 12th meeting. There were no changes. A motion to accept was made by Melissa Rhodes and seconded by Todd Stammen. All in favor, motion carries. The

Treasurer reported one check written for \$xxxxx leaving a balance of \$xxxx. A motion to accept was made by Larry Halverson, seconded by Ed Stevens. Motion carries.

County Trail Coordinator report: Darren is working on getting out payments to clubs for grooming.

Sheriff's report: Caleb reported on another safety class to be held at the Friendship Community Center. There were lots of sleds with no registrations and lots of no trail passes. Tickets were issued. No snowmobile safety certificates, and two sleds traveling on Hwy 13 at about 60 miles per hour.

County directors report: Gary was not at the meeting. Melissa reminded everyone about the Spring convention in Green Bay on March 25-26.

Steve told the group that Gordy had had a knee replacement today. Mary said that all went well. He will be out for awhile. A card will be sent out to him.

Old Business: Looking to get 4-5 volunteers to start a **fund planning committee**. Bryan Meyer, Melissa Rhodes, Steve McIntosh, Bob Spies, and Susan McIntosh volunteered.

Steve handed out a spreadsheet showing the income (\$10,325.00) and expenses (\$9,671.92) from the **map ad money**. There is \$653.08 left in the fund. He reminded everyone that the map ads for next year will possibly be used for gates and kiosks for clubs. We might also be looking at adding more zones to the county. There are still laminated maps available. There was a **zone coordinator meeting** after the January meeting. Steve handed out a list of the zone leaders and the clubs within that zone. Larry said there is a problem with clubs notifying the zone leaders. Bryan wants clubs to be able to notify all club members about opening and closing of trails. A whole lot of discussion with suggestions went on for a long time, with ways to get this info out. Clubs should be emailing out trail opening, closing, reasons why they are not open yet, to get this info to all club members. Club Facebook/social media pages should also be used to try to reach all members.

Chamber of Commerce report: Bryan is waiting out to see their workup of the next publication to check it over. Has not seen it yet.

New Business:

Club events coming up include Grand Marsh's antique snowmobile show on Feb. 5th from 8-2. Oxford's pancake breakfast on Feb. 12th from 8-12. Coloma's radar run on Feb 19th from 9-4. Kurt talked about the MS run and asked clubs to donate to that.

Our new by-laws state that a **nominating committee** is needed to get people to run for office in spring. Three people are needed, Larry Halverson, Ed Stevens and Bryan Meyer.

Our **club officer sheet** needs to be updated. Clubs will be asked for this info.

The **next meeting will be on March 3rd** at Cedar Shack.

A motion to adjourn was made by Robert Schmidt, seconded by Larry Halverson
Kathy Halverson, Secretary

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