

Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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UPCOMING EVENTS

October 9th, 2021

Club Meeting & Road Pickup
9:00 am Rome Town Hall
Road Pickup Following Meeting

October 22nd & 23rd, 2021

AWSC Fall Workshop/Banquet
Wilderness Resort &
Convention Center
Wisconsin Dell

November 13th, 2021

Trail Brushing, Signing
Chili Dump & Club Meeting
8:00 am Groomer Shed
Noon Chili Dump at
Rome Town Hall
Followed by Club Meeting

December 4th, 2021

Christmas In Rome

December 11th, 2021

Club Meeting 9:00 am
Informal Adult Safety Class
To Follow Meeting
Rome Town Hall

January 22nd, 2022

1st Annual Petenwell Palooza
Ice Fisheree & Raffle
Lure Bar & Grill
Ice Fishing 7 am – 3 pm
Meat Raffle 1 pm

January 27th – 30th, 2022

Club Trip – St. Germain, WI
Rustic Manor Motor Lodge



Please Join Us!



Message From President Tom Warner

Where is the time going?! It's October already! It's that time that we start thinking towards the snow season. That means make sure your membership is renewed (it expired on June 30th), registrations are up to date, and trail passes are purchased!! Also, don't forget all the pre ride maintenance that needs to be done.

We have the AWSC Fall Workshop on October 22nd & 23rd, 2021 at the Wilderness Resort in Wisconsin Dells. We will be receiving the Snowmobile Club of the Year Award as well as Snowmobile Friendly Community award from 2020 on Saturday evening during the banquet. We would love to see a big showing of club members there.

Don't forget the famous Rome Sno-Bandit's Trail Brushing, Signing and Chili Dump Day!! That will be held on November 13th. We will meet at the groomer shed at 8:00 am and head out and work. We will then meet at Town Hall for some chili and refreshments followed by our monthly meeting. This is always a great time and we get a lot of trail work done in a short period of time.

If you haven't made your reservation for the club trip in January, you should. It's a great time with club members!!

Hope to see everyone at the October meeting at the Rome Town Hall and as always THINK SNOW!!!

Tom Warner
President



WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

Please plan to attend our Annual
Trail Brushing, Chili Dump, & Club Meeting

Saturday, November 13th, 2021



Adopt-A-Highway Road Pickup October 9th, 2021 Following Club Meeting

Our club is part of the Adopt-A-Highway Program. Adopt-A-Highway was initiated by the Wisconsin Department Transportation many years ago. It was an opportunity created to allow organizations to help in beautifying our state's highways by picking up trash two to three times a year. This is an all-volunteer program and there is no cost to our club. The Department of Transportation in each County provides bags, signs, vests, and flags to be used during the pickup. The Rome Sno-Bandits applied to adopt the section of Highway 13 from County Road D to Adams Ave. (County Line) in August of 2012. We conduct pick up in the spring and fall of each year. As a club, we feel that it is important to give back to our community for the support they have provided us over the years. We take pride in helping to keep The Town of Rome looking great. Please help represent the Rome Sno-Bandits by volunteering for an hour after our club meeting. The more volunteers we have, the quicker the job will go. Please wear gloves and dress appropriately

AWSC Fall Workshop & Banquet

The AWSC Fall Workshop is October 22nd - 24th at the Wilderness Resort in Wisconsin Dells. The Rome Sno-Bandits will be recognized as Snowmobile Club of the Year & 2020 Snowmobile Friendly Community at the banquet on Saturday evening. We would like to see our club well represented with club members in attendance. If you are interested in attending, please let Cathy Steinke know before October 5th so she can make a banquet reservation for you. If you plan to attend anything beside the banquet, a workshop registration is also required. Workshop registration gets you into all meetings, workshop classes and hospitality rooms. The cost of the banquet is \$32.00 and the workshop is \$25.00. The club will pay these fees if you RSVP by October 5th to Cathy Steinke. Contact Info: csmith@wctc.net

Banquet dress code is business casual. Hope to see you there!

Here is a link to the rough draft of the workshop agenda:

https://www.awsc.org/AWSC/media/Images/Registered%20Users/3-Day-Agenda-Draft_3.pdf

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Message From Vice President Bryan Meyer

Hi Sno-Bandits,

I don't know what happen to summer but fall is in the air for sure. Keep those gutters clean and start thinking about putting the patio furniture away. Maybe even take a peek at the snowmobile(s) and see if they need anything for this up-and-coming season.

Roadside pickup is after our October 9th meeting. The more help we get, the faster it goes. We should be done in an hour or less.

The Ice Fisheree is only 4 months away (January 22nd) and is right on schedule! If you haven't heard yet, we have raffle tickets available! If you would like to purchase some just get ahold of one of us on the committee or we will have them at the meeting. 5 dollars each, 3 for 10 dollars, and 7 for 20 dollars. Make sure to tell your friends about the event and have them come to the Lure if they are fishing or not. The day will be filled with fun and different raffles throughout the day. It would be great to see a good showing of support for the club.

As we get closer, we will see what help we need and get a signup sheet going. As always, if you want to be more involved or share your ideas, please get ahold of one of the committee members:

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Your VP
Bryan Meyer



Message From Trail Boss Larry Halverson

As I look at the trees, I can see they are starting to change colors. That can only mean one thing and that is winter is on the way. Make sure to be prepared for the up-coming season. Make sure you are up to date on registrations, trail passes, and insurance. Make sure your sleds and all associated equipment are in good shape and ready to go. I would hate to see you having problems when the season gets here.

November 13th is a big day for us Rome Sno-Bandits. That is our annual brushing and signing day so please put that day on your calendar and plan to attend. Sure we get the work done but it is also a great time to meet fellow snowmobilers and have a good time. After the short work session we will gather at the town hall to partake in some chili and beverages along with our monthly meeting.

Due to the fact that we have some trail changes there will be some areas that are going to need a lot of brushing and new signing. We have not used some of these trails for a long time or in some cases not at all, so please plan to join us. If you have any questions, just reach out to me and I will do my best to help you out.

Larry Halverson (Cell 414-587-6833)

Fisheree Concession Stands

Thank you to everyone that helped with our concession stand at Dyracuse Recreation Park and the Wisconsin State Trapshooting grounds. We raised money to help buy prizes for our Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle. We had a great time and made new friends along the way.

Check out Dyracuse Recreation Park and the WTA Shooting Complex. They both are great additions to the Town of Rome.

Link to Dyracuse Recreation Park:

<https://www.romewi.com/dyracuse/> or

<https://www.facebook.com/dyracuserекреational.park>

Link to State Trap Shooting Complex:

<http://www.witrapshooters.com/about-us/shooting-complex/>

A big thank you goes out to Fletcher Daun who worked at our concession stand. Fletcher and his family are members of our club. Fletcher has been nicknamed "Ticket Master" for all his hard work selling raffle tickets for our upcoming fisheree event. Fletcher is 9 years old and will start racing snowmobiles in the WKSRA (Wisconsin Kids Snowmobile Racing Association) circuit this coming season. If you are at a race, cheer for our club member, Fletcher.



(LEFT) Nine-year-old, Fletcher Duan, and his eight-year-old brother, Oliver, helping with concession stand.

(RIGHT) Former club member, Jim Giese, stopped by our concession stand and shared a little club history with us. He was with our club in the 60's when it was called the Bentley Hillbillies.



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 completed 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 2021-2022 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1st, 2021.

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.

Our club has discontinued mailing of AWSC membership cards. You can print one from the AWSC site.

Membership Contact: Suzanne Kostreva RSBMembership@gmail.com



1st Annual

Rome Sno-Bandits

Ice Fisheree & Raffle

Saturday, January 22nd, 2022
Lure Bar & Grill – Town of Rome

Ice Fisheree

7 am – 3 pm
 Adults \$10
 Kids 12 & Under \$5

Meat Raffle

Starting at 1:00 pm



50/50 Raffles

Basket Raffles

Door Prizes

Raffle Tickets Available

1st Prize: 7 Nights Lodging with Fishing Boat and Gas at Indiaonta Resort, Calm Lake, Atikokan, Ontario Canada

2nd Prize: 10' Kayak with Paddle & Life Vest

3rd Prize: Full Day Pontoon Rental on Lake Petenwell with 1st Tank of Gas

4th Prize: Blackstone Flat Top Grill - 5th Prize: \$200 -

6th Prize: \$100 - 7th Prize: \$50

Tickets: \$5/each 3 Tickets/\$10 7 Tickets/\$20

For More Information See Our Website: www.romesnobandits.com/Petenwell-Palooza-Fisheree.php

Or Our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/RomeSnoBandits>



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Rome Sno-Bandits Club Trip

January 27th – January 30th, 2022

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Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting September 11th, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am with President, Tom Warner, as the chair and 6 officers present. There were 22 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. Bob Sweet seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Cathy Steinke reported on the checking & savings account balances. Larry Halverson made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. John Steinke seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trail Boss Report - Larry Halverson

Sand Valley extended the lease on the tractor and will use it until the end of the month. Sand Valley is working on new trails for us around the new golf course. We need signage for this area to keep riders from trespassing. Jimmy Humston, Supervisor from Sand Valley, spoke at our meeting. We lost 2 ½ miles of trails and they are replacing them with 3 miles of trails. Tractor has been a big help for them and they would like to continue to lease from us for a few more years. Year to date they have put on approximately 28 hours. Jimmy spoke with the owner of Sand Valley and he said to pass on to our club that they are committed to providing trails to our club.

The new solar project trail area is still being worked on. There will be a trail change where our trail connects with Kellner around Highway 73. Sections of land are being sold on County D. Trail to Leisure Lane will need to be moved a little. Help might be needed updating the county map with our changes.

Membership

No membership report as Suzanne was not at the meeting.

Commercial sponsors have been coming in. Servant Electric & Visit Rome are new commercial sponsors. Renewing sponsors are: Chasing Sunsets, Country Sports, Evenson's Marine, Hoffman Trucking & Excavating, KeySavings Bank, Lake Arrowhead Association, Lake Sherwood Lodge, Lakewinds Online, Lure Bar & Grill, MSH Concrete, Nekoosa Port Edwards State Bank, Papa Bears Mini Golf, Ponderosa Pines, Pritzl's Trading Post, Rome Realty, Tri Lakes Storage and Williams Construction. Melissa will follow up with the non-renewed sponsors.

Social Committee Report

A sympathy card was sent to Dan Gohmann for the death of his father. There is a balance of \$119.60 in the kitty.

Activities Report

Thank you to everyone that helped with the car show. It was a huge success.

We will have road pickup after our October 9th meeting.

Our club will be presented with the Snowmobile Club of the Year Award and 2020 Snowmobile Friendly Community recognition at the AWSC Fall Workshop Banquet on October 23rd at the Wilderness Resort. Club members are encouraged to attend.

Trail brushing will take place on November 13th. Meet at the groomer shed at 8:00 am. Chili dump to follow at the Rome Town Hall.

The club picnic was nice. Thank you to the Lure Bar & Grill and Suzanne for all your work making this enjoyable.

Make sure you have your reservations made for our club trip. Rooms are filling up fast.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Report – Larry Halverson

The Association will host a hospitality room at the AWSC Fall Workshop. Our club will donate a basket, snacks and beverages.

The Association will be purchasing a liability insurance policy.

40' rule is being worked on and should be passed soon.

Trespassing posters were purchased by the Association from the AWSC and are being distributed to the clubs.

Street signs will be provided by the association.

AWSC Report

KAOS will be holding an animal shelter drive at the fall workshop.

Old Business

The pull tab machine at the Lure is very successful. It has brought in over \$4,000 this year.

New Business

ISHOF – International Snowmobile Hall of Fame in Eagle River is asking for donation to fund their program. Jerry Wiessinger made a motion to donate \$50.00 to ISHOF. Jeff Parmeter seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Brian Palmer will be doing a charity ride. Cathy Steinke made a motion to donate \$100 to Brian for the ride. Gary Gevers seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Larry and Kathy were nominated for an MVP award by the Wisconsin Rapids Sport Commission. The awards banquet will be held next week.

A motion to adjourn at 9:48 am was made by Larry Halverson and seconded by John Steinke. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was Jeff Parmeter. \$50.00 for the club and \$45.00 for the winner.

Respectfully Submitted
Melissa Rhodes
Secretary



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