

Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



September 2023

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Upcoming Events

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

PLEASE JOIN US!

Message From President, Tom Warner

Wow, after this last weekend's heat I am wishing winter was upon us already!! First, we have to get the trails ready. Our Trail Boss and his committee have been working hard over the summer months to be ready!!

It was great seeing everyone at the club picnic last month! It was so much fun! Thanks to Mike and Donna Bohn for putting on a great picnic!

Do not forget that your club membership expired at the end of June. Please get your memberships renewed.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our first club meeting of the season on September 9th!!

As always THINK SNOW!!

Tom Warner
President



Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger

The Labor Day weekend normally is the start of fall and we start to think about the snowmobile season, but the 90+ temperatures this year are making us wish for cooler temperatures just to be able to enjoy the outdoors now. The trails will open in just over 90 days weather permitting so we need to start planning. Our brushing day/chili dump will be November 11th. At this time, I am not aware of any trail reroutes, but we have no idea how the proposed Camelot Solar Project may affect our trails this season. I did hear from the second Saratoga Solar Project, and they will not start any construction until the fourth quarter of 2024 so we will be able to use the present trail for the 2023/24 season. We do have a mutually agreed on reroute planned for 2024.

The Trail Committee recently held a workday on a cooler evening at the Groomer shed with a group of volunteers that showed up to go through the extra signs. In about an hour we were able to disassemble the unusable ones and salvage the usable pieces. Thank you all that showed up.

Trail workers: Remember that we now have a couple barrels of extra signs that can be used rather than make up new ones.

The New Holland tractor has been returned from Sand Valley after 90 days of rental. That is always a nice source of revenue for the Club. The McCormick tractor is at Carl F Statz in Waunakee having the transmission problem corrected. It should be done soon.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR BRUSHING DAY/CHILI DUMP NOV 11 TH .

Jerry Wiessinger
Trail Boss



Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer

First of all, I hope this finds everyone happy and healthy! I feel this summer went by in a couple blinks! The cooler nights and shorter days are inching in. Snowmobile swap meets are on deck. As much as I like summer fun, I have had enough of these 90 plus degree days!!

I will be missing the September meeting as I am heading to Minnesota Hay Days swap meet. This is one of the many highlights of my year and is my official start of winter. I will leave my notes with Tom for the meeting.

One highlight of the summer was the Sno Bandit's concession stand selling food at the State Trap Shoot Meet in July. We have a bigger prize item that we are purchasing for the Fisheree and we wanted to help pay for this by doing this fundraiser. The day was great, but a lot of work goes into it. There were many hours trying to pin down a menu and pricing. Then changing the menu because items weren't on sale or just wanting to be different than the other vendors. Many trips to Sam's club, Costco, Walmart. Hours of pre-grilling and grilling all day at the event. It is hard to juggle all the factors that go into this event. As our master griller Gunnar says "we smoked it!" The other vendors most likely don't want us back next year! Special thanks to Gunnar, Jenny (and her boys who worked hard selling Fisheree raffle tickets) Melissa, Gary, Gene, Warren, and Linda. I hope I am not missing anyone! We ended up shutting down fast because of a pop-up storm but that is when the bond of our club members really kicked in. Memories forever!! Thanks again for everyone who made it happen!

Think Snow! Brap!

Bryan Meyer
Vice President





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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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