

Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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Upcoming Events

~~February 1 - 4, 2024
Club Snowmobile Trip
CANCELLED~~

February 10, 2024
Club Meeting
9 am – Rome Town Hall

March 9, 2024
Club Meeting
9 am – Rome Town Hall

April 13, 2024
Club Meeting
9 am – Rome Town Hall

April 27, 2024
Groomer Shed Workday

May 11, 2024
Club Meeting
9 am – Rome Town Hall

June 8, 2024
Club Meeting
9 am – Rome Town Hall

June 15, 2024
Rome Classic Car, Bike &
Snowmobile Show

October 5, 2024
Adams County Snowmobile
Association Power Sports Show

Message From President, Tom Warner

I hope everyone was able to get out and enjoy our trails for the little bit Mother Nature blessed us with cold and snow! Our Trail Boss and the groomer operators did an unbelievable job getting them into shape and keeping them great while they could!! Thanks so much to all of you!!

I hope you were able to attend the ROME SNO BANDITS Fisheree a few weeks back at the LURE BAR and GRILL! It was an amazing event that took a lot of work and a lot of volunteers! Everyone did an amazing job and fun was had by all! The prizes were awesome and seemed endless at one point, and the way the committee was able to hold the indoor virtual fishing tournament was, well AMAZING! Rome Sno Bandit volunteers rock!!! Thank you to all that put in so much time to make this event what it has become!

I do have to announce some bad news as we had to cancel our club trip to The Lodge at Crooked Lake in Siren Wi. I know so many of you were looking forward to riding this area of this great state!! (Some of us were just looking forward to more riding!) I will be talking soon to our club trip planning committee about looking to head back to this area. As always, if you would like to join this committee (or any other ones) please let me know or talk to someone already on that committee.

Don't forget that we have nominations for President, Treasurer, and 1 director spot (John S.) in March. If interested, make sure to talk with Warren Starner, he is our election chairman.

I hope you all are doing your COLD and SNOW DANCES. There is still time to ride if we can get that beautiful WHITE GOLD!!

As always, THINK SNOW!!!!!!

Tom Warner
President



Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger

It was sweet while it lasted, unfortunately that was not very long. We were able to open the trails for ten days which is more than many of the northern clubs have been able to do, so we need to be thankful for what we had. Thanks to our groomer operators Gary Gevers, Scott Murphy, Jon O'Keefe, and Steve Ottowitz we had some great trails. There was a lot of traffic on Saturday January 20th, so they were beat up by Sunday. The groomer went out but there was nothing left to work with. Do your snow dance and hope the snow and colder weather returns.

We have added four more weights to the front of the New Holland to improve steerability and traction in deep snow, now we need the deep snow to test it.

Remember to circle April 27th on your calendars for the workday to empty out the groomer shed so we can start the Building Completion Project. It will be a great facility that you can be proud of when done.

PRAY FOR SNOW!!!

Jerry Wiessinger
Trail Boss

Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer

Hi RSB's,

A huge shout out to ALL INVOLVED with the Fisheree this year!! Lots of hurdles and last minute changes due to the weather etc. If you attended the Fisheree, you will know we had another great turnout. If you can stop in at the Lure and thank them for hosting this event and show RSB support for them letting us have the event there, that would be great. If you haven't been to the Fisheree, please get it on your calendar early for next year!! Great time for the young and old!

I also hope that you were able to get out on your snowmobile(s). Hopefully we can hold some of this snow and get more snow! I know it isn't looking good. Don't forget to do that snow dance. Hopefully the trails will be open somewhere! Alaska?

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 January 6, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with President, Tom Warner, as the chair and 5 officers present. There were 41 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 Kathy Halverson 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

Cathy Steinke reported on the checking & savings account balances. Bob Sweet made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Brian Baker seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trails Boss Report

All the equipment is ready to go.

25 Ride Right signs were installed. Another 15 have been ordered. The signs and labor to install them are a reimbursable expense.

Decorations on the corner in front of the Town Hall will be taken down on Wednesday at 11 a.m. and hauled to the groomer shed.

Social Committee Report

A get-well card was sent to Bev Sweet.

The balance in the fund is \$191.65.

Activities Report

Fisheree: The ice is not safe so a decision was made to cancel the ice portion of the event and hold an indoor ice fishing competition. The idea seems to be well received on Facebook. The volunteer schedule will need to be adjusted. A Garmin Live Scope will be raffled off in hopes to attract more people.

Club Trip: Keep your fingers crossed for snow.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Report

There is a new DNR recreation representative for our area named Molly.

13 kids passed the Adams County Snowmobile Safety Class.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Zone Leaders are: Zone A – Bryan Meyer, Zone B - Kurt Mikolite, Zone C - Dave Cook. Zone leaders report to Steve McIntosh and Steve reports to Darren Tolly,

AWSC

The AWSC Spring Convention will be held in Elk Hart Lake on March 22 – 23, 2024.

KAOS Report

Brooklyn Wolf attended the Adams County Snowmobile Safety class and handed out AWSC items. Brooklyn will be attending ISC in June.

Old Business

The club's Snowmobile Friendly Application has been submitted. Thank you to our committee for all their work.

A workday will be held at the groomer shed on April 27th to move everything out in preparation for concrete.

The donation committee received a request from Gary Gevers to donate to the Lilly Sno-Birds towards their KAOS Fundraiser. Kathy Halverson made a motion to donate \$100 to the Lilly Sno-Birds. Bob Sweet seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. The club would like Brooklyn to present the check at a KAOS event.

New Business

The audit committee has finalized the 2022 audit. Everything was good. There were no errors. The only recommendation was to list returned seed money after events. Cathy does an outstanding job. The 2023 audit will start soon.

The club received a thank you note from the Rome Police Department and The Rome Fire Department for our donations.

Elections will be held in April. The positions of President, Treasurer, and one Director are open. Nominations will be held at the March meeting.

A motion to adjourn at 9:40 a.m. was made by Melissa Rhodes and seconded by Brian Baker. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

The winner of the 50/50 raffle was Gunnar Anderson. \$80 for Gunnar and \$80 for the club! Gunnar donated his winnings to Brooklyn Wolfe to purchase items for the fisheree basket raffles.

Respectfully Submitted

Melissa Rhodes
Secretary

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