Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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 8th, 2022

Club Meeting 9:00 am 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 Raffle Drawings Start at 4 pm

January 27th – 30th, 2022 Club Trip – St. Germain, WI Rustic Manor Motor Lodge



OFFICAL TRAIL CONDITIONS/CLOSINGS

Adams County Parks (608) 339-4230

www.travelwisconsin.com/snowreport/snowmobile

Always Check To Make Sure Trails Are Open Before Riding!



Message From President Tom Warner

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Thank you to everyone who came out to help with trail brushing and setting up for the chili dump! We had 54 helpers in the morning, and we got so much done! It was great to see so many people come out for the chili dump and meeting after trail brushing and signing. We had over 100 members at the chili dump.

Thank you also to everyone who came and helped set up Christmas decorations at the Town Hall. They look amazing.

Please don't forget to renew your membership if you haven't. It takes a few days to get your info into the AWSC so you can get your discounted trail passes!

We decided that the best place to display the AWSC Snowmobile Club of the Year Award is at the Town Hall. Make sure and take a look at it next time you're at the Town Hall if you haven't seen it yet.

As always, THINK SNOW!

Tom Warner President







CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN ROME



Rome Town Hall Saturday, December 4, 2021

Starting at 3:00pm, enjoy hayrides with Christmas Music as you ride through the Town Center Park. Then back to the Town Hall for snacks, refreshments and caroling while waiting for Santa to arrive.

Santa arrives at 5:00pm to help the Children light the Christmas trees decorated by local individuals & businesses followed by a visit with Santa and his Elf with treats for the Children.

Masks are encouraged in the Town Hall over the age of 2 unless fully vaccinated!



Message From Vice President Bryan Meyer

Hello Sno-Bandits!

I know I have been talking a lot about the Fisheree coming up but it is really coming up on us fast. One more newsletter and January 22 will be here!! At this month's meeting we will be asking for volunteers to help work at the Fisheree. We are trying to keep the volunteer times to a minimum so you can still enjoy a day of fun. If you would like to help but won't be at the meeting that is okay. Just email or call one of the committee members below and let them know you're interested in helping. We have a fun day planned and hope to see many of you out that day. There is nothing to do in winter until the snow comes anyway!!

******************Coming up fast!**********

ROME SNO-BANDITS Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree & Raffle at the Lure Bar & Grill on January 22, 2022

We are asking for your help with the fisheree by buying and selling raffle tickets. Each ticket sold raises more money for the club! Please help make this event a success!

TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT DECEMBER'S MEETING

You can't win if you don't play!!!

Bryan Meyer Vice President

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Message From Trail Boss Larry Halverson

We have had another very successful brushing and signing day in the books. Thanks to the great turn out of volunteers, a lot of work was accomplished in a short time. Again, I want to emphasis how important it is to have <u>great volunteers</u> to keep our club up to date and active. Some minor work needs to be done yet but that will all be finished before the trails open. Remember there are some major trail changes that are not on the old maps, so be sure to watch the trail signs if you are unsure of the trails. Feel free to give me a call if you have any questions regarding the trails.

A big change for us this year is the fact that Pritzl's will be closed and the new Kwik Trip will not be open until late spring, therefore there will be no gasoline available from them for this upcoming season. Lake Sherwood Lodge and The Lure Bar and Grill have informed me they will have gasoline available when the businesses are open. They do not have pay at the pump. At the north end of the county there is gasoline available at Ponderosa Pines and they do have pay at the pump.

The grooming equipment will be checked over and ready to go as soon as we have the much needed gold that mother nature can provide us. Pray for snow so we can get this year off to good start.

Larry Halverson Trail Boss Cell 414-587-6833



Trail Brushing & Chili Dump













Club member, Fletcher Daun, will be racing his 120 Polaris Indy in the WKSRA circuit with Bailey Racing Team. This will by Fletchers first year racing snowmobiles. Our club donated \$400 to Fletcher to help with racing expenses. If you would like to watch Fletcher race, his schedule is below. I hope to give updates on his race results in our newsletters and on our Facebook page.

Good Luck Fletcher!





	Mile	2022 SCHEDULE
Ja	n. 8-9	IRONWOOD SNOWMOBILE OLYMPUS Gogebic County Fairgrounds 648 West Cloverland Drive Ironwood, MI 49938
Ja	n. 14- 16	EAGLE RIVER WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP World Championship Derby Complex 1311 N Railroad St. Eagle River, WI 54521
Ja	n. 22- 23	WAUSAU 525 Wausau 525 Racetrack 8911 County Rd NN. Wausau. WI 54401
Ja	n. 29	MINOCQUA Aqua Bowl 422 W Park Ave. Minocqua, WI 54548
Fe	b. 5- 6	FIRE ON ICE- HOSTED BY WKCR Waupaca County Fairgrounds 602 South Street Weyauwega, WI 54983
Fe	b. 12	GLEASON Gleason Community Club N5335 State Highway 17 Gleason, WI 54435
Fe	b. 19- 20	SNODEO - STATE CHAMPIONSHIP, HOSTED BY WKCR Manawa Snodeo 110 WI-22 Manawa, WI 54949
Fe	b. 26	OUTAGAMIE CONSERVATION CLUB N3502 Mayflower Rd, Hortonville, WI 54944
Fe	b. 27	OUTAGAMIE CONDERVATION CLUB N3502 Mayflower Rd, Hortonville, WI 54944

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

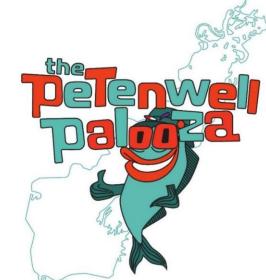
Ice Fisheree 7am - 3pm

Adults \$10

Top Cash Prize \$800

Five Cash Prizes of \$300-\$100 All cash prizes based on 200 Entrants

Kids 12 & Under \$5 1st 2nd & 3rd Place Prizes



Meat Raffle 1:00 pm

Door Prizes

50/50 Raffles

Basket Raffles

RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE

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

2nd Prize: 10' Angler Kayak With Paddle & Life Vest

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

4th Prize: 36" Blackstone Flat Top Grill

5th Prize \$200 - 6th Prize: \$100 - 7th Prize \$50

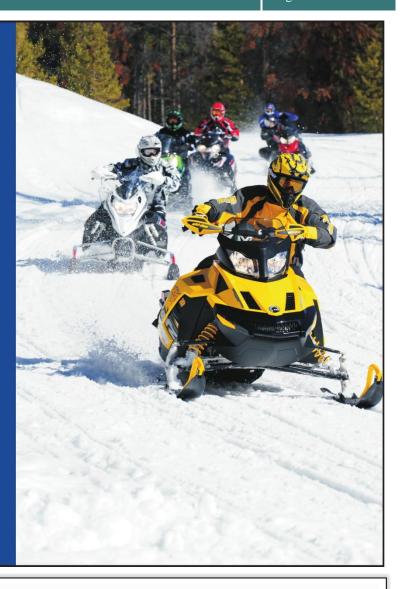
Tickets \$5/each 3 Tickets/\$10 7 Tickets/\$20

For More Information See Our Website: https://www.romesnobandits.com/Petenwell-Palooza-Fisheree.php Or Our Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/RomeSnoBandits

HAVE FUN ON YOUR RUN

BUT DON'T DRINK 'TIL YOU'RE DONE





ZERO ALCOHOL KEEPS YOU SAFE ON THE TRAIL

Drinking alcohol before snowmobiling or during your ride slows your reactions, impairs your judgment, and is a leading contributor to snowmobiling deaths. Last winter, alcohol was involved in 70 percent of the 23 snowmobiling fatalities.

Join DNR in the international zero alcohol campaign that urges every snowmobiler to take personal responsibility for reducing alcohol-related crashes. Wisconsin conservation wardens will be handing out zero alcohol stickers to snowmobilers and asking you to display it.

Here's what you can do to help:

- Display the sticker on your helmet, snowmobile, trailer, or vehicle.
- Choose to be 100 percent alcohol-free until after your ride is over and you're safely home.
- Commit to riding only with other snowmobilers who are alcohol-free.

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.

<u>MAIL</u>: Send completed membership application with check to: Rome Sno-Bandits, 302 13th Ave, Nekoosa, WI 54457

<u>CLUB MEETINGS</u>: 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.

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Rome Sno-Bandits Club Trip

January 27th - January 30th, 2022

Rustic Manor Motor Lodge 6343 State Highway 70 East St. Germain, WI 54558

https://www.rusticmanor.com

RESERVATIONS: Toll Free: 1-800-272-9776

Room Rates

\$ 93.00 Two Queen Room Outside Traditional Building \$ 99.00 Two Queen Room Main Building \$ 119.00 Poolside King with Sofa Sleeper \$ 135.00 King Whirlpool Room Main Building

We have 25 rooms blocked. Rooms will be released eight weeks prior to our trip. There is a 72-hour cancellation policy.

Check in is 3:00 pm. The lodge is very busy this time of year. Early check in is unlikely. You will need to reserve your room for the night prior to your arrival if you want an early check in.

Main Lodge Swimming Pool and Hot Tub Complimentary Continental Breakfast Large Heated Garage for Snowmobile Repairs Snowmobile Trail Access



Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting November 13th, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 12:42 pm with President, Tom Warner, as the chair and 6 officers present. There were 56 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Tom Warner presented the AWSC Club of the Year award to the membership.

Lori Heideman, AWSC Vice President, spoke about how our club is now nominated for National Snowmobile Club of the Year and potentially International Snowmobile Club of the Year. National awards will be announced in the spring and the winners will be presented with the award at International Snowmobile Congress in June in Iowa.

Secretary's Report

There were no changes to the Secretary's report. A motion was made by Willy Sandfox 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. Jim Fisher made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Kathy Halverson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trail Boss Report - Larry Halverson

Thank you to the 54 people that volunteer to brush and sign trails today. There are several trail changes this year due to things changing in our area. With Jerry & Larry being involved with the Town of Rome, they are able to know about these changes early. If you hear of any possible land sales on our trail system, please let Larry know ASAP so he can work with the landowner. We have new equipment for grooming our trails this season with the New Holland tractor that will pull the drag and the McCormick that will be used for driveway clean up and for cutting brush with the new sickle bar attachment. Thank you to Larry, Gary Gevers, Jeff Hoffmann and John Steinke for work working on the trails this past week. The section around the Sand Valley Lido course is very nice. Sand Valley has been good to us and the community. We need to thank them in as many ways as we can. More maps are being printed. We need to tell people about Priztls being closed for the winter and no fuel being available in our area. Gas is available at the Lure and Big Horn Sports Store but there are no pay at the pump options at either place. Trails will not be signed to Pritzls this year. President Tom Warner and the membership thanked Jerry Wiessinger and Larry Halverson for all the work they have done on our trail. It has been a challenging year.

Social Committee Report

A sympathy card was sent to Chris Johnson & Tim Kane for the loss of Tim's Mother. A card needs to be sent out to the family of Linda Ebbe who passed away in October. Linda was a founding member of the club and the 1st female DNR Snowmobile Safety Instructor in the State of Wisconsin. A get-well card needs to be sent to Brian Baker as he had knee surgery and Carl Hasdal for shoulder surgery.

There is a balance of \$103.60 in the kitty.

Membership

We currently have 174 members. Memberships are processed on the 1st and 15th of the month.

Activities Report

Bryan Meyer gave a Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree update. Donations are coming in. If anyone has connections for donation or would like to donate, please let us know. Raffle tickets sales are going well. We will have a volunteer signup sheet available at the December meeting. We will hold a meat raffle during the fisheree. Posters for the event should be available next week.

Christmas in Rome will be held on Dec 4th. There will be hayrides and treats and refreshments available. Santa will arrive at 5:00 pm for the tree lighting.

Decorating the corner in front of the Town Hall and setting up the Christmas trees for people to decorate will take place on November 24th at 10:00 am. 12 trees have been purchased. Jerry is in need of three tree judges for Friday afternoon, December 3rd.

The Sno-bandits handed out 240 bags of candy at the Rome Halloween drive thru. Kathy Halverson wore the club mascot costume.

There are 15 rooms booked for the club trip in St Germain at the end of January. Book your rooms in the next couple weeks if you plan to attend as they will be releasing the rooms soon. If anyone has fun games for the group to play, please let us know. More planning will be done at our next meeting.

Highway pickup in October went well. Jim Fisher gave a report on how many bags of garbage our club has picked up to date.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Report

A donation was made to the Adams County K-9 unit for their fundraiser.

GPS units are required in all groomer units this year. Street signs were ordered and ours were put in today. There will be a new Recreation Office starting on January 1st. He comes from Juneau County.

Bryan Meyer met with Laura Hook from the Adams County Chamber of Commerce. She is going to add a snowmobiling link to their website. Bryan will have access to add events to their calendar of events. Events are announced on radio station 106.1. She will also let the Association know about any grants that are available. Snowmobiling will have a page in their booklet.

AWSC Report – Gary Gevers

40' rule is on Governor Ever's desk waiting for a signature.

Make sure to keep your email and mailing address up to date with the membership chair. Returned magazines cost money and the AWSC will email membership cards after your membership has been processed.

KAOS is a great program for kids ages 12-18. Kids are the future of our clubs. KAOS teaches leadership skills.

The AWSC gives out several scholarships each year. Applications are due in January.

Old Business

No trespasses signs were made and will be put up on our trails.

The Angel Tree program sent a thank you card for our donation.

New Business

We will have an informal safety class after our December 11th club meeting. Adams County Sheriff, Brent York, will help Gary teach the class.

Tom Warner presented the idea of sponsoring 9-year-old Fletcher Daun in the WKSRA Snowmobile Racing Program. This will be Fletchers first year racing. Linda Randall made a motion to spend \$400 on a sponsorship for Fletcher. Jerry Wiessinger 2nd the motion. One member was opposed. The rest were in favor. Motion passed.

We have 8 new miles of funded trails.

A motion to adjourn at 1:47 pm was made by Bob Sweet and seconded by Bryan Meyer. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was Lori Heideman. \$148.00 for the club and \$147.00 for the winner. Lori kindly donated a portion of her winnings back to the club. Thank you, Lori!

Respectfully Submitted Melissa Rhodes Secretary





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