Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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Upcoming Events

March 2nd, 2023 Adams County Snowmobile Association Meeting 7:00 pm – Cedar Shack

March 11th, 2023 Club Meeting & Nominations 9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

April 6th, 2023 Adams County Snowmobile Association Meeting 7:00 pm – Cedar Shack

April 8th, 2023 Annual Club Meeting & Elections 9:00 am – Rome Town Hall

May 4th, 2023 Adams County Snowmobile Association Meeting 7:00 pm – Cedar Shack

May 13th, 2023 Club Meeting 9:00 am – Location TBD

June 10th, 2023 Club Meeting 9:00 am – Location TBD

June 17th, 2023 Rome Classic Car Show Rome Town Park 9 am – 3 pm

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!

NOTICE

The Rome Sno-Bandits **Annual Meeting of Members** will be held on April 8th, 2023 at the Rome Town Hall at 9:00 am. Elections of Officers & Directors will take place at this meeting. Positions open for nominations are Vice President, Secretary, Trail Boss, Membership Chair and one Director. Nominations can be made by contacting the nominating committee or from the floor at our March or April meeting.

Nominating Committee: Warren Starner (262) 255-5292 Email: wstarner@wi.rr.com Donna Bohn (414) 520-7421 Email: bohn83@gmail.com Cyndee Lewis (262) 370-0649 Email: mkclewis@hotmail.com

Message From President, Tom Warner

I hope everyone got out and enjoyed our trails while they were open this past weekend!! I know my family did and we had an absolute blast! I saw so many club members out on the trails and in our local establishments. It was so nice to see so many enjoying the trails. I would like to give a HUGE SHOUT OUT to our trails committee on doing such a great job of getting the trails ready and smooth for the few days they were open. A lot of work that took place and there was a lot of ice under that snow!! I hope this wasn't the last ride of the year and we get to enjoy our beautiful area and trails again this season!

The car show committee has started planning for the Car Show in June. I hope everyone has it marked on their calendars. We need all of you awesome volunteers to help make the show a success! If you have any suggestions for us or are looking to jump on a committee, please let a board member or the chairman of the car show committee, Jeff Parmeter know.

It's March and time for nominations. The following positions are up for elections this year: Vice President, Secretary, Director, Trail Boss, and Membership Chair. If any of these positions interest you, please feel free to contact me with questions. We will be taking nominations at the March membership meeting and voting will take place at the April membership meeting.

As always, THINK SNOW!

Tom Warner President



Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger

Mother Nature is not making things easy to have our trails open for more than a couple of days at a time. We get ten inches of light fluffy snow that amounts to about three inches when compressed barely making a base, then we get rain, and warm weather. Everything that we didn't need. We managed to open the trails for a weekend thanks to the efforts of John Steinke and Gary Gevers making the best possible trails with the powder snow on top of the ice base. Needless to say, with the heavy traffic, the trails deteriorated rapidly but many were able to get out and ride. The groomer operators appreciate all the thumbs up and support from the riders, sponsors, and community.

If the daytime temperatures would stay below freezing, we might be able to pull in enough snow from the sides to create a base now that snow has some moisture content, but Mother Nature will not give us a break. We could still get a lot of snow, so continue to do your snow dance as the groomer is ready to go, we just need a little snow and colder weather.

Be careful when riding on the lakes as the ice conditions have also deteriorated from the rain and warm weather.

RIDE SAFE, RIDE RIGHT!!

Jerry Wiessinger Trail Boss

Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer

As we get closer to the end of the season it was a nice surprise to have mother nature give us a weekend to ride. I hope you got out and enjoyed it! It was great to get out on our trails that we work so hard to provide! Good times with great friends!!

Lots going on as the snow is melting away. The car show will be here before you know it. The car show committee has had a meeting or two and things are starting to happen. New banners are coming along with a few new ideas.

It is elections time again with voting in April. If you are interested in a position, please notify the nominating committee. Positions open are VP, Secretary, Director - (Jeff H), Trail Boss and Membership Chair. Trail boss and Membership Chair we are currently looking for people to run for these positions and encourage the running for any position open!

The Capital Gains Committee will be meeting for the first time after the March meeting. More to report on that next month.

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:

<u>ON-LINE</u>: Through our website: <u>www.RomeSnoBandits.com</u>. Click on <u>Membership Application</u> 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

<u>CLUB MEETINGS</u>: 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 2022-2023 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1st, 2022.

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 <u>https://www.awsc.org/About-Us/Member-Lookup</u>. Your membership number never changes.

Membership Contact: Suzanne Kostreva <u>RSBMembership@gmail.com</u>

Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting February 11th, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 am with Vice President, Bryan Meyer, as the chair and 5 officers present. There were 31 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. Jim Fisher 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. Ray Glen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trails Boss Report

We need snow and cold weather.

Jerry would like to give our landowners gift cards. We have 23 landowners. Some are corporate and can't except gifts. A motion was made to purchase \$20 \$100 gift cards. The motion was discussed and dropped. Jeff Parmeter made a motion to purchase 20 \$50 gift cards. John Steinke second the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Social Committee Report

A get-well card was sent to Greg Enzenroth. A sympathy card was sent to the Nowak family for the loss of longtime club member Alicia Nowak.

Brian Palmer made a motion to have a memorial board in the groomer shed for all our past longtime members. Bob Sweet seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed. A committee will be set up to work on club history and see what can be done to preserve and display club history. Members that volunteers to do this are Jim Fisher, Bob & Bev Sweet, Gary Gevers, Casey Schilling and Melissa Rhodes. Any members have skills or history to contribute are welcome to join the committee.

The balance in the fund is \$ 100.62

Activities Report

Fisheree: The fisheree committee reported on the Petenwell Palooza. It was a successful fundraiser. Club members stepped up and volunteered the day of the event and it made things go smoothly. Our youth were involved. Thank you to Nikki Young, Brooklyn Wolfe, Fletcher Daun and Aubrey for all you work. It is great to see our youth get involved. Next year's fisheree is already being worked on. It will be held January 13th, 2023 at the Lure Bar & Grill.

Club Trip: The club trip was fun. Lori Heideman and Cathy Warner are working on plans for next years trip. The Three Lakes club hosted our club for lunch at Spirtview and then lead guided rides for club members. Jenny Daun wrote and article and it was in the Three Lakes newspaper and will appear in the WSN Magazine.

Car Show: Jeff Parmeter will be sending out an email soon to all committee heads from last year to see if they will still be involved. Melissa will work on getting the beverage license. Park permit has already been obtained. We need to get working on raffle ticket prizes.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Report

Recreational officer Graham has been dealing with a lot of ATV violations. Storm damage was discussed. Holiday Hunt was covered. The Chamber of Commerce is working on a brochure. They will include the 11 Adams County Snowmobile clubs in it.

AWSC Report

Commercial sponsors were covered. If a commercial sponsor owns a snowmobile, they can get their trails pass through the commercial membership.

Youth helmets need to fit properly. Neck braces for smaller children were discussed.

Lori Heideman is running for President. Sue Smedegard and Brittany Lillion are running for Secretary. Jerry Wiessinger made a motion to vote for Sue Smedegard. Gunnar Anderson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Old Business

Melissa has the new brochure done. Next year she will make a brochure that will work for several years and include an insert with club events so we don't have to make new brochures every year.

Mark Kane and Bryan Meyer will be working on a mock snowmobile crash. This has been put off until next year.

Thank you to everyone that helped pickup and put away all the Christmas decoration. Work will need to be done on some of these items this winter.

We received a thank you card from the CMN Radiothon.

Brian Palmer thanked our club for our donation to his Caner Run Ride. He put on 504 miles in 12 hours. The event raised \$205,000.

New Business

Elections will be held in April for Vice President, Secretary, Trail Boss, Membership, and one Director. A nominating committee was suggested by the board. It consists of Warren Starner as chair and Donna Bohn and Cyndee Lewis. Gary Gevers made a motion to approve these members on the committee. Jerry Wiessinger seconded it. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Jeff Parmeter would like to replace 8 banners for the car show. Scott Murphy made a motion to replace the banners. Bev Sweet seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Melissa will look into banners with her connection. If she is not able to get them free of cost, she will contact Dawn Kalata.

Spring convention will be held in Green Bay in March. Let Cathy Steinke know if you are interested in attending.

The Fisheree committee was given a great opportunity to work a one-day concession stand at the State Trap meeting on Saturday July 15th. Anyone that would like to help with this please contact Gunnar, Melissa, or Bryan.

Carl Hasdal reported the Police Department ordered their UTV.

The Town of Rome will hold a storm damage brush pick up in April.

Primary elections will be held February 21st.

A motion to adjourn at 10:35 am was made by John Steinke and seconded by Jeff Parmeter. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was John Steinke. \$80 for the club and \$80 for the winner.

Respectfully Submitted Melissa Rhodes Secretary

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Adams County Snowmobile Association Minutes February 2nd, 2023 - Cedar Shack

The February 2, 2023 meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by President Gordy Carlson. There were 19 members present. All clubs were represented except Jack Pine and New Haven.

The **Secretary** read the minutes from the December 1st meeting. A motion to accept was made by Gary Gevers, seconded by Nancy Carlson. All in favor, motion carries.

The **Treasurer** was not in attendance, so no report. We received a thank you from the Children's Miracle Network for our contribution.

Darren asked to have all reports of the December storm work submitted to him immediately. This was discussed at the Rec Council meeting last week. All clubs must submit a W9 (IRS website) for all monies paid to your club from the county.

Graham had been driving around in the southern part of the County and saw tracks on some trails. If you see any violations, please call the Sheriff's office. He issued his first snowmobile ticket of the season yesterday.

Brent said there were lots of ATV/UTV violations in the Arkdale area, please report them. He also talked about the 9 snowmobile deaths so far this season.

Gary had a handout regarding the AWSC winter directors meeting. He talked about storm damage, holiday hunt, American Life Ins is back again, Rec Council meeting, supplemental pay rates, commercial memberships can get the discounted trail pass, AWSC memberships are up this year, accidents involving groomers, youth safety and trespassing.

Bryan talked about the Adams Chamber of Commerce who is working on a snowmobile brochure. He also gave them club info to add to it. He brought maps for those that need them. Gordy welcomed Steve back after his heart attack and triple bypass surgery in Duluth.

Old Business none

New Business Kathy asked those present to look over their club info she has and to update any changes. There will probably be changes after spring elections. The Coloma club asked why they could not open their trails as they have enough snow. All clubs in their zone need to be ready before that can happen. Gary talked about who is running for AWSC offices. Steve reminded us that we need to have a nominating committee for elections. Gary Gevers, Bryan Meyer and Dennis Kulwicki will do it this year.

A motion to adjourn at 7:38 was made by Dennis Kulwicki and seconded by Jerry Wiessinger

Next meeting will be March 2nd, 7pm at Cedar Shack

Kathy Halverson, Secretary

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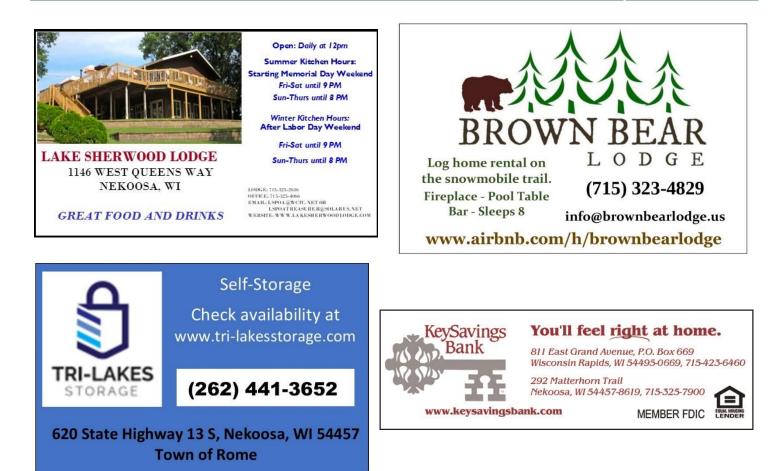
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