

Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



November 2025

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Upcoming Events

November 8, 2025

8 am - Trail Brushing & Signing
Noon – Meal & Social Time
Club Meeting
All at Groomer Shed

December 13, 2025

9 am - Club Meeting
Rome Town Hall

December 13, 2025

Christmas in Rome

January 3, 2025

10 am - Club Meeting
Lure Bar & Grill

January 10, 2026

Petenwell Palooza
Lure Bar & Grill

February 12 – 15, 2026

Club Snowmobile Trip
Lakewoods Resort
Cable, WI

March 14, 2025

9 am - Club Meeting
Rome Town Hall

April 11th, 2025

9 am - Club Meeting
Lure Bar & Grill

11 am - Hillbilly Run
UTV/ATV Event
Lure Bar & Grill

PLEASE JOIN US!

Message From President, Tom Warner

WOW, where do I start? There is so much going on this time of year that I have to talk about!

Let's start with the landowner appreciation and club picnic we had last month. The wagon ride was a blast, and I know we will definitely be doing that again! Our planning committee for this event as with all our events, did an outstanding Job! Fun was certainly had by all who attended! This was the club's way of saying thank you to all our outstanding volunteers and landowners.

If you made it to the Adams County Powersports show on the first weekend in October, you got to see a great event! It was well attended and had a lot of new vendors this year. The show keeps getting bigger every year.

Don't forget that our Trail Brushing/Signing day is quickly approaching. The date is November 8th. We will meet at the groomer shed at 302 13th Ave at 8:00 am. We will get our assignments and head out for the morning. Around noon everyone will meet back at the groomer shed for some burgers and brats cooked up by me. We ask that you bring a favorite dish to pass. Of course, there will be some tasty beverages provided by the club to quench your thirst after a morning of work! We will have a club meeting after we eat. This event is the talk of the AWSC for the amount of people we bring in to volunteer for the day!! Let's keep them talking about the Sno Bandits' volunteers for another year! We do have the best volunteers that anyone could ask for! We always have a blast when we get together!!

Congrats to our very own Melissa Rhodes, Lori Okeefe, and Cyndee Lewis for winning the Town of Rome Halloween party. The booth was so cool, and the ladies all looked amazing in their costumes! Another example of our awesome volunteers!!

Please get your MEMBERSHIP dues in if you haven't already!

I hope to see everyone November 8th!

As always, THINK SNOW!!

President,
Tom Warner



Message From Trail Boss, Scott Murphy

Well, everyone the weather has started to change and the work starts shortly. We are still working on some easements with the larger companies, but I don't anticipate any problems.

The brushing day is November 8th at 8am at the groomer shed. Bring gloves and tools as needed. We will be mowing the week before. This will give us an idea where we need to do some clearing. All section leaders who can check their trails, please do so and let me know if there are any problem areas.

Everyone do your snow dance, and we'll be ready for a good season!

Trail Boss,
Scott Murphy



Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer

Hello all!

November is here!! How did that happen?! The trail brushing/signing weekend is almost here. One of my favorite weekends. Hope to see all of you for a little work and a little fun!

Before it gets too cold, give those snowmobiles and trailers a going over. Make sure you're in good shape for the season.

Lots of club events going on over the next few months. Please support as you can!

Be safe and get ready to ride! Going to be a good snow season!!!

Vice President,
Bryan Meyer



Annual Trail Brushing & Signing Potluck & Club Meeting

Saturday, November 8, 2025

8:00 am – Trail Brushing & Signing

Meet at the Groomer Shed located at 302 – 13th Ave. (Off Alpine Drive)
Bring gloves and any trimming equipment you might have. Lobber shears, chainsaws, and pole saws are helpful. We have Section Leaders and will split up into groups to sign and brush each section. This usually takes 3 – 4 hours to complete.

12:00 Noon – Potluck Meal



When the work is completed, we will meet back at the groomer shed for a potluck meal. Please bring a dish to pass. The club will supply brats, hot dogs, burgers and beverages.

November Club Meeting

Following our potluck, we will have our monthly club meeting at the groomer shed along with a 50/50 raffle.

This event has turned into a Sno-Bandits tradition kicking off the snowmobile season. It is a great time to help your club while having fun and getting to know fellow club members.

Come Join The Fun!!!



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Town of Rome Kids Halloween Event



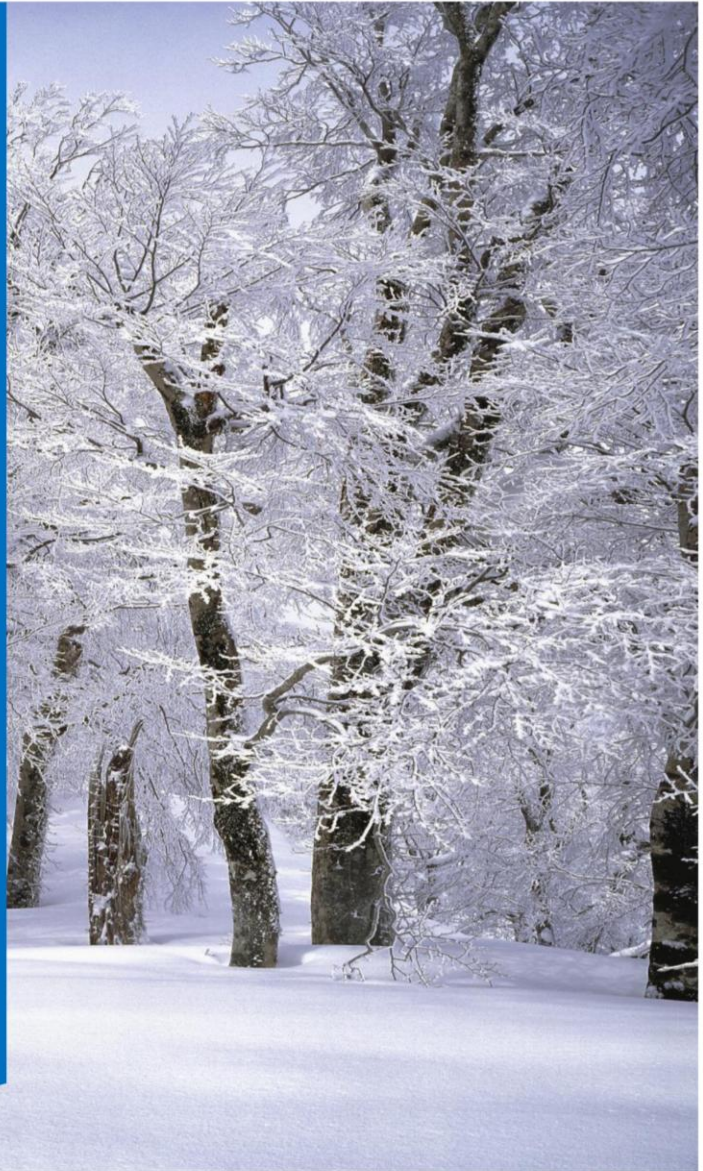
**The Rome Sno-Bandits
won 1st Place for
booth decorating!
Thank you to
Lori Pritzl for sharing
her awesome
decorations and
creativity!**





2026
ROME SNO-
BANDITS
CLUB TRIP
FEB 12TH – FEB 15TH

Lakewoods Resort & Lodge
21540 Co Hwy M, Cable WI 54821
Lakewoods Resort & Lodge



Please book by contacting the Lakewoods Reservations directly at: **(715) 794 - 2561**. Anyone who makes an online reservation will not be able to get the group rate.

If rooms are not booked by **December 14, 2025**, the room block will be released.

We have reserved a total of 20 rooms so call and book ASAP!

Room Rate: \$149 plus tax

- 2 or more nights lodging, 10% off winter rack rate
- 1 night, standard winter 2026 rack rate

We hope you can make it and as always, **THINK SNOW!** If you have any questions, please reach out to Tom Warner at (224) 715-2350.



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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 2025-2026 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1st, 2025.

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.

Membership Contact: Cathy Warner
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Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting October 11, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am with President Tom Warner as the chair and 6 officers present. There were 29 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Secretary's Report

There were no changes to the Secretary's report. Jim Fisher made a motion to accept the report. Scott Murphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

John Steinke presented the treasurer's report. Willy Sandfox made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Lori Pritzl O-Keefe seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Trail Boss Report

Scott is working on landowner easements. Section leaders, please check your area and report how much work will be needed at trail brushing. Mowing will be done soon. Thank you to Jon and Gene for helping with moving the equipment. There will be trail changes due to the new bike trail, but we will still be able to get to Sherwood Lodge. Make sure to thank your landowners if you see them. Trail brushing will be on November 8th at 8 am. We will have a potluck and meeting following the work. Invenergy, the Saratoga Solar Farm, will be logging around the 1st part of November. We will need to sign and mark this area well. If any signs are needed, we are to let Darrien know.

Social Committee Report

No cards were sent.

The balance in the fund is \$181.00.

Activities Report

Kids Halloween Party: The Halloween party will be held at the Rome Town Center Park from 1 pm – 3 pm on Saturday October 25, 2025. Lori Pritzl, Cyndee Lewis and Melissa Rhodes will organize our club's booth.

A motion was made by Casey Shilling to purchase candy and supplies for the event, not to exceed \$700. Jim Fisher 2nd the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Fisheree: The Petenwell Palooza is scheduled to take place on January 10, 2026. Tickets are available and sales started at the Adams County Power Sports Show. Friday night, the committee would like to raffle off a trip to help attract people. Last year this was a popular idea.

Scott Murphy made a motion to spend up to \$400.00 on a Lake of the Woods Sleeper Shack trip. Bryan Meyer seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The fisheree committee is considering holding a meat raffle at the Lure Bar & Grill on Friday, November 21, 2025. The membership gave the board approval to vote on spending money on this event if it moves forward due to time constraints.

Club Appreciation Party/Picnic: The party is right after today's meeting. We will take a wagon/tractor ride around Rome and make stops at local establishments. We will return to the groomer shed around 2 pm for food, door prizes, and a fire.

Christmas in Rome: Join the Christmas in Rome Committee and have fun this holiday season. We decorate at the Rome Town Center and in front of the Rome Town Hall. Assistance will also be appreciated on the day of the event, scheduled for December 13, 2025.

Club Trip: The club snowmobile trip is scheduled for February 12–15, 2026, at Lakewoods Resort, Cable, WI. Get your reservations made now.

Adams County Snowmobile Association Report

The Power Sports Show was bigger this year with the addition of RV dealers. Food & beer sales were up. The profits will be split between 9 - snowmobile clubs, 2 - ATV clubs, and 2 - County Associations (Snowmobile & ATV/UTV) Our club signed up a new member. Thank you to Casey for a great job on our club booth.

There are 800 Adams County Snowmobile maps available. And order will not be placed for new maps at this time. Clubs are asked to get their landowner easements to Darrin.

AWSC Report

Railroad crossings are being looked at for safety, and some have been shut down.

A draft of the bill for increasing fees is done. They will be looking for co-sponsors.

The VIP Ride was held on Friday. Lori Hiedeman attended along with several legislators.

The fall Workshop will be October 24 - 26 in Stevens Point.

NextGen is selling raffle tickets. The AWSC is selling calendars and raffle tickets. Lori Heideman has all of them available.

Old Business

Tom has a sign-up sheet to help with setup before club meetings. Please sign up if you can help.

Jim Fisher thanked everyone that helped with garbage pickup after our last meeting. We only had 8 volunteers, so it took longer than usual.

New Business

The February meeting falls on the day of the club trip. We will need to decide if the meeting should be cancelled or held with the members that are not attending the trip.

The Capitol Improvement Steering Committee will start meeting again. Bryan Meyer will chair the committee. Warren Starner, Melissa Rhodes, Lori Heideman and Jeff Hoffman are on the committee.

Casey Shilling made a motion to move the January meeting to January 3rd due to the original date falling on the Fisheree date. Jim Fisher seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. The meeting will most likely be held at the Lure at 10 am.

Tom Warner made a motion to purchase a \$20 NextGen Raffle ticket, \$100 AWSC ticket, and \$20 AWSC calendar. Jon O'Keefe seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Will Sandfox requested a US flag be placed on the groomer shed wall. Tom Warner delegated Scott Murphy to take care of that task.

Will Sandfox moved to adjourn at 10:06 am. Gary Gevers seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was new member Jean Gostomski. \$65 for Jean and \$65 for the club.

Respectfully Submitted
Melissa Rhodes
Secretary

