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November's Attendance:

Board Meeting: 9

Club Meeting: 19

Membership Last Year: 134



NEXT CLUB MEETING:
December 9th, 2004 @ 7:30pm

Meetings:

Thursday, December 9th

GENERAL CLUB BUSINESS
7:30pm at Circle B Rec. Center

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
6:30pm at Circle B Rec. Center

Board Members

President: Dan Burback
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REMEMBERING FRIENDSHIPS.

Over the past couple of weeks, I began to think of how I got involved in snowmobiling (as well as active in our club) and how Lori (my wife) got interested in snowmobiling as well. Many people came to mind and it was their compassion as well as involvement with our sport that pointed us down the trail to where we are today. Unfortunately, one of these individuals (Mary Schmidt) we lost last October to cancer. (Even though this is getting hard for me to write, I'm doing this because of how Mary's kindness touched us years ago.) The shock of Mary's death caught us off guard and I didn't even think to mention anything in our newsletter. Mary was an active member in our club and her spirit and will to live was what allowed her to continue down life's path no matter what was thrown her way. It was because of Mary's kindness and friendship that I believe Lori & I are still snowmobiling today.

Years back before we were married, the snowmobile Lori and I were riding while up north broke down, and Mary insisted that we use her sled for the rest of the day. Mary's was a one up but she insisted we use it. This may not seem like much, but for us it made our weekend. I feel that friends like this make life a better place and for us, snowmobiling was here to stay.

A year and a half later, we bought a brand new snowmobile just like the one Mary let us use (we still are riding it today) because of the impression she left on us. That impression is still here today, even though it just sank in. My love of our sport has grown because of friends like Mary.

There are many friends out there in the snowmobiling community, and friendships have grown because of snowmobiling. These friendships keep us active and on the trail. So grab your friends, hit the trails and create endless memories!!

CLUB OUTING

Our club outing this past November was successful. Thanks goes out to Chris Habich for putting this together for us to enjoy.

There were approximately 42 members plus kids to help us enjoy the fun and nail biter of a Packer game. For those of you who were bowling during the last seconds of the game, we won the game on a Ryan Longwell 46 yard field goal. Talk about taking it down to the wire.

Following the game, Schwai's Catering put on a good spread and everyone really enjoyed the chicken. All in all, we had a very good time.

Watch for more club outings in the form of trail rides in January and February. All are welcome and fun will be had by all.

TRAILS.

Our trails are 90% completed at this time. We will be finishing them up this weekend depending on weather and the condition of some fields. Technically, our trails open on December 15th, and when that date arrives, we will be ready.

JANUARY'S MEETINGS

January's club meeting will be moved to the first Thursday of the month, which is January 6th. There is an auction being held on our regular club date and they need the entire hall. Plan on being there on January 6th.

LANDOWNER GIFTS.

Last month, we sent out our landowner gifts along with their newsletters. This is to say "Thanks for allowing us to cross your land last season and we look forward to the upcoming season". Without you, our landowners, we would not have the trail system that we have. Thanks again for your cooperation and permission to cross your land.

SNO-FARIS

Two trips are in the works for this snowmobiling season. First Sno-Fari is for St. Germain on February 4th thru 6th and staying at the Hearthside Inn. We will start with ten rooms and go from there.

For the second Sno-Fari, we are looking at the Gateway Lodge located on Hwy. 45 in Land-O-Lakes (yes, I know I was off on the location last month). It is set for the first weekend in March, which is March 4th and 5th. (For the original weekend we had chosen, there is Klondik Days in Eagle River and everything is booked.) Right now we have five rooms reserved; each room has two twin beds and a third twin or sleeper sofa could be added. More rooms are available if needed.

Contact Dan at (262) 692-3704 regarding either trip. I have prices and which rooms are smoking and non-smoking.

SAFETY COURSES.

Once again we have listed the snowmobile safety courses for those who have children at least 12 years and older and need to take the course. Not sure at this time as to how full each course is, so call the number if you are interested.

Cedarburg Police Station:

Mon., December 13th 7:00 to 9:00pm
Tues., December 14th 7:00 to 9:00pm
Mon., December 20th 7:00 to 9:00pm
Tues., December 21st 7:00 to 9:00pm
Call Andy at (262) 377-7907

Saukville Municipal Building:

December 6th 6:30pm to 8:30pm
December 7th 6:30pm to 8:30pm
December 8th 6:30pm to 8:30pm
December 9th 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Call (262) 284-0444, \$10.00 Fee

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

Thanks to Cliff Cole and family for volunteering to take on this project for us. Cliff's plan was to use his two place trailer with his machines and pull it in Grafton's Christmas Parade for our club. His kids were to be dressed up as snowmobilers and ride on the sleds while waving to the crowd. Thanks again, Cliff for taking on this project for us.

FOR SALE.

Isn't anybody looking to sell anything? I have a few things I could list, but I'm looking for snowmobile type items. Fax, phone, or email me with your list and we'll get it printed in next month's newsletter.