

Bagley & Brazeau

Joyriders Snowmobile Club

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September 2011 Snow News & Minutes

Presidents Corner

Can you believe that it is time to think about snowmobiling? Our first meeting of the year will be held at our storage building located on Lee Lake Road; our building is along side of The Lee Lake Storage Buildings. The meeting will start at 9:00 am on Saturday October 8th, 2011. This will be a work weekend so be prepared to work on the trails.

I am concerned with all the rain we had this spring, high water levels, and strong winds 4 weeks ago that we may have a lot of trees down in our swamps. For that reason I have sent a letter to each one of our trail bosses requesting that they review their trail system to identify major projects that may be out there to clear the trails in the heavily wooded areas. Hopefully after our meeting we can have a productive work day.

Last week I signed the contracts with the State of Wisconsin and Oconto County for approval to use trails in Oconto County forest and state funding for our trail system. I also approved payment to our insurance carrier for the 2011-2012 seasons. So I would say the season has already started.

Our trail bosses this fall will also be very busy contacting the 79 landowners that our trail crosses for permission to cross their land. In addition in about three weeks letters will be sent to all landowners thanking them for their support and

sending them there Liability Insurance Policy your club purchases for each landowner.

Tonight I will be attending the Oconto County Alliance meeting to do the final review of the 2011-2012 new County snowmobile maps. So as you can see from this desk the season has already started.

I have also been working with our trail bosses and groomer drivers on a project to improve the section of trail that is the Peshigo Brook Fire Lane. This section of road historically has been plowed right down to the gravel making use of this trail not passable or very hard on your machines. A construction company located in Iron Mountain, MI has a piece of equipment that will allow us to clear the brush and stumps alongside the road, on this two mile stretch of trail system. Establishing a new trail along this road will greatly improve our trail system. The cost of this improvement will be between \$3,000 to \$4,000 dollars. It is the goal of your club to always improve our trails.

In closing with this month's newsletter is your membership renewal envelope. Please make my job easier by renewing your membership today. This will eliminate me having to send you a second renewal envelope reminder, on our next mailing.

Yours truly,

Roy Lawrenz President

Minutes

March 13, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM at Black Bear Golf Course, Suring WI, by President Roy Lawrenz.

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Secretary's Report

A motion to accept the Secretary's report of the January 2011 minutes as reported in the newsletter was made by Gerry Frey and seconded by Gene Duffy. Motion approved. A motion to accept the Secretary's report of the February 2011 minutes as reported in the newsletter was made by Tom Stadler and seconded by Gene Duffy. Motion approved.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report

A motion to accept the February 2011 Treasurer's report as given by President Roy Lawrenz was made by Gerry Frey and seconded by Gene Duffy. Motion approved. The financial statement will be restructured on the MS Excel spreadsheet to reflect prior years data. The dinner ride financial statement was read into the record. A donation check was presented to the Brazeau Rescue Squad for \$944.00 from the February dinner ride event.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Old Business

RHINELANDER OVERNIGHT RIDE

A big thank you went out to Tom Stadler for making the club's first overnight ride a huge success. The Club will be looking to host another overnight ride like this next year. We would also like to thank Barb and Gene Duffy for riding along with their support

vehicle. It made the ride a lot easier for everyone involved.

DINNER RIDE

The Dinner ride on February 12th was a huge success. Landowners and members were very appreciative and the Club received a lot of publicity in the two local newspapers. A check for \$944 was presented to the Brazeau Rescue Squad. This brings our total donation to over \$5200 to the Brazeau Rescue Squad since 2004.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

New Business

STATE FUNDING

Supplemental state funding over the last three years has been down. 380 labor hours went into preparing our trail system before it opened. Roy also reminded everyone to turn in their worksheets as soon as possible so he can submit the paperwork for State funding.

BUILDING ADDITION

Roy will speak with Ron Tank regarding extending the storage shed building out 6-8 feet. The building needs to be enlarged to better accommodate the groomer. The club would be willing to expense the materials for the addition.

FUTURE FUNDRAISER

A fundraising idea was introduced by Tom Stadler as a way to promote the club. We would need some volunteers to set up a trailer and sell hot dogs and hamburgers at a designated point on our trail system. This was similar to an event he came across this past season on one of the neighboring trail systems.

PESHTIGO BROOK FIRE LANE

We will be looking into petitioning the township next season into removing a section of stumps approximately 1.5 miles

long that are alongside the roadway. These stumps have been there for a few years after the roadway was logged. It has been getting difficult to use the roadway due to the lack of snow that is left on the roadway after it is plowed, therefore it would be easier and safer to use the side of the road to ride on.

YOUTH SPONSOR

The Club would like to thank our youth representative Mike Radtke who will be representing our club and County at the AWSC convention. We appreciate all the time and effort he puts in for our club.

MEMBERSHIP

We ended the year with 105 members; five less than last year. Registration for snowmobiles in the State of Wisconsin was also down for the year.

GROOMING

The club thanked Mark Kuchta and his drivers for another fantastic year of grooming. Everyone was happy with the trails and the communication between the trail bosses and the drivers is working out very well. Preliminary trail reroutes and areas that may be in need of bridges were discussed for next year.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 was made by Gerry Frey and seconded by Tom Stadler. Motion approved. Next club meeting will be March 16, 2011 at 9:00 AM at the Club Storage shed at Lee Lake.

Submitted by Secretary Debbie Baumberger

Miss Snowflake Pageant 2011

It's time to start thinking about the 37th Annual Miss Snowflake Pageant. Do you know a contestant we can recruit for the completion? The newly crowned Miss Snowflake will receive a \$1000 scholarship to further her education and a \$500 savings bond at the end of her reign. The Miss Snowflake Pageant is not a beauty contest. The Queen is selected for her knowledge and enthusiasm about the snowmobiling as well as her ability to communicate information about our sport. Judging will be held on Saturday November 5, 2011. If you have anyone in mind who would be a great representative let our Secretary Debbie Baumberger (414-477-0478) know and she can provide you with all the details.

Upcoming Snowmobile USA Shows

Milwaukee, WI October 14-16
WI Expo Center 84th and Greenfield

Novi, MI November 4-6
Suburban Collection Showplace 4600 Grand River Ave.

Wausau, WI November 11-13
The Patriot Center 10101 Market Square

BRP and the SKI DOO Dealers are Proud to Present Club Support Millions Ski Doo 2011

After having given more than \$2,000,000 to snowmobile clubs in the past years through this program, BRP will continue its pledge to snowmobile clubs' volunteers and their trails for the 2011-2012 snowmobile season. For each snowmobiler who fills out and drops off a

coupon at a Ski-Doo dealership of their choice between September 1, 2011 and November 15, 2011, BRP and its dealers will donate \$10 cash to the member's club. It's that simple! Each snowmobile club is eligible for a total Ski-Doo donation of up to \$1500 in cash (150 members X \$10=\$1500) paid directly to clubs by BRP and the Ski-Doo dealers, upon program completion. Head to Ski-Doo.com and sign up to receive your exclusive offer and \$10 donation coupon. Simply drop off your coupon at your nearest ski-doo dealer, Our club will thank you for it!

SPECIAL ATV USE PERMIT

For those club members who will be doing trail maintenance on the trail system and using an ATV, stop by the club house and pick up an ATV use permit in the shed which must be carried on you at all times when you are on the trails. This permit is only good on the weekends from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 and excludes deer gun season.