



# Bagley & Brazeau Snowmobile Club

## ➤ April 2023 Snow News ◀

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### Presidents Corner

The 2022/2023 riding season has come to a snowy and rainy end. Mother nature hit us late with significant snow storms that provided some of the best riding we have seen all year. We were able to groom most of our trail system one final time on Friday 3/17/2023. The late season efforts were short lived with the March rain showers and long hours of sunlight that followed a few days after. Our trail system closed Sunday March 19, 2023 at 11:59pm, along with all other Oconto County Snowmobile Trails.

Preparations are well underway for the upcoming landowner's banquet. This event is a great opportunity to meet our generous land owners and to show our appreciation as a club. A group of our club members that volunteered have been out gathering donations from local businesses, along with creating some of their own baskets to raffle off at the event.

So far, we have 16 bucket raffle baskets ranging in value from \$75-\$150, a silent auction item, and we will have a 50/50 raffle at the event. The funds raised from the raffles the night of the event will go to Brazeau Emergency Services.

Since last month's nominations meeting, I have learned that I will again be your club president. I have already started planning ways to continue improving our club. All the nominated officers and board of directors are great assets to our club, good luck to all directors running in the election. I look forward to using this spring and summer to keep improving our club processes and plan for more club growth. I am excited to work with the existing and new club officers and directors on what the future holds for the club.

### Membership Chairman Report

2022/2023 Membership Summary: 144 total members. 127 members renewed and 17 new members joining our club.

### Announcements –

- **April Club Meeting – Officer and Board of Directors Elections, Saturday 4/1/23**

**The Little Bar at Kelly Lake**

**9388 Co Rd G, Suring WI 54174**

**Meeting Begins at 9:00 am**

- **Landowners Dinner will be held Friday March 31<sup>st</sup> 2023 – Romy's Holiday Inn**

**9602 E Co Hwy G, Suring WI 54174**

### 2023

#### Meeting Dates & Locations

**04/01/23 9:00am Little Bar Kelly Lake**  
**-Elections will be held at 9:00 am-**

**Landowners Banquet Dinner -**  
**Friday March 31<sup>st</sup> 2023, Romy's Holiday**  
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# April Elections

Elections will be held at the next membership meeting on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2023, 9:00am at The Little Bar at Kelly Lake.

Unfortunately, we did not have many members step forward to run for office. We need people to volunteer to keep our club going strong!

The candidates are as follows:

## **President**

Adam Krause (running unopposed)  
Resides in Appleton, Cottage on Long Lake  
Club member 6 years

## **Vice-President**

Brad VanHoff (running unopposed)  
Resides in Pound  
Club member for 7 years

## **Secretary**

Cheryl Paasch (running unopposed)  
Resides in Hubertus, Cottage on Old 64 Road  
Club member 9 years

## **Treasurer**

Jane Garrow (running unopposed)  
Resides in Appleton, Cottage on Round Lake  
Club member 20+ years

All officer positions are running unopposed and may be elected by a voice vote at the meeting.

## **Three Director Positions**

We have four nominees for three director positions. A vote by paper ballot will occur at the meeting. Each member present votes for three directors. The three with the most votes will be elected Director.

### **Nominees**

DJ Clark  
Resides in Suring (Kelly Lake)  
Club member 2 Years

Steve Garrow  
Resides in Appleton, Cottage on Round Lake  
Club member 20+ years

Tom Stadler  
Resides in Menasha, Cottage on Kelly Lake  
Club member 39 years

Eric Van De Yacht  
Resides in Green Bay, Cottage on Rost Lake  
Club member for 15+ years

## **BB Joyriders Club Member Minutes March 4, 2023**

The meeting was called to order by club president Adam Krause at Article 15 Bar & Grill at 10:03 a.m. Nineteen people were present. A big thank you to Article 15 for hosting the meeting.

### **Secretary's Report/Minutes** – Cheryl Paasch

A motion to approve the minutes from 2/11/23 was made by Roy Lawrenz and second by John Gagnon. All approved

### **Presidents Report** - Adam Krause

- a. Assign Election Committee - Adam recognized Jane Garrow, Tom Yingling and Cheryl Paasch for serving as last years election committee and asked if these members were interested in serving on this years election committee. Jane, Tom and Cheryl agreed.
- b. Groomer Storage - There was a discussion on storage options for the groomers. Will consider storing one groomer with Rich Marshall and the other in the club storage building, leaving the drags outside if needed.
- c. Land Owner Concerns - Trail reroute request Hwy W trail sections - A landowner called to complain that riders are using an easement, East to West, and cutting through his yard. Due to this, the land owner will not allow us to use his land again next year and this section of the trail will need to be rerouted.
- d. Land Owners Banquet Mailings - RSVP - Approximately 198 banquet invitations were sent out. The club has received 31 RSVP's to date. Anyone intending to attend the dinner needs to let Adam know.

### **Vice President's Report** - Jane Garrow

Nothing at this time

### **Membership Chairman Report:** Adam Krause

- a. Membership update - There have been no changes to the membership since last reported. Currently we have 144 total members including 127 that have renewed and 17 new members.

### **Treasurer Report** - Chuck Panure

- Income and expenses were discussed. A motion to approve the report was made by Bob Paasch and second by Roy Lawrenz. All approved.

### **Trail Manager Reports**

- We need the cold weather to stick around - it does not stay cold long enough
- Mark Radtke bought his own mini pull behind groomer and has been testing it out
- ★ Chuck recommended a possible change to the trail out by W, coming in closer to Woodys and the gas station
- ★ There may be an issue with the trail by G3 as the land is going to be sold and the new owner does not want to allow access to the snowmobile club
- Need to determine next steps for above changes early next year so we are prepared and as some of the land is in Marinette County

### **Trail Boss Report** - Tom Stadler

- Tom said the groomers have done a fantastic job and he is getting reports that the trails are the best in the county
- Tom attended the Alliance Meeting on Wednesday and reported the following:
  - The alliance organization has cash on hand some of this due to map ads
  - Make sure all the time is entered SNARS as the efforts continue to get a grant from the State for all of the additional trail maintenance that had to be completed following the early season storm
  - We need to get our grooming hours submitted as soon as possible

- Oconto County will host an appreciation dinner for groomer drivers on April 2, 2023. The event will be held at the River Island Inn Golf Course in Oconto Falls. Any club members that are interested in attending need to let Tom know by Tuesday 3/7/23
- The trail information document that Tom wrote up may be printed in the Wisconsin magazine next fall

### **Old Business**

- a. Mock Accident Request by Bagley Rescue Services - The club has received dates to participate in the Mock Accident Request by Bagley Rescue Services. Bagley Rescue is asking for 3-4 people with sleds to participate. Suggested dates are 3/12/23 or the weekend of 3/25 - 3/26/23. The exercise will take approximately 3-4 hours
- b. Landowners Banquet Mailings & Donation follow up - Adam mentioned several of the items that have been collected for the banquet. Jim Kuchenbecker will run the raffle.
- c. Bylaw changes discussion - Officer Terms and Club Policies - Adam reported that he would like to increase the club officer terms to 2 years starting next year. There will be more discussion on this matter as well as the intention to create club policies around trail set up, trail take down, finances, all in an effort to keep things more consistent
- d. SNARS - there was a discussion on the total number of grooming hours this season. Grooming rates have increased this year

### **New Business**

- a. Officer and Board of Director nominations - nominations for club Officers and Directors will be accepted until March 14, 2023. The following nominations were made ·President Adam Krause ·Vice President - Brad VanHoff ·Treasurer – Jane Garrow ·Secretary – Cheryl Paasch ·Directors – Tom Stadler, Steve Garrow, Eric VanDeYacht, DJ Clark
- b. Updates to Polaris Ride Command - updates have been made to ride command to reflect the trail changes
- c. The Next Trail App - The Next Trail is a new Snowmobile / ATV app. The app will allow us to show real-time trail closure and other features. Adam is working on updates for the app
- d. Trail Take down/end of season prep - this item will be covered at the next meeting
- e. Elections will occur as the first agenda item at our next meeting
- f. There was a request to take pictures of the trails for anyone riding after the meeting
- g. A thank you to all as there is lots to do

**Adjournment** - a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tom Yingling and second by Brad VanHoff.  
Meeting adjourned

- ★ Items to look at for next year