

Bagley & Brazeau

Joyriders Snowmobile Club

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January 2021 Snow News & Minutes

Presidents Corner

Due to the Pandemic, we are not putting together a Meeting and Events Schedule; we are just taking it month to month. The January meeting will be held at Article 15 Bar & Grill at 9:00 am on Saturday January 9, 2021.

In last month's newsletter I talked about the club looking into getting into a UTV that could pull a lite groomer in the swamps like the one by White Potato Lake. Last year we were not able to groom that long section of trail because it never froze up enough for our heavy groomer. The problem is the tall grass insulates the land. Well, I am happy to announce that we have a member who has put tracks on his UTV so we can pull a lite groomer through that section of trail and pack the snow down so it freezes up sooner allowing us to use the big groomer.

Yesterday we received over 3" of snow with more on the way on Wednesday. With any luck we may be able to open our trail system this week. Today Mark Radtke and I who has set up his UTV for the lite groomer will be working on the swamp trail by White Potato Lake. The plan is to use the UTV and drive back and forth on the trail to smash down the high grass. Then the next step would be to use the lite groomer after Wednesday storm and start to groom that section of trail.

Good news regarding the trail going to Suring. I want to give a big thank you to Brad Vanhoff who created that new trail last year. Well, this year a long section of the trail where we had to ride along side of the trail is now going across fields. Our club goal is to continue to make our trails better every year. Thank you, members, who worked so hard this year.

Roy Lawrenz President

Meeting Events Schedule

**Fifth Membership Meeting of the Year
Saturday January 2021**

Location:

**Article 15 Bar & Grill
10840 Wescott Lake Road
Pound, WI**

**The Meeting will start at
9:00 in the morning**

**Snow permitting those you would like to
go on a group ride would be fun hope we
can get a group together**

Membership Report

Year to date we have 119 members who have renewed their membership 10 new members have joined our club giving us a total membership of 129. Last year we ended the year with 161 members, so renewals came in slower this year. The good news is a lot of the new members are locals that live in the area.

December 5, 2020 Member Minutes

The meeting was called to order by club president Roy Lawrenz at Article 15 Bar & Grill at 9:00 a.m. Twenty members were present. Thank you Article 15 for hosting our meeting!

First Order of Business

Agenda – A motion to approve the agenda was made by Hubert Weidermer and second by Jerry Frey. Motion approved

Second Order of Business

Secretary Report/Minutes – A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jerry Frey and second by Bill Van Ess. Motion approved

Third Order of Business

Treasurer Report - Income and expenses were discussed. A motion to approve the report was made by Adam Krause and second by Bob Peters. Motion approved

Fourth Order of Business: Old Business

UTV lite Groomer – The club will not be able to use the UTV lite groomer as we were hoping, as insurance will not allow for this. As an alternate, Mark Radtke has tracks that he will let the club use. The club will compensate Mark what the state will pay us.

There was discussion about the club purchasing a roller. This would be used to knock down fields and tall grass. The club does have access to drag.

Fifth Order of Business: New Business

1. Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance (OCSA) Meeting

- a) The club will receive payment for the work done last year for clean-up of all the storm damage. We anticipate receiving the payment before the end of the year.
- b) Bagley & Brazeau Joyriders paid our club dues to OSCA
- c) GPS units will be required on all groomers starting next year. The club will purchase the GPS units and can then submit for reimbursement. It will be important to let the OSCA know every time we make a change to the trail so they can adjust the GPS map.
- d) Groomer drivers will still have to keep track of their hours
- e) There was a discussion on three options for trail maps. New trail maps may not be generated due to lack of funds considering Covid. When printed, new trail maps will have numbered segments for trails running north/south and east/west. Shorter and dead-end trail segments will also include a letter (alpha/numeric) marking
- f) Clubs should have a signed agreement from each landowner. The agreement is permission from the landowner to use their land. Ideally, the agreement should be updated each year.

2. **Membership Report** – the club has had 109 renewed members and 5 new members

3. **Change of landowners, membership addresses** - there was a discussion on several letters that were returned from landowners.

4. Trail Reports -

- Roy L reported that the trail section he manages are all marked. There is work needed on one section of narrow trail. The trail to Montana Lake is very wet and soft.
- Chuck reported that most of the signs are up on his section of the trail. Brushing and the removal of one downed tree will be done after the meeting. Chuck indicated that some of the gates that need to be opened are cabled shut. Someone needs to reach out to the OCSA to get these opened.
- Steve reported that he has brushed and will be marking trails after the meeting.
- Bob reported that the telephone poles are still up along on Old Hwy 64 Road. His sections of the trail are marked. There is a rough section where logging was recently completed.
- Tom reported that his sections of the trail are marked. Brushing has been done along White Lake Road near the sanitary district.
- Hubert reported that his sections of the trails are all marked. One area that is very wet with approximately 2-feet of water.
- There is a new owner of the land near the hill that causes problems for the groomer. Someone from the club may reach out to the new landowner to inquire if he will allow access to the land so the hill can be avoided.
- The large club sign that hung near Suring has been taken down and is in the storage building.
- Logging is being done by Pete De Foure Road and Butler Springs. The logging is supposed to be completed by the start of snowmobile season.
- The bridge by Hwy 55 and 64 is not yet built. Riders will have to run Hwy 55 this year

Adjournment - a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Adam Krause and second by Bob Paasch. Meeting adjourned

