

## Bagley & Brazeau Snowmobile Club

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### **Presidents Corner**

Our club was able to open the trails briefly from 1/17 through 1/23 after the large snowstorms and cold weather. During that short period, we did receive feedback from riders that our trail system was in the best condition in the area.

Unfortunately, the trails have closed again as of 1/24 at 6:00 am. There is a lot of warm weather forecasted in the next 2 weeks. This has been a challenging year for many different reasons. We still have standing corn in two sections of the trail, new bridge permitting processes are still ongoing, and the uncooperative weather. Club leaders will continue to monitor weather and trail conditions to see when and if we will be able to re-open trails.

On a more positive note, our Landowner Appreciation Banquet Dinner is approaching quickly. The dinner is held at Romy's Holiday Inn on Kelly Lake on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Our club invites the landowners who allow us to

## **2024**Meeting Dates & Locations

02/03/24 10:00am Little Bar Kelly Lake

03/02/24 10:00am Article 15

04/06/24 9:00am TBD

Landowners Banquet Dinner - Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> 2024, Romy's Holiday Inn

route trails across their property to this event as a thank you. This event (including basket raffles and a 50/50 raffle) has been a great success in the past and allows our club to give back to the community. We have donated funds to the local EMS/Fire organization Brazeau Emergency Services for 15+ years. We also welcome our club members and the public to the event; they can partake in the raffles as well.

This means we can use your help! We are looking for club members or their families to help with either donating items or finding businesses that would be willing to donate items for the basket raffles. If you are willing to help or have donations, please reach out via email at <a href="mailto:bbjoyriders@gmail.com">bbjoyriders@gmail.com</a> or text me at 920-841-9010. Any help is greatly appreciated!

## **Membership Chairman Report –**

As of 1/24/2024, we have 138 total members. 130 members renewed and 8 new members joined our club.

Trail Passes - If you need your AWSC membership ID number, it can be found on your Wisconsin Snowmobile News Magazine printed on the front cover in the address block, or you can retrieve it from the AWSC website.

NOTE - The Club does not issue trail passes, those are acquired on the AWSC Website: WWW.AWSC.ORG

https://awsc.org/Trail-Pass-Registration/Order-Passes-Online - Discounted Trail Pass Direct Link

## THANK YOU LANDOWNERS AND SUPPORTING BUSINESSES!!!



## **Announcements** –

- February Club Meeting Saturday 2/3/2024
   The Little Bar at Kelly Lake
   9388 Co Rd G, Suring WI 54714
   Meeting Begins at 10:00 am
- Save the Date Landowners Baquet Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Romy's Holiday Inn 9602 E Co Hwy G, Suring WI 54174

#### **BB Joyriders Club Member Minutes**

#### January 6, 2024

The meeting was called to order by club president Adam Krause at the Brads Wouters Front II at 10:07 am; twenty people were present. A big thank you to Brad for hosting our meeting.

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

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Roy Lawrenz and second by Brad VanHoff. All approved

#### Presidents Report - Adam Krause

- a. Trail Work time submissions Adam reminded everyone to record and submit all trail work day submissions as soon as possible
- b. Bridge Status the club is still waiting for approvals so put in timber mats to get us through the season. We anticipate building the bridge next year.
- c. February Meeting Adam shared that he will not be present for the February club meeting and asked Brad to lead the meeting.

#### Vice President's Report - Brad VanHoff

- a. Groomer/Drag status the groomers are ready to go. One groomer is parked at G3, the other groomer will be located at the club shed or groomers house
- b. Timber Mat Placement six timber mats have been placed. The club will plan to remove them at the end of the season.

#### Membership Chairman Report - Adam Krause

a. Membership update as of January 4 - we have 136 renewed members, including 8 new members joining

#### **Treasurer Report -** Adam Krause on behalf of Jane Garrow

a. Update on club finances - Adam provided an update on club finances. A motion to approve the report was made by Tom Stadler and second by Tom Yingling. All approved

#### **Trail Boss Report / Trail Manager Report**

- Monty has shared that the club does have approval from the DNR for the new bridge; the next step is the county
  zoning committee. He suggests the materials be purchased this year. There was a question on which bridge
  design was approved.
- Tom Stadler reported that corn is still standing in several fields, so we will have to run the edge of the field. Hubert reported the corn in his section of the trail is down.
- Tom Stadler attended the Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance Meeting and reported the following:
  - There is a new company (VCE) making our signs. The signs are less expensive and better quality. Please provide feedback on the new signs
  - Printing of new trail maps is out for bids and new maps will be coming next year
  - Law enforcement suggests clubs install more signage that says "Stay Right" as a number of snowmobile
    accidents last year were due to riders not staying to the right. There was a suggestion to put "Stay Right"
    on some of the orange diamonds

- Law enforcement presence will be increased on the trails this season
- O Novelty WI snowmobile stickers are available for the taking
- A friend of the club has volunteered to make wood burning art for the club if we pay for the materials. Sample drink coasters were shared as an example
- The lakes are not runnable
- The trails are ready, we just need snow
- New signage stating "ice crossing" has been placed by the gas station at Kelly Lake to help direct riders
- The club will consider replacement signage for the existing BB Joyriders trail entry signs
- Trail Managers reported the trails are ready. Steve reported there are two fields with corn standing

#### **Old Business**

- a. Insurance an insurance policy has been purchased for the club by the County Alliance. The policy is good for two years. The club never authorized the purchase of the policy. There was a discussion on if the club should reimburse the county for the policy
- b. The club has received several redeemed land owner gift certificates. Adam is tracking the certificates

#### **New Business**

- a. Monty sent an email asking if the club was interested in removing a bridge that was built approximately 30 years ago. The bridge is not being used and is located on state land. The club had no involvement in building the bridge and has declined interest in helping with removal.
- b. There was a discussion on trying to retrieve the bridge from Suring that the club built that went missing
- c. The new bar off Hwy Z has been marked
- d. The cost for advertising on the new county map will be \$100.00 for a small square and \$200.00 for a large square
- e. Adam will put a notice in the newsletter to inquire on interest in advertising on the new map. Interested parties should reach out to Tom Stadler
- f. The land owner dinner is quickly approaching. Adam will work on preparing needed documentation. The date/time is already locked

**Adjournment** - a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve Garrow and second by Roy Lawrenz. Meeting adjourned at 10:36 am