



B&B NEWSLETTER

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CLUB INFORMATION

MEETINGS DATES:

All Club meetings held at
Circle B Rec Center
in Cedarburg

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Thursday, December 10
@ 6:00pm

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Thursday, December 10
@ 7:30pm

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FALL STILL HASN'T LEFT US....

December is finally here with fall behind us and winter right down and around the corner on the trail. But wait a minute, the forecast calls for mid-40s this upcoming week; so much for fall being behind us, it is still here! From a trail work standpoint, there is one benefit from this warm weather: being able to wrap up trails without the use of a jackhammer (or hammer drill with an auger bit). So when you are reading this, we will have taken advantage of this and put time into finishing signing our trails this past Saturday. Next Saturday, December 12th, we are looking to wrap up work on our three bridges. More under trail work later in this newsletter.

Usually December is busy for us as the first weekend or two we spend wrapping up trails; following that we go into the snow prediction mode where we all become weathermen. Yet this year, the grass is still green and it is a little balmy, so we will wrap up trails and then possibly mow our lawns (I've always heard the story about an Indian summer in the mid '70s when my dad mowed his lawn in December). Moving forward, for our Club meeting this month, we have guest speakers and food planned, which always is enjoyable. Plan on stopping out this month and join us at Circle B at 7:30pm. Besides the guest speakers, we will cover Club business, trail updates and other items that are relevant to our Club.

Yikes, it is already Friday and the weekend is almost upon us!! Time flies when your having fun! Until next month and as this guy I know says on a weekly basis: "If the women don't find you handsome, at least they'll find you handy!" Time for a snow dance and have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

GRAFTON CHRISTMAS PARADE

Thanks goes out to Cal and Marsha Cummings for securing and setting up our entry and driving it in this year's Grafton Christmas Parade. The weather was not cold nor white, yet the temps and the sun made for a great day for a parade. (I was told Marsha and Cal worked on their parade wave the night before.) Also, thanks goes out to Cedar Creek for loaning us two brand new snowmobiles (a Ski-Doo and a Polaris) on a two place trailer. And, thanks also goes out to 5 Corners Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram for allowing us to use a 2016 Dodge Ram Rebel to pull the sleds and trailer thru the parade route. Cal had a hard time turning in the keys from the Dodge Ram after the parade; I know I would have had the same problem in Cal's position. Thanks again to all for their help with our parade entry! *(Below is our Tucker read for the trails!)*



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CLUB MEETING BUFFET

Following this month's Club meeting, we are planning a Christmas buffet brought to us by our own fellow Club members. Last month, we asked our members at the meeting if they were willing to bring a dish to pass, please sign up to do so. The sign-up sheet that went around came back pretty full, so we will have a very good variety of eats available Thursday night. So for those who signed up, please remember what you put on the list and bring it with you Thursday evening. If you cannot remember what you signed up to bring, please give Chris Habich a call on her cell phone. We are looking forward to the Monticello Christmas buffet line this Thursday!!

GUEST SPEAKER

We have invited the Cedarburg Fire and Rescue to stop by our December's Club meeting to go over safety issues that are a concern to us as snowmobilers and individuals during the cold and wintery months. They will probably cover the list of items that you should carry with you in case of an emergency as well as what to do when you come across an accident. And, last year they volunteered to set us up with a First Aid bag to carry in the Tucker and we took receipt of this at November's Club meeting. Thanks goes out Dennis Guttman for following up on this and Theresa Grube for putting the First Aide bag together.

Along the line of safety and snowmobiling, Dennis will be showing us a DVD following Theresa's presentation; it is from the DNR that has footage of some of the fatal snowmobiling accidents and what went wrong. This DVD is also shown this season at the snowmobile safety courses per a directive of the DNR. Stop in and check it out with us.

TRAIL WORK

Since early October, we have spent quite a few Saturdays brushing, cultimulching and signing our trails getting them ready for our snowmobiling season. We even had one Saturday where it was raining cats and dogs, yet we had a four or five die-hard guys show up and worked at signing part of the trails as well as chunking up a large tree that dropped across our trail.

As for cultimulching this season, we took up Dave Quevy's offer (the son of former Club member Ken Quevy) to help us out. He was able to start on the north end (Snow Drifter's trail) and work his way down Hwy I and then over towards the Kison Farm. So at this time, most of the fields that have been plowed up have been cultimulched. Unfortunately, we do have some that have corn stalks still standing, yet when we groom, we'll make use of our plow blade to flatten the stalks. Otherwise, there are a number of fields with winter wheat in which we need to tread lightly in order not to damage the crops. We have signed them accordingly to inform all snowmobilers of this crop that is under the snow.

Now that December has hit, we have some signing to wrap up as well as three bridges to finish repairing. Those bridges we plan on finishing up on Saturday, December 12th given the areas dry out so we are able to get to them. We will be looking for a good crew of volunteers to help with these tasks.

UPCOMING DATES FOR FALL DECEMBER 2015

Saturday, December 5	Wrap up Trail Work 7:30am To noon
Thursday, December 10	Board & Club Meetings
Saturday, December 12	Bridge Work 7:30am to noon
Tuesday, December 15	Trails Officially open given Our conditions are met

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Thursday, January 14	Board & Club Meetings
Friday & Saturdays	Local Trail Rides (if trails are open)

Sno-Fari??

TRACTOR UPDATE

In early November, Randy received a call from one of our landowner's sons, and he mentioned that they had a tractor they were looking to sell as they were upgrading by the end of the month. The tractor for sale was a 1980 Deutz 80hp tractor with an air cooled diesel engine and 18x34 rear tires and larger than normal front tires with a weight of 6700 lbs. All numbers (except the weight) were within our criteria for a tractor and this being a diesel was a plus; and yes, it is that off color of green (much lighter than JD green). The asking price was around 1/2 of what the Club had voted to spend, so we made them an offer and purchased it. Currently, they were still using it until they take delivery on their new 2014 IH tractor. Last we heard, it was south of the cheddar curtain getting some updates done on it. Thanks to all your input, suggestions and support as we were shopping for a tractor!

SNO-FARIS

We are still looking for a volunteer to coordinate this trip which includes setting up the lodging as well as where to ride each day (Friday, Saturday and Sunday morning). If anyone would like to take care of this for this season, please let us know as time keeps moving. These Club trips have always been fun and enjoyable. Help us to keep this tradition going!!

FOR SALE

Nothing at this time.....