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CLUB MEETING – THURSDAY FEB. 14th

Being Informed is a must in snowmobiling...

This past December, I had the opportunity to invest in a newer snowmobile as well as sell one of our older snowmobiles. It had only been about nine years since our last snowmobile purchase (it was a 1991 Yamaha Phazer II LE). Yes, we purchased a Phazer and sold a Phazer. The owner of this Phazer had been after me for roughly four years to come out and look at her sled because she wanted out of snowmobiling and needed to sell it. I finally took a look at it late last fall and decided that this sled would be a perfect upgrade. It wasn't until this December that I was able to seal the deal. Now that we purchased this new snowmobile, the next step was to register it (the sled hadn't been registered since 2004) and of course, pay sales tax. Since it was through a private party, we had the choice of mailing it in or finding a local DNR station that handles snowmobile registration. The Internet helped finding a DNR station that was close by our house (within 30 minutes).

This was an easy decision, due to it being the third week of December, to mail it at this time would be futile and hopeless. So I made the choice on a day off from work, to run up to the DNR station in Plymouth. When I turned down the street and saw the DNR station, I was amazed at how new the building looked, yet it resembled the one out by Pike Lake. Once inside and up at the counter, where there was no waiting, I gave the individual behind the counter my information and application (which I downloaded from the DNR website and had it filled out before I got there). She was very surprised that the registration card was in perfect condition; most come in beat up and look like they went through the washer many times.

The process took about ten minutes to from start to finish and I got the new stickers and a temporary card plus a copy of my paperwork to keep with the sled in case we got stopped. (I doubt this would happen in Ozaukee County.) The last thing the counter person gave me was a list of snow phones for trail conditions for six counties in the area plus their websites. She came up with this (check out <u>www.travelwisconsin.com</u>) and was giving it out to help keep snowmobilers informed. This did surprise me and I thanked her for this. An informed Snowmobiler is a smart Snowmobiler. It's great to see the DNR working with us. Remember to call the snow phones often and before you

ride. Till next month, keep your track in the snow and I'll see you on the trails.

VALENTINES DAY

Due to our next Club Meeting falling on Valentine's Day, we will be giving out Valentine's Day Cards as well as wearing red to our meeting. Just kidding.

But we will be having food at the meeting for our members and some type of Valentine's Day treat.

TRAIL MAPS

We have finally received Ozaukee County Snowmobile trail maps. The only problem is that we only were given 100 copies. This will not go far, especially with our commercial members needing these maps to hand out to snowmobilers in Ozaukee County.

SCHOLARSHIPS

At January's Club Meeting, a motion was made and was passed to give out two \$500 scholarships; one at Cedarburg High School and one at Grafton High School. The criteria from the motion are as follows:

Parents are members of a snowmobile club

And snowmobile club belongs to the AWSC;

Active Snowmobiler;

Minimum of 2.0 GPA;

Attend school within Wisconsin;

Pay after first semester has been successfully completed;

\$500 per scholarship;

Scholarship committee will pick winners.

We have decided to have the scholarship committee pick the recipient of this scholarship; they are more likely to be impartial than we would be. This keeps us out of an awkward position.

So if your son or daughter is a senior at either Cedarburg or Grafton High Schools, please encourage them to apply.

SNO-FARI to St. GERMAIN

There are only ten (10) of us going up to St. Germain this year. You'll probably be reading this newsletter after we return home, so if I tell you that there is plenty of snow up there and it will be snowing all week leading up to our arrival, you'll have to believe me. I'll have more to report in March's B&B; otherwise if I wait until we get back to put details in here regarding our trip, you wouldn't receive this until after the Club Meeting

Next season, we need to plan at least two trips and get more involvement. I know our winters can be questionable, but it wouldn't be Wisconsin if the weather was consistent.

SNOWMOBILE TRAIL INFO

CALUMET (920) 849-1494 #1 FOND DU LAC (920) 929-6840 #5 MANITOWOC (920) 758-7669 SHEBOYGAN (920) 892-7455

TRAILS

Our trails have been in great shape when we have enough snow and the temperature stays below 32 degrees F so we can open them. The groomer crews have done an awesome job grooming as often as possible as well as grooming the Snow Drifters and Snow Seekers trails. Plus, when Cedar Creek's groomer went down, we allowed them to use ours to keep their trails groomed as well. Cooperation between our clubs is needed and we're doing the best we can to help out where needed. We're all in it for the same cause – safe and enjoyable snowmobiling.

FOR SALE

2000 Polaris Touring Classic 550, 2-up seat, 1800 miles, Burgundy/Blue, very clean. Call Keith Scheer @ 262-364-8092

1998 Polaris Indy 500, Reverse Kit, mirrors, newer cover, fox shocks, electric fuel and temp gauges, asking \$1500, call Mike at 262-644-9566

CMP Pro Shop Snowmobile Dollie, black, have two, need to sell one, seen little use, asking \$175, Call Dan @ 414-702-6188.

Land for Sale:

10 Acres prime hunting land Cedarburg/Town of Jackson; on the snowmobile trail. Wide variety of game. Deer stands included. Put a group of hunting/snowmobiling friends together and buy it. \$60,000. Call George at (414) 430-4000

3.1 Acres in the Town of Dunbar, 270' of lake frontage, secluded parcel on Williams Lake; close to ATV and snowmobile trails; electric service at property, and perk approved. \$43,000. Call Brian at (262) 305-1428