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CLUB INFORMATION

FUTURE MEETINGS:

*All meetings held at Circle B
Rec Center in Cedarburg*

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011 @ 6:15pm

CLUB MEETING

Thursday, Jan. 13, 2011 @ 7:30pm

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HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE!!!

Now that the holidays have come and gone, and a new year has arrived, we have been given a clean slate. I guess you can look at this a couple of ways; personally, well, there isn't enough time or room for me to get into this. In regards to snowmobiling, the ground is showing where there was snow just a week or two ago. No, it is not spring yet (check your calendars, January has just started). It is still winter outside even though most of the snow has melted and been absorbed into the ground. Mother Nature decided the first snowfall wasn't good enough for us, so we had to start over. Fortunately, it has been cold enough out that the frost is going deeper into the ground than it went before it snowed. Now that we have a good frozen base and by adding new snow, the combination of the two will give us good solid trails that will last through longer through our winter season. So lets go out and do a snow dance.....

The week before Christmas, I received a phone call on my cell phone from the 715 area code; normally, I don't answer calls where I don't know the number. Yet, this time, I did answer. The caller was a member of a snowmobile club near the boarder of Minnesota and Wisconsin, west of Dane County. He was calling regarding our Tucker that we traded in to Track, Inc. They were having issues grooming their trails due to all the snow they had just received. In fact, they had so much snow that their groomer (a track drive McCormick tractor) couldn't handle it (plus the drifting didn't help). It was so tough for them, that it took them one hour to go five miles. Their new winch they just installed (the weekend prior) paid for itself many times over that day. Now enter our Tucker for sale at Track, Inc. They saw it online and wanted to know the technical ins and outs on it. They asked the typical questions like did we have any work done on it, how was the power, any mechanical issues, etc. They wanted to see if our old Tucker would be a good fit for them as a secondary or back-up unit. They would use it to break trails (by itself - no drag) after the initial snow fall and then pick up grooming with their tractor. That would be a perfect for our old Tucker, yet they would need to install a plow on it. Not sure if they purchased it or not; they were going to kick the tires on it that weekend. So if they do invest in our old Tucker, it would fit their needs very well. By the way, it still has our Club logo on it and that is how they found us and gave me a call.

Last but not least, I have seen Cedar Creek's old groomer, a 1971 Thiokol Spryte, for sale on the AWSC's website. It is painted orange and doesn't look too bad for a '71. Check it out if you have a chance by going to www.awsc.org and clicking on the Groomer Equipment.

I'm once again out of space for this month; until next time, keep your track on the snow and stay on the trail.....

TRAIL WORK THANK YOUs

A major thanks goes out to our volunteers helping brush and install our trails this past fall. Most have given up at least one Saturday if not all (except during deer hunting season) from October thru the first Saturday in December. Without our volunteers, our trail system would not be ready to go by December 15. We need to thank the following members for their work on our trails: George Menos, Matt Geszvain, Bob Thomas, Mark Matter (he helped in the transition of the Cedar Creek trails), Randy Kison, Austin Kison, Tim & Deanna Einwalter, Wally Stefan, Keith Martin, Tony Lore, Bill Ladwig, Mike Brown, Dennis Guttmann, Alex Becker, Mike Becker, Cal Cummings, Dan Burbach, Brian Kison, Kirk Nimtz, Mike Dondlinger, Mel Trapp, Carol Beyer, Rick Dickmann, Mike Wagner, Jeff Kaul and John Haen. If I missed anyone, I do apologize in advance. The above names I have taken off our trail work sign in sheets that I have collected this past fall. Thanks again to all for volunteering your time.

THANK YOU for DECEMBER'S FOOD

A hearty thanks goes out to our Board of Directors plus Marlene & Jeff for their help with the food for our December's Club meeting. We had finger type food from sliced turkey to side dishes to desserts and it went over really well. Stop in at January's Club meeting to see what we have in store for us this month. Thanks again for all for providing us nourishment.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

As of our December's Club meeting, we have approximately 80% of our members (active and non-active) with their dues paid. There are a handful of members that we are still waiting for them to renew their memberships. If you haven't renewed as of this month, please send in your application and dues and either mail it to us or bring it to January's Club meeting. We need to keep our records up to date as well as your membership with the AWSC. Take a minute and renew your membership if you haven't done so already. Thanks.

SNO-PHONES

Now that it is technically time to be out riding our trails, we are hurting due to the lack of snow (like I had to tell you that). When conditions are right, please remember that we need at least 6" of snow on the open

fields and 32 degrees Fahrenheit or colder. Plus, remember to call the snowmobile sno-phones before riding. Here is a list of our local sno-phones:

Ozaukee County	262-284-8259
Washington County	262-334-6061
Sheboygan County	920-457-8810 ext. 2990
Fond du Lac County:	920-929-6840 #5
Dodge County:	920-386-3705
Calumet County:	920-849-1494

Remember to call daily and call often. Thanks.

SNO-FARIs

Our first Sno-Fari is almost upon us. January's Sno-Fari is set for January 21-23, 2011, for the Gateway Lodge in Land 'O Lakes (their website is www.gateway-lodge.com). We had a block of six rooms under Monticello; at least three have been reserved by our members. Only draw back with them is that they will only hold the rooms open up to two months before the arrival date. So what ever rooms weren't taken, they went back to the Gateway. When I talked to them in December, their rooms were filling up pretty well. If you are still interested in going, please give them a call @ 715-547-3321. Please mention Monticello when booking the room; they were trying to keep us in the same wing.

The second Sno-Fari is set for Gwinn Michigan for February 25 thru 27, 2011. We are staying again at the Red Fox Inn on the former KI-Sawyer Air Force Base. As of my last conversation with them in late December, quite a few of our members have called up there to reserve their rooms. This is pretty cool getting more members to join us on this trip or even any trip to head out snowmobiling. Their website is www.redfoxinn.net and their phone number is 866-369-0096. Please mention Monticello Sno-Mobile Club when calling up there in an attempt to have our rooms in the same vicinity. We had a blast last year and we're looking to repeat that once again.

FOR SALE

Motorcycle Lift, older design, clamps onto frame under motor to lift cycle. Will fit smaller Harleys (not baggers) and metric bikes. Call Dan @ 414-702-6188.