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CLUB INFORMATION

FUTURE MEETINGS:

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

BOARD of DIRECTORS MTG.
Thursday, March 10, 2010
@ 6:15pm

CLUB MEETING
Thursday, March 10, 2010
@ 7:30pm

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ANOTHER MULLIGAN??

I know that I wrote about starting over for snow back in January, yet I didn't expect February to get a little dicey for snow as well. I know that when we hit that warm spell, the thoughts of getting our Harley did cross my mind (yet the thought of an 800 pound motorcycle on an icy gravel driveway brought me back to reality real fast). Yet I did see three motorcycles out during that time and had to wonder where winter was headed. Things did pick up and we were able to open up our trails again later in the month, but not without having a few water holes closing some sections in our county.

Now that March is here, our trails will officially close on March 15. That usually signals that our season is about finished, and only the die-hards will still go north in search of snow (and search they will). Even though it seems like we have had a short season, our trails have been open for a number of weeks (not consecutively) and we have been able to take advantage of this and groom quite often.

Overall, our winter has been similar to what we have seen in the past. Given we average approximately six weeks of open trails, we have done pretty well. Now if we could eliminate the warm spells in between the snow falls, we would have a much better riding season down here.

That is all I have at this time for this month; until next time, keep your track on the snow and ride safe.....

GUEST SPEAKERS

We'd like to thanks Wally Thill for stopping in at our February Club meeting and filling us in on the happens at the AWSC as well as what is up for snowmobiling within the legislature. With a new governor and legislature, it is hard to say what will happen and Wally mentioned that they will proceed with caution once again.

Our guest speaker for March – Matt Groppe, a Wisconsin DNR Warden, has a conflict and will not make it this month. We have re-scheduled him for April's Club Meeting. He plans on discussing his role with the DNR and snowmobiling over this past winter. Plan on attending April's Club meeting to meet and talk to Matt.

THANK YOUs

Thanks goes out this month to Randy and Patty for grilling up the brats we consumed at last month's Club meeting; to Patty and Chris for planning and setting up our eats, and to Deanna Einwalter for bring dessert. Thanks to all for all your help.

AWSC CARDS

We have received our AWSC membership cards last week and are including them in the snail mail newsletters. For those getting emailed newsletters, we'll have them at March's Club meeting and any left over, we will mail them out with April's newsletter.

NEWEST MEMBER

Congratulations to Andy & Jamie Malsom. They had a baby girl in early February; she is now our newest and youngest member. Congratulations to all three!!!

GROOMING

We have been able to groom for close to one hundred hours this season. From what I have heard, our equipment has been able to do the job and then some. Only draw back is the trails won't always hold up after they have been groomed, either due to the conditions or increased traffic. When we encounter this, we just head out and groom as often as possible. Thanks to our groomer operators for doing a fine job this winter.

OUR CLUB'S FACEBOOK PAGE

If you have any snowmobiling pictures that you'd like to put up on our Facebook page, feel free to do so. We'd like to get more of our Club functions posted out there from the county fair to trail work to grooming to riding our trails. Help us out and keep taking pictures.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

As the season draws to a close, we still have eight members (active and non-active) with their dues not paid as of March 1. I know the season is almost over, yet you still snowmobiled on the trails and enjoy the benefits the rest of us have. Please check your records and if you haven't paid, please turn in your dues. Thank you.

TRAIL REMOVAL

I know this is like swearing in front of your parents when you were ten, yet the calendar is telling us that we need to plan to remove our trails. I know I can never predict how wet or cold or dry our spring weather will be, so all I can do is pick a couple of dates and well see what happens. Right now, we are planning two Saturdays in April, April 2 and 9. Please mark your calendars for these two dates. We'll meet at the Kison Farm at 7:30am. See you there!!!

CLOTHING & STICKERS

If you have ordered clothing this past December or January, we should have it again at March's Club meeting. Please stop in and pick up your items. Also, if you need some Club clothing, stop and talk to Patty Kison. She is taking care of orders and has a catalog of items available that we can have made up with our Club logo.

Also, we have re-ordered our Club stickers since we have finally run out. We should have them at March's Club meeting. We will have plenty to go around (and they are round, get it??).

SCHOLARSHIPS

The Board has decided to hold off on offering our annual scholarship that was offered at seven local high schools. We have not had a lot of interest in the past couple of years and so we decided to hold off at the present time. This item will be revisited by the Board next January.

SNO-FARIS

Well, our winter has been more than a miss when it comes to our Sno-Faris this year. I had backed out due to personal reasons, yet I didn't think the conditions would be so bad in Gwinn, Michigan, that no one was snowmobiling up there on the last weekend in February. When we had that warm snap, they actually had sixty degree temperatures and rain. That will kill the snow in a short amount of time. And as of this printing, we actually have more snow than they do, go figure....Some of our members headed up to the Shawano area and spent the weekend snowmobiling there; from the reports, it was pretty good. As for Gwinn, we will plan again for next year (unless they get more snow in the next couple of weeks).

FOR SALE

Nothing at this time.....