

B&B NEWSLETTER

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SPRING or WINTER?

I can't believe we are at the beginning of another month, which only means that winter is nearing the end and spring is right around the corner. And I know a lot of people have asked me and others in our Club "why do you put in so much time on trail work and then not get a chance to use them?". My response is usually the same, we just a bunch of nuts and have too much time on our hands. Kidding aside, I let them know that it is the love of snowmobiling and the desire to give back to a program that allows us a recreational outlet each winter on our snowmobiles via the snowmobile trails throughout our fine state. Without volunteers like us, we would not have the awesome trail system we have today. Most look at me with that "deer in the headlights" look before shaking their heads. Since most of them asking do not snowmobile, you then come up with a similar activity that they are active in (volunteer) and then it make sense. Each person has activities that they enjoy doing and for us, snowmobiling along with the work it takes to make our sport work is our enjoyment. For most of us this is a fall and winter activity and for a few of us, this is a year round activity.

So thank you to all for working on trails and our equipment this fall and winter even though we did not have a chance to use our trails in Ozaukee County this winter (we did have our two miles in Washington County open for a week or so). Yet we did get out and groomed a portion of our trails; even though they didn't open, we will still get paid for it. Once again, I have come to the end of my allotted space and need to get back to work, so until April, keep your track in the snow and your headlight pointed down the trail (when they are open).

QUICK THANK YOU

Goes out to Wally Thill for stopping by our February's Club meeting. He informed us on the status of the new "trail pass" needed for our snowmobiles as well as the DNR seminar coming up on the following Monday. Plus, the convention is approaching and we need to get a delegate in place or Wally will vote on our Club's behalf with the elections. Thanks again, Wally, for doing the job you do as our Director! Keep up the good work!

DNR SEMINAR

This event was spearheaded by the Ozaukee County Snowmobile Association and the Ozaukee County Planning and Parks Department and was held on Monday, February 16 at Circle B. This seminar was set up for explaining trail & grooming paperwork as well as trail signing. The idea behind having this seminar in our area was to help get our clubs on the same page when it comes to paperwork and signing. Plus, the forms for billing have changed and signing guidelines have been updated and needed to get out to our trail workers. This seminar was very informative and the questions and comments that came up added to the presentation.

Since snowmobile clubs from the five surrounding counties were invited, the meeting was held in the room where we have our Club meetings at Circle B and

CLUB INFORMATION MEETINGS DATES: All Club meetings held at Circle B Rec Center in Cedarburg

BOARD of DIRECTORS Thursday, March 12 @ 6:15pm

NEXT CLUB MEETING Thursday, March 12 @ 7:30pm

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was set up to handle up to 100 people. This was perfect as there were approximately 85 people attending this seminar that evening; to help out and since our Club was the host for this, we covered the beverages that evening. The seminar lasted roughly two hours and many thanked our Club for our generosity. Due to the informative material at this seminar, it will likely be held again in our area.

Thanks goes out to Cathy Burrows of the DNR, Wally Thill, Ozaukee County Snowmobile Association, Ozaukee County Parks & Planning, and the DNR for putting this seminar together for our clubs and Circle B for the use of their banquet hall.

CLUB SWAG (CLOTHING) ORDERS

We are keeping our order open until Friday, March 13 (day after our March Club Meeting). If you want a mechanics shirt or any other item, please give Patty a call on her cell phone or stop in at the Club meeting in March. Our goal is to have at least 24 items on our order which will save us the less than minimum charge; currently, we have only eleven (11) items ordered. Plus, there is more items available than just sweatshirts, beanies, and baseball caps. Check out this website that has all the clothing available for putting our Club logo on:

http://www.companycasuals.com/starpro/start.jsp

plus Patty will have a 2015 clothing catalogue available at our March Club meeting.

Help us get past the minimum order amount and place an order with Patty! Thanks in advance for your support!

CLUB SNO-FARI

This past February, members of our Club headed up to St. Germain for a weekend of riding; we stayed at the Rustic Manor Motor Lodge where we used to stay some ten years ago or so. Some arrived on Thursday with the rest showing up on Friday. The ones arriving on Thursday decided to head over to Mercer. We did a counterclockwise loop that took us through Hurley. Since the trails were awesome and light traffic, we were able to put on 150 miles in just four hours. Only issue was a blown belt on a lake, and that is just par for the course.

On Friday the group wanted to get a late start so a group of three of us decided to head out early and went north towards Mercer. We met up with another group of riders and then set off towards Butternut, Tomahawk and Glidden. It was supposed to be a 100 mile ride, but due to some missed turns, we rode closer to 140 miles. Tim's Ski-Doo Etec had just 3 gallons left which adds up to 20mpg! Much better than some past fuel economy, especially when you mixed the oil and gas together before filling your tank!

Saturday was the cold day and it was -5 in the morning when we went out with the club. We rode south of St Germain and only put on 80 miles. The trails were not nearly as good with sugar snow and icy corners. Saturday evening had us headed over to the something Pines restaurant to celebrate Valentine's Day. Unknown to us,

Saturday was a birthday for one of our group! The whole restaurant sang Happy Birthday and then broke out in applause. What a night to remember.

Sunday was a quick run up to Land O Lakes. The trails were frozen hard in the morning, but were looser on the way back. Unfortunately by then ice in the corners was coming out. So it was a short ride and then back to reality as we packed it in, loaded up the snowmobiles and headed back home. Time to plan the next Sno-Fari.....



Sno-Fari 2015

MOCK ACCIDENT

Will not happen in March either. At this time, we have put this training situation on the back burner and will re-visit it this upcoming fall to try to arrange for it to take place. Watch your fall newsletters to see what and when we plan to set this up next winter.

UPCOMING DATES FOR WINTER - SPRING MARCH 2015

Ozaukee County Meeting

Washington Cty. Meeting

Board & Club Meeting

Trails officially Close

Allenton Snow Pacers

Chicken Dinner

Monday, March 9 Thursday, March 12 Sunday, March 15 Wednesday, March 25 Saturday, March 29

APRIL 2015

Saturday, April 4	Trail Removal
Thursday, April 9	Board & Club Meeting
Saturday, April 11	Trail Removal
Sunday, April 12	Jackson Moonlighters Pancake
	Breakfast
Monday, April 13	Ozaukee County Meeting

NOMINATIONS

This month, we will be taking nominations for our Board of Directors. Currently, Chris Habich, Tim Einwalter and Dan Burback have their terms up as of August 31, 2015. At the Club meeting, we will be looking for input for these three positions. See you in March

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