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***CLUB MEETING – THURSDAY, DEC.  
13<sup>th</sup>***

**Future Meetings:**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
6:30pm December 13, 2007**

**CLUB MEETING  
7:30pm December 13, 2007**

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***Current Activities and Happenings...***

It is perfect to look out my window and see white. Especially, when it is December and it looks and feels like winter. And as I am wrapping up this month's newsletter, there is more snow predicted. Not a bad way to start out the month. As for me, I need to make time and take our sleds off of the trail and into my shop so I can winterize them. Now if I can only remember where I put the heater last spring.....

Once again, we have had a busy fall and have accomplished quite a few tasks. First off, the Tucker is up and running and is outside in the snow waiting for trails to open. Secondly, we started trail work in late October and almost have everything marked and brushed. There are a few signs we need to change before the trails open. We did find more trees down in the swamp area on the west end of our trail system. And these weren't small trees either – they are a good four to five feet in diameter. Thirdly, we had an entry in the Grafton's Christmas Parade again this year. Thanks to Dave Helm for taking care of this for us and hopefully we'll have pictures to put up on our website. Thanks to Cedar Creek Motor Sports for allowing us to borrow two new sleds and trailer plus thanks to 5 Corners Dodge for donating a pickup truck to pull the trailer.

Now with December here, we have a few more things to accomplish. The Board has been discussing a scholarship for two high school students – one from Cedarburg and one from Grafton. We started thinking about this late last winter, but didn't have enough time to make the deadline. There are criteria that we need to discuss and set up as well as decide on a monetary figure. We will have the information for discussion at December's club meeting.

Lastly, we will be having food at our Club Meeting this month. Since Christmas is just around the corner, we are planning on a Christmas type food spread during and following our meeting. Chris and Patty always take good care of us when it comes to eating, so you know we'll have some good stuff.

Now that another newsletter is finished, time to get back to planning the holidays. And to you and yours, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!!

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

## TRAILS

There is snow on the ground and we have almost all of our trails in at this time. There was a good turn out this past weekend and we were able to tie up loose ends. The only draw back was the two to five inches of frost in the ground. Quite a few stakes were sacrificed to get the trail markers into the ground. Thanks to all volunteers for their help with the trails this fall: Randy, Austin, Jared, and Brian Kison, Mark Gall, Andy & Nick Gall, Dave Pom, Toli, Chris Bumpke, Jeff and Todd Habermann, Mel Trapp, Dick Larson, Mike Dondlinger, Rick Dickmann, Dan Burback, Scott Mueller, Frank Bence, Justin Viesselmann, John Haen, and Dave Helm. Also, thanks goes to Bob Thomas for using our new cultipacker on the plowed fields to smooth them out. If I forgot someone, I do apologize ahead of time; do let me know.

We did invest in a cultipacker this past fall and we we're way under the amount specified by the club. Bob Thomas has been using it and it has performed very well.

Please note the spur trail to PDQ is a little different this season due to the new concrete sidewalk. We have marked the trail to enter PDQ's parking lot near the vehicle entrance on the north side of their berm. Please watch out for vehicle traffic as well as staying on the trail and off of the berm plus the side walk.

REMEMBER, trails officially open on December 15 given the following conditions are met: at least 6" of snow and 32 degrees Fahrenheit. If by chance, we get enough snow and these conditions are met, please call the snow phones or check out the website for trail conditions before riding. We need to follow these simple rules in order to keep our trails open plus keep our landowners happy.

## LAST CALL FOR DUES

There are a few stragglers out there still needing to renew their membership. So please note, this will be your last newsletter if your dues are not paid. Please take the time to fill out and turn in your membership form along with your dues. Otherwise, this will be your last newsletter. We are doing our best to keep our mailing lists up to date and as well as current. New and renewal membership applications are accepted all year long, yet there needs to be a cutoff date on sending newsletters to expired memberships – December is the cut off.

If you have friends or relatives that want to join, please feel free to make copies of the membership form or go to our Club's website (listed on the front of this newsletter) and print off some copies. The more, the merrier.

## TUCKER AND DRAG

Now that it is cold and there is snow on the ground, we are ready to hit the trails with our Tucker. Both front tracks have new rubber belting and the bearings have

been repacked. The rear tracks have been inspected and one rubber belt and cleat were replaced due to wear and tear. Bearings in the rear were also gone thru and repacked. We have also installed the rear wiper motor, arm, and wiper, plus we are replacing the rear defogger in the rear window, too.

As this is being mailed, we are also working on the drag to make it more visible. Dave Pom has two flashing red LED lights for the rear of the drag so when crossing roads or when you come up on the groomer, you won't be able to miss it.

Thanks to Randy Kison, Brian Kison, John Haen, Dave Pom and anyone else that has helped this fall on our Tucker repairs. Volunteers are always hard to find, but we keep finding them and are thankful, too.

## SNO-FARI

Currently, we have one trip planned for this season. We will be returning to St. Germain on February 8 & 9, returning home on Sunday the 10<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to arrive on Thursday night or leave Monday morning, just let them know when you call the Hearthsides. There are 8 rooms reserved for us at the Hearthsides Inn and four have been spoken for at this time. I'll need to know by the January Club Meeting if you are interested in a room. Cost is roughly the same as last year. Please give me (Dan Burback) a call or email or stop in at December's Club Meeting if you plan on going.

## SNOWMOBILE SAFETY COURSE

This season's snowmobile safety course will be held this December, with the dates being:

Wednesday, December 12

Tuesday, December 18

Wednesday, December 19

Thursday, December 20.

The location for the safety course will be at the Ozaukee County Fair Grounds in the Youth Building. Please call Andy Lyneis at 262-377-7907 to sign up for the course. Please remember, space is limited to the size of the classroom.

## FOR SALE

**2003 Artic Cat F7 EFI**, 2100 miles, excellent condition, asking \$4000.

Call Mark @ 262-268-0426

**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 \$1800. Call Mike @ 262-644-9566