

B&B NEWSLETTER

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BLIZZARD 2016...

February is finally here and we have a major snow storm predicted for Wisconsin. Unfortunately, every time you can change the channel during news, the weather forecast changes, so which one is correct? As this is going to print, it is now raining after we received one inch of snow this past evening. Another one of those "much to do about nothing" forecasts; it did get us thinking of that white stuff and work and school closings. Plus, one of our drivers at work had to deliver up in the Green Bay and Fox Valley area, told me that they received four to five inches of snow; Stevens Point had also received numerous inches and had to dig out as well. We'll get snow sometime this season, just not from this storm.

This month is getting a little busier for us; it normally is the peak of our season, especially up north where they are hurting for snowmobilers. For us, we will have Wally Thill as guest speaker this month and he will bring us up to date on all legislation that has a possible impact on snowmobiling. Plus, we are having a Chili Dump at our Club meeting (saying "Chili" in winter warms you up!) and our Board will start discussing our tent at the County Fair and what we are to do for our Club's 50th Anniversary! This may not seem like much, yet it is!!

I need to close up my article at this time, so keep reading for more Club information and happenings. And until next month, keep your track on the snow and do your best to enjoy our trails in our awesome state of Wisconsin!!



New Trainees being instructed by Randy and Peewee at the Kison Farm during the Groomer Seminar.

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

BOARD of DIRECTORS Thursday, February 11 @ 6:00pm NEXT CLUB MEETING Thursday, February 11 @ 7:30pm

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GROOMER SEMINAR

Bring on the snow because our Groomer drivers will be ready. On Saturday, January 23rd, eight (8) new groomer drivers got the chance to learn how to get our trails ready for and during the season. Randy Kison and Peewee trained the crew on how to perform pre-grooming maintenance and then each trainee got the chance to get behind the wheel and run the groomer. There is a lot going on in the cab as you pull the drag: get the height of the blades just right to smooth out the bumps, lower the tires to cross a road, fill the drag with snow to fill in a ditch, tip the front blade to move snow from the berm in a corner back on to the trail. As you can read, driving a groomer is no easy task. The eight (8) trainees will not be experts right away, but Randy and Peewee sure filled their minds with the knowledge to get there. Let's hope we get some snow so they can test their training. Thanks to the new group for attending: Steve Laatsch, Mike Becker, Jake Bublitz, Eric Graves, Greg Semrad, Lee Roller, Paul Mueller, Cal Cummings and Jeff Bublitz.

THANK YOU

Goes out to Tony Young, our local DNR agent. Last month, Tony stopped in at our Club meeting to visit with us and to talk about the new trail passes and what to expect with them this season. He was very informative and we came up with some very good questions. Thanks, Tony for stopping by and staying in contact with us snowmobilers!

WEBSITE AND BULK EMAIL

I have gotten word to put out a notice to see if there is a Club member willing to take over our website as well as the bulk email. Currently, Dave Pom is handling these duties and would like to step aside. Dave has handled these tasks very well since he first constructed our website many years ago; right now, he feels we should re-do our website to freshen it up yet does not have the time. Dave is willing to work along side a Club member and show them the ropes for handling both tasks. And just so you know, you don't have to be on our Board to take on these tasks, so any Club member is welcomed to inquire on this position. Please contact myself (Dan Burback) if you are interested in helping out our Club in this capacity.

FEBRUARY FOOD

We are planning on having a Chili Dump for our February's Club meeting. There was a sign up sheet at January's Club meeting and a number of you signed up to bring chili or portions of this meal. If you didn't sign up and would still like to contribute something, please give Chris a call on her cell phone. We look forward to you joining us for some Chili in chilly February!!

UPCOMING

For those of us into antique and vintage snowmobiles, there is a show put on by the Kewaskum Sno-Chiefs on Saturday, February 13 starting at 10:00 am. It will be held at the Amerahn, located at 9480 Hwy 45 in Kewaskum. Given the conditions are ideal and the trails are open, there will be a ride later that day via the antique and vintage sleds. Stop in and relive the past!!

UPCOMING DATES FOR THIS SEASON:

FEBRUARY 2016

Thursday, February 11	Board & Club Meetings
Fridays & Saturdays	Local Trail Rides (if trails
	are open)
Sno-Fari??	Need volunteer for this
Saturday, February 23	Antique and Vintage Show
	Amerahn in Kewaskum
Wednesday, February 24	Washington County Meeting

MARCH 2016 Thursday, March 11 Monday, March 14

Tuesday, March 15 Wednesday, March 30

TRAILS

Antique and Vintage Show Amerahn in Kewaskum Washington County Meeting Padway's on Big Cedar Lake Board & Club Meetings Ozaukee County Association

Ozaukee County Association Railroad Station in Saukville Trails officially close..... Washington County Association Padway's on Big Cedar

We have all items in place for our trails to be ready for snowmobiling. Only drawback is the weather; it has been a little warm lately plus we have had rain instead of snow. This will create standing water in low areas so if we do get a chance to open our trails, we need to be cautious of icy areas as well as running water in low areas.

Please call the sno-phones daily to check trail conditions and what areas are open and which areas are closed. Remember, these sno-phones are monitored by law enforcement as well as the DNR and they are used as the golden rule as to what trails are open and closed. Call often, call daily and ride safely!!

SNO-PHONE NUMBERS Call Often and Call Before Riding:

DODGE COUNTY	920-386-3705
FOND DU LAC COUNTY	920-929-6840
OZAUKEE COUNTY	262-284-8259
SHEBOYGAN COUNTY	920-892-7455
WASHINGTON COUNTY	262-334-6061

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