



B&B NEWSLETTER

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CLUB INFORMATION

MEETING DATES:

All Club meetings held at Circle
B Rec Center in Cedarburg

BOARD of DIRECTORS

Thursday, November 9th, 2023
@ 6:00pm

NEXT CLUB MEETING

Thursday, November 9th, 2023
@ 7:30pm

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MY RAMBLING THOUGHTS^{by Dan Burback}

Once again, if you are reading this, another month has come and gone as our season presses on! Yes, it is November, the month when we buckle down and get our trails finished up as snow will be here before we know it! I know I cannot promise anything, yet knowing we have been skunked the last two (2) seasons here in SW Wisconsin, we are now due to get hit with the white stuff we so love to play in. I know my memory tends to remember things as I would want to remember it, so I then go back and look thru the last eight (8) seasons in SNARS or GTS and the old school paperwork, I am able to see a trend which for open trails and us grooming is six (6) seasons out of eight (8). With that said and mind you, these are just my ramblings, I would lean towards us opening our trails and snowmobiling this season. Just my thoughts. . .

Trails have been going very good this year and our new brusher has been awesome as Randy and Dennis have mowed most all of our trails using our existing Honda ATV without issues!! And Matt has mowed his section with our new brusher and Polaris ATV with little to no effort! Both additions to our Club's trail work equipment have added strength to our muscle! Keep up the awesome work getting our trails up to par for this season. We are at the point where we are done up to the farm fields and are waiting for crops to come off. Not too bad for this progress for the end of October.

Anyway, we've got a few things lined up for November like the Grafton Christmas Parade which Bob has written about in this newsletter. And possible a guest speaker as well; we're still working on the details! So for now, I'll put down the keyboard and go do something non-snowmobile related like take a dog for a walk or something! Till next month, enjoy the fall!!

TRAIL WORK DATES

We have started working on trails at this time, yet need your help to get them completed before most of us head into the woods in blaze orange in late November. Please mark the following dates on your calendar for trail work:

Saturday, November 4

Saturday, December 9 (if needed)

Saturday, November 11

Saturday, December 16 (if needed)

FOOD FORECAST

First off "Thank You" goes to Patty Kison for handling the food duty at last month's meeting. "The Mighty Polish", Kraut, Bean & Chips will be at the Nov. meeting. We're looking for volunteers to bring cookies or bars. Let Chris know if you can help with dessert before Tues, Nov. 7th. December's meeting is out "Holiday Appetizer Night", sign up sheets at the Nov meeting. Bring your favorite appetizer or something from the deli. Let me know ahead of time so we don't have 3 of something. Thank You! Nesco Queen

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MEMBERSHIP DUES

Renewals have been pouring in very well this season!! We applaud our members for renewing early and on-time to help us get our paperwork in order. Plus getting our AWSC membership entered and paid for on a timely basis; we all know it is going to snow, so let's renew now and avoid delays as well as any late fees!

Once again, we have included an application (as an attached if emailed, paper copy if mailed) one last time for those renewing their membership. We need it turned in to us with your dues before December 1, 2023; renewals turned in on or after December 1st will pay a late fee. Review your application form as our Board has re-done a few items as well as implementing a late fee of \$5.00 for renewals turned in (postmarked) on or after December 1, 2023.

This may sound like a broken record, yet we felt imposing a late fee was necessary since our Club is made up of strictly volunteers and we have lives and other commitments outside of our Club. Please be respectful of their time to those in these positions. Second, this will keep our membership list current as well as updating our AWSC membership in order for you to get your discounted trail pass before you head out to ride our trails or go up north. Since our season opens on December 15, having your dues in before December 1st allows you to have your discounted trail pass placed on your sled ready for you to hit the trails before it snows!

So when planning your first snowmobile trip in October or November, please be proactive and renew your dues early and on time. Thank you in advance for your help!

A Grateful Brushing Crew – Matt Geszvain

I had the privilege of operating the new ATV couple to the new brusher on Saturday October 21st and was more than impressed. The combination made this arduous task easy and gave results better than imagined. Here is what I experienced.

I will start with the ATV. The smooth power has more than enough to move the new brusher. When we mow, we operate it in 4WD low. It handles it with ease. Pulling up on top of 5-6' grass with ease and bringing the mower right behind it. Going about 2 MPH seems to be a sweet spot when it tall grass.

(Brushing cont'd) The best feature is the one I considered least when looking at the ATV is the Power Steering. It makes all the difference. It makes it super easy to have one handed operation in the thickest brush. It also reduces operator fatigue tremendously. I used it from 8:30-3:30 and could have gone longer if needed. The mower is awesome too. I was on the Mower Task Force and was adamant about getting a flail type mower. I was used to the results we had with our old rotary mower and was looking for a different option. As you know we went with a two-blade rotary mower. I was a little skeptical, but when I saw the unit, I was impressed by its rugged quality and thick steel where it counts. When I operated it, I was so glad that it got the same results as the flail type mowers, maybe even better. We found that it mulches very well. We used a pole hedge trimmer to cut small brush and left the less than 1" branches in the trail. One pass over with the mower and it disappeared. Awesome.

There are a couple of things that we can use to make it our own like a chain saw mount and hand guards. Cruise control would be awesome if there is such a thing. Overall, it is awesome. I just wanted to thank everyone in the club and all its sponsors for the ability for us to purchase such a combination. It makes a tough task fun and will give awesome results. This will be one more reason for everyone to say the we have the best trails around. Thanks to all and think snow!

CHRISTMAS PARADE

Hey Snow Chaser's! Time to start thinking about the Grafton Holiday Parade. Our club runs two floats in this parade. We show off some new sleds via CCMS and some Vintage ones courtesy of our club members. We play music through our PA and even provide commentary with a microphone in the cab of the truck. While driving in the parade we shower the crowd with Snow Bubbles and hand out candy to the children. Anyways, if anyone has any extra candy, Halloween or otherwise, bring it into the November club meeting for us to use at the parade. Thanx and keep thinking/praying/dancing for snow!

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