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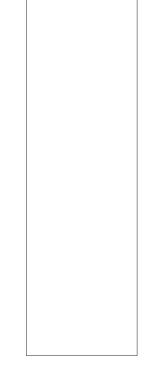




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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(for latest info, call 252-I.N.F.O.)

Snobirds meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 8:00 pm, at the Village Bowl in Menomonee Falls, N86 W18830 Main St. **Please join us! Guests are** welcome!

---- November 2006

14	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls 7 p.m.	
	open house - the open house with snacks, drinks and fellowship		
	at 7 p.m., followed by our regular meeting at 8 p.m.		
26	Menomonee Falls Christ	mas Parade Casey Wibbert, Mike Carlson	
28	Board Meeting	Jim Mueller, 7:30 p.m.	

---- December 2006

1-3	Watersmeet MI snofari	Bill Schultz
6-13-20	Safety School, Menomonee Falls Community Center	6:30 p.m.
12	Christmas Party - don't forget <i>reservations</i> ! Sussex	Bowl, Sussex
	Catered food and Christmas Party, details in this issue!	
13-17	Guys Ride	Bill Schultz
27-31	Boulder Junction Lodge	Ed Pollich

---- January 2007

3-10-17 Safety School, Menomonee Falls Community Center 6	6:30 p.m.
9 General Meeting Village Bowl, Menomonee Fall	ls, 8 p.m.
10-14 Tomahawk Snofari Bil	ll Schultz
23 Board Meeting Dick Brunow, 7	7:30 p.m.
24-28 Phillips Snofari Bil	ll Schultz

---- February 2007

1-4	Carter Snofari	Dave Rowley, RonWendt
8-11	Days Inn, Eagle River	Casey Wibbert
13	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
25-3/4	Ontario Canada Snofari	Bill Schultz

---- March 2007

13	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
27	Board Meeting	Bonnie Pollich, 7:30 p.m.

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WHAT'S NEW AT AWSC Scott Makowski

As we get ready to start up a new season, your state association starts to prepare to work for you. As you are aware, this year we will have a early December deer hunt for 4 days which has caused much controversy among Deer hunters, landowners as well as snowmobilers. This hunt will run from December 7th to the 10th statewide which will cause many trails to remain CLOSED until after that date even if we would have enough snow on the ground. If planning early December rides please contact the area you are headed for trail information.

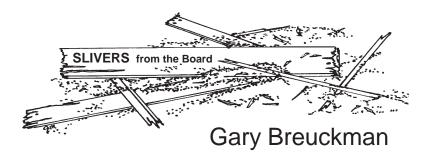
Another item that we are continuing to work on is the Club Assistance Program (CAP) which would equalize the dollars paid by all snowmobilers whether they belong to a club or not. If you belong to a club, you would pay less to register your snowmobile than someone who doesn't belong. Being that the club members do all the work to maintain and procure the trails in the state. This program would bring in extra dollars to the snowmobile program, which help to keep trails funded, and in good riding conditions.

Also out of state user fees are probably going to go up to stay in line with surrounding states which are right now higher than ours and are scheduled for and increase next season. This also would make extra dollars available to the snowmobile program. These items that I have just mentioned are all positive for snowmobiling in Wisconsin.

Be aware that this year in Wisconsin we have a statewide 55 MPH nighttime speed limit. This is an effort to slow riders down during hours that the most accidents happen. PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS WHO DON'T BELONG TO CLUBS SO THAT NO ONE GETS TICKETS BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THIS. Of all motorized sports conducted in Wisconsin. Snowmbiling has the worst accident/death rate of them. No one wishes to lose a friend or relative in this manner. Hopefully this will save lives.

AWSC will again be holding it's annual raffle in which you will have a chance to win a 2008 Ski Doo MXZ 500 snowmobile and other prizes. Tickets will cost \$2.00 each and will be available from you president. Drawing will be in March at the annual convention and you will be able to order it and get it in the fall. Dollars raised by this go to support snowmobiling in Wisconsin.

That's about it for what's happening right now so as always let's pray for lots of snow and wonderful riding experiences this season. Remember: UNITED WE TRAIL – DIVIDED WE FAIL.



The Snow Show went well. All the volunteers showed up as planned. 300 tickets were sold out of the booth, 50 tickets sold out of the coat check.

The Menomonee Falls Christmas parade is on Sunday November 26th. The Pollich address has been offered to assemble and tear down the float. Casey Wibbert and Mike Carlson are the chairpersons.

Our Christmas party will start at 7 pm on December 12th, our regular meeting date - but at the **Sussex Bowl**, N64 W24576 Main Street in SUSSEX. Food is being catered, if you wish to bring a dessert to pass that's fine.

We are also asking for a \$5/adult reservation deposit so we can plan on the food amounts. It will be returned to you when you arrive. Please send the deposit and names to Al Schultz, N23 W28992 Louis Ave, Pewaukee WI 53072-5033

We are asking Santa to come, but we need the names of the children and grandchildren 12 and younger who will be there so we can have gifts for them. Please call Betsy Breuckman at 414-442-4278 with the names.

Safety school is coming up. The December class has 16 slots left, and the January class is mostly empty.

April 20, 2007 is the confirmed date for our Smelt Fry!

Memberships are coming in, don't forget yours. season total of 46 renewals, 0 new, 2 carryover, 2 lifetime accepted. 50 total memberships so far.

President's Report Al Schultz

Congratulations to new Snobird Officers & Board Members who were elected for the up-coming year. Thank you to the retiring officers and board members for their time and efforts.

I am writing this October 15, and there already is snow in Wisconsin and the UP. Hopefully, we'll have an early and long snowmobile season this year!!!

The Summer Club events - - Corn Roast & Lake Picnic - - were well attended. Thank you to all who helped from "planning to clean-up."

Snobird Snofari's are now in the planning stages. Be sure to sign up early for the trips, so you won't miss out on the fun. There will be information on all Winter Snofari's at each meeting and in each "Track & Trails" from now through the snowmobile season.

In addition to the Snofari's, the Snobird Christmas party will be Tuesday, December 12, at the Sussex Bowl on Main Street in Sussex, just east of Hwy 164. Please give your \$5 deposit, for reservations, to me as soon as possible. At the party, you will get the \$5 back, as Snobirds host the party for all club members.

I look forward to seeing you at our meetings - - - remember, they are the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 8 p.m., at the Menomonee Falls Village Bowl.

See you on the trails !!!

Al Schultz, President

Phillips Snofari

January 24th through 28th, 2007

- Arrive: Wednesday, January 24th or Thursday, January 25th or Friday, January 26th
- Stay at: Skyline Motel Hwy 13 Phillips, WI 54555 800-596-0407
- Cost: Over 60 yrs old, 1 person \$40 + Tax 2 people, \$48 + Tax Under 60 yrs old, 1 person \$43 + Tax 2 people, \$53 + Tax
- **Deposit:** Call the Skyline Motel. Tell them you are with the Snobirds and which nights you want. Use a credit card or send a check for \$50 for your deposit. Must be made by December 15, 2006.
- The motel has a hot tub and offers a free Continental Breakfast. For evenings there is a fine Supper Club next door.
- Price County has always had well-marked and beautifully groomed trails. We will have planned rides for groups or ride on your own.

No Show - No Refund No Snow - Full Refund

If you make reservations or want information please call: Bill Schultz 262-781-5955

SAFETY SCHOOL Gary Breuckman

The Snobirds will again be offering snowmobile safety classes this winter. The classes are conducted by qualified instructors, from the Snobirds, who are certified by the State D.N.R.. Satisfactory completion of the class meets the D.N.R. requirements.

"Any person who is at least 12 years old AND who is born on or after January 1, 1985 is required to possess *a valid Snowmobile Safety Certificate* in order to operate a snowmobile on public trails, lands or frozen waters. You must carry the certificate while riding and you must display it to a law enforcement officer when requested."

Enrollment is open to young persons 11 years of age and older. As this training is important to public and personal safety, a parent or guardian is welcome to attend with the son or daughter. There is a \$10 fee for registration and D.N.R. safety materials.

The course consists of three evening classes with subjects of snowmobile laws, ethics, terminology, maintenance, clothing, first aid, environmental and ecology problems.

We have two sets of indoor sessions scheduled this season. Total cost is \$10.00 The first set will be December 6, 13 and 20 at the Menomonee Falls Community Center, W152 N8645 Margaret Rd in Menomonee Falls. The second set of classes will be on January 3, 10 and 17. For reservations call Gary Breuckman at 414-442-4279. Classes run from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. each night, and you must attend all three sessions to be certified.

Guy's Ride December 13th - 17th, 2006

- Arrive: Wednesday December 13th, or Thursday December 14th, or Friday December 15th
- Stay at: Hiawatha Motor Inn Hwy 45 Eagle River, WI 54521 715-479-4442
- Cost: Any number of people per room, per night Friday or Saturday, \$65 plus tax Any other night, \$59 plus tax

The trails in Vilas County will open December 11th. They will be well-marked and in excellent condition. We normally have lots of Guys, so everyone can find a group that rides the speed and distance you desire, or bring your own group.

A great opportunity to try your new sled or see if your old sled is in top condition for the season. We ride during the day, evenings are spent telling stories, making future plans, eating and drinking.

No deposit needed. Please call me if you are joining us no later than December 10th 2006. I will make sure you are informed on snow conditions. If no snow, the trip will be moved where there is good rideable snow within 300 driving miles of Milwaukee.

If interested or have questions, call

Waukesha County Snowmobile Association Bev Makowski

Trail Maps for this season should be available at our December club meeting so if you need a new one plan on attending and picking it up. There are probably few changes from last season according to the trailmasters, which held a meeting in November to discuss these issues. However, always stay on the marked trail as to respect our landowners rights. Remember without the landowner's giving us permission to use their property we won't snowmobile at all.

Due to the December Deer Hunt this year the trails in Waukesha County will not open before December 11th even if we have snow on the ground. The liability is just to high of a risk for someone getting hurt. Check with the WCSA hotline 414-299-0330 or www.waukeshasnow.org for updated information.

Coming up at the December county will be the drawing for their annual raffle. This will be held in Dousman, WI at the Community Center, if you are planning on attending please let Dave Rowley or Bev Makowski know in advance so numbers can be given to the hosting club.

A big thank you goes out to all the clubs that helped to man the Milwaukee Snow Show. Waukesha County had many things going on (booth, swap meet, and coat/package check duties) so to all that helped a big "THANK YOU". Hopefully you made some contacts of possible NEW members at the booth. The swap meet made money even though the weather really didn't cooperate again this year. Package check was appreciated by many of the consumers attending the show so they didn't have to carry around large items.

Remember THINK SNOW!

Bill Schultz, 262-781-5995

Ontario Canada Snofari February 25th thru March 4th, 2007

We will snowmobile on fantastic trails with beautiful scenery and also many places to see and tour. There will be groups of different speeds or bring your own group.

- Sunday Feb 25th: Drive to Bruce Mines, Ont. and stay at Bavrian Inn and Restaurant, 705-785-3447
- Monday Feb 26th: Snowmobile from Bruce Mines to Core Bay, Ont. which is in Manitoulin Island. Stay at Gordon's Lodge, Core Bay Ont. 705-282-2342
- **Tuesday Feb 27th:** Snowmobile Manitoulin Island and see various sights of interest. Stay at Gordon's Lodge
- Wednesday Feb 28th: Snowmobile Core Bay to Killarney, Ont. Stay at Sportsman's Inn Killarney, Ont. 705-287-2411
- Thursday March 1st: Tour Killarney, Ont. area by snowmobile. We will see the Evinrude Cabin (Frances Langford), Dreamers Rock on Little la Cloche Island, the wrecked ship Griffon off Mississagi Light House and much more.
- Friday March 2nd: Snowmobile Killarney to Elliott Lake, Ont. Stay at Algo Inn, Elliott Lake, Ont. 800-461-4600
- **Saturday March 3rd:** Snowmobile Elliott Lake to Bruce Mines, Ont. Stay at Bavrian Inn. On the way we will see rolling country and many water falls. We will visit the Denison House which is a 19,000 sq ft. Mansion on Quirice Lake Built in 1979 for 9 million dollars. Last we will go to the Fire Tower Outlook where we will be able to see the North Channel of Lake Huron, Manitoulin Island, and the U.S. Mainland.

Sunday March 4th: Drive home.

- Rooms are priced fairly. Many of the places will include dinner and breakfast. The exchange rate is 118 Canadian dollars equal 100 U.S. dollars. It is recommended by U.S. Customs to have a passport. During 2007 if you cross the border into Canada or back into the U.S. you will need a picture ID (such as a driver's license) and proof you were born in the U.S. (birth certificate) or else a passport. This is only valid if you are entering by automobile. By air or sea you must have a passport. If you do not have a passport or want to get one, plan on 6 weeks to receive one from your local post office. To snowmobile in Canada you must purchase a snowmobile permit which will cost \$120.00 Canadian, or \$101.00 U.S. dollars. They will be purchased in Canada upon arrival.
- I will need a \$200 (U.S.) deposit from each person. The deposit will be credited to each place we are staying. If you do not show for the trip the deposit is lost. If there is no snow the full deposit will be returned.

If you want more detail or wish to join us on this trip please call: Bill Schultz 262-781-5995

Tomahawk Snofari January 10th - 14th, 2007

- Arrive: Wednesday, January 10th or Thursday, January 11th or Friday, January 12th
 Stay at: The Bridge Inn Business Hwy 51 Tomahawk, WI 54487 715-453-5323
 Cost: 2 people per room: \$54 + tax Additional person: \$12 + tax
 Deposit: Call the Bridge Inn. Ask for Ruth. Tell her you
 - are with the Snobirds and which nights you want. Use a credit card or send a check for \$50.00 for your deposit. Deposit must be made by December 15, 2006.

Each room is now equipped with a refrigerator and microwave. Next door there is a restaurant and bar open evenings. There are well-marked and groomed trails in Lincoln, Price, Taylor and Oneida Counties. We will have planned rides for groups, or ride on your own.

> NO SHOW - NO REFUND NO SNOW - FULL REFUND

For info: Bill Schultz 13820 Keefe Ave. Brookfield, WI 53005 262-781-5995