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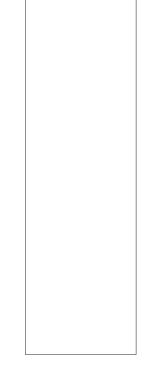




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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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 2012

13	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 7:00 p.m.
	OPEN HOUSE, special rates for new members tonight only!	
27	Board Meeting	DeAnne Standlee, 7:00 p.m.

#### ----December 2012

- 5.12.19 Snowmobile Safety Class 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. 11 Christmas Party & Dinner Schwabenhof - \$5/person refundable deposit to Scott Makowski before Nov. 30th. 26 - 1/1Boulder Junction Snofari, rooms 715-385-2825
- ----January 2013

8	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
9,16,23	Snowmobile Safety Class	6:30 to 9:30 p.m.
11-13	Tomahawk Snofari * note date change *	
22	Board Meeting	Pat Standlee, 7:00 p.m.
27	New Berlin Snowmobile Races at the VFW	
31-2/3	Eagle River Snofari	

#### ----February 2013

8-10	Carter Snofari	
12	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.

#### ----March 2013

12	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
26	Board Meeting	Scott Pinzer, 7:00 p.m

#### ----April 2013

9	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
19	Smelt Fry	
23	Board Meeting	Dave Rowley, 7:00 p.m.

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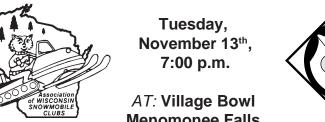
# Eagle River 2013 **Casey Wibbert**

Thurs Jan 31st to Sun Feb 3rd 2013

Days Inn of Eagle River Prices Thurs 72.00 Friday and Sat 84.00 Call 715-479-5151 for reservations

Say you're with the Snobirds when making reservations

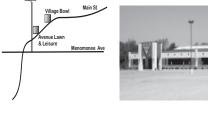
# **SNOBIRDS SNOWMOBILE CLUB Open House**



**Menomonee Falls** N86 W18830 Main Street.

Join the SNOBIRDS! Special membership pricing tonight only! Come visit the club with the most winter activities in the area! 7 pm - get acquainted, fellowship, snacks

8 pm - Club meeting





Adopt-a-Highway and picnic, October 20th



## Carter Snofari 2013, Friday Feb. 8th - Sunday 10th.

The Snobirds have been having a Snofari in the Laona/Carter area for many years. This year we will be staying at the Potawatomi Carter Casino Hotel, a 99 room lodge with an attached casino. Indoor pool, hot tub & sauna. Some of the crew will be arriving Thursday Feb. 7th. The website is <u>http://cartercasino.com/main/</u> <u>lodging/rooms-and-rates/</u> and the number to call for reservations is 800 487-9522. The block name is Snobirds. There are several room configurations available.

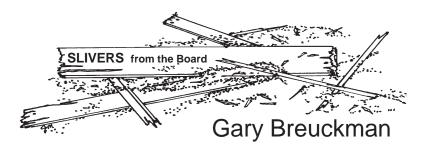
We will be having informal Bring Your Own (BYO) hospitality at a hospitality room in the evening. 7am - 8pm The Springs restaurant in the lodge offers breakfast, lunch and dinner. Food is also available 11am - 11pm at the Flame bar & grill off the casino. There is a gas station across hwy 32 from the lodge, which stays open late. The entire area has an excellent network of trails, and is known for very ridable trail conditions especially at that time of year.

Lodge address is 618 State Hwy 32, Wabeno WI 54566-9193

If you have any questions, please give me a call 414 379-2362 Dave Rowley.

# TOMAHAWK SNOFARI SUPER 8 TOMAHAWK

January 11<sup>th</sup> thru 13<sup>th</sup>. \* *note: this date changed!* \* 1-715-453-5210 Rooms under "**Snobirds Menomonee Falls.**" Free Continental Breakfast. Any questions call Scott Pinzer 414-870-1964.



At the October Board meeting we finalized the plans for the November open house meeting. Bruce Blodgett has offered to take care of the snacks. Flyers have been posted about the open house and handed out at the snow show, and we will have special pricing for new memberships that night only.

Pat had copies of the trifold brochure for anyone who wanted them, they were available and handed out at the snow show. Bob Vehring produced them, with some help for photos and other content. We initially printed 1000 of them, which should be enough for a while. When they are gone we can print more or make any changes we think may be needed. The material in the trifold is not dated so they will be good for some time.

Pat also had samples of the tshirts for some of the snofaris. He has been working again this year to have unique designs for each.

The last highway cleanup went well, as did the picnic afterwards at Lannon Park. There are pictures in this issue. We schedule three cleanups each year for our section of highway.

We've talked at the last meeting about the first aid exercises with the Menomonee Falls Fire Department, the suggested dates have been passed back to them, and we are waiting to see if they can work with them or need changes.

We sold 267 WCSA raffle tickets during our three times in the booth and in the coat check at the snow show. We had enough help to cover the times we had selected.

Don't forget to make reservations for the Christmas party, we really need them to estimate the attendance so there will be enough food for everyone. Also Scott is asking for food donations at the dinner to help the Menomonee Falls food bank.

33 memberships have renewed so far, don't forget YOURS!

# 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."

As this training is important to public and personal safety, a parent or guardian is welcome to attend with their student without paying a fee, unless they also wish to be certified. 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 5, 12 and 19 at the Menomonee Falls Community Center, W152 N8645 Margaret Rd in Menomonee Falls.

The second set of classes will be on January 9, 16 and 23.

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.

## Adopt-a-Highway Pat Standlee

Another year of Highway cleanup has come and gone.

We cleaned the highway on May 12, July 12 & October 20.

We averaged 15 - 20 people for each of the highway cleanups. That is a total of roughly 68 hours of volunteer work. We ended the year with a picnic lunch at Lannon Park after the October  $20^{\text{th}}$ cleanup.

Please consider coming out to help next year. We supply everything you need (trash bags, work gloves, safety vests, trash poker sticks), unfortunately we can't predict the weather.

Thanks again to those who participated and hope to see everyone again in 2013.

Gary Breuckman Betsy Breuckman Dave Maas Steve Biehl Ron Wendt Bill Schultz Sherri Gramoll Brian Gramoll Bruce Blogett Dave Rowley Steve Schwartz Jeff Vogel Pat Standlee De Anne Standlee Ed Pollich Bonnie Pollich John Palmer Nancy Palmer Bev Makowski Scott Makowski Judy Smiley Kim Quicker Al Schultz

Pat Standlee – Highway Cleanup Chair

### 2012 SnoBird Christmas Party

Date:- December 11, 2012

Place :- Schwabenhof N56 W14750 W. Sliver Spring Dr. Menomonee Falls, WI 53051



This is a family affair, All SnoBird members and families are invited! Time :- 6:30 P.M. Dinner:- 7:00 P.M.

Refundable \$5.00 deposit per person to Scott Makowski by November 30, 2012 for reservations. Deposit returned night of party. See him at a meeting or mail it to him at N56 W16160 Silver Spring Dr. Menomonee Falls, WI 53051.

Parents with children under 12 need to contact Betsy Breuckman (414-442-4278) so the North Pole can be aware of where to find them on that date. Children over 13 are of course invited to the dinner, but Santa will be delivering their



presents at home on Christmas eve.

Hope to see you all there having a great time celebrating the holiday!

Please bring a nonperishable food item to donate to the Menomonee Falls food bank for the needy!

## **AWSC News**

The AWSC fall workshop was held over the October 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> weekend in Stevens Point, WI at the Holiday Inn. SnoBirds had 7 members in attendance. Upon arrival and check in it was off to registration, and see what was going on. Several vendors were from insurance companies all the way to representatives of the MS Society advertising their MS ride coming up in February, Clothing reps selling AWSC wear, and Sam's Club offering discount memberships to all AWSC members. There was a small groomer show, showing off some of the new grooming equipment available this season. Of course the famous hospitality rooms as always! Lots of stories being told of days gone by as well plans for the great snow rides to come.

Then it was off to a dance with a costume contest for some fun and relaxation. Than more hospitality room time or bed for some tired out people.

Saturday started with a early morning meeting, with an update of what AWSC was up to over the last few months. What the officers have been up to. A speaker from the Department of Tourism talked to us about partnerships and how important they are to them as well as us. At the same time the Queen contestants started their quest for the right to represent the AWSC for the next year in another room. Than the all important LUNCH TIME!

David Rowley, of SnoBirds, the winner of the AWSC 2012 Snowmobiler of the Year Award arranged for a luncheon for his friends, club members of Waukesha County, SnoBirds and a few special guests with the help of Bruce Blodgett.

After lunch it was off to the workshops being held. Two Youth workshops, a Wisconsin DNR recertification and update, Social Media, Groomer Tips & Tricks, Trail Maintenance & Signing, Club Reimbursement Funds from the State/ How to do the paperwork and Project & Property Planning with the DNR & DOT. So we split our group in order to get to as many of these as we could. A silent Auction started at 4 P.M. and ran until 9 P.M. with proceeds going to the scholarship funds to benefit deserving snowmobiling youth going on to school to further their education. High school seniors can download an application from the AWSC web page to apply. These are due by February 1, 2013 to the AWSC. Last year over 6,500.00 worth of scholarships were given away.

A banquet was held where all of the year awards were giving out to many deserving people, of important to us was David Rowley being named 2012 AWSC Snowmobiler of the year, with his family and friends in attendance. The current Miss Snowflake gave a farewell address (Emily Bauer) and the NEW Miss Snowflake (Alexus Butler) from Dodge County was crowned. After this it was out to the silent auction/ dance/ and or hospitality rooms.

Sunday morning the AWSC directors met at 8:30 A.M. After which it was head for home. It was a very busy weekend with a lot getting accomplished. It looks like AWSC will be again working to get the Cap/ Step program though the legislature this upcoming season once the new legislatures are in office.

#### **One Day Safety Class**

Held at the Milwaukee Snow Show October 13, 2012

SnoBirds put on a 1 day snowmobile safety class in conjunction with the Milwaukee Snow Show. We had 58 students who attended and passed the DNR test allowing them to ride by themselves this winter. This was a 9 hour, all day class conducted by mostly SnoBird instructors. It covers all the basics of snowmobile safety procedures and is required by all riders born after January 1, 1985. Those under the age of 16 are required (classroom) to take a hands on safety class while those older individuals can go on line with the DNR website and take the class there.

Our THANKS to all the instructors who volunteered their time to make this a successful SnoBird venture for the 10<sup>th</sup> year in a row.