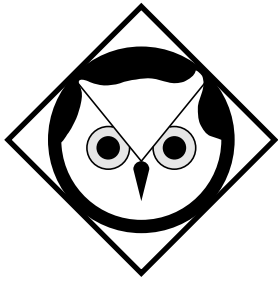


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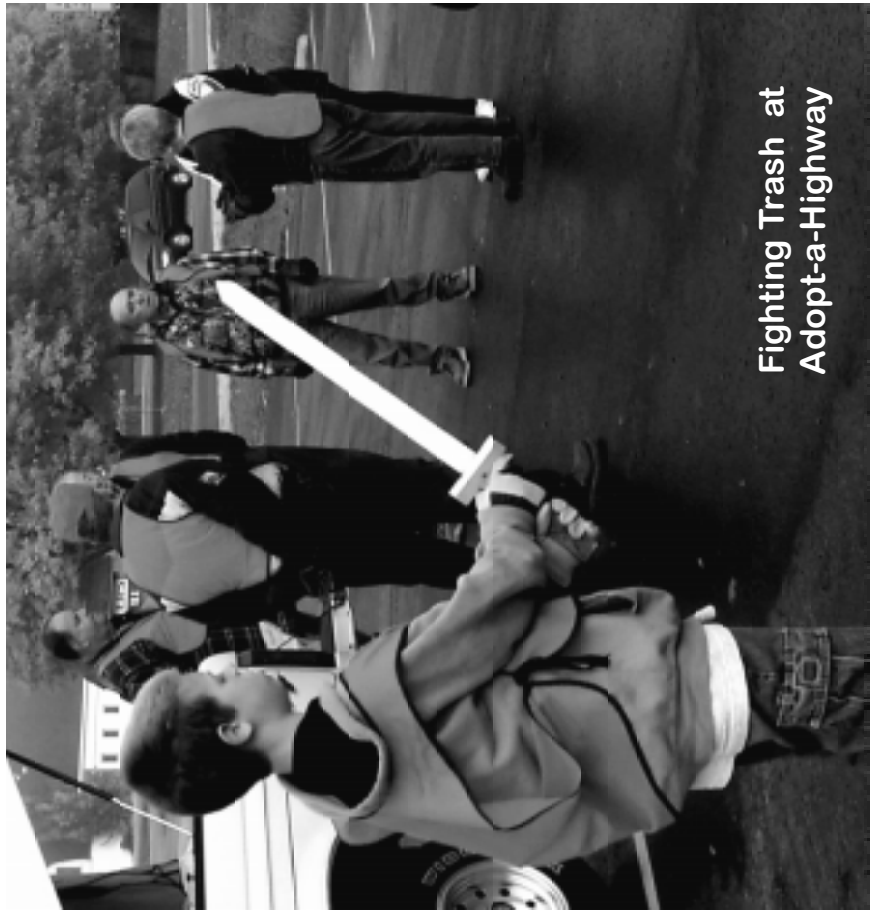
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

Snobirds meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., at the Village Bowl in Memononee Falls, N86 W18830 Main St.

Please join us! Guests are welcome!

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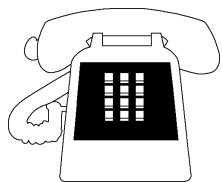
- 11 General Meeting Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
- 13 Safety Instructor updates Slinger, 6:30 pm
- 13 - 15 Green Bay snow show
- 16 Menomonee Falls Christmas Parade (4 pm, meet at Pollich's noon)
- 25 Board Meeting Jim Nuck, 7:30 p.m.

-- December 2003

- 3, 10, 17 Safety School MF Rec Dept., 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
- 9 General Meeting Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 7:30 p.m.
Come early for the Christmas party!
- 18 - 21 Guy's Ride, Bill Schultz
- 27 - 30 Washburn Snofari, Ed Pollich
- 31 - Jan 3 Boulder Junction, New Years, Ed Pollich

--- January 2004

- 7, 14, 21 Safety School MF Rec Dept., 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
- 13 General Meeting Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
- 15 - 18 Tomahawk Snofari, Bill Schultz
- 24 - Feb 1 Tower MN - Manitoba CA Snofari, Dan Skell
- 29 - 31 Phillips Snofari, Ed Pollich



Event Hotline, 252-INFO (252-4636)

see our club information on the Internet
at <http://www.snobirds.org/>

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WCSA Report

The new Waukesha County Trail Map will be available around the middle of December. There's expected to be several changes to the map due to all the major development being done in Waukesha County.

Search and Rescue volunteers will be able to get your required picture I.D. cards on Saturday November 15, 2003 between 8 A. M. and 12 P.M. (noon) at the Waukesha County sheriff's department located behind the Court House on Moreland Blvd. This will be the ONLY Saturday this can be done. Other times between 8 A. M. and 4 P. M. can be arranged by calling ahead.

The counties Christmas Party and Raffle drawing is to be held on December 10, 2003 at the Hunter's Nest in Muskego. Anyone planning to attend, please notify Bev Makowski or Steve Schuh so that a count can be given by December 5, 2003. Anyone that would like to attend can. Meeting starts at 8 P.M.

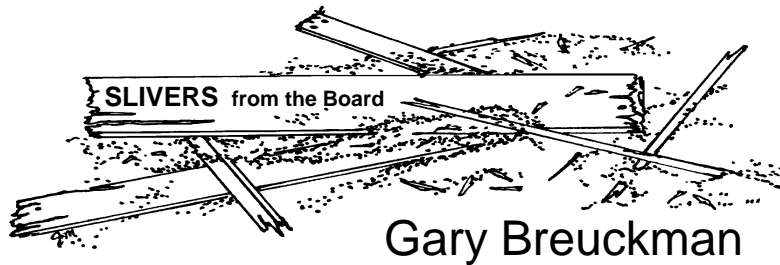
Slivers from the Board, continued...

The parade is at 4 pm, but we will be working on the float at the Pollich's house starting at Noon on Sunday. N84 W15120 Menomonee Avenue in the Falls, come help with the parade and party a bit afterwards.

The **AWSC workshop** is over. Steve Schuh summarized it for the Board at our meeting, and it will be discussed at the next club meeting also. Some of the topics included new regulations for registration of antique snowmobiles, the new sound requirements and testing, and pending ATV law changes.

We have 15 students signed up for our December **safety class**, and expect two to three times that by the time it starts.

We've accepted 48 **memberships** so far, be sure to get your's in!



Northern Minnesota and Manitoba Canada Snofari

January 24 through February 1, 2004

Saturday: Trailer sled to Tower, MN

Sunday: Snowmobile from Tower to Baudette, MN

Monday through Friday: Tour Manitoba, Canada, led by experienced guides

Package price for the five days and four nights includes:

- Guide service
- Manitoba snowmobile pass
- Lodging - each person own bed
- Morning buffet breakfasts
- Evening buffet dinners
- Lunch, gas and personal expenses are not included

Cost for Canada portion of the trip is \$420.00 per person. A deposit of \$125.00 required when signing up for trip. Additional expenses are yours.

NO SNOW - FULL REFUND

NO SHOW - NO REFUND

Saturday: Snowmobile back to Tower

Sunday: Trailer sled home

To sign up or for more information contact:

Dan Skell
6048 Eagle Point Rd.
Hartford, WI 53027
262-673-3633

Planning for many winter trips is underway, there are articles in this issue for many of them. Some of the trips are more 'play it by ear' and adventurous than others, but be sure to book rooms before they either fill up or the room blocks expire.

Planning is also underway for our **Christmas party** at the general meeting on December 9th. If you have youngsters under 12, and plan to be at the meeting, please call Santa's helper Betsy Breuckman at 414-442-4278 so we can have something for Santa to give to them. Any home-made goodies (cakes, cookies, etc.) that you would like to bring to the party would be appreciated. Pitchers of beer and soda will be provided by the club from 7:30 to 10:00.

Speaking of youngsters, despite the swordplay shown on the cover the younger members are a big help at the **Adopt-a-Highway** cleanup sessions. We just completed the final cleanup for this year, thanks to all who come out.

AWSC is also looking at what can be done to interest younger folks in snowmobiling, including youth clubs or youth groups at existing clubs. If you have any ideas, bring them to a meeting.

Over 400 WCSA raffle tickets were sold by club members at the Milwaukee snow show. Thanks to those who helped. We did not have our own booth this year, but sold tickets at the WCSA booth.

The Menomonee Falls **Christmas Parade** is coming up on Sunday November 16th, **continued...**

Tomahawk Snofari

January 14th - 18th, 2004

- Arrive: Wednesday, January 14th or
Thursday, January 15th or
Friday, January 16th
- Stay at: The Bridge Inn
Business Hwy 51
Tomahawk, WI 54487
715-453-5323
- Cost: 2 people per room: \$48 + tax
Additional person: \$10 + 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 Decem-
ber 12, 2003.

Well-marked and groomed trails in Lincoln, Price, Taylor and Oneida Counties. We will have planned rides for groups, or ride on your own. Restaurant and bar is next door to the motel.

NO SHOW - NO REFUND
NO SNOW - FULL REFUND

For info: Bill Schultz
13820 Keefe Ave.
Brookfield, WI 53005
262-780-5995

GUYS' RIDE

December 18th -21st, 2003

Location will be determined on December 15, 2003. If you think you may like to go, please call me before December 13, 2003. I will call you on December 15, 2003 and give you the location and the cost of a room. At that time you can decide to go or not. No deposit is needed.

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

**If interested or have questions, call
Bill Schultz, 262-781-5995**

Phillips Skyline Motel

Price County

10 Rooms blocked till December 10

January 29-30-31
\$53.00 + Taxes

Hot Tub, Continental Breakfast, Supper Club next door,
Telephone 1-800-596-0407
Please tell them you are a Snobird, and tell me you are coming.
Ed Pollich, 262-251-2314

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 for certification of snowmobile operators in the state of Wisconsin.

State requirements are: 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.

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

At the end of the third class there will be a written test on the material covered. Students passing the test will receive certification.

We have two sets of indoor sessions scheduled this season. Total cost is \$10.00 The first set will be December 3rd, 10th and 17th. The second set of classes will be January 7th, 14th and 21st. All of these dates are Wednesdays.

All classes are from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm at the Menomonee Falls Recreation Dept., W152 N8645 Margaret Rd In the Falls, for reservations call Gary Breuckman at 414-442-4278.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Scott Makowski

Once again, it's my honor and privilege to represent you as the President of our club. I urge you to join in the fun and camaraderie we have as club members of one of the best clubs around by coming to the meetings. As many of you know we have changed our meeting place (Village Bowl) and date (2nd Tuesday) at 8:00 P.M. every month. Families are always encouraged to attend and join in the fun that comes with club membership.

The Menomonee Falls Christmas Parade will take place on November 16, 2003 and we will have a float in the parade. The Pollich family has once again agreed to let us build the float in front of their home on Menomonee Ave. which is just a short distance from the parade route. We will start constructing the float at 12 P.M. (noon). Everyone is invited to join in on the fun of decorating the float. Refreshments will be served.

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on December 9, 2003 starting at 7:30 P.M. (early start) at the Village Bowl (our new home). Those of you with young children, please register them with Betsy Breuckman at 414-442-4278 so they don't get forgotten.

As of the writing of this article we have 9 winter snofari's on our calendar. Anyone wishing to add anything to the calendar can do so by coming to a meeting and informing us of the event. Hopefully, once we have some SNOW on the ground we will be able to plan some 1 day events.

Memberships are now overdue so if you have not sent yours in you need to soon. You don't want to miss out on any of the fun events.

"Good Luck" to all of you who are going deer hunting in the next couple of weeks. May it be a safe and successful hunt. While saying your prayers for that "big buck" mention a great snowmobile season also. That's all I have for now except to say

"THINK SNOW"

AWSC NEWS

The annual workshop was held on October 24-26, 2003 in Stevens Point, Wisconsin. The enthusiasm shown by those in attendance was outstanding. It has been quite a while since I have seen everyone so up beat about the winter ahead.

Secretary of Tourism, Jim Holperin, stated that his department was spending \$800,000 on winter tourism this year. A new State Trail map was made available to those in attendance. If you would like one you can get it by calling 1-800-432-TRIP or on the internet at www.travelwisconsin.com to request one.

Leon LaVigne, the program manager for the National Forests in our area informed us that the comment period for the Nicolet-Chequamegon issue is now over. If after the committee reviews the comments they will deliver their decision on which plan is best. Special interest groups (like AWSC) if they don't agree can at that time appeal the decision which then needs to go to hearings. Appeals are not unusual in matters like this. He stated that regardless of which plan is selected that NO miles of trails should be lost, just moved around some. There should be no cost to our snowmobile program to move these trails.

Senator Russ Feingold also spoke to the group on a bill he has put forth in the Senate (in Washington) to prevent employers from not allowing your health insurance to cover you while you partake in dangerous recreational sports of which Snowmobiling is considered one. AWSC decided to send a letter of support for this bill to all Washington D.C, legislators.

Closer to home, AWSC was asked to give its support to 2 ATV bills now in our state legislature in Madison. Both bills would help several counties have more maintenance monies and law enforcement where multi-use trails are allowed. These bills concern gas tax and enforcement issues and have nothing to do with land use. AWSC agreed to support these bills with a letter of support to the legislators. This does not mean AWSC will back all ATV legislation.

Stay informed and remember

“UNITED WE TRAIL-DIVIDED WE FAIL”

LAONA "2004" SNOFARI

at the Cheney Motel
Superb Trail Ride Weekend

Thursday through Sunday
February 5 - 8, 2004

Plan: Group rides available or ride on your own

Place: CHENEY Motel, Large & Modern
Hwy 32, West side of town, On the Trail
Supper Club on site, fine Steak dinners
Coffee available in all rooms.

TRAIL RIDE FEATURES:

Ride the 100 Mile Snofari and Lumberjack Memorial Trails through the Heart of Nicolet National Forest Countryside
250 Miles + of weekend trail riding planned

This area offers mile after mile of superbly groomed trails, adequately spaced pit stops with gas & oil, food & beverage and 2 casinos are also within riding distance.

Some waterbeds and no-smoking rooms available on a 1st come 1st serve basis. 20 rooms reserved. Rooms available for club members only through December 24th. Non-members may sign up after that date if any rooms are available. Sign up for 2 days, 3 days, or more.

For Room Assignments or Additional Information contact:

Club sign-up
ends Dec 24th

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