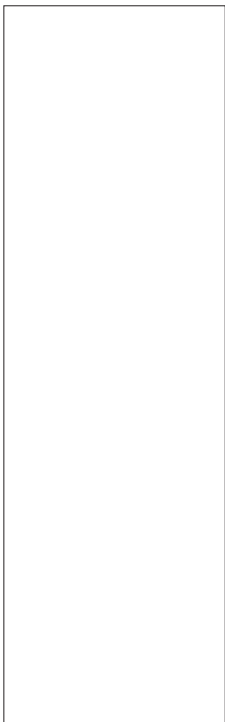


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September 2008 

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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!**

---- September 2008

9	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
20	WCSA Picnic	interested, contact Bev Makowski
23	Board Meeting	Bonnie Pollich, 6:30 p.m.

---- October 2008

5	Swap meet	New Berlin Sno Hawks, VFW, 179th & Beloit
14	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
17,18,19	Milwaukee Snow Show, WCSA swap meet	State Fair Park
18	WCSA Snowmobile Safety Class	Scott Makowski, State Fair Park
24,25,26	AWSC Workshop, Stevens Point	
28	Board Meeting	Scott Makowski, 6:30 p.m.

---- November 2008

11	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.	
25	Board Meeting	Dave Rowley, 6:30 p.m.

---- December 2008

3,10,17	Snowmobile Safety Class	Menomonee Falls Community Center
9	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.

---- January 2009

7,14,21	Snowmobile Safety Class	Menomonee Falls Community Center
13	General Meeting	Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.

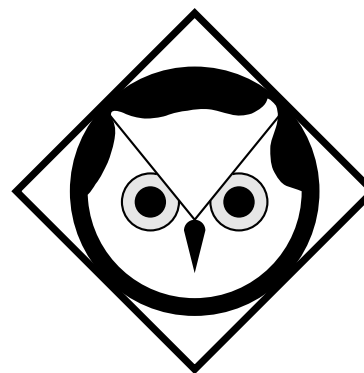


Event Hotline, **252-INFO** (252-4636)

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

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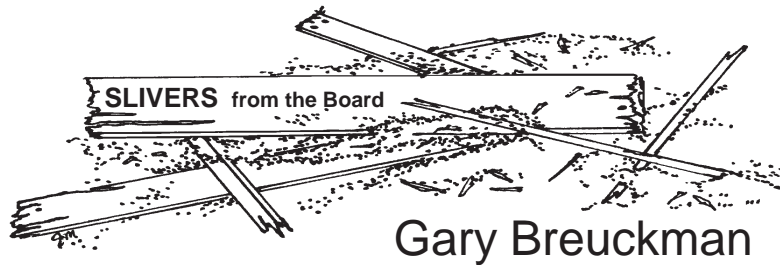
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Gary Breuckman

It's been a busy last month or so. The picnic and corn roast were really great. Al Schultz once again opened his property at Pewaukee Lake for us, and despite a brief storm that blew over quickly, everyone had a great time. We had pork steak sandwiches, hamburgers, hot dogs, all the fixins, lots of desserts... what more could you want.

Fortunately, the lake had time to recover from all the heavy rains, so the pier was in, there were pontoon boat rides, all had a great time.

We also had a corn roast three days later - too much fun too fast - but an incentive to come to our election meeting. Al Schultz and Sue Flaherty had expiring terms on Board of Directors and chose not to re-run. My term was expiring, and I was re-elected (thank you!) as well as two new Board members, Dean Havel and Joe Schumitsch.

At our Board meeting two weeks later, the club officers were elected by the Board - not a lot of changes, the list is in this issue.

Other new items, we will be at the Snow Show with WCSA raffle tickets, helping with the WCSA Safety School at the Snow Show, holding our own Safety Schools in December and January, holding an open house (worked well last year) at the November 11th meeting, planning our annual Christmas Party, and the Smelt Fry on April 17th.

Mary Culver has passed away, the club extends our sympathy to Ralph Culver and family.



A.W.S.C. Bev Makowski

Director's Notes From July 13, 2008 Meeting in Deforest

PRESIDENT REPORT— Moved the AWSC office from Appleton to Deforest. Went to the D.C. Fly-In—. Met with all of Wis. Congress Staff's. Had good meetings. International Congress— Talked to New York about the “ Club Assistance Program”, our CAP PROGRAM. Have a program that they think will work for Wis., but has to go to the DNR, first, for approval, before the Directors get to see or hear about the program.

OFFICE MANAGER— Thanked all Director's and AWSC members for welcoming her to our organization. This was her 1st big AWSC event.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LEGISLATIVE— Personal Property Tax, on Groomer's will **EVENTUALLY EXPAND OVER THE WHOLE STATE**. AWSC has plans, to **TRY**, to get a Legislation change passed, so this personal property tax will not take place. What a definition of a State Trail is, does not include the word Snowmobile. Plans are to get the word snowmobile added to the definition. The out-of-state fees now go to the general snowmobile fund. Plans are to change this through legislative action to go to the supplemental fund. Earliest this could happen, would be for the fiscal year 2010. Plans are for a Legislative day at the Capitol in January sometime, on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. Buses may be available, or Co.'s could get a bus on their own. 30 to 40 people needed to fill a bus.

NEED A GOOD SHOWING FOR THIS EVENT!!!!

MAGAZINE— Look for a freshen-up look to the magazine.

SAFETY/EDUCATION— Will have 1 session at Fall Workshop. Hope to have New student/Instructor manuals there. Most instructors feel a DNR Warden, is not needed at their Safety Classes. The DNR's time, could be better used out patrolling our trails, in winter, then in out classes. Most Instructors classes have at least 1 person that can do a good job in teaching the Law Portion of the class.

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SCHOLARSHIP——Will again have a Silent Auction, at the Fall Workshop. If you would like to donate an item to the auction, please get it to your Director.

FUND RAISING——CLUB ONLY—Raffle tickets will increase from 1500 to 2000 tickets available to the clubs. Price will remain the same \$10.00 each ticket. Tickets will be mailed from AWSC office to club officer. Prizes are:::: 1st Triton enclosed trailer 2nd Polaris youth 120 snowmobile 3rd Yellowstone vacation pkg.

CLUB ASSISTANCE RAFFLE— Tickets \$2.00 each. Director will bring back some tickets for clubs. PRIZES ARE::::: 1ST 2010 Ski Doo MXZ SS 597 cc 2nd 42" LCD HD LG TV 3rd Load master trailer 4th Eagle River vacation pkg. in deluxe Condo for 4 people

NEW BUSINESS——Country Springs Hotel, where our Fall Workshop is held, is now called RAMDA INN. Same place, same Hotel, different hotel name. You can call for a room @ 1-800-998-2311, for rooms for the Fall Workshop.

“ MISSION STATEMENT ”

The Safety/ Education Committee came up with this MISSION STATEMENT, when someone is questioned by the news media. This is the response that should be used when asked about snowmobiling and drunk driving. This is our stance at this time.

Recommended by the AWSC Safety & Education Committee

Unanimously Approved & Adopted by the AWSC Board of Directors on 7-13-2008 Meeting

- 1) THE AWSC SUPPORTS SAFE; RESPONSIBLE SNOWMOBILING.
- 2) THE AWSC SUPPORTS THE EDUCATION OF SNOWMOBILERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ABOUT SAFETY AND RESPONSIBILITY ON THE SNOWMOBILE TRAILS.
- 3) THE AWSC SUPPORTS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING LAWS.

We suggest you only say these 3 statements to protect our sport. The Media has a way of twisting whatever we say to them.

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY TO THE MEDIA.

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 3, 10 and 17 at the Menomonee Falls Community Center, W152 N8645 Margaret Rd in Menomonee Falls. The second set of classes will be on January 7, 14 and 21. 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.



