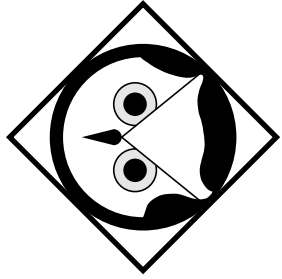
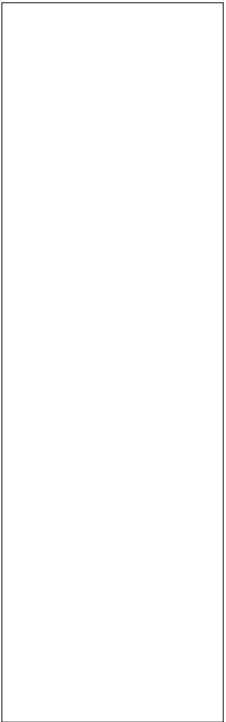


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(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 2009

8 General Meeting Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
11, 12 Rob Performance Open House
19 Mid-Cities Open House 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. (N of West Bend)
20 Swap Meet, Slinger Bowl
22 Board Meeting Scott Makowski, 6:30 p.m.

---- October 2009

4 Suburban Sno Hawks Swap meet New Berlin VFW, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
13 General Meeting Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 8 p.m.
16-18 Milwaukee Snow Show State Fair Park
17 WCSA Safety Class, at the Snow Show
23-25 AWSA Workshop, Stevens Point
24 Adopt-a-Highway Joe Mingari, meet at Whiskey Corners 9 a.m.
27 Board Meeting Bonnie Pollich, 6:30 p.m.

---- November 2009

10 Open House Village Bowl, Menomonee Falls, 7 p.m.
General Meeting 8 p.m.
24 Board Meeting Dave Rowley, 6:30 p.m.

---- December 2009

2,9,16 Safety School Gary Breuckman, Menom Falls Community Center
8 Christmas Party and Dinner Richfield Chalet, 7 p.m.



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Adopt-a-Highway 2009

Second Adopt-a-Highway, 2009

As is the general rule, when a call goes out, Snobirds respond.

We had the usual suspects and participants plus a couple of newbies. In all, thirteen members and friends were in attendance to make this cleanup effort successful.

While I had no idea of how many players there would be, I really did not have to fret. With that many helpers we got the job done in only one and a half hours.

We also discovered that we were out to do the cleanup before the county mowed the right-of-way. This meant that instead of picking up 47 pieces, there was only one piece.

We used very few bags as there was very little litter along Hy 74. Yes it's true, Al and I both found some lingerie, but I won't go there.

The debriefing at Whiskey Corners went very well and we were a good group as no one got out of hand. Ron got close but we were able to hold him down.

Well appreciated participants were:

Steve Biehl, Gary & Betsy Breuckman, Dean Havel & Sue Guetzke, Scott & Bev Makowski, Al Schultz, Bill Schultz, Judy Smiley, Ron Wendt and Judy M.

Please make note of the date change for the last cleanup, it will be October 24th, that is a Saturday and Starts at nine AM.

I again want to thank all my helpers and look forward to seeing that many in October.

Joe M

AWSC Director's Report

Bev Makowski

Director's Report

July 19, 2009 @ De Forest, WI

President's Report—Our AWSC snowmobile year is March 1, 2009 to February 28, 2010. Need ads for our state magazine. If you know of any, contact Cathy Hanson. Our accidental death benefit has increased from \$1,000 to \$2,000 for AWSC members in good standing. Someone in your club should have received a yellow letter on this. We have new commercial sponsor decals for the widows.

V. President—He went to D.C. Fly-in and International Congress. His reports were not complete, so I have no further info on this. Donna White, was elected to Chair of “Midwest Chapter Of ACSA.” She is one of our own, so we do congratulate her. Wisconsin did sell the most ACSA calendars, for the Midwest Chapter.

Treasurers Report—The report was read to the Directors.

Ex Director—ISC wants AWSC to host the International Congress in 2013. It will be discussed at the Workshop Director's meeting. More info is being worked on to bring to us at Workshop.

Officer Manager—Big mailing going out to clubs in August. New computer system is up and running. Have a new roster program.

Blue Ribbon—Need to have a membership, (dues \$25.00) to get the magazine. Memberships are down, due to the economy. August

19th is election of officers, for Blue Ribbon. Orv Langohr is again running for President.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Audit—Everything is in good shape.

Environmental— Federal bills need watching.

Fund Raising—2009-2010 Raffles Club Assistance Raffle Prizes—

1) Snowmobile Polaris IQ 600 2) Nascar Tickets to Bristol Speedway in Tenn. 4 tickets to Truck, Nationwide, & Sprint cup races. 3) Loadmaster Trailer 4) Eagle River Vacation pkg. Club Only Raffle Prizes— 1) Triton Enclosed Trailer 2) Youth Snowmobile 3) Yellowstone Vacation pkg. Silent Auction will again be held at Fall Workshop, to benefit the Scholarship Committee. If you have any items to donate to the Auction, please give them to me or Scott.

Legislative—The CAP Program is still a work in progress. A new bill being introduced in the legislature “Thrill Kill”. AWSC supports this bill, Please contact your legislators and ask them to support it also. This would make illegal to kill for the thrill of it.

Magazine—New look for new magazine. Your comments are welcome on new magazine. Youth profile new to magazine, sponsored by special advertisers. Sept. 09 will be our 1st new issue.

Membership—50/50 rebate program dropped.

Safety & education—One day classes are a problem. These instructors are not following the guidelines, for the one day classes, from the DNR. New Instructor and Student manuals are now ready. Can get them from the DNR. Driving portion can be required, but

shouldn't fail the student for this part of the course. Gary Eddy of the DNR was in attendance at our Committee meeting.

Multi-Use Trails—Paving is a big thing on lots of trails. Be aware of what's going on in your area. In many cases this is being paid for by monies (stimulus) from the government. Watch for public hearings on this matter. Voice your feelings.

Scholarship—Have had about 60 applicants each year. This is the most applicants in the nation. Applications for this will be available after Fall Workshop. Deadline to return applications is Feb. 1, 2010.

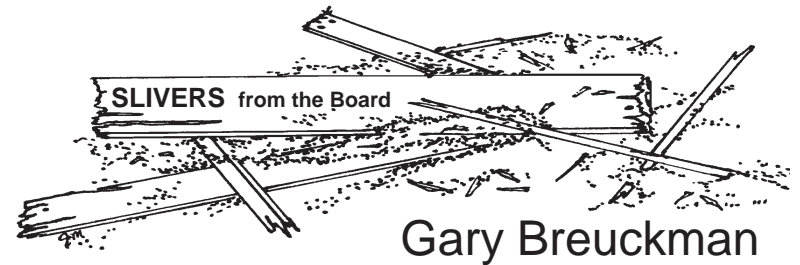
Trails—Groomer surveys sent out to County Co-Coordinators, fill it out and get it back to Governors Counsel (DNR). Rates to stay the same for Grooming equipment. New bridges will go from 12,000 lbs to 20,000 lbs shortly.

Youth—Looking for youth Reps. They have a page on Facebook. Food Drive at Workshop will be run and sponsored by the youth. Bring food items to Co. Meeting, for me to take to Workshop for the youth room.

Policies & Procedures—Working on getting this committee started.

New Business—Co. Association needs to fill out Charity surveys and send them back. No Snow Show at Fall Workshop. Convention 2010 update, No tour of Lambeau Field, due to "Fan Fest" being held that weekend. No tours that weekend. Youth Group will have a "Vegas Night" instead, Saturday afternoon. Summer Director's Meeting will be in Sheboygan County in July, 2010.

"Thrill-Kill Bill" Legislation, to be introduced on July 23, 2009. Will take away privileges of people who kill things, for just something to do. AWSC Trailer will be at "Hay Days".



I hope everyone who wanted to come did, and enjoyed the picnic and corn roast. I know there's never a perfect time, and some folks had conflicts. We had more food than usual left over from the picnic. A few folks with reservations couldn't come, and some who did come left before the time the food was served. Usually we have the leftover food at the corn roast, and also buy some brats and dogs. This time we had enough left that all we bought was the corn. I think everyone had a great time.

The Board elections were the night of the corn roast. We had three people on the ballot, and were also expecting a write-in candidate or two, but that didn't happen, so the three were elected unanimously. Congratulations to John Palmer, Bonnie Pollich, and Dave Rowley. At the following Board meeting we elected club officers, Board Chairman - myself, Club President - Dean Havel, Vice-President - Tom Pollich, Secretary - De Anne Standlee, Treasurer - Kim Quicker, and Board Secretary - Scott Makowski.

We selected a tentative date for the Smelt Fry - April 16th - which is NOT yet confirmed. Second choice is April 23rd.

We've been looking at a LOT of places for the Christmas party. Sussex Bowl was too expensive last time, lost some of the food until the end, and was FREEZING. Other places have restrictions on catering or drinks, or are too small. The final choice was the Chalet in Richfield.

Our safety schools are set for December 2, 9, 16 and January 6, 13, 20. WCSA also has a one-day class at the Snow Show.

Local Rides

Bill Schultz

The past two seasons we had plenty of snow to ride southeastern Wisconsin. Last year I rode a couple of times, this year many more, but I did not see or have many Snobirds interested. I thought I'd write an article about some of my rides and maybe create more interest for next season, if we get snow.

We started from DeNoon Park which is about 6 miles southwest of I-43 and Moreland Rd. We started on Waukesha County trails which were very nice and then went into Racine County. Racine had perfectly groomed trails with all intersections marked. We connected with Walworth County trails, but only went a couple of miles in Walworth because the trails were so rough. Back in Racine we rode all day on smooth trails. There are enough trails to ride for a couple of days without duplicating any. Most of Racine County trails are on farmers' fields.

We started in downtown Dousman, WI parking next to the fire station on Main Street. There we were at the Glacial Drumlin Trail which is an abandoned railroad, which was nicely groomed. Dousman is near the intersection of Hwy 18 and Hwy 67. We took the trail west to Jefferson County where the trails are well groomed and well marked. Again you could spend a couple of days on new trails in Jefferson each day.

We started at the north end of the South Kettle Moraine Forest. The parking lot is about 2 blocks south of the intersection of Hwy 67 and CI. CI is about 7 miles south of Hwy 67 and I-94. We rode the Kettle Moraine Forest trails which wind back and forth, go up and down, always between trees. A few stops were Eagle, Old World Wisconsin and Palmyra. The forest main trail connects with a trail that goes to Eagle Spring Lake and Phantom Lake. It also goes into Walworth County, but we did not go there. There are maps of the

forest trails at most intersections. You need them so you do not get lost going in circles on the many loop trails. All these trails were groomed and smooth. Thank you Waukesha County Groomers!

We started in the City of Kewaskum. We parked in a public lot which is one block east of where Hwy 28 going east and Hwy 45 intersect in Kewaskum. The trail is right at the lot. It is an abandoned railroad which I was told goes from West Bend to just south of Fond du Lac. Both times we went south to start but found the snow rather skimpy. Going north of Kewaskum was fantastic. We found our way to the North Kettle Moraine Forest where the trails were again all in forest land and going left, right, up and down through woods. There are many trails off the main forest trail that get you on trails in Fond du Lac and Sheboygan Counties. You could spend many days finding new trails and travel many miles. Again all the trails were groomed and well marked.

We started at the Village Bowl which is, of course, right at the Bug Line. Our plan was to go to Holy Hill and that area. The trails in Waukesha County were terrific, but as soon as we hit Washington County the trails were all bumps. We turned around and took corridor #36 west through Dodge County and into Jefferson County. All well-marked smooth trails.

Just north of Oconomowoc where Hwy 16 and Hwy 67 intersect we got off on Hwy 67 going north. We went north about 1/2 block to the first street on the west of Hwy 67 where you will see a parking lot. If you go north along the ditch on Hwy 67 about one block you will be on the Waukesha County trails. Stay going north on the trail about 3 miles and you will be at the beginning of Dodge County trails. We went north to Waupun, over to Fox Lake, Beaver Dam and Juneau, all on beautiful smooth trails. Intersections are well marked. There are many miles of great riding in Dodge County.

All the starting places I mentioned are 45 minutes or less from Brookfield. Each day I spent \$25.00 or less, which included gas in the tow vehicle, gas in the sled, lunch and Pepsi stops. You can start in the morning, ride 100 miles or more, see some great sights and be back home for dinner. Try it! You'll like it!

