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### St. Germain Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club

Celebrating more than 50 years of Snowmobiling!

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Besides shopping for that perfect gift, there is another important thing that needs to be done before we can begin our snowmobiling season. That important thing is getting our snowmobile and gear ready to ride. Now is the time to try on your clothing and boots. If for some reason they do not fit or are a bit worn out, now is the time to get it on Santa's list. There are several advertisers on our map that will have the exact gear you need to make sure you have a comfortable ride when the snow does arrive.

In our Safety Class we emphasize that you check the throttle to make sure it snaps back and is not stuck. The brake lever should be firm, and you should not be able to squeeze it to the handlebar. This will ensure that the throttle is not stuck open, and you have brakes. Make sure you have headlights and tail/brake lights. Also, your snowmobile will need to be started and the fluid levels checked so when the day does come to hit the trails, you can start riding without fear of a breakdown.

For our out-of-town members, make sure you check our website for snowmobile and cabin rentals. There are links on our website that will direct you to our faithful sponsors and map advertisers.

Our grooming crew and the signing guys have ridden the trails multiple times to ensure the brush is trimmed back, and we are fully signed and ready to go. All we need now is cold weather and a good base of snow.

Yippee; it's snowmobile season!!!

~ Bob 'Ozzie' Ausloos, President







Tuesday, December 13th Whitetail Inn

Cocktails: 6 pm Dinner Payment Due: 6:45 pm Dinner: 7 pm

Menu Selection

- ♦ Stuffed Pork Loin
- ♦ 1/2 Chicken
- Orange Honey Glazed Salmon

The cost is \$33/person, and all dinners include salad, potato, vegetable, dessert, coffee, tax and tip.

Members are responsible for payment of their reservation whether they attend or not. Make checks payable to Whitetail Inn.

#### Please RSVP by Friday, December 2.

~ *Kay Schultz*, *Secretary* (715) 542-3912



## FROM THE TRAIL BOSS

I would like to express my personal thanks to the 56 club members who showed up for the Club Brushing Day ... a new record! I also want to thank Bobbie at The Timbers Bar & Grill for her hospitality, and Joe Reid at Spang's Pizza & Pasta for again donating twelve pizzas for the crew. Joe has been such a great supporter of our club over the years by (among other things) donating pizzas for our party; from the bottom of my heart, THANKS JOE!!!!

We are still seeing some crazy weather patterns as we head towards late November. We were brushing in the high 60's, which held on into November, and then received 2" of snow by mid-month. We were able to get all our snow fence installed before the snow came. The repair work on the ramp to Little Saint Germain Lake near the corner store was completed in fairly good weather. We are still waiting for our new tractor, but expect it by the end of November.

Next month we should be up and running if we get the snow.

Happy Trails!

~ Jim Wendt, Trail Boss

# ✓ MAKE YOUR LIST✓ CHECK IT TWICE✓ SHOP THE BO-BOEN STORE

Men's & Ladies Clothing
Quarter-Zips
Crewneck & Hooded Sweatshirts
Fleece & Puffer Vests
Jackets
Dress Shirts
Long & Short Sleeve T-shirts
Hats & Tumblers

You're sure to find something for all of the sledders on your shopping list in the <u>Bo-Boen Store</u>. All proceeds are used for our grooming operations

and trail maintenance.

https://boboen.com/store

Thank you for your support!

## **GIVE WHAT YOU CAN**



## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13th WHITETAIL INN

It's almost that time of year to open our hearts to those less fortunate. At our annual Christmas party at the Whitetail Inn on December 13th, we will be collecting for the Vilas Food Pantry.

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated, as the food pantry works with local grocers to get vouchers for meat and fresh vegetables. Thank you to our incredibly generous Secret Santa's (Bob & Judy Schell), who will again match the cash donations collected at the party!

Non-perishable food and personal care items that are needed most are cereals, granola bars, canned meat, boxed dinners, and peanut butter; and toiletries such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste, deodorant, etc. Please separate canned items from boxed items, if possible.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

"Little by little, a little becomes A LOT"



## SECRETARY'S REPORT & MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow. And that is exactly what it did as I sat down to write this month's report! It is supposed to remain cold so the snow should last for the deer hunters. Speaking of which, we had a beautiful eight-point buck in our front yard this morning followed by a yearling spiker. All of this means one thing: the snowmobile season is right around the corner. Hope you and your machines are ready.

On November 8th, we had another great dinner at Knocker's that was attended by 55 members. Thanks to Shelley, Barry, Connie, Brenda and anyone else responsible for the great food and service. The menu for the December (Christmas) dinner can be found in this newsletter. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE ... when you are done reading this newsletter, call and make your reservations early. Also, please mark your calendars that the March membership and election dinner has been changed to Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

Happy Thanksgiving!

~ Kay Schultz, Secretary





Tickets for our highly anticipated club cash raffle will soon be available. Tickets will be \$100 each, with a maximum of 100 tickets sold.

Cash Prizes are 1<sup>st</sup> \$3000, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$1000, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$1000. 4<sup>th</sup> \$500, 5<sup>th</sup> \$500.

To date, the following businesses will have tickets available in mid-December:

> **Bauer's Dam Resort** Fibber's Bar & Restaurant **Knockers Pizza Company** Paul's Rent-All Sportsmen's Chalet St. Germain Sport Marine The Timbers Bar & Grill

Out-of-town members wishing to reserve a ticket can send a note via e-mail to info@boboen.com. We will arrange to have ticket(s) available for you. The drawing will be held at our March dinner meeting, and as usual, you need not be present to win.

If your business would like to have tickets to sell, please contact Ed Siergiej at (715) 493-7736.

## 41st Annual Apple Dumpling Kick-Off Dinner

The Apple Dumpling Gang held the kick-off dinner for their 41st riding season on Saturday, November 5th at Clearview Supper Club. There were 20 Dumplings, 3 newcomers, and 17 spouses in attendance. Thank you to Kris, Connie, Shawn and the entire crew for a wonderful evening!

The Dumpling Wednesday rides start on December 14th at 9 a.m. at the Bo-Boen groomer barn, and continue every week that conditions are favorable and the trails are open.

There is a 3-day overnight trip to Pembine, Wisconsin planned for Wednesday, January 11th through Friday, January 13th. The deadline to book a room at The Four Seasons Island Resort is December 12th. You must contact the resort by phone at 715-324-5800 to book a room in the Apple Dumpling Gang block.



Hoping we get lots of early season snow and many memorable Wednesday rides.

~ **Wayne Ax**, Leader of the Gang

#### **BOO -BBB'S SEASON KICK-OFF**

Thank you to all the ladies who attended our season opening luncheon. To those who could not attend, you were missed! We had a delightful time meeting and sharing with a couple of new gals and thoroughly enjoyed our delicious lunches. The 19th Hole does such a good job taking care of us.

All ladies are invited to join us for our weekly rides. We leave from the north end of the groomer barn on Wednesday mornings at 9am sharp. As soon as we get some cold, start the snow dancing and really dance with vigor!

Details have been sent out for our January overnight trip to <u>The Konteka Black Bear Resort</u> in White Pine, Michigan. If you did not receive the information, please contact Janelle Ewen.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with Janelle, Peg or Penny.

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If you are reading this and coming to the December dinner meeting & holiday party at the Whitetail Inn on December 13, write your

name and Merry Christmas

on a small piece of paper, and give it to Ed at the dinner for a chance to win a secret Santa prize!





We hope you are enjoying our series about the history of the Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club. We welcome anyone to share their own knowledge with us for possible inclusion in a future newsletter. Please email your stories to <a href="mailto:info@boboen.com">info@boboen.com</a>. Thank you, and enjoy the trail down memory lane!

#### HOW IT ALL BEGAN...

Back in 1969, winters in the north woods were very quiet. For the most part, tourists left after Labor Day and didn't return until June with the exception of a few downhill skiers. Lofty Pines (then owned and operated by Luella and Art Sherren) and Pride of the North (then run by Colleen and Cecil Ray) were the only resorts that were winterized. A small group of citizens got together and formed the Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club, with the purpose being to build trails that would encourage snowmobiling and increase tourism during the winter. (As told to Hazel Christensen by Luella & Art Sherren)





The following year, the program for the 1st Annual Convention of the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs (AWSC) contained the above advertisement for the Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club. At that time, the St. Germain area already boasted over 65 miles of trails!

## OWN A PIECE OF HISTORY

## BO-BOEN TRAIL SIGNS FOR SALE

If you are interested in acquiring some of our older and vintage Bo-Boen trail signs that were replaced this year, now's your chance. To facilitate the sale of these signs, we will open the groomer barn on the following dates to allow members and businesses an opportunity to select some signs and take them home for a small donation.

Saturday, January 28, 2023: 9am – noon Saturday, February 18, 2023: 9am – noon

The donation range for these signs will be between \$2 - \$30, largely dependent on size. Signs will be available on a "first-come, first-served" basis, and must be picked up at the barn. Cash only, please.

ROUTE SIGNS



BO BOENTRAIL

A ST GERMAIN 5 MI.

A SAYNER 5 MI.

A BIG ST GERMAIN LK ZMI.

- ST GERMAIN SHELL B

- WHITETAIL INN
- BLINK BONNIE
- SISTERS
- 19TH HOLE

BO BOEN TRAIL

ST GERMAIN 10 MI.

LOST LAKE 6 MI.

BO BOEN TRAIL
- ST. GERMAIN 2 MI.

- EAGLE RIVER 11MI.
- ARBOR VITAE 12MI

OLD INFO SIGNS (44 AVAILABLE)

WARNING SIGNS





ALUMINUM INFO SIGNS (40 AVAILABLE)

Our groomer barn is in the St. Germain Community Park area, behind the Fire Station. We hope you can come by to claim a piece of Bo-Boen's history and proudly display these cherished keepsakes at your home or business. You can also check out your awesome groomer barn that is ground zero for all that we do as a club.

Until then, think SNOW!

~ Jeff Horvath, Sign Master



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#### UPCOMING EVENTS IN ST. GERMAIN

November 26 <u>Holiday Marketplace</u>, <u>Jingle Bell Fun Run</u>,

& Lighting Up St. Germain

February 18 Awassa Trails Candlelight Ski, Snowshoe &

**Fatbike** 

Visit <a href="https://st-germain.com/event-calendar/">https://st-germain.com/event-calendar/</a> for a complete list of events, or call the Chamber at (715) 477-2205.

#### St. Germain Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club 2022–2023

Officers & Directors

President: Bob "Ozzie" Ausloos

President—Elect: Roger Klein
Treasurer: Ed Siergiej
Secretary: Kay Schultz

**Directors:** Bob Strand Greg Platz

Dianne Dieter Janelle Ewen

Jeff Horvath

Josh Renkes

Past President: Steve Soltwedel
Trail Boss: Jim Wendt

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

#### **UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS**

December 6 **Board Meeting** December 10-11 **Snowmobile Safety Class** December 13 Membership Meeting - Whitetail January 11-13 Apple Dumpling Overnight Trip January 16-18 Boo-BBB's Overnight Trip January 26-29 Women on Snow Weekend Jan. 29 - Feb. 1 Women on Snow Tour 25th Arrowhead Groomer Show February 1 - 2 February 3 - 4 Hiller's Radar Run February 16-18 39th Ride with the Champs

## Sunshine Report



A Happy 90th Birthday card was sent to Don Hiller.

Please contact Judy Schell at (715) 542-2321 or judithschellahotmail.com when you have information on births, members who are ill or hospitalized, or in need of a bit of cheer, sympathy, or encouragement.