Hiller's Radar Run - Friday & Saturday, February 2 & 3 Arrowhead Groomer Show - Wednesday & Thursday, February 7 & 8 Membership Meeting at Taylor's Sayner Pub - Tuesday, February 13



St. Germain Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club

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Trail Conditions



President's Message

The question I am most asked is, "When are the trails going to open?" Last month I said we were missing two important things, cold and snow. Well, we got the cold, but we are still waiting for the snow. The eleven snowmobile clubs that groom the trails in Vilas County decide as a group when to open the trails. All

the clubs would like to open the trails as soon as possible. However, in many areas of the trail system, it is simply not safe. Even though the trails have been panned (the snow cover packed down), there is not enough snow to cover sticks and stones, fill in deep ruts, or to push into swampy areas. Without a solid base, the limited snow cover on the trails would quickly disappear if opened to snowmobiles. We also want to protect the property of the private landowners who so graciously let us use their property for trails. All is ready to go, we just need snow. You can keep up to date on the opening of trails by checking our Facebook page and website.

The weather this season has also impacted other events. Hiller's Radar Run, one of our important fundraising events, is being moved from Little St. Germain Lake to the St. Germain Community Center Pavilion and grounds. This was necessary because of the thin ice conditions. The alternative event, called "Breast Race of Your Life," will have the Knocker's Bikini Race Track Challenge, Kids 120 Races, live music, raffles, and more. The event is still on February 2nd and 3rd. We will be selling food and beverages both days. Please see their poster later in the newsletter for more details. We will be reaching out to those of you who have already signed up as volunteers to adjust the shift hours to match the revised event.

One event that will go on as scheduled, despite the lack of

snow, is the 26th Annual Arrowhead Groomer Show on February 7 & 8. Our Club is again selling food and beverages both days. Come on by, grab a burger, and see first hand the locally manufactured drags our Club uses to keep our trails in top shape. Event details can be found later in this newsletter.

On the subject of fund raisers, the grant for us to earn \$4,000 this summer doing Clean Boats Clean Waters inspections at the Found Lake Boat Landing has been approved. The training session will be from 10:00 am to noon, on Saturday, May 18th at the Big St. Germain Lake Boat Landing. Please put the date on your calendar and plan to attend. The shifts for this fund raiser are four hours in the morning or afternoon throughout boating season. More information and a sign-up link will be coming in the March newsletter.

Even though the snowmobile trails are not open yet, there are many other winter activities to enjoy in St. Germain. Some that come to mind are snow shoeing, cross country skiing, hiking, fat tire bike riding, and ice fishing. Please consider visiting and supporting our map advertisers during these tough times.

Roger Klein, President



Thank you to the Sportsmen's Chalet for hosting our January dinner. It was a wonderful evening! Gary, Laurel & Rochelle were amazing as always; thank you so much for your incredible hospitality.

February Membership Meeting

Tuesday, February 13th Taylor's Sayner Pub

Doors Open: 5:45 pm

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

Dinner: 7 pm

Menu Selection

- Broasted Chicken \$25
- 1/2 Rack Ribs \$25
- Deep Fried or Blackened Fish \$25

All dinners include salad, roll, side, dessert, coffee, tax, and tip.

Members are responsible for payment of their reservation whether they attend or not. Make checks payable to Taylor's Sayner Pub.

<u>Please RSVP by Thursday, February 8</u> using the below button, or call Shelby Szott at (715) 614-2240.

**If you don't receive an email confirmation please call or email Shelby at upnorthconnections@gmail.com.

Register for the Dinner

Club Cash Raffle



Tickets for our club raffle are available at:

Bauer's Dam
Sportsmen's Chalet
Fibber's
St. Germain Sport Marine
Knockers Pizza Company
Timbers Bar & Grill

Tickets are \$100 each with a maximum of only 100 tickets sold. Cash Prizes are: 1st \$3,000, 2nd \$1,500, 3rd \$1,000, 4th \$250 and 5th \$250.

Out of town members, if you would like to reserve a ticket to purchase, please send us a note via e-mail to **info@boboen.com**. We will arrange to have ticket(s) available for you. The drawing will be at our March 14, 2024, dinner/meeting at Knockers Pizza Co. and as usual you need not be present to win.

ELECTION INFORMATION

Officers are elected to a one-year term. Officer positions are President, President-Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary. A President may serve for not

more than two consecutive terms. There are two Director positions open each year, and Directors are elected to fulfill a three-year term. The slate of candidates will be presented by the Nominating Committee at the February Membership meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted at that time. A sample ballot and statements from the candidates will be published in the March newsletter. The election will take place at the Membership meeting on Thursday, March 14, 2024.

Anyone interested in either a Director or Officer position should contact one of the following Nominating Committee members for more information. Nominations need to be in by February 13th.

Peggy Ausloos 715-892-6467 Joe Domenico 708-955-3826 Gary Groff 715-477-1510 Robin Lindberg 847-226-1834 Shelby Szott 715-614-2240

The Tellers Committee will be provided with a membership list, and members attending the March meeting will be asked to register with them upon arrival to receive a ballot. Voting will take place during the meeting, which follows the dinner, when the President calls for ballots. The ballots are tabulated, and the winners are announced before the end of the meeting. The new officers and directors take office and assume their duties at the April Board meeting.

Anyone wishing to vote by absentee ballot must request a ballot from the Secretary in writing. An e-mail will do; send your request to Roxanne Platz (greg.platz@att.net) no later than March 7, 2024. Requests for absentee ballots after that date cannot be accepted. Absentee ballots must be returned in the envelope provided, sealed and mailed. If you receive your ballot via e-mail, please be sure your return envelope is marked ATTN: Ballot.

From the Sign Master

When you're out riding our trails this season, you may notice our new green "BB" sians. BB is an abbreviation for Bo-Boen. You might've already seen similar signs on the Sugar Camp and Three Lakes trails in Oneida County. While I installed the signs during this off season, Trail Boss Fred Suchy and previous Sian Master Jeff Horvath deserve the credit for this project. These signs help to identify our unfunded club trails. Having these signs may

help us get funding for these trails in the future.

John Lindberg, Sign Master







ARROWHEAD GROOMER SHOW FEBRUARY 7 & 8 2024

Wednesday February 7th 9am-4pm

&

Thursday February 8th 9am-2pm

Visit st-germain.com for nearby lodging

Free Entry

Lunch available provided by St. Germain Bo-Boen Snowmobile club

Hospitality Gathering Wednesday 2/7 at the Whitetail Inn starting at 5:30 for all Groomer Show attendees with pass

Ride and Drive new equipment

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Ride with the Cup

We had a great turn out to welcome the Ride with the Cup Tour to St. Germain. The Tour traveled from Wausau to Eagle River over

two days and more than 200 miles with nearly two dozen stops along the way. The covenant Cup was passed from one organization to another. Delivering the Cup to Eagle River signaled the start of the Annual Opening Ceremony of the World Championship Snowmobile Derby.

Thanks to our sponsors, the Snowmobile Hall of Fame (who hosted us again this year) and the St. Germain Chamber of Commerce. Club representatives John & Robin Lindberg took the hand-off from the Sayner Barnstormers Snowmobile Club and passed the Cup to the Sugar Camp Survivors Snowmobile Club.

Membership Corner

Our club memberships continue to come in and we have now exceeded our memberships over last season. For some general information, below is a summary of AWSC memberships from last season for our two immediate counties. The numbers do not include secondary memberships, which are singles and families who belong to other clubs as primary members. You can add about 80 memberships onto our number for those who join our club but are primary AWSC members through another club.

Ed Siergiej, Membership Chair

AWSC MEMBERSHIPS 2022-23 SEASON

V. 40 COLUMN CLUDS		
VILAS COUNTY CLUBS	Memberships	Commercial
VILAS BARNSTORMERS OF SAYNER	285	0
BOULDER JUNCTION SC	280	1
CONOVER SNO-BUDDIES INC	323	0
CROSS COUNTRY CRUISERS	444	68
FROSTY SNOWMOBILE CLUB	292	8
MANITOWISH WATERS SNO-SKEETERS	314	34
NORTHERN HORNSHOE TRAILS	139	0
PHELPS SNOWMOBILE CLUB	205	0
SNO-BUNNIES SC	282	6
SNO-EAGLES INC	478	0
ST GERMAIN BO-BOEN SC	1138	20
County Total	4180	137
ONEIDA COUNTY CLUBS	Memberships	Commercial
HARSHAW WANDERERS	91	0
MINOCQUA FOREST RIDERS SC	491	0
NEW TOM SNO-FLEAS	214	1
NORTHERN LIGHTS SC	484	25
NORTHERN TRAILS UNLIMITED	117	0
RHINELANDER HODAG SNO-TRAILS INC	232	0
SUGAR CAMP SC	199	0
THA STROKES SC	37	0
WILLOW REGION SPORTSMAN CLUB	11	0
County Total	1876	26



Northwoods Snowmobile Challenge

Be a part of the Northwoods Snowmobile Challenge! Buy a \$2 card at participating pit stops, get it stamped at all five locations, and then turn it in for a chance to win \$1,000, \$500 or \$250. Pit stops are Sister's Saloon, Slo's Pub, Shamrock Pub N' Eatery, Thunderbird Bar & Grill, and Sayner Pub. All proceeds benefit area snowmobile trails.



The Apple Dumpling Gang have been meeting for lunch on Wednesdays even though trails are not yet open. We have been patronizing local establishments who are very appreciative of revenue opportunities during these slow times. Watch your email for locations each week. Once trails open, we meet

every Wednesday at the Bo-Boen groomer barn at 9 a.m. and ride 30 to 50 miles for lunch.

Our overnight trip to White Pine, Michigan has been rescheduled from January 23-25 to February 27-29 to Silver City, Michigan. We have 19 Dumplings and guests signed up. There may be a couple of rooms still available. If interested, contact me at ax52man@gmail.com.

All Dumpling Gang communication is done by email, so if your email changes, be sure to let me know.

Wayne Ax, Leader of the Gang



Boo-BBB's Set to Ride

Calling all ladies! With the lack of snow we have enjoyed getting together at

local club supporter's establishments on Wednesdays for lunch.

Keep doing the Snow Dance. See you soon for our Wednesday rides!

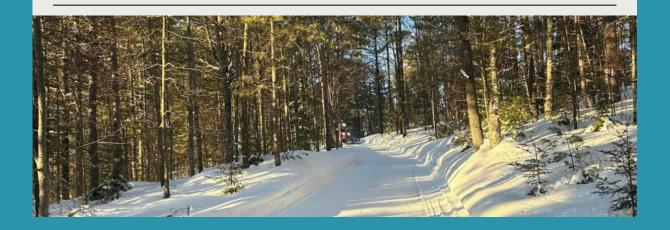
Snowingly yours, Peg, Janelle and Penny



Support Those Who Support Us

With or without snow, please patronize our Club sponsors.
We couldn't do what we do without their continued support.
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We hope to see you around town soon!



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