

St. Germain Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club

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President's Message

I am writing this in the last week of March, and we finally received the snow we have been so anxiously awaiting all season. However, it arrived too late, and it's been too warm to help a trail system that never had the conditions to develop a solid base. Rain and above freezing temperatures are in the forecast this week. This has been an unprecedented season without the cold and snow needed to open the snowmobile trails.

Thank you to the candidates that ran for an officer or director position. Your participation is very important to the success and achievements of the Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club. Congratulations to those who were reelected and welcome to Bill Humphrey as a new director. Thank you to Janelle Ewen for her three years of service as a director. Her insight and contributions have been greatly appreciated. Even though she chose not to run for another term, she is still helping with our events.

The recent enactment of Senate Bill 136 to raise the supplemental aid a county can receive from the DNR for maintenance of snowmobile trails will help us next year. Thanks to all of you who wrote to your state senators and representatives to get this legislation passed. By working together with our legislators, we can get things done.

Even though this was not the snowmobile season we all wanted, we still accomplished many of our goals. We had successful fundraising efforts, primarily because of the support of our map advertisers, the Chamber of Commerce, the Town of St. Germain, other organizations, and you. Thanks to you, to volunteers, to supporting businesses and organizations for all you do for the Bo-Boen Snowmobile Club. It is what makes us the largest snowmobile club in Wisconsin.

Please thank our map advertisers and the landowners who so graciously let us use their property for our trails. I hope to see you at our upcoming events this summer.

Roger Klein, President

CLUB RAFFLE WINNERS

Thank you to everyone that was able to participate in our club cash raffle. All 100 tickets were sold, and the club raised \$4,000 in funds. Thank you to Sportsmen's Chalet, Bauer's Dam, Knocker's, Fibbers, Timbers, and St. Germain Sport Marine for having tickets available along with Roger Klein, Fred Suchy and Ed Siergiej for selling tickets. The winners were drawn at our last meeting on March 14, 2024:

1st Prize \$3,000 Jared Nowack - Mount Pleasant, WI

> 2nd Prize \$1,500 Fred Suchy - Woodruff, WI

3rd Prize \$1,000 Joe Rygiel - McHenry, IL

4th Prize \$250 Renee Sell - Peru, IL

5th Prize \$250 Travis Holt - Spencer, WI



March Membership Meeting

Thank you to Barry, Shelley & the rest of the staff at Knocker's for a wonderful meal and fabulous hospitality! It was a great night to end our dinner season!

Thank you for joining us for our 2023-2024 Membership Dinner Meetings! We look forward to having you join us again in the fall.

CLUB ELECTION RESULTS

The election of Officers and Directors took place at our March membership meeting.

Thank you to all of the candidates for stepping forward with such eagerness to help our Club continue to thrive. Thank you also to outgoing Director Janelle Ewen for her service to the Club. Below is the 2024-25 Board of Directors. The newly elected Officers & Directors, indicated below with an asterisk, will take office at the April Board meeting.

PRESIDENT Roger Klein*

PRESIDENT-ELECT
Joe Domenico*

TREASURER Ed Siergiej*

SECRETARY Roxanne Platz*

<u>DIRECTORS</u>
Dianne Dieter
Bill Humphrey*
John Lindberg
Josh Renkes*
Bob Strand
Kyle Szott

PAST PRESIDENT
Bob "Ozzie" Ausloos



Volunteer for the Classic Sled Round Up!

The Snowmobile Hall of Fame will hold their annual Classic Sled Round Up at the St. Germain Town Park on Sunday, May 26, 2024. The Round Up features vintage snowmobile displays and one of the best swap meets in the Midwest. It is a fun event that is very well attended by sledders and

enthusiasts from across the country.

The Bo-Boen Club will again be running the concessions for this event, which is a key fundraiser for our club. As such, we are looking for volunteers to help cook and serve our delicious burgers and brats to hungry customers. Since it is a holiday weekend, it is a great opportunity for out-of-towners to help and meet other members in the club. The event runs from 7 am to 3 pm and we will have two shifts, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, so as not to take up your whole day. If you are interested in cooking or serving, please contact John Lindberg.

Thank you for considering this opportunity.

~ John Lindberg, Event Chair & Kyle Szott, Co-Chair (847) 682-9110 jlindbergss25@gmail.com

2024-2025 Budget

At the April Board Meeting there will be an opportunity for the membership to review the proposed budget for 2023-2024. Any member that would like a copy of the proposed budget can request one from our Treasurer, Ed Siergiej, at (715) 493-7736 or by email

at ed@siergiej.us. The budget for 2023-2024 will be voted on by the Board at the May meeting. Our budget year runs June 1—May 31.

Chamber Grant

Representatives from the St Germain Chamber of Commerce, Juliane Nampel and Ron Rhodes, were on hand at the March Dinner/Membership Meeting to award the Club with a 2023 Tourism Development Grant. This grant will be used to fund equipment purchases for grooming our trails.



Membership Corner

As this non-season comes to close, I would like to thank all our renewing and new members. Your support again this season has been fantastic. Our clubs' total memberships hit an all-time high of 1258. Thank you all for your ongoing terrific support.

Have a great summer and we'll be in contact early September when we start our membership renewals for a great snowmobiling season.

Ed Siergiej, Membership Chair info@boboen.com 715-493-7736

Pop Up Brat Fry

On Saturday, March 16th the Bo-Boen Snowmobile club held a Brat/Hot Dog Fry at Rock's Rent All. Thanks to the many volunteers and to Jeff at Rock's it was a success in spite of the chilly weather. A big thank you goes out to the St. Germain ATV/UTV Club for stopping by for lunch on their



business support ride and to all the other folks who came to have a delicious lunch prepared by our grillers Tony Cantele and Fred Suchy who were assisted by Wayne Suchocki, John Lindberg and Bob Strand and supervised by Roger Klein and Ozzie Ausloos. Many thanks for the generous donations from our customers!

Other volunteers who helped set up and serve the food include Jim

and Linda Leone, Karen Cantele, Janelle Ewen, Nancy VerKuilen, Carla Klein, Robin Lindberg, Susie Suchy and Peg Ausloos. Thank you to Francine Suchocki who made some delicious cookies and special thanks to Lanaya St. Amand (Hillers Bikini Ride participant) for donating brats. Watch the Bo-Boen Facebook page for our next Brat Fry!



With sleds parked and trails closed, the Apple Dumpling Gang continued to

gather, traveling by car and truck. We met for lunch or breakfast 12 times this season and spent nearly \$4400 at local establishments and map ad sponsors. We gained several new "members".

Due to the bounty on us, the Gang is going into hiding, but will resurface at the St. Germain Fourth of July parade on our float. We are looking for someone to "host" our float preparation and be a launch location. Preferably someone in or close to town. Contact Wayne Ax if you are willing. See you then.

The Apple Dumpling Gang ax52man@gmail.com





Sunshine Report

A get-well card was sent to Don Tenhoven and a sympathy card was sent to Greg and Roxanne Platz for a death in Greg's family.

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.

We hope to see you around town soon!



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