

# Near North Trail Riders News

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Next meeting: February 10, 2018 9:00 AM  
Athelstane Town Hall County Rd A&C



## Member Attendance Drawing

Just one number had to be drawn this month for a winner. The number 9 was picked and the lucky winner received a check in the amount of \$20.00.

## Equipment and Trail Report

Our Groomer Boss reported that the Shur-track groomer has to be picked up by Beaver Machine in Coleman for repairs and has now been returned. The trax were installed on the tractor in December. There has been no grooming on the trails at this time for lack of snow this season. The trails are rideable but in fair condition. With the rain of this past week and now back to those freezing temperatures and you are out riding caution is advisable for icy spots on the trails. The trails are always open to ATV's and UTV's all year except for the one month that the county closes them for the spring break up period.

## Alliance Meeting

The report of the Alliance meeting that took place on January 8<sup>th</sup>. There was a discussion pertaining to placement of the trail pass sticker. The size and placement. Law enforcement requires them to be placed on the windshield for viewing. People have been having problems finding their AWSC membership number. That number can be found on the mailing label of your AWSC Wisconsin Snowmobile news that you receive each month and also on the membership card that the club mails to you each year. The AWSC is working on a software update for next year and people will be able to pull up the club that you belong to and find their membership number. Next year, 2019 will be the 50<sup>th</sup> year for the AWSC. It was formed in February 1969. The AWSC is working with the department of tourism and they are having a snowmobile sweepstakes. It will run from January 19<sup>th</sup> until February 20<sup>th</sup>. The grand prize is a 2018 Polaris 600 Indy. Anyone can enter by going on their web site. [WWW.travelwisconsin.com](http://WWW.travelwisconsin.com) As of last weekend 100 people have signed up for the military ride that is held in Eagle River each year. Between Marinette County and area clubs \$900.00 has been raised for that ride. The ride is held for military veterans and their families.

## **Annual Meat Raffle**

The annual meat raffle was held this past Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at the FireLane Bar & Grill on County Rd C. There was a good turnout. The meat was purchased from Pelkins in Crivitz. There was also bucket raffles also. A 50/50 raffle was also held with half of the money going to a lucky winner who graciously donated some of the winnings back to the club. Thank you I would also like to thank the club members who put the meat raffle together and all who helped and especially I want to thank Mike and Kathy owners of the FireLane our hosts for this club event.

## **Next Club Event**

The next club event coming up in Spring will be the banquet which is held for the clubs landowners to thank them for letting the club access their property for the trail system for without them there would not be the trails for you to ride on. Watch for that event in your coming newsletters when I will invite all of the clubs snowmobile and ATV members along with the clubs landowners.

Well that is about it for this month. Here we are in the New Year. We have been having those bitter cold cold days that the weather guys call the Arctic Blast!!! As for me I would rather have 10 inches of snow because when it's done falling it can be moved and shoveled out of the way. Well maybe not quite that much but a good amount would be nice. As of this letter there has been no grooming on the trails as there has just not been enough snow to work with but like I said the trails are rideable, be careful of those icy spots as we did have rain earlier in the week before the Arctic Blast returned. And with that I will be on my way for this month but I will return next month with more news for you about the Near North Trail Riders of Athelstane. And if you have friends and family who would like to join the club just have them go on the clubs web site and fill out the club application form and they too can become a Near North Trail Rider.

## **One last thing to think about**

Every morning you have two options. Continue to sleep with your dreams or get up and chase them.











