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# NEAR NORTH TRAIL RIDERS

## ATHELSTANE, WI

Meetings are held at Athelstane Town Hall County Rd A&C 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Saturday each month @ 9:00. Except July the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday @ 9:00  
Next meeting December 9, 2023 January 13, 2024.  
Track Install Day: December 2, 2023 9:00am at club shed.  
Meat Raffle January 13, 2024 1 to 4pm Nimrod Inn Athelstane.

### Membership Drawing

President Lonnie Swaney picked just two numbers for a winner. The first number 12 was Treasure Tina Barnes. She does not participate being an officer of the club. The second number was 2 and that was Director Nancy Smith. She declined the \$12.00 the number of people who attended the October meeting.

### Alliance Report

Vice President Kelly Barnes who is the club rep for the alliance reported that the dues for the club has now been paid. The new 2023-2024 maps are now out and have been delivered to area businesses. The park & ride expansion is on hold pending the DNR environmental impact study. He also reported that the AWSC's life and accident insurance policy that is \$3,000.00 is included with your membership. The Emergency Contact List has been updated for the Marinette County clubs. The landowners consent has to now be completed for Marinette County. So everyone knows and should be aware that the snowmobile trails though logging areas cannot be groomed.

### Trail Report

Trail Boss Gary Smith reported that the trails are still being graded as needed. He also said he will be now putting up the new trail map for the 2023-2024 season in all the map boards.

### Groomer & Shed Report

Groomer Boss Justin Hirschmann reported no problems with the shed. After today's meeting he has scheduled a maintenance work day at the club shed to get some of the equipment ready for the up and coming snow season.

## **Maintenance Work Day**

Groom Boss Justin Hirschmann has scheduled a work day for installation of the tracks on the tractor for winter trail work on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. If anyone can help with this job you are asked to come to the clubs Shed on Eagle River Rd at 9:00 that morning. Lunch will be provided by the club.

## **International Snowmobile Conference**

President Lonnie Swaney reported that the International Snowmobile Conference will be held in Green Bay June 13<sup>th</sup> thru the 15<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson and Hotel Conference Center in Green Bay. There will be more Information from the AWSC in your AWSC Wisconsin News magazine as this conference draws near.

## **Brat Fry**

Director Jill Hirschmann reported that the Brat Fry held last month at The FireLane was a huge success and a very nice profit for the club. And as I have reported in past newsletters that all profits from the club events goes to maintain the clubs equipment for summer and winter trail work.

## **Next Club Event**

Mark your calendars for the next club event. The meat raffle coming up on January 13<sup>th</sup>. This event will be held from 1:00 until 4:00 at the Nimrod in Athelstane. Watch for more information on that club event and a reminder in your December News Letter.

Well that's it once again for this month. Big things coming up. Turkey Day were we all sit down and enjoy a good time stuffing ourselves on all the good food. Getting together with family and friends. And of course There is the annual Deer Hunting week. And I am sure all the hunters are wishing for a good tracking snow fall. So far we have had a couple of teasers of things to come with just a dusting on the ground and I am wishing all the hunters a safe and successful hunting season. Lots of bake sales going on this coming week so the hunters out there can enjoy some good things to munch on while patiently waiting for that deer to cross their path. So have a great month when I shall return with some new business and some old business and maybe a bit of monkey business to about The Near North Trail Riders of Athelstane. But before I go I want to send this greeting along to all the clubs landowners and their families. All of the clubs snowmobile and ATV members and their families from the officers and the board of the Near North Snowmobile club.

*On this Thanksgiving we wish for you happiness and beautiful moments. An  
May you have a joyful day with family and friends. And we just want  
To say thank you in appreciation of your loyalty and friendship.  
Wishing you a happy holiday season*

