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NEAR NORTH TRAIL RIDERS

ATHELSTANE, WI

Meetings are held at Athelstane Town Hall County Rd A&C
2nd Saturday of each month except July the 3rd Saturday

Meetings: November 13, 2021 9:00 AM & December 11, 2021 9:00 AM

Trail work days: October 16th & October 30th 9:00 AM
Meet @ Club Shed on Eagle River Road.

One Last Reminder

Just to remind anyone who has not gotten their membership in to the club by the November Meeting you will no longer receive the clubs newsletter and by not joining the club you will not be able to purchase the Wisconsin discounted trail pass for snowmobiles. We have made

it a bit easier this year as you can use a credit card to pay your membership. Just go on our Web site for more information.

Member Attendance Drawing

This month 3 numbers were drawn. The first was Bonnie Yedica, # 13. Bonnie was not at the meeting. The second number President Lonnie Swaney # 16, Lonnie being an officer of the club does not participate in the drawings. The 3rd and winning # 9 was Gary Smith. He would have received a check in the amount of \$16.00 dollars but he donated his winnings back to the club. Thank you Gary.

Equipment and Trail Report

Trail Boss Dennis Hermes reported that he gets out at least once each week to grade the trails. He did say he needs people to volunteer their time helping out with trail work especially with winter grooming coming up. He and Groomer Boss Justin have scheduled two work days in October for brushing and removing any trees along the trails. If you have a pole saw or a chain saw please bring that with you. Those days are October 16th & the 30th. Please meet at the club Shed on Eagle River Road at 9:00 both days. This past week with the help of a backhoe from

Advanced Construction Club Member Glen Joski .He is letting the club use it for trail work. And help from the clubs former and longtime Groomer Boss Marlin DuChateau who has been operating the backhoe to remove large rocks and widening the trail in some areas also along with Trail Boss Dennis Hermes who was operating the club tractor to grade and make improvements to the trails when those rocks are removed. The club wants to thank Glen for the loan of the backhoe and to Marlin for operating the backhoe.

Marinette County Alliance & Map Report

Club rep Vice President Kelly Barnes who attended the October 4th meeting reported that the AWSC has now hired two part time employees to handle the large volume of trail passes. Kelly informed us that the ATV trails in Marinette County remain open all year however some other counties do not. He did add however that all County Roads in Marinette remain closed to ATV's & UTV's from December 1st until May 1st.

29th Annual Brat Fry

The Brat Fry that was held this past Saturday at the Fire Lane Bar was a huge success. So many people turned out to support the club by purchasing brats, hamburgers and as noted on Face Book secretary Sandy's famous chili. There was meat raffles and 50-50 raffles going on all day. There was a lot of basket raffles to choose from too. The committee wants to thank everyone who helped out that day from the cooks that kept the roasters full of food to those that served the food and the club members who sold the raffle tickets and once again members came through by donating so many nice baskets for the raffles. All profit money from this club event as well as others goes to maintain the equipment that is used to groom and grade the ATV & Snowmobile Trails throughout the year. And last but not least Thank You to our Hosts Bob & Dawn owners of the Fire Lane. A great time was had by all.

As I end your letter this month Director Jill Hirschmann has told me that 25 people and 15 machines participated in the fall ATV ride to Florence WI. On September 18th. She did not get her Bloody Mary meal at The Tavern on Central due to a break down out on the trail and they arrived too late as The Tavern on Central has early closing hours now. But never the less the ride went on to The Mine Shaft instead which is also in Florence.

Well fall is decently here. The Humming birds are gone and the Blue Jays and Chick-a-Dees are here or maybe they have been here all summer but did not come around until now. The trees are now shedding all of their leaves and some days it actually was raining leaves. The days are getting shorter and next month the clocks fall back again. Just seems like yesterday it sprang ahead. Time flies so they say when you're having fun. That's it for this month. I will be back again next month with more stuff about the Near North Trail Riders.

Secretary Sandy's famous chili!!! Do you suppose that's how Mrs. Fields started out making cookies?

Did you ever think?

When witches go riding and black cats are seen the moon laughs and whispers
Tis near Halloween Happy Halloween Everybody!!!

