



PAUL BUNYAN RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

P.O. Box 61, Lakewood, WI 54138

AUGUST, 2021 NEWSLETTER

Dear Paul Bunyan Members,

We hope all our members are enjoying the summer, and are staying healthy with the continued challenges related to the Covid-19 Virus. The purpose of this August newsletter is to keep our members informed of all the activities that have been going on since the last newsletter this past June. We did have a 50-spin meat raffle this past July 3rd at the Paul Bunyan Ski Hill. The event was a fundraiser for the area veterans. Between that event and two well-attended Brat Frys, the club was able to make enough money to pay for about 3 months of diesel fuel this coming winter. Other items of importance are noted below.

- The 2021-2022 edition of the Paul Bunyan Riders Poker Run Books have been distributed to the 35 Area Businesses that wished to participate. They are listed at the end of the newsletter.
- The 2021-2022 version of the PBR \$100 Raffle Ticket will be available soon. The final edit of the ticket is underway, and the PBR Membership will be notified as soon as they are distributed to the selected area businesses.
- The club has purchased a 2-year extended warranty for our New Holland tractor for \$2,138, with a \$500 deductible for each occurrence. It has been a workhorse for us since being purchased back in 2019, including all the downed trees we had to clear after the July 19th storm. We have had multiple claims related to oil leaks, and we wanted to protect the club against these kinds of issues now that the factory warranty has expired.
- The **Snow Fun Day event will take place on January 29, 2022**. It is currently in the planning stages, and we will be asking for suggestions from our members for improvements that will make the event even better. We value your opinions, and we certainly want your input. When you receive a phone call or email, please consider volunteering some time to help plan the event, or work a few hours during the event to make it a success.
- The last Improvements to the groomer shed related to adding a drainage system to the “previously cold” side of the building is planned to be completed around the end of October. There is a lot of snow and ice on our groomers and drags when they return from the grooming runs, and we need to channel the water out, and away from the building.
- A new Line of Credit has been established with the Laona Bank in Lakewood. This would be used only if something catastrophic would happen to the building or equipment. It costs us nothing until we would have to secure a loan.
- Bob Prasser has planned a brushing day for **Saturday, September 11th at 9:00am at the Groomer Shed**. Please bring your chain saws and loppers. Food and drink will be provided after the work is done. Please check the Paul Bunyan Riders Groomers Group Facebook page for more information.
- We will be having our first membership meeting of the 2021-2022 season at **Phil’s Philling Station on September 14th at 7pm**. The meeting will take place in the old restaurant. Beverages can be purchased in the other building where the bar is located. A meeting agenda will be provided.
- A new Calendar of Events is in the works, and we hope we will have it done by the September Meeting. It will be emailed out to our members ASAP, and also posted on our www.paulbunyanriders website and Paul Bunyan Riders Facebook page(s).

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- Last year, the Oconto County Snowmobile Alliance voted to identify the entire county trail system using numbers and letters similar to what the present DOT highway system uses. An example is Trail 16 East or West (16E or 16W). Even number trails would run predominately East and West, and odd number trails would run predominately North and South. Any connector trails between them would have 3-digits. Additional information will be provided in the form of examples and also a map that can be used until the County map comes out next year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Paul Bunyan Riders Board of Directors

Membership News:

As of August 30, 2021, we have 152 renewed members. This is out of a total of 449 members last year. Please get your memberships in as soon as possible. Our website has a printable copy of the membership form to send back with a check. You may also use PayPal for a small fee on the website. Once we pay your AWSC dues, they will email you a link to your card and number. Any time after that, you can purchase your \$10 trail passes for all your DNR registered snowmobiles. No cards will be mailed out. If you don't have email, Diane will send you a letter with your number and trail pass information.

We want to thank the following members who have renewed their membership as Gold \$50+ (or more) members:

Jason Brecka, Sherry Eilrich, Eric & Cheri Everson, Dave & Janet Fonder, Steve & Linda Fonder, Tony & Brenda Garbo, Mike & Nancy Grill, Jeff & Kristie Gundelach, Leroy & Lisa Heindl, Jeff & Kristin Juran, Bruce Kamiski, Wally & Amy Klapper, Tom & Theresa Lienhardt, Steve & Kim Miedona, Joe & Heather O'Connor, Eric & Lori Oleson, Jay & Cindy Samolinski, Steve & Rebecca Schnasse, Tom & Mary Schroeder, Eric & Nicole Streblov, John & Gale Streblov, Bob & Sue Wegener, Mark & Peggy Wenzel, Brad & Aurora Williamson, Dan Wollin, and Troy Young.

Thanks to these members who gave an additional donation along with their membership:

Gary & Leslee Granke, Ralph & Stephanie Kieselhorst, Randy & Bonnie Senkpeil, and Chris Walczak.

If we have missed someone in the lists above who joined prior to August 30th, please let Diane know at paulbunyanriders@gmail.com.

POKER RUN SPONSOR BUSINESSES for 2021-2022:

Animal's Bear Trail, Bailey's Pour Haus, Bollin's Speedy T's/Lakewood, Corner Convenience/Crivitz, Everbreeze Resort, Firelite Lounge, Jungle Jim's/Silvercliff, Lakewood Depot Deli/Shell, Lakewood Motorsports, Legends Trailside/Suring, Little Topsy/Townsend, Lotter's Lakewood Shell, Lotter's Suring BP, Lotter's Townsend BP, Maiden Lake Supper Club, Mulligan's Sports Bar, Old Smashings Bar & Grill/Suring, Old Town Hall, O'Neils Halfway Bar, Paul Bunyan Ski Hill Bar, Phil's Philling Station, Red Pine BP/Athelstaine, Sandtrap Bar & Grill, Schoolhouse Bar, Skinny Dave's, Sunset Resort/Townsend, The Lazy Bear/Mountain, The Rustic/Athelstaine, Thunder Lake Bar & Grill/Crivitz, Thunder Mt. Valley Inn/Crivitz, Todd & Barb's Rapids Resort/Athelstaine, Tony's Dockside/Crivitz, Water's Edge on Anderson Lake, Waubee Lake Lodge, Wendt's Sandbar Resort/Townsend.