

## NOVEMBER 2023 MEETING OF MANITOWISH WATERS SNO-SKEETERS

The meeting was called to order on November 7, 2023 at 7pm by Chris Troller at Thirty Point Tap. THANK YOU TO CHRIS FOR FILLING IN FOR BARRY AND BOB

## SECRETARY REPORT APPROVED

The Manitowish Waters Historical Society has put together a web page with the history of the Sno-Skeeters. Deb Skrobot and I did an interview/video with them that can be seen on their website. If anyone has any pictures from the past, they would love to get copies of them. You can view this site by going to mwhistory.org, hit recreation and then snowmobiling. THANK YOU MWHS FOR THIS PRESERVATION.

## TREASURERS REPORT APPROVED

Our credit card machine has arrived and we will be ready to use it at fundraisers.

**TRAIL MAPS** THANK YOU TO DEB SKROBOT FOR ALL HER HARD WORK ON MAPS. They are done being printed and will be picked up next week.

We are going to be sending Sno-Skeeter stickers to all new commercial sponsors.

**TRAIL REPORTS** We have a new Polaris side by side.

We were very honored to have Lori Heideman, President of AWSC at our meeting and she had a wealth of good information for us. She told us all about KAOS and Miss Snowflake that we will try to pursue. These programs are all about kids. AWSC and other clubs are doing a lot to get kids involved to ensure there are people to carry on in the future.

Lori also told us there have been questions about the orange card you receive asking for beneficiaries for the insurance you get from AWSC. YOU DO NOT NEED TO RETURN THE CARDS. If you do, you'll probably get calls soliciting more insurance.

Lori gave us a lot of feedback on making MANITOWISH WATERS A SNOWMOBILE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY. At our last meeting we appointed a committee for this project. Tom and Leigh Ann Petrusky, Chris Troller, Kim Yencich, and Dave Everdon are on the committee. They have been hard at work and found some valuable info. They've had meetings with John Hanson, the town crew, and the Visitors Bureau. Did you know that Rest Lake Park and the community center are available for parking snowmobile trailers? All town roads are snowmobile routes to get to the trails. By spring we could officially be a SNOWMOBILE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY.

We had a lot of discussion on trying to change a number of things on Hwy 51 by Greers Pier to make it safer for snowmobiles as well as vehicles.

**SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CLASS** December 27<sup>th</sup> from 8am to 3pm and December 28<sup>th</sup> from 8am til 11 am at the community center in MW. Must be 12 years old to take the class. Remember-Anyone born after January 1, 1985 needs to have the class in order to ride a snowmobile. To register for the class, call Merry at 715-543-2048 or Tom at 715-904-1971.

WINTERFEST RENDEZVOUS Saturday February 17, 2024. This is one of our major fundraisers and Lisa is looking for raffle prizes. If you have something you'd like to donate as a raffle prize please drop it off at the Pea Patch.

BEN REICHERT has a new job with the club. He is now doing our social media. He will be our social butterfly. Ben helped get the fundraiser posters completed and added the QR scan that was being requested. Thanks to Ben for his hard work.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY** December 5, 2023 at ANGLERS. Cocktails at 6pm and dinner at 7pm. Cost will be \$25.00 a person. We ask everyone to bring a food or money donation for the Mercer Food Pantry. To make your reservation and dinner entrée choice call me, Merry at 715-543-2048 or text me at 715-490-0481. I need reservations BY NOVEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>. The dinner choices are

PAN FRIED WALLEYE WITH WILD RICE

34 RACK OF BABY BBQ BACK RIBS WITH BAKED POTATO

GRILLED SALMON WITH DILL SAUCE AND WILD RICE

PORK RIBEYE WITH WILD RICE

Next meeting will be January 2, 2024 at 7pm at Thirty Point Tap.

Respectfully submitted

Merry Perkins, Secretary