

Benton County Snowmobile Club

Newsletter



GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS FELLOW SNOWMOBILING ENTHUSIASTS!

That horrible, hot, mosquito-filled time called “Summer” has, thankfully, come to an end! Now we can get back to real life and real fun. We had our first meeting of the season - some people even remembered, and I thank you for that. The gates have been widened for the new wider drag, and the tireless volunteering folk are getting the groomers back together and running. I’m not sure how much faith you can put into the Farmer’s Almanac, but it’s predicting extra cold and extra snow this Winter! That inspired me to consider doing some articles on snowmobile clothing, cutting through the clutter, and shooting it straight; and you might even learn something new! The main thing we need to do in the next couple of months is to SELL raffle tickets. That is our biggest source of income apart from the grants. If we get half way through Winter and we’re out of diesel fuel for the groomers, and can’t afford any more, I think there will be a few unhappy “campers”. Also, if you have any, or if you can acquire door prizes for the Landowner’s Dinner, do that now. Work comes before play and we have to keep the landowners happy or we have no trails. We just have to get through the next couple of months working together, volunteering a little time, and then the fun will begin! Just a reminder: groomer shed “worker bees” are on Wednesday nights. If you can make it, that would be great. All skill levels are needed from weeding flower gardens and cleaning, to putting groomers back together. Date night anyone???

A ginormous THANK YOU to Cleve and Joel for donating hundreds of hours of their time, you have not gone unnoticed.

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AL'S CORNER:

Another year of snowmobiling is before us! Ask yourself, what do you want to accomplish this season? Time goes faster and faster as we age, and one thing I've learned is that "some day" will never come. If you want to do something "some day" it will NEVER happen unless you make plans, and pencil it in on your calendar. Do it, be cool. Since I've brought up being cool, I might as well comment on it. People are always coming up to me and asking "Al, how do you be cool?" Some of the younger folks don't use the word "cool" anymore, they use the word "dope." They will say "Al, you're dope!" Or did they say "Al, you're a dope....." Either way, I take it as a compliment. I always give the same answer to young and old and it's 3 easy steps: Step 1) Join a snowmobile club. Step 2) Come to meetings, vote on motions, volunteer your time. Step 3) Make it to the MNUSA Winter Rendezvous with your other club members. Pretty simple, huh? To do this, you will need to make your own hotel reservations. Figure out how many days you can attend and that will let you know how many nights you need to pay for. Do it EARLY. This gets attacked by the early birds like a pack of dogs on a 3 legged cat. YOU need to be an early bird. Once hotel reservations are complete, then register with MNUSA. You just fill out their simple form and send a check and everything will be taken care of. They do offer some meals, and have a giant banquet on Saturday night. That hot tub will feel better than you think it will, too. Enjoy your sport, make some new friends, and finally be COOL. As I write this, the website isn't overly developed, but by the time it is, you probably won't get a room as they will most likely be full, however, I can say that one of these 3 hotels in Bemidji will work:

Hampton Inn, Double Tree by Hilton, & Country Inn & Suites, in Bemidji, MN Feb. 6-9, 2020 YOU CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN....

Thanks for reading folks!