

# FALL/WINTER NEWSLETTER

## 2023 - 2024

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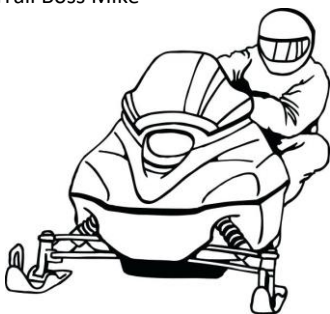
### Trail Boss Report

The calm before the storm I call it. Another end to the four-wheeler season. As far as the trails are concerned, you can still ride the town and county roads in Oconto County. The snowmobile trails haven't brushed and cleared. A huge thanks to everyone that came out for trail brushing! The grooming equipment is checked over and ready to roll. Now we wait on Mother Nature.

West side trails...Red Arrow trail #1 has a lot of logging going on right now. I'm hoping this slows down by snowfall. With the logging it's always hard to keep up with the signs that get taken out. The club has put up new signs but PLEASE be careful. We always find new hazards we did not see until the snow falls. Red Arrow trail #3, the Wildwood Trail, was resurfaced this spring to remove the large rocks that the snow no longer covered. This should make it a lot easier on our equipment. We added an overlook to our Perch Lake Trail. It's quite a view, check it out!

Here's to a fun and safe upcoming snowmobile season!

Trail Boss Mike



### President's Corner

Where has the year gone? It seems like only yesterday that it was spring. Our warm riding season has now come to an end. The trails are closed as we prepare for the upcoming snowmobile season. Be sure to have your trail passes ordered by going online to [GoWild.WI.gov](http://GoWild.WI.gov). They are \$30 each or \$10 if you are a club member in good standing.

Red Arrow and Paul Bunyan Riders held a snowmobile safety class November

4<sup>th</sup> at the Townsend Town Hall. There were 29 students in attendance. Congrats to all 29 students for successfully passing the class!

Be sure to watch our website and Facebook page for upcoming meetings and events!

Be safe this upcoming season and enjoy our great outdoors!

Rick Van Asten, President

### Upcoming Events

- Membership Meeting  
January 13<sup>th</sup> @ 5p  
Waubee Lake Lodge
- Red Arrow Holiday Party  
January 13<sup>th</sup>  
Cocktail Hour @ 5p  
Dinner @ 6p with music and games to follow  
Waubee Lake Lodge
- Bonfire in the Woods  
January 20, 11a to 3p  
Red Arrow Clubhouse
- Membership Meeting  
February 17 @ 10:30a  
Townsend Town Hall
- 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Winterfest  
February 17<sup>th</sup>, 11a to 5p  
Townsend Town Hall
- Membership Meeting  
TBD
- Annual Membership Meeting & Elections  
April 20<sup>th</sup> @ 9a  
Townsend Town Hall

### Winter Raffle Tickets

We are trying something new for the Winter Raffle this year! We decided to do a cash raffle so our local businesses can have a rest from us continuously asking for donations. First prize is \$1500, second prize is \$1000, third prize is \$500 and fourth – eighth are \$100 each.

Included with this newsletter are the raffle tickets for the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Snowfest (former Fish-A-Ree). The tickets cost \$5 each or you can purchase 3 for \$10. Each member is mailed 9 tickets to either purchase themselves or sell to friends and family. Once sold, please mail them back to: RASAC, P.O. Box 248, Townsend, WI 54175.

Please note...if you are not able to sell/purchase the tickets, please send them back so we can sell them at the event. Thank you in advance!

### \$10 Trail Pass – What You Need to Know When Ordering

#### My Membership

- Your name and address as recorded on your AWSC membership must match exactly with your WI DNR name and address on file. (for example: “Robert” and “Bobby” do not match)
- You can update and confirm your information with the WI DNR at <https://gowild.wi.gov> or call 888-936-7463
- Both your Red Arrow and AWSC memberships must be current
- Renew early – it takes processing time for your club and AWSC to update!

#### My Sled

- Your WI DNR snowmobile registration must be current and registered under your name
  - Double check at <https://gowild.wi.gov> or call 888-936-7463
  - You must enter you WI DNR snowmobile registration number to order passes every time (ex: 2234AW)
  - Registration numbers entered for Trail Passes must match with the WI DNR’s records
- The age of your snowmobile matters!
  - If your snowmobile is 34 years old or NEWER, a trail pass is REQUIRED
  - If your snowmobile is 35 years old or OLDER, a trail pass is NOT required

#### All \$10 Trail Passes

- Can only be ordered through the AWSC: online, mail in form with a check or call the AWSC with a credit card during business hours. They are not able to be picked up as they are not on hand for immediate purchase. PLAN AHEAD!
- You can legally ride with your trail pass receipt
- Passes are mailed from the DNR and can take up to 21v days for delivery via US mail
- No refunds given
- NOTE! Call the AWSC office after 30 days of order date but before 60 days if your trail pass hasn’t arrived by mail.

<https://awsc.org/Trail-Pass-Registration/Order-Passes-Online>

### Interested in Joining the Board of Directors?

Elections will be held April 20<sup>th</sup>. We would love to have you join the board or a committee at that time! We have positions up for re-election. If interested, please contact Rick at 920-540-5909. Your current Board of Directors are listed below.

President: Rick VanAsten	Vice President: Tad Kallas	Treasurer: Chuck Searl
Administrative Secretary: Brenda Kallas	Membership Secretary: Tracy Wiebensohn	Past President: Bob Berth
Director / Trail Boss: Mike Malueg	Director: Chad VanVeede	Director: Carla VanCamp

### Club News from Your Membership Secretary

If you haven’t renewed your membership yet, don’t fret! The easiest and fastest way is to renew is to call me at 920-242-3172. I will gladly process your club membership and renew you at AWSC with just a few clicks on the keyboard! If you prefer to renew online you will need to send me an email or call me so I can make changes to your membership first. ALL MEMBERSHIPS BECOME INACTIVE EFFECTIVE 10/1. This makes renewing on your own impossible. It will put you in a state of PENDING and I will call you to renew online. With the snowfall that came this weekend I am sure there will be a few of you ready to get your snowmobile pass.



The club website has been up and running for a while now. We just got a system update that through me in a tailspin as memberships were put into pending. I figured out the problem and hope to “fix” it for future years. We are also working on adding the club history. For me, the best part is that our website has a membership management system built right in! The new system will allow us to “manage” your membership data such as your mailing address, email address and phone number(s) with ease all in one place instead of excel spreadsheets and Gmail. As a member, you can log in to check your membership data, register for the Christmas Party and other events, locate upcoming meetings, and even see volunteer opportunities! You are also able to renew your Red Arrow membership instantly (the AWSC still needs to be entered separately by me). If you haven’t checked it out or given in a try, please do so. Last, directions for ordering your trail pass(es) are above. Call or email me with any questions. Thank you for renewing your membership and supporting the club! Tracy Wiebensohn, Membership Secretary



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