

HASTINGS

Hastings Minnesota

SnoMos

Monthly Meetings: October – March 1st Wednesday, Eagles Club, 7:30 pm

2017 Club Trip – February 3-5, 2017

Time is running out for you to get your room for this season's club trip. As of this writing, there are still 3 rooms available at the Four Season's resort just a couple miles down the road from Nelson's Landing. You're going to want to give them a call soon at (715) 634-2783 to reserve your room before those last three are gone.

Annual Bowl-A-Thon

This year's event went off without a hitch and everyone had a great time. Congratulations to Fudd for winning the traveling trophy in the adult division and to Abbi for her second consecutive win in the children's division.

Holiday Party

Eagles Club - December 11, 2016 – Noon - 3:00pm

Come and help celebrate the holiday season at the annual SnoMos Holiday party. Rumor has it that Santa himself may be scheduled to appear with gifts for all of the children. Please bring a dish to pass.

200 Club Tickets – All 200 Club Tickets, sold and unsold, are due back in to Mark Peine at the December meeting in order for the first drawing to occur. Please be sure to have them with you.

2016 Youth Safety Training

This season's safety training class is scheduled to be held on Saturday, December 10 2016. This class will be completed online prior to this date. If you need more information, please contact Pam Niebur or Chris Hogan. Email TrainingResistration@hastingsnomos.org for info.

Snowmobile

What sled was marketed as "Big Blue"?



From the Editor: Greetings fellow snowmobilers. Here we are ready for our third meeting of the season, one half of all of our scheduled annual meetings, and we haven't seen any snow locally. Seems like a pretty ironic statistic but actually not that unusual. The best, as they say, is yet to come. December brings the safety training, one of my favorite activities, and the holiday party. After ringing in the New Year, we'll have the club trip and the Vintage Ride and Show, two of our biggest activities for the club. Hopefully we'll get some snow to add in some local rides throughout to make it an active season of riding. If you want to make sure that you're included in on the email string for any local rides, send your name & email address to newsletter@hastingsnomos.org and I'll make sure you get notified if anyone is pulling something together. Don't forget about Wednesday's meeting. See you all there.
- Bryan

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December Regular Meeting
Youth Safety Training
Holiday Party
January Regular Meeting

November 4, 2016 - 7:30 PM
December 10, 2016 8:00 AM
December 11, 2016 - Noon
December 7, 2016 - 7:30 PM

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Club Trip

Trivia Answer

SnoJet's color was blue as they were famous for their lightweight ThunderJet racing machines. Mostly Yamaha powered, they were bought by Kawasaki in the late '70s and then folded into history.

REMINDER

All requests for Charitable Donations/Sponsorship must be made to the board prior to their being presented at the club meeting. These requests must be made (or recommended) by a member in good standing (paid) of our club.

Pot-O-Gold

At each membership meeting, a paid member's name is drawn for the Pot-O-Gold. If the member is present at the meeting, they win the Pot-O-Gold! If that member is absent, the money stays in the pot and increases \$25 each month until the pot is won. At the March meeting, names will be drawn until someone present wins! Make sure to be at the meeting so you are eligible for the drawing.

Dakota Trails Appreciation

If you helped out with the trails in any capacity, please join us on December 3rd at the House of Coates beginning with Happy Hour at 5:30PM.

Newsletter

Have something you'd like to see in the newsletter? Something changed? Send me an email at newsletter@HastingsSnoMos.org I'm always looking for new ideas or suggestions.

Vintage Ride & Show

The annual Vintage Ride & Show is scheduled for Saturday, February 18, 2017 at Jay Frandrup's farm just west of Hastings on CR 46. With dozens of vintage sleds, food and a sled raffle, there are plenty of things for the whole family. Watch for more information next month.

Trail Markers

If you need new markers for your trail this year, let Jay know what signs and how many.

Snowmobile trails open Dec. 1, early snow presents challenge - MnDNR

As northern Minnesota received its first significant snowfall last week, many snowmobile enthusiasts are rushing to take their first ride of the season. Snowmobile riders are reminded that despite the early snow, most of the state's snowmobile trails are not yet ready for riding, according to the Department of Natural Resources.

Minnesota's snowmobile trails officially open Dec. 1 each year; and several conditions must be met before trails are open and ready for travel:

The ground must be frozen to allow for crossing wet areas.

Adequate snow cover, about 12 inches, must be on the ground to allow for packing and grooming of the trails.

Trails must be cleared of fallen trees, signs put in place and the gates opened. Snowmobile club volunteers and DNR staff are currently working on these tasks.

"While the early snow is encouraging, it acts as insulation that slows the freezing we need in order to work on brush clearing and other trail maintenance in wet areas," Grand Rapids area supervisor Guy Lunz. "Crews are out removing brush from trails where they can, and that pace will pick up once cold weather helps freeze the low-lying areas."

After recent record-breaking warm temperatures into early November, most lakes remain ice-free despite the recent snow. The DNR recommends a minimum of 5 inches of new clear ice for snowmobiles.

When the trails open, the DNR urges riders to use caution. Early season trails may have trees or other debris across the trails, unfrozen areas, rocks or ruts, or standing crops and closed gates. Also, road ditches can have obstacles such as culverts, signposts and rocks.

While snowmobilers wait for the arrival of cold temperatures, now is a good time to verify their combined registration and trail sticker is current, ensure their snowmobiles are in good operating order, review safety training, and check local trail maps for any route changes or new trails.

UPCOMING EVENTS FROM MnUSA, REGION 6

- ✓ **DNR Snowmobile Safety Instructor Certification** – December 6, 2016; Hennepin County Sheriff's Department Water Patrol, 4141 Shoreline Dr, Spring Park, MN.
 - ✓ **Zumbro Falls Vintage Sled & Swap** – December 10, 2016; 320 Hwy 60, Zumbro Falls. 10 am Free registration; 11-3 show. Contact Fran 507-951-8207
 - ✓ **MnUSA 2016 Winter Rendezvous** – February 9-17, 2016; Grand Rapids, MN
- For more info: www.mnsnowmobiler.org/index.php?pageid=819



If you have any information or news that you would like included in the newsletter, call or e-mail me. Also, please send your e-mail address if it is possible for you to receive your newsletter via e-mail in a Word or PDF format to: newsletter@HastingsSnoMos.org

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Please complete and return with your membership dues.

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