

HASTINGS

Hastings Minnesota

SnoMos

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

2013 Vintage Ride & Show

Vintage enthusiasts from around the Twin Cities descended on the Frandrup Farm for the annual Vintage Show and Ride last Saturday. A fantastic turnout proved to set the stage for a great day of fun for everyone and a successful day for the Hastings SnoMos. If you didn't make it to this year's show, you missed out on the races, the vintage ride and of course all of those great sleds from yesteryear. Thank you to the Frandrup's for hosting this great event.

Molpus Woodland Group

Molpus is once again in the news and is now threatening to close the land for good, if it doesn't get a better tax break. They say they have given the state a deadline of the end of the current legislative session to come up with a plan to restore that money. The land closure would impact cabin owners, hunting land and hunting shacks and major state snowmobile trails that are contained within the 266,000 acres across Northern Minnesota. That's about a third the size of Rhode Island.

Election of Officers

Elections were held last month and we have a couple of new faces for the next year. Terry Stoudt remains president for another year. Scott Espie was elected as vice president, John Ferguson as Secretary, Chris Hogan as Treasurer and I, myself, will continue bringing you the Newsletter. Mark Peine and John Seeger were reelected to their board seat while Shawn Rasmussen was elected to his first term.



Snowmobile Trivia

When did the first consumer liquid-cooled sled appear?

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From the Editor: We're rolling towards the end of another season and at least the second half of the season was more conducive to riding than the start. Maybe that means next season will take off where this one is ending? We can only hope.

The Molpus Woodland group is again in the news threatening to shut down the access to the many trails that cross it unless the legislature restores the tax incentives that once totaled 2 million and has now dropped to \$100,000. This closure would be devastating for snowmobiling in that area as well as those industry's that rely on the revenue that snowmobiling brings in. Stay tuned, this could get interesting before the session ends. Hopefully you can make the last meeting of the season on Wednesday. The 200 club drawing will be picking the big money winners. Have a safe and fun summer. We'll see you in the fall to start off another great year!
Bryan

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March Regular Meeting
Dakota Trails Meeting

March 6, 2012 - 7:30 PM
March 13, 2013 - 8:00 PM House of Coates

Trivia Answer

Brutanza Engineering of Brooten Minnesota introduced the LC44 Brut in 1972. A 440cc, 50hp triple with CD ignition lay flat (ala FireCat) in an aluminum chassis, which utilized heat exchangers for cooling. The Brut (which also came in a 294cc liquid cooled twin) was eventually sold to Massey Ferguson and then again to Scorpion, however, like so many other sled manufactures, it never made it to the end of the decade.

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.

Sporting Gear

Scott Espie has some Hastings SnoMos sporting gear available for purchase. Hats, shirts and sweatshirts are offered with 10% of the proceeds coming back to the club.

200 Club Tickets

The March meeting of the Hastings SnoMos is the final month of our 200 club raffle with the drawings for two \$100 and one \$500 winners. While you don't have to be present to win but not being present means you'll miss out on the excitement.

Trails

All of the trails are open but the conditions are questionable due to the minimal snow, but there is some more in the forecast. Always be cautious when riding.

www.HastingsSnoMos.org

There is a special page for members only; the password is "snomos67". This page is for club members to post items that we don't want the world to see. For example: birthdays, anniversaries, new babies, or info on an ill member.

Got something to sell, trade or swap? Looking for that missing part? You can also post a "classified" ad for free!

Would you like your SnoMos dues PAID for one year?

Would you like a FREE one year TRAIL PASS?

YOU COULD HAVE BOTH!!

Here's how:

Bring in one NEW paid member and your \$10.00 SnoMos dues will be paid for one year. Bring in two NEW paid members and you will get one year of SnoMos dues paid PLUS you will receive \$16.00 when you present your receipt for a Minnesota Trail Pass!!

We need your help—have any ideas on how to bring in new members? Let us know and you may also be eligible for similar rewards.

SnoMos History?

Looking to put together some "history" on club events. Anyone who has any photo's of club events, we would like to borrow them for a short while so we can scan them in and get them digitalized. Please bring to the meeting, make sure you mark your name on the back! Not able to attend? Contact DeDe or Donna - we will come pick them up. Also interested in old newsletters, papers anything that has anything to do about Hastings SnoMos.

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.

Legacy Grant for Snowmobile Trail

The Minnesota DNR funded 13 projects to the tune of \$7.5 million via the Legacy grant fund, including one trail designated for snowmobile use. Freeborn county will receive \$950,000 to acquire 12.65 miles of abandoned rail line for development with connection to the existing biking lane and trail head of the Blazing Star trail located in Albert Lea.

2011-2013 Snowmobile Season has seen changes to the trail permits and is now combined with their registration sticker.



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