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

Snows a Coming Bowl-A-Thon

The Hastings SnoMos is sponsoring the first annual Snows-A-Coming Bowl a Thon. Saturday, November 15, 2008. Meet at Extreme, Treasure Island Resort and Casino, at 7:00 and bowl from 7:30 – 9:30. It will be some great pre-snow fun for all so bring your families and let's do some bowling. Approximate cost per person will be \$10.00 plus shoe rental.

There will be a sign-up sheet available at the November 5th meeting or contact DeDe at 651-437-1238 or Randy at 651-437-7233. We will be making reservations by November 8th. We will have fun and some interesting prizes! When was the last time you went bowling???.

From the desk of the SnoMos President

It's starting to feel like winter is really coming. Actually I noticed a few snow flakes yesterday! This is what I always think of as the boring time of the year. No snow, too early to Christmas shop, too cold to be outside without a jacket! Of course there is cleaning and all the usual stuff to get done before the snow actually gets here but that isn't a whole lot of fun.

I ran into Rosie and Jerry Schaak yesterday and Rosie mentioned that they do not have the new trail signs yet. Hopefully they will have them by the meeting and then we can set a date for making & fixing signs. I'll try to remember to have Brian post the date on the web site just incase you aren't at the meeting.

There are a few things to look forward to. We are planning to have a Snows-a-Coming Bowl A Thon on Saturday night November 15 at the new Extreme Bowl at Treasure Island. It will start at 7:00 PM - Bowl from 7:30 to 9:30 - Bring the Kids! The Club will be paying a portion of the lane fees - it should be a fun night out! The bowling area also has arcade/lunch counter/bar! See all the information attached. Plans are in the works for the club trip (a few ideas are getting kicked around), the Christmas party (anyone want to help chair this event?) and a few of the fun things that we do. Don't forget Pam and Bruce have DNR Snowmobile Safety training scheduled in December - if you do not have your kids signed up - please call Hastings Community Ed. and get them enrolled.

I am hoping we have a lot of snow this year and can have some club rides (anyone remember the old Friday Night ride to dinner rides??) Maybe have a breakfast some place along the trail one day? Have a Club Members only private Poker Run? I have a load of ideas we just need snow!

Hope to see you at the meeting on Thursday!

DeDe

Snowmobile Trivia

How many miles of snowmobile trails are there in North America?

2009 Club Trip

Chad and Shelly Watterud has graciously volunteered to help pull together plans for this season's club trip. For those that have been involved in helping out previous years know, it's a big job. If you'd like to be involved and give them a hand, please let them know. It's going to be a great trip, right Chad?



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monthly Meeting November Board Meeting December Meeting Snowmobile Safety Training datesNovember 5 November 20 at 7:30 pm. December 3 December - 6 & 13

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Tim Weber

Club Trip

Open

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200 CLUB

The 200 club tickets will be sold starting with the October meeting. New Format. Dec., Jan. & Feb. will have 3 payouts of \$50 & 1 @ \$250. March meeting will have 3 @ \$100 and 1 @ \$500.

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.

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There is a special page for members only; the password is " ". 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!

200 Club Change

A change to the 200 Club for the 2008-2009 season is brewing and could bring a monetary bonus to the seller of tickets drawn at each of the regular SnoMos meetings. But of course you will need to be present to win. Details are still being developed so stay tuned and get ready to sell those tickets. The more you sell the better your odds of winning.

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Did You Know....

Trivia Answer

An estimated 225,000 miles.

- There are no letters assigned to the numbers 1 and 0 on a phone keypad. These numbers remain unassigned because they are so-called "flag" numbers, kept for special purposes such as emergency or operator services.
- On every continent there is a city called Rome.
- Summer on Uranus lasts for 21 years but so does winter.

How to prepare yourself for Snowmobiling

- **1.** Go to your local snowmobile repair shop, smile and give the first guy you see \$200. This will get you used to spending money there on a regular basis.
- **2.** Fill a 50-gallon barrel with sand. Lower it into a hole. Now lift it out. If you can, add water to the sand and try it again. Do this 5 times per day. This will get your back in shape for lifting your sled out of the deep snow.
- **3.** Tie a rope to a heavy-duty spring. Pull the rope repeatedly with each arm until the pain in your shoulders meets somewhere in middle your back. This will get you in shape for starting your buds sled, which he conveniently forgot was out of gas. It's best to do this exercise while someone is spraying starting fluid into your nose and eyes also.
- **4.** Drink four ounces of cod liver oil mixed with a strong laxative. Dress with long underwear, wool pants, snowmobile bibs, insulated boots and heavy
- coat. Walk far into the woods without any paper products and wait for a personal emergency. This get you prepare for the Beer shits that come out of nowhere, and at the wrong time.
- **5.** Place your hands in a bucket of ice water for 20 minutes. Put the carburetor from your lawn mower in the bottom of your deep freeze. Now climb in the deep freeze, shut the lid and overhaul it while holding a pen light in your mouth. This gets you prepared to work on your sled in the freezing cold and black of night. Advanced riders do this with a leatherman tool
- **6.** Dress up in your new \$350 snowmobile bibs. Pour 2 stroke oil down the right leg, gasoline down the other and Peppermint Schnapps and Beer all over the front. Fill your boots with ice cubes and ask your wife or girlfriend to dance. This will prepare her for the stops at the local bar after a ride.
- **7.** Put on a Balaclava and a full-face helmet. Attempt to drink hot chocolate through the opening. Advanced riders attempt this while riding a lawn tractor over in the nearest farmers' field.
- **8.** Find a place where you can pay \$4.50 a gallon for regular gas; \$19.99 per quart of oil; \$16 for a hamburger and frozen French fries; \$3 for a coke and \$160 to sleep in a cold cabin on a bed with springs sticking through the mattress. Stay for two nights, minimum. This will prepare you on the high cost of your future winter trips.
- **9.** Practice explaining to your banker why you need another loan for a \$60,000 truck to pull the four \$20,000 toys, in your \$19,000 trailer that you still owe \$50,000 on.

Now, you are 50% ready, and somewhat conditioned to head for the trails and ride your sled.

2008-2009 Safety Training

This years training will be held in two sessions, Saturday December 6th and Saturday December 13th. Both sessions will be held at the USW Union Hall located at Goodwin Ave & 190th Street East of Vermillion.



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