**HASTINGS SnoMos**

**Hastings, Minnesota**

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

**Holiday Hoopla**

The SnoMos are entering their own float in the second annual lit parade as part of the Holiday Hoopla Celebration in downtown Hastings to celebrate small business Saturday. Come on down to help support the small business in your town and stay to cheer on our own lit up float. This day will be filled with lots of events including Horse & Wagon Rides, Reindeer Rides, Craft Vendor Fair, Gourmet S'mores, Ice Carving, Face Painting, and Who Hair, Pictures with Santa & the Grinch, Elementary School Choirs and capped off with a lighted parade.

**Annual Bowl-A-Thon**

**Extreme Bowl, Treasure Island**

The annual event was held on November 21st at Extreme Bowl, Treasure Island. With a great turn out everyone had a great time. Dan Beissel took home the traveling trophy this year and will return it next year to try for that elusive repeat winner.

**Holiday Party**

**Eagles Club - December 13, 2015 – 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. Bring a dish to pass.

**2015 Youth Safety Training**

This season’s safety training class is scheduled to be held on Saturday, December 12, 2015. This class will be based on the CD format. If you need more information contact Pam Niebur, Chris Hogan or Bryan Alpaugh. Registration is through Hastings Community Education.

**Snowmobile Trivia**

How many sleds were sold for the 2001 model year?

**From the Editor:** Its We’ve finally seen the first snow of the season here in Hastings, but we’ve need a lot more to get the trails open. They’ve been working hard getting all of the trails markers in and prepared for another season. Let’s hope this season brings enough snow to make some good local riding.

We’re coming up on the annual safety training, Saturday December 12th at 8:00AM. If you can help out please come out to the Vermillion Town Hall by 7:00AM. Teaching the area youth the proper snowmobile safety not only makes it safer for them, but all of the other riders they may encounter on the trails.

The December meeting is days away, come on out to the Eagles on Wednesday, December 2nd and find out what's happening. Hope to see you there and think snow!!  

**Bryan**

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**Calendar of Events**

- December Regular Meeting: December 2, 2015 - 7:30 PM
- Safety Training: December 12, 2015 - 8:00 AM
- Holiday Party: December 13, 2015 - Noon
- January Regular Meeting: January 6, 2016 - 7:30 PM

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**Club Trip**

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SNOWMOBILE CLUB LEADS LAWSUIT AGAINST NORTHERN REGION FOREST PLANS

MISSOULA, MT (November 23, 2015) — Various organizations, led by the Ten Lakes Snowmobile Club, have filed a lawsuit challenging U.S. Forest Service planning efforts on the Kootenai and Idaho Panhandle National Forests. The complaint, filed on November 12, 2015, in federal court for the U.S. District of Montana, claims that the 2015 Revised Forest Plans violated various federal laws, including the National Forest Management Act, the Wilderness Act, the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the Administrative Procedure Act.

“These plans were plagued by a long history, changing regulations, and shifting regional policy,” said Jim Voyles, President of the Ten Lakes club. “We strive to be good partners with the Forest Service, but these plans reflect concerns that we cannot overlook. We need active management that focuses on what is good in our National Forest System, rather than the ever-more-bewildering gridlock foreshadowed by these plans,” Voyles concluded.

The suit particularly emphasizes designation and management of “recommended wilderness” by the Forest Service. Under these plans, such areas will essentially be managed as Congressionally-designated Wilderness, where no motorized or mechanized transport will be allowed. The lawsuit contends that the agency’s Northern Region has created an unwavering policy, which contradicts prior and continuing practice in other Forests, which has allowed existing “nonconforming” travel in recommended wilderness to continue where it does not adversely impact wilderness character.

2016 Club Trip
February 5-7, 2016 – Orr, MN

This season’s club trip will be in Orr, MN on February 5th through the 7th. Reservation can be made at any of the locations listed below. Make yours today and start your planning to join the club. You’re not going to want to miss out the excitement.

- Overson’s Pelican Lake Resort and Inn • 4675 Highway 53 Orr, MN • 218-757-3613
- Norman’s One Stop & Motel • 4513 Highway 53 • Orr, MN • 218-757-3272
- North Country Inn • 4483 Highway 53 Orr, MN • 218-757-3778

UPCOMING EVENTS FROM MnUSA, REGION 6

- ISOC Duluth National Snocross – November 27-29, 2015; Duluth, MN
- Jackson Sports Open House – November 28-29, 2015; Jackson, MN
- MnUSA 2016 Winter Rendezvous – February 11-14, 2016; Grand Casino Hinkley

For more info: www.mnsnowmobiler.org/index.php?pageid=91

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