Moose Lake News

-35 on Monday morning. Cold weather is all around us and it looks like it may stay with us until at least Thursday. If the weather forecast is correct by the end of the week things may change a little. Last Saturday I was scheduled to work ambulance duty for Sawyer County at the Pre Birkie. That was postponed on Friday afternoon because of the cold weather. The Pre-Birkie is now scheduled for Saturday March 6th.

This past weekend a friend of mine Rob Sparhawk EMT & I went to the Vintage Snowmobile ride in Winter. We both wanted to ride but at 7AM we backed out because of the cold. They had about 80 riders spite the cold. There was little wind which really helped. This was a fund raiser for the Winter Huskies Snowmobile Club. There were many fine-looking machines from as far back as the 60's that were being used for the ride. Yes there were a few that broke down and had to be towed and then hauled away, but that is to be expected. At 4 PM they had a chicken dinner that was included in the price of the ride. It was delicious.

Speaking of snowmobiles. The Round Lake Ambulance and Fire Department were called out to two serious snowmobile accidents over the weekend. The first accident occurred on trial 319 halfway between Hwy B and Moose Lake Road. A female was traveling with some friends, when her machine went out of control crashing into some trees. She was thrown from her sled suffering serious injuries. She was transport to the Hayward Area Memorial Hospital. The Round Lake Fire Department assisted EMT's with the call. The second accident happened around 3:30 PM Saturday afternoon along Hwy 77 in the town of Round Lake just west of Hwy. A. This patient appeared to be seriously injured and was flown out from the scene by a Medical helicopter to Duluth MN. Again, the Round Lake & Spider Lake Fire Departments assisted EMT's. We are extremely fortunate to have two exceptionally fine Fire Departments that work together very professionally in a time of need.

Results from Pool League:

We had a hard time finding a place to stand so we could play pool and keep our 6-foot distance last Thursday evening at Louie's. The snowmobilers were out in force and having a good time. Jack had the fireplace cranked up, so it was nice and warm inside the bar. Both big rooms were open to customers. For pool league we had only 3 teams, but did we have fun. I brought in a birthday cake for Roger Winters who celebrated his birthday on Feb 3rd. Last week on Thursday Feb 4th would have been the ideal time to bring Rogers cake for his surprise party but I had another commitment that night and was not able to make pool league. We had to put off the surprise party until the 11th but unknown to all of us Roger had to miss that night. Well, what do you do when the guest of honor does not show up? You have a party without him. We all had plenty of cake to eat. I think I had 3 pieces. What we did is save the center of the cake for Roger where it said Happy Birthday Roger. Jack Brown delivered the left-over cake to Roger on Friday to his home. Thanks Jack. Well, the big winners this past week were Ron Neitzel and Brad Daywitt taking first place. The second-place award was given to Dean Broberg and Tom Koehler. The TP award or now what I call the Top Prize award went to Joan Linahon and myself Jim O. I wish we could call it that. It really stands for, the Toilet Paper award for last place. Yes, we won a roll of toilet paper. This Thursday we will be back at it again shooting pool. We are always looking for more players. 6:30 is the start time and it only costs \$3.00. Hope to see you at Louie's Landing on Moose Lake this Thursday.

The Pinochle Results

The ladies had a great time at Louie's last Thursday afternoon playing their favorite card game, pinochle. Four area ladies Sara Miller Penny Broberg, Joan Linahon & Pam Musha had a wonderful afternoon together. The ladies came around 11:30 so they could have a good meal prior to playing cards. When all hands were played, Joan Linahon was awarded first place. Penny Broberg second place and Pam Musha took home the dimes or Boobie prize.

I talked to our area game warden Tom Heisler this past Sunday. He said that there is a lot of people out enjoying our outdoors and for the most part despite the cold weather. Tom told me that everyone is behaving themselves. There are always a few problems but for the most part it has been a good winter. Tom said like most of us he is looking forward to warmer weather and more sunshine with longer days.

Birthday wishes are sent to Barb Nielsen on the 21st, Taylor Rose Adams on the 23rd, Gina Marie Richter on the 24th of Feb. There are no anniversaries. That is all for another week. Keep warm and stay safe. Please send your news to <u>Jonarheim@centurytel.net</u> or call 715-462-4448.