

**Indian River Snowmobile Grooming Club**  
**Post Office Box 1162**  
**Indian River, Michigan 49749**



## 2024 FALL NEWSLETTER

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** **Some of our volunteers have been with us over 20 years—we need some new blood!** If you're interested in being a Club officer, groomer driver, or helping with brushing and signing please contact us: [info@indianriversnowmobiling.org](mailto:info@indianriversnowmobiling.org) or by phone/text 231.420.8510 (Brett).

**TRAIL BRUSHING:** If you're interested in helping with trail clean up, please email Bill Praither at the Inland Lakes Snowmobile Club: [ilsnowclub@gmail.com](mailto:ilsnowclub@gmail.com). Their club had a brushing work bee on 10/22/24. Thank you to the Inland Lakes Snowmobile Club members for their never-ending support!

**GROOMING CLUB OFFICERS:**

President: Brett Lindgren

Vice President: Lisa R. LaPrairie

Treasurer/Secretary:

Equipment Maintenance: Mitch DePauw & Ed Taglauer

Trail Maintenance: Jim Schaaf, Bill Praither

**FUNDRAISING:** We raise funds selling individual/corporate memberships, hats & tees.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** It was a rough winter for snowmobiling and grooming. But thanks to your ongoing membership donations (business & individual), we were finally able to finish insulating the groomer building this summer. Insulating where the tractors and drag are kept allows for easier removal of snow (after volunteers return from grooming). The insulation will also make it easier when the guys do minor equipment work.



We groom 6 nights per week using 2 tractors, weather permitting. Above is the spray foam project.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** To receive newsletters via email or if your address has changed, please send an email to [burtlakelisa@gmail.com](mailto:burtlakelisa@gmail.com). Check out our updated website at [www.justgroomit.org](http://www.justgroomit.org) for the latest grooming club news and updated trail reports/conditions once the snow flies.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** As of 10-1-24 our checking account balance is **\$17,475.76**.

**CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP:** Last year we had **29 Corporate Sponsors.**

We'd like to thank Brentwood Lodging for letting snowmobilers use their property to access M-27 (South Straits Hwy.) and the wooded trail.

**Please support the following Corporate Members who supported us during 2023-2024!**

**DIAMOND      \$1,000+:**

**Inland Lakes Snowmobile Club**

**PLATINUM      \$500:**

**Breakers  
Burt Lake Marina  
Citizens National Bank  
Fishweb  
Ginop's Sales  
Indian River CarQuest & Do-It Center  
Indian River Sports Center  
Michael's Tavern & Steakhouse  
Parlake, LLC  
Pat & Gary's Party Store I & II  
Personal Touch Advertising  
ScreenGraphics  
South Side Auto & Trailer**

**GOLD      \$300:**

**Indian River Eagles #4046  
McDonalds of Indian River  
Vintage Snowmobile Ride (Kerry)  
Wheeler Motors  
Toasty's Cabins**

**SILVER      \$150:**

**Berkshire Hathaway Real Estate  
Drosts Chocolates  
Kiwanis Club of Indian River  
M & M Plumbing & Heating  
Ostlund Pest Control North  
Straits Area Federal Credit Union  
W.W. Fairbairn & Sons  
North Country Insurance Agency  
Stone Funeral Home & Cremation**

**BRONZE      \$75:**

**Nieland & Kosanke P.C.**

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:**

**Our annual membership meeting is held the last Wednesday of October, at our equipment building (5846 S. Straits Hwy, IR). This year's meeting will be October 30th at 5:45 pm. Your support is important to us, so please continue to spread the word about our Grooming Club. Last season we had 45 club members.**

*To join or renew membership, please return this form with payment.*

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## **2024 - 2025 IR SNOWMOBILE GROOMING CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM**

- \_\_\_\_\_\$30 New Membership—Includes hat or t-shirt and decal
- \_\_\_\_\_\$20 Membership Renewal—Includes decal
- \_\_\_\_\_\$20 for hat (write quantity desired)-black w/logo embroidered on front
- \_\_\_\_\_\$15 for SS tee-white w/black logo on front & “just groom it!” on back
- \_\_\_\_\_\$20 for LS tee-blue w/white logo on front & “just groom it!” on back
- \_\_\_\_\_Size & Quantity of t-shirts: \_\_\_\_\_Short sleeve \_\_\_\_\_Long sleeve
- \_\_\_\_\_Other donation

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send your check to: Indian River Snowmobile Grooming Club  
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**Remember, your donations are tax-deductible! Our Tax Id # is 14-1887225.**

**How would you like us to get your membership materials to you? Check below:**

Mail my items (**enclose \$5 extra** for postage if you want a hat/tee shipped): \_\_\_\_\_

Please hold my decal, hat(s), or t-shirt(s) for pick up at Burt Lake Marina: \_\_\_\_\_

Don't need a decal—please just record my membership donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Have questions or want to get involved? Call Brett: 231.420.8510 or email Lisa:  
[info@indianriversnowmobiling.com](mailto:info@indianriversnowmobiling.com).