



To our Wolfpack Membership and others,

December 5, 2024

I can't believe it's December already, it seems as you get older time speeds up as well. Even though we have not seen snow levels similar to last year at this time, the early cold temps have helped to provide a much better ice layer, and as of today very few reports of overflow. Our goal is to have the 3 lake's trails marked by mid-December. Already both sides of Susitna Lake have been marked and some portions of Lake Louise. Tyone Lake is scheduled to be marked December 8-9. Harry Holt (alias "Trail Boss") is leading a trail marking work party to complete the trail marking on December 14, meeting at Lake Louise Lodge at 9:00 a.m.

Your Board has been very busy since our April 2024 annual meeting. Highlights include finalizing the maintenance on both groomers, successful trail grooming grant applications to the Mat-Su Borough and the State of Alaska, securing proper permitting for our trails, working on additional easements, finalizing (work in progress) GPS coordinates to update our trail maps, working on securing a surveyor to finalize requirements for the easement on the crossover at Lake Tyone, working with the Louise, Susitna, Tyone Community Association to finalize the information needed to secure Borough property and Safety Building, developing a 5-year plan for equipment replacement (Big Foot), continuous updates to our [web-site](#) and many other activities necessary to support an organization such as ours.

The maintenance, upkeep and grooming of this area's large trail system by our Club are essential for safety and community support. With that said, **we need more volunteers** to step up and lend a hand. We had some great turn-outs last year and let's see if we can even see more of you turning out to help. Contact the [Trail Boss](#) if you can give us a hand. Many of you may not realize it but this club maintains over 310 miles of trails. You can keep up on club news, winter schedule of activities and the recent weather by [logging in on our website](#). Keep an eye on our [Facebook Page](#) also. If you haven't renewed your annual [membership for 2025](#) or want to become a life member the [website](#) is where to go to complete this. Please consider us for your end of year [charitable giving](#), especially if your company does charitable matching. We are a nonprofit 501C organization.

It's not too early to start planning your basket for our annual basket auction occurring on March 8th at Lake Louise Lodge. This has proven to be a key fundraiser for our club and I believe you will agree a very fun event. This year Mike Anderson has volunteered to chair this event, contact [Mike](#) and see how you can help out.

I have always loved winter. Our winters in this area allow us to be transported back to our younger years and experience the true joy of playing outside, yet again! I can't wait to be boon-docking and finding some far away mountain valley with untouched deep powder snow...Time to ride and be safe!!

Your Friend,

Peter J. Probasco  
President, Lake Louise Snowmachine Club