

March 12, 2025 PLSA General Meeting

Our March meeting will be held at the MN Horse and Hunt Club 2920 220th St Prior Lake. Meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. We unfortunately cannot hold our meeting at the VFW due to remodeling in the basement.

Items up for discussion:

- 1) Club Trip Recap
- 2) Club Financials
- 3) End of season trail out
- 4) Music Fest Volunteers
- 5) End of season banquet
- 6) Elections for 2025-2026 BOD

PLSA Club Board Members

Tom Schutz President
Terry Hutchison Vice President
Craig Root Treasurer
Kris Murray Secretary
Gail Adelmann Director
Don Wineland Director
Tom Laridaen Director

Elections are in April. Please consider being on the board. Positions responsibilities click here:





2025 Music Fest Volunteers

Time slots still available

For those of you that have volunteered in the past for this very fun event, you will be first to receive an invitation to sign up for your preferred time slot. This year's event will also be through sign up genius like last year but the foam has changed. Please follow the directions. I recommend signing up early as they go quickly as a few people last year did not get the shift they wanted. Past PLSA volunteers have until January 19th to pick their day and time slot before it gets released to all PLSA club members. PLSA members who did not volunteer in the past will have from January 20th to February 16th to registers before it will go to other clubs. Our goal again for this year is 160 positions or time slots filled. Last year we had 157 positions filled which was the one of best volunteer group for the Rotary Club.

So what is it all about! For the past number of years PLSA along with members of other clubs have

volunteered for the Rotary's Music Fest. This year's event will be held July 11^h and 12th. Our volunteer positions include, bar backs, beverage distribution, event set up, promo handouts, clean up, Semi Truck and security.

Positions details for both days:

Bar backs: work from shifts of 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. or 8 pm to 11:00 p.m. Filling stock tanks with beverages, ice and opening beverages in support of bar tenders.

Beverage Distribution: Work from 8 a.m. to noon and noon to 4 p.m. Distribute cases of beverages from semi-trucks to the 4 different tent areas and stock the walk in coolers. You will be using motorized carts, but also includes a good deal of lifting.

Set up: Wednesday and Thursday 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Includes setting up tents, tables, fencing and other activities. Lifting and a faster pace of work.

Semi Truck: Shift is from 4 to 8 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 11:00. Tasks include keeping bar back areas stocked from semi-truck and support stock in other distribution areas. Lifting required but has a lot of down time in between stocking.

Security: Currently not in any time slots but looking for people in all areas. Tickets and ID verification. 4 to 8 p.m. and 8 to close. End of night security. 9 p.m. to midnight. Crowd control getting people out of the venue. No time slots on sign up genius, however if interested please reach out to me and we will get you scheduled.

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Clean up: picking up ground Saturday and Sunday a.m. from 8 a.m. to noon. Again no time slots on sign up genius, however if interested please reach out to me. myc90touring@gmail.com

Volunteer Benefits for Volunteering at Music Fest 2025

As a volunteer for the Music Fest, our club will receive a donation for each hour worked. The donation amount provided with each position is dependent on when they work and what position. For example, if you work during the event as it is

happening, your donation amount will be higher than those that work set up or distribution. So you are basically provide a higher donation because you are not out enjoying the venue.

YOU as a volunteer will receive free admission into the event for both nights. So you can work and enjoy the event to its fullest and benefit the club.

Donations Received

Over the past years, PLSA and other clubs have receive thousands of dollars in donations. PLSA is an organization that works to improve our trail system, provide safety education to our youth and give back to our community. We are proud of what we have done with our donations in the past and we look forward to our future commitment to our community. Other clubs that our donations went to include, Savage Sno Pacers, River Valley Trail Blazers, Chaska Sno-Hawks, Westonka Sno-blazers, South Tonka Snowmobile club.

What happened at the Last meeting?

Both Secretary's and treasurers report was approved.

Committee to explore options for training snowmobiles are still working to discuss options.

Members approved Treasure to put funds into a interest money market account.

Terry reported that work is in progress for vehicle plates that have snowmobiles on them in which funding can be generated.

Click link: Snowmobiling is Important to Minnesota

Funding to the trail system this year is not looking good. Only 47% of snowmobile registrations were renewed this year.

New recreational Sheriff is taking over.

Adopt a highway is scheduled for May 17th. Elections are in May. Looking for people that would like to be part of the board. New members are encouraged to get involved.

Meeting location change for March and April

Just a heads up, the VFW will be adding an Elevator to the building during March and April. Meeting location will change and will be held at the MN Horse and Hunt Club. March meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY night the 12th 7:00 and April will be on a Thursday night the 10th. Mark your calendars.

Calendar Winners March

Paul and Natalie Frank were a winner for the March Drawing this past week. They will received a check for \$50.

Mnsnowmobiler.org has not updated their website at this time to show winners however no local winners from other nearby clubs were mentioned.

2025

Club Trips

Walker was a great trip and we were able to share time with the Savage Sno Pacers as well. What a great bunch of people. In all we had 50+ between Savage and Prior Lake. Picture of some of the group at the top of the newsletter. The group I was in we did 380 miles for the 3 days and the trails were perfect. Well maybe not Saturday afternoon, but a fun time regardless.

Lasting Impressions

This week I posted on our Prior Lake Snowmobile Associations Facebook page concerning the last snow fall and people not staying on the trails. I did my best to keep the post neutral and more educational and perhaps a method of getting people involved. We are not to blame a certain age group, or blame those that are not members of the club for being or causing the issues on the trails. What I would like is, for all those that care help to find a solution and find a way to communicate the need for those that do use the trails to be responsible. The issue of trespass is not new and we had this problem well before Facebook was a thing. Facebook though is a way for many to voice their frustrations however, I am pretty sure it is not getting to

the people causing the issue of riding off trail. So rather, than post angry signs and comment that it will always be a problem. Let's be positive and work to find a solution so our landowners know we are doing all we can. Negative posts might you feel better, but it does not solve the problem.

Calendar of Events

March

12th PLSA Membership meeting MN Horse and Hunt Club

April

10th PLSA Membership meeting MN Horse and Hunt Club

12th Spring Banquet Creeks Bend Golf

Course, New Prague

Where's the Snow Guessing Game

At the start of the season, many of you put your guess in for where the final snow total will fall. Here is what that looks like. Total so far this season is

25.5	DEAN TOWNSEND	31.2	KURT NIOSI
41.9	KEELY ERICKSON	44	ROD JUST
44.25	TERRY HUTCHINSON	48.3	TOM SCHUTZ
49.7	RICK BEUTLER	50.1	CHUCK HOMMES
50.7	TOM LARIDAEN	51.6	SCOTT DORAN
51.7	MARK NIEMANN	52.4	MIKE VINCENT
52.6	JEFF SWENSON	52.7	CHRIS ANDERSON
52.8	KRIS MURRAY	54	TIM HUTCHINSON
56	JIM CRUZ	57.5	PETE MARXER
58.7	BILL KING	60.2	MIKE JOPP
61.3	TONY BROWN	61.4	PAUL HARDWIG
62	EMILY LIND	63.3	JIM CLANCY
64	CARL LARSON	65.5	MIKE BALDWIN
66.6	LARRY SHEPARD	66.6	GENE FAUE
67.7	GORDY KLINGBAIL	68	J BROOKER
68.4	PAUL YOUNGS	68.5	GARTH GERTNER
69	MIKE BALDWIN	70	SCOTT DAVIS
74.2	ANDY JENSEN	84	SANDY DOHERTY

Snow total through March 12, 2025 stands at 22.6"

December 7.0
January 1.7
Feb 4.4
March to date 9.5

87.3 DON WINELAND

End of Year Banquet

Come celebrate the end of the season with us. This year's banquet will be held at Creeks Bend Golf course on April 12th.

Appetizers will be served during social hour. Meal is Grilled Sirloin or Creeks bend Marinated Chicken in cream sauce, Au Gratin Potatoes, Glazed carrots, Rolls and Butter and Salad. Social Hour starts at 5 p.m. with dinner at 6 p.m.

Please sign up using the Following link.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EA4A72

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We need at least 40 people or the event will be canceled. If weather permits, we might hit a few golf balls ahead of the event. TBD at this time. As always a short presentation will be after the meal.

Dead line to register for this banquet is March 31, 2025

Adopt a Highway Volunteers Needed

This year we will be doing our community service on May 17th. For those members that would like a free breakfast, we will meet at Ze's Diner in Prior Lake at 7:30 a.m. Pick up starts at 9 a.m. for those that cannot make breakfast. The section of road we have been responsible for the past 32 years is on county road 42 and goes from CO 21 to CO 18. With enough volunteers it only takes an hour. If you can help please join us and help our community.

To sign up, follow the link or scan the QR code below.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EA4A72 EA0FDC70-55553093-2025

Final News Letter From the President

It was a short season for snowmobiling this year. Some of us traveled a long way to find snow and for those that did go, it was worth it. We had two very fun trips. Virginia and Walker and were well attended. Unfortunately our local rides did not happen this year like we had hoped. Looking forward to a fun 2025/2026 season and hopefully a lot more snow than this year.

At this time, I have decided that I will be stepping away from being president of PLSA and the board. I took over as the president in 2014 and with exception of two of those years been in that position. I have been on the board for PLSA since 2008 and I feel it's time for a change. I am not going anywhere and will continue to be with the club. Thank you for allowing me to be President for all these years.

We have elections coming up in April. Please consider being part of the board.