

Summer 2020 Newsletter



Highlights

International Snowmobile Hall of Fame

It's official! **Terry Hutchinson** will be inducted into the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame. Thanks again to those that contributed to his nomination letter. Congrats Terry!

History of Terry's contribution from the ISOE.com website:

In his nearly 50 years of organized snowmobiling, Terry Hutchinson has been involved in all levels of the sport. It all started with the creation of the Prior Lake Snowmobile Association in 1972. He served as their President for over 10 years and Trail Coordinator for the past 45 years. In 1984, Scott County's three snowmobile clubs created an alliance called Sno-Trails, Inc. Terry held the office of President and served as their Trail Coordinator for 40 plus years as well. It didn't take long and Terry found himself very involved at the state level, serving the Minnesota United Snowmobilers Association (MnUSA) as a Region 8 Director. Terry eventually became Vice-President and then President of MnUSA, where he also took on the role as chair of the Trails/DNR Committee. It was then that Terry was instrumental in the implementation of a statewide corridor trail system across Minnesota's 22,000 miles of snowmobile trails. In 2008, during his presidency of MnUSA and as chairperson of the Minnesota Snowmobile Advisory Council (MSAC), he played a lead role in implementing funding changes when the club payment system went from a reimbursement program to a performance based funding program. Some other significant legislation passed under Terry's leadership included the change in statute regarding the use of studs on state asphalt trails and MN Snowmobile registration fees to include a state trail pass. Presently, Terry is leading discussions with MnUSA and the state's ATV Association regarding joint snowmobile and winter ATV trails. Terry also represents snowmobiling on the Minnesota Motorized Trail Coalition and the Coalition of the Recreational Trail Users where he served on their Board since its inception in 2007. Not surprisingly, Terry got involved on a national level as the MnUSA delegate to the Midwest Chapter, American Council of Snowmobile Associations and has attended Washington DC Fly-Ins and several International Snowmobile Congresses. With all that, Terry still remains actively involved in his local snowmobile club and is responsible for marking his own section of trail. Terry's passion for the sport of snowmobiling knows no bounds. He lives it every day of his life and it reflects in his actions and involvement, which is why Terry Hutchinson is an obvious choice for induction in the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame, Class of 2020.



Club Officer Nominations

At this time, it is TBD when we will be holding officer elections this fall.

We are asking for nominations for the following positions:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- 1 Director Position
- 3 Sno-Trails Director Positions

Please respond if you'd like to nominate someone, and it is ok to nominate yourself.

Adopt A Highway

Fall date will be sometime end of September or early October. Look for an email to ask for volunteers once the date is set.

Fall Snowmobile and Trailer Maintenance Event

If interested, stay tuned and the board will determine if it is safe to gather for this event and a date will be announced.

Sno-Trails Sno-Diac Dinner

The annual Sno-Diac Event and fundraiser has been canceled for this fall. We felt that it would not be a successful event due to all of the current restrictions.

Annual Awards

Congratulations to Emily Lind and Jeff Petschl. Winners of a couple of our annual awards. Normally these would have been given out during the Spring Banquet. You can ask each of them what these really mean.



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Club Officers (2019-2020)

President: Larry Shepard

Vice President: Kris Murray

Secretary: Diane Hoehne

Treasurer: Keeley Erickson

Board of Directors; Tom Laridaen
Jeff Petschl, and Don Wineland

Sno-Trails Directors: Paul Hartwig
Garth Gertner, Kurt Noisi

Trails are closed.

Follow the Sno-Trails Facebook page for updates. Our website will be updated as well. Or call the Sno-Trails HOTLINE for local trail conditions: 952-440-1003

The Sno-Trails Association manages all the trails in Scott County and is a joint effort by the local clubs including Belle Plaine/Henderson Borough Riders, Prior Lake Snowmobile Association, River Valley Trailblazers and the Savage Sno-Pacers. Check out the other local clubs for more events!

Trail Access and Trailer Parking:

Sand Point Beach – 14349 Crest Ave, Prior Lake

Tractor Supply - 16907 Hwy 13 S, Prior Lake

Louisville Swamp – Minnesota River Trail – access off 169 by Renaissance Festival entrance. Look for signs south of Shakopee.

Shakopee Bowl – 3020 W 133rd St, Shakopee