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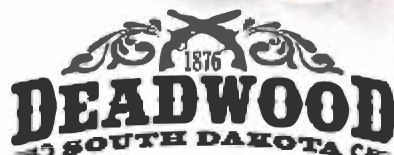


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From SDSA's President



Duane Duerr Brandon, South Dakota

Well as I am writing this, we have some snow on the ground and temperatures have fallen. The Keloland winter forecast is for over 50 inches of snow in the Sioux Falls Area, 10 inches more than in the past. They say Togwotee has over 69 inches already and more is coming to the Hills.

Many clubs now have their trail in and are working to have it ready for the December 15th Trail Opening. I know that in most clubs much of the trail is done by a select few, thanks to those that get the trail ready.

Before we know it the Sno Cross in Deadwood will be here on January 27th & 28th. SDSA will be there so come and see the show. This year is already looking better than last with snow for a great show. This year Sno Cross is also planning to be at Huset's in Brandon, SD. on March 3rd & 4th. We are still waiting to see what snow conditions bring us and if good it could also be a great show.

The Governor's ride is scheduled for February 10th and 11th at the Spearfish Holiday Inn. Friday Night is meet the legislator's event with Breakfast at Hardy Camp on the morning of the 11th served by The Black Hills Snowmobile Club. We have a room block set up and registration is only \$15 for all of it.

I still have some clubs to visit yet, I hope to get everyone scheduled to see soon. Those I have been to have some of the same challenges as the rest. But they also have some great things that make them stand out. Some have great community involvement; others have good youth involvement. Membership is still a challenge for many, let's get out now, before the season starts and grow membership.

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From SDSA's President-Elect

Kelly Weaver, Aberdeen, SD



Can it be that we have turned the calendar to another year?! 2023, what do you have in store for us? Since it is still 2022 as I am writing this, I am going to use some Christmas magic and make some wishes for 2023.

My first wish is for a good snow year. First of all, we need the moisture in all corners of our state. Second of all, and yes, quite selfishly, we deserve a good snow. Last year was basically a bust out west, and we have gone too many years without snow to consistently ride in our area. We live right on the snowmobile trail and have two grandkids that are reaching the age when they could venture out on the trail for a ride. We all know that it is hard to regain membership without being able to enjoy the winter season close to home.

My second wish is for continued involvement among our local clubs. I am always inspired to learn about the activities each club is involved with and how they support their local communities. I am also very encouraged by several conversations I've had with clubs considering the opportunity to host a future SDSA convention. (Bids for 2024 are due Feb. 1!) It is activities like these that keep members engaged and offer opportunities to develop our future leaders at both the local and state level.

Speaking of future leaders, my next wish is for strong support for the newly launched endowment for the YETIS Scholarship in memory of Jon LaFramboise. We really appreciate the willingness of the YETIS to assist with the SDSA Convention in Aberdeen. I love the energy that they bring to all they do! This scholarship is just another brick in building the path to future leadership for our YETIS.

Last but not least, I wish you all a safe and healthy 2023. May you enjoy many snowmobile trips with safe travel and long days in the snow with everyone and everything returning in the same condition it left. May you and your family experience good health to continue growing this sport we love, making new connections, strengthening existing friendships, and working to improve all aspects of organized snowmobiling.

Happy 2023! Bring it on!

Kelly Weaver

SDSA President Elect

***Paid your membership yet? This is your last issue of the
Sno Plainsman if we haven't received your member renewal.***

From SDSA's Past President

Greg Nordstrom, Sioux Falls

Hello snow lovers.

I will keep this short as it's a little difficult doing this on my phone. With the snow reports starting to show up from the Hills and mountains it looks like it should be a good year. Let's remember to be good ambassadors for our sport. Respect others and their property. Help others who might be just learning to ride.



Hopefully we can make this a safe and enjoyable winter. Remember the trails we ride are results of clubs with a few dedicated hard working people.

Join in and you will for sure find other friends to ride with. So have a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Happy New Year.

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Mike Boock, District 2

Hello Snowmobilers!

WOW! How is the year almost over already? I swear, the older I get, the faster they go by. I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving and is ready for an incredible Christmas and New Year. Kristi and I went up in the Hills and cut down our traditional 14-16' tree. Yes, you read that right. Go big or go home! We have always enjoyed hiking through the snow to find that perfect tree. Do you have a Christmas tradition that your family does every year? We actually have several, but this is one of our favorites. Most people look at us like we're crazy when we're driving home from the forest. I had to build a special tree stand

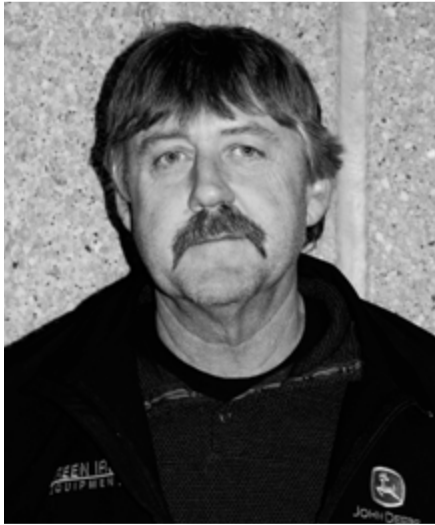
to hold our monstrous trees, because for the first several years the trees fell over on us. One year, I came home from work to find a half decorated 16' Christmas tree laying in the front yard. Kristi was over it! I believe it's called "Making Memories". HAHA!! Make sure to get out there and make memories.

Thankfully, we have had a better start to the snow season than the past couple years. Hopefully, that will continue for several more months. For those of you traveling to the Black Hills to ride the trails, you will be saddened to learn that Lewie's Burgers is no longer open. Don't worry though, as there are several other places to go eat when riding in the Hills. Trailhead Lodge, The Lodge at Deadwood, Mt Meadow, Rec Springs, and the Sled Haus are some good alternatives. You will also want to make sure to update your trail maps if you use an App. I believe some of the routes have changed. Make sure to watch out for Private Property where you once rode for years and years. Some of these new landowners don't exactly like loud snowmobiles in their back yards. We need to get our club memberships up as I believe we will need numbers to defend our need for some of these trails in the future. I believe Greg discussed this quite a bit last month, but it's an extremely important issue that we will be talking about more and more. Tell your buddies that you ride with, that they don't have to do anything or even come to a meeting (to start with)... we just need them to become a member. There is power in numbers.

The BHSC is hosting their annual radar run Deerfield Lake on February 4th, 2023. There are classes for all sleds including vintage. The Mike High Snowmobile Club always brings a bunch of older steel to run down the track. It's a great time and they would like to challenge the East River boys to come out and give it a shot. There's a \$500 prize for the "King of the Ice"!

During our 2022 convention, we approved the YETIS Scholarship Endowment Fund in memory of Jon LaFramboise. This has been in the works for several months and this was one of the final steps in the process. The next step is for us to raise the \$25,000 needed to fund this Scholarship for the next 25 years and remember Jon and how he supported the YETIS and SDSA. If you know anyone or a company that is interested in donating, please print off the form at snowmobilesd.com/forms. We greatly appreciate any donations that come in. I am excited to announce that the BHSC is donating \$2500 to help get this scholarship fund rolling! Jon was a huge part of their club and this is a great way to keep Jon's legacy going. Thank you Black Hills Club!!

Merry Christmas everyone! Mike



Lee Olson, District 3

Hello everyone, sure feels like winter outside, we had a dusting of snow this morning. Hope everyone is planning on attending the events in the Black Hills this winter. Got our trail back in shape last week. Lots of markers and signs bent over or knocked over from the ice and wind last month. If you come to ride the Aberdeen trail, we changed the trail route from Richmond to Westport. The maps don't show the change to the trail from prior years. Check Driftbusters social media which will show the changed route.

Now it's time to get the sleds, and trailers ready for the season. Hope for a good and safe season. See you on the trails, or the Hills.

Lee Olson District 3 director

Jason Shepherd, District 6

Hello again.

I hope everyone is enjoying the holidays. In the northeast here a few of the clubs have been participating in their local lighted parades in their home town. The clubs always do a good job and it puts many smiles on the kids faces.

We all have had a little taste of snow but we can use more so we can get out and ride. Most of the clubs have been planning Christmas party's and poker runs along with radar runs. Until next month.



Photo by Judy King.

***Brian & Tracey Erickson,
Greg & Diane Hiles and
Marty & Mary Anne Grabow
dance at the Nebraska Snow-
mobile Convention.***

***Angie Kriz and the
PolkaToons played for us
Friday night.***

A good time was had by all.





Tracey Erickson, District 4

Reflections...Part II

As Brian and I traveled home from the Nebraska State Snowmobile Convention, I pondered what to write about. My hubby came up with the comment of “have you ever wondered who studied it and determined that no two snowflakes are alike? How did they study all those snowflakes and extrapolate that this was true? Curious minds want to know.” Even though I gave him an eyeroll, it made me laugh. But it was a great unique point in a broad perspective. We are all different and unique, each bringing a fresh new perspective.

My point with this was it is always good to get a fresh new perspective. It is easy to get stuck in a rut, doing the same thing over and over again. So how do you go about getting a re-freshed perspective as a snowmobiler? Here are some ideas...

- Attend another club’s meeting throughout the year. Observe what is happening and working well and what is not.
- Attend the State Convention, there are many ideas shared amongst members, vendors, and presenters about club meetings, events, club outings, product performance, etc.
- Go to other state’s conventions and participate in their convention. See how they do things.
- Join an on-line forum for snowmobilers. (Personally, I’m looking forward to our Sledder App being able to help serve this platform upon completion.)
- Check out various periodicals – snowmobile magazines, State Snowmobile papers, etc.
- Peruse other clubs, states webpages and social media pages.

I realize that there are probably several other ways out there to interact and gain new knowledge about your snowmobile passion, but it first starts with curiosity and initiative, so don’t be afraid to take that leap, let your mind go by simply asking leading questions that start with What, How, Why and Who. Lastly, don’t be afraid of change. Sometimes it is a good thing and needed.

Hope to see you out and about on the trails or at upcoming events this winter. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Tracey Erickson, District 4 SDSA Director

Photo from convention - some of the ladies doing the art project. Photo by Ann Nagel



SDSA members attended Nebraska Snowmobile Convention. Greg & Diane Hiles, Tracey & Brian Erickson, Marty & Mary Anne Grabow & Judy & Bob King at the banquet for NSSA's convention! Photo by Kate Stutheit.



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Minutes of the meeting of the SDSA board of directors

Pierre SD May 7, 2022

President Duane Duerr called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Mary Anne called Roll call and established the following:

Duane, Kelly Greg (zoom), Mike (zoom), Ann, Tracey (zoom), Pat, Jason, Trace (zoom), Diane, & Mary Anne (zoom).

Guests: Jim Weaver, Al Nagel & Ryan Raynor.

Mike made a motion to accept the agenda with Edward Jones being added to new business and Trail cam added to old business. Tracey seconded. Motion carried.

Greg made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mike Seconded. Motion carried.

Presidents Report: Good year this year except for no snow. Our clubs seem to be busy and growing.

SnoPlainsman: The Quark program has been purchased after a lot of back & forth with the sales crews for it. Thanks to Diane for her assistance in getting that done.

Mary Anne checked into the extra cost for upgrading the magazine print. Going to 50# white instead of what we use would increase the print cost \$485 PER ISSUE. Assuming that would not be acceptable.

Trails – There are 14 clubs in the GIA program. Insurance \$ is up for all the clubs. Mitchell changed their trail which will involve the Parkston club. Shannon & Ryan will not be at ISC this year. GIA total \$314,211.

Gov. Relations – Thank you to Kelly for setting up the meetings with the legislators.

Convention – Nov 11 & 12 at Aberdeen. All Fun & Games. Ramkota rooms \$109.99 per nite. Identify as SDSA 2022. Food prices may go up and cause some issues but the club won't know that until 90 days prior. Registration is \$115. 16 teams will participate in the cornhole tournament. Move the social hour earlier and banquet as well to accommodate for the corn hole classic. They plan also to have a make n take class.

SOY interviews – Put on the form that if zoom interviews are absolutely necessary that they will be accepted.

Awards committee should work with Brian to align our awards with theirs.

Sioux Falls – Dec 1 & 2 2023 Sioux Falls Ramkota. 75 rooms blocked at \$110 each. Snowmobiling Brings Family Friends & Fun. Vintage participation involving Interlakes Club. Hoping to have classes on avalanche, safety, GPS.

Fundraiser – Tickets are printed. Mailing out to presidents of clubs.

Financial – Currently \$11,798.57 in our checking. Mike made a motion to move \$50 in legal defense to the right to ride account. Kelly seconded. Motion carried.

Diane explained all the options on her reports. Do collapsed version or expanded? Do collapsed at convention and full report in February.

Tracey made a motion to approve the financial report and file for review. Greg seconded. Motion carried.

Membership/website:

Numbers are down but not terribly.

	04-30-2022	06-30-2021
CLUB MEMBERSHIP		
555		616
SDSA ONLY MEMBERSHIP		
107		123
LEGACY MEMBERSHIP		
33		22
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP		
695		761
ASSOCIATE CLUB MEMBERSHIP		
79		72
ASSOCIATE SDSA MEMBERSHIP		
9		21
TOTAL ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP		
87		9

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We should look into getting dealers to promote membership like we did before. The retention rate was fairly good!

Jim weaver suggested incentives such as sno cross tickets, avalanche packs etc –

We should create a colored flyer to promote membership. Perhaps ask the Yetis for input?

Promote our clubs to get associate memberships. Mike would like to get a convention page on our website. He will look into that.

Awards – we will attempt to get ours on page with ACSA's guidelines.

Bylaws & Right to Ride SOPS need to be looked at prior to August meeting.

Safety – 9 certificates and 9 on line. 8 accidents with 2 fatalities

Charity – 15 clubs reported including SDSA. Totals included: Major Charities \$5,259.00 Local Charities \$46,892.14 Total Dollars \$52,151.14 Volunteer Hours donated to charities 7786.5 ; Volunteers involved in operation of trail 129 Number of Miles Groomed 1,497 Volunteer Groomer operators/mechanics 43 Number of hours operating trail 2,378

Scholarships: Kelly, Duane & Ann are on the scholarship committee. This year's winners were Blake Van Regenmorter from Town & Country Snowdrifters and Ryker Erstad from the Poinsett Pounders.

Gov Ride- Tumblers and swag were delivered to the legislators. This seemed to work out very well. Tracey Kelly & Brian delivered them. Pages distributed them for us. Visited with several in the house including Scott Simpsons from GFP. Save the dates were delivered and we'll see how 2023 goes.

Grants – We received the final \$500. ISMA's due date for applications is October 1.

Snocross – Check into the value of the sno cross booth. Perhaps we need to change our strategy.

Online auction at convention needs to be researched and addressed. It would tie in with the website changes needed. Handbid/clickbid/ etc. Tracey Ann & Duane will work on this item.

OHV/Tracey reported the ATV assoc & FS went

through a public input session regarding issues such as trespass, garbage, etc. Tracey & Duane were among 50 who participated.

Keloland is willing to let us use their cameras on our website.

ISC Branded items. Last year we did trail maps and koozies. We are low on koozies.

Endowment Fund proposal: \$20,-\$25,000 in fund to give away a \$1000 scholarship to a Yeti each year. Johnny & Audrey Rider will put in \$500 to get it started. Wtn. Area Community Foundation pays 4% and would help disburse. Looking for the boards input. Referred to Scholarship committee to work on with Yeti input.

5 min bathroom break

Budget reviewed. Mike made a motion to accept the budget as presented. Ann seconded. Motion carried.

Investments. Met with Sprung to go over the investments. In order to "stop the bleed" it's suggested we move bond funds into an annuity for 3 years. Penalty if funds are withdrawn from this annuity. (\$26000 approx. moved to this).

Tracey made a motion to move the bond \$ to the annuity and give the committee the power to move the other funds as need if the stock market continues to move. Greg seconded. Motion carried.

Midwest Chapter Survey Guidance as to where do we go from here is needed. Benefits? Goals/direction? Dues? Dissolve? Duane spoke on his feeling that the chapter needs to be dissolved. Tracey agreed. Much discussion ensued.

Black Hills Snowmobile club is having an outing at kickstand camp June 25 outside of Sturgis. Dueling pianos is from 8 – 11.

Diane reported the new laptop is up and functioning.

Next meeting August 13. Ann will need a zoom link.

Tracey made a motion to adjourn at 1:47 p.m.



Pat Hanten-Duerr, District 5

I am sure the Holidays have kept everyone one busy. Now comes January, February, March, then it will be time to think snowmobile!! Many clubs have organized their club rides by now. Remember to include in your plans the Deadwood SnoCross January 27, 28, 2023, Governors Ride February 10th and 11th, 2023, and SnoCross at Brandon March 3rd and 4th ,2023.

The local trails are in and ready to ride when the snow comes to your area. Hopefully, with the cold temperatures, the snow will come soon. That would be great if we can all ride our trails on the east side of the state, that we spend many hours putting in place.

Now is a good time to visit with your local business to get an Associate Membership. Many of your club members have a good relationship with many of your local businesses!! You just need to ask if they would like to be an associate member of SDSA for only \$50. This helps SDSA keep the trails open in South Dakota. It is getting more difficult to keep trail routes open in the Black Hills with all the people buying land and then trying to deny snowmobiles access. Each club should try to increase the Associate Membership this year. Associate Members counts toward your total club membership. This also is how SDSA decides how many delegates you are allowed at state convention to vote on issues.

Ride Safe, Have Fun, See out on the Snow!!

Trace Damm, District 7

Hello everyone,

Hopefully, you have got your trails in as the ground as it happened to freeze a bit early this year in my area. One thing I did notice afterwards is that some of the signs I put in are getting a bit sun faded on one side. I think it will make for a good Sunday drive with the kiddos getting those replaced. The cold seems to be here but not a lot of snow yet, praying for a white Christmas.

It sounds like out west has been getting dumped on pretty good in a few areas. Don't forget to look over your trailers and sleds before you take off. Tires can get weather worn fast if they are parked outside and corrosion on the wiring harness. Look it over before you head out, so your trip doesn't end before you get there. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Till next time
Trace



On the Trails

Ryan Raynor, Trails Specialist

Well like usual the month of December really creeps on us. There has been a lot of work taking place across the state to prepare for December 15th which is the date we are all looking forward too. I happen to be sitting in Tea at my brother's place and between walking into a restaurant to eat with his wife and kids, and walking back out an hour later, 2 inches of snow fell. This was on December 8th, and they were large flakes to say the least. I hope it lasts as I believe 8-10 inches or more is forecasted next week across the state as well and come be exactly what the doctor ordered for the start of the snowmobile season.



Shannon and the Black Hills crew held their annual groomer school the first Thursday and Friday of the month. While I wasn't able to attend, it's a good two day event where orientation takes place to familiarize all staff with operations, meet and greets with over 20 people, and we are always fortunate to have some special guests speakers as well. This typically includes staff from the Forest Service and Tucker Sno-Cat Corporation. While there wasn't too much snow on the ground at the time of the school, we hope things change as of the 15th.

On the eastern side of the state, clubs have been busy signing in tough conditions including cold and dry ground conditions. My hat's off to all the work that goes into signing just under 1,000 miles of trails. I'll be finishing up trail evaluations for the season in Brookings tomorrow and have been putting on some miles in November and December. I have clearly seen a major improvement in signing from trail system to trail system this season compared to year's past. Especially signing around hazards. It took a little longer than usual this year but I would like to thank Kim Raap for knocking out a few trail systems over his Thanksgiving break as well.

All clubs should have maps by the time this article comes out, but if not please let me know and I'll get some in the mail or drop some off on my next road trip east river.

In closing I owe another apology to Mary Anne for sending this in late and needing a reminder anyways! I'd like to remind clubs to let me know snow conditions and grooming schedules as we start the grooming season.

Thanks!



Diane Hiles, SDSA Treasurer

Over the years that I have been writing articles, I typically have at least 1 article in the season where I share Snow or Snowmobile Facts with you. So here's this year's Facts article. Shout out to the International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (ISMA) who gathers this information and puts it into a condensed version that can be easily shared.

Well designed, signed and maintained trails and riding areas not only provide enjoyable recreational snowmobiling opportunities but have been proven to significantly reduce the likelihood of a snowmobiler being injured. Safe trails and use areas remain a top priority and concern of the snowmobile community. Statistics indicate that only approximately 10 -15% of snowmobile incidents occur on well maintained and designed trails where as much as 80 -90% of all snowmobile riding takes place. There are approximately 136,000 miles /124,000 kilometers of signed and maintained snowmobile trails in North America that have been developed by snowmobile clubs and associations, usually in cooperation with provincial, state and local governments. Here is what the trail systems are across the Snow

Belt states and Canada:

State	Miles	State	Miles
AK	350 MI	NE	400 MI
AZ	500 MI	NH	7400 MI
CA/NV	2500 MI	NY	10300 MI
CO	3000 MI	ND	2852 MI
ID	5600 MI	OH	200 MI
IL	2000 MI	OR	6410 MI
IN	300 MI	PA	6000 MI
IA	5200 MI	SD	2041 MI
ME	13200 MI	UT	1200 MI
MA	1000 MI	VT	6000 MI
MI	6500 MI	WA	3500 MI
MN	21000 MI	WI	25000 MI
MT	1900 MI	WY	2500 MI
Province	Kilometers	Province	Kilometers
AB	6300 KM	NT/NU	na
BC	13000 KM	ON	34224 KM
MB	12000 KM	PE	1225 KM
NB	7100 KM	QC	32446 KM
NF/LB	3600 KM	SA	10000 KM
NS	4200 KM	YT	500

The ideal snowmobile trail system is designed to meet multiple criteria:

- ☐ Safety - designed, signed and maintained to specifications to eliminate or identify hazards.
- ☐ Environment - designed to avoid environmentally sensitive areas, built to strict environmental standards.
- ☐ Destination –designed to go somewhere (to a point of scenic interest or recreation site, to connect nearby towns, etc.)
- ☐ Integrated Network - designed to be part of a formal, long-distance, integrated network which links towns, counties, states and provinces.

A number of jurisdictions are now working to develop international, interstate and inter -provincial systems. It is now possible to ride 70% of North America's snowmobile trails through the continuous interconnections that exist.

KUDDOs to all of the volunteers across the SnowBelt that make trails possible!!! Visit the International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (ISMA) website at www.snowmobile.org and www.Gosnowmobiling.org for more of these Snow Facts.

We have added to the ongoing **2022-2023 Back the Ride Donor** list with:

Bob & Judy King, Council Bluffs, IA, Platinum Donor Sponsor Level

Town & Country Snowdrifters, Gold Donor Sponsor Level

Jeff Fish, Brookings, along with **Roger Briggs**, Milbank, both Copper Donor Sponsor Level

If there are any questions that I can answer for you, please do not hesitate to ask. I would be happy to explain what needs to be explained. Feel free to call my cell 605-203-0059 or email me at dj.hiles@hotmail.com.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Snow-filled New Year!!

Diane Hiles
SDSA Treasurer

Win a Scholarship!

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3. Entries will not necessarily be judged on financial need. Entries are judged in a "blind" selection. No one judging knows who wrote the essay.

4. A \$500 award for the winner will be sent to the institution of choice upon acceptance of student's enrollment.

5 A completed application must be submitted by 2/25

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6. Limited to SDSA members & their families that live full time in South Dakota.

7. On a separate sheet of paper write an essay in 500 words or less on a minimum of 2 pages and not more than 4 on "WHY SNOWMOBILING IS IMPORTANT TO SOUTH DAKOTA AND TO ME".

8. Your name should **NOT** appear anywhere on the essay!!! Judges will not see who the essay belongs to when judging. If your name is

on the essay, it will be disqualified.

Note: no transcripts or letters of recommendation.

Entries exceeding 500 words will be disqualified.

Please include at least one photo with your application.

Name _____
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Home address _____
Telephone _____
Name of SDSA member _____
Parent or guardian _____
High school grad. date _____
GPA _____
Name of high school _____
City of high school _____
College you plan to attend _____
Major _____

On a separate sheet fill us in on the following areas:

A. Snowmobile club & state association involvement:

B. Community activities/Dates

Participated/Hours committed/ Leadership/ Positions held:

C. Awards:

D. Work Experience/Positions/Dates of employment

E. Extra curricular activities

Convention Highlights



From the Sno Plainsman Editor, Mary Anne Grabow

Hello snowmobile friends,

We're starting to see colder temps, a dusting of snow, and harder to drive on roads. I guess summer is over and it's time to get the snowmobiles ready!



The first weekend of December, Marty & I drove to Grand Island, Nebraska to attend the Nebraska State Snowmobile Association's annual convention. We joined fellow SDSA members Diane & Greg Hiles, Tracey & Brian Erickson, and Bob & Judy King. (see photo on page 11). If you ever get a chance to attend another state's convention, I highly recommend it. You learn a lot!

I hope you all are having a happy holiday season and making some quality memories. If you have snow, even better! Get out on those sleds and have some fun! Teach the next generation the safety rules and show them how much fun riding a snowmobile is!

Governor's Ride is scheduled and information is included in this issue. Be sure to make your plans to attend!

Sno Cross is coming up soon! And this year, they are coming to Brandon SD as well!!!

This is the issue where I normally put my family's photo that I take for our annual Christmas card in. This year we number 22!

Left to right is: Andy & Jamie Hoffmann and their 3 girls Aspen, Harper & Bethanne; Aaron & Ali Janssen and their 2 Leo and Anna; Brent & Jessi Jeppesen and their 4: Rori, Nora, Brynlee & Brent's holding Oliver; Amy & Josh Knutson and their Henrietta, DJ & John; Marty & I. Those kids are growing up super fast! Baby stage just doesn't last long!!!



Happy Holidays!
Mary Anne

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Dakota Drifters

Happy Holidays to all from the Dakota Drifters. Our trail system is in and the groomer is ready, now we just need snow.

We are excited to once again host our Annual Charity Ride this year, which will be held on Saturday, Feb. 4th, 2023. There will be a poker ride and silent auction to raise money for our club and a local charity, along with lots of fun, food, and prizes for the whole family. The ride starts at 10:00am on Saturday, and it's open to everyone and all vehicles. We would like to invite everyone from SDSA and all of the SD snowmobile clubs to make plans to join us this year. Please check out our Dakota Drifters Facebook page for more details and updates as we get closer to February 4th.

Our next meeting will be held at 6:00pm on Dec. 14th at The Lodge in Brookings. This will also be our Christmas party with food and a beanbag tournament after the meeting. We welcome all members, friends, and anyone interested in snowmobiling in our area to attend.

Happy Holidays to everyone, and we hope to see you all at our Charity Ride and out on the trails this winter!

Lynn Nilsson, Dakota Drifters

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Interlakes Snow Roamers

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The Interlakes Snow Roamers will have their first club meeting on December 6th at the Hillside Resort on Lake Madison at 7pm. Trail is in, but corrections need to be made. We had 3 groups to put in trail with most of the groups relatively new to trail installation, but we have it completed. Discussion will be held on the Snowmobile Vintage show scheduled on Long Lake put on by the Hillside Resort on February 5th. We still have some members and associate members and Club members to get on board before the trail opens on December 15th. Looking for a great winter to use the trail we put in!!!

Whetstone Valley Snowmobile Association

Happy Holidays Everyone!!! What a busy month for the Whetstone Valley Snowmobile Association. We have been busy putting in the trail signs, Several of us attended the Convention in Aberdeen and we finished off the month with an Entry in the Milbank Parade of Lights.

Our groomer has been moved to his new home, and the trail signs have been completely installed. All we need now is snow. Our new trail coordinator Jason has been a key factor in getting these items handled, but we also want to thank everyone who has helped. Signing the trail is a major undertaking and the more help we can get, the better it goes. We all had a good time at the convention, thank you to the Aberdeen club for hosting another fun and well run convention. We look forward to seeing everyone next year in Sioux Falls.

We decorated the groomer and included it in the parade of Lights in Milbank. There is no denying it the holidays are upon us. The weather was chilly but there was a good turn out for the parade.



We have also got plans underway for this year's Mega Poker Ride. I will be held Saturday February 11, head quartered out of the Big Stone Legion. You can purchase your poker hands prior to the 11th by contacting one of our club members. BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

Merry Christmas Everyone and a Happy New Year

Shelly, Secretary,

Whetstone Valley Snowmobile Club.



Trailbusters

On November 5th, the Trailbusters hosted a "Ready to Ride" event. It was an afternoon geared toward newer riders where the public was invited to bring in their snowmobiles to get tips and pointers on maintenance and set up. We had several participants who enjoyed the day working with club members as they shared experience, expertise, and stories while working on getting their sleds in top running condition. After the work was done, participants



joined the rest of the club for a supper of pizza and pot luck goodies. Our monthly meeting was held after supper. This was a fun event, and the club plans to host additional events like this in the future.

At our November meeting, we made plans to get the trail signs in the ground. Signing is now complete and inspection corrections have been made. We just got a tease of snow, so we hope it is a sign of good things to come.



SDSA President Duane Duerr and his SDSA Director wife, Pat, joined us for our meeting and shared updates from the state level. We set in motion plans for the December 10 Christmas party and a club ride to the Black Hills in February.

Watertown Snowmobile Club

Happy Holidays from the Watertown Snowmobile Club! We hope everyone is enjoying the holidays!

Our club definitely got into the Christmas spirit decorating our float for the holiday parade! We put a lot of time into it but it is all worth the comments we receive and the smiles from all of the kiddos! We pulled off the Grand Marshal award again! Huge thank you to everyone who helped make it a success!



We had our monthly meeting on Sunday, December 4th. We discussed and made plans for our club Christmas party. The trail is in and ready to ride as soon as we get some of that beautiful white stuff! Groomer is soon to be serviced so that will be ready to go. Also we have a poker run, radar run and show n' shine planned.

More details to come in our next article!

Merry Christmas to all and have a safe and Happy New Year!

Reporting
Amy Sowers

Photo above Jason Schmidt's "Big Red" decorated



Steve Wess and Kristina Schmidt decorating the truck.

Nathan and Brian Sowers' Bravo decorated to ride in the parade



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CLUB NEWS

Sioux Falls Sno Trackers



Sno Trackers met on December 1st at the Brandon Steak house and discussed the following issues. Trail is in but corrections need to be completed for the trail to be ready by December 15th opening.

Groomer is ready to go, and discussion was held to move it to CHS warehouse for season use. Membership was discussed with Associate members needing to be collected soon so the local tear off trail map can go to print. Notices will be sent with return envelopes to all members that have not yet renewed.

The Hospitality room went great with excellent SDSA member involvement and the club doing well on selling squares on the board. Thanks to everyone that helped make that a success. We decided to have some discussion about the 2023 convention in January to get committees setup and then do a Ramkota meeting in March, so everyone gets a better feel for what we have for rooms to utilize for all sessions.

The Parade of Lights in Garretson will take place on December 10th with work on the float the days prior to the event.

Club Trips were discussed with those thinking of attending getting rooms booked. Really hoping for great local snow to use the trail we put in.

Some Discussion on the Sno Cross at Huset's in Brandon but was decided to wait and see what snow conditions we have for the event on March 3rd & 4th.

The Club Christmas Party will be held on January 5th at the Brandon Steak House with gifts brought in at the December meeting and Saran wrapped for the event. It should be a great time!!

Reporting Duane Duerr

Town & Country Snowdrifters

Hello everyone,

We finally got all of our trails done! This year Jalen got to take over doing her part of the trail as her dad was unable to help. Caden helped his dad this year as they took on task of putting in their trail around Oldham. To help celebrate getting our trails done our club decided to have a Christmas party. Last year we had one and we had so much fun we decided to do it again. Tracey puts together some quick fun games, while we enjoy snacks, supper, and great conversation. We start out our day by having a poker run for just us club members. We ride around DeSmet and go back to the Oxbow for our monthly meeting followed by supper and games. This is a great way to socialize and have fun with one another. We want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

This year our club Christmas party is scheduled for December 18th at the Oxbow in DeSmet, starting at 5:30 pm with a social and 6:00 pm will be the meal followed by some Christmas activities. A pre-party club ride will also leave from the Oxbow in DeSmet at 1 pm.

Jalen and Caden...oh and we almost forgot in the wise words of our advisor, Jay, "see you on the trails!"

Jalen Hohm and Caden Hojer, T&C Club Reporters

Caden Hojer, helping with Trail, fall 2022.



John Green Painting that was auctioned off this year!

C L U B N E W S

Black Hills Snowmobile Club

Hello all we are back again following the busy holiday season. Its hard to believe it's snowmobiling season because as I write this it is 40 degrees, and the ground is brown with not a sign of snow. I know this can change quickly and the snow will hopefully fall, the temperature will drop, and we can all be out on the trails and in the mountains doing what we love. The trails opened December 15th in the Black Hills and it appears the mountain ranges are providing a very promising start with early snowfalls to get things started.

Our club participated in our annual Storybook Island's Christmas Night of Lights volunteer night on December 4th. We had club members greeting guests at the front gates, running the train and carousel, serving hot chocolate, and spreading Christmas cheer to all who visited. We take this opportunity to help our community and inform guests about our club and maybe encourage and welcome new snowmobile members. We got to display our club banner.

We also wrapped up our membership drive / open houses with the help of Rice's Rapid Motorsports on December 8th. This was the 3rd event we participated in to help promote snowmobiling and encourage others who love this winter sport to join a local club. THANK YOU to Polaris of the Black Hills, Rice's Spearfish Canyon Motorsports and Rice's Rapid Motorsports for your continued support.

We will hold our annual THUNDER ON ICE – Radar Run February 4th. We invite anyone interested to join us on the ice to make a run for speed and the title of KING OF THE ICE and a nice cash prize. Please watch our club Facebook page for continued updates and information.

We look forward to providing the breakfast for the upcoming Governors Ride February 11th 2023. We hope everyone gets a chance to attend this event which helps educate and promote our sport to members of the legislature.

We welcome snowmobile race fans and enthusiast to our beautiful Black Hills for the ISOC Amsoil Pro Snowcross races in Deadwood January 27th and 28th. We will do a few extra snow dances to get the hills a beautiful winter white.

Until next month: 'TIS THE SEASON to be FREEZIN'
Holly Thomas, BHSC Secretary

Driftbusters

Jim Weaver putting trail signs in



Dear Santa and Friends,

All I want for Christmas is some SNOW in South Dakota! Like the rest of you, we have been busy preparing for snowmobiling season and for Christmas. The trail had to be checked again after the ice storm as several markers were loose or debris that had to be cleared. We were so pleased with all those that were able to travel to Aberdeen for the convention even though the weather was less than pleasant. It appeared there was a lot of fun and games happening. I got a jump start on shopping at the silent auction (**O Silent Night!**), snagging some great gifts from Santa.

At our last club meeting we decided to donate some of the money raised that came back to our club from the State Convention. **Jingle Bells, Jingle Bell, Jingle All the Way!** It was voted to give \$500 to the Yetis for all the help they provided during convention and another \$500 to the Yetis Scholarship that is being started in memory of John LaFramboise. Our club values the youth involvement and wants to continue to see the involvement and development of our youth in the sport of snowmobiling. The club was also awarded a memorial from David Beckler in memory of his parents, Dennis and Char Beckler. Dennis and Char were active members and are missed deeply by many.

We will be sending out thank yous to all our sponsors and donors for a successful convention (**Angels We Have Heard on High**). Again we want to thank all the volunteers and attendees who made the convention fun while also raising some money to fund the SDSA efforts for another year.

A few of the club members spent time prepping the groomer for the season. **I am dreaming of a White Christmas!** We will have some new groomer operators this year as well as a new attachment purchased at convention. Personally, our fleet of Polaris' are unloaded and getting looked over as well. **Santa Baby**, we just need some snow!

The Driftbusters decided on a Christmas party date of Sunday, January 8th. We will have our annual free steak feed for club members and will be **Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree**. Dan Rohrbach will be hosting in his garage. Watch Facebook for location address and start time. Once the snow arrives we will plan some club rides (**dashing through the snow**).

Our next meeting will be held at one of the Associate Business Member, Mina Lake at 7:30 PM on January 5th, 2023. If you are in the neighborhood, join us! **Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow!**

We Wish You a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Tracy Olson

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Government Relations

- 1.Greg Nordstrom
- 2.Duane Duerr

Scholarship

- 1.Kelly Weaver
- 2.Trace Damm
- 3.Lee Olson

By Laws & Right to Ride

- 1.Greg Nordstrom
- 2.Duane Duerr
- 3.Mike Boock

Safety

- 1.Lee Olson
- 2.Jason Shepherd

Grants

- 1.Tracey Erickson
- 2.Kelly Weaver

Snocross

- 1.Jason Shepherd
- 2.Lee Olson
- 3.Mike Boock

Charities

- 1Diane Hiles

Membership/Website

- 1.Mike Boock
- 2.Mary Anne Grabow
- 3.Tracey Erickson

Awards

- 1.Greg Nordstrom

Convention

- 1.Pat Hanten-Duerr
- 2.Kelly Weaver
- 3.Trace Damm

Fundraiser/Raffle

- 1.Trace Damm
- 2.Tracey Erickson
- 3.Pat Hanten-Duerr
- 4.Doug Weelborg

SnoPlainsman Committee

- 1.Mary Anne Grabow
- 2.Mike Boock
- 3,Trace Damm
- 4.Duane Duerr

Governors Ride

- 1.Mike Boock
- 2.Jason Shepherd
- 3.Duane Duerr

Investments

- 1.Diane Hiles
- 2.Pat Hanten-Duerr

Snowmobilers for Snowmobilers

- 1.SDSA President
- 2.Jason Shepherd
- 3.Sheridan LaFramboise
- 4.Mike Boock
- 5.Mary Anne Grabow

Nominating committee

- 1.All SDSA club Presidents
- 2.Hall of fame members
- 3.Board of directors

Yetis Advisors

- 1.Kelly Weaver
- 2.Kirsten VanDenHemel
- 3.Audrey Rider
- 4.Doug Weelborg

Special Committee for Back The Ride

- 1.Tracey Erickson
- 2.Pat Hanten-Duerr

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- 1.Tracey Erickson
- 2.Brian Erickson
- 3.Greg Nordstrom
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Funds are being raised to help support a NEW YETIS scholarship in memory of Jon LaFramboise. Johnny and Audrey Rider have donated the 1st \$500 to start an endowment fund to help support a \$1,000 annual YETIS scholarship. The endowment fund and scholarship were approved by the board at convention and funds are starting to be raised to help get this scholarship opportunity going for all active YETIS members. We need approximately \$25,000 to award this scholarship. Please use the donation form in this issue of the Sno-Plainsman to send your donation directly to the Watertown Community Foundation. For further questions please contact a board member or Audrey Rider at audrey.rider@sdstate.edu.



Donation Form for the YETIS Scholarship Endowment Fund



The YETIS Scholarship Endowment Fund is dedicated to establishing and maintaining a permanent endowment fund through the solicitation, investment, and management of donations for the purpose of providing scholarships to active YETIS (Youth Engagement Through Involvement in Snowmobiling) members in memory of Jon LaFramboise. Jon was a member of the South Dakota Snowmobile Association board when the YETIS organization was created and strongly supported the effort to give young snowmobilers a leadership experience and encourage their continued involvement in the sport.

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Whetstone Valley Snowmobile Association
11/2013



2. Jack Colwell
DeSmet, SD
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3. LeRoy Erickson
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4. Duane Hojer
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