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By this time next month my term as SDSA President will be done, it has truly been a great honor to have served in this role. There are so many rewarding events that I have had!!



- Club Visits were great, we have so much for each of us as clubs to be proud of. Many clubs have trail installation divided between members; others work as a team. Some have multiple fundraising options. I learned a lot from visiting clubs.
- SDSA meeting with a great board with great ideas that helped build us into the future. It makes the job fun having an active board that gets the job done.
- ACSA & ISMA meeting with other states. These people are really inspiring to meet. Many states have some good ideas to share, others like ideas we have to share.

• Snowmobilers for Snowmobilers funding. This is an important fund we have to help Snowmobilers in need we need to continue donating to it to keep it strong.

• Jon LaFramboise scholarship fund. This Scholarship still needs more growth to be fully funded. It can be a key asset in keeping youth involvement in our future.

• Snowmobile Hall of Fame for Dealer for the year Award. If you have not been to Eagle River to the Hall of Fame you need to go, it is a must see. Congratulations to the Interlakes Sport Center on being inducted.

• Helping at Sno Cross each year. This is really an amazing event that puts us in front of many snowmobilers from many states. We need to continue to support it.

• Governor's Rides. Although we have not been able to build the Legislative counts at the event, we need to keep doing the event. This year I would like it to be an SDSA membership appreciation ride with legislators involved in it. Friday night meetings and Saturday breakfast with announcement and ride until 4pm.

• DC Fly in. I went to the event wondering if we are getting back what we spent to attend, but went home seeing that it really does make a difference. We need to stay in touch with Legislators, so we do not lose Our Right to Ride!!

• Mountain Region meeting and ride. I was able to attend in West Yellowstone both the meetings and the ride, the following year the weather and a new grandchild prevented attending, but it is a great event.



• Sno Plainsman and Associate Member Advertising. I want to thank the advertisers for supporting us and keeping this paper going!! In time it may move to an electronic version only, but I think paper version is still important. Thanks, Mary Anne, for all you do!

• Snowmobile Open Houses. It is important to attend the dealers' open houses in your area, a good place to have a membership table and share what we are all about.

I know SDSA will be in good hands, besides I will serve two years as Past President to offer my opinion on decisions. Good luck Kelly and the upcoming Board of Directors!

SDSA President Duane Duerr

To the left:

Here's where we stand with fundraising for the YETI Scholarship that was established in honor of Jon LaFramboise! We still have quite a bit to raise!

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Kelly Weaver, SDSA President-Elect

By the time you are read this article, you might be sharing some good food and football with family and friends over Thanksgiving. If you haven't already, it's not too late to make plans to attend the SDSA Convention in Sioux Falls on December 1-2. The Sno-Trackers have put together a great program of activities, and the Convention always offers opportunities for fun and fellowship. One of the most unique aspects of the Convention is the ability to gain insight into how organized snowmobiling functions, the organizations involved, and how your local club can take advantage of these resources. Why recreate the wheel when we can learn from each other and get connected to larger organizations that can help?



I hope many of you were able to celebrate International Snowmobile Day on October 28. This year's weather was truly an introduction to winter. The Drift Busters held a Show and Shine, and club members displayed around 30 sleds to all who drove by and stopped in to take a closer look. The picture below is my grandchildren sitting on a 1996 Arctic Cat Pantera two-up sled that belonged to their great grandpa Jim. We kept this sled to share the sport with them, and it appears Lennon might be big enough to graduate to the back seat! As confident as Gavin looks in the driver's seat, he has a few more years to grow into that role. This picture reminds me why we do what we do for snowmobiling...to pass it along to the next generation so they may find enjoyment and make many memories just like we have.

The next generation would not be able to enjoy this sport without the organizational efforts that often go unnoticed. One person who has been a backbone for SDSA is Diane Hiles. If you've been around SDSA for even a short amount of time, you know she is our Treasurer who keeps our finances in order and shares information about that in her articles in the Sno-Plainsman. Eight years ago, she agreed to take on this role. At the time, she agreed to stay on for 5 years – in true Diane fashion, she went above and beyond! She has created a solid system that she will now pass on to her successor in January. As a board member, I cannot tell you how fortunate we have been to have someone with her financial abilities, organization, and communication skills serving SDSA. Please join me in thanking Diane and wishing all the best as she fills her days with quilting, grandkids and anything else her heart desires! Thank you, Diane!

Also join me in welcoming Lisa Cain as our next SDSA Treasurer. Lisa is an active member of the Dakota Drifters and has a passion for this sport and for SDSA. Be sure to introduce yourselves to Lisa at the Convention. Lisa, we look forward to working with you! Thanks to my fellow search committee members, Duane Duerr and Mike Boock, for your extra hours in working through this process.

Now it's time to check the calendar of events and make plans to enjoy the winter!

See you on the trail, Kelly



Greg Nordstrom, SDSA Past President

Hello snow lovers

This probably is my last letter as my term ends at the SDSA Convention December 1 & 2nd in Sioux Falls. I hope to see a lot of you there this year as it is usually a very fun time. This year the Siouxland SnoTrackers are planning some very informative sessions to attend like Snowmobile 101 about all the basics of snowmobiles like changing belts to plugs and what to be aware of in operating them safely. Another is the Polaris Ride Command put on by the Rep from Polaris (you don't have to ride a Polaris to use) but will cover the operation and use of the Ride Command program and should be a very informative session. Also a make and take craft project.



Now that we have seen some snow it should get everyone a little more excited for the upcoming snow season across the state and beyond. I have been hearing of 1 to 2 feet of snow from the Rockies to the Big Horns and some decent snow in the Hills. At least it's a start and pray it keeps coming. I want to thank all of you for this opportunity to serve as a Dist. 5 rep, President Elect and being President and past President. We had a couple rough years with dealing with Covid and the loss of some dear friends in the snowmobile community that will not be forgotten. I want to thank all the board members we have as they work together to help make our sport a lasting and better one for years to come. The governor's advisory council does a great job getting and keeping funds for the operations of our trail systems, plus the support and advice they gave me. And last I want to thank our secretary Mary Anne for all the help she has given me and our association. Things would not run very smoothly without her expertise and caring attitude.

The October 28th kick off to winter programs around the state were well attended and looks like a lot of fun was had, so thanks to all who worked to put them on.

See you at the convention.

Greg Nordstrom Past President

PS get your registration in ASAP and prepare for a good time.



Karl Dean Kuper, 70, went to be with our Lord and Savior Sunday, November 5 at Avera St. Benedict Hospital in Parkston. Karl was born June 14, 1953 in Pierre, SD to Clarence and Lorraine (Kruse) Kuper.

He attended country school south of Highmore and graduated from Highmore High School in 1972. In June of 1972, he joined the United States Navy and was based in San Diego, CA. He proudly served for 3 years on the USS Ranger and for 3 years in the National Guard. In the fall of 1976, he attended the University of South Dakota for auto body and diesel mechanics. He was united in marriage to Diana Schultz on June 30, 1979. To this union, a son, Ryan, was born. 1983, they moved to Tripp, SD where Karl worked for the Hutchinson County Highway Department for 36 years. He was a mem-

ber of Friedens Reformed Church. He loved his grandchildren dearly and would look forward to vacation time with them every year. He enjoyed camping, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling (member of the James Valley Drift Skippers) and riding the side by side in the hills with his family. He always looked forward to ice fishing with Ryan in the Mo-bridge tournament. He was a member of the Tripp American Legion and also enjoyed gardening and playing with his dogs. He loved Nascar and went to many races. He really enjoyed his last trip to Hawaii with his brother and sister-in-law and seeing the Pearl Har-

bor Memorial.

Grateful for having shared his life are his wife of 44 year, Diana, of Tripp; a son, Ryan (Jamie) Kuper of Grant, NE; 3 grandchildren, Koltyn, Karsyn, and Kyanna; a brother, Marvin (Elaine) Kuper of Sturgis, SD; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Mavis; brother-in-law, Larry Schultz; in-laws, Nathanael and Delores Schultz; and 2 nieces, Heidi and Jill. Memorials would be preferred in lieu of flowers.



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We can't wait to see you on the trails!!

Jalen Hohm and Caden Hojer the Town & Country Riders' Reporters



The Trailbusters held their first meeting of the year in October. We had a nice turnout of previous members along with a chance to welcome several new high school age riders.

Our meeting schedule for the season was planned including a menu for each meeting. Trail signing and groomer maintenance was arranged. Our club ride will be the first weekend in February in the Black Hills.

Since the meeting, the club has completed all trail signing. We would like to extend a special thank you to our new, younger members who stepped up and helped with trail signing. It truly made the process go a lot faster.

Our next meeting will be November 11 at 7:00 pm. Supper will be pot luck of homemade soups. All are welcome!

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Well we received our first taste of winter with colder temps and white ground in October, winter is coming. We had a great time at the Hobo Day parade in Brookings, with our newer Groomer and rebuilt sled all shined up for the parade. Congratulations to the SDSU Snow Hares Snowmobile Club for winning an award for their parade float. The weather was beautiful and the turnout for the parade was awesome, Go Jacks!

Trail signs are going in around our trail system. A Huge thanks goes out to all of our members and volunteers who install the signs every year, the trail system will be looking great for this season because of all your hard work! The Associated Member signs will also be posted on our trails again this season. Thank you to all of our supporters who help out the SD trail system. We have a great bunch of local businesses in the Brookings, Arlington, Volga, Bruce, Estelline, White, Toronto, Elkton, Aurora area. Stop in when you are on our trails this winter and tell these guys and gals thanks for your support!

We are really excited to see everyone at the 2023 State Convention in Sioux Falls. Make sure to come party with us in the Dakota Drifters Hospitality Room during the convention in December. We will have food and beverages and lots of fun for all.

The date for our Annual Dakota Drifters Charity/Poker Ride has been set for Feb. 3rd, 2024. This is one of our biggest events for the year where we raise money for a local charity and have a great time doing it. Last year the big check was over three thousand dollars donated to the Brookings Area Sleep In Heavenly Peace Organization, who builds beds and provides them to kids who need them. We hope everyone makes plans to attend the charity ride this year and invite all the clubs to come enjoy the day with us! We will also be hosting several other club rides throughout the winter, along with our upcoming Christmas Party in December, so keep an eye on our Facebook Page for new updates. Club Meetings are held at 7:00pm on the



2nd Wednesday of the month at Boss's Pizza at the Econolodge in Brookings. Everyone is welcome, bring a new member and join in on the fun!

Lynn Nilsson, Dakota Drifters.

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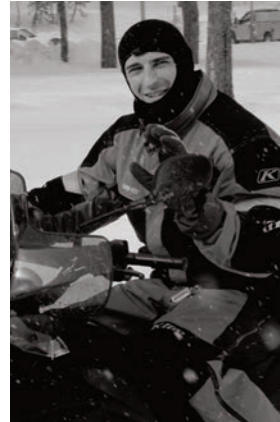
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Another winter is fast approaching and both sides of the state are seeing a lot of activity on the trails. While we had a two-week spell of below average temperatures, Mother Nature graced us with some beautiful days to get signs in the ground and start marking trails.

I've had many sign orders come in over the past few weeks and folks have been asking about timelines when they will be delivered. Orders typically take between 2 and 3 weeks so we need to make sure and plan accordingly if we are needing those signs for this season.



I was able to go around and complete equipment inspections last month and appreciate how well this equipment is taken care of. In most cases I've been able to meet with a local club member and I appreciate those folks talking time out of their day to go through needed maintenance and repairs. From those reports I was able to order parts for various club's and those parts should have been delivered by the time you read this. I ordered a lot of boggie wheels this fall. The poly coating wears off and the steel will eventually wear through on the track. Make sure to keep an eye on those throughout the season as tracks are not only expensive but take time to order from the factory to our doorstep.

I'm looking forward to this year's state snowmobile convention in Sioux Falls. Great opportunity to interact with a lot of folks about the up-and-coming season and even solve some of the world's problems. Shannon and I will be putting on a groomer school on Friday as well. We want to make this more a back-and-forth discussion and not just us presenting over a power point presentation. We will have a small presentation to give, but again, expect a lot of questions and answers and wanting to hear from the audience with your experiences on the eastern side of the state.

We should have maps ready to distribute at the convention as well. As usual, plan on taking a box and spreading those out amongst any snowmobile dealers, chambers, or other businesses on the trails. We always want to pull those maps at the end of the year too.

It seems the Fall season is always hectic and turns into a race against time for both sides of the state. Please let me know if there is any way I can help take some pressure off your shoulders, especially those involved in the Grant in Aid program.

Thanks!

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Diane Hiles, SDSA Treasurer

The results of the Charity Report taken for the 2022-2023 reporting period were presented at the International Snowmobile Congress in Moline, IL in June. There were 3 Canadian Provinces and 12 US States that reported.

South Dakota ranked 5th highest in total charity contributions at \$45,190; \$10,720 to Major/National Charities and \$34,470 to Local Charities. We were also 4th highest in hours donated at 6,876.

We had 11 clubs report, down from 14, up from 10 the previous year. South Dakota can be very proud of the charity work that our clubs and our individual members are involved with across the state. Here is what was submitted for South Dakota.

CHARITY REPORTING - April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023							
SDSA and South Dakota Snowmobile Clubs							
					DONATIONS TO CHARITIES		
					Major Charities	Local Charities	Volunteer Hours Donated to Charities
1	SDSA				\$500.00	\$1,577.00	1346
2	Aberdeen Driftbusters	Aberdeen	x			\$1,680.00	580
3	Black Hills Snowmobile Club	Rapid City	x		\$250.00	\$4,350.00	202
4	Dakota Drifters	Brookings	x		\$2,780.00	\$4,270.00	1018
5	Dakota Trail Blazers	Gary	x		\$100.00	\$1,600.00	767
6	Great Plains Snowtrailers	Huron	x			\$100.00	
7	Poinsett Pounders	Hayti	x			\$250.00	
8	Sioux Falls Sno Trackers	Sioux Falls	x			\$980.00	370
9	Town & Country Snowdrifters	De Smet	x	exploring	\$7,090.00	\$11,571.00	1815
10	Watertown Snowmobile Club	Watertown	x		\$0.00	\$200.00	465
11	Whetstone Valley Snowmobile Club	Milbank	x		\$0.00	\$2,892.00	300
12	YETIS		x				20
					\$10,720.00	\$29,470.00	6883

National Charities included: ACSA, FOSPAC, ISC, Bridger-Teton Avalanche Center, Sierra Snowmobile Foundation, Avalanche Alliance Raffle, Make a Wish, DAV, Alzheimer's Association and Honor Flight

Local Charities included: SDSA, SDSA Auction, SDSA Back The Ride, SDSA Legacy Membership, Snowmobilers for Snowmobilers, SDSA Governor's Ride, YETIS, YETIS/Jon LaFramboise Memorial Scholarship, Sno Cross, Jakob Hohm Off Road Adventures (JHORA), Sleep in Heavenly Peace, SDSU Veterans Ride, Feeding SD, NSSA, WSSA, National Antique Snowmobile Club, Poker Run Benefits and Memorial Rides, Local Fundraisers for Medical Situation, Parade of Lights, Storybook Island, Brown County Foundation, Veterans Ranch DTOM, Angel Tree, Boys & Girls Club, Manna in the Middle Meal, Food Pantry, Local Church Fundraisers, Membership Drives, Scholarships, Cancer Walke, Gary & Clear Lake Fire Departments, Clear Lake Community.

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The Trail Volunteer Survey was continued after being added last year. There were 5 Canadian Provinces and 12 US States that reported. It is very hard to make a comparison or a ranking as there are so many factors that enter into these questions like size of state, size of trail system and probably most of all, snowfall.

TRAIL VOLUNTEER SURVEY REPORTING - April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023											
SDSA and South Dakota Snowmobile Clubs											
			TRAIL INFORMATION								
			Trail Miles Brushed/Cleaned	No. of Hours Brushing /Cleaning Trail	Number of Miles Groomed	Number of Hours Grooming	Number of Hours Maintenance of Equipment	Number of Hours Trail Signing	Number of Volunteer Groomers & Mechanics	Number of Hours Working with Landowners	Number of Landowners Contracted for your Trail
1	SDSA										
2	Aberdeen Driftbusters	Aberdeen			72	132	82	150	4		4
3	Black Hills Snowmobile Club	Rapid City									
4	Dakota Drifters	Brookings	4	10	2171	383	300	228	6	4	0
5	Dakota Trail Blazers	Gary			1962	414	30	136			
6 *	Great Plains Snowtrailers	Huron									
7 *	Poinsett Pounders	Hayti									
8	Sioux Falls Sno Trackers	Sioux Falls	8	32	1665	200	50	90	10	2	0
9	Town & Country Snowdrifters	De Smet			629	128	44	140	5		
10	Watertown Snowmobile Club	Watertown			70	78	5	170	5		
11	Whetstone Valley Snowmobile Club	Milbank	1	8	1443	186.25	1	99.75	2	2	12
12	YETIS							42			
			13	50	8,012	1,521	512	1,056	32	8	16
14 CLUBS HAVE TRAILS - 8 REPORTED											

The next Charity Report will be due by April 1, 2024, covering the period of April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024 so as you begin this new season, be sure to keep track of any and all charity work, whether it is a club effort or individuals working on behalf of the club. If you have any questions on what should be included, please do not hesitate to ask. More to come as we get closer to April 2024.

On another note: The Siouxland Sno Trackers s have been working hard to bring us the 54th Convention for SDSA. We hope to see a great turnout for our annual event.

Continue to submit your membership dues as you get them. We have deposited dues for only 8 clubs thus far (Nov 2nd). With that said, remember, it would be good to get dues submitted before the convention for at least your delegates who will sit at the convention table for your club.

If there are any financial 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 send me email me at dj.hiles@hotmail.com.

Diane Hiles
Treasurer



Mary Anne Grabow, SDSA Secretary/Editor

Greetings! It's Thursday afternoon and I'm trying to wrap up this issue of the SD Sno Plainsman and get it off to the printer on time. When I sat down to start on this endeavor earlier this week, I didn't realize that EVERYTHING I use to create this magazine had been compromised by the computer issues I referenced in my last issue.....which meant tearing it all down and starting over from scratch. I'm knee deep in pre-convention work and I just didn't need extra work this week. But, there wasn't much choice. The program just kept the little circle blinking at me saying there was nothing responding to my commandsand had I not given up and started from ground zero, the magazine would not have gone out this month!

When I say start from ground zero, I mean even hyperlinks weren't saved. So, if the magazine looks unconventional, I switched it up!

I hope that I'll see a lot of you at convention the first part of December. It sounds like the Siouxland Sno Trackers have a great time planned for us all. The board changed how we'll do club awards this year. We'll do the perpetual plaque instead of trophies. A lot of the clubs have no where to store the trophies so we're switching it up!

Greg, as you end your reign as Past President, please keep in touch. I'll miss your knowledge and calm demeanor. Duane, thanks for being a great President. You've done an amazing job and I've enjoyed working with you, and know that you'll be a great help to us as you continue to serve as Past President. I look forward to working with you, Kelly, as you continue to lead SDSA to the future.

Memberships have been coming in fairly fast this fall. Let's keep that trend up! The more numbers we have the more voice we have when closures are threatened! It's also exciting to see what all the different clubs have scheduled for their membership to attend. It's getting busy with clubs putting in their trail signs and planning their poker runs, etc.

As Diane comes to the end of her days of being SDSA's treasurer, I'd like to thank her for her years of service to SDSA and the many escapades that her and I were able to experience together. We spent a lot of time on the road planning 2016's ISC event and there was down time adventures that will remain dear to my heart. Enjoy your retirement but keep in touch! Thanks for the memories.

And with that, I'd like to welcome Lisa Cain as our new treasurer. I have no doubt that Lisa and I will be able to make some incredible memories as we work together as well. Welcome to the SDSA team, Lisa. Look forward to working with you.

On the homefront, Grandbaby #13 should be arriving soon. Due date is basically over convention....so we'll see how this all plays out. It could be interesting. But Ali & Aaron do live in Sioux Falls so that will at least mean we are close by!



Hello from the Watertown Snowmobile Club! We held our monthly meeting on Sunday, November 5th at Cloud 9. We discussed the progress made on signing trail and what left we have to finish up. Members are gearing up with getting their sleds ready for the season!

We also talked about making sure the groomer is ready.

We decided we are taking a year off from the annual float building for the holiday parade. It's bitter sweet because we always put so much work in to it but we are so limited with help when it falls over the Thanksgiving holiday. Hopefully next year we can get more people involved and maybe even start building it sooner.

We lined up our delegates to attend the convention. Donation items were decided on as well.

We took down important dates for Sno Cross in Deadwood and in Sioux Falls and hoping quite a few will be attending! It was a great time last year despite the cold temps.

Dates were decided for our Poker Run to be held tentatively for Feb 3rd (with more information to follow). Our annual Christmas party will be January 7th, and then each of our board members take a month and plan an activity so we have bowling planned for one event.

We like to keep in touch with our members throughout the months and in between meetings and riding!

Hope everyone has a nice Thanksgiving! Pray for Snow!

Reporting
Amy Sowers



CLUB NEWS

C L U B N E W S



Hello from the Great Plains Snowtrailers!

As the leaves are changing it appears that Fall is here and winter feels like it is just around the corner. Time to think about getting the snowmobiles out and ready for the season.

We held our club meeting on November 2 at the Scoreboard in Huron with 7 members in attendance. It is good to be back having meetings and getting together with everyone.

We had a lot of discussion about getting the groomer and the trail ready for the upcoming season. We are anticipating snow and hope to be able to have a poker ride again this year. We had a good turn out last year and would like to do it again if we get snow.

We elected 2 new board members-Monica Jones and Hayden Thelen.

We are looking forward to the 2023 SDSA Convention in Sioux Falls. We encourage club members to attend. It is always a good time and an opportunity to visit with other snowmobilers from across the state.

We are planning on doing our annual club ride in the Black Hills on January 12-14, 2024. We discussed doing a brat feed on Saturday this year. We will discuss more details at our December meeting.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 2nd at the Ryan's Restaurant in Huron

Brenda Jager
Great Plains Snowtrailers



Day County Trailblazers

The Day County Trailblazers met in Naessig's shop October 26 for our annual fall pizza party. Photos are below. A brief meeting followed as Zac Bremmon passed the gavel to Matt Halbkat. There were multiple 'Three Generation Families' in attendance. Our future is in good hands!



Snowmobiling lost a true friend and advocate when Jim Duke was called home. As you may know, Jim had been fighting an aggressive cancer for the past year.

Jim was truly a servant, as a young man, Jim served our country in the U.S. Navy, spending much time on submarines, then later joining law enforcement. He started his first snowmobile club in the early 1980s which also started his snowmobile leadership which took him from the clubs to the state association to ACSA to the International Snowmobile Council. He testified on behalf of snowmobiling at all levels - and was on a first name basis with many that were decision makers on snowmobile issues, from the state DNR to the U.S. Forest Service, from the local road commission to the State Capitol to Washington, DC. Jim had his hand in many projects from permanent trails to zero tolerance to enlightenment rides and many more.

Jim was a friend to all and a mentor to many. He was one of those dedicated and passionate snowmobilers that did what he did for the love of the sport, to advance snowmobiling, never for himself. His presence will be missed by all of us, most of all his side kick and partner in crime, Karyn.

Cards can be sent to Karyn at 225 W. Superior Street, Munising, MI 49862.

Donations in Jim's memory can be made to the Duke Family (at the above address) or to the ACSA Legacy Fund, P.O. Box 1670, Brighton, MI 48116

C L U B N E W S



Siouxland Sno Trackers held their meeting on November 2nd at the Best Western Ramkota in Sioux Falls. Discussion on managing and continuing collection of Auction Items were made. Room block ends on November 6th but nearly all rooms are sold on the block. We not only have an exciting Convention planned but

have a big crowd attending. We discussed nominations for awards and appointed those to write them. We are nearing having all our "Big Wins" tickets sold and may need more before the convention.

Trail installation and groomer service was discussed to be ready for the upcoming snow season. This year we added signs with distance to different towns and Associate member locations. This way out of area riders know how far to the next food and gas locations. We are also busy now collecting Member and Associate memberships so we can print local trail maps.

We also on October 28th did the ISMA event with Interlakes Snow Roamers and were impressed with the number of people that attended, the food, door prizes and the Vintage sleds shown. We can't wait to see the vintage portion of the convention I think that is going to be really big!!

Come to the SDSA Convention on December 1st & 2nd and See:

- The Best of Vintage Snowmobiles.
 - Vendor Booths.
 - 200 Ski Doo Raffle Tickets.
 - Governor's Council.
 - Club Round Table- by President Duane Duerr.
 - Friday Night Beer & Bull and Auction.
 - SDSA Annual meeting.
 - Polaris Ride Command session.
 - Avalanche Class- Mike Duffy.
 - Groomer Round Table- Ryan & Shannon.
 - Snowmobile 101 & Safety Course.
 - Build your own Arts & Crafts limited attendance.
 - Banquet and awards Ceremony.
 - Entertainment and Prizes to win.
 - A great Hospitality Room hosted by the Dakota Drifters.
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On October 28th Interlakes Snow Roamers held their membership event at Lakeside Docks. They did it jointly with Sno Trackers Snowmobile Club. They had 83 people attend, many great Vintage sleds shown, and some door prizes were won with food and Drink available. October 28th was the International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association membership day and even with some light snow falling we still had a great attendance.

We are busy planning the "Best of Vintage Snowmobiles" to be seen at this years SDSA Convention in Sioux Falls. We will have Many years of some of the best vintage sleds, clothing, and other snowmobile vintage Items. Looking forward to seeing many of you at the Convention.



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C L U B N E W S



Well, winter has officially arrived just in time for trail marking and all the pre-season prep. October was a busy month. The club had a float in the Gypsy Day Parade, and handed out lots of candy to the great crowd lining the nearly 2 mile parade route.

On October 28th, our club hosted a Show and Shine in celebration of Snowmobile

Day. Mother Nature set the table with the coldest weather of the season and a few snowflakes to set the mood. Hot dogs and hot chocolate provided warmth to club members and attendees alike. We had nearly 30 sleds of ever vintage and a good participation from club members and the community alike. Thanks to club member Kevin Feidler who provided space at the Ken's Fairway parking lot for the event.

By the time you read this we will have a large majority of the trail signed. We can look forward to a new section of the trail that will take us from Westport to Columbia. This route was included in our trail many years ago but had to be dropped due to high water. Thank you, club members, for stepping up to bring this portion of the trail back again. Scott Malsom, AJ Jensen and Sunny Pence teamed up to move the diesel tank from Kenny Ham's place to Karen's Bar & Grill in Columbia. Thanks to Tyler and Karen Kampa for allowing the Drift Busters to place the diesel tank at

their location so the groomer can make the trip to Columbia!!

We want to take this time to give a special thanks to

Ann Nagel for all her years serving as our Club Treasurer. She has taken good care of the club's financial needs and always with a smile on her face. Since her winter season is for trips south instead of trips west these days, she is turning over the reins. Lisa Friedt is now the Drift Busters Treasurer and Ann has eagerly passed along her knowledge to Lisa in this new role. Thank you, Ann and Lisa!

Till next time, Kelly Weaver



More photos from Aberdeen's Show & Shine Event



CLUB NEWS

CLUB NEWS



The phrase.... Time Flies.....says it all for this time of year. We are busy preparing for the holidays, planning events and gatherings with friends and family as we fully start to embrace winter. Like it or not the snow and cold temperatures are here.

Our club has jumped right into our winter chaos. We had 3 membership drives in conjunction with the open house events put on by Rice's Motorsports. Club members enjoyed 3 nights out hovering around snowmobiles and talking with others about our club activities and events. We were successful in gaining some new members for the club and SDSA. We look forward getting to know

them more and riding this winter. Club members also enjoyed local events like 2023 SnoFest in Deadwood at the Lodge November 4th hosted by Four Seasons. This was a great way to jump start the snowmobile season. Finally, club members worked tirelessly on our float for the Festival of Lights parade on November 25th. We went with a different theme this year that only added to the fun and new light display design. This is a great way to share our enjoyment for this sport and get a little added recognition in the community.

Going into December, a few club members led by Brad Richey volunteered to help a couple of East River snowmobile clubs with trail marking. This is a helpful way to assist fellow snowmobile clubs get ready to ride. Also great for getting to know fellow snowmobilers and making a few memories while at it.

Looking ahead we encourage club members to attend the SDSA Convention December 1st and 2nd in Sioux Falls, can't wait to see everyone there! Attending this event is a great way to meet people who love and are dedicated to our sport. It is also a way to get information and learn what SDSA does for the snowmobile community. You can meet and talk with other club members from many areas throughout South Dakota. You also get to enjoy the live and silent auctions along with a great Saturday banquet and yep CORNHOLE!

We have a SAVE THE DATE for everyone. THUNDER on ICE Radar Run will be scheduled for Saturday February 17th. KING of ICE receives \$500.00 and there will be other raffle items available along with a food truck. More information to come and we will always post information on our club Facebook page.

Our next club meeting will be on Tuesday December 5th at 7pm – Rice's Rapid Motorsports. We also post events and updates on our club Facebook page to stay informed on local club activities.

Until next month –RIDING MAY NOT ADD YEARS TO YOUR LIFE.....BUT IT ADDS LIFE TO YOUR YEARS.

Holly Thomas
Black Hills Snowmobile Club, Secretary

SDSA CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

Full Registrations: include Friday Beer & Bull and Auction, Saturday meeting Break, Lunch and Programs, Awards Banquet and Entertainment. Children's registrations include all meals with Parents and activities on Friday night and Saturday Youth are ages 6-14; 5 and under are free.

PRE-REGISTRATION (Until 11/15/2023)		Fee		Number	Total
<input type="radio"/>	Adult Registration	\$130	x	_____	_____
<input type="radio"/>	Youth with Banquet	\$80	x	_____	_____
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<input type="radio"/>	Youth with Banquet	\$100	x	_____	_____
<input type="radio"/>	Youth w/o Banquet	\$75	x	_____	_____

Individual Tickets*

ADULT TICKETS		Fee		Number	Total
<input type="radio"/>	Friday Beer & Bull and Auction	\$50	x	_____	_____
<input type="radio"/>	Saturday Lunch & Programs	\$30	x	_____	_____
<input type="radio"/>	Awards Banquet & Entertainment	\$50	x	_____	_____

YOUTH TICKETS		Fee		Number	Total:
<input type="radio"/>	Friday Beer Bull and Auction	\$25	x	_____	_____
<input type="radio"/>	Saturday Lunch and Programs	\$20	x	_____	_____
<input type="radio"/>	Awards Banquet and Entertainment	\$30	x	_____	_____

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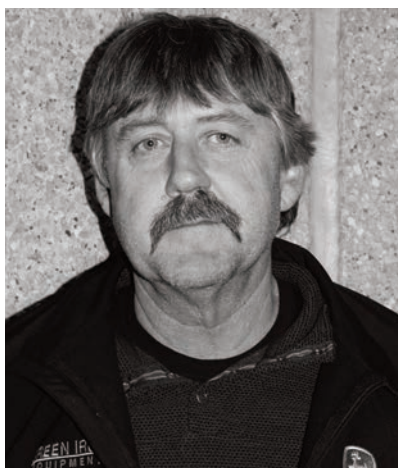
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Lee Olson, District 3 Director

Hello everyone, hope you had a good summer, wow did it go by fast. Seems like it wasn't that long ago that we were in Milbank for their show. If you get a chance check it out next summer. It was a busy summer around our place, landscaping, trying to go camping on the weekends that we could get away.

Winter is definitely coming, 18 degrees the last couple of mornings. The normal South Dakota season switch in a matter of days. A few weeks ago we were setting record highs over the weekend. We had our first snow last week, a couple inches. Mostly gone by today, just enough to make harvest a lot tougher from now on.

The Driftbusters held the show and shine event last Saturday at Ken's parking lot in Aberdeen. Nice turn out of sleds, around thirty. Sleds from the early 70's to new ones on display. Not a lot of people stopped and walked through, because it was a bit cold on Saturday, around 30 for the high temperature. The year before it was a beautiful day when we held the event, around 60 degrees that day.

We got the camper and summer toys put away for the winter. Time to start getting the sleds and trailers ready for the winter. See if we have any snow this winter. We bought a new snowmobile last spring after the snow had melted, so haven't ridden it yet. Historically every time we bought a new one we end up hauling them somewhere to ride the next winter. So we'll see what happens, hope to have another good season. Seems to be a lot more people interested in snowmobiling around here after last winter. See if we can get decent snow and use the trail for two years in a row.

Until next month, see you at the convention or on the trails.

Lee Olson
District 3 Director

Pat Hanten-Duerr, District 5 Director

Many areas in the state have had seen some snow this year. The snow was very little on the Eastside of the state, but it did make you start to think about getting the snowmobiles out. At our last snowmobile club meeting we discussed dates for Club rides, Governors Ride, SnoCross events for 2024. It is always good to plan events for your clubs early.

The SDSA Convention in Sioux Falls is nearly here -December 1-2, 2023. Please bring all your Big Win Tickets sold, if possible, to be turned in to Mary Anne at the Convention. Bring Friends and Family for a great time!! Registration forms are in the Sno Plainsman. Any donated items for the Convention can be brought also at the time of convention. Each Donated item will need a form completed with information. The Auction Item form can be obtained from your Club President, or you may complete it the time you bring in the donated item. Thank You, in advance for Donating Auction Items, this is SDSA biggest fund raiser.

See everyone at the Convention!!

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Tracey Erickson, District 4 Director

What do you think of when you hear the word, "engaged"? There are many things that come to mind. Depending on how you apply the word in a sentence, either as a verb or an adjective, will determine what you are trying to convey. As an adjective it can mean to be busy or occupied or even possibly to formally agree to be married. But as a verb it can have several meanings: 1. To occupy, attract, or involve (someone's interest or attention). 2. To participate or become involved in. 3. To arrange to employ or hire (someone). 4. To move into position as to come into operation (with reference to a part of a machine or engine). And lastly, 5. Bringing (weapons) together preparatory to fighting (to enter into conflict or combat with an enemy).



Keeping the second definition of the verb form of the word in mind; "to participate or become involved in", let me ask how are you engaged in your club? Are you possibly on the leadership team? Are you spearheading a committee or club event? Are you helping with the club trail system? Are you fundraising? Are you involved in recruiting new members? Are you attending meetings or club events and helping with those events or providing input? As you can see there are many ways to be engaged within your club. So, I challenge each of you to look within and ask yourself how you are engaged within your club and if you find yourself unable to answer any of the examples above, raise your hand, speak and become an engaged club member this year. You will find it can be very rewarding. And for those who are very engaged within the club, when someone raises their hand to volunteer for the first time, listen, take them under your wing and be their mentors. Or if they are organizing something for the first time and they bring new ideas or changes, come with an open mind to the table. You never know what could happen.

Our SDSA Convention is coming up the first weekend of December in Sioux Falls, being hosted by the Sioux Falls SnoTrackers. Please make sure to get your registration in. Besides sending in a hard copy you can also register on-line at their club's webpage <http://www.sfsnotrackers.com/>. Hope to see you there and engaged in the activities happening!

All the best, Tracey Erickson, SDSA District 4 Board Member

Trace Damm, District 7 Director

Hello Everyone,

Convention is almost here along with Winter not too far behind. We had a few days here and there of cold and rain, but the forecast is looking very nice to get some trail in or finish it up. With the rain and warm temps, the signage has seemed to go a touch quicker this year with the ground cooperating. I know I have a few spots where we are waiting for some fall tillage to get finished before the trail can be completed. Always be mindful of the landowners and keep a good relationship so we can continue to blaze a trail along the edge of fields where needed. Keeping in mind to STAY ON the trail! We all know how important that message is for the future of our trails. One thing we have had to do this year is replace a decent amount of orange blazers as many were faded and due for an upgrade. Enjoy the weather and get the clubs together to get the trails tackled. As always, I am looking forward to the convention and can't wait to see everyone there. I know it will be great and fun times had by all!

See you soon!



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2016 Can-Am Commander 800 XT 4500 miles \$13500

2015 Can-Am Commander 800 3600 miles \$9500

Motorcycle

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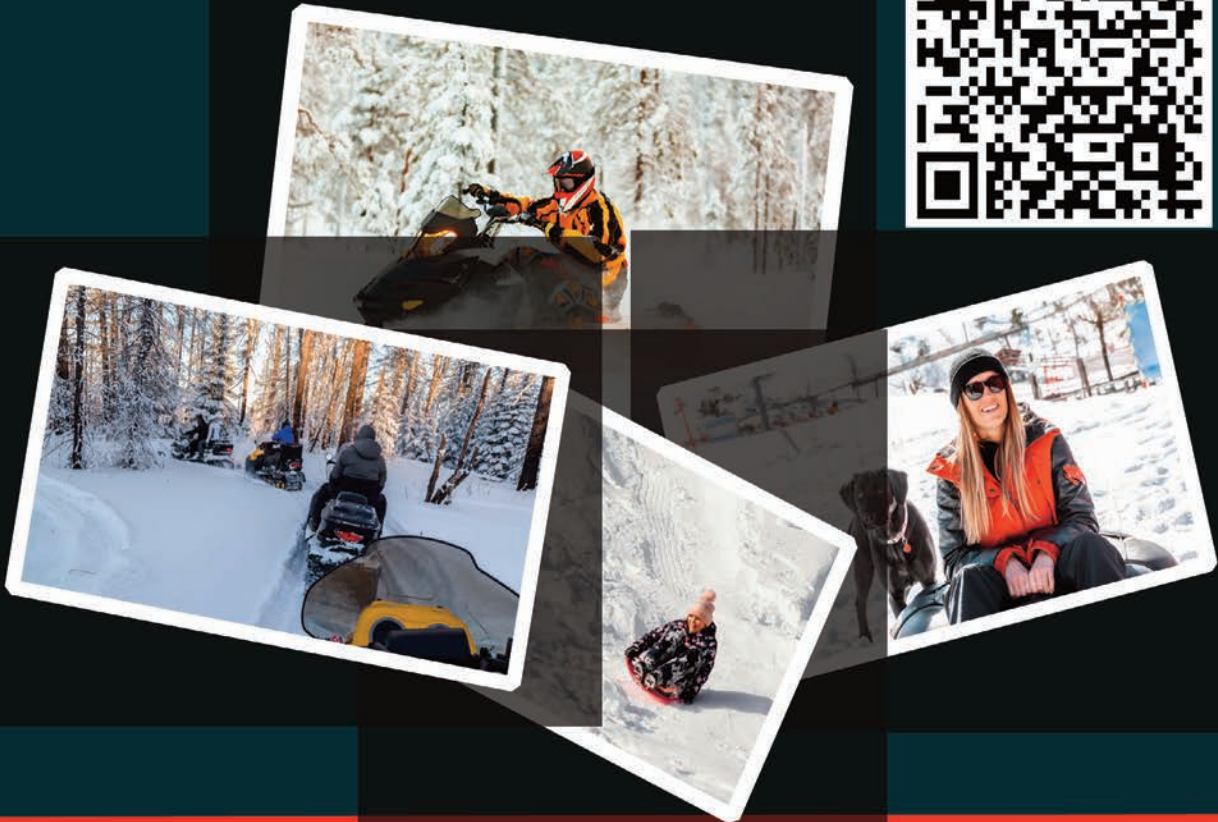
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SDSA CONVENTION

DECEMBER 1 - 2 | BEST WESTERN RAMKOTA SIOUX FALLS, SD

- Avalanche Class with Mike Duffy
- Polaris Ride Command class
- Snowmobiling 1,2,3 and snowmobile safety class.
- Vintage Snowmobile show

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Snow Hares Hobo Day Entry

Earlier this month Austin Cooper sent me photos from SDSU's club, the Snow Hares. The Snow Hares have been a club since No-



vember 2021 and was founded by Brooke and Dane Wika who are still officers in the club. Dane is the president and Brooke is the secretary as well as the treasurer. There are 37 members right now and always searching

for more. They participated in the hobo day parade the last two years, 2022 & 2023. This year the club participated in painting the town and the fantastic float competitions. The Snow Hares won the most creative float of the 2023 Hobo Day fantastic float competition. The Snow Hares would like to thank Roelofsens Implement of Toronto who sponsored the float and lent the club a sled and side-by-side!





AGENDA for Convention:**“Snowmobiling brings Friends, Family and Fun.”****Friday, December 1**

- 10 a.m. Snowmobile Advisory Council Meeting
- Noon Auction items registration, vendor setup and “Best of Vintage Sleds” setup
- 1:30 p.m. Preconvention meeting
- 3 p.m. Registration begins
- 4 p.m. Groomer Round Table “Ryan Raynor & Shannon Percy”
- 5 p.m. Club Round Table by President *Duane Duerr*
- 3-10 p.m. Vendor Trade Show and “Best of Vintage Show” open
- 3-6 p.m. Hospitality room open
- 6 p.m. Beer & Bull
- 7:30 p.m. Auction

Saturday, December 2

- 7:30 – 8:45 a.m. Breakfast- “*Complimentary Ramkota*”
- 7:30 – 4 p.m. Trade show and “Best of Vintage Show”
- 9 a.m. Annual Meeting
YETIS meeting to follow
- 12:00 Noon Luncheon
- 1:00 p.m. Polaris Ride Command
- 2 p.m. Arts and Crafts
- 2-5 p.m. Avalanche Class
- 2 p.m. Snowmobile 101/Safety Class
- 1:30 – 4 p.m. Judging
- 4 – 5 p.m. Post Convention Board meeting
- 5:30 p.m. Social
- 6 p.m. Banquet
- 7 p.m. Meal – awards, drawings – Final remarks
- 8 – 10 p.m. Entertainment- Bean Bag Tourney/Games- 4 big prizes to win.

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