



KMR Snowmobile Club News

November 2020

Kettle Moraine Riders, Eagle, WI
www.kmrsnowmobileclub.com

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November Meeting

Highlights

Forest Brushing	2 dates – Dec 6 & Dec 13 @ 10 am
Dues are due	\$35 by PayPal on KMR Website or by check. \$45 after Dec. 1 st .
Christmas Party	December 8th @ Wern Valley
Annual Club Trip	January 21 st – 24 th

Monthly Meetings

Second Tuesday of every month

New Location: Wern Valley

S36W29657 Wern Way, Waukesha, WI 53189

Please join us!

MANY THANKS

- Thank you to those who helped with [Highway Cleanup](#)
- Thank you to everyone who helped with [Trail Setup](#)

Your help makes our club a success!



KMR Christmas Party

Celebrate the holiday season with your fellow KMR members.

Join us at the December meeting – 7 pm, Dec. 8th

- Enjoy free food and drink
- Socialize with other snowmobile enthusiasts

Watch your e-mail to RSVP!



Dues

If you haven't paid your dues yet, pay them today!

Dues are \$35 (per single or family). After December 1st dues increase to \$45.

Pay using the link to PayPal on the KMR website

<http://kmrsnowmobileclub.com> or pay by check to the treasurer:

Karen Johnson
1530 S Birchwood Ln
New Berlin, WI 53146
(Make checks payable to: KMR Snowmobile Club)

Annual Club Trip



January 21st – 24th, 2021

Gateway Lodge
4103 County Rd B
Land O' Lakes, WI 54540
715-547-3321

Call to check for room availability

KMR Gear

T-shirts, sweatshirts and hats are in stock
Contact Dave Douglas at: douglas2@wi.rr.com
with your order
Please see KMR website for items available



Minutes - Kettle Moraine Riders Snowmobile Club
Tuesday, November 10, 2020
Wern Valley Sportsmen's Club, Waukesha, WI

Meeting called to order at 7:12 p.m. by President Craig Keys.

Attendance: 26

New Members: Welcome to our new members!!

Kraig Szuta - Jim Kilpatrick talked him into riding so he decided to give it a try;
Ralinda Howard (Charlie) - former club member who has been spending the winters in AZ and decided to come back to WI for a year so she bought a sled;
Logan Goetz - bought a snowmobile, decided to join with his sister and brother-in-law (Matt and Taylor Kalusche)
David Wildman - retired, riding since the early 70s, decided to join the club
Shawn Brigham - riding for 30 years, bought a property down the road, decided to join the club and help out

New meeting location: Craig explained that Sideliners wanted to charge us \$250 for our two-hour meeting, so we chose not to go back. Clinton was out pheasant hunting recently and talked to the owner of Wern Valley. He secured the location for us to have our meetings on the second Tuesday of the month.

Secretary's Report: It was in the last newsletter of the season.

Website: Dave Dill said that the website is updated. He asked if anyone is interested in being the webmaster to please step up.

Maps: New maps will not be printed.

County: Their raffle ticket prizes are cash only as dealers have been strapped with shutdowns. The youth outing in Monches will be February 7, and the youth bowling outing will be April 11. They are looking for donations for the youth outing, the scholarship fund, and a basket for the Christmas party.

Groomer: Jim said we'll have the tractor available all year. He's hoping to have all the mowing done by Sunday night. He filled Dan in on where brushing needs to be done as there is plenty to do. We get paid to brush the forest, and it's a good source of income. Last year was our best year ever, and we made \$2,700 as a club. Brushing dates are December 6 and December 13. More details will come out as we get closer. Anyone is welcome to help, and a chainsaw and pole saw are the best tools to have.

Trailmaster: October 4 was the fall highway cleanup. Eight volunteers helped collect trash. In September, Dan went out to update all of the landowner agreements. No new landowners, no issues. Trail routes will remain the same. Downtown Eagle is being torn up at Railroad Street. The reason behind this is to get trains to move faster through the village.

Construction is expected to be complete by the end of November. The state is putting in a horse trail/snowmobile trail. Trail setup is this Sunday, November 15. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Eagleville storage unit. Groups will be divided up to handle six sections. Most are usually done around noon. Dan is hoping all trails will be set up on Sunday if possible. The club will buy lunch at Eagle Springs Pub for whoever is helping. There are roughly 400 stakes and 500 signs. Dan did pick up 30 new stakes and most of our new signs came in. Our club trails were cut as of last night, thanks to Jim Kilpatrick. On NN, fiber optic cable has been getting installed. They are nearing completion of that. Kettle Moraine Forest bought two big information signs that will eventually be put into the forest. The current sign indicates that the trails are maintained by Walworth County. Dan will be picking up the signs tomorrow night but isn't sure when they will be installed. All labor and equipment rates will remain the same as last year. The forest is about 75% cut so Dan will determine where to send people for brushing. Last year we put roughly 70 pieces of conduit into the ground in the forest so that the DNR can put updated signs up. They did get a good number of signs completed. Dan needs to report to the County regarding maintenance of our roughly two-mile trail. You can join the VIP Text Club for the Waukesha County Snowmobile Assoc. Text WAUKSNOW to 57838.

50th Year: Clinton has been working on a commemorative logo for our 50th year. We're hoping to get shirts made soon.

December meeting: This year we will not be doing a buffet Christmas dinner. We discussed getting Jimmy Johns subs, chips, and cookies. In the past we've collected items for the food pantry, but Craig suggested writing a bigger check for them instead.

January meeting: The January meeting will be at Road, Track & Trail on January 12. Nick will have pizza and beer for the meeting.

Club Trip: Rooms are reserved at Gateway Lodge in Land O'Lakes for January 21-24. We had tentatively discussed moving it to a new location, however, due to COVID, we will keep our reservations there. The block of rooms is held through November 21. Craig and Karen Keys plan to host a dinner of pizza and drinks at their cabin on Thursday night as they do each year.

Raffle fundraiser: We will have eight cash prizes this year with the grand prize being \$750. It will be determined at a later date whether we will have a meat raffle. The date of the raffle prize drawing will be February 20, 2021, at Eagle Springs Pub.

Donations: Typically we get our donations out at this time of year. Karen Johnson went over the list of previous donations: Eagle Business Association Halloween party \$75, Mukwonago Food Pantry \$200, groomer shares \$1200, WCSA youth donation \$75, WCSA scholarship \$100, Eagle Advancement \$100 (fence posts at Village Park), Eagle Lions Club \$100 (for sending donated items to the troops), plus our Blue Ribbon Coalition membership. Jim Kilpatrick motioned we keep the donations the same as last year, Vickie Kusch seconded. After further discussion, Carter Shelton motioned to increase the Mukwonago Food Pantry to \$250, Vickie Kusch seconded. No one else has asked for donations. Craig said

that he'd like to increase the number of shares by three for the groomer corp. Craig motioned to spend \$1500 on groomer shares, Dan Rydeski seconded. All motions passed.

Misc.: The Snobirds Club is hosting a safety class January 6, 13, and 20 from 6:30-9:00 p.m. at Menomonee Falls Community Center (Riverside School) in Menomonee Falls. All three sessions must be attended. Another option for the safety class is hosted by the Oconomowoc Throttle Jockeys and Dousman Snow Troopers on January 23 and 30 from 8:30-noon at Brandybrook Community Center in Waukesha. Online registration: <https://gowild.wi.gov/> Call 414-442-4279 for questions.

There is a proposal to extend the White River State Trail in Racine County. The county has proposed a \$500,000 investment (together with a one million dollar state grant) that would complete the purchase of 11 more miles of former railroad corridor to extend the trail east into Sturtevant.

The next meeting will be December 8 at Wern Valley Sportsmen's Club.

Motion to adjourn by Karen Johnson, seconded by Vickie Kusch. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Douglas
Recording Secretary