



KMR News

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Kettle Moraine Riders, Eagle, WI
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Election Notifications

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Elections will be held at our March Meeting. Please come prepared to vote for your candidate. In addition, we will be voting for snowmobiler of the year. If you are not able to attend it is encouraged you vote via absentee ballot. Please send your votes via email to Craig Keys at KMRCraig@aol.com. If you would like to be considered for a position, please send your intent to Craig as well, and or your recommendation for a candidate on any of the open positions below.

Positions open with current nominations include, awaiting additional nominations:

Vice President –	Nominated Dave Douglas
Treasurer –	Nominated Karen Keys – Declined
	Nominated Vicky Kusch – Accepted
Board Member	Nominated Dave Kalausche
Board Member	Nominated Steve Piraino
Snowmobiler of the Year –	Open to vote

Trail Master Update:

Trails are closed until we have ride-able snow. Watch for emails from Dan Rydeski for your latest updates. Also, you can check the Trail Hot Lines. They are as follows:

Waukesha County	414-299-0330
Walworth County	262-742-2664
Jefferson County	920-699-7669

Important reminder from Dan:

If temperatures are above 32 degrees, the trails automatically close...

Brewers Game

A poll was taken to determine the best dates possible to attend a summer Brewer game. After all those results were counted, June 17th is the winning date. I will contact the Group Sales office and see what I can do for getting us great seats. Please mark this date in your calendar and plan to have a great time!!

Chili Brat Bash - February 11th, 2017

Another one in the books as they say. Thanks to everyone who participated, volunteered, sold tickets and obtained give-a-way's. We had yet another successful year. The venue worked well and everyone had a great time. We have a very long list of sponsors which is the key to our success along with the dedicated committee that puts this event together:

Karen Keys, Craig Keys, Robin Douglas, Dave Douglas, Karen Johnson, Dave Johnson, Chris Kalausche, Dave Kalausche, Vicky Kusch, Dave Dill, Steve Shaffer

After all expenses we are showing a profit of \$4882.95. That is 193.01 over last year to compare. But each year our expenses vary so it's really never apples to apples. Non-the-less,,, a success all the way around.

IMPORTANT INFO:

Please make note, the Board of Directors have decided to shorten our meetings by one month each year. We will no longer have a May meeting. At least we will give it a try. The decision comes from very low attendance at this meeting and we have completed all of our trail obligations by this time. If it is determined we need to re-direct this, information will be passed onto you.



Search and Rescue Team

Anyone wishing to be a part of the Waukesha County Search and Rescue Team, please contact me (Karen Keys at kksledder@aol.com) for more information. Training will begin soon.

Waukesha County Sheriff Dept official ID badges will be provided. Stay tuned for dates to get your Photo ID taken etc.



In need of KMR Gear?

We have surplus of T-Shirts, Sweatshirts and hats. Please contact Dave Douglas to place your order (douglas2@wi.rr.com). Other items are available and can be found on the website.

Trail Passes and your AWSC Member Number:

Please keep your member number handy from year to year. As long as you do not join another club, your member number will always stay the same. Prior to the trail pass program, it was easy to update memberships with AWSC quickly. Now with the added steps it takes a bit more to get things processed. In order to avoid any delays, pay your dues early in the year and you will be set. The ideal time to pay dues is at the start of our meeting season (September). But dues are expected for renewing memberships before December 1st. All passes can be obtained allowing your club discount at www.awsc.org. It's an easy process.

\$\$\$\$ 50/50 Raffle Final Drawing \$\$\$\$

Well, the time has come to pull that final ticket. Each month we have held a 50/50 raffle and one lucky winner has gone home with some cash at each meeting. Some were very generous and donated their winning back into club funds, which is appreciated by

all. The rules of this raffle were the remaining 50 percent would be raffled at the March meeting. So, this lucky person will be winning the entire years collections, plus what ever is collected on the night of the meeting. At the present time there is \$226.00 in the pot. So that will make one lucky club member very happy they attended the March meeting. In order to be eligible to participate, you had to contribute to the 50/50 raffle at least twice over the course of this seasons meetings. Good luck to everyone who enters...

2017 Event Calendar:

March 1st, KMR Board Meeting

March 7, Club Meeting – Election Night

March 8th WCSA Meeting Night

March 13th -17th Amsoil Championship Snow Cross in Lake Geneva

March 24th – 27th, AWSC Convention – Potowotomi Casino Milwaukee

April 4th, Last Club Meeting for this season

June 17th, Club Brewers Outing

June 23-25, Kettle Moraine Days

September 5th, 1st Club Meeting of new season

October 27th – 29th, AWSC Workshop – Appleton

A FEW PHOTOS FROM THE CHILI BASH AND OUT AND ABOUT.. IF YOU HAVE PHOTOS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE IN THE NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SEND THEM MY WAY AND I'LL INCLUDE THEM.







Meeting Minutes:

Minutes - Kettle Moraine Riders Snowmobile Club
Tuesday, February 7, 2017
Suhmer's Saloon - Eagle, WI

Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m. by President Craig Keys.

Attendance: 25

Secretary's report: The January Minutes were in the newsletter. Vickie Kusch motioned to accept, Steve Shaffer seconded.

Treasurer's report:

Checking:	\$2,035.32
PayPal:	<u>\$1,917.50</u>
Total	\$3,952.82

\$191 on account for the 50/50 raffle.

Steve Shaffer motioned to accept, Vickie Kusch seconded.

Board Member report: We have the by-laws up to date. We will finalize the draft for membership approval. The next item we will work on is updating the rules and regulations. It was decided that our membership year will be September to April.

Old Business:

- The AWSC Annual Convention is March 24-26 at Potawatomi. Waukesha and Washington County have suites at the convention. They are looking for volunteers to help with raffles. It is \$15 to get a ticket ahead of time, and \$25 at the door. Rooms are available. Banquet on Saturday night. More information will be at the next meeting.
- County raffle tickets need to be turned in. The drawing is in March at 18 West. More info to follow.

New Business:

- We are looking for two volunteers to do the financial audit. Karen created an audit checklist. As our books have probably never been audited, it's good practice to do this annually. Jim Kilpatrick recommended paying a CPA as we are working to get everything else brought up to date and this would make sense.
- Nominations: Treasurer and Vice President are up for election, plus another board member. The position of Trailmaster/Board member has been created. Snowmobiler of the Year is also being nominated. Steve Shaffer nominated Dave Kalusche as a Board member. Dave accepted,. Dave Dill nominated Dave Douglas for VP. He accepted. Dave Douglas nominated Vickie Kusch as Treasurer. She accepted. Karen Keys agreed to run as Treasurer again. Vickie agreed to run again as Board member. If you would like to nominate yourself or anyone else, please email or call Craig before the March meeting. Steve Piraino agreed to run as Board Member.
- Chili Bash: The Chili Bash is this Saturday, February 11. Karen Johnson is looking for additional volunteers for selling food and tickets. The committee has worked extremely hard to put together another good event. Karen Keys went over a few of the raffle prizes.
- Club Trip: The club trip was canceled due to poor conditions. Tim Arquette and Jason Barkow went up and rode. The trails were okay once they got out of town. Very low traffic until Saturday. Friday the groomer went out and was able to repair some of the trails. He said 80-85% of the trails were ride-able. There was a lot of traffic on Saturday, which deteriorated the trails. Overall, they were happy they went.
- Webmaster: Dave got caught up with newsletters on the website. The Chili Bash info is on the website.

- Clothing: Scott Gillette told Dave that the clothing order should be in this week.
- Trailmaster: Trails are closed. Dan went around a fixed broken signs and stakes. He fixed some of the bucket stop signs. There is a new situation developing . . . there is a gentleman in Red Brae having an issue with the trail being a few feet on his property and he has a problem with the noise of the snowmobiles. For this year, the trail will remain as is. Dan said that we will have to work something out next year. There is also a pasture getting developed into a subdivision near Red Brae. Dan turned in the brushing paperwork to the county. We should be getting a check soon. At the last county meeting, we bought an additional 10 shares of Groomer Corp. Vickie asked if Dan has talked to Vedra who lives near Vickie. She will look for the phone number and give it to Dan. Steve asked how many Groomer Corp. shares we currently have. Craig will look into it and report back next month. Craig asked for a round of applause for Dan in getting the intersection signs and maps marked. Dan will give updated maps to the fire department.
- Karen asked if there is any interest in a Brewers game for the group. There are current group sales going on with a special for 25 discounted tickets and our name on the big screen. The sales agent told Karen he would drop the minimum down to 20 tickets. A new incentive to purchase is that the seats that were previously \$40 are now \$17. Karen will look at the calendar to see what's available for late May-early June. Mike Stone suggested looking into September might be a better idea. Jim Kilpatrick offered to cook us a wonderful meal if it works out.
- Jim Kilpatrick went into the forest to groom last Saturday, and there was still a decent base.

Motion to adjourn by Carter Shelton, seconded by Jim Kilpatrick. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Douglas
Recording Secretary