



**HAMPSHIRE WHITE RIDERS P.O. BOX 135 HAMPSHIRE ILLINOIS 60140**

**[www.hampshirewhiteriders.com](http://www.hampshirewhiteriders.com)**

**DECEMBER 2017**

**FROM THE PRESIDENT – Dwain Stadie**



Hello Members,

As of this writing 95% of the club trails are marked and ready, the other 5% will be done ASAP. Trails open any time after December 10<sup>th</sup>. But remember 4' of snow is needed on frozen ground, and 6" of snow on unfrozen ground. Village streets can be ridden on, just for the purpose of getting to and from the trail. You can cross State Street, but you can't ride it. You can't cross State Street in the down town area due to poor visibility, and no riding on Rt #72. The speed limit on village streets is 15 MPH. Please follow these rules, to check trail conditions check out the clubs Web or Facebook page, or call Trail Boss Ed Hagendorn 847-683-3120.

Region trail maps are here. You could have picked yours up at the Christmas party or call me at 847-683-0140 to make sure I'm home, then stop over and pick one up. If I'm gonna be out I can leave one on the porch for you.

The club's SEP class was held on November 11<sup>th</sup> at The Hampshire Township Building. There were six children and one adult who took the class. With several parents sitting in at various times during the day. Everyone passed, and another successful class is complete. Thanks to SEP instructors Genice Brettschneider and Linda Gustafson, along with SEP helper Dave Wright.

The club's fundraiser was a big success this year. We sold all 700 cash raffle tickets, first time ever. We sold out on every meat raffle, you couldn't ask for a better fund raiser then that. Thanks to everyone who sold tickets, thanks to everyone who worked the event, and thanks to everyone who bought tickets.

Happy Holidays,

*Dwain "Duey" Stadie*

## **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

JAN 3rd	HWR Club Meeting
JAN 9th	ISAC Meeting
JAN 10 <sup>th</sup>	Region 5 Meeting
JAN 12 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup>	HWR Mercer Club Trip #1
FEB 7th	HWR Club Meeting
FEB 11 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup>	HWR Minn. Club Trip #2
FEB 13 <sup>th</sup>	ISAC Meeting
FEB 14 <sup>th</sup>	Region 5 Meeting
FEB 16 <sup>th</sup> -19 <sup>th</sup>	Region 5 Boulder Junction Ride

More information on these dates can be found on the club website calendar [www.hampshirewhiteriders.com](http://www.hampshirewhiteriders.com), the region website, the club facebook page or the IASC website at [www.ilsnowmobile.com](http://www.ilsnowmobile.com)

## **ITEMS FOR SALE/ITEMS WANTED**

2014 Ski Doo GSX LE 600 E-tec. Elect start and reverse. Like new condition. Garage kept and trailered in an enclosed trailer on occasion. Adult ridden in northern WI and the UP of Michigan only. 4,667 Miles. Reduced \$6,000. Contact Rich, [847-338-2572](tel:847-338-2572) or [rich1402@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rich1402@sbcglobal.net)



07 GSX 800 P TEC 4,834 miles  
Picked Electric start \$3,600.00  
Contact Brett 847-774-4195 [sandblom@sbgglobal.net](mailto:sandblom@sbgglobal.net)



## **VILLAGE OF HAMPSHIRE SNOWMOBILING REGULATIONS**

The Hampshire White Riders Snowmobile Club has had an agreement with The Village since 1980 about snowmobiling in Hampshire. With the first snow this year there have been several questions about riding in the village. We need to get the word out ourselves to everyone. I think social media, and all of us members talking to anyone in the Village of Hampshire who will listen is key.

The rules and regulations for snowmobiling in the Village of Hampshire are:

1-You can ride any village street STRICKLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF GETTING TO AND FROM THE TRAIL AT A SPEED OF 15mph OR LESS, NO JOY RIDING IN THE VILLAGE.

2-You cannot ride on State Street, you can cross State Street, but you cannot ride on it.

3-You cannot cross State Street between Terwillger and Washington (Downtown Business District) due to the poor visibility

## **2017 TRAIL MARKING**

The club started marked the trails on Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> with the help of 8 of our club members. ATV's were a great help in the marking of the trail system. Lunch was provided afterwards. The bridge in town was repaired on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> – thank you to Ed Brettschnieder for bringing the equipment needed to get the job done.





# White Riders

Hampshire, Illinois EST. 1971

## Snowmobile Club

### Hampshire White Riders 2017 Fund Raiser

Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup> was the annual Hampshire White Riders fund raiser at a new location, The Red Ox in Hampshire. There was the usual meat raffle with 40 meat prizes. Steaks, Pork Chops, Bacon Slabs, Hams and Turkeys were given away and followed up by the cash raffle with \$2,300.00 in prizes with 3 winners awarded the cash prizes. Thanks to all the club members who worked and attended the event, to all the locals who attended and to our neighboring clubs that attended



### Hampshire White Riders 2017 SEP Class

The Hampshire White Riders held their 2017 SEP class on Saturday November 11<sup>th</sup> at The Hampshire Township Building with all students in attendance passing the course.



### HWR BONFIRE / HOT DOG ROAST

This event kicked-off the 2017-2018 as usual as 40+ members gathered at the Haseman residence. Thank you to Scott and Becky for hosting the annual event.





# White Riders

Hampshire, Illinois EST. 1974

## Snowmobile Club

### TRAILS

Trails are marked and can be opened with the right conditions. Go out and enjoy. Thanks to all who helped mark the club trails. Remember, there has to be 4" of snow on frozen ground or 6" of snow on unfrozen ground to ride the trails.

### Marengo Snowgoers Draw Down

Picture of Lucky Rick Jelinek pointing out his winning \$10 ticket at the event.



### Picture of Hampshire White Riders Snowmobile Club's First Groomer



Can you guess who the kids are on the Kitty Kat?

### SOLAR ECLIPSE VIEWING FROM A SNOWMOBILER



Do you know which club member this is?

### Region 5 Food Booth at Grass Drags

Gross income \$11,151.15 with a net of \$5,526 for the Region. Thanks to all the members who helped out with the event the first weekend of October.



## **DON'T FORGET THE CLUB WEBSITE**

[www.hampshirewhiteriders.com](http://www.hampshirewhiteriders.com). Check the club website regularly for late breaking news and updates. If you have pictures of your snowmobile adventures or misadventures and would like to share them, contact our webmaster at the club's website. Or just e-mail them to [hampshirewhiteriders@gmail.com](mailto:hampshirewhiteriders@gmail.com)

## **HWR CLUB TRIPS SCHEDULED**

Rooms for the first trip have been reserved in the club's name in Mercer, WI, at the Great Northern Motel. Dates are Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> (MLK Day). All allocated rooms for the club are already booked – you can get on a waiting list by calling the Great Northern directly. For more information on the Mercer trip contact Ed Hagendorn at 847-683-3120 or [edhagendorn@hotmail.com](mailto:edhagendorn@hotmail.com).

**Great Northern Motel**  
**5070 Old Highway 51**  
**Mercer, WI**  
**715-476-2440**

FEB 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> HWR Minnesota Club Trip #2  
(Contact Rich J. for more information on this trip)

## **REGION 5 UNITY RIDE**

President's Day Weekend February 16-19, Boulder Junction, WI. Boulder Junction Motor Lodge, 10432 Main St. Boulder Junction, WI 54512. (715) 385-2825. Room Rate \$89 plus tax. Cancellation policy is 72 hours prior to check in. 10 rooms have been blocked in the Region's name. Be sure to mention Region 5 when booking. Book rooms under your own credit card. All un-booked rooms will be turned back to the motel on January 1, 2018 and released to the general public.



## **HWR CASH FUNDRAISER**

The lists below represent the club's top ticket sellers. Thanks to all for their efforts. This year 700 tickets were printed and all 700 were sold!

### **People selling 50 or more tickets and receiving free membership & top honors:**

Bert Veidhuzen – 70  
(In addition, 82 tickets were sold at the Rod Run)

### **People selling 30 or more tickets and receiving free membership & honorable mention:**

Dave Wright – 40  
Dennis Beckman – 40  
Don Corty - 40  
Steve "Bullitt" Gustafson – 30

### **People selling 20 or more tickets and receiving free membership:**

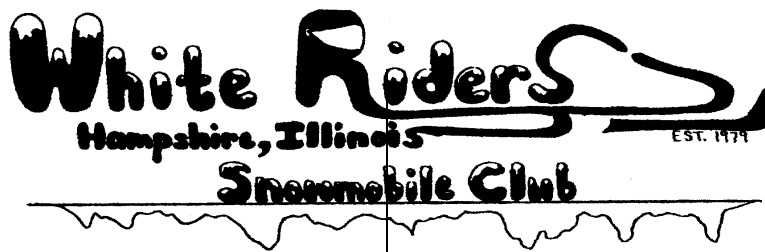
Brad "Tripple Jack Black" Black – 26  
Scott Hasemen – 21  
Jodi/Pete Fields – 21  
Chris Moore – 20  
Dan Eiklor - 20  
Dan Brettschnieder – 20  
Don Banke - 20  
Dwain "Duey" Stadie - 20  
Ed Hagendorn - 20  
Ed Brettschnieder – 20  
Nicole Stadie – 20  
Jeff Meindl – 20  
Kevin Hansen -20  
Lisa/John Seyller – 20  
Matt Lindborg - 20  
Pete Dall - 20  
Rich Jelinek – 20  
Scott Dalby – 20  
John/Kim Cermak - 20

### **People selling at least 10 tickets and receiving a membership discount (\$10.00)**

Chuck Noffs - 10

Pete Fields sold the 1<sup>st</sup> Place Ticket  
Ed Brettschnieder sold the 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Ticket  
Don Corty sold the 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Ticket

Thank you to all the members who sold tickets and to those of you who purchased them as well.



Please Support The  
Businesses That Donated  
To Your Snowmobile  
Club's Christmas Party,  
And Make Sure To Tell  
Them Thanks.

Allen's Corner Restaurant  
Arlington Fire & Safety  
A.G General Contractors  
Buck Bros Inc.  
Fredrick Funeral Home  
Fifth/Third Bank  
Hampshire Cross Roads (Vet)  
Heartland Bank & Trust  
Inboden's Meat Market  
Luxor Nails  
Millers Total Comfort  
Mott's Lounge  
Niko's Tavern  
Press Play Video  
Petersen Fuel's/Speedy Mart  
RJ'S Recreational  
Red Ox  
Rosati's

Snap Fitness  
Scholl's 4Season MotorSports  
The Kave  
Tuscan Wine & Spirits  
Vince's Pizza

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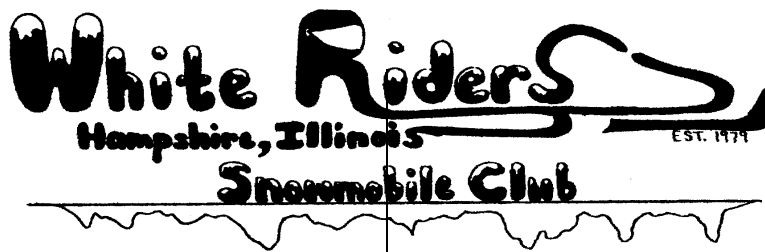
### **IASC FUNDRAISER TICKETS**

The IASC fundraiser tickets are being mailed to our members who did not pick them up at the December meeting. They are due back to the club – please bring to the club meeting in February or give them to a member who will be attending a meeting either in January or February. Be sure to return the ticket stubs and money promptly so that we can get them to the state on time.

### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

If you haven't renewed your club membership yet, it's not too late. Dues remain at \$30.00 a year for single or family membership. The Club membership is good for the current snowmobiling season and will need to be renewed prior to the next snowmobiling season to be considered current on dues. Remember, with a credit card you can renew on line at the clubs' website. If you have friends who would like to join a club, please direct them to the Hampshire White Riders website or have them come to a meeting to join in person. Renewal forms are available on the website as PDF or hard copy is available upon request from Rich Jelinek.





## Wisconsin Trail Pass Information

Some areas of Wisconsin already had their first snow fall this year which means snowmobile season is not too far behind! Now is the time to get ready by making sure your registration is current and ordering your new annual Wisconsin snowmobile trail pass! Ordering your trail pass online is fast and easy. You will have your registration decals and trail pass in hand before the trails are groomed!

An annual Wisconsin snowmobile trail pass is required to operate on all public snowmobile trails for snowmobiles currently registered in Wisconsin. **Please note that all Wisconsin snowmobile trail passes, including those ordered at agent locations, are delivered by US Mail.**

There are 2 types of trail passes for snowmobiles registered in Wisconsin. Make your selection carefully because snowmobile trail passes are not refundable:

### IF YOU ARE AN AWSC SNOWMOBILE CLUB MEMBER:

A **\$10 discounted** annual Wisconsin trail pass is available to owners of snowmobiles who currently belong to a Wisconsin snowmobile club affiliated with the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs (AWSC). Passes may be ordered through the AWSC website (<https://www.awsc.org>). A discounted pass is available for each Wisconsin-registered snowmobile.

### IF YOU ARE **NOT** AN AWSC SNOWMOBILE CLUB MEMBER:

The annual Wisconsin trail pass is **\$30** for owners of snowmobiles who are **NOT MEMBERS** of a snowmobile club affiliated with the AWSC. This pass may be ordered online (go to [dnr.wi.gov](http://dnr.wi.gov) and keyword search "snowmobile trail pass") or anywhere DNR licenses are sold. A temporary trail use receipt is issued at the time of online and in-person sales allowing you to operate legally on snowmobile trails. Carry the receipt with you until you receive your pass.

Need to renew your registration too? You can also do that from [dnr.wi.gov](http://dnr.wi.gov) (keyword search "snowmobile registration"). NOTE: if your snowmobile registration expires June 30, 2018, please wait to renew until after April 1 to get the full three years of registration.

If you cannot access the DNR web page, call the DNR Call Center at 1-888-WDNR-INFO ([1-888-936-7463](tel:1-888-936-7463)). We wish you safe travels

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**Kevin Beilke, Editor**

## **Public or Private?**

So you're riding on a groomed trail and you see some inviting land off the trail that begs to be tracked up. We've all been there, over and over again. Everyone of us likes to tear up the fresh, untracked snow.

Before you peel off the trail and tear it up, you **MUST** ask yourself – is this land public or private?

If you don't KNOW the answer, don't go off the trail!

Pretty simple, eh? So, why is this basic common sense logic so often ignored?

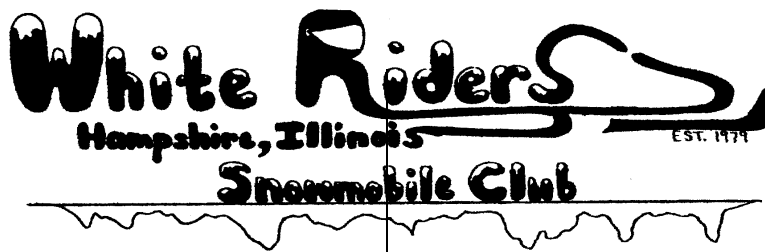
This is an increasing problem, particularly in areas where there is NO public land and FEW off trail riding opportunities, but it is a problem everywhere groomed trails are located. Riders seem to have the idea that if land isn't posted closed it must be open for them to ride on. **NOT!** Snowmobilers **MUST** know if the land they are about to ride onto is public or private, each and every time they decide to go off a groomed or marked trail.

This is the premise upon which we propose to have new trail signs created, so clubs can remind riders who come across such inviting areas. Public or Private? If you don't know, don't go!

As a general rule, you are legal to ride on groomed snowmobile trails, on un-plowed forest roads, along most roads in the public right-of-way (ditch) along the road, and on certain public lands. Other than that, you have to assume the land is **PRIVATE** and to track it up is **ILLEGAL** trespassing.

So, you go make a few tracks off the trail, big deal, right? This is the exact attitude that gets trails closed. Landowners everywhere are being disrespected by snowmobilers taking liberties and trespassing on their private land, so they tell the trail club to close the trail and go elsewhere. You know how it is, a favorite trail no longer goes where it used to, ever wonder why? In almost every single case, it is because the landowner gets upset with continual trespassing onto their private property. Use of private land is a **PRIVILEGE**, not a **RIGHT**.

What is really troubling is the trail clubs will have such areas clearly marked with "Stay on Trail" signs, but there are sled tracks going off trail all



over the place. Since we know the riders can read English, we then know for a fact the riders are simply IGNORING the signs and doing whatever they want to. Why would the club take the time to post such signs? Um, because the trail is on private land and have been told the trail will be closed if the snowmobilers keep going off trail? Hello?

Hate to say it, but this is more of a problem with younger riders than it is older ones, and it is usually more of a problem with out-of-town riders than it is local ones. Generally, but not always. Mature riders do not want their local trails closed, nor do they want to upset their neighbors they live near to. Simple logic here. Younger riders seem to have the “entitlement” attitude where everyone owes them something and they can do as they please, that the rules don’t apply to them. When a snowmobiler knowingly goes off trail onto private land, they are showing disrespect for the landowner, the local club that worked so hard to place the trail, and the sport as a whole.

We see this more and more where we ride in the U.P. of Michigan. For some reason, people think that “off-trail” riding means tearing up the fields next to the groomed trails. If you see an open field next to a groomed trail, it is almost always private property. That is why it is open and not wooded, somebody cleared the land. It should be just as logical that if you can see houses and farms, you are on private land. Pretty basic common sense, but too many snowmobilers seem to be lacking this intelligence.

Even within tracts of public land, there are often smaller pieces of private land grandfathered in that were there long before the national (or state) forest was created. Just because you are in the middle of a great big piece of public land doesn’t mean it is 100% public, rarely is. Snowmobilers need to pay attention. They need to study maps, carry a GPS, and be keen to what sections of trail are located on private land and what sections are on public land.

Moral of the story, know the laws and know the lay of the land where you are going to be riding. Know where the private land ends and where the public land starts. Each and every state or national forest now has land use regulations, it is your responsibility to know what the rules are where you will be riding. Know what is legal and what is not legal to ride. Do not assume an open unless posted closed policy, verify it. What might be acceptable behavior back home for you might not be acceptable behavior where you are going to be riding. It is each rider’s responsibility to know the laws and legalities of snowmobiling in each area they visit.

The future of our sport and groomed trail system depends on this vital compliance. Each year trails are closed, rerouted and made less desirable due to the ignorance of a few. Ride only where legal. Leave your loud exhaust systems at home, as they also cause land owners to close trails. You might think riding a loud machine is your right, but it is not, especially when we are riding on private land. Stay on the trail and forest roads unless you know for a fact the land is open for you to legally ride on. Behavior like this is closing trails for the rest of us. Pretty soon, areas that used to welcome snowmobilers will be pulling up the welcome mat, telling the tourists to stay home. For those of you who don’t remember what it was like to ride back in the 70’s with no groomed trails, you just might get the chance to find out if you continue this behavior.

I would like to think that since you are reading this, you are not part of the problem but part of the solution in doing what we can to educate those less informed. Peer pressure is perhaps the best deterrent, but then again, it is very difficult to control ignorance and stupidity. We must at least try to salvage what we have before it is too late.

*Kevin Beilke – Editor*

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