

WYOMING SNOWMOBILE

WRANGLER



SEPTEMBER 2018



SnowGoer

P R E S E N T S

Huge
**SWAP
MEET**
SATURDAY

OCTOBER 6 and **7**



ROCKY MOUNTAIN
**SNOWMOBILE
EXPO**

**NATIONAL WESTERN COMPLEX
DENVER, COLORADO**

**THE BEST OF THE
AFTERMARKET**

Performance Parts,
Lightweight Components,
Turbo Kits, etc.

**GREAT
DEALS!**

Save on Jackets,
Bibs, Boots,
Helmets and More!

**LEARN FROM
THE EXPERTS**

Riding Tips, Tuning Advice,
Avalanche Safety
& More

**MORE
TO SEE**

Trailers, Snow Bikes,
Riding Destinations,
Vintage Sleds

SATURDAY: 9 A.M. TO 7 P.M.
SUNDAY: 9 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

ADMISSION: ADULTS: \$10
CHILDREN 12 & UNDER: FREE

DISCOUNT TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
COSNOWMOBILEEXPO.COM

**On The
Cover**

JEFF MOBERG PHOTO



**In This
Issue**

**Directory...3 Board Reports...4
District/Club Reports...4-12
News...9 Associates...10**

Directory



www.snowmobilewyoming.org

**DISTRICT
REPRESENTATIVES**

District #1 - Platte, Goshen, Laramie, Albany Counties:
Justin Madden - (307) 760-3167, P.O. Box 2204, Laramie, WY 82073, maddenjustin17@gmail.com

District #2 - Carbon County:
VACANT

District #3 - Teton, Uinta, Lincoln Counties:
Justin Fritz - P.O. Box 3767, Alpine, WY 83128, justinfritzwl@yahoo.com

OFFICERS

President: Taylor Jones - (307) 350-4607, 927 Whitewater Dr., Rock Springs, WY 82901 taylorelmwire@yahoo.com
Vice President: Amy Jenkins - (307) 413-6811, P.O. Box 1481, Jackson, WY 83001, wssaamy@gmail.com
Secretary/Treasurer: Holly Sinclair - (307) 880-2625, P.O. Box 11051, Jackson, WY 83002, wssaholly@gmail.com

APPOINTEES

Awards/Fundraising Chairperson: Holly Sinclair - (307) 880-2625, wssaholly@gmail.com
Charity Chairperson: Brenda Miller - bnbkids@hotmail.com
Historian: Michelle Buzalsky - mcattrider@gmail.com
Legislative Chairman: Bert Miller - (307) 899-3419
Safety Chairman: Lou Grunewald, Sr. - (307) 234-9000, rec-vee@hotmail.com
Scholarship Chairperson: Shannon Glandt - (307) 413-3950, shannonglandt@gmail.com

District #4 - Sheridan County: Rick Young - (307) 752-8444, P.O. Box 159, Dayton, WY 82836, mtswin@hotmail.com

District #5 - Park, Big Horn Counties: Brenda Miller - bnbkids@hotmail.com

District #6 - Weston, Campbell Counties: Tony Niswender - (307) 660-8720, 2501 Little Powder River Rd., Gillette, WY 82716, niswender@collinscom.net

District #7 - Fremont County: Rocky Treese - (307) 856-7356, 14 Sunnyside Ave., Riverton, WY 82501, ltreese63@gmail.com

District #8 - Natrona, Converse Counties: Lou Grunewald, Sr. - (307) 234-9000, 1743 E. Yellowstone, Casper, WY 82601, rec-vee@hotmail.com

District #9 - Sweetwater, Uinta Counties: George Pryich - (307) 382-2879, 108 2nd St., Rock Springs, WY 82901, asp911@ymail.com

District #10 - Johnson, Washakie Counties: Tony Niswender - (307) 660-8720, 2501 Little Powder River Rd., Gillette, WY 82716, niswender@collinscom.net

District #11 - Crook County: Jeff Moberg - (307) 283-3411, PO Box 400, Sundance, WY 82729, wrangler@sundancetimes.com

District #12 - Dubois and parts of Fremont Counties: John Lee - (307) 455-3200, P.O. Box 990, Dubois, WY 82513, jolee@wyoming.com

District #13 - Sublette County: Bill Lanning - (307) 367-4795, P.O. Box 435, Pinedale, WY 82941, brlanning@centurytel.net

On the web at: wyotrails.state.wy.us

Barrett Building, 4th Floor,
2301 Central Avenue,
Cheyenne, WY 82002

Permits and general information:
(307) 777-7477, Fax: (307) 777-6472



Wyoming State Trails Program
125 Sunflower St., P.O. Box 1429, Lander, WY 82520

Program Manager: Ron McKinney - Office: (307) 335-8229 ext 223, Cell: (307) 349-2886

Regional Supervisor: Josh Milek - Office: (307) 335-8229 ext 225, Cell: (307) 349-4778

Regional Supervisor: Forrest Kamminga - Office: (307) 335-8229 ext 225, Cell: (307) 212-2821

WYOMING SNOWMOBILE CLUBS

307 Riders - P.O. Box 5150, Gillette, WY 82717
Bearlodge Snowmobile Club: Jeff Hodge - P.O. Box 1085, Sundance, WY 82729

Big Horn Mountain Snomads: Todd Kautzman - P.O. Box 397, Sheridan, WY 82801, reurydr@yahoo.com

Big Horn Sno-Goers: Shawn Franzen - 1509 Cloudpeak Dr. Worland WY 82401, mfranzen@bresnan.net

Casper Snow Gypsies: Russ Galgarn - P.O. Box 3301, Casper, WY 82602, snowgypsies@gmail.com

Cody Country Snowmobile Association: Dustin Rosencrance - P.O. Box 1745, Cody, WY 82414, codysnowmobileclub@hotmail.com

Dubois Sno-Katters: Jay Slagowski - P.O. Box 1064, Dubois, WY 82513, jslagowski66@gmail.com

Jackson Hole Snow Devils: Jeff Toolson - P.O. Box 4276, Jackson, WY 83001, www.snowdevils.org, mail@snowdevils.org

Lander Snowdrifters: Charles Tanner - P.O. Box 281, Lander, WY 82520, landersnowdrifters@gmail.com

Powder River Sno-Buffs: Layne Qualm - P.O. Box 754, Buffalo, WY 82834, powderriversnobuffs@yahoo.com

Riverton Sno-Goers: Kristi Eckley - P.O. Box 2115, Riverton, WY 82501, kdeckley@gmail.com, sleddinthewinds.com

Snow Explorers/Altitude Off-Road: Clint Anderson - P.O. Box 2509, Pinedale, WY 82941, clinton3406@aol.com

Snowy Range Snowmobile Club: Sunny Madden - P.O. Box 1930, Laramie, WY 82070, membership@srsco.wy.com

Sour Doughs - 2087 Baldwin Creek Rd, Lander, WY 82520, danaf@wyoming.com

Sweetwater Snowpokes: Brian Parks - P.O. Box 1731, Rock Springs, WY 82902, snowpokes@yahoo.com

Top of the Rockies: Justin Fritz - P.O. Box 3386, Alpine, WY 83128, ridealpine.com

THE WYOMING SNOWMOBILE WRANGLER IS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE WYOMING STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION AND IS PROVIDED TO THE ASSOCIATION'S MEMBERS THROUGH THEIR PAID MEMBERSHIPS. IT IS PUBLISHED SEVEN TIMES ANNUALLY: SEPTEMBER THROUGH MARCH.



Jeff Moberg Publisher/
Editor/Advertising

Stan Horning Prepress



P.O. Box 400, Sundance, WY 82729
Phone (307) 283-3411 • Fax (307) 283-3332
EMAIL: WRANGLER@SUNDANCETIMES.COM

Postmaster: Send any address changes to:
Holly Sinclair, P.O.Box 11051, Jackson, WY 83002

WSSA Charity

BRENDA MILLER

I would like to congratulate all of our snowmobile clubs on their charity efforts. Those of you involved should be congratulated and thanked for all you do for snowmobiling and your community. If you are not involved, now is the

time, reach out and help someone. There are so many charitable causes that could use your help. Together we can make a big difference.

With our help (in conjunction with the rest of the snowmobile clubs in the United States, Canadian Provinces, and our friends across the ocean) \$2,246,895 was raised for national and local charities. Snowmobile clubs also donated 186,111 hours of our time for charity. There are 1806 clubs involved with the International Snowmobile Associations and only 475 clubs turned in their charity reports. Sadly that is only 26% of the clubs that report any charity involvement. There are some states that don't even report how many clubs are in the state.

Please keep track of your efforts this year of the amount of money you donate to local and major charities as well as how many hours you donate doing charitable work. I will be sending out the forms after the first of the year. The numbers that I am looking for are from Fun Days last March until Fun Days next March.

Have a great season and hopefully I will see some of you on the trails or on the mountain.

**Secretary/
Treasurer**



HOLLY SINCLAIR

Hello Fellow Snow Lovers,
It's that time of year again, we are so excited to see fall spreading her colors. With the fall colors comes the beginning of my emails to all the clubs for the updates of officers and club members. Keep an eye out for these in your inbox please. I will be passing out the raffle tickets to your directors at this week's meeting in Lander. We can't wait to see everyone in Alpine for another Fun Days!

Always hoping for snow,
Holly Sinclair

WSSA President

Hello WSSA Members,

It's quickly closing in on our favorite time of the year and snow has already hit the ground!

I hope everyone has had a wonderful summer enjoying family, friends and access to our land – and don't forget that it is our land.

I have sent a written report to each of our District Reps on my trips to DC for the annual 3 day DC Fly-In and also my annual trip for the International Snowmobile Congress, feel free to ask for the information to be forwarded to you. Both trips were very informative and were full of interesting meetings. It's always good to get together with people from around the country and outside the US to find out what others are doing to keep access and to hear the successes and learn from those attempts that aren't successful. It's very important that we are working together with all partners in order to fight for our access, the last thing we should do is single ourselves out and try to go it alone.

By the time you read this edition of the Wrangler we will have had our WSSA meeting in Lander. Aside from our normal reports and conversations, we will spend the majority of the meeting working on our strategic plan for the future. At Fun Days I brought up the idea of having a strategic planning session and it was decided to move forward with the process, I look forward to the meeting and the results that will come out of open, frank discussions. Also at Fun Days Holly mentioned she would be stepping down as Secretary/Treasurer. I can't thank Holly enough for all she has done for the WSSA. Holly has been gracious enough to give us a year's notice and she will train her replacement. At Fun Days Sunny Madden stepped up and said she would like to be considered to fill the Secretary/Treasurer, so I asked the District Reps to ask their respective clubs if there is anyone else interested in the position and we gave them a few weeks to get me any names. To date Sunny is the only person to tell me she is interested so we will be ratifying her as Holly's replacement. I have full confidence in Sunny and her ability to successfully fill the position, and I am looking forward to working closely with her.

It seems the majority of counties are nearing the end of their WPLI processes, but please keep informed of what is going on in your county's and stay involved. The WSSA will do whatever is possible to help out and get people involved; don't hesitate to ask for assistance.

It's time for the snow dances to begin, so get those dancing shoes on!



TAYLOR JONES

ACTION SERVICES, LLC



- Trail Groomer
- 4X4 Backhoe
- End Dump
- 20' Tandem Trailer
- 24' Lowboy
- Bobcat

Brad & Duane Johnson
PO Box 343
Dubois, WY 82513
307-455-3777

Districts 6 and 10

TONY

NISWENDER

Hello Snowmobile World! It looks like it's getting close to that time of year we all enjoy. We got the first blanket of snow the last week in August.

Hope that that means that we will get many more this winter.

News from the southern Big Horn is the clubs have enjoyed their summer and have not fired up as of yet with meetings. But I here they did do some things over the summer. They got the safety shelters off the mountain and did a little highway clean up and enjoyed the summer.

The events that I know of that are coming up for the 307 Riders out of Gillette is a camp and wood cutting on Sept. 8, Grass Drags Oct. 6 at Cam-Plex in Gillette, a Swap Meet on Nov. 3 at the Cam-Plex in Gillette. Also the Parade of Lights for the Gillette, Buffalo and Worland Clubs.

If you live in or around the Worland area the Big Horn Snow Goers meet the second Thursday of the month at the Elks Club. If you live in or around the Buffalo area the Powder River Sno-Buffs meet at Bozeman Trail Steak House on the first Tuesday of the month. If you live in or around the Gillette area the 307 Riders meet at Towers West on the first Wednesday of the month. All these meetings start at 7 p.m. but show up early, have a bit to eat and BS.

If any of your riding friends don't belong to the clubs, bring them to a meeting. None of the members bite. We need more people to be involved to put on events and keep the safety shelters stocked and in place. Those don't get there by themselves.

Well better be getting to my day job to make the all might \$\$\$ to afford the sport that we all love so much!!

Oh one last note the lodges on the south end are going to be up and running again this year with a few more cabins done. So stop by and have a bit to eat and check them out.

GEORGE PRYICH

Yellowstone National Park is open again this year through the non-commercially guided snowmobiles access program (N-CGSAP). A winter trip to Yellowstone may be an once-in-a-lifetime or bucket-list trip. This year the lottery was open August 1-31, a month earlier than last year. Watch for the first-come first-served dates on October 1. Continued interest in this program helps keep Yellowstone open to winter snowmobiling without a commercial guide.

To continue working with the U.S. Forest Service, several requirements must be met by a club and its members. The Snowpokes (as well as the Snow Explorers) now have Class B Sawyers certified by the U.S. Forest Service after attending an eight-hour course in Pinedale. This certification allows the club to volunteer for trail maintenance in the Bridger-Teton National Forest. Congratulations to Pete, George, and Leon. Thank you for taking the time to attend the course.

The Strawberry safety shelter committee is still working with the U.S. Forest Service; the committee comprises members from both the Snowpokes and the Snow Explorers. Thank you to everyone who has attended several meetings with the U.S. Forest Service and other required participation. Prep work for the new shelter will begin this fall.

The several roads closed by avalanches in the area of the Blind Bull safety shelter are being worked on to restore access. Thank you to the U.S. Forest Service, Tim Haberberger, and all others who have been active in the restoration of the roads.

The Horse Creek parking lot will be ready for use this winter season. And a double vault toilet has replaced the old toilet. Enjoy! Thank you to all who participated in the planning and execution of this much needed expansion. Please park your rig to maximize the capacity.

Hope everyone enjoyed the summer and took time to enjoy being outdoors –perhaps on a UTV or ATV. Here's to looking forward to a fun snowmobile season. Along with the fun comes the need for commitment and active participation in a club. Access to public land on trails and off-road riding is critical to future use by many generations. Please contact your local club and show your support by



joining. Attend a meeting with your family and see what is happening in your area. Ask how you can help.

Hope to meet you soon,
George Pryich
District 9 Representative



ANGELINA PRYICH

Hello Again! The summer always passes too quickly but there are many activities and events to keep everyone busy. Since the March issue, we've got everything from snow to dust to share. The Junior Snowpokes snowmobiled to Blind Bull safety shelter on April 5 to sweep the cabin and fill the wood box. Joey and Daniel remind us of the highs and lows of spring riding! Our highway cleanup



Fun in the mud.



Along the trail.



(Right) Shari and Addy sporting her doggles ready to ride!

Daniel

took place on May 9 - without snow this time! Thank you to all who participated that day.

On June 2, we held our annual Fun Run at Point of Rocks. Lots of folks showed up ready to enjoy the warm weather and find some mud! Thanks to the Point Bar for helping make this a fun time for everyone.

On August 25, we held our first Fun Run in the vicinity of our annual Snowmobile Fun Run. Everything looks different without the snow. The great weather brought out many ATVs and UTVs. Word is they had a great time! Thanks to Kendall Valley Lodge for allowing us to headquarter there.

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month starting at 6:30 pm at the Santa Fe restaurant in Rock Springs. Check our Facebook page for updates (facebook.com/Snowpokes). If you have any questions of us, please send an email to snowpokes@yahoo.com.

Congratulations to newlyweds Pete and Karrie!

(Left) Joey





Splitting wood.

**LISA
HERR**

The Casper Snow Gypsies have had an eventful summer and following are some of the wonderful details.

We gained two new members the old fashioned way. Congratulations to Mark and Heather Husman on the birth of their daughter Alyssa Lilyana "Lily". Big brother Ollie thinks she is pretty special (at times, lol). And Congratulations to Shayna Jacobs. Shayna got the best birthday present of her life, a proposal of marriage from her boyfriend Jake Bosch. Shayna's son, Jackson, even wrote a note asking his mom to marry Jake. CSGs welcomes Lily and Jake to the club.



CSG started off this spring with helping the Windy City Striders with their marathon. We put on our orange vests, put out our orange cones and held our stop signs high, to make sure the runners got across the busy streets of Casper safely. We also manned the water station so no runner would get dehydrated.

The summer started off with cleaning out the Casper Mountain Shelters and getting them stocked with wood for the coming winter. As usual we had lots of help and lots of fun before, during, and mostly after. Wood cutting is great with a nice wood splitter. Shelters were not all that bad thanks to all the visitors taking the time to clean up after themselves when they visited. We appreciate the fact that visitors respect, and take care of the



Playing in the mud at the camp out.



Jake's proposal.

shelters, and we would like to say "thank you" to all of our visitors. And thank you to Phil and Karen Santistevan for opening up your home for the BBQ afterwards.

Had more fun at the club camp out at Rob Roy. Little rainy and cool but us Snow Gypsies know how to make the best of any situation, especially the young riders. We are looking forward to more fun at our annual club picnic this Labor Day weekend at Natural Bridge. There will be food, games, food, fun, food and conversation. Did I mention that there would be food?

We have ended our fun with starting our FUNraiser with selling tickets for half a hog. Tickets are \$10 each with drawing to be at our annual Christmas Party in December. Hog was donated to CSG by George and Diane Keyser (THANK YOU!) with processing donated by Pat's Meat Processing (THANK YOU!). Hog will be ready in January. If anyone would like to have a raffle ticket just contact any CSG member.

With the days getting shorter, and the nights getting colder, we are looking forward to the coming snow. Which in turn will bring more fun, laughter and shenanigans from the Casper Snow Gypsies. So stay tuned!



Minor repairs on the shelters.



Cleaning the shelters.

Snow Explorers/Altitude Off Road

TESA MANNING

Snow Explorers Altitude Off-Road has had an exciting summer!

We are very excited about new developments in our relationship with local government agencies! This year our club has worked with the Forest Service and the Wyoming State Trails Association to build new trails connecting existing roads and trails in the Burnt Lake Area. This is the type of project we would have never thought possible in years past, and we are thrilled that we can build this relationship and expand the motorized recreation opportunities in our area. In order to build the trail, many of our members took an eight hour class to become "sawyer" certified with the Forest Service and then donated several evenings and weekends to hike the trail and clear timber before the State Trails crew came through. Gary Neeley has been our primary contact with the Forest Service on this project, and we are lucky that he persevered, organized members, and made this project happen.

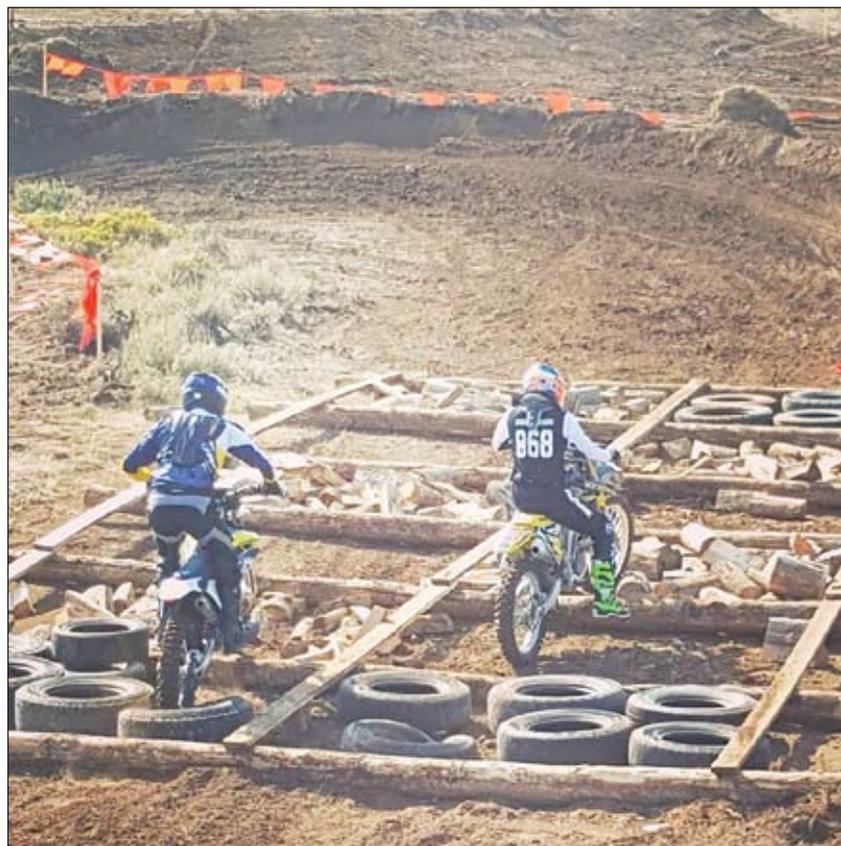
Our club has also partnered with the Forest Service to update the Strawberry Warming shelter along the Continental Divide in the Bridger-Teton National Forest. This shelter provides a warm place to stop for snowmobilers and we are happy to keep it stocked with wood and available to the public.

We ended summer with an Endurocross motorcycle race at the newly built motocross track at Sagebrush Downs. This track has been an oval track in the past and has recently been used in the winter for vintage snowmobile races. Our president, Clint Anderson, and dozens of other volunteers have worked to build a motocross track there for summer use. We held an Endurocross race in conjunction with Cold Mountain Racing and had a few dozen racers come out for the challenging course. This race was a hit with racers and spectators and it will be the first of many motorcycle events at Sagebrush Downs.

The club is now looking forward to winter events! We plan to have our usual One Lunger 100 Lap Vintage Snowmobile Race as well as Vin-

tage Oval racing. We will have snowmobile poker runs and club rides in the mountains. A project we are hoping to complete is to help gather firewood for the newly opened GP Bar Lodge. This Historic lodge at Green River Lakes q ` is available to the public to rent for the first time and our club is excited to help out and spend some time at the Lodge which has access to snowmobiling and ORV trails.

It is going to be another great season thanks to our dedicated members, volunteers, and our supportive community!



Snowy Range Snowmobile Club

KEITH TUPPER

Happy fall everyone! The Snowy Range Snowmobile Club hopes that the summer served everyone well and I know that we are all ready for the snow to start piling up. Summer has only had one event for the Club and it was for our newly formed youth division. We are working hard to get this off the ground and owe a lot of thanks to Cameron Olsen who leads our youth division. Cameron put together a hike that brought us out to clean up some of the well traveled non trail areas of the mountain to clean up any trash that may have been left behind by fellow snowmobilers this past winter.

When this time of year rolls around its time to start making sure that the warming huts are ready to go and that the wood supplies at each location are adequately stocked. We will do hut maintenance on the mountain. The huts are located up above Rob Roy Reservoir. First date of this will be Sunday, September 16. We will get the hut areas stocked with wood before mid October. For more information visit our FaceBook page.

This year due to scheduling conflicts with where we have the meetings most of the meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of the month. Please see schedule below.

Thursday, September 27 at Fire House #2, 1558 N. 23rd in Laramie – First meeting of the season we will elect new officers, and make sure that we get any unfinished hut activities scheduled.

Thursday, October 18 at Fire House # 3, 2374 Jefferson St. in Laramie

No Meeting in November.

Starting in December through April we will meet the third Wednesday of the month at Fire House #3.

All meetings will start at 6:30 p.m.

307 Riders Gillette

JULIE OAKLEY

The weather is changing and there is (finally) a bit of a nip in the air! It's time to start prepping for the upcoming snowmobile season and what better way to do that than to attend some club events with likeminded people? The 307 Riders have been busy planning some fun events for the coming months. We'd love to see you out there!

We will be having our third annual grass drags on Saturday, October 6 at the Cam-plex. Racing starts at 11 a.m. There is still time to get registered for this event. We are also still in need of corporate sponsors. Please see the 307 Riders Facebook page for more information

on the event and to get signup sheets or sponsor forms. You can also check the Cam-plex website for more information.

Members have also been working on the annual snowmobile and powersport swapmeet. This event will take place at the Cam-plex on Saturday, November 3 starting at 8 a.m. This is a great way to get some hot deals on anything powersports.

Interested in getting involved in the club? It's a great time with great people! Join us at a meeting and see. The club meets the first Wednesday of each month at Tower West Lodge in the back room of the Silver Creek Steak House restaurant at 7 p.m.

Deadline for the next Wrangler is Oct. 1

ISMA

ED KLIM
ISMA

Snowmobile Sales Outperform Economic Growth Worldwide

A long lasting cold and snowy winter in much of the snowmobile community, and continued enthusiasm and interest in snowmobiling powered snowmobile sales to increase worldwide to 124,786 new sleds sold this past year. This is an increase of over 6,100 units, which is a five percent gain from last year. Sales in the United States grew to 53,179 new snowmobiles sold – a five percent gain from last year, while sales in Canada rose over 6.4 percent to 47,024 new snowmobiles sold. The sales increase wasn't confined to North America. Sales increases were realized in Norway, Sweden and Finland in Europe.

The snowmobile community is optimistic following the above average late snow fall throughout most of North America this past season. The 2018 manufacturers' spring snowmobile shows reported increases in attendance. In many of the spring shows, attendance was up over 20 percent. Spring orders were strong and that points to a good 2019 sales year.

The snowmobile industry reports that registered snowmobiles in North America remained at two million registered snowmobiles. Increased registration in Northern Europe continues.

Snowmobile related tourism also increased in North America and beyond. This can be seen in economic impact studies conducted throughout North America by major business colleges and universities. Miles ridden by snowmobilers (which is always predictive of economic impact) showed an increase from the 2017-2018 season. This is a result of riding conditions and improved and expanded riding areas and trail systems.

The average age of a snowmobiler this past season was determined to be 45 years of age. Snowmobilers are active, outdoor enthusiasts who enjoy snowmobiling with family and friends.

Surveys conducted by ISMA have shown that 73 percent of first-time buyers in the snowmobile market purchased a used snowmobile. Many of them are young adults and they move on to purchase a new snowmobile later in life.

The majority of snowmobilers in North America are Club members and/or Association-Federation members (over 60 percent). These active, involved, outdoor enthusiasts build the trails and support snowmobiling access. Snowmobilers are also active charity fundraisers who raised over \$3.5 million dollars for national charities last year.

The Go Snowmobiling website serves as another strong indicator for the interest in snowmobiling. This year, the Go Snowmobiling site received more than 2.4 million hits. Forty percent of those visitors to the website were new snowmobilers or individuals who do not own a snowmobile but are expressing a great deal of interest in owning a snowmobile and going snowmobiling. Twenty percent of

the visitors to the site visited the rental outlet pages of the site. Indications are that many of the individuals visiting the rental site do not own a snowmobile but want to rent one during their winter vacation. This high level of interest in renting bodes well for future sales and the growth in the snowmobile rental market.

Additional surveys have found that snowmobilers are active in many outdoor activities. Snowmobilers are also boaters, motorcycle riders, camping enthusiasts, hunting enthusiasts and general outdoor recreationists.

Many families have discovered that snowmobiling is a great winter recreational activity. Research shows people go snowmobiling for reasons such as viewing the scenery, be with family and friends, to get away from the usual demands of life and be close to nature.

State and provincial snowmobile organizations continue to grow and expand club membership. Many organizations report that new trails are being developed to support the positive economic impact of snowmobiling and job growth for the rural community. Economic impact studies generated by universities in North America show that snowmobiling is growing in importance as part of the overall economic engine and job growth for winter tourism. Studies show that snowmobiling now generates more than \$30 Billion Dollars of economic activity in North America. The economic activity generated by snowmobiling provides many jobs and investment opportunities and generates considerable tax revenue for local governments which eagerly support snowmobiling.

LIKE TO RIDE?

Environmental groups are working to have snowmobiling kicked out of many great riding areas across the state. We are not going to let that happen!

As the only organization working fulltime to protect your Wyoming snowmobile access, the WSSA relies on your financial support of the ACCESS WYOMING program.

Please consider contributing today. Your donation to the WSSA's ACCESS WYOMING fund is used specifically to help fund professional and volunteer efforts to maintain your snowmobile access across the Cowboy State.

**Send your donations to:
WYOMING STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION
ACCESS WYOMING FUND
P.O. Box 11051
JACKSON, WY 83002**



We need your help today



to keep riding areas open for the future!

Join the WSSA!



At large membership- \$20/year. See www.snowmobilewyoming.org for contact info to join a local club.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Send to: Holly Sinclair
P.O. Box 11051, Jackson, WY 83002

Support those who support our efforts!

**BEARLODGE
SNOWMOBILE CLUB**
TRAILS WORK CONSULTING

BIG HORN MTN SNOMADS

BEAR LODGE RESORT
BIGHORN BEVERAGE CO INC
CARE INCORPORATED
ELK VIEW INN
HANSON MOTORSPORTS INC.
VALLEY MOTOR HONDA
WYOMING REAL ESTATE INSTITUTE
YELLOWSTONE POLARIS

**BIG HORN
SNO-GOERS & ATV**
HIGH PLAINS REPAIR
TOMMERUP MACHINE

CASPER SNOW GYPSIES

ALPINE MOTORSPORTS
AUTO SERVICE EXCELLENCE, INC.
BIG DOG CLEANERS
CAR CARE INC.
CONQUISTADOR APARTMENTS
CONVERSE COUNTY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
DRIVEN POWERSPORTS INC
ELKHORN CREEK CASPER MTN., LLC
NOLAND TRUCKING
REC-VEE
REEDS AUTOMOTIVE & CUSTOM EXHAUST
REEDS WRAPS & CUSTOM GRAPHICS
SONNY'S RV
STELLAR PROGRAMMING & CONSULTING,
INC.
WYOMING RENTS, LLC

CODY COUNTRY SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION

307 GLASS
BRANDT'S MINI STORAGE
DENNY MENHOLT CHEVROLET BUICK GMC
EXTREME REALITIES
IRMA HOTEL
K BAR Z GUEST RANCH
M & K CUSTOM WOOD LLC
MARSHALL'S AUTO BODY REPAIR & RESTO-
RATION, LLC
METZLER STORAGE
MOUNTAIN MAN LLC
PIZZA ON THE RUN
PRODUCTION MACHINE CO INC
ROGER'S SPORT CENTER
RYNO PERFORMANCE
RYNO'S RETAIL
WESTERN REAL ESTATE
YTEX CORPORATION
BOB BOLE

DUBOIS SNO-KATERS

3C GUIDING
AD MARTIN LUMBER CO DUBOIS
ACTION SERVICES, LLC
BERT MILTON REALTY
BLUE PINE CONSTRUCTION
BRANDING IRON INN
BULL'S SERVICE
CHIMENTI CONTRACTING
COWBOY CAFÉ & COUNTRY STORE
COYOTE BLUE COFFEE CO
DUBOIS GLASS LLC
DUBOIS SUPER FOODS
DUBOIS VISION CENTER

NAPA - DUBOIS HARDWARE
OLSENS WESTERN STORE
PIT STOP / BAILEY TIRE & AUTO
ROCKCREEK BUILDERS LLC
ROCKY MOUNTAIN LODGE
RUSTIC PINE TAVERN
STAGECOACH MOTOR INN
VILLAGE CAFE / DAYLIGHT DONUTS
WIND RIVER GEAR
WIND RIVER PROPERTY GROUP
EL JARRO

LANDER SNOW DRIFTERS

AUTO MEDIC LLC
CITY PLUMBING & HEATING
JAY'S SMALL ENGINE REPAIR
JIM SPRIGGS CONSTRUCTION
SPECIALTY MARINE & RV REPAIR INC.
THE GOOD PLACE
VALLEY LUMBER & SUPPLY INC

POWDER RIVER SNO-BUFFS

ACE HARDWARE
BIG HORN TIRE INC
BLOEDARN LUMBER
COTANT FAMILY
DENTISTRY/307ORTHODONTICS
DASH INN
DAVE LODEN CONSTRUCTION
FARM BUREAU FINANCIAL SERVICES
MEADOWLARK SKI LODGE
MICHELENA AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY
MORRIS UPHOLSTERY
MOUNTAIN AUTO SUPPLY
QUALM CONSTRUCTION
RAMSEY ENTERPRISES
TRI-COUNTY GAS
ULTIMATE OUTDOORS

RIVERTON SNO-GOERS
RAMSEY ENTERPRISES
SPORTS LURE
K&M
SPECIALTY MARINE & RV REPAIR INC.

SNOW EXPLORERS/ALTITUDE OFF ROAD

CRIDDLES/307 CYCLE LLC
DEFINITIVE OPTIMIZATION
KENDALL VALLEY LODGE
REBEL CARQUEST

SNOWY RANGE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

CLURE BROTHERS FURNITURE
GAPTER SEPTIC
PIZZA HUT
SUMMIT INVESTMENTS

SWEETWATER SNOWPOKES

ADVANCED MEDICAL IMAGING
BUCKY'S OUTDOORS
DJ'S GLASS PLUS
NAPA AUTO PARTS UNLIMITED
PREMIER POWER PLANTS
KVASE FUNERAL CHAPELS
WESTERN SNOWMOBILE

WYOMING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

JACKSON HOLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
LARAMIE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
STAR VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Business Members

BIG HORN SNO-GOERS

BIG HORN BASIN TIRE
PROPP FARMS

307 RIDERS

ACTION MOTOR SPORTS
ARROWHEAD LODGE
DESTINATION X

JACKSON HOLE SNOW DEVILS

MOST WANTED PERFORMANCE
ROCKY MTN POWER SPORTS
ZBROZ RACING
HARRY TALERMO
BILL & CAROL WOODWARD

LANDER SNOWDRIFTERS

BUILDERS
FITNESS CENTER-ANYTIME FITNESS
GAMBLES
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES
ZANDER'S ONE STOP

POWDER RIVER SNOWBUFFS

BIG HORN TIRE INC.

SNOW EXPLORERS/ ALTITUDE OFF ROAD

BOX Y LODGE
BUCKYS

SNOWY RANGE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

3C GUIDING
BORDERLINE POWERSPORTS
DRIVEN POWERSPORTS INC
FREMONT ELECTRIC INC
FRONT RANGE ARTIC CAT
FRONTIER CYCLES INC.
HYALITUDE CONTRACTING
MADDEN CONTRACT PUMPING
MOUNTAIN ARMOR
SHIVELY HARDWARE CO
THE BUTCHER BLOCK
TNT MOTORSPORTS

SWEETWATER SNOWPOKES

MANDYLAND INC
MORGAN VALLEY POLARIS
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER SPORTS/ AUTO

TOP OF THE ROCKIES

1ST BANK
3 RIVERS MOTEL
ALPINE ATHLETIC CLUB OF WYOMING LLC
BOX Y LODGE
BRIDGE 7T
FLYING SADDLE LODGE
JH ADVENTURE RENTALS
SEEJACKSONHOLE
THE BULL MOOSE
THOENIGS FINE JEWELRY

Cody Country Snowmobile Club

BRENDA MILLER
DISTRICT 5
REPRESENTATIVE



I don't know about everyone else but my summer has gone by way too fast!

I really hope that the prediction for lots of snowfall turn out to be true! Fire season has been too long.

We have our safety shelter loaded with wood and it will be going up the mountain soon. We had few repairs to do this year which is a good thing since our summer seemed to slip away. I do hope that the predictions for another good snow season come true again this year!

Our board of directors has had their first meeting where they discussed things that the club needs to get done prior to snow falling. Our board members are: Levi Signor, Kendal Baerg, Dustin Rosencranse, Ed Higbie and Bert Miller.

The club had their first meeting on September 5. We have our meetings the first Wednesday of the month, September through April. Most of our meetings are held in the basement of the law enforcement center. On occasion we switch things up and will notify the members via email or Facebook should that happen. We are off to a slow start but know that things will pick up a bit when the temperatures start to get colder.

We are hoping to have a great year and we are hoping to see new faces at our meetings and other club functions.

Until next month,
Brenda Miller

Jackson Hole Snow Devils

HEIDI TOOLSON

Happy fall!

The Snow Devils help their year-end party at Heise Hot Springs on August 24 and 25. A great group of members attended and fun was had by all. We held elections and would like to welcome a few new board members. Mark Hodges is now Vice President and new board members are Jordan McDougal, Aaron Todd, RJ Crosland and Todd Taylor. A special thanks goes out to our exiting board members Jan Otobre, Lance McYoung, Jevon Staples and Alex Sinclair. We really appreciate all of your dedication to our organization!

September 15 was a start of a new venture for one of our favorite charities. The Jackson Hole Shrine Club has had to forgo their famous annual Cutter Races due to weather and track conditions for the past couple of years. This year they started a Shriners Rodeo to use as their main fundraiser. The event was well attended for it being the first year and the Snow Devils were able to present a check in front of a pretty big crowd! Here's a little bit of information that the rodeo announcer shared with the crowd.

The Jackson Hole Snow Devils are a local snowmobile club and host of The World Championship Snowmobile Hill Climb, which takes place on Snow King Mountain every year at the end of March. The club, comprised of 150 members, all volunteer, makes it their goal to educate the public about the sport of snowmobiling, to help protect the future of the sport, and to raise money for educational and charitable needs around the community.

There are many people and organizations that benefit from money donated by the Snow Devils, there are local groups around the area that need financial support or local citizens that have had some bad luck and need help with medical bills. A big chunk of money is given away in scholarships each year, so that our local kids can go to college. The tally of donations from the club officially started in 2001, and to date The Jackson Hole Snow Devils have donated over one million dollars!

Since 2008 The Jackson Hole Snow Devils, with the help of Zbroz Racing, have donated funds to The Shriners Hospitals for Children, which have been used to purchase various items such as operating room equipment, new wheelchairs, and even an ice cream machine! With this years' donation of \$30,000, the Jackson Hole Snow Devils have donated over \$205,000 to this wonderful organization.

What a great way to start the season!!!
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!



Top of the Rockies

JUSTIN FRITZ

Hello all and welcome to fall! Top of the Rockies has had a busy and fast summer. Our membership has been playing on our dirt-sleds and water-sleds, but we are looking forward to the arrival of winter, so we can get the snow-sleds out!

On June 22, 23 and 24, the wonderful volunteers that make up our organization, found the time to cook hundreds of burgers, bratwursts, and corn on the cob for Alpine's Annual Mountain Days. The club put in over 130 hours to help make the event happen.

On August 24 and 25, we held our annual Show and Shine, Car Show. With nearly 50 cars and motorcycles, and hundreds of people in attendance, the club itself outshined the cars. This is a complicated event to put on and our volunteers really came through.

We have already had our first snow fall and we are looking forward to hosting everyone for Fun Days, here in Alpine! Get your reservations in early at the Flying Saddle Resort, Three Rivers Hotel, or the Bull Moose Lodge. Make sure to tell them you're coming in for WSSA Fun Days on March 1, 2 and 3. The Schnapps bottle and the Pendleton bottle have been sitting in the Top of the Rockies' office for too long. Who will take them home this year?



Dubois Sno-Katters

JAY SLAGOWSKI Hello everyone from the Dubois Sno-Katters! It's that time of year again that we begin prepping our gear and making our plans for the fast approaching snowmobiling season.

The other day I was out in my shop working on the lawn mower and soon found myself side tracked with some general sled maintenance and tender loving sponge baths of the family sleds.

I like to start them up periodically throughout the summer to move some fuel through EFI systems but mostly just to fill the garage with that beautiful two stroke smell.

It immediately takes me to my happy place with visions of fresh powder pouring over the hood as I ascend into an untouched basin. (Okay, I might be a little weird, but don't knock it till you try it.)

My point is that I still get very excited for snowmobile season, and I'm sure most of you feel the same way.

It's not just the riding part, but the people we do it with and



MANDY FABEL PHOTOS



the places we get to see.

The club will soon be working through our annual membership drive, stocking the safety shelters with fire wood and organizing work days for fund raising efforts for our local scholarship program. We have some new members with youth riders that we are looking forward to riding and working with.

Guests are always welcome to come ride with us. Our club contact information is in the "Clubs" section of the Wrangler or you can join one of our monthly meetings. The Dubois Sno-Katters meet at 18:00 the first Tuesday of the month, October-April at the Dubois Senior Citizens Center.

Looking forward to seeing you all again.

Best Wishes,
Jay Slagowski

Big Horn Sno Goers

CANDACE RICHARDSON Driving home today I saw fresh snow in the Big Horns! Holy cow it's still August. Will this be another year of epic snow? We can only hope. I'm starting to see posts on Facebook of sledders and powder riding, so I guess everyone is ready for snow to fly. The ads for new gear are showing up in the in box and there are some great deals for us early birds. I hope to be sporting that new jacket in purple this year!

It seems like we just got the huts cleaned and put away and now we are planning the trip to put them back out. We are discussing options for a larger hut at Battle Park; this one seems to get the most use on this part of the mountain and it would be nice to have a permanent shelter or at least a larger one. We have been kept busy cleaning the Rice hut; the whistle pigs keep finding a way in and making it their home. Hopefully we have the fix in place now.



The club and Washakie County Search and Rescue members replacing the roof on the Wilderness cabin in the southern Big Horn Mountains.



The club and Search and Rescue went into the Wilderness cabin last weekend and were finally able to put in a roof support and replace the roof. Great job, it looks fantastic and should be a safety shelter for years to come. Still have work to do on the Stidolf cabin and hope to get that done next year. Appreciate all the hard work from the group that made the trip.

Keep a look out for our flyers, we will be planning the annual poker run sometime in January; hope to partner with Meadowlark Lake Lodge again this year, it has been a great final stop for our run the last two year and we appreciate them being a part of it.

Our first meeting is going to be in Oct the second Thursday, Elks club in Worland, dinner at 6 p.m., meeting at 7 p.m., if you can join us.

Have a great start to your fall and LET it SNOW!