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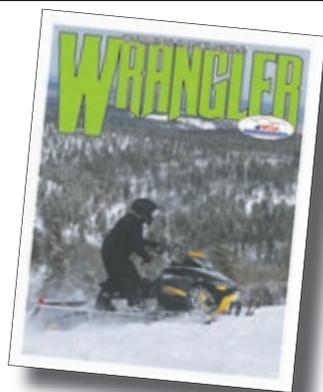
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JEFF MOBERG PHOTO

Riding in the Bearlodge north of Sundance.



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**WSSA President**

Happy winter WSSA members,  
Seems like most of the state is catching up on snow levels and the rocks are getting covered up, I for one am very thankful for that. You can read into that comment that I know rocks don't give but sleds do, knowledge is gained from experience.



**TAYLOR JONES**

On a more somber note, there have been far too many riders caught in avalanches this year, some survived and some didn't. Please make sure everyone in your group has proper safety equipment and it is all functioning properly. A simple check of radios to make sure everyone is transmitting and receiving and the same check should be done with beacons. Around the state we are putting up more and more beacon checkpoints but it is a good idea to check before you leave the parking lot as well. There have already been several people this year who found out their beacons weren't working when they went past a beacon checkpoint. We didn't save lives those particular days but we may very well in the future.

The first weekend of March will be Fun Days in Alpine, I am certain the Top Of The Rockies club will put on a great weekend the same as they did a couple of years ago. This year there is a big push by the WSSA to have young adult activities at Fun Days, there will be a ride for the young adults and also some activities the night of the banquet and of course everyone is invited to the meeting on Sunday where we will have election of officers. The Sunday meeting will have many other topics to include communication, young adults and the future direction of the WSSA.

Soon the hillclimb in Jackson will be put on by the Snowdevils and of course we are looking forward to another great time at the mountain. We are working on the possibility of the WSSA hosting a tent at the bottom of the hill in conjunction with the American Council of Snowmobile Association (ACSA). Please let me know if you will be able to spend some time helping us at the booth if we end up having one. All help is accepted!

Have a great month of riding and be safe!

**Secretary/ Treasurer**

Hello Fellow Snow Lovers,  
It's almost time for Fun Days! I can't wait to visit with everyone. This will be my last Fun Days as Secretary / Treasurer but am staying on as the Awards Chair. It has been so much fun getting to know everyone and I look forward to ridding at all the future Fun Days!



**HOLLY SINCLAIR**

If you haven't yet registered for this Fun Days please go to [ridealpine.com](http://ridealpine.com) and get your registration in. Alpine has been getting dumped on and can't wait to share all the pow with you!

Thank you everyone!

**WSSA Vice President**

**AMY JENKINS** Hello Everyone!  
It's dumping here on the west side of the state which is always exciting! Please remember to know before you go and stay safe. Conditions are key! Hope everyone has had a fun winter and survived the holidays. We are gearing up for what should be another great Fun Days. Thanks again to Top of the Rockies for hosting. I would also like to welcome the Rev It Up Girls Riding Club to the WSSA! Thanks for your support and we look forward to meeting all of you during Fun Days. The Snow Devils are starting to gear up for Hill Climb and are welcoming volunteers for this year! Let's keep fingers crossed it just keeps on snowing! I hope everyone has an awesome February and I'll see you all at Fun Days!

**District 9**

**GEORGE PRYICH** The snow keeps coming to Wyoming Range and Wind River Mountains! Although the powder is great, remember to be prepare: check the avalanche center site for your riding area, have the necessary gear (beacon, probe, shovel), check the weather, and ensure all your gear and snowmachine are ready for riding. When you arrive at your riding destination, assess the situation. Know the area. Are you in boulder country? Is there enough snow to venture off the trail? Think about the hidden dangers, not only boulders but also tree stumps, and fences. And, remember to have fun!

Thank you to everyone who "pays it forward" at the Blind Bull safety shelter by cleaning the cabin, clearing the outhouse of snow, donating money, splitting wood, and filling the wood box. Your efforts are noticed and appreciated. Recent cold temperatures make every visitor glad to see a full wood box. Remember, the firewood needs to last! We'll be looking for volunteers next summer to refill the storage sheds.

Yellowstone National Park is again open to the non-commercial guide. The winter experience in Yellowstone is fantastic. Try to take advantage of the Non-Commercially Guided Snowmobile Access Program for continued access.

The joint rides with the Pinedale club have been fun. They bring together our youth riders with experienced (read long-time) riders from whom they can learn about the rich snowmobile history of the area.

The Snowpokes are holding their annual Snowmobile Fun Run in the Upper Green, starting at the Kendall Valley Lodge. The proceeds will go towards replacement of the current Strawberry safety shelter. You can help by joining in the Fun Run or joining in the merriment after 4 p.m. by helping to raise more funds. The Snowpokes will be auctioning avalanche equipment.

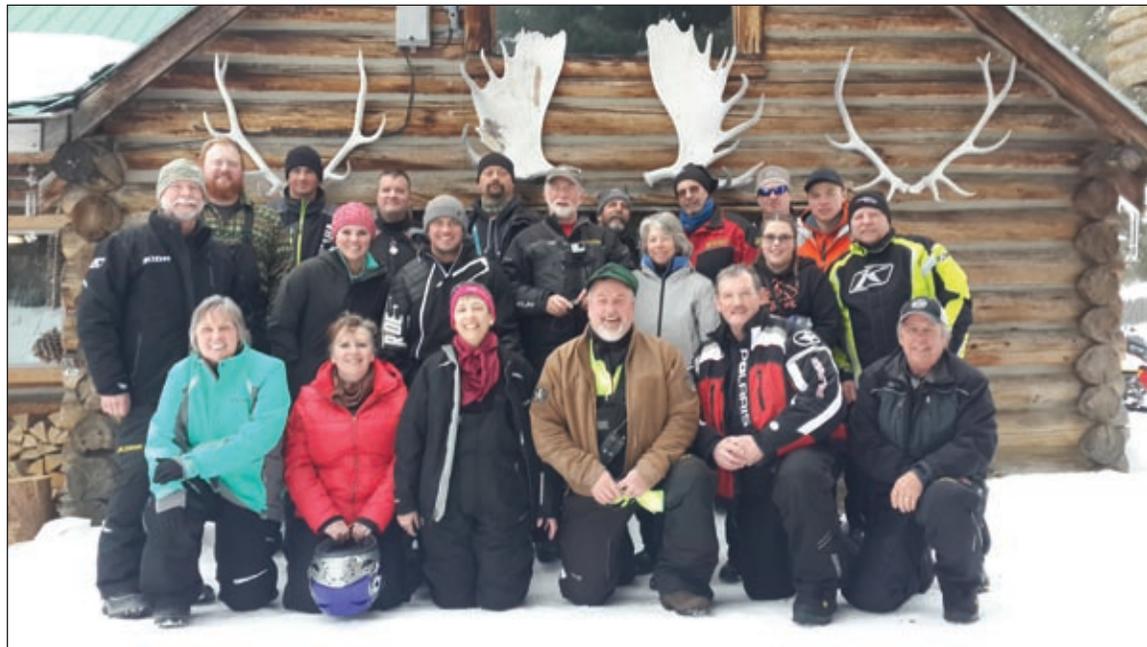
Looking forward to seeing you at Fun Days in Alpine. Remember, there's more snowmobiling after Fun Days!

**District 13**

**GARY NEELY** Greetings from Pinedale,  
We are finally getting more snow ! Tim the groomer from Box Y has not been able to cut out the H trail all winter because of low snow. We had the Wyatt Sheppard Memorial Ride on Feb. 2. Tim was very determined to get that trail open. He got it done the day before the ride after a week of major repairs on his snow cat. KUDOs to Tim Haberburger. Also want to give a shout out to Forrest and the state crew for keeping our trails open and in good shape !

Jan. 12 the Pinedale Snow Explorers and the Sweet Snow Pokes combined for a ride to Crooked Cr. Was a cold day but we had 23 riders turn out for what turned out to be a great 80 mile ride under blue skies. Jan. 19 we had the XMR races at Sage Brush Downs. We had a good turn out with a warm day. FUN RACES!!

Then Feb.2 we had our first annual Wyatt Sheppard Memorial Ride (WSMR). 21 riders showed up and we had a wonderful ride through the Wyoming Range. Visibility was great and the scenery was spectacular. The Sweetwater Snow Pokes joined us on this ride as well. What a great way to get to know fellow riders.



**WSMR at Box Y.**

Big Horn Sno Goers



**CANDACE RICHARDSON** The Big Horn Sno Goers held their annual Poker Run; we want to thank all those that participated, we had a great turnout. The snow conditions were good for this time of the year; the weather started a little rough but by the end of the day it was very nice. The chili was fantastic – thank you to Meadowlark lake lodge and Jeff, for your secret recipe! We gave out \$600 in prizes!

Schedule

- WSSA Fun Days – Mar. 1-3, Alpine
- WSSA Meeting – Mar. 3, Alpine
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – Mar. 5, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Snowmobile Ride/Clinic – Mar. 9
- Lander Snowdrifters Club Ride/Fish Fry – Mar. 9, Christina Lake, Contact Cal Anacker 349-2616
- Lander Snowdrifters Meeting – Mar. 14, 6 p.m. dinner, 6:45 p.m. meeting, Oxbow
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – Apr. 2, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe
- Lander Snowdrifters Meeting – Apr. 11, 6 p.m. dinner, 6:45 p.m. meeting, Oxbow
- 307 Riders Hill Cross Race – Apr. 27, Meadowlark
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – May 7, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – Jun. 4, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe (Annual Meeting – Election of Officers and one Director Position for 2019-2022 term)
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – Aug. 6, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – Sept. 3, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe
- Sweetwater Snowpokes Meeting – Oct. 1, 6:30 p.m., Santa Fe

Dubois Sno-Katters

**JAY SLAGOWSKI**

Hello again everyone from the Dubois Sno-Katters!

The month of January has brought some new storms and fresh powder to the upper Wind River country. The riding above 8500 feet has been pretty dang good, and folks here in the club have been taking full advantage it.

Our avalanche danger has been hanging in the Considerable range, with some old crappy snow layers and newly formed wind slabs out there that riders should always keep in mind when entering steeper terrain.

It is always nice to be able to boondock around to our favorite locations and “secret spots” with a certain level of confidence of not hitting hidden rocks and stumps, or falling into open creek beds and ponds. (Trust me, my group has plenty of experience with all of the above) It seems like no matter how good it is out there, we manage to create some sort of new adventure regardless of the conditions.

Club members recently visited the Sheridan Creek and Green Creek safety shelters for some basic housekeeping measures and wood stocking. Both are in good working order with plenty of wood for folks to warm up with.

We are watching the snow totals over in the Greys River very closely and looking forward to fun days In Alpine next month.

I Hope everyone has been getting some riding in, and don't forget to take a youngster, an old buddy, or even the mother in law when you get a chance.

Happy Brapping!

District 8

**LOU GRUNEWALD**

Hi everyone from Dist. 8 in Casper. This is the time of year when Fun Days comes around and the schnapps bottle auction for the scholarship and Access Wyoming comes around. We have less than a month to raise money to bid on this year's auction. I hope to see some lively bids this year. I know that Jackson will be ready as always and it will be hard to match, but it's all in fun and makes for a good time and raises a lot of money for both. This year there are ten kids in the running for the money and a need to fund the Access Wyoming fund. So raise some cash and I will see you all in Alpine.

Jackson Hole Snow Devils



**JORDYN McDOUGALL** Jackson Hole has been hit with some major snow! Everyone is excited to see it. The trails are covered and there are some good powder fields to be found. All the snow has caused avalanche danger to skyrocket. The Jackson Hole Snow Devils are diligently working to get as many people prepared as possible. Teton County Search and Rescue, along with some members of the Venture Crew, trained the Little Devils in conditions that factor into avalanche danger. TCSAR spend at least one meeting a year with the Snow Devils and the Little Devils are always excited to learn more. The Snow Devils also put on a meeting open for everyone to learn avalanche rescue skills. The training was put on by the American Avalanche Association and was very successful!

**Deadline for the next Wrangler is March 8!**



Another one bites the dust.

**LISA  
HERR**

This month has been another slow activity month for us Gypsies, as a club. Now individually, that is a different story. Our members love to do all kinds of things, so individually we were very busy.

Take a look at some pictures of some of the "other" activities we all enjoy.

We did have one of our largest club meetings in January. So large, that the venue had to move us to a bigger room!!! We are so happy to see that people are finding the time to come to the meetings, and to join in and help with events. That's what makes a club strong, participating members and we are happy to say that we have a great group of people.

The snow seems to keep missing Casper Mountain but there has been enough to do some trail riding. And due to our new groomer Phil Santistevan, the trails have been wonderful! It has been a long time since we have been able to race down the trails without worrying about getting shaken to death. Thank you Phil for your hard work and dedication to making our time on the trails a great one.

February will be a busy month for us for we have our Take a Friend for a Ride Event and then we have our Club Ride. And with any luck we will shoot for a poker run in March.

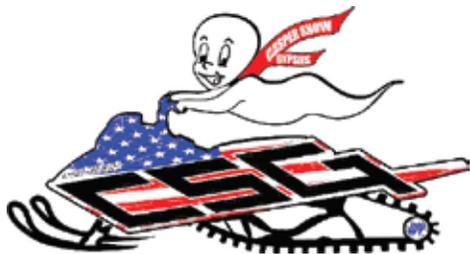
No Phone, No Boss, No Bills, No Emails, No Complaints. Just me and my sled without a care in the world. That is how every day should be lived. Sled on my friends .



Shyna Jacobs getting some snuggle time from Jackson.



Joan LaFave with her riding partner.



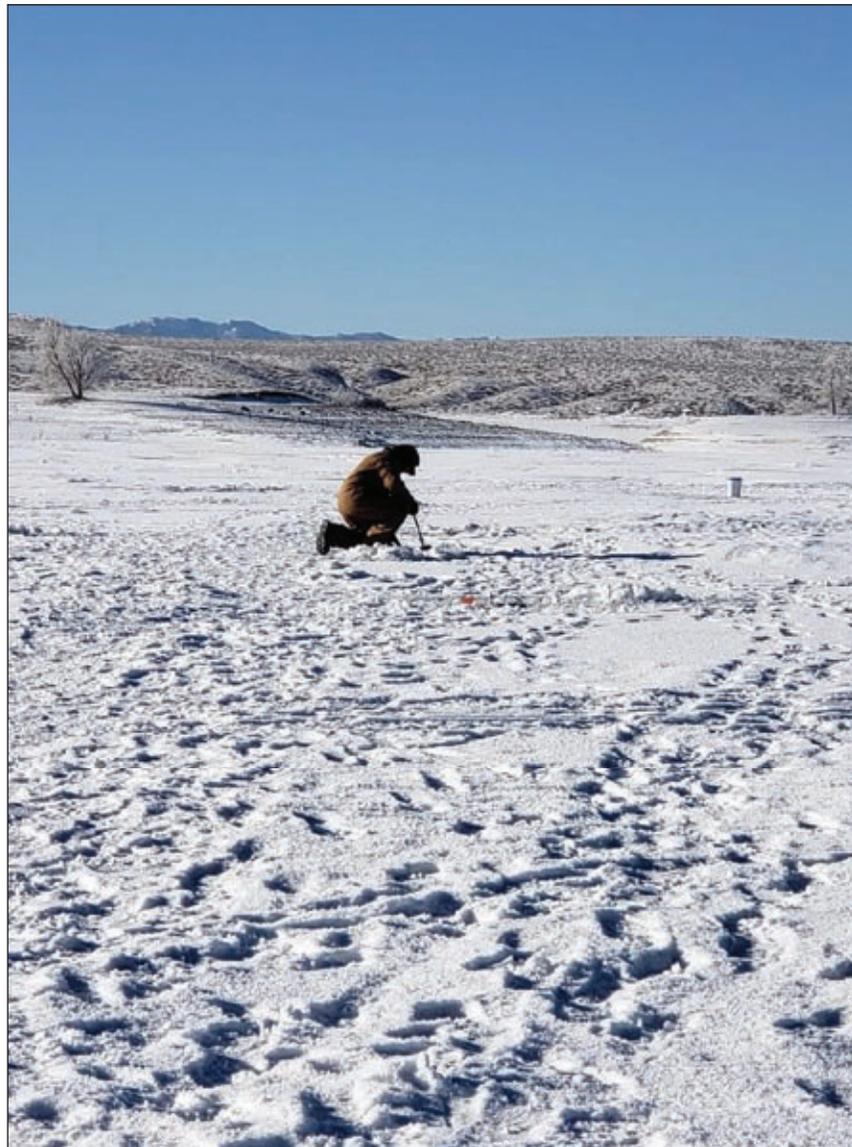
Louis and Lisa at the movies.



Becky Thorne caught a big one.



Russ and Misty Dalgarn with their kids.



Chad Thorne digging the hole.



What a great family picture of the Reeds.



JUSTIN FRITZ

Hello snowmobilers,

We've been receiving plenty of moisture in Alpine and the snow is DEEP!

If you haven't pre-registered for WSSA Fun Days, please do so at [ridealpine.com](http://ridealpine.com)

Friday, March 1 is Fun Days' opening mixer at the Flying Saddle Resort in the mouth of the Snake River canyon, with munchies and a cash bar. Saturday we will have three snowmobile rides into the Greys River country south of Alpine. One ride will be a trail ride to the Box Y Lodge and Forest Park elk feed ground, the second ride will be an aggressive back country ride for experienced riders, and the third ride will be a youth ride. So far, there has been about 10 youth who have shown interest in this ride from all over the state. Saturday evening will be Banquet Night at the Donn Wooden Civic Center. The evening will be filled with great food, awards, and live and silent auctions, so bring your checkbook and plastic. The highlights of the evening, as always, will be the auctioning of the Schnapps and Pendleton bottles, for Scholarships and Access. These bottles have been living comfortably in the Top of the Rockies office for nearly a year. Who will take them home this year? Sunday will be the WSSA semi-annual meeting at the Alpine Town Hall. There are still rooms available at the Flying Saddle Resort, Three Rivers Motel, and Bull

Moose Lodge, make sure you tell them you're with the WSSA.

On February 1 and 2, Alpine held its annual Winter Jubilee with lots of help from Top of the Rockies. On January 26, we assembled 8'x8'x8' pre-formed plywood boxes that were put together with pins, ratchet straps, and sweat, then loaded with snow that was packed down with many stomping feet. The forms were taken apart and moved to another location to do it all over again, 14 times. These blocks were then carved by local business into wonderful works of art. After all the snow block building, the club held their annual Christmas party at the Flying Saddle Resort. It was a fantastic way to end the day and thank our wonderful volunteers!

TOR members get together every weekend at the Greys River parking lot for a club ride, destination to be determined by avalanche conditions and the riding abilities of the people in attendance. Look us up if you're visiting, we'd love for you to ride with us. Hope to see you all at Fun Days!

Happy trails and be safe.



ANGELINA  
PRYCH

Wyatt Sheppard Memorial ride to Box Y (Pinedale Snow Explorers and Sweetwater Snowpokes)



### Maintenance Day at Blind Bull Safety Shelter (Sweetwater Snowpokes)



### Ride in Upper Green to Crooked Creek (Sweetwater Snowpokes and Pinedale Snow Explorers)



**BRENDA MILLER**  
DISTRICT 5  
REPRESENTATIVE



I sure hope the snow is good in the rest of the state

because I know that our snow is nothing compared to the last couple of years at this time. Our snow is having a difficult time setting up and is still pretty sugary if you happen to break through the tops

crust.

However, even with this very iffy snow this year we have finally got our trails packed and marked. We of course want to send HUGE thanks out to all who were able to come and help us, even those of you who were only able to help part of the day. We have tried to get a group together a couple of times this season to get our work done but Mother Na-

ture apparently has had other plans this year. I believe at this time last year we were already wondering when we would have to raise our trail markers. I do not believe that we will have to worry about it this year. However, I hope that I am wrong.

On January 18 we did had our awards dinner. We had about 30 people that were able to join us this year. Congratulations go to our awards winners



And the work is done!



Marking the trail down one of our longer hills

this year: Male Snowmobiler of the Year – Tim Metzler, Female Snowmobiler of the Year – Jessica Carter, Youth Snowmobiler of the Year – Levi Lamb and Kaden Bales, Family of the Year – The Rosencranse family, Business of the Year – Ryno Performance, Snowmobiler of the Decade – Ed Higbie.

We did not have our “Chili Feed” this year due to the poor snow conditions. Maybe we will have something by the end of the season, and if not then we will look forward to getting something planned for next year.

The weekend of February 8 the club helped to sponsor the Back Country Ladies Ride that was held in Cooke City, Montana. This is to promote snowmobiling for our lady riders who don't get to go riding as often as our guys do.

It is hard to believe that Fun Days is just right around the corner. We are certainly looking forward to seeing everyone in Alpine!

**(Top Right) Before the trail marking begins**  
**(Bottom Right) Lunch time! After all it is 2:00 in the afternoon.**



Hello from the Lander Snowdrifters,

The snow has started to gain depth in the southern Wind Rivers, although the base is still like sugar. Even the snow in the lower elevations is better than the last several previous years and most areas are definitely rideable. All the trails in the Lander area are in good shape!

Upcoming events for the Club include: avalanche training to be held in Dubois, a President's Weekend ride combined with the Riverton Sno-goers to the Pinedale area, as well as a few members intending to attend the WSSA Fun Days in Alpine.

As the winter wears on, temperatures remain cold and the snow levels increase there have been more wildlife using the trails to get from one feeding area to another, so as a word of caution, keep your heads up as you're zipping down the trails and make sure you observe the signage for no snowmobiling in critical winter range areas to keep from stressing the wildlife.

Visit us on Facebook @Lander Snowdrifters.



Big Horn Snomads

DOUG NELSON

Well, well, well. It's been a bit since we've updated I Missed last month's deadline Sorry about that!! I personally had a lot of things going on and only went out to ride one weekend In January, but it was phenomenal!

So we have had two club meetings since I last updated. And we have started moving forward with incorporating ATVs into the club. By doing some legwork to see what all needs to happen and are also finding out that there is one in the area already active. So I will keep updated on that.

The next event that has taken place is our president Todd Kautzman has decided to step down and let someone else take the reins. Todd has been a long time friend to me and many other riders and a great inspiration for new people. Even if it took me a while to get him trained! He's leaving the club in a very stable productive manner and will be greatly missed on the board! Thank you much Todd for a job very well done.

So now we move on to the next president – congratulations John Hartje from Sheridan. He as well has become a great friend, who we only known for a few years. He will make a great leader. good luck John!

Moving forward we had the Dennis Loomis Hamburger Feed at the woodchuck warming hut. And it sounded like it was really good again. Thank you Dennis for a job well done as usual!

We also had the club annual poker ride this past weekend. I'm not a 100% certain on the placing but these were the winners: fifth place was Lee Hart, fourth place was Dave young junior, third place was Brett Anderson, second place was Sean Carlisle and the grand prize winner was Chase Hartje. A huge thank you to all the members who helped put this on. It is a lot of work in not be possible without all of you who help. I would also like to take this time to thank Lee and Sean for donating their winnings back. That is the whole reason for this event is

to raise money for the club. We also did a 50/50 drawing that evening after the poker ride. The lucky winner of that was Jim Schrage from Iowa. Congratulations and you got a little gas money to get home!

I believe seven of us are getting geared up to go to Alpine so we will see you all there!

So until next time happy riding everyone and make sure you're doing your nude snow dance!



## ED KLIM **Go Snowmobiling**

ISMA

The Go Snowmobiling campaign has been supported by the snowmobile community over the years. Clubs, Groups, and Associations across North America have taken Military Personnel snowmobiling, coordinated Enlightenment rides with land managers, and often just have fun organizing snowmobile rides with friends and family. The trails and riding areas in many parts of North America are in great shape and offer great opportunities to take friends snowmobiling.

The Go Snowmobiling rides that I have participated in underscores for me the “wow-factor” and the pure enjoyment that people have when they first ride a snowmobile. I have ridden a number of times with first-time snowmobilers and they couldn't quit talking about how much fun it was and how they couldn't wait to do it again. Thankfully I was well prepared for the ride and made sure that my guests were well dressed and comfortable. I have been fortunate enough to also snowmobile with many individuals who have much more experience than myself. I have learned that with a little prior planning, we can guarantee our friends' experience in snowmobiling will be a great one. When you take a friend snowmobiling, remember this may very well be their first time on a snowmobile. Keep the ride slow, short, and simple. Chances are that your normal ride would seem like a marathon to an uninitiated friend. Don't show off or push the envelope or challenge your friends to ride beyond their capabilities or their comfort zone. Remember, you are the one that snowmobiles and understands your machine. Let your friend enjoy that first day of snowmobiling. Again, go slow, make it short, make it simple, and remember that it is always a good idea to feed them well.

The Go Snowmobiling campaign is also joined with the Safe Riders! Campaign. We have a new 13 chapter Safe Riders video series that can be found on our website at: <http://www.snowmobile.org/snowmobile-videos.html>.

The chapters are a great tool when introducing a friend to snowmobiling and will help make the ride more enjoyable for everyone.

You should also visit and “Like” our Facebook page before participating in a Go Snowmobiling campaign. Our Facebook page is [www.Facebook.com/GoSnowmobiling](http://www.Facebook.com/GoSnowmobiling). When looking at the page you will notice that many snowmobilers are posting pictures and their experiences on the page. We have thousands of Friends who visit regularly and it is common for snowmobilers to send out informative posts that are forwarded to hundreds and thousands of snowmobile enthusiasts worldwide. If you post photos and a few remarks on our Facebook page, you may win a free Go Snowmobiling Shirt. When posting, please send us a note with your contact information and shirt size. There is also a short general survey on our Facebook page, so when you visit the page, consider answering a few simple survey questions. We are constantly surveying snowmobile customers to see how we can better serve you and how we can help you enjoy your snowmobiling activity.

When you consider putting together a Go Snowmobiling ride, just remember that individuals who don't own a snowmobile have a high interest in going snowmobiling. People that you know, who don't snowmobile, want to snowmobile. They also want to go snowmobiling for the same reasons you do:

- To enjoy the scenery
- To get outdoors to have fun with family and friends
- To go to unique places that they can't reach any other way to see amazing sights
- To have fun in the winter outdoors and be able to go home tired and be ready for a good night's sleep.

So please, go out and have fun, take a friend snowmobiling, and enjoy this wonderful winter.

## Plan to Take a Vacation Snowmobiling!

I recently attended a Tourism planning event and learned that Americans love to take vacations and they say vacations are important to them – and yet more than 54% of all North American employees with vacation time leave a considerable amount of their vacation time unused! As a matter of fact, up to 25% of the employees interviewed, reported that they did not take even half of their allowed time off. These unused vacation days carry a significant economic impact and since individuals don't recreate enough, it impacts on their productivity, creativity, and can damage an employee's personal well-being and relationships with family and friends.

Knowing all of the above, why not use some of your vacation time to take a snowmobiling vacation? We have great snow conditions in many locations so it's a great time to plan a short trip. Throughout the winter, I often snowmobile on the weekends – Friday, Saturday, and Sunday when most people are out riding. Once in a while I am able to take somebody snowmobiling on a Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday – mid-week – and what an enjoyable time it is! The trails and riding areas are much less crowded and I can easily get a seat at my favorite restaurant for breakfast in the morning.

In our culture, we have hyper connectivity which Sociologists call ‘work martyrdom.’ Individuals who take their vacation time off, have greater happiness at work and at home. Individuals who take their time off to go snowmobiling have even more fun and help support a great outdoor recreation activity that supports rural America.

The key to taking vacation time, according to the experts, is to plan for it. Studies show that 75% of the people who plan a vacation actually take it!! The most effective remedy for us who want to use our vacation days is to plan for them. People who plan their vacation tend to take longer vacations and enjoy themselves more while people who do not plan for vacations take significantly fewer days – from 0 days to 3 days at the maximum. There are some great trails and riding areas out there, and it makes sense to me to bring some family and friends along to build memories

At the Tourism seminar I learned that most bosses support individuals who take their vacations. The boss knows when you take a vacation you come back happier and you are more efficient while you are working.

For the rest of this snowmobiling season and for next season, it's important that we all try to change our habits and take a few additional days off for snowmobiling! You can start by reviewing your calendar and put down some definite dates to take that snowmobile vacation. Holidays are a great time of year for snowmobiling and it should be relatively easy to take an extra day before or after the holiday to take a longer snowmobiling vacation. It is never too early to start planning your next snowmobile vacation. Block some days on your calendar and plan to go snowmobiling. As many of us know, there is not snow everywhere, but certainly snow can be readily available after a short drive.

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