

# Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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## Upcoming Events

**April 13, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall

**April 13, 2024**

Rome Sno-Bandits  
ATV/UTV Fun Ride & Meat Raffle  
10:00 am Registration  
6:00 pm Meat Raffle  
Starts and Ends at Lure Bar & Grill

**April 27, 2024**

Groomer Shed Workday  
9 am – Groomer Shed

**May 11, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall  
Adopt-A-Highway Road  
Pickup Following Meeting

**June 8, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall

**June 15, 2024**

Rome Classic Car, Bike &  
Snowmobile Show

**September 14, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall

**October 5, 2024**

Adams County Snowmobile  
Association Power Sports Show

**October 12, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall

## Message From President, Tom Warner

Happy Spring everyone! Although it has felt like we have been in the spring season for months already!! Most if not all trail signs should be pulled by now. Thank you to all the section leaders and volunteers for getting them pulled and a big thank you to all that helped pull my signs as I was not able to be in town the last few weeks!

The Rome Sno Bandit Classic Car Show is quickly approaching, and things are really coming together for it. We should have raffle tickets available at the April meeting. Please pick some up and sell sell sell! If you are interested in helping on a committee or have any questions, please contact Jeff Parmeter.

We have a super fun event planned for April 13th after the club meeting. The Fisheree committee has put together an UTV/ATV ride as well as a meat raffle to help support our local establishments after a tough snow year!! Details will be included in the newsletter as well as on the Sno Bandits Facebook page!!

Elections are April 13th at our monthly membership meeting. If you have any interest in serving in any capacity, please let Warren Starner (nominating committee chairman) know! The positions available are President, Treasurer, and Director.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the meeting on April 13th at 9:00 am at the Town Hall.

As always, THINK SNOW!!!!!!



Tom Warner  
President

### **NOTICE**

The Rome Sno-Bandits **Annual Meeting of Members** will be held on April 13, 2024 at the Rome Town Hall at 9:00 am. Election of Officers & Directors will take place. Positions open for nominations are President, Treasurer, and one Director. Nominations can be made by contacting the nominating committee or from the floor at our April meeting. Nominating Committee Chair:

Warren Starner (262) 255-5292 Email: wstarner@wi.rr.com

## *Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger*

Even though we received several inches of snow in late March that we prayed for in January, the trails remain closed as all signs have been removed and stored outside until we complete the Groomer Shed project.

We have finished removing several pine trees on the southeast corner of our lot to give us more room for outdoor storage during construction and room for future expansion. Kenny Hoffman, Hoffman Trucking & Excavating, did a great job of removing the stumps and leveling the area. We are ready to start the construction project to finish the inside of the building by moving a lot of stuff out into storage containers or outdoors on April 27<sup>th</sup>. We will start at 9:00 to allow everyone an opportunity to attend the Foss Greenhouse Open House at 8:00. We need a good turnout so the task can go smoothly and be fun. Snacks and refreshments will be available. You are welcome to stop by any time after 9:00 as we expect it will take a couple of hours depending on how many show up. I have always admired snowmobile clubs that have a club house, not only for equipment storage, but also for social gatherings and meetings. Our construction project is the next step towards the Sno-Bandits Club House.

I was able to attend a meeting with the Nextera Project Development team for the Camelot Solar Project to discuss power sport trails in the area of the solar project. I learned that they have not decided where the 1000-acre solar project will be located within the 2000 acres they are leasing. The good news from the meeting is that no construction will take place until the summer of 2026 so the snowmobile and ATV trails will remain open for the next two years. I will meet with them again after the project location is determined. They are willing to discuss including trails in their development plans.

In case you are wondering about the timber harvest taking place north of Cty D, that is a planned timber harvest and replant by Meteor as it is part of their managed forest plan according to the Meteor Land Manager.

**REMEMBER APRIL 27TH WORKDAY.**

Jerry Wiessinger  
Trail Boss

## *Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer*

I wish I was in the market for a new snowmobile. This seems to be the year to buy! I am seeing some good deals out there. Unfortunately, the days of 5k-6k sleds have moved on. So, I will wait a little longer!

If you haven't heard, April 13th is another Funday for the Sno Bandits. Please come out and join the fun. Looks like Melissa and Gunner have another great event planned. Utv ride, meat raffle, and band afterwards at the Lure. See newsletter for more details.

Thank you all that helped with getting signs picked up. Also, a shout out getting another 5 years out of the snowmobile friendly award. I was part of the crew that got to help accept this from the AWSC in Elkhart Lake. It was a great experience. Look forward to Lori presenting this award again to us this summer. Details to follow. This club continues to grow, and it is great to see getting recognized for the hard work it does!

Hope to see everyone at the meeting and then the groomer shed clean- out day.

Bryan Meyer  
Vice President



# BANDIT'S

**Band Starting  
At 7 PM**

## ATV/UTV FUN RUN & MEAT RAFFLE

**Saturday, April 13, 2024**

**Registration from 10:00 am – 11:00 am**

**Ride Leaves at 11:00 am**

**Event Starts and Ends at The Lure Bar & Grill**

### \$20 Fun Ride Registration

Cost includes lunch at Ponderosa Pines  
and one Traeger Grill Raffle Ticket

We will ride as a group with  
several stops along the way.

**Raffles at each stop.**



### Meat Raffle @ 6 pm

**Traeger Grill Raffle Drawing  
to follow meat raffle.**

### RAFFLE TICKETS

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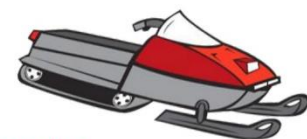
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For More Information

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## Annual Membership Renewal

**Rome Sno-Bandit & AWSC memberships both expire on June 30<sup>th</sup> annually.**

We process membership with the AWSC monthly in the summer and weekly in winter to minimize processing fees. We encourage you to renew your membership in July or August to avoid delays in receiving your trail pass. Membership applications can be found on our website along with trail pass information.

### Ways to renew your membership:

**ON-LINE:** Through our website: [www.RomeSnoBandits.com](http://www.RomeSnoBandits.com). Click on [Membership Application](#) under the Membership Page and pay with SECURE on-line payment with credit/debit card or PayPal.

**MAIL:** Send completed membership application with check to: **Rome Sno-Bandits, 302 13<sup>th</sup> Ave, Nekoosa, WI 54457**

**CLUB MEETINGS:** Bring your membership application to a meeting with your check or cash payment. Applications are available at all meetings.

### Your Club Membership Includes:

- You automatically become a member of the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs. (AWSC)
- You will receive seven issues each year of the Wisconsin Snowmobile News (WSN) magazine. It includes articles of interest to snowmobilers, activities of clubs across the state, reports of legislative events and snowmobile product information.
- You will be eligible for a discount Wisconsin Trail Pass through the AWSC.
- Monthly club newsletter.
- Membership to the Adams County Snowmobile Association.
- Great way to meet and socialize with other snowmobilers.

## Trail Passes

**Discount Wisconsin Trail Passes for the 2023-2024 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**

Go to: <https://awsc.org/Trail-Pass-Registration> to order your trail pass.

**Trail passes** are purchased through the AWSC and are available after your membership has been processed. If you provide your email address with your membership application, you will receive an email from the AWSC confirming your membership has been processed. This email will include your membership number and directions for ordering your trail pass.

You can also find your AWSC Membership number on the mailing label of your WSN Magazine or at <https://www.awsc.org/About-Us/Member-Lookup>. Your membership number never changes.

Membership Contact: Donna Bohn  
[RSBMembership@gmail.com](mailto:RSBMembership@gmail.com)

## Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting March 9, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m. with President, Tom Warner, as the chair and 5 officers present. There were 37 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

### Secretary's Report

There was a change to the Secretary's report. The amount in the Sunshine Fun is \$172.65. A motion was made by Ray Glenn to accept the report as presented in the Newsletter with the correction. Casey Shilling seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### Treasurer's Report

Cathy Steinke reported on the checking & savings account balances. Bob Sweet made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Scott Murphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### Trails Boss Report

Section leaders can start pulling signs when they have time. Check the barrels to be sure they have drain holes as they will be left outside until the construction is done. The drill is on the workbench if holes are needed. Put the barrels in a couple rows on the northeast corner of the lot where the two blazers are. If you have Wayfinding signs, Halverson signs, or red antique signs on your trail, remove the signs and leave the post in the ground, unless it is in the road right of way. Place the signs on the white table in the groomer shed.

Jerry has firmed up all bids. Two bids were received for insulating and lining the building. The lower bid is Triple M Construction LLC out of Vesper with a bid of \$28,250 which is \$3,525 less than MPB Builders. The estimated cost of the project using Triple M would be \$55,452. This \$4,548 below the \$60,000 that was approved by the membership.

The trail committee is proposing clearing of a 50' x 60' area on the southeast corner of the lot to provide for more storage room during construction and for a future site for a cold storage addition. The cost to clear this area is \$2,000 with a \$200 credit if we haul the brush out.

April 27<sup>th</sup> at 9 am is the workday at the groomer shed to prepare for the upcoming project. Please mark your calendars.

Marci & Jerry will be celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on April 6<sup>th</sup> from 1pm to 4pm at Ponderosa Pines in the banquet hall behind the bar. All are invited and they request no gifts.

### Social Committee Report

A get-well card was sent to Gary Gevers and Ted Sorenson.

Please continue to keep Ted in your prayers.

The balance in the fund is \$155.15.

### Activities Report

**Groomer Shed Workday:** April 27<sup>th</sup> at 8 am. Cleaning out the groomer shed for construction project.

**Adopt-A-Highway Road Pickup:** Road pickup will take place after the May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Car Show:** June 15<sup>th</sup>. Jeff Parmeter is the organizer. Please reach out to him if you have ideas or would like to help. (414) 207-3543 or [jeffpingd@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffpingd@yahoo.com). The first committee zoom meeting was held. Jeff is working on dash plaque samples along with door prizes and raffle tickets. Please help sell raffle tickets when they are available. There will be a signup sheet at the next meeting. Help is needed for Friday setup and the day of the show. We need help with food and beverages, judging, face painting, and take down at the end of the show. Cal's corner has an ATV ride that day. Possibly ask them to make the car show a stop location. Ms. Snowflake is being contacted.

**Club Trip:** We are hoping to return to Siren next year. Please reach out to a board member if you are interested in organizing the club trip.

**Fisheree:** The committee is always looking for people to join. Please contact Melissa Rhodes, Gunnar Anderson, Bryan Meyer, Casey Shilling, or Lori Pritzl if you would like to join our committee.

The Committee will be holding an ATV/UTV Fun Ride & Meat Raffle on April 13<sup>th</sup>. Registration starts at the Lure at 10 am. The ride will make several stops along the way with raffles at each stop. We will have lunch at Ponderosa Pines. The day will end at the Lure with a meat raffle and Traeger Smoker Grill raffle.

### **Adams County Snowmobile Association Report**

Voting will take place at the next meeting. If you are interested in running for a position with the Association, please reach out to Bryan Meyer.

Informational signs will continue next year at no charge to the clubs. This is also a map year. There will be a Power Sports Show on October 5<sup>th</sup>. Help is needed by all clubs. Our club is in charge of food and beverages. The event will take place at the Adams County Fairgrounds. 10 dealers have been invited so far with more to come. There will be a Vintage Show & Swap Meet. The Association is working on grants.

### **AWSC**

SB-136 for modifying administrative rules related to supplemental aid for snowmobile trail maintenance and granting rule-making authority is waiting to be signed.

SB-Regarding seasonal plowing on low maintenance roads is moving fast with the help of the Wisconsin Towns Association.

An economic impact study is being conducted.

Congratulations to the Sno-Bandits on the Snowmobile Friendly Community Renewal.

Our KAOS Member, Brooklyn Wolfe was awarded an AWSC Scholarship.

ISC is going well. Looking for sponsors and donations for the hospitality room. Vice President and Treasurer are being contested. To sit on a club board, you must be a member of the AWSC. All clubs now get one vote instead of going by membershipcount.



## Old Business

A motion was made by Gunnar Anderson to make a \$150 donation to Kid's Day. Motion seconded by Allison Young. All in favor. Motion Carried.

The CMN sent a thank you card to our club.

Elections will take place at next month's meeting with nominations at this meeting. The following nominations were made:

President: Tom Warner. Melissa Rhodes made a motion to nominate Tom Warner. Kathy Halverson seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Cathy Steinke. Kathy Halverson made a motion to nominate Cathy Steinke. Bev Sweet seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Director: John Steinke. Bev Sweet made a motion to nominate John Steinke. Jeff Parmeter seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jerry Weissinger made a motion to close nominations. Bev Sweet seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

## New Business

The following AWSC positions were voted on by show of hands of club members.

President: Lori Heideman

Vice President: Randy Murdock

Secretary: Sue Smedegard

Treasurer: Steve Clark

Should By-Laws be changed. Yes.

If anyone has ideas on how to hold a fundraiser at Papa Bears Mini Golf, Tom Gabriel will help us out.

Lake Arrowhead donated \$400 to our club from the Sno Blast Event.

A motion to adjourn at 10:17 am was made by Melissa Rhodes and seconded by John Steinke. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was Gen Gostomski. \$75 for the club and \$75 for the winner.

Respectfully Submitted  
Melissa Rhodes  
Secretary

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