

# Rome Sno-Bandits Club Newsletter



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## Upcoming Events

**October 5, 2024**

Adams County Snowmobile  
Association Power Sports Show

**October 12, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Groomer Shed

**October 25 & 26, 2024**

AWSC Fall Workshop

**November 9, 2024**

8 am - Trail Brushing & Signing  
Noon - Potluck & Meeting  
Groomer Shed

**December 14, 2024**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall

**December 14, 2024**

Christmas In Rome

**January 4, 2025**

Tentative Club Meeting Date

**January 11, 2025**

Petenwell Palooza Ice Fisheree  
Lure Bar & Grill

**February 8, 2025**

Club Meeting  
9 am – Rome Town Hall

**February 13 – 16, 2025**

Club Snowmobile Trip  
The Lodge at Crooked Lake

**March 8, 2025**

Club Meeting  
Location To Be Determined.

## Message From President, Tom Warner

Happy October! The best season of the year is quickly approaching, but first we have a few workdays that must be done!

Adams County Powersports show is October 5th, 2024! All the clubs in the county are working hard to put on a great show for everyone! A sign-up sheet went around at the last meeting for volunteers. If you weren't there, or now have the time to volunteer, please let me know! I know you hear me say it all the time, but we always have so much fun while volunteering at our events! I hope to see a lot of you there either helping a club or just enjoying the show!

We have highway pickup after the October 12th monthly meeting. Many hands make light work. I hope we have many volunteers for this day.

We also have our annual Trail Brushing and Signing workday followed by a potluck and meeting!! The date for this is 11/09/2024. Trail brushing & signing starts at 8 am at the groomer shed on 13th Ave. This year we are doing a potluck for after the morning work. Chili is still welcome, or you can bring your favorite dish for everyone to try out. Beverages will be provided. The monthly meeting will follow. I really hope to see all of you there. We get a lot of work done and we also have a lot of fun doing it!!

Please remember to renew your membership if you haven't already done so! Your membership expired at the end of June and you will not be able to get your discounted trail pass without a current membership. Our new Membership Chair is Cathy Warner. It takes several days to complete the process with the AWSC.

Club Meeting Reminder all club meeting will be at the Groomer Shed thru November.

February 13th - 16th is the Club Snowmobile Trip at The Lodge at Crooked Lake Hotel in Siren, WI. PLEASE JOIN US!

As Always, THINK SNOW!!

President,  
Tom Warner



## **FALL APPAREL ORDER**

See the new easy to use apparel order form by going to this link:

<https://forms.gle/phxt6i7dmqx74Noz7>

You can pick the style, color, logo and size you would like.

**Deadline for apparel orders is October 14, 2024**

## *Message From Trail Boss, Jerry Wiessinger*

Our fall weather has been great, but not the cool weather we would expect in October to get us thinking about the coming winter and snowmobiling season. We need to say a prayer of thanks for the weather we are enjoying and a prayer for the people in the disaster in the southeast.

I have about half of the trail easements completed and our landowners have been very receptive to allow us to run our trail on their land. I plan to have all the easements completed by the October Club meeting. We need to continue to stay on the trails and respect the landowner's property.

The Groomer Shed update is almost complete. We will need some help to move the trail sign barrels inside, so they are easily available for the section leaders to access their trail signs to get them ready for the trail bushing/signing day on November 9<sup>th</sup>. I have been waiting for our McCormick tractor to be finished at Statz Implement in Waunakee, so we have the loader to move the barrels. The tractor has been there for transmission repairs again. It should be done this week. I feel they have found the source of the shifting problem that we have experienced for some time. The Trail Committee has discussed upgrading the McCormick as it has had several issues. We will be bringing a proposal to the membership soon.

Section Leaders; Please look over your signs to have them ready for November 9<sup>th</sup>. Let me know if you need anything.

I look forward to seeing you at the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Groomer Shed.

THINK SNOW!!!

Trail Boss  
Jerry Wiessinger

## *Message From Vice President, Bryan Meyer*

Fall is coming and we have roadside pickup this month. Hopefully you can join us after the meeting. The more helpers make this a quick event. Please help keeping Rome looking good.

Get your RSVP's in for the club trip at The Lodge at Crooked Lake. The club trip never disappoints.

The Powersports show is this weekend, and I hope to see you there either enjoying or working or a combination of both. RSB has food and beverage as their assignment. If you want to help, feel free to contact me. We will also have a club booth to promote our club and events.

Map ads are coming in nicely. This year is a new map year. As always if you see any land sales that might affect our trails, let us know.

Hope to see you soon! Enjoy these cool nights

Vice President,  
Bryan Meyer



## Christmas in Rome Saturday, December 14, 2024

Rome Town Hall & Rome Town Center Park



The Christmas in Rome Committee is looking for volunteers to help with various Christmas projects.

### What we are looking for:

- \* Volunteers to update our existing Christmas decorations and shop for or create new decorations for a display that will go on the corner of Alpine Drive & Highway 13. We will meet for the first time at 8 am Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, prior to our club meeting at the groomer shed. We will plan additional workdays at that time.
- \* A crew to come up with a theme and decorate a small display at the Rome Town Center Park. There will be several organizations participating in this friendly competition with a traveling trophy going to the winner. Our club took home the trophy last year with our Grinch theme and we had a lot of fun working together!
- \* Volunteers to join the Christmas in Rome Event Committee as a Rome Sno-Bandit's representative. This committee meets monthly to work on ideas for the event. The committee consists of representatives from the Romemakers, Sand Valley, Rome Sno-Bandit's and Visit Rome. Our next meeting is Monday, October 7, 2024 at 4:15 pm at the new Visit Rome building.
- \* Volunteers to help the day of the event. A signup sheet will be available at our November club meeting. We need help serving food, setting up and taking down tables and chairs, helping with crafts, facepainting, and other various duties.

Please contact **Melissa Rhodes** or **Lori Heideman** if you would like to join us in making Christmas in Rome a great event!



# **Annual Trail Brushing, Signing, & November Club Meeting**

**Saturday, November 9, 2024**

## **8:00 am – Trail Brushing & Signing**

Meet at the Groomer Shed located at 302 - 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. (Off Alpine Drive)  
Bring gloves and any trimming equipment you might have. Lobber shears, chainsaws, and pole saws are helpful. We have Section Leaders and will split up in to groups to sign and brush each section. This usually takes 3 - 4 hours to complete.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Jerry Wiessinger at (920) 360-6701 or [jerry@wiessinger.com](mailto:jerry@wiessinger.com)

## **12:00 Noon – Potluck Meal**



When the work is completed, we will meet back at the groomer shed for a potluck meal. Please bring a dish to pass. You are welcome to bring chili. The club will supply brats, hotdogs, burgers and beverages.

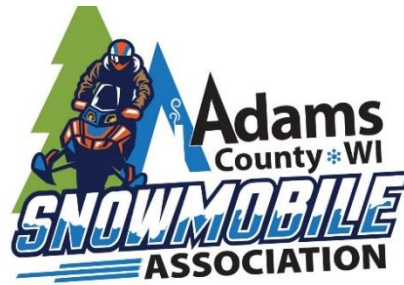
## **November Club Meeting**

Following our potluck, we will have our monthly club meeting at the groomer shed along with a 50/50 raffle.

***This event has turned into a Sno-Bandits tradition kicking off the snowmobile season. It is a great time to help your club while having fun and getting to know fellow club members.***

***Come Join The Fun!!!***





## Powersports Show, Swap Meet, and Vintage Show

**Saturday, October 5 | 9am-4pm**

**Adams County Fairgrounds | 502 W Lake St, Friendship**

**Rain Date: Sunday, October 6th**

Snowmobiles, ATVs, UTVs, Dirt Bikes, Campers, Boats,  
PWC, Accessories & More!



### What to Expect:



- Area Powersports Dealers
  - Local Snowmobile & ATV/UTV Clubs
  - Food, beverages, & cold beer on site
  - Top Prize: Polaris Youth ATV 110cc; ages 10+
  - 50/50, Merchandise, Raffles throughout the day
  - Swap Meet: bring your industry-related items  
(Gates open at 7 | Show hours 9-4 | Use East Entrance)
  - Vintage Show: bring your industry-related items  
(Trophies for best of show 1st-3rd place | Use East Entrance)
    - AWSC Miss Snowflake
    - Free Admission & Parking  
(Use West Entrance for Spectator Parking)

Proceeds go to Adams County Snowmobile and ATV/UTV Clubs

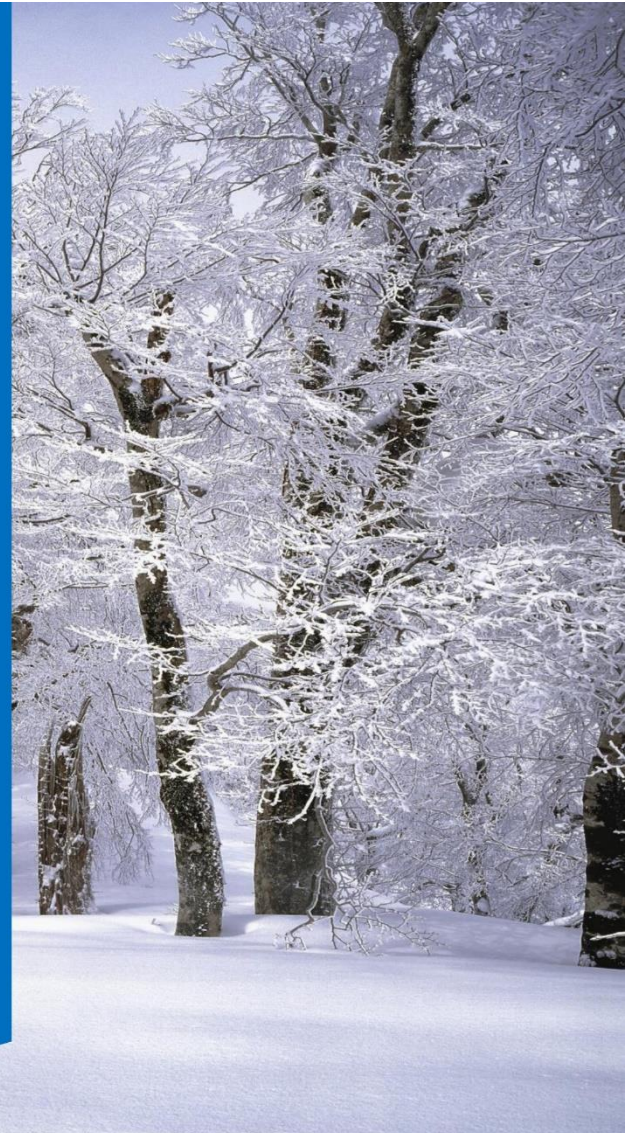
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For any questions call Steve McIntosh (815)-222-4554 or  
Bryan Meyer (414)-617-6467



2025  
ROME  
SNO-BANDITS  
CLUB TRIP  
FEB 13<sup>TH</sup> – FEB 16<sup>TH</sup>

The Lodge at Crooked Lake  
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[Lodge Hotel in Siren, WI | The Lodge at Crooked Lake](#)  
([mvlodge.com](#))



Please book by contacting the lodge directly at: **(715) 349-2500** or **(877) 843-5634**. Anyone who makes an online reservation will not be able to get the group rate.

If rooms are not booked by **January 17, 2025**, the room block will be released.

Room types that are available are below. We have reserved a total of 30 rooms so call and book ASAP! Please note that there are limited rooms for each type on a first come first serve basis.

Room Type	02/13	02/14	02/15
One Queen Bed + Sofa Bed	\$115.00	\$155.00	\$155.00
Two Queen Beds - Standard	\$115.00	\$155.00	\$155.00
Two Queen Beds - Handicap	\$115.00	\$155.00	\$155.00
Two Queen Beds - Split	\$115.00	\$155.00	\$155.00

We hope you can make it and as always, THINK SNOW! If you have any questions, please reach out to Tom Warner at (224) 715-2350.



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## Club Contacts

### President

Tom Warner - (224) 715-2350

### Vice-President

Bryan Meyer - (414) 617-9467

### Treasurer

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### Club Email

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### Club Website

[RomeSnoBandits.com](http://RomeSnoBandits.com)

## 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 2024-2025 season will be available to order from the AWSC beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**

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: Cathy Warner  
[RSBMembership@gmail.com](mailto:RSBMembership@gmail.com)

## Minutes from the Rome Sno-Bandits Meeting September 14, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. with President Tom Warner as the chair and 7 officers present. There were 31 members in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Terry Parmelee from the American Legion Ryan Larson Post 65 presented our club with a certificate of appreciation for our donation to their 1<sup>st</sup> annual golf outing. He gave an overview of what their club does in the community.

Make sure to get your membership dues in!

### Secretary's Report

There were no changes to the Secretary's report. A motion was made by Lori Heideman to accept the report as presented in the Newsletter. Bryan Meyer 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. Kathy Halverson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The profits from the car show are \$7,446.00.

### Trails Boss Report

There are no changes to the trail system. Jerry will start working on easements next week and bring them to the county in October. The work to rebuild the roller was completed at a cost of \$1,665.00. The McCormick tractor is at Statz Implement in Waunakee to repair shifting issues. The groomer shed upgrade is done. Thank you to Scott Murphy and Gary Gevers for all their extra help. Sign barrels will need to be moved inside soon. A workday will be needed to finish odd jobs in the shed. There are skids available if anyone would like them.

Trail brushing will take place on November 9, 2024. The membership voted to do a potluck so we can use up leftover meat from the car show. Members are still welcome to bring chili. Casey Shilling, Cyndee Lewis, and Melissa Rhodes volunteered to set up for the trail brushing meal.

### Social Committee Report

Sympathy cards were sent to Craig Halverson and Lynnette MacLagan. Gary spoke about Don MacLagan and all he has done for our club over the years. Donnie Mac will be greatly missed!

The balance in the fund is \$97.91. Kathy Halverson made a motion to add \$200 to the kitty. Gary Gevers seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

### Activities Report

**Kids Halloween Party** - will be held at the Rome Town Center on October 26<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to run the club booth.

**Classic Car Show** – Jeff Parmeter thanked everyone for their hard work. Jerry Wiessinger is stepping down and we need someone to step up and take over his tasks and are looking for more help in general as this event takes a lot of people to put it on. Most of the work tends to fall on a few people and they are asking for help. Please let a board member know if you can help on the car show committee.

**Adopt-A-Highway Road Pickup** – We will need a lot of help from club members for the October pickup as we were not able to do a pickup in the spring. The more volunteers that help, the quicker this gets done.



**Club Picnic:** Thanks to everyone that attended the club picnic and to the volunteers that did the set up. It was a nice day. We even had a landowner attend!

**Club Trip:** The Club Trip will be held on February 13 – 16, 2025 at the Lodge at Crooked Lake in Siren Wisconsin. There are 30 rooms being held. Get your reservations made!

**Adams County Powersports Show:** will be held October 5, 2024, at the Adams County Fairgrounds. Let Bryan or Tom know if you can help at this event.

## **Adams County Snowmobile Association Report**

The bridge by the Old Mill is supposed to start soon. No action as of yet. Groomer & rolling payments are being worked on as they are not paid the same. October 25 - 27, 2024 is the AWSC fall workshop. The Adams County Sheriff's Department will hold a snowmobile safety class in the fall. October 12, 2024 is the Adams County Sheriff's Department UTV K-9 ride and fundraiser. Adams County Snowmobile Association donated to the event. This year is a map renewal year. If any clubs need informational signs, they are to let the ACSA know. Dellwood Moundview is now an ATV & Snowmobile club. The Adams County Powersports Show will be held October 5 at the Adams County Fairgrounds. There will be a swap meet & vintage show along with dealers. Food and beverages will be available. Miss Snowflake will attend. A youth ATV will be the main raffle item.

## **AWSC**

AWSC Scholarship applications are due in January.

The AWSC raffle tickets are available for \$100. ACSA will no longer be doing the calendar raffle, so the AWSC has decided to do one. Melissa Rhodes made a motion to purchase a raffle ticket and calendar. Jeff Parmeter seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried. Raffle tickets & calendars will be available at the Fall Workshop.

There will be a signing workshop & fundraising round table at the AWSC Fall Workshop. Melissa and Gunnar have been asked to speak at the fundraising workshop. Lori is requesting that the club pay for Gunnar's hotel room. Gary Gevers made a motion to pay for Gunnar's hotel room, registration, and banquet ticket for the AWSC Fall Workshop. Deb Gevers seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **Old Business**

The Fire Department 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Picnic was held on July 27, 2024 at the Rome Town Park Bandshell. Club members helped sell food and beverages at the event. The fire department expressed their appreciation. Our club purchased a bottle of bourbon from the fire department as part of their fundraiser and raffled it off at our club picnic. The proceeds went back to the fire department.

## **New Business**

An election for Membership Chair was held as Donna Bohn stepped down. Cathy Warner was the only nomination and was appointed Membership Chair.

Christmas decorations need to be updated. Lori Heideman, Gene Gostomski, and John Krueger volunteered to be on the Christmas decoration committee. A motion was made by Bryan Meyer to spend up to \$500 on Christmas decorations. Ray Glenn seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The Petenwell Palooza Committee asked for permission to purchase an E-Bike for the raffle ticket for the event. Gary Gevers made a motion to allow the committee to spend up to \$2,000 on a raffle prize. Scott Murphy seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

An online apparel ordering system was created by Casey Shilling. See the newsletter for the link. Cyndee Lewis worked with Dawn Kalata to come up with two new designs.

A motion to adjourn at 10:54 am was made by Kathy Halverson and seconded by Emily Warner. All were in favor. Motion carried. Meeting Adjourned.

50/50 winner was drawn. \$75.00 for the winner. \$75.00 for the club.

Respectfully Submitted  
Melissa Rhodes  
Secretary



## Adams County Snowmobile Association Minutes September 5, 2024

The ACSA September 5th meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by President Steve MacIntosh. There were 21 members present, and 9 clubs represented.

Minutes from the August 1 meeting were read by Secretary Joy Krahn. Corrections were made. Motion to accept by Dennis Kulwicki, seconded by Jim Krahn. All approved.

Treasurer Lisa Gleaser reported that we have a balance of after grants, donations and bills were paid. Motion to accept by Jerry Hewkel, seconded by Dennis Kulwicki. All approved.

County Rep Darren Tully reported that he has not heard anything on the Arkdale bridge. Equipment rates will stay the same. There is talk about a secondary Snars device to register if you are grooming versus packing and rolling. Make sure your Snars units are installed correctly. Contact him for signs, he has many different types available. Submit any route changes. Maintenance agreements need to be signed. Print outs on Snars rules were available. Work hours need to be more than equipment hours.

AWSC Director Warren Starner reported that the workshop is at the end of Oct. The KAOS group is collecting school supplies. Please get memberships in.

Sheriff Brent York said that there will be a Sheriff's ATV ride Oct 12th to raise funds for canines. He talked about the Sheriffs office app. There has not been a date set for the snowmobile safety class yet.

Bryan Meyer reported that the chamber submitted a donation for advertising the Powersports show. The Chamber is putting on an event Nov. 3rd for groups looking for volunteers. Bryan is talking about going. The chamber has joined the AWSC and WATVA.

Old business: Please turn in map ads by the Oct. meeting. There are concerns about some gas stations closing. Next month's meeting will have a map available to document route changes.

Discussion was had about the hospitality room at the Dells. The Powersports show is moving along and raffle prizes are being displayed out in the community.

New Business: Dellwood Moundview Snowmobile Club has voted to become an ATV UTV club also.

Motion by Robert Schmidt to donate 250.00 to the Sheriff canine ride, seconded by John Steinke. All approved. This will be presented on Oct. 12th. Long time member Jim Smith from the Monroe Center Winter Pals Club has passed away. A Celebration of life is to be held at a future date.

Next meeting Oct 3rd, 7:00 pm at the Cedar Shack with the Powershow meeting to be held at 6:00pm.

Motion to adjourn at 7:36pm by Jim Krahn, seconded by John Dorman. All approved.

Submitted by Secretary Joy Krahn

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