



Northwoods Riders SC –
Supporting the best snowmobile trails in and around Tomahawk, WI!

Northwoods Riders Snowmobile Club

March 2025 Newsletter

Next Meeting:

March 24, 2025
Holly's
Meal Served at 6:00
General Meeting at 7:00

Officers

President: Greg Johnson
Vice President: Dale Elliott
Treasurer: Kay Collom
Secretary: Lisa Elliott

Board Members

John Collom
Cody Egan
Mark McDonald
Matt McDonald
Gary Waters

Memberships: Chetek Wenker

Newsletter: Bette Theobald

Trail Update:

All Lincoln County trails closed on February 24th and trails in Oneida County closed on Monday, March 12th. Another short season but at least we were able to get out and enjoy the beautiful Northwoods for a little while!

Membership Totals:

We currently have 470 club memberships, including 20 new memberships. Landowners Dan Johnson, Nancy Swan and Dale and Lisa Elliott attended the February meeting.

Groomer Driver Gift Certificates:

The board recommended thanking the area groomer drivers and maintenance personal with \$50 chamber bucks. A motion was made to purchase \$1500 worth of Tomahawk Chamber Bucks to show them our appreciation for getting our trails in the best possible shape.

Nominations:

Nominations will be open at the March meeting held at Holly's for the following positions: President, Secretary, and 3 Board of Directors. These positions are currently filled by Greg Johnson, Lisa Elliott, Cody Egan, Matt McDonald and Gary Waters. If you would like to nominate someone, please plan to attend the March meeting.

Trail Camera Donation:

Chris Triplett, a club member, donated 6 game cameras for grooming clubs to use to identify off-trail riders and sign theft. We will distribute them to the three area clubs. Gary Hilgendorf advised that per the DNR, these cameras cannot be put on public land and can be put on private land with landowner permission. The clubs will contact landowners for permission. We are also looking for donations of old cameras too that we can post for awareness to riders. If you would like to donate a camera, please email us at info@northwoodsriders.org. Many thanks to Chris Triplett for the idea and the generous donation!

Ride With The Cup Donation:

Gary Hilgendorf and Darren and Amiee Merkel, on behalf of Ride with the Cup, were proud to present their first grant of 2025 in the amount of \$300 to NWR to help cover expenses for the snowmobile safety class that took place in December. We appreciate your support!



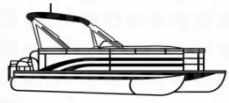
Pictured from left to right: Cody Egan, Amiee Merkel, Dale Elliott, Greg Johnson, Gary Hilgendorf, Mark McDonald, Matt McDonald, John Collom and Darren Merkel

Other Club Updates At Our January Meeting:

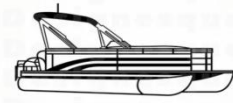
Knight Owls – Nancy Swan – The Spring Hoot planning is in progress and beer raffle tickets are now available. Thank you to Matt McDonald and Myranda Hayes for purchasing the raffle prizes on behalf of NWR.

Northern Trails Unlimited – Darren Merkel – The new club shed walls are finished and they are in the process of setting trusses. There was one action item from the county inspection ride. Thank you to NWR for help at their fundraiser. It was a great fundraiser!

Northwoods Passage – Dan Hoover – Trail maintenance update, there was 59 miles of trail inspected by Oneida County with 6 action items being identified. Currently, there are a total of 100 action items of which 87 are completed. The groomers got out 15 days this season. Two youth were able to go out and ride with the groomer operators. Dan will get the 7 youth interested in becoming a groomer driver involved with removing barrels, stakes, brushing etc. Andy King thanks everyone for their participation in the sled raffle. Patti Wesela won the sled and it was picked up from Erv's. Thank you to Matt McDonald and Myranda Hayes for purchasing the \$4100 worth of raffle prizes for their Winter Celebration.



PONTOON PALOOZA



The Pontoon Palooza is scheduled and we are looking forward to warmer temps and an exciting day! The event is being held July 19th at B's Landing. We would love to see more people get involved! If you would like to volunteer to help, please email us at info@northwoodsriders.org Also, today would be a great day to start planning your theme for your boat and costumes!

February Door Prizes:

Twin Bay donated a \$25 gift certificate which was won by Andy Schaper!
Thank you to John and Kerstan Litzau from Twin Bay for hosting our February meeting.

Events 2024-2025

March 24 - Northwoods Riders General Meeting at Holly's - eat at 6:00/meet at 7:00

April 5 – Harshaw Wanderers Fun Run and Meat Raffle at Woodpecker

April 26 – Knight Owls Spring Hoot at Inshalla

May 10- Knight Owls Meat Raffle at Derek's Town and Country

July 19 – NWR Pontoon Palooza at The Landing

All events are listed on our website, www.northwoodsriders.org and on our Facebook page as they come in