



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

Northwoods Riders Snowmobile Club October 2025 Newsletter

Next Meeting

October 27, 2025
Tilted Loon
Food served 6:15pm
General Meeting at 7:00pm

Officers:

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

Board:

John Collom
Cody Egan
Mark McDonald
Matt McDonald
Gary Waters
Membership – Chetek Wenker
Newsletter – Lisa Elliott

Trail Clean-up Days:

Trail brushing and maintenance of the Northwoods Passage trails will be done this Saturday, October 18th, 2025. Meet at the club shed at 2640 County L at 9:00am. Bring your ATVs/UTVs and tools/equipment if available. Sections of trails will be assigned to small groups by NWP Trail Boss Dan Hoover. Food, drinks, campfire, and music will be available at the club shed as groups come back from brushing.

If you can't make it on the 18th, or you want to help more, there are two more dates upcoming. On October 26, 2025, Northern Trails Unlimited will be working on their trails - meet at 9:00am at either Boomba Bar or Willow Haven. Then, on November 1st, 2025, the Knight Owls will be out getting their trails ready - meet at 8:30am at the groomer shed located at W5041 Hoovie Road, Tomahawk WI 54487.

Let's get the trails ready for a great winter!

Memberships:

We currently have 235 memberships including 2 new memberships. We are excited to have you all in our club! There were 42 members in attendance at our September meeting including new members: Jeff and Kim Oswald. Landowners Dale and Lisa Elliott, Lori Rogney, and Dan and Kendra Searing were also present.

10 lucky winners were drawn from all members who had their renewals paid by the meeting on September 22nd. They receive a free membership minus the AWSC portion of the membership cost. The winners are Jim Buska, Ray Skolaski, Eugene Gisvold, Dean Krubsack, Cheryl Morris, Rod Johanson, Greg Rummel, Jeff Sickels, Keith Kolarik, Richard Bearzotti. Thank you for renewing early!

Plan ahead for riding season now by [renewing your membership](#) and order your trail passes early from [AWSC](#). Don't wait until the last minute!

Club Board Nominations:

Voting for club board members will take place at our October 27, 2025 meeting. The positions being voted on this year are President, Secretary, and 3 Director positions which will be determined by the three highest numbers of votes.

Current accepted nominations include:

- President: Greg Johnson
- Secretary: Lisa Elliott
- Directors: Thor Gilbertson, Amiee Merkel, Todd Perrault, and Gary Waters

If you would like to nominate someone for one of these positions, or would like to run yourself, please come to the October meeting as nominations will be opened one final time before we vote. If you are unable to attend the meeting but wish to make a nomination – you can email us at info@northwoodsriders.org. Get your nomination in early so we can contact the candidate for their nomination acceptance and put their name on the ballot.

Club By-law Revisions:

Our current club by-laws were written 30+ years ago in 1994 when the club was formed. The Club Board recently reviewed our by-laws and is proposing revisions to reflect how our club operates. The Club Board proposes to:

- Update the mission statement to include education and community support to be more reflective of what our club does and who we do it for.
- Increase the spending limit to \$500 from \$200 without board approval.

- Allow the president to vote.
- Add the Membership Coordinator as a board member position.

The revisions will be discussed at the October general meeting and voted on at the November general meeting.

DNR Snowmobile Safety Class:

The DNR Snowmobile Safety Class will be held December 6, 2025 at Erv's Sales & Service, Tomahawk. All students will need their own DNR number and pre-registration is required. Use the following link to enroll in the class: <https://gowild.wi.gov/customers/safetiedclass>

Club Destination Ride:

Join us for this year's Northwoods Riders Weekend Destination Club Ride!!!

When: January 30-February 1, 2026, Friday thru Sunday (2 overnights)

Where To: The Lodge at Manitowish Waters
13859 ILG Road
Manitowish Waters, WI 54545

Pack your saddlebags for the weekend and we'll depart on Friday 8:30am from the Northwoods Riders club shed located at 2640 County L in Tomahawk and ride to Manitowish Waters.

A block of 10 rooms has been reserved at [The Lodge at Manitowish Waters](#). Call the hotel at (715) 543-2024 to reserve your room under our block. There is a 7-day cancellation policy. Also contact Dale Elliott at 715/551-8555 or dwelliott44@gmail.com to register to attend. Let it snow!

Pontoon Palooza:

The Northwoods Riders Pontoon Palooza was held July 19th and was another great event! There were 362 stamp sheets sold. All 200 \$100 raffle tickets were sold. The gift certificate raffle from the stamp sheet locations was a big hit!

We extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who joined us for this fun event, as well as to ALL the volunteers and businesses for their time and generosity. Special thanks go out to the following:

- B's Landing - Event host, starting point, raffle sales and donations
- Boomba Bar - Starting point, raffle sales, T-shirt sales and donations
- The Loop Hole – Starting point and donations

- All stamp sheet locations that donated gift certificates this year totaling \$850: Billy Bobs, Bootleggers, Cockatiels, Fish Trap, Holly's, LaCanne's, Stars and Stripes, Tilted Loon, Twin Bay
- Prairie Rapids Tavern – Gift Basket donation
- WJJQ for the advertising
- Tomahawk Sports Center - Donations for best boat and costumes
- Erv's Sales and Service - Donations for best boat and costumes
- Hob's Service for donating the use of their barge for judging
- Dean Clark for selling over 40 \$100 raffle tickets

If you have any feedback or new ideas, please email us at info@northwoodsriders.org. We are always looking for ways to make this event even better! Save the date for the Pontoon Palooza next year on July 18, 2026.

Kracker Barrel Pump #4:

Thank You to Jim and Audrey Charles at Kracker Barrel for their donation of 2 cents a gallon from sales on Pump #4, which is split between the Northwoods Riders Snowmobile Club and Nokomis ATV/UTV clubs. Get your gas at Pump #4...it's worth the wait!

Newsletter:

Thank you to Bette Theobald for writing our club newsletters for the past few years. We appreciate you!

Other Club Updates at Our September Meeting:

Northern Trails Unlimited – Greg Johnson (on behalf of Darren and Amiee Merkel) – Work on their groomer shed continues. Club officers were elected. Watch for trail reroutes near LaCanne's this season.

Northwoods Passage – Dan Hoover – New trail map will be published this year. Trail reroutes being worked on south side of highway 8 to Tripoli. Improvements to lake access at Birch Lake Bar being done. Tractor #7 sold and replaced with Piston Bully.

On-Line Store:

It's that time of year again! The excitement of snowmobile season is right around the corner! Looking for unique gifts for the upcoming holiday season? Our on-line store offers over 150 items to purchase with our club logo imprinted on them. Sweatshirts, t-shirts, shirts, hats, glassware and more! Café Press handles the purchase and the shipping of the items. The club will receive a payback for each item purchased. Just go to www.northwoodsriders.org, click on the Store link at the top of the page to check it out!

September Meeting Winners:

Suzanne Holbrook won a \$25 gift certificate to The Loop Hole. Andy Schaper won \$180 in the 50/50 drawing. Congratulations!

Special thanks to Brian and Jackie Luttrupp from The Loop Hole for hosting the meeting and providing a delicious meal for all of our attendees!

2025-2026 Area Club Events

All Northwoods Riders club events are listed on our website at www.northwoodsriders.org under [Events & News > Northwoods Riders Calendar](#) and on our Facebook page.

A comprehensive list of events for all area clubs can be found on our website under [Events & News > Area Clubs Event List](#).

TOMAHAWK AREA SNOWMOBILE CLUB EVENTS 2025-2026				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Location</u>
10/4/2025	3:00-5:00 PM	Meat Raffle	Har Wanderers	Town Pump
10/18/2025	9:00 AM	Trail Brushing	NWPSC	Club Shed
10/18/2025	12:00-4:00 PM	Vintage Snowmobile Show & Swap Meet	Knight Owls	Nut-Zee's
10/25/2025	9:00 AM	Trail Brushing	NTU	Boomba or Willow Haven
11/1/2025	3:00-5:00 PM	Meat Raffle	Har Wanderers	Little Rice Resort
11/1/2025	9:00 AM	Trail Brushing	Knight Owls	Groomer Shed
11/8/2025	9:00 AM	Tomahawk Sports Center Open House		Tomahawk Sports Ctr
11/8/2025	9:00 AM	Erv's Open House		Erv's Sales & Service
Dec 1-31,2025	11:15 AM	Daily Calendar Raffle	NWPSC	Castaway's
12/6/2025	9:00 AM	Youth Snowmobile Safety Training	NWR	Erv's Sales & Service
1/4/2026	2:30 PM	Big Cash Raffle	NWPSC	Bootleggers Lodge
1/10/2026	3:00 PM	Slush Run	NWPSC	Birch Lake
1/15-16/2026	11:00 AM	Ride with the Cup		TBD
1/17/2026	3:00 - 5:30 PM	Winter Fest	Har Wanderers	Billy Bob's
1/30-2/1/2026		NWR Destination Ride	NWR	TBD
1/31/2026	9:00 AM	Radar Run	Hooligans	Holly's
2/7/2026	11:00 AM-3:00 PM	NWR Trail Cookout	NWR	NWR Garage
2/7/2026	3:00-5:00 PM	Meat Raffle	Har Wanderers	Stars & Stripes
2/7/2026		Gun Raffle & Cash	Knight Owls	Sure-Wood Forest
2/8/2026	9:00 AM-12:00 PM	NWR Member Breakfast	NWR	TBD
2/14/2026		Pizza Feed	NWPSC	Twin Bay
2/14/2026		Community Ride	Knight Owls	
2/21/2026		Maday's Fisheree	NWPSC	Maday's Fish Trap
2/21/2026		\$100 raffle	Knight Owls	Nut-Zee's
2/15/2026		Equipment Fundraiser	NTU	
2/28/2026	2:00 PM	Sled Raffle	NWPSC	Somo Lake Resort
3/7/2026	3:00-5:00 PM	Meat Raffle	Har Wanderers	Willows End
3/14/2026	5:00 PM	Winter Celebration	NWPSC	Inshalla
3/28/2026	3:00 - 5:00 PM	Fun'd Run and Meat Raffle	Har Wanderers	My 10 Point Bar
4/25/2026		Spring Hoot	Knight Owls	Inshalla
5/24/2026		Beer Raffle	Knight Owls	Castaway's
7/18/2026		Pontoon Palooza	NWR	The Landing
Other snowmobile events but not club associated:				
1/24/2026		Radar Run Shootout and Bikini Run		LaCanne's