

**CLAM LAKE FOREST RIDERS  
SNOWMOBILE CLUB  
PO BOX 11  
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September 23, 2023

Dear Clam Lake Forest Riders Members,

With 13 feet of snow this past winter, the groomer out of clam lake averaged 5 days a week grooming, the trails were in excellent conditions. With the heavy snowfall early, it created more trail cleanup after our initial brushing, many down trees and swamps to pack. We want to thank Richard Reukema, and his crew, for his endless hours of grooming and maintenance.

Our 50/50 raffle winners were Trudy Potts, Evie Frasch, Jerry Greenwaldt and Julie Claymon. Congratulations to them and thank you for supporting the club. It's been decided to discontinue the 50/50 raffle and start using our "wheel" during some of the meat raffles. The winner gets 50% of the money taken in. This form of 50/50 was tried during our July meat raffle and was a huge success.

The meat raffles continue to be very successful and our sole source of fundraising. The dates for this seasons meat raffles are September 23, October 7, November 11, January 13, February 17 and March 2. If you're in the area stop by Ransom's Place for a chance to win some great meat packages from Rondeaus in Cable and bring lots of friends.

We have 2 businesses donate to the club, Clam Lake Junction asked most of the snowmobilers if they'd like to make a donation to the club, Lyn put a point of sale button on his till, that dollar amount was electronically transferred to the Clam Lake Forest Riders account. Also, Ransom's Place made a donation from their 5 year anniversary party raffles. We want to thank Zac, Nancy and Lyn for their donations. Make sure to visit them when traveling through Clam Lake.

The club donated to the Glidden Area Ambulance Service, Clam Lake fireworks, Kaylee Fund, Kaylee was the 8 year old girl who passed away after injuries from a snowmobile accident

The Ashland County Snowmobile Alliance (ACSA) has a new President, Ron Szyndor, new Vice President John Westfahl and a new Treasurer Jim Meisenheimer. Each Ashland County Club has 2 delegates to the ACSA. Our club delegates are Richard Reukema and Don Diehls. Each club is responsible for their area trail maintenance, which includes brushing and signage. We have begun to resign trail 9 from Clam Lake north to "Gods Country".

It has been decided not to update the Ashland County Snowmobile Maps. With the reconstruction of the ACSA there just isn't time. There are more pressing issues to consider of which one is upgrading groomers. A 2018 Tucker was recently purchased from Price County which will service the Glidden/Butternut area and a second is being considered for the Mellen area.

New tracks have been delivered for our Gator and will be put on soon. The old tracks will be for sale.

5 signs have been ordered to place on the trails entering Clam Lake areas, these signs say, this trail is maintained by the Clam Lake Forest Riders and Ashland County Snowmobile Alliance. We are very proud of the positive feedback we have received now that we are responsible for our local trails.

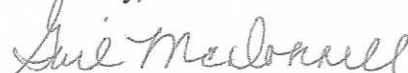
The working members of our club has gotten small. We would appreciate any help you can give. Signs need to be put up, trail cleanup must be done, even helping at the meat raffles. We are now responsible for the ACSA groomer shed in Clam Lake of which cleaning and organizing has already begun.

Our trail cleanup date is Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> with a rain/snow date of December 9<sup>th</sup>. We have 25 miles of trails to maintain so please plan to volunteer. Meet at the Clam Lake Forest Riders Groomer shed at 9:30. More hands make less work for all.

To ensure you receive your Wisconsin Trail Pass on time, please return your dues by November 15<sup>th</sup>. You must be a current club member to get the \$10.00 trails pass @awsc.org. Your AWSC number appears on the mailing label of your AWSC magazine.

Thank you for you continued support and have a safe and enjoyable snowmobile season.

Sincerely,

  
Gail L McDonnell, President