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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Well, here it is the end of another snow season. I hope you have had some good rides. Although I haven't been able to go as often as I'd like, the rides I've been on have been good.

This is my last newsletter as the Club President; so, I want to take time to thank all of our Club Members, Officers and Board Members for your dedication and support through the years. I have enjoyed being President and look forward to being on the Board. I would like to especially thank Barb Naccarati for doing such a great job as the Treasurer and taking care of us! I would like to thank Dave Miller and Ted Naccarati for their service with the Board and never let us down. Also, Ray & Donna Gibson did the Newsletter and got our website up and running. They were instrumental in getting us where we are today with the newsletter and the website. They did a flawless job and also helped us out a lot of times when we needed help. And last, but not least, my wife who was Secretary, great job! I'm certain that Bruce Cullen, and the new Officers and Board Members will do a great job!

The Club will need a lot of continued support in the future as we have some major projects to accomplish with one of them being the combined Warming Shelter/Sno-cat Shelter at Lake of the Woods. It sounds like there will be a lot of Club events planned for the future so we look forward to your continued support.

I hope to see you at the upcoming Banquet! Thanks again to all of you for letting me serve as the club President.

Keith Blackman
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Thanks!

NEWS FROM THE VICE-PRESIDENT

Bruce Cullen

Recently, Jeff Ranger and I joined up with the Rogue Snowmobile Club in their annual Candle Lighters Play Day in the snow. We were welcomed with open arms from all the great people at the Rogue Club gathering at Thousand Springs. For those who do not know about the Candle Lighters organization, it's a non-profit group that plan play day events through out the year in different areas, all over the state for cancer kids and their families to get out and have some fun. The Rogue Club is one of many that raise money and provide a play day in the snow. And these kids have a blast getting rides on snowmobiles or ridding in the sleds behind. I can still see those little helmets bee-hopping down the trail and the big smiles coming from them. Even the parents got a ride and even a little boon docking. We were served a great hamburger and fresh fired French fries with all the trimmings. It was a wonderful time and can't wait until next year to help out with this wonderful cause. It's also is so great to be able to share our wonderful sport of snowmobiling with them and see it first hand. And Thousand Springs, what a beautiful place of riding—I now see why the Rogue Club loves it so much.

I also want to thank all of our Club Representatives:

Keith Blackman, President

Becky Blackman, Secretary

Barb Naccarati, Treasurer

Ray Gibson, Website and Publicity Person

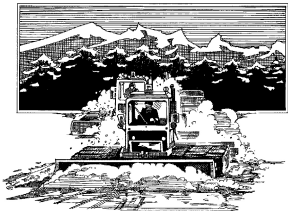
Donna Gibson for our great Newsletter

Board Members: Jeff Ranger, Ted Naccarati, Dave Miller, Drew Langley and Charlie Radford

I want to thank them all for the hard work, time and dedication, for the efforts in keeping our Club going. Even though the snow is fading fast, I am already working on the next up coming season and can't wait to see what we can come up with. I will have another newsletter go out some time after the Banquet that I hope to have some of the summer events scheduled.

Thank you and have a safe and great summer.

GROOMER'S REPORT - Scott Blower



Well, the grooming season is drawing very close to the end for the 20080-2009 season. As the season wraps up, the number of sleds on the trail drops and the snow gets so very soft and unworkable. So, yesterday, we pulled the fuel tank from Fish Lake and moved it to Lake of the Woods to fuel the remaining few weeks. This week, we are also moving the cat from the resort at Fish Lake to the Lake of the Woods, and it will finish its season out there. We will cover the areas of Fish Lake that has snow from Lake of the Woods as the snow hangs on. I expect the cat to make Fish Lake one full day a week minimum.

At Lake of the Woods, the cat will continue to run 2-3 days a week with Pelican to be cleaned up typically on Fridays. As of yesterday, the Great Meadow was closed due to water and thus, the resulting safety issue. Please stay off the meadow, even though it may look like a lot of fun at times.

This has been a good season and the groomer operators have worked hard to provide great trails. The snow this year

has been difficult to work as we never really got the cold, cold snow to develop those perfect conditions. We received a lot of wet and heavy snow that we were able to flatten and then had to wait until the weather turn dry and cold to plane it into nice smooth freeways. When you see an operator, please thank them for their efforts and really thank their spouse for supporting them in these efforts.

Soon, I will be putting the summer's trail maintenance dates together and getting them out to all of you; so, don't fill all those weekends yet.

Thanks for your support this season and I hope you enjoyed some great riding this season!



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