



OGEMAW HILLS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Michigan's 1987, 2015, 2016, 2018
Snowmobile Club of the Year
March 2022 NEWSLETTER



Sign presented to Club from the West Branch business community by Heather Neuhaus, Emil Rousseau, and Dave Clouse.

Another year, another GREAT show

No Snow until the day before. Panic. But it all worked out. Trustee Doug Lubahn pulled off another awesome day...with a LOT of help from members.

Temps were in the 20s, 4" fresh snow, sun was out and , oh well, a little windy: The parking lot was panned Friday and the snow had time to settle nicely.

329 Vintage sleds were on display at the 54th annual Open House – Vintage Snowmobile Show.

95 Vintage sleds went on the 13-mile ride past the overlook off our east trail 6. Only 1 needed towing back to the parking lot. A couple needed trail-side repairs but it was a pretty uneventful ride.

800-1000 people came out. We even were visited by Former OHSC President Dave Hufstедler and Judy Martin. A great success. MANY thanks to all the club members who helped.

The ladies (Chris, LouAnn, Linda, Louise, and more that I can't name) handled registration, sold a ton of OHSC gear and raffle tickets, and accepted donations for the refreshments. Raffle ticket and 50/50 tickets were hot items: Wendy Tuttle, Walt Sammut Al Chisolm and others were busy all day. Norm kept an eye on the warming fire. (NO hot dogs to cook anymore). We also gained 10 new members and had many lapsed members renew.

Kevin Sessink and his crew were parking cars and trucks all over the area. Chris Voght fought the wind to get some great videos of the whole area. Gary Yonkos was busy taking photos. Video and photo clips are or will be available on our website.



Dave and Cindy Roe from Leonard, MI have 4 grandchildren who are just loving this awesome sled. He bought his ticket at the Quality Inn in West Branch in December while the sled was on display there.



WELCOME 10 NEW MEMBERS

Alicia DeGroot -Macomb Township/Henderson Lake
Jeff Hartley – Standish
Bryce Hemker-South Lyon/West Branch
Randy LaForest-Clarkston
Joseph Madore-Davison
Joel Mianelki-Richmond/National City
Rollie Shook-Midland/West Branch
Curtis Ulch-Eaton Rapids
Bill Walraven-Pinconning
Veronica Wymer-West Branch


Above: Three youth who presented their sleds at the show were given Gift Certificates and Arctic Cat T-shirts, courtesy of Bay Cycle.




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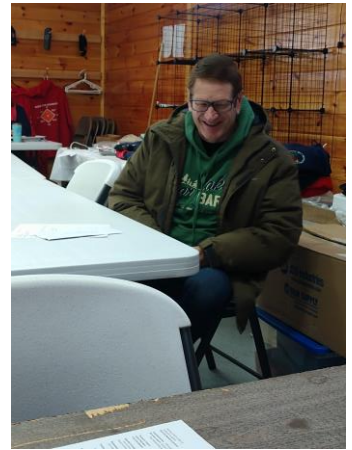
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Deputy Doug Vetter (left) spoke to the Club at the March meeting about snowmobiling accidents. He also helped at intersections on the Vintage Ride.

Timely Purchase

It was brought up last meeting that we had approved purchase of a large screen tv for the clubhouse. Greg purchased one, Bryan hung it, and Gary connected it to the internet to show last year's drone coverage of the show. Heard many positive comments about it. Good Job.



Bob Theys, owner of Clear Lake Bar, presented the Club with a check for over \$1400 from a fundraiser they had a while ago. He also mentioned other groups that benefited from that fundraiser.

HAPPY FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY (I Forgot to wish last month)

Nicholas Koiman Feb 3
Chris Reister Feb 4
Jason Hackbarth Feb 6
Greg Stancato Feb 6
Don Carroll Feb 7
Bud Martin Feb 13
Dave Demetrakeas Feb 15
Sharon Black Feb 18
Chris Fraser Feb 19
Dave Hufstedler Feb 19
John Butcher Feb 20
Joe Anteau Feb 25
Terry Collins Feb 26
Claudia Sammut Feb 26
Brian Short Feb 26
Walt Sammut Feb 28



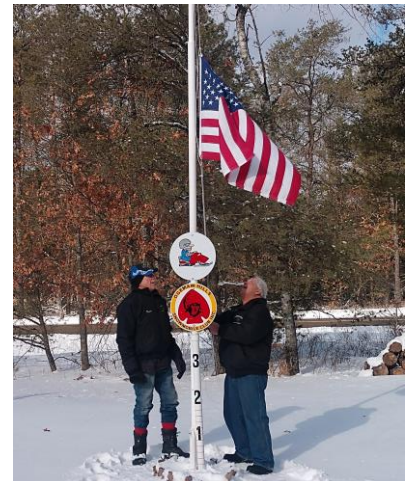
Nearly 1000 people showed up to see the sleds.

HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY

Steve Prueter	Mar ?
Deb Heinzman	Mar 1
Thomas Baker	Mar 9
Mark Kilgore	Mar 9
William Gartland	Mar 10
Thechla Barhorst	Mar 13
Chris Theuma	Mar 13
Pauline Johnson	Mar 16
Doug Roggenbuck	Mar 16
Janice Stancato	Mar 16
Alicia DeGroot	Mar 18
Martin Gagnon	Mar 19
Debbie Peterson	Mar 23
Bill Walraven	Mar 25
Jim Kelts	Mar 26
Tina Bambard	Mar 29
Pam Lehr	Mar 29
Dave Nowakowski	Mar 31



A chain drive sled was a novelty.



Norm and Walt raised the Flag.

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OHSCers were on the trails this month.
Mostly UP, but some snuck some local rides in.



(left)

Walt and crew
take a cocoa
break at the hot
dog stand
outside Grand
Marais



(above) Russ, Jim, Pat take a break and
pose for Walt in northern UP

(left) Club members helped
get an Arctic Cat down
from a tree it was trying to
climb after missing a curve
outside Big Bay. The rider
missed a turn going too
fast.



Pretty view of the Chocoy River
from trail 14 outside Marquette on
our way to Big Bay.



Group on the way to Big Bay take a break



Denny, Al, Dan, Karl and Jim hit trail 6 on Feb. 28. Trail
was great. They stopped at the warming hut.

**SEND IN YOUR RIDE PICTURES
AND THEY WILL APPEAR IN NEWSLETTER
(and Facebook? Website?)**

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Look Ma, Both hands on the bars!

Several members recently took advantage of an offer for a club discount price on RideLites. the green/yellow light that shows if there are riders behind without raising your hand.

The company even donated 2 for us to sell/raffle off.

If enough members still want to order, we can probably get the same discount.

Standard with stick on mount: \$85

Combo with RAM mount: \$125

This snowmobile with a single front ski was pretty unique

A NEAT "Thank You" IDEA

I saw a comment on Facebook about giving small snack bags to Groomer Drivers you meet on the trail. Granola bar, candy bars, etc. Doesn't need to be a lot. Awesome.



Members Ron Kociba and Al Bohren and friend John Radcliff posed for Denny Manner when they stopped at Bond Falls near Bruce Crossing, (UP) on a **1020 mile** circle tour of Yooper Land from St. Ignace Feb. 16.



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