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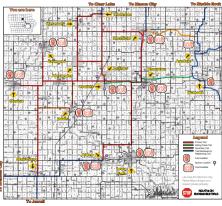


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COVER: Cameron Steffens of the Iowa Snowdrifters in Region 9 plays in some deep drifts along Walford Road on his club's trail system in January of 2019. He says he is a little more tame going through towns, though, to ensure snowmobile access continues for his club.

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BRIAN CARMICHAEL

ISSA PRESIDENT

reetings, lowa snowmobilers: As I sit down to write this, we just had a snowstorm that brought most of the area enough snow to ride and get some miles on the groomers.

As president, I get phone calls when it snows from people who are mad about snowmobilers not staving on the trail and going through yards. The fastest way to lose our trails is to make the landowners unhappy, and nobody wants that, so please help all of us out and educate people on staying on the trail.

We have some great areas to ride when the snow permits that can be the best riding around. It took a ton of volunteers many years to make it all possible for everyone to enjoy.

The Spina Bifida ride is coming up soon, and it is hands down a great time and an even better cause. The kids love it, as well as the rest of the families, so let's hope we have enough snow to use our sleds.

Be safe on the trail and think snow!

Notify ISSA of Changes

If your club has elected new officers or if you have an address change, please email bepaulus@outlook.com. Thank You.



RTP Grants Approved by Commission

The Iowa Transportation Commission Jan. 14 approved \$1,383,485 in total funding for five federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP) projects. The Iowa Department of Transportation oversees this program in Iowa.

RTP was created in 1991 for the purpose of developing and maintaining recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both motorized and non-motorized trail users. This funding is available to cities, counties, state and federal agencies, and private organizations through an annual application-based program.

The projects and approved funding amounts are listed below.

- Bluff Creek OHV Park Bridge Replacements (Iowa Department of Natural Resources) - \$326,560
- Cedar Valley Nature Trail-Phase 5, Segment 2 (Linn County Conservation Board) - \$500,000
- Raccoon River Valley Trail to High Trestle Trail Connector Phase IV (Dallas County Conservation Board) - \$328,175
- Support for Program and Bicycle Summit (Iowa Department of Transportation) - \$7,000
- Tatonka Ska Trace Rail Trail Phase IV(a) (Dickinson County Trails Board) - \$221,750

Please note the Iowa State Snowmobile Association did not submit a request for this grant cycle as it works through the Buy American Act with three previous RTP awards. See the January issue for additional information on this issue.

ISSA Board Contemplates Dues Increase

stretch of low-snow years with poor riding conditions and the declining membership Ait has created has put a strain on the ISSA budget. As of Jan. 20, only 1,046 members had joined or renewed this winter--or just shy of half of last season's overall total--creating a \$15,000 budget shortfall.

Half of the 60 snowmobile clubs recognized by the ISSA have yet to report or turn in their 2019-20 memberships, so the ISSA is hoping to see an increase before the end of the season. However, of those 30, seven haven't reported ISSA members for the past several

At the ISSA Board of Directors meeting Jan. 12, the financial health of the ISSA prompted a conversation on raising the \$15 dues to \$20 per year. The last increase was in 2005 and the \$5 difference would reflect the rate of inflation over the past 15 years.

No action was taken. Region Directors were asked to poll their respective clubs and report back at the March board meeting. Early findings from Region 7 Director John Kahler showed premature support for an increase, albeit from one of his five clubs.

"I was at a club meeting last night, and I brought this subject up," Kahler wrote by email Jan. 15. "100 percent of the membership was in favor of raising the dues to \$20. I brought up the possibility of (an early renewal discount), and they said not to complicate it and just raise it to \$20."

Snowmobile Iowa Resumes this Month

The first of six scheduled Snowmobile Iowa rides was cancelled the third weekend in lacksquare January due, ironically, to blizzard conditions in Region 4. A Jan. 17 system brought four inches of new snow to the area, but wind gusts up to 45 mph made travel ill-advised the next day.

Region 4 Director Seth Bram, one of three coordinators for the ride from Clarksville to Rock Falls, said the forecast did not look good with "wind and ice" and therefore cancelled the Jan. 18 ride. As of press time, the next two rides slated for Cresco Jan. 25 and Slater Feb. 1 looked promising.

According to Past ISSA President and Snowmobile Iowa organizer Bruno Andreini, the purpose of the planned rides across Iowa is for clubs to showcase their local trail systems, to make an economic impact and to keep tourism dollars in Iowa.

"I think we can really do some good with this," Andreini said at the Jan. 12 ISSA Board of Directors meeting, where he encouraged board member participation. "Put more miles on your sled and less miles on the super slab going north."

The last three Snowmobile Iowa rides are planned later this month: Feb. 8 at the West Bend Country Club, hosted by the Kossuth County Drift Skippers; Feb. 15 at Wayland, hosted by the Southeast Iowa Ridge-Blasters; and Feb. 22 at Jefferson, hosted by the Raccoon Valley Snow Chasers.

Rides typically begin at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Andreini at (515) 240-3858 or awbrunoa3@gmail.com. Watch email and social media for ride updates.



Host of the 2014 ISSA Annual Convention and now the 2022 International Snowmobile Congress

ISSA to Host Prestigious International Snowmobile Event in Two Years

s ISSA officials explore avenues to **T**raise funds for the organization, the ISSA Board of Directors agreed Jan. 12 to host the 54th International Snowmobile Congress (ISC) in June of 2022 at Dubuque. The ISSA last hosted the ISC in 2010 and profited nicely from the event.

"The last time we held this event, it turned into a pretty good deal for our association," Past ISSA President Chris Willey said. "Hopefully, we can do something similar this time."

Willey's wife, Andrea, submitted the bid on behalf of the ISSA and will chair the ISSA's 2022 ISC Planning Committee. She also chaired the 2014 ISSA Convention Planning Committee at Dubuque and has maintained contact with the staff at the Grand River Conference Center, site of the 2014 convention and now the 2022 ISC.

"We're still ironing out all of the details right now, so there is nothing we can share at this time," Chris Willey said. "Andrea's reactivated the same committee that helped with the state convention six years ago. Most of them jumped on board to help, which is really good. We will also be leaning on this board as well. This is an international thing. It takes a lot more work and a lot more people."

Last June, the ISC was held in Grand Rapids, Mich. This year, the site moves to Regina, Saskatchewan, before returning to the U.S. Midwest at Omaha in 2021. While at Omaha, the Iowa delegation will be expected to host an evening reception to highlight the following year's ISC and, more importantly, to pick up early registrations for Dubuque in 2022.

The 2022 ISC Planning Committee will have approximately \$4,200 in seed money left over from 2010. They will be looking to secure sponsorships and include activities to draw people to Iowa. Past ISSA President Jim Willey serves on the executive council of the American Council of Snowmobile Associations (ACSA) and likes what the Dubuque location has to of-

"We are in a good spot there and should be able to easily draw from Illinois and Wisconsin," he said at the January board

More than 400 people attended the ISC in Coralville in 2010. The event is designed to draw snowmobilers from across the Snow Belt to discuss various issues, such as access, legislation and membership.

ACSA is just one of the organizations represented at the annual event. Its counterpart from Canada is also on hand as well as delegates from Scandinavia and Russia. New to the scene is the United Snowmobile Alliance, which was formed in 2018. The ISSA is a member of ACSA.

"Snowmobiling has enemies—as we all know-so we need to continue to work on issues dealing with access, noise, etc.," Jim Willey said. "The challenges go on and are being addressed within organized snowmobiling, especially at ISC and also when we travel to Washington, D.C., each April to visit with our Congressional leaders on Capitol Hill."



SCOTT NAUMAN ISSA VICE PRESIDENT

reetings, fellow snowmobilers: As the snow levels across the state begin to increase, be sure to check the list of upcoming events in this magazine for the locations for the Snowmobile Iowa rides this season

I would like to remind everyone that the legislation for the one sticker bill is still in the works but has not passed yet so please make sure that you have both stickers displayed on your sled yet again this year. Watch for further information on moving our legislation forward. Keep your fingers crossed that this will be for the last time.

At the time that I am writing this article, several clubs across the state have begun early season trail work, whether knocking down weeds or rolling trails with low snow to keep what is there and to start building a base. I would like to say thank you to all of the club volunteers who have spent countless hours laying out, signing and maintaining all of the trails across the state.

Until next month, ride safe and think snow.





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CLUB NEWS

Region 1

O'Brien County Snowtrackers

by Zelda Buse Christensen, Reporter

With its survival on shaky ground, the Snowtrackers has received a transfusion of interest—interest that could be assisted by more snow to help make snowmobiling possible and fun again!

With limited snow, especially in the southern part of the county, our groomer has actually been doing some of the work that it has done very little of the last couple of years. It has twice groomed ditches on Highway 59 from its storage at the Primghar fairgrounds north to Highway 18 and then on 18 between Hartley and Sheldon.

Having lost all but two of our licensed groomer operators, we should have that problem solved, for four "new" enthusiastic young guys attended an instructional class at Sheldon

A meeting in Sanborn, Jan. 7, brought 18 people, including those four guys, Region 1 director Jim Skinner and assistants Randy Magg and Kevin Winters, and other interested snowmobilers. Ways to drum up enthusiasm were discussed, including having regular meetings on the first Tuesday night of each month (next one on Feb. 4).

Someone's idea for a different type of poker run was presented—one that would be stretched over a two-week period, would be shared by four clubs in the four counties. After discussion, the group thought it would be a great idea - with some changes. It would need to be carefully planned in detail ahead of time, so it should be postponed till next year. The "book" that registrants would receive would list all possible places to stop, would include needed maps for the area and would include paid ads from any businesses that club members would contact. Instead of covering two weeks, it would cover basically all winter.

The group was also informed that the Osceola High Point Riders have optimistically scheduled a Fun Run for Jan. 18, starting at 59 Power Sports.

Once again, think SNOW, not nasty storms that mess up all activity, but nice snow that can be managed and played on!

Region 4

Butler County Snow Snoops

By Seth Bram, President

he Butler County Snow Snoops will be hosting their third annual Vintage Ride, Saturday, Feb. 15, at 11 a.m. starting at Dumont. The event costs \$15 for food and registration and includes a pulled-pork meal at Outlaws in Dumont.

Participants are asked to unload in the parking lot south of Outlaws. The ride will leave at noon and make a short 10-mile trip to the Outpost in Aredale. Organizers hope to be back in Dumont by dark. Tow sleds, rescue vehicles and trailers will be available for breakdowns.

For questions, please contact Bill at (319) 239-5408.

Region 5

Driftrunners Inc.

by Bob Martinek, Treasurer

now Fest has come and gone for another year. I would like to personally thank any and all involved. It takes lots of volunteers and sponsors to have Snow Fest. Thank you!!

Our next event is Charlie's Chili Feed on Saturday, Feb. 8. We hold Charlie's on the trail to Cresco just south of Granger, Minn., starting at 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. (or when food runs out). The club has pots of chili, brats, hot dogs and beverages for a free-will donation. However, the best part is the fellowship. Always plenty to go around. All are welcome. Please bring the kids along.

Now I almost hate to bring this up but in case of poor snow conditions, we will hold Charlie's at the Longbranch Bar in Granger. Please check our Facebook page for updates. Thanks for now and see you on the trails!

Region 7

Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club

By Barry Starmer, president

s of this writing (Jan. 14), we received four to five inches of snow this week and and As of this writing (state 1), we have the predictions are correct.







Big Creek officials at the Saylorville Dam January club meeting

At our January meeting, three representatives with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources spoke about Big Creek State Park. What a privilege it is to work with these guys on our trail system in that park.

Mark your calendar, the Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club will be hosting a "Ride Iowa Trails" Feb. 1. On Feb. 5-7, we will be assisting Adaptive Sports of Iowa at 7 Oaks Ski Resort in Boone. We tow the attendees with disabilities up the bunny slope, and there are instructors to assist them on the way down the slope. Wednesdays are always reserved for veterans. What a unique experience. I'm glad that I can be a part of this.

Until next month, get involved and think snow.

Region 9

lowa Snowdrifters

By Ron Roe

Tell, we finally got snow. I'm sure everyone will be out riding now. It seems like you wait all year for this and then it seems to disappear in a couple days. Maybe it will stick around this time.

Our club has most of the trails marked. There are still some bridges that need to be done. The ground was just too wet and soft in places to get heavy equipment in. If there are detours or reroutes, you just need to use caution and watch for the marked signs.

We had a couple of guys from Johnson County Conservation come to our meeting in January and talked about the multi-use trails that we have in our area. We do share some of the trails with other people so you need to be cautious if you see others on the trails.

Several members have already been up north snowmobiling and a lot more talked about their upcoming trips.

That's all for now. Enjoy the riding and ride safe.



Members of the Johnson County Conservation Board at the Snowdrifters January club meeting



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Revisiting Snowmobiling's Golden Years In a West Central Lowa Commu









Vintage Ski-Doo ad



Raccoon Valley Snow Chasers member Craig Flack just the other day



Rupp dealers on a trip to Yellowstone parked outside 4 Seasons Snack Shop at Old Faithful

by Jim Wyckoff

Raccoon Valley Snow Chasers, Region 7

 ${f F}$ ifty years ago on any snowy winter night in Jefferson, Iowa, Lincoln Way was a thoroughfare for dozens of brightly-colored snowmobiles whizzing through town.

The sport of snowmobiling was at its zenith. Many town kids would lay in bed awake at night, listening for that distinct whine of a two-stroke engine zipping by their house. They would then get up the next morning to inform mom and dad

they were missing out on a new and exciting fad and needed to join in by purchasing a family snowmobile. However, if their pleas fell on deaf parental ears, the kids would have to settle for riding their feet-steering Flexible Flyers down the slopes at Seven Hills or Hyde Park.



Jim Wyckoff

Indeed, from the late 1960s through mid-1970s, the sport of snowmobiling exploded across America, including in Iowa and Greene County. That period of time was the "golden

age" of snowmobiling, which saw total U.S. sales from 1969-1975 exceed three million units. That averaged out to just slightly less than half-a-million snowmobiles sold in each of those years. Compare that to recent years when U.S. sales have been around 50,000 units annually.

There were over 200 snowmobile manufacturers that sprang up in the 1960s, including the long-forgotten brands Galaxy, Viking, Norway, Sno-Prince, Wheel-Horse, Sno-Pony, Ski-Whiz and Ski-Daddler. Boat and motorcycle manufacturers also joined the booming snowmobiz, including Johnson, Larson, Mercury, Evinrude, Yamaha, Harley Davidson, Suzuki and Kawasaki. Even big farm equipment makers Massey Ferguson and John Deere jumped into the fray, as did yard equipment firms like Homelite and Ariens. One could even order a new snowmobile out of the Sears or JC Penney catalogs.

Local venues

In Greene County, in west-central Iowa, the more popular snowmobiling venues were Slininger's Woods, Spring Lake, Squirrel Hollow, Hyde Park, Flack's river farm (now called River Farm Recreation), the Raccoon River and, of course, the city streets. There were several sanctioned snowmobile races that took place in the 1970s at the Greene County fairgrounds

In 1972, local snowmobile riders formed the Raccoon Valley Snogoers and quickly gained 180 members, according to the Bee & Herald newspaper archives. Yes, this was front-page news back then. In February of 1973, 41 club members rode from Slininger's Woods into Gene's Lounge in Jefferson, where owner Gene Leonard served the group chili.

The front-page headline in the Jefferson Herald on Jan. 6, 1971, was entitled, "Snowmobiles prove their worth in emergencies during blizzard." The police, led by patrolman Wayne Helms, ferried on snowmobiles doctors and nurses to and from the hospital, and helped out in several other situations where only snowmobiles could travel. Local snowmobile owners Jack Mitchell, Bob McPherson, Dick Pauley and Art Mc-Collum loaned their machines to Jefferson police officers during the storm, the Herald reported. Mitchell and McPherson also drove their own sleds in helping out the police and several citizens-in-need during the blizzard.

Winter Saturday afternoons in Greene County would find dozens of snowmobiles on trailers at local gas stations, with their owners busy filling five-gallon gas cans and mixing in oil—as oil injection for two-stroke snowmobile engines was virtually non-existent back in those days.

A typical winter weekend afternoon

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Population Growth in Johnson County Creates Challenges for Region 9 Club

by Cameron Hanson

new census will be taken this spring to determine population growth and decline throughbout the United States. In Iowa, the headcount will likely validate what the Iowa Snowdrifters already know in Region 9: Iowa City and its bedroom communities are growing at an uncomfortable rate.

Since 2010, the number of residents in Johnson County has swollen by nearly 16 percent to 151,260 people. The area joins neighboring Cedar Rapids and the Des Moines metro as the fasting growing sectors in the state. The Snowdrifters have felt the pinch as urban sprawl continues to threaten the club's existing snowmobile trails.

"We have definitely had some challenges throughout our trail system," explained Bill Hogan, club president. "North Liberty and Tiffin are both among the state's fastest growing cities. There have been roundabouts installed, and schools have gone up where our trails once ran. Johnson County has also been rapidly developing bike trails from Ely to Solon, much of which is directly on our trail system."



Self-policing through social media posts helps the club maintain access through communities.

"The problem we are having down here is a lot of land where we have trails is being developed as suburbs," added club member Derrick Parker, a former Region 9 assistant director. "All of these towns have really grown in the last couple of years, and they are trying to put in bike paths and new housing developments to keep up."

As developers continue to gobble up land for new housing tracts and as communities look to attract new residents, the Snowdrifters have had to become proactive and jump in early in the planning stages to protect snowmobile access in those areas. They said they've been able to create partnerships, and their efforts have been paying off so far.

"We have been vocal. We've attended city council meetings and met with city officials to get agreements and get a better understanding of how we can route through each

community," Hogan said. "In one case, we even gained an agreement to go across some landscaping and have had special signs made to inform riders to be respectful in the area."

"The only way we are maintaining our trails is by going to the city council meetings and getting involved early in the process," Parker said. "We really aren't adding miles of trails because there really isn't any more places for us to grow. I would say all of these new partnerships just allow us to maintain our current trail system."

Building trust

Formed in the 1960s, the Snowdrifters currently mark and maintain more than 220 miles of trail, some of which meander around Coralville Lake and Lake Macbride. Coralville Lake is a reservoir managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the club enjoys a cooperative relationship with those government liaisons.



Club members are now applying that experience when working with city and county officials to maintain their current trail system. The concerns for allowing snowmobile access to continue in these communities are nothing new to the sport: trespassing, noise, hours of operation and general disdain...just to name a few.

"We have a very good relationship with Johnson County Conservation, and we frequently invite them to our club meetings to speak about current and upcoming developments," Hogan said. "We also listen to any concerns they have with how we are using the trails. They understand our challenges and help to ensure we can continue to run the trails."

Parker said the key to continued access is for area riders to "self-police" themselves. The Snowdrifters regularly communicate city ordinances, rules and changes through various forms of electronic communication.

"I'd say, for the most part, city and county leaders enjoy working with us, and they appreciate how we police and manage each situation," Parker said. "We are very proactive on email and on social media of what we expect of our fellow riders. Government officials will also comment on what we put out there as well. They know it's not club members who are not abiding by the rules. It's non-members."

Leading by example

Club member Cameron Steffens of Shueyville understands the importance of following the rules to ensure access remains for his generation and for those who follow. Now 21, he said he has been riding snowmobiles in his home area since he was three years old, and he said he tries to lead by example when travelling through these communities.



A popular destination on the Snowdrifters trail system is the Sutliff Bridge and Tavern along the Cedar River on Trail 1.



Trail 8 north of Coralville Lake is a multi-purpose trail on property managed by the Army Corps of Engineers.

"I always try to keep my speed down, ride responsibly and respect private property," Steffens said. "I've been stopped before by residents who are upset we are riding through their town, even though we were on the designated route. I always try to be super nice to anyone who has any questions about us. I once turned a really bad conversation with a guy into him shaking my hand at the end and walking away smiling."

"As long as we self-police, I think we'll be okay," Parker said. "When we don't, then I know they will start limiting our access."

The Snowdrifters trail system serves the areas along the I-380 corridor between Cedar Rapids and Iowa City as well as towns west of Cedar Rapids. Besides the hills, curves and woods around the two lakes, club trails also follow road ditches and cross open fields. Through their city and county partnerships, the club has also gained access to bike paths and other multi-purpose trails.

"I think we have some of the best riding in the state," Steffens said. "I can leave from my house, ride over to the Lake Macbride State Park area and can get on some really nice hilly trails surrounded by trees that make you feel like you are up north. You can also get out on some wide-open fields. I definitely love the area we have...when we get the snow."

Last season, Johnson County was some of the first areas in Iowa to get rideable snow in the middle of January. The rest of the state had to wait a few weeks. As for this year, a few storms have produced some rideable snow but nothing like last year...yet. Hopefully this month will be a repeat of last February for the Snowdrifters and the rest of Iowa.

Grooming Trail 3 north of Shueyville



Lowa River Riders by Land and Lee







by Cameron Hanson

Sure, members of the Iowa River Riders snowmobile club spend plenty of time traversing the ice of the club's namesake tributary. But don't let the name fool you. Club members also mark and maintain close to 150 miles of ditch and cross-country trail in the southern half of Region 3.

The centerpiece of the club's trail system is the Rolling Prairie Trail, a 17-mile stretch of former railbed open to snowmobiling between Coulter and the Butler County line. Over the years, club members have invested time, energy and resources into making vast improvements on this multi-purpose trail.

Working closely with the Franklin County Conservation Board, the club was awarded more than \$200,000 in state grant money to replace bridges and improve approaches in low-lying areas on this east-west trail which runs through the heart of Hampton, one of the largest cities served by the club.

As detailed on the trail map in this month's center spread, the Iowa River Riders' trail system also connects the communities of Clarion, Belmond, Blairsburg, Dows, Alexander, Coulter, Latimer,

Thornton, Sheffield, Alden and Iowa Falls. The club also meets four neighboring clubs at seven different locations.

When trail conditions permit, the Iowa River Riders plan Fun Runs nearly every weekend during the season. By doing so, club officials say they promote tourism in the area and help support more than 30 club sponsors, many of which become ISSA associate members through the club's sponsorship dues structure.

If the cold doesn't bring enough snow for an organized ride, club members can always fall back on the Iowa River for a little local snowmobiling. In fact, during the winter of 2017-18, the river could be ridden by sled from Belmond downstream to Marshalltown, with club president Lenny Watts at the time saying it was "the best riding in our area" that season.

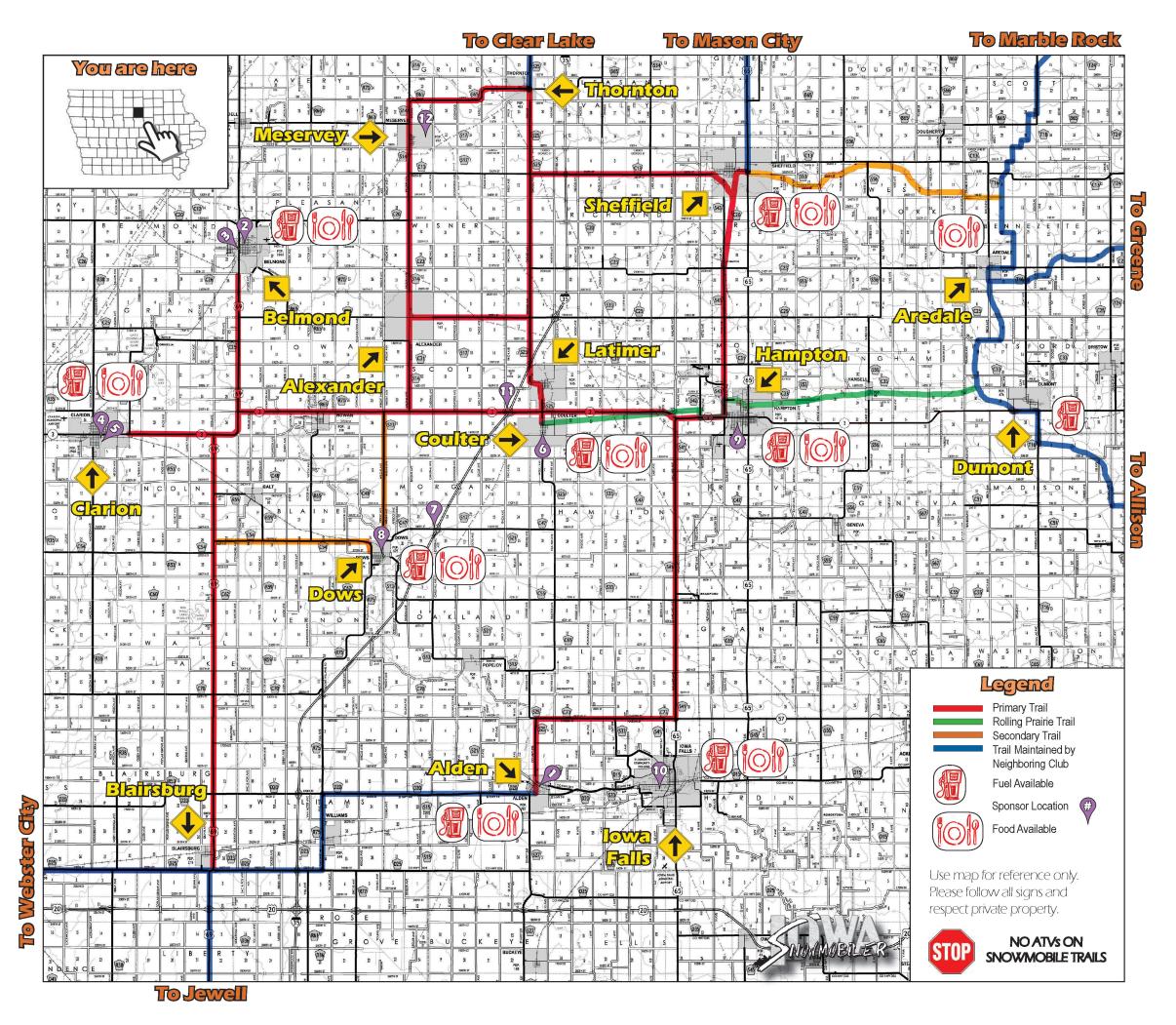
Besides recruiting associate members, the Iowa River Riders support the ISSA through various fundraising campaigns, including donations to legislative efforts, charity and communications. Past ISSA President Gary McVicker is a charter member of the club, which was founded in 1972, and each fall, club members host youth safety training at Coulter.

McVicker is also a two-term county supervisor, and two years ago, he and the Iowa River Riders worked with the Franklin County Board of Supervisors to apply for a federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant on behalf of the Review and Selection Committee of the ISSA-administered Iowa State Snowmobile Trail Program.

The county was awarded \$200,000, and once that grant funding is deposited, the club will be able to update its grooming equipment. The Iowa River Riders currently operate two Sure-Trac groomers, although one primarily serves as a spare back-up unit. Sure-Trac tractors were some of the earliest groomers purchased in Iowa through RTP

funding 15 years ago.

When that new unit arrives, you can bet pictures will be posted on the Iowa River Riders' Facebook page. The club relies on social media for trail updates, event posts and general information for members. Be sure to like and follow. Down from a high of 79 members in 2011, the club has hovered around 45 members the last six years. New and old faces are always welcome to join.



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The lowa River Riders could use your help developing, marking and maintaining the trail system in Franklin and surrounding counties. It takes a team effort to make it all happen. Do your part. Become a club member today. ___\$30/Family or Single before Nov. 1 ___\$40/Family or Single after Nov. 1 Included with your membership are the following benefits: One-year subscription to the lowa Snowmobiler Membership in the Iowa State Snowmobile Association (Please check one) ____New___Renewal ADDRESS CITY STATE EMAIL PHONE Make check payable to: Iowa River Riders. Mail to: Iowa River Riders, PO Box 56, Coulter, IA 50431 For more information, visit www.iowariverriders.com or

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f you enjoy the sport of snowmobiling in Iowa, you are not alone. In 2019, more than 21,000 sleds registered with the Iowa State Snowmobile Trail Grant Program, and 60 clubs around the state maintained a 8,800-mile trail system.

The glue that bonds us together is the Iowa State Snowmobile Association and its network of 2,224 dedicated family members and associates. Since 1973, our organization has helped to maintain an expansive fleet of groomers and lobbied on behalf of snowmobile-friendly legislation.

Without the ISSA over the past 30 years, snowmobiles—for example—would have been held to a 15 mph speed limit, and

there would not have been any night riding, ditch riding nor access to state parks.

We continue to work to increase funding for trail maintenance and development, and in 2017, our organization assumed control of the state snowmobile trail grant program and of the entire groomer fleet. Our efforts continue, and your support would be greatly appreciated.

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The ISSA Education and Scholarship Foundation recognized its 2019 scholarship recipients at last November's state convention in Burlington. On hand for the ceremony were Makayla Kingland, left, and Jamison Prull. They are flanked by foundation executive director Bruno Andreini, left, and foundation president Dennis Nauman. Also recognized at the banquet were Jayden Jorgensen and Kourtney Delperdang.

Four Scholarships Awarded in 2019

With the total amount awarded reaching \$3,000, the ISSA Education and Scholarship Foundation (ISSAESF) handed out four scholarships to student members of the ISSA in 2019. Beneficiaries were recognized at the 2019 ISSA Annual Convention in Burlington Nov. 23.

Last year's recipients included Jamison Prull, Palo, Frozen Few Snowmobile Club, Region 9; Jayden Jorgensen, Rudd, Floyd County Groomers Association, Region 4; Kourtney Delperdang, Spirit Lake, Dickinson County

Snowhawks, Region 1; and Makayla Kingland, Forest City, North Iowa Sno-Jammers, Region 3.

Scholarship awards ranged between \$500 and \$1,000 per student. They were made possible by the foundation's annual fundraising efforts and by income from interest-bearing investments. Scholarships are available for graduating high school seniors and those already enrolled in college. All applicants must belong to ISSA-member families.

"The amount awarded each year will vary depending on the funds available but will be no less than \$200 per student," reads the mission statement posted at the ISSAESF booth at convention. "Sponsors must be the parent or legal guardian of the applicant and must be a member in good standing of the ISSA at the time the application is made."

Created with the seed money left over from the ISSA's hosting of the International Snowmobile Congress in Cedar Rapids in 1995, the foundation has supported 54 deserving kids in Iowa since 1998. ISSAESF board members said they are proud to do their part to further educational opportunities by continuing to offer academic scholarships to qualifying students.

"The main purpose behind creating our scholarship program

What Snowmobiling Means to Me

Jamison Prull Palo

Frozen Few Snowmobile Club Region 9



There is nothing like stopping on the snowmobile trail in the middle of the night, shutting your sled off and staring at the stars. Without a doubt, the most peace and quiet I have ever experienced was in the middle of an lowa cornfield, lost. The starlit snow consumes everything in a real-life dream.

My love for snowmobiling began long before I witnessed this winter wonderland of lowa. It began before I was born. I was on a snowmobile, within my mother's womb, hidden under a now vintage, purple and green HTC snowmobile jacket and some Carhart overalls. When I could safely fit into a youth-sized helmet, I would sit in front of my mom or dad on their snowmobile, holding onto the tightened gas cap. Once I could reach the handlebars, they let me steer. I wanted to be completely in charge, though. I was 11 when I started riding on my own sled. It was a hand-me-down sled, the first snowmobile my dad bought brand new for himself in back in 2001, a Yamaha SRX 700. My mom gave me a spoken speed limit of 45 mph. We weren't five minutes from home before I broke that limit on a beanfield outside of Palo. I was hooked.

I was just addicted to the late-night snowmobile rides with my family. I was addicted to the lifestyle that surrounded owning snowmobiles. In 2011, my family became members of Linn County's snowmobile club—the Frozen Few. Since then, a large part of my life has been defined as a member of the club. Active membership in the Frozen Few made my youth very different from other teenagers. I did my homework at small-town bars during club meetings. When I finished my algebra homework, I listened to discussions of event planning and arguments of whose sled is faster. I know the rounds about getting signed landowners' permission agreements for trail use, I know the dire need for sponsorship money when putting together an event, and I know firsthand the hard work that goes into making and maintaining our club's trails.

These experiences altered my life for the better, and I expect snowmobiling to continue to positively affect my life. It means even more to me now that I am in college five hours away from home as I miss most meetings, trail work and events. When I get to be there with my snowmobiling family, I appreciate every minute.

After I graduate, I plan to establish my life in Cedar Rapids as a surgical nurse and member of the Frozen Few. When that day comes, I would gladly take on a board member position. I feel this is my duty not only because I am a snowmobiler, but because I am indebted to this sport I love. Snowmobiling has given stress relief, real-life lessons, unique experiences and family-like friends. It is more than a hobby; snowmobiling is a part of me.

What Snowmobiling Means to Me

Jayden Jorgensen Rudd

Floyd County Groomers Association Region 4



nowmobiling to me is essentially feeling free and hav-Ding a sense of independence. When I ride, the feeling I get is a feeling that can only be experienced while riding. It is time to unwind and a time to have fun with others. Not only is it a fun activity but it also is a physical workout. When we are riding hard and going over drifts, I start to break a sweat. I am usually pretty sore after that first day of the season riding. When I ride sleds, it is therapy for me. I am not thinking about anything else, just riding. This allows me to get away from the daily hassles and things that caused stress throughout the day. When I ride, it just feels like freedom. I hear the wind blowing around my helmet, while we are sledding across a field or pasture. I love getting all bundled up in my gear and then going out with my dad and friends for a day of riding. Snowmobiling is also an adventure every single time you go out. I love being able to experience nature and the wildlife you may encounter. You never know what type of animals you will come across or what you will see while riding on the trails. I love racing my friends in a safe environment and feeling the adrenaline rush.

Besides from having fun with friends, I have also learned many skills that will help me later in life. For example, I have learned how to respect nature by only riding on the marked trails and being respectful to trees, animals and the environment. I have also learned to respect private property by staying on the marked public ground or accessible ground. Not only do we get to ride with our current friends, but we also may meet old friends and make new ones along the way. When riding through communities, it allows their local businesses to prosper during such a cold time when others do not want to go out. By being involved in snowmobiling, I get to support winter sports and also learn the mechanisms of a snowmobile. I love snowmobiling and being an example that girls can also ride snowmobiles and it is not just a men's sport. Although I have never went on a snowmobile trip north, it does not bother me because I think the tails in Iowa are some of the best in the Midwest anyways I am thankful for the opportunity to own snowmobiles and to be able to show my passion for the sport during the winter months.

ISSA Scholarship Raffle

\$300 gas card from Casey's Tickets: 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20

Drawing at the end of February.

For more information or to purchase, contact Bruno Andreini at (515) 240-3858 or awbrunoa3@gmail.com.



Mary Helen Biller, left, of Des Moines won Sally Carmichael's quilt raffle at convention to benefit the ISSA's scholarship pro-

more than 20 years ago was to get people interested in pursuing their education beyond high school," explained Past ISSA President Bruno Andreini, executive director of the foundation.

At last November's convention, the scholarship program received \$1,300 in donations from snowmobile clubs and another \$350 from Sally Carmichael's annual quilt raffle. The Silent Auction added \$370, bringing the total haul from convention weekend to \$2,020. As a 501(c)3 charitable organization, the foundation also encourages private donations and endowments.

"The foundation was organized to allow fellow snowmobilers or other interested parties to make tax-exempt contributions for the purpose of educational grants," the mission statement explained. "Donations can be in the form of pledges, stocks, real estate, wills, trusts, estates, memorials, checks or cash. Any and all amounts are

appreciated."

New this year, the scholarship committee is raffling off a \$300 gas card from Casey's. Tickets cost \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The drawing is planned for later this month. To purchase tickets, contact Andreini at (515) 240-3858 or awbrunoa3@gmail.com.

"We want to continue to do good with this scholarship program in the amount of scholarships each year by either adding more recipients or increasing the award total on each of the scholarships," Andreini said at the Jan. 12 ISSA



Jayden Jorgensen with her scholarship notification

Board of Directors meeting. "Of course, it depends on what our earnings are and how much we've raised, but that's my personal goal. I want to help as many kids as I can, and I appreciate anything anyone can do for us."

Scholarship applications are available for download on the ISSA's website at www.iowasnowmobiler. com/issa/scholarship. Applicants should check the box on the form if they are high school seniors or students already enrolled in college. Application materials must be postmarked by April 15 and mailed to foundation secretary Carol Nauman at 402 Fifth Street, Rudd, IA 50471.



Kourtney Delperdang with her scholarship notification

According to Andreini, the chances of earning a scholarship through the ISSA are above average, given the relatively small number of entries each spring. Applications are judged anonymously, and the decisions of the scholarship committee are final. Scholarship funds are deposited when the school of choice confirms enrollment.

The top applicant each year is also forwarded onto the International Snowmobile Media Council's (ISMC) C.J. Ramstad Memorial Scholarship competition. To align itself with that program, the ISSA's scholarship application mirrors ISMC requirements. Applicants are graded on neatness, completeness, accurate spelling, correct grammar and school and community involvement.

Students must also submit essays on 'What Snowmobiling Means to Me'. Last year's essays accompany this article. Please keep in mind these essays were written a year ago.

The scholarship award is also based, in part, on need, and since 2012, each applicant has been asked to acquire an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) rating number from the Iowa College Access Network at www.icansucceed.org.

To get this number, the student will need to fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.ed.gov. After filling out the FAFSA, the applicant will receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) and be issued an EFC number.

For more information on the ISSA's scholarship program, please reach out to Andreini at the contact information previously provided.



What Snowmobiling Means to Me

Kourtney Delperdang Spirit Lake

Dickinson County Snowhawks Region 1



ver since I was young, my parents have instilled this idea of balance. To maintain a balance between all of our extracurriculars, church, school, friends, and yes, family. Sure, it may sound cliché, but family truly is the most important thing to me. I find comfort in knowing that even though I am leaving next year and moving into my next phase of life, I will not drift far from my family. I will value my time with them, even more, when I come home...they have shaped my enjoyment for riding snowmobiles a great deal starting at a young age.

Imagine a five-year-old pulling on her puffy snow pants, heavy boots and bright pink coat. That was me. Then I would fly out the door and climb onto the Arctic Cat Kitty Kat snowmobile, driving around the house in circles. At the time, it was the most amusing pastime. After I mastered that, I started spending my entire Sundays of the Winter Games weekend, helping at the radar run concession stands. There was always this "gang" of Snowhawk kids that grew up helping out at events and going to meetings. Those kids all have parents highly active in the club; therefore, we were known for spending our weekends terrorizing the halls of the hotels at the state snowmobile conventions. Slowly, we all started transition to the trails. I would help my dad set up signs and watch him lead meetings as club president. Since then, I have been on numerous snowmobile trips with "the gang." We would spend our days on the mountains, paying on hills and getting stuck in deep snow. Our laughs would carry late into the nights at the card table. Just a few years ago in 2015, my family was blessed to receive the Snowmobile Family of the Year Award from the Iowa State Snowmobile Association. Yet again in 2016, we received the same honor but for the American Council of Snowmobile Associations. I give most of the credit to my father, who portrays selflessness and leadership in every situation. Our family's love for the sport is ingrained in our family values. There is no doubt that snowmobiling means family to me.

I am now 18 years old and a proud member of the Dickinson County Snowhawks. In five months, I leave for college. I turn that page and start that new chapter of my life that I have been planning for since freshman year. I am going to continue running and studying at Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Arizona. And yes, believe it or not, I will miss the snow. Despite changing my climate entirely, I will forever cherish the snow because it came with such influential memories. This hobby has shaped my life tremendously. It has taught me leadership, the value in volunteering, family love, and most of all, true winter fun. In the end, I'll always come home knowing the simplest love for snowmobiling is still there embedded in my family.

What Snowmobiling Means to Me

Makayla Kingland Forest City

North Iowa Sno-Jammers Region 3



have been snowmobiling for as long as I can remember. I started riding with my dad as young as a year old, and it has biven me an opportunity to create my own bonds with my family, friends and especially my dad. We are both very busy so when we go out riding, it gives us a chance to be together. He has taught me how to ride and reasons to love it as well. The happiness that swept through me as a five-year-old when I got my first Kitty Cat snowmobile for Christmas was unexplainable. Because of this, it opened up a life-changing experience for me to snowmobile and learn about the sport.

My dad has ridden snowmobiles out in Wyoming almost every year that I can remember. He brings back pictures of the astonishing views from where he was riding. The landscape is another reason I love riding. Although there aren't amazing views in Forest City, Iowa, we do get lucky sometimes. One thing my dad and I like to do is ride through Pilot Knob State Park after fresh snowfall. The snow lays so perfectly on the trees and creates the most beautiful pictures. Nature settles so nicely under a coat of snow.

Not only has my bond grown stronger with my dad but also my sister. My dad will usually text my sister and I if we want to go riding with him. When we ride together, we joke around about stupid things we have done or something that was hard. Our dad has spent a lot of time in the past couple of years about teaching us how to jump drifts

My sister and I always try the jumps together. If we fail, we laugh about it, but if we succeed, then we talk about how exhilarating it was.

Even though snowmobiling is exhilarating, it can be dangerous too. It has taught me to just be at ease. I've learned the rules of snowmobiling and have been taught the safety that goes with it. I've come to realize that most times getting stuck, wrecking your snowmobiling, fall off are all part of the fun. I can say that I will never give up snowmobiling as these are all part of what snowmobiling is all about.

Snowmobiling has made me experience amazing feelings. The thrill from riding, the crazy adrenaline rush, jumping drifts and riding through powder are some of the feelings I've had. That is what snowmobiling has meant to me: pure joy. Snowmobiling has a big piece of my heart, and I'm so thankful that it has created everlasting relationships with my family and friends.

CALENDAR

February

- Driftrunners' Charlie's Chili Feed Feb. 8 on the Florenceville/ Granger trail.
- Midwest Sled Fest vintage LeMans racing Feb. 8 at Clear Lake State Park. Visit midwestsledfest.com for additional information.
- · Snowmobile lowa ride hosted by the Kossuth County Drift Skippers Saturday, Feb. 8, at the West Bend Country Club. For more information, contact Jeremy Walker at (515) 341-1626.
- · Dickinson County Snowhawks second annual Vintage Ride Saturday, Feb. 8, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Parks Marina, Okoboji.
- Snowmobile Iowa club ride Feb. 15 at Mount Pleasant. Hosted by the Southeast Iowa Ridge-Blasters. For more information, contact Aaron at (319) 217-6361.
- Butler County Snow Snoops third annual Vintage Ride, Saturday, Feb. 15, at 11 a.m. at Dumont. For more information, contact Bill at (319) 239-5408.
- Snowmobile Iowa ride hosted by the Raccoon Valley Snow Chasers Saturday, Feb. 22, at River Farm Recreation, Jefferson. For more information, contact Craig Flack at (515) 370-1196.

- ISSA Board of Directors meeting Sunday March 15, at 9 a.m. at the Americann, Hampton.
- SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge March 9-14 at Michigan Tech University, Houghton, Mich.

April

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Floyd County Groomers Association\$300
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Snow Pioneers \$200
Team Iowa Snowmobilers\$200
Butler County Snow Snoops\$150
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Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club
Dickinson County Snowhawks
Iowa River Riders\$100
Spina Bifida Association of Iowa
Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club\$1,550
North Iowa Sno-Jammers\$1,500
Hancock County Snowmobile Association \$800
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ISSA Annual Convention each November.

Continued from page 8 at Spring Lake would see over 50 snowmobiles buzzing around the lake and surrounding park area. The daredevils would seek out a stretch of open water on the far west side of the lake to do some showing off by water-skipping their sleds.

Rules and regulations in county and state parks were much more lax in the early snowmobiling years. This writer remembers in the early 1970s Greene County conservation employee George Gymer telling riders at Spring Lake one Saturday afternoon that they had to stay on the roads. Then upon re-examining the landscape that just had several inches of new snow overnight, Gymer quipped, "Oh hell, where are the roads? Ride where you want to." As a token of their appreciation for George's easy-going attitude toward snowmobilers, many local riders would leave George a beer or two on the table at the Spring Lake shelter house.

At Flack's river farm, a big and foreboding hill was the challenge for riders to climb. In that time period a 15 to 30 horsepower snowmobile was the norm, with no studded track, so climbing all the way to the top of a large, icy hill was a formidable challenge.

Slininger's Woods was a place for riders to gather at the club house and around a crackling fire for some warm (or cold) beverages after a ride at Flack's or on the Raccoon River.

On snowy school days in the county, several high schoolers would ride to school and park their snowmobiles in the school parking lot, with nary a notice from the school administrators or most law enforcement.

Snowmobile dealers in Jefferson in the late-60s into the early 1980s were Harvey's Sales and Service (Ski Doo) on Highway 4, Binns Equipment (John Deere) on Highway 30 and Flack's Rupp Sales and Service southwest of town.

Craig Flack of Jefferson said he and his brother Curt and their father Tom (the proprietor) sold 90 new and used snowmobiles one year, with the business based right on their farm west of Jefferson. Business was so brisk that Craig said he and Curt had to get up early, before school started, to prep and service all the sleds coming into and going out of their shop.

Craig said other snowmobile dealers in the area were Dean Wolf, who sold Chaparrals in Jefferson; Loren Jessen, who sold the Polaris brand north of Scranton; and Gary Louk, who sold Yamahas out of Yale.

Rupp awarded Tom and Jeanette Flack a snowmobiling trip to Yellowstone one year, for selling so many of their machines.

"You don't ride much when you are a dealer," said Craig, who at 58 is still known for racking up high miles riding in Greene and surrounding counties. Last year he logged 1,250 miles. His best year was riding 2,480 miles in the area in 1983-84. If the river freezes up well this winter, Flack said River Farm Recreation will be hosting some "fun runs" that will rival the old poker runs held by the Raccoon Valley Snogoers of yesteryear. Flack remains a member of the newer iteration of that club formed in the early 1970s—now called the Raccoon Valley Snow Chasers, which can be followed on Facebook.

The glory days of snowmobiling in Greene County and the U.S. began to wind down rapidly in the late 1970s. Generally declining snowfall totals in Iowa and the upper Midwest (at least from the perspective of snowmobilers), high interest rates and economic recession pushed many enthusiasts and dealers out of the sport for good. Just maybe, too, Americans had become more "cushy" and instead of the action of riding a snowmobile in the outdoors they preferred curling up in a warm blanket and watching TV on a cold winter day. Today, just four snowmobile manufacturers remain in the U.S.: Ski Doo, Polaris, Yamaha and Arctic Cat. The average age of a snowmobile rider today is 45 years old—another testament to a sport that hit its popularity peak long ago. However, it appears the sport has stabilized in recent years and many thousands of Iowa snowmobilers still "get out there and get to winter—before it gets to them."



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