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COVER: The Team Iowa Snowmobile Club of Region 7 hosted ice drags Feb. 3 on Little Wall Lake near Jewell. The inaugural event drew close to 50 competitors to the area. Photo courtesy Kim Anderson and Kelsey Westrum.

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Exchanging Ideas in Washington, D.C.

It's the beginning of another season. As I have every year since I was four years old, I look forward to getting out on more trails. But this year feels a little different. There's still the excitement and hope for deep snow and full ditches to ride, but I can't help but be a little worried, like everyone, after the past seasons of low snow.

Even with that little worry at the back



of my mind, I know that nο matter what Mother Nature has in store for

Iowa snowmobilers, we will find a way to make the best of our favorite season.

We need a good snow year and new ways to promote our sport to help clubs and the industry as a whole get back on track. Hay Days was just last weekend and officially kicked off the season. I made a marathon trip up and back in the same day with some of my riding buddies. It's always fun to catch up with people I know from across the country and talk about the new products and our plans for the coming season.

Even with the low snow we've seen Iowa, snowmobilers find new ways to enjoy their love for tracks and skis. We are problemsolvers and don't complain—okay, maybe a little—but no matter what the weather does we buy our registrations and trail passes to support our trails and clubs here in Iowa. If we don't get snow in our local area, we load up and go find it.

Clubs are also coming up with events, like the Rock Valley Watercross, Jack Race and various grass drags, to offer people a way to enjoy their sleds. The Amsoil snocross races being held in Dubuque the last couple years goes to show that even the biggest race series in the industry knows Iowans love snowmobiling.

Along with those events, I just found



Chris Willey ISSA President

out that the Midwest Extreme Snowmobile Challenge will have an event in Iowa in March. These events show that no matter what the snow does, we are going to find a way to enjoy snowmobiling in Iowa. Keep coming up with the ideas; every one of them helps keep the sport in people's thoughts.

Off to Capitol Hill

Back in April, Brian Carmichael and I flew to the ACSA D.C. Fly-In. It's our chance to get together with all the other state associations across the U.S. to discuss topics and challenges we face and share ideas. We also meet on Capitol Hill with our state senators, the U.S. Forest Service and other federal agencies that affect our sport.

While we were out there, we were able to get the go-ahead authorization and Buy America waiver to purchase the last two Prinoth groomers we have on lease. This was a long process to get this done and took a lot of work from past presidents Terry Durby, Jim Willey, Gary McVicker, Brian and myself contacting Senators and Fed-

Congressman Rod Blum stopped by Lake Delhi recently to talk about lowa snowmobiling and snowmobile access nationwide. Rep. Blum (R-Dubuque) has provided key support in Washington, D.C., for the Recreational Trails Program, which makes purchasing groomers possible for lowa snowmobile clubs to use to groom 8,800 miles of trail.

In addition, Rep. Blum has helped lead efforts to preserve snowmobile access where that access has been threatened. All of this has been accomplished while supporting lowa issues and Iowa values in Washington D.C.

"It is important to remember who will support your interests when you go to the polls on Nov. 6. Make sure you know what the positions are on the issues that are important to you for the legislators you will send to D.C. and Des Moines," urged Past ISSA President Jim Willey.



U.S. Rep. Rod Blum, R-lowa, with the ISSA's Jim and Becky Willey.



eral Highway people. I want to thank these guys for their hard work and support.

During the Fly-In, ACSA held strategic planning meetings to plan for the future and identify the needs of the clubs, state associations, and ACSA. This is not a fast process by any means, and the planning and changes continue to be looked at and discussed. More information will be shared as the committees work on their tasks.

I am serving on the Public Relations committee to help come up with new and better ways to promote clubs and associations to snowmobilers who don't know what we do. As your clubs start the season, make sure to get your club events in to Cameron or myself so we can share your events with everyone on all of the ISSA platforms of communication. We can always use articles about your events as well.

There are also some new opportunities to promote your club and local businesses in the pages of this magazine. Email our editor for more details on these opportunities.



Participants in the Iowa Snowdrifters Feb. 11 fun run.

Snowdrifters Offer Trail Pass with Paid Membership

By Ron Roe

Member, Iowa Snowdrifters

s September winds down, we know it is time to start thinking about our upcoming snowmobile season.

You may have heard that the Farmer's Almanac is predicting a cold and snowfilled season, so we are trying to get trails ready and membership information out to you so that they will be ready to ride.

If you are a member, we thank you for your membership in the past and hope that you will continue to support our efforts. If not, we ask that you consider joining.

The Iowa Snowdrifters maintain over 220 miles of trails that help connect us to four other clubs. Last year, our club members put in hundreds of volunteer hours to clear the trails and place signs to ensure a safe riding experience. Once the snow flies, volunteers are busy grooming and maintaining the trails during the riding season.

The 2017-2018 year was a busy one for the Iowa Snowdrifters. We had enough snow in February to host a club ride and get together. We awarded four \$500 scholarships to local area graduates. In August, we

hosted our fourth annual Big Town Show Down tractor pull, which turned out to be a great event.

The Snowdrifters also received two awards last year. We were awarded the Iowa Snowmobile Club of the Year from the ISSA, and we were awarded the Snowmobile Club of the Year from the American Council of Snowmobile Associations.

This year, with a paid \$40 membership to our club, you will receive one Snowmobile Trail User Permit and an ISSA membership if you sign up before Dec. 31 and volunteer on a trail work day or attend a club meeting between October and December. The cost of the IDNR permit is \$17.50, and the proceeds are given back to the ISSA to help fund snowmobiling in Iowa.

On Oct. 27, we are hosting a trail cleanup day. We will meet at the Solon Legion around 8 a.m. Then on Nov 17., we are having a club-wide trail marking day. These would be a great time to come out and meet other club members and work on trails. ATVs are helpful, but not required.

Watch Facebook for more details and thank you in advance for your help.

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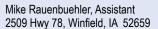
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by Cameron Hanson

Producing thunderstorms in January and February and blizzards in March and April, the bizarre weather pattern in Iowa last winter obviously did not pay much attention to the calendar as snowmobilers around the state suffered through yet another lackluster riding season.

Sure, enough snow fell in certain areas of Iowa to provide pockets of riding opportunities, as detailed in the March issue of this publication, but temperature swings failed to sustain the snowcover for extended periods of time. Riders here were often left with the options of riding on snirt, trailering out of state or parking their sleds until conditions improved.

Then, just as snowmobilers were writing off the season and prepping their sleds for summer storage, spring rolled around and brought four major snow events to the state, all of which combined to push the statewide snowfall total for the season past the 31-inch normal average. Calling it bad timing would be an understatement.

Arriving two months too late, the first system moved across the state March 23-24 from the northwest to the southeast. According to the Iowa Climatology Bureau, higher than normal snow accumulations were measured within a swath stretching from Mason City to Waterloo. More than a foot of heavy, wet snow fell in that band.

The next storm landed the first week of April with most of the precipitation recorded in northern Iowa again, where Mason City saw an additional 10 inches of accumulation. The following week, a third system brought 20 inches of snow to the Iowa Great Lakes Region, and finally, during a three-day stretch beginning Feb. 16, Winnebago County was hammered with 22 inches of snow.

Prior to these four unseasonal events, the statewide average for snowfall was just 21 inches through the end of February,

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October

- ISSA Fall Campout Oct. 5-7 at Manchester.
- Spina Bifida Association of Iowa Walk-N-Roll Saturday, Oct. 6, at 1 p.m. at Principal Park,
- · Central Iowa Snowmobilers Grass Drags Saturday, Oct. 27, at Marshalltown. Event features snowmobile, ATV and UTV drag racing.

November

- Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club annual grass drags Saturday, Nov. 3, at Todd's Airfield,
- 2018 ISSA Annual Convention Nov. 16-18 at Arrowwood Resort, Okoboji.
- ISSA Board of Directors meeting Nov. 18 at 8:30 a.m. at Okoboji







matching 2016-17's dismal output. After the spring storms, that number jumped to 35 inches, or four inches above average. While the total looks good on paper when compared to other seasons, the real story can be told by the low odometer readings on sleds across Iowa.

Besides snow, the spring storms also brought cold temperatures. In fact, according to state climatologist Justin Gilsan, Iowa experienced the coldest April on record this year with temperatures for the month averaging just 39 degrees, or 10 degrees below normal. The lowest reading of the month came on April 7 with -3°F recorded at Waukon.

"From the 9th to the 22nd, the northern half of the state had average temperatures between 10°F to 22°F below normal, while the southern half recorded temperatures between 2°F and 12°F below normal," Gilsan reported in his monthly weather summary for April.

In March, Gilsan replaced long-time state climatologist Harry Hillaker. Before his retirement, Hillaker gauged last winter's performance by observing the fluctuating thermometer readings throughout the first half of the season.

"For the third consecutive month, Iowans endured a wide range of temperature extremes as periods of very cold weather were nearly matched by equally warm episodes," he noted in January. "Overall, there were 10 days averaging more than 10 degrees colder than normal and the same number of days averaging more than 10 degrees above normal."

According to Hillaker, temperature swings in January across Iowa ranged from -28°F on Jan. 2 in west and central Iowa to 60°F on Jan. 26 in southern Iowa. Hillaker also noted the dry weather pattern which

had began in October had carried into January. By the end of the month, the statewide average for snow was less than 10 inches, or half of its normal total.

"This was the lowest snow total at this point in the season since 2003 and 19th lowest on record," Hillaker said.

The lone bright spot was a Jan. 22 blizzard which brought close to 15 inches of snow to Spirit Lake just in time for the Okoboji Winter Games. Before transitioning to snow in northwest Iowa, this system began as rain and even included a few thunderstorms. The only other significant event in January was in the middle of the month, but that two-day system only produced one to two inches of snow over most of the state.

February weather fared a little better for snow with 11 inches falling statewide, but the second month of the year still had its share of rain and again a few thunderstorms. The most noteworthy event appeared Feb. 9-10, when snow totals exceeded two inches over the northern half of Iowa with accumulations around the Fort Dodge area reaching 11 inches.

Like the previous month, February witnessed wide swings in temperature readings, and what snow did arrive did not last very long. While beginning with subzero temperatures early in the month, parts of the state saw the thermometer climb to 70°F by the end of the month. Hard to create a trail base with those extreme conditions.

"Very cold weather prevailed early in the month with temperatures averaging 10.6 degrees colder than normal over the first 13 days of February," Hillaker said. "Warmer weather dominated the remainder of the month with above normal temperatures occurring on 11 of the final 15 days of the month."





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Best Chance to Renew Groomer Card at Convention

by Cameron Hanson

he three-year grace period has nearly expired, and the clock is ticking for the first half of groomer operators in Iowa who have not renewed their certification card within the past year.

Initially, in the wake of numerous recordkeeping issues, the deadline was extended to Jan. 1, 2018, at the 2015 ISSA Annual Convention in Storm Lake, but another year was added when the ISSA assumed control of the state snowmobile program from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) last year.

Now, any operator with a last name listed alphabetically in the

first half of his or her club's directory of operators must be recertified by the first of the year. Generally speaking, operators with a last name starting before the letter N should check their status soon. The rest will need to renew by Jan. 1,

"The split depends on your list, but I tried to keep it in the middle of the alphabet," explained ISSA President Chris Willey, groomer training coordinator. "I didn't want to have a club have everybody fall off and then not have any certified operators for this winter. If you want



to know where everyone in your club stands, shoot me an email." For 13 years now, the IDNR and the ISSA have required groomer operator training. The logic behind the certification is to keep equipment breakdowns to a minimum and limit any liability exposure to the state snowmobile program. The training lasts about four hours and includes a PowerPoint presentation. New operators must also mentor with an experienced operator before earning a card.

At least four training sessions were held last season, and two are currently planned for this year in Cedar Falls and Floyd County, although dates, times and locations have not been determined yet. More training classes will be scheduled before the end of December, and with seven certified trainers available across Iowa, Willey feels confident everyone will have ample opportunity to get a new card, which will now last for five years.

Perhaps the best chance to renew will be at the 45th Annual Con-

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Floyd County Groomers	\$200
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Iowa River Riders	\$100
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2018 ISSA Annual Convention Nov. 16-18 Okoboji, IA

Tentative Agenda

Friday, Nov. 16

6:30 p.m.

Convention Registration, 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Vintage Snowmobile Show &

Shine Set Up,

Snowmobile Iowa Set Up. Avalanche Seminar presented

by Mike Duffy. Courtesy of

Lyon County Sno-Lyons.

7 p.m.-10:30 p.m. Hospitality/Hog Feed. Courtesy

of Lyon County Sno-Lyons.

Saturday, Nov. 17

8:15 a.m. to 10 a.m. Convention Registration,

Vintage Snowmobile Show &

Shine Set Up,

Snowmobile Iowa Set Up.

Opening Remarks & Welcome 8:30 a.m. 8:50 a.m. Region Meetings & Elections 9:00 a.m. General Membership Meeting 10:30 a.m. Brunch. Silent Auction Opens

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. **Break-Out Sessions TBD Groomer Certification Class**

5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Social Hour

6 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m. Awards Ceremony.

Donation Presentations 8:30 p.m. Drawings & Raffle 10:00 p.m. Closing Ceremony

Sunday, Nov. 18

8:30 a.m. **ISSA Board Meeting**

vention at Okoboji in November. According to the agenda above, the convention planning committee has blocked off some time for the training Saturday afternoon, Nov. 17, at the Arrowwood Resort and Conference Center. Willey is currently in the process of updating the training materials and may be able to shave some time off

"We can probably do a condensed version at convention and get it done in three hours," he said.

If a club would like to host a training class, its members should contact Willey at issa.rsc@gmail.com to set a date. "Otherwise, people are just going to have to drive a little bit to get this done," he said. "Sometimes, it works out, and the training is right in your backyard, but for some, it's going to take a little effort."

Clubs Hosting Events

Besides the groomer training, other details for convention are coming together nicely, according to Region 1 Director Dan Delperdang. Registrations are starting to show up, and clubs are stepping forward with sponsorship opportunities.

On Friday night, the Lyon County Sno-Lyons of Region 1 are hosting an Avalanche Awareness Seminar with Colorado-based instructor Mike Duffy. Attendees are encouraged to bring their avalanche beacons and can be entered into a drawing for a Back Country Access Radio. The Sno-Lyons are also hosting a hog feed as part of the hospitality event that evening.

Throughout convention weekend, the Dickinson County Snowhawks, also from Region 1, are planning a Show-N-Shine vintage



snowmobile show for any machine aged 1990 and older. If you are interested in displaying a snowmobile, contact club members Stephanie Parks at (712) 330-6162 or Jantina Carney at (712) 320-5187.

Clubs are invited to set up booths and displays for the annual Snowmobile Iowa showcase, and they are also encouraged to bring their ISSA program donations to the Saturday evening banquet for presentation and recognition, including the Club Challenge, ACSA Legal Defense Fund, Spina Bifida, Scholarship and Communica-

Delperdang said details are still being ironed out for the Saturday afternoon break-out sessions. If anyone has any suggestions or ideas to fill those time slots, he can be reached at (712) 330-2609 or dandelperdang@hotmail.com. The sessions last about an hour and can overlap if needed.

"We have a few things lined up but are always looking for more," he said.

ISSA Business Affairs

Most of Saturday morning at convention will be consumed by the business of the ISSA, including the General Membership Meeting and elections for directors from even-numbered regions. A new vice president is expected be elected as Brian Carmichael moves up to succeed Willey, whose two-year term ends that weekend.

Past ISSA President Jim Willey has agreed to chair the ISSA Nomination Committee and is currently accepting nominations for vice president. Per ISSA By-Laws, only existing elected or appointed officers, region directors and assistant region directors are eligible to hold the top two offices in the ISSA.

"The vice president will automatically become the president of the organization at the expiration of the president's stay in office," Willey noted.

Administered by Chris Willey and Past ISSA President Terry Durby, the Review and Selection Committee (RSC) of the Iowa State Snowmobile Program is also expected to provide a financial update on registration fee receipts, program expenses and equipment purchases over the past year.

According to Willey, the program has successfully completed its first bookkeeping audit with the IDNR, and in July, committee members approved \$163,120 in trail grant awards to Iowa snowmobile clubs for the coming season. Another \$70,000 was set aside in reserves for anticipated repairs and expenses.

"With all of the rain we've had this summer and fall, I'm not going to be surprised if we have clubs which need bridge and trail

2018 Spina Bifida Donations	
Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Association \$ Hancock County Snowmobile Association \$ Eastern lowa Sledheads Cedar Falls Sno Hawks North lowa Sno-Jammers Driftrunners Tri-County Snowmobile Association Floyd County Groomers Bremer County Sno-Knights Snowdrifters Central lowa Snowmobilers Trail Blaz-zers Trails Unlimited Team lowa Snowmobilers Snow Pioneers lowa River Riders Butler County Snow Snoops Allamakee Sno-Blazers	\$2,017 .\$500 .\$500 .\$500 .\$500 .\$376 .\$300 .\$250 .\$250 .\$200 .\$200 .\$150 .\$100 .\$100

repairs so that's why we left the money in there so we have a cushion to take care of those things as needed," Willey explained. "Everybody doesn't always get what they ask for, but for the most part, they got what they wanted with this year's grant awards."

RTP Update

Eighteen clubs requested new or updated grooming equipment on their grant application requests this off-season. According to Willey, the RSC is currently in the process of "prioritizing" those needs. Up first is purchasing two Prinoths currently on lease.

With another grant application deadline looming this month, the state snowmobile program still has federal funding available through three existing Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grants.

Equaling \$240,000 each, two of those awards were carried over from the IDNR, and the third is the approved application for \$200,000 to Franklin County on behalf of the Iowa River Riders of Region 3. All RTP funding is an 80-20 match, whereby the state snowmobile program ponies up 100 percent of the purchase price of a groomer and then requests 80 percent reimbursement from the Federal Highway Administration.

Before proceeding onto the next round of grants, past practice with the state snowmobile program is to wait for reimbursement funds to be deposited from the previous grant cycle in order to use that influx of money for the next equipment purchase.

"We roll that money again to get the next one done," Willey said. "If we jump over, it really jumbles that whole process, and we don't want to lose that money. We need to get our 80 percent match back so we can move forward with the other two RTP grants that are out there"

In addition to its financial update, the RSC will also be holding a public election to appoint the Western Representative to its committee. That seat is currently held by Region 1 Assistant Director Randy Magg. The term is for three years, and the seat is open to any registered snowmobile owner in Iowa.

Also on Saturday, the ISSA Legislative Committee is tentatively planning to hold a ballot vote on whether to pursue the singlesticker legislation again this season. If it is the will of the membership, the measure will need to start over again this January.

According to ISSA Lobbyist Mike Heller, most of the opposition to the fee increase last year came from snowmobilers in western Iowa. Committee members would like to hear from them and will also be inviting local legislators to attend the convention as well.

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Tri-County Snowmobile Association	\$376
Central Iowa Snowmobilers	\$350
Snow Pioneers	\$350
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Inaugural Event Last February Draws Close to 50 Competitors to Little Wall Lake at Jewell

by Cameron Hanson

yeing an opportunity to promote their organization, recruit new members and generate interest in snowmobiling in and around Hamilton County, the Team Iowa Snowmobile Club from Region 7 hosted its inaugural ice drags the first Saturday in February on Little Wall Lake at Jewell.

Featuring head-to-head racing as well as radar runs, the Feb. 3 event drew close to 50 competitors with classes ranging from trail sleds to vintage rides to modified machines. Trophies were awarded to the top two finishers in each class as well as prizemoney to the fastest run of the day in the radar runs, billing it as the "King of the Lake."

"It was a good day for us and very successful in my opinion," reported club president David Eide. "We were absolutely pleased with the following that came

over. Everyone seemed to have a great time, and they were really patient with us as this was our first year for the races. They all said they loved it and are planning to return this winter."

Besides the local draw, Eide said racers arrived to the central Iowa venue from the Des Moines and Marshalltown areas as well as from Mason City and Okoboji. Despite a small system which brought flurries and a little rain later in the afternoon, the weather for the



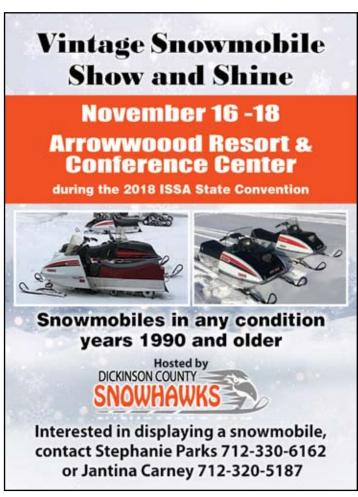
most part cooperated for the event. "Everything worked out great, and we were able to finish everything up just fine," Eide said.

Brainstorming Ideas

When club members first began tossing around ideas to promote the sport of snowmobiling locally, they discussed hosting a few fun runs, but when rideable snow failed to materialize, they didn't have to look too far to find other opportunities.

"We really wanted to host a snowmobile event in our area last winter," Eide explained. "We attempted to organize a few club rides, but with the snow being obviously unpredictable any more, we had to abandon those and try something else. We had the lake and facilities right here by Jewell so it just made sense to try our hand at ice drags."

Including a negative-28-degree day, a pair of cold



snaps in January helped to build the ice on the lake to more than 15 inches, and the club secured a Special Event Permit from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to host the races. Organizers also worked with the Hamilton County Conservation Board for use of the park facilities around the lake.

The club also needed to purchase additional insurance to cover the head-to-head racing, and volunteers from Jewell Fire and Rescue were also on standby to handle any medical emergencies. While most of the proceeds from the event covered race-day expenses and prizes, the club was able to pocket a little seed money for this win-

ter as well as make small donations to conservation board and first responders for their assistance with the event.

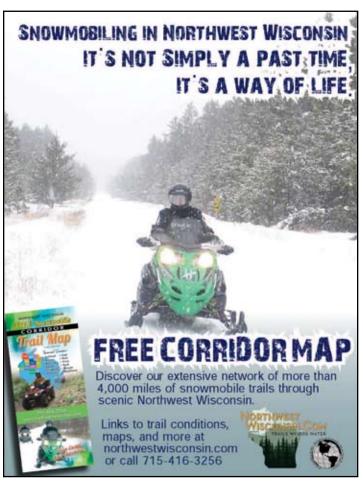
"The county was great to work with," Eide noted. "They provided us with trash barrels and set out some



fire rings so we could have fires to keep people warm."

Club members also staffed a concession stand, and spectators lined the rocky shoreline to watch the drag racing. Organizers have already identified areas for improvement for this February and are looking to grow the event in the future.

"We're hoping to keep this going in the right direction," Eide said. "We are trying to gain new members and new sponsorships and to try to improve our trail system. Any money we make on this event is going back into trails and grooming and to help keep snowmobiling alive in Hamilton County."







Following lunch at Remer, Gary McVicker of Hampton heads down the nearby rail-trail.

by Cameron Hanson

While I prefer to ride as much as possible in Iowa—weatherpermitting—it's no secret I enjoy snowmobiling in northern Minnesota, particularly the Grand Rapids area. Four times over the past dozen or so years, the wide, sweeping trails in and around Itasca County have lured me north.

Besides the plush trail system and easy access to local amenities, this region appears to have a rich snowmobile tradition as well. At least three local snowmobile clubs maintain clubhouses there and help keep the trails well groomed. In 1984, Elmer Cone started the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame at nearby Bovey, and for 30 years, Polaris and Arctic Cat co-founder Edgar Hetteen called the area home before his passing in 2011.

I was first introduced to the Grand Rapids scenery in February of 2005, when several ISSA board members attended the Hall of Fame induction ceremony for the late Dave Carmichael, who served as ISSA president from 1995-96. In addition to honoring



Curt Hallett of Charles City poses with a vintage, trailside club sign near Remer.

one of our own, this prestigious event also featured a "Who's Who" list of snowmobiling industry pioneers, including Cone, explorer Ralph Plaisted, journalist C.J. Ramstad and many others.

Soo Line Trail

The setting also provided for me an opportunity to meet and interview Hetteen, the "Grandfather of Snowmobiling," for this publication. I still have the audio recording from the time we spent together as well as a signed copy of his autobiography. Now more than 10 years later, this chance encounter obviously made a lasting impression on me.

The day after the induction ceremony, that first trip also included a groomer expo on the grounds of the Wendigo Golf Course. The rest of our time there was spent riding the local trails and touring the famed Taconite Trail, which stretches 165 miles from Grand Rapids to Ely. It was one of the few times I can recall ever riding with ISSA board members, a couple of whom talked me into getting up before daybreak to ride the freshly-groomed trails.

Back for More

Another eight years would pass before I would return to the area. Subsequent trips in 2013 and 2016 found us staying at a hotel in Grand Rapids and a cabin near Nashwauk, respectively; and then two winters ago, we decided to book a rental home on the shores of Lake Pokegama, which borders Grand Rapids on the south and west.

The five of us arrived on Jan. 18, 2017, for four days of riding before heading home on Jan. 22. With two new riders along, we wanted to make sure they experienced the Taconite so our first order of business was a trip through a town to pick up the state-maintained corridor on the north side. Our destination for the evening was the Scenic Pines Restaurant and Bar off the Herb Brandstrom Trail, a popular watering hole during our previous visits to the area and a stone's throw from the Swampsiders clubhouse.

Despite a solid 60-mile push from the lake with very little stopping, we arrived only to find the place closed for the evening. Luckily, the neighboring gas station was still open, so we filled up our tanks and shoveled in some microwaveable sandwiches before doubling back to Grand Rapids.

Not quite the experience we were hoping to showcase for our new companions, but at least they enjoyed some good trails as conditions back home were fairly non-existent.

Spending Time South of Town

With our base camp on the south side of town, the rest of our time in the area was spent exploring trails to the south, which for me was mostly uncharted territory. While making it to Hill City a few times, previous visits to the area always seemed to focus on the Taconite and riding north of Grand Rapids so heading in the opposite direction was a nice change of pace for this trip.

Each morning began with a ride across the lake to pick up our destination trail for the day. More than once, we headed south on the Driftskipper Trail past their clubhouse toward Hill City. The second morning, we turned east from Hill City on the Rabey Trail rail grade and rode toward Jacobson before a mid-afternoon break at the Red Eye Saloon at Swan River.

Following our late lunch and refueling, we continued northeast along Highway 65 on the Greenway Trail until we met the Goodland Trail at, you guessed it, the town of Goodland. The Goodland Trail eventually led us up to Corridor 76 east of Pengilly, at which time we heeded a sign pointing left to Grand Rapids.



Matt Wilde of Ankeny passes under a trellis of fallen and leaning trees on a trail southwest of Grand Rapids. Locals said the damage was caused by an off-season, straight-line windstorm.

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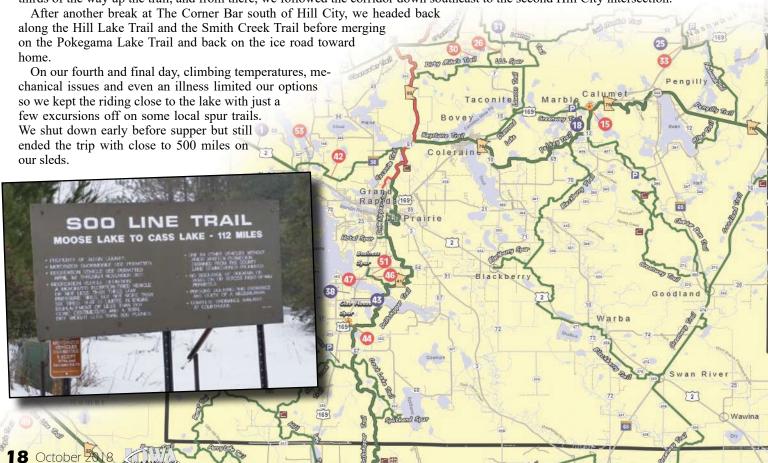
After another pitstop at Coleraine, the Keystone Trail dumped us back on the Taconite just north of Grand Rapids, and we turned south back to the rental house for the evening. At this point, our two-day total was close to 300 miles for the trip.

The following morning, we spent a little more time on Lake Pokegama, heading past the Driftskipper Trail and west across the Highway 169 bridge. After reaching the point on the lake, we followed tracks south to the Pokegama Lake Trail with the Remer Trail serving as our ultimate destination.

It didn't take long to notice this area was still reeling from an off-season, straight-line windstorm which left trees fallen and leaning, creating a natural trellis over parts of the snowmobile route. Trail cleanup appeared to still be ongoing as we encountered along certain sections.

The Remer Trail eventually brought us to the Soo Line Trail and on into Remer for lunch. After twisting and turning through the woods most of the morning, we decided to stay on this rail grade a little longer for some smooth straight riding.

Overall, the north section of the Soo Line spans 112 miles northwest from Moose Lake to Cass Lake. Remer is located about two-thirds of the way up the trail, and from there, we followed the corridor down southeast to the second Hill City intersection.





by Jim Willey

Chair, ISSA Communications Committee

The Grizzly Cooler folks have once again provided two of their **▲** products to support ISSA programs this year. Last year, you may recall that the ISSA ran a raffle, giving away the Grizzly 20 at the annual ISSA campout and the Grizzly 40 at our 2017 ISSA Convention in November to lucky winners.

The 2018 raffle will once again feature a Grizzly 20 and a Grizzly 40 for the fundraising raffle to support ISSA programs and benefit all Iowa snowmobilers. For 2018, the coolers will both be raffled at the ISSA convention Nov. 16-18 at Okoboji.

Iowa Rotocast Plastics, Inc., (IRP) of Decorah manufactures Grizzly coolers, as well as food and beverage carts and merchandising displays. IRP is a family-owned and privately-held company with a proud history of putting customers first.

IRP is one of the leading employers in the Decorah area. The company's humble beginnings reflect a strong work ethic, a focus on teamwork and a relentless pursuit to move with the actions of their customers. IRP was founded in 1985 as the "Super Cooler" company. In 1986, the company changed its name to Iowa Ro-

tocast Plastics to better reflect their expanding product offering. Today, the IRP family of brands offers a wide range of ice merchandising, food equipment and marketing solutions for on- and off-premise equipment, outdoor and custom projects.

Recently, my wife, Becky, and I met with Brady Severson, Lou Arens and Isaac Goetzinger for a tour of the Grizzly facilities in Decorah.

We learned that Grizzly Coolers

are made of rotationally- molded plastic, which allows Grizzly to make their coolers strong and provide optimum performance. The rotomolding process makes sure that each part has a consistent wall thickness and is free of imperfections, and that the products will hold up to the toughest abuse. The insulation is injected in a precise process, with the cooler completed from raw materials to

Jim Willey with Isaac Goetzinger and the two coolers donated to the ISSA.

completed product-including custom logos —all at the Decorah facility.

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Grizzly Coolers aren't only protective against the animals in the wilderness; they are protective against the heat of the sun as well. Grizzly coolers have gone through extensive testing to make sure they hold ice the longest, and in the most extreme conditions.

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So if you need a cooler that will keep things cold for the long journeys, the extended trips and those intensely heated adventures, then Grizzly Coolers are the ones you need. We would like to thank the Grizzly folks for providing the tour of their facility and the information on the construction and testing of the Grizzly Coolers, and especially for the support they provide to ISSA programs through their donations. We truly appreciate their support of snowmobiling in Iowa.

Region 1

Dickinson County Snowhawks

by Jantina Carney, Publicity Director

Te are gearing up for what hopefully will be a great riding season here in the Iowa Great Lakes Area! We are busy planning some events for the state convention and are looking forward to hosting a vintage Show-N-Shine snowmobile show.

We invite anyone to display their snowmobiles during the state convention—years 1990 and older! They will be on display for the weekend—should be fun to see what's out there! If you have any questions, you can contact myself at (712) 320-5187 or Stephanie Parks at (712) 330-6162.

The University of Okoboji Winter Games is scheduled for Jan. 24-27. If you haven't been to this awesome winter event, you should make plans to attend! Let's all hope for a long fall and some great riding weather this winter.

O'Brien County Snowtrackers

by Zelda Buse Christensen, Reporter

In an attempt to get the club functioning again—anticipating the **▲**ISSA convention in northwest Iowa, snow, groomer operation, signing, activity planning and some fun—the following message was just sent out:

Too early to be thinking about snow activities? Not really. The O'Brien County Snowtrackers invites and urges all officers and directors, all present and former members, all people who like to snowmobile and who enjoy camaraderie with fellow snowmobilers —all are welcome to come to the Pizza Ranch in Sanborn at 6:45 p.m. Wednesday night, Sept. 19.

Come and be a part of this relaxing and informational get-together (and eat some pizza). Remember: 6:45 p.m. Wednesday night, Sept. 19, at the Pizza Ranch in Sanborn. Bring your friends!

Hopefully, we have a good response.

Region 5

Cresco Driftrunners

by Bob Martinek, Treasurer

Hello from Cresco. It was official today at our Steak Fry and Membership Drive annual meeting (Sept. 16): We have started our

Jeff Z. has completed his two-year term as President. I would like to personally thank and congratulate him on a job well done. Chris S., John G., Zach G. and Jeremiah H. all finished their terms on the board. However, all four decided to run for re-election and were put back on for another three-year term. Thanks guys!

Also other changes include Brandon P. moving up to President from 1st V.P. and Lee P. becoming 1st V.P. from his current 2nd V.P. position. It should also be known that Jeff Z. remains on the board as 1st Past President so that we can pick a current board member to be the new 2nd V.P. The board does this in October or November.

Also discussed at the meeting were some planned repairs to the west exterior and interior walls of the clubhouse. Lee P. is heading up that project. The biggest discussion centered on the trail repairs and reroutes needed because of all the heavy rains our area has received this year. Please use your head and follow the trail signs to have safe and fun riding. We also talked about some maintenance work needed on the groomer. Mostly new batteries with oil and filter changes needed.

Lastly we gave the annual awards for most miles. Female: Darla V. with 1,429 miles. Male: Wayne V. with 1,660 miles. The coveted "Crash Award" by unanimous decision went to Troy S. That's about all for now and until next month. Thanks!



Making a test pass with the pulling sled prior to the start of the Big Town Show Down in August.

Region 9

Iowa Snowdrifters

by Ron Roe

Hello, everyone in snow land. I just returned home from Hay Days. My wife and I went there for two long days of walking. In the last 15 minutes of Sunday, I ran across two friends from the Snowdrifters that I hadn't seen the whole two days of walking. It was just in time for a cold one for the road.

Earlier in the weekend, I had seen quite a few members from the



Snowdrifters. Also through the weekend, I met up with a lot of members from the Sledheads club, of which I am also a member. I'm sure there were others from our area there that I didn't see.

On Monday after Hay Days my wife, Chris, and I went to Spooner, Wis., and rode our ATVs. We had nice riding and lots of dust. We stopped at a picnic shelter for a break, and we could hear thunder off in the distance. We could see the black sky to the north-west, so we got ready and headed south and west and dodged the rain. We ran across a couple roads that were wet from the rain after it was over. Then, the sun came out and it got hot. It was a fun trip.

On Thursday night, we had our club meeting. We started discussing our membership renewals. We will be sending out a flyer for people to sign up. We are having new trail maps made this year. We have them made for two years and then make adjustments to them as needed, such as new trails or moved and closed trails. Our club is also hosting a golf tournament on Sept. 29 in Solon for any golf enthusiast.

We had our tractor pull in August at Hawkeye Downs. We had a good turnout of tractors and tons of people to watch, which makes for a good evening out. Congratulations and thanks to all that helped in putting this on, which takes a lot of help.

Now we need to start thinking about working on the trails again. This is all I have for now until next month. See ya.

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