

Benton County Snowmobile Club



GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS FELLOW SNOWMOBILING ENTHUSIASTS!

Happy November to you all! The bugs are dead or they soon will be, our season draweth nigh. There is always a lot going on in November. The big event is always the Landowner's Appreciation Dinner and that will be at Jack & Jim's in Duelm, MN on Saturday November 27th. They have a banquet hall that is big enough to hold all of the landowners and us as well. Please, gather door prizes and bring them. It goes much smoother if we all chip in and do our part. The raffle drawing will be held that evening as well. Our trails cross so much private property, this is the least we can do to let the landowners know that we are thinking about them and appreciate their generosity. On a mechanical note, we have in our possession, a "soil processor". I'm not sure if all of the cool names were already taken, and this was all that was left, or if this has some deeper meaning, but if it works, you and I are going to be pretty dang happy. This thing will flatten frozen plowed fields. It takes a LOT of snow and grooming to fill in the furrows and ridges in a farmer's field. When we have minimal snow, grooming can only do so much. You are left with a pretty rough snowmobile trail. Even our carbides and studs don't do much to flatten those ridges. You would think that enough sleds going over the same area would work, but it really doesn't seem to. I hope someone remembers to take some before and after pictures. Our website peeps would be happy to post them. November and the December meetings to be held at the East Side VFW. The staff was friendly and the food was great, and the ROOM.....covid can't touch us, we're too far apart!



AL'S CORNER:

The MNUSA Winter Rendezvous is one week earlier for 2022. I'm guessing so that it doesn't interfere with the Super Bowl which appears to be one week later than usual. It is at Cragun's Resort again. That is a fantastic venue, but I was completely lost in that complex the entire time, it's just so large! I think I know what Harry Potter and his friends were dealing with at Hogwarts, when the staircases would randomly move around and deliver you to a different spot each time you used them. I think Sarah Winchester had her hand in the building of Cragun's. (you can Google it) I don't know about you, but I'm willing to break with tradition and do a club trip somewhere else this year. The farther North you go, it seems like the better chance of having snow. Personally, I think we're going to get clobbered this year, as the weather pattern from 1988 is still holding true. We have a few months to organize some longer trips and hope for snow. Also, if your sled needs repair, DON'T wait until it snows and try to get your machine in the shop. Some shops are already 3 WEEKS behind schedule. Get your clothing now as that always goes quickly. I found a website that has Ski-Doo clothing and it was quite reasonable. It's hard to find my size, and most dealers won't carry it, forcing me to go on-line to find what I need. The site is skidoooutlet.com If you give them your email, you get 10% off your order. Snowmobile clothing is quite expensive, so 10% actually adds up. If you drive an Arctic Cat, there's always garage sales so you guys won't be left out. **wink wink Please come to a meeting, we will be honored to have you. Great bunch of people, you'll meet some new friends and riding buddies.**

Thanks for reading, folks!