

Whiteshell Snowmobile Club

VOLUME 1, ISSUE 1

DECEMBER 2009

President's Message SUBMITTED BY Kevin Boughton

Cottage life has always been an important part of my family. Growing up, summers and winters were spent at our family cabin at Jessica Lake. After Labour Day weekend I would anxiously wait for the leaves to fall and the lakes to freeze. Christmas would be spent at the cabin and thanks to the network of groomed trails, we would explore parts of the Canadian Shield that could only be seen with ice and snow. It is because of my fond memories at the lake that I am excited and honoured to serve as President of the Whiteshell Snowmobile Club (WSC) for the next two years. I look forward to working with each of you in continuing to maintain and enhance our shelters and trail system.

Manitoba Conservation, that the warm up shelters and extensive trail system exists in Whiteshell Provincial Park.

Please read below for a list of our current Board of Directors, and remember, we are always looking for new members and volunteers. I invite anyone who is interested in becoming involved to contact me at (204) 467-2190. For other current happenings in the club, please be sure to check out the article regarding our December meeting with Manitoba Conservation (page 3).

Looking forward to a year of great sledding! Happy Holidays .

I would like to thank Owen Jones, Past President, for his leadership and dedication to the WSC. It is thanks to the hard work and commitment of numerous volunteers, as well as

All the best in 2010,

Kevin Boughton

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

Pres. Report & AGM Highlights	1
AGM Highlights	1
Meeting with Mb Conservation	2
Member News	3
New Happenings	4
Events Calendar & Membership	5
Snowshine Girl	6

AGM HIGHLIGHTS

The season kicked off on November 5, 2009 with our AGM at Club Regent Hotel & Casino. Owen Jones, Past President, gave us a recap of the 2008-2009 club accomplishments, followed by Ernie Smelski, President of Snoman, who spoke about the integration of the Snopass with MPI for the upcoming season. Following speeches, elections took place and the following people were elected to the board:

Kevin Boughton – President
Kris Mutchter – President Elect
Jordan Ferguson – Vice President
Pat Ledingham – Treasurer
Gary Bentham & Barb Albinet – Secretary



PIC 'n' PAY SHOES

Specialty
TIRES & TUBES

875 Century Street, Winnipeg, Manitoba
WWW.CASTERLAND.COM
(204) 783-5497
(888) 716-8686

THINKING OF BUILDING A TRAILER?
WE'VE GOT THE PARTS FOR YOU!

SUPER-GLIDES
 JACKS
 SUPER CLAMP 2 SNOW MOBILE DOLLIES
 BALLS & COUPLERS
 HIGH SPEED TRAILER TIRES & WHEELS
 WINCHES
 TRAILER & AG HUBS, SPINDLES & BEARINGS
 TRAILER LIGHTING KEYS
 TRAILER AXLE & RUNNING GEAR KEYS
 Authorized Dealer
 LAWN & GARDEN, ATV, & SPECIALIZED SLOW SPEED TIRES & TUBES
 (GOREY NO AUTOMOTIVE PARTS)

HOURS:
 Monday - Friday
 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
 Saturday
 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

875 Century Street
 Winnipeg, Manitoba
 PH: 800 661 6600

Casterland.com
 Wheels Plus More
 (204) 783-5500
 WHEELS, CASTERS, GLIDES & MORE

MEMBER NEWS

Sad News

Our club received some sad news in September. John Price who had been involved with the club as a Lake Director (White Lake) and Shelter Rep. (Swamp Lake) passed away. We send our condolences to his wife, Georgette, and family.



Treasurer Pulls the Pin! With new faces coming forward it allowed for one of our veteran volunteers to take on other initiatives. Ed Yaworski served as Treasurer for the past eleven years, that's right, eleven years! During this time Ed also assumed other duties such as Beauchemin Shelter Rep., Snoman Rep., and he looked after the annual raffle. Ed has indicated that he will still remain on as our Shelter Rep. for Beauchemin. Thanks Ed, for your unrivalled commitment to our club.

WSC Newsletter Advertising

**This Space Is Available
\$100 for four Issues!**

Call Owen 797-3662

WSC Newsletter Advertising

**This Space Is Available
\$100 for four Issues!**

Call Owen 797-3662

Vintage Sled of the Month



The Mallards were originally built in my home town (West Bend, Wisconsin). They didn't make many and are very hard to find even around here. Very rare to see one that moves. I have a passion for them and have been collecting them for years. It took 6 machines to make 2 good ones. I also have a 69 that's original with the sales receipt.

Thanks, Mike Knier

Wood Cutting Detail



Wood cutting detail at Beauchemin Shelter Feb/09



Carol's Shelter. An interesting warmup shelter near Warroad, MN.

Photos by Ed Yaworski



CANVASBACK
PET SUPPLIES

(204) 757-2701
Fax 757-9923
Out Of town
1-800-889-6191
www.canvasbackpets.com



LAKESIDE ENTERPRISES
Mike Adey
Sales & Service
Docks • Boat Ramps • Lifts • Decks
Dangerous Tree Removal
Custom Rock & Concrete Drilling

Quality Workmanship
Rennie, MB
1-204-369-5354



Open 7 Days a Week
Year Round
Owned and Operated by
Sledders
New LateNight Bar Menu
Dining Room
9 am - 7 pm
BAR & GRILL
Beer Vendor & Beverage Room, VLT's Open Till
Thur. - Sat. ... 2 am • Sun. - Wed. ... 12 am
Enjoy Charbroiled Steak & Beer Specials
Homemade Fresh Pizza, Spicy Chilli
And Anything Else Off Our Full Menu
Ph.: (204) 349-8347
Fax: (204) 349-3188

THE RENNIE HOTEL
Rennie, MB
Under New Management
Beverage Room • Restaurant • VLT's
Rooms for Rent • Post Office • ATM
369-5308
Your Hosts: Walter, Frances and Ryan Kuz Open Year Round

WSC Continues its Partnership with Conservation Manitoba

On December 4, 2009 fourteen members of the WSC attended an annual meeting with Conservation Manitoba. During the meeting discussions took place about our trails, shelters, and grooming for the coming season.

Despite the above normal temperatures in November, Conservation staff has been actively preparing the trails for the season by clearing fallen trees, tramping the tall grass that covers our trail system, as well as packing swamps. It is extremely important for this preparation to happen so when the temperature drops the ground will quickly freeze. Most of our trail system is nearly impossible to access without frozen swamps and lakes. The Argo, a six-wheeled amphibious vehicle that was purchased by the club and donated to Conservation, has been a proven necessity. If you've seen the number of trees that fall over the summer, making trails impassable, one can't help but appreciate the countless hours these individuals put into making our trails accessible and enjoyable. The Whiteshell Snowmobile Club is very fortunate to have this continued partnership with Manitoba Conservation.

Presently, the WSC has eight warm up shelters that its volunteers maintain: Eleanor, Betula, Beauchemin, Swamp, Red Rock, Elma, Edgar and Mud Lakes. Once the swamps and lakes have adequate ice we will begin to access the shel-

ters to determine if any repairs need to be performed. At that time we will also survey the wood supply for the coming season and arrange work crews as needed. We are always looking for people who would be willing to assist with these duties and at the same time meet some great people. Please call me at 467-2190 or 348-7352 if you are interested in volunteering.

As always, many of you wonder what will be happening with the grooming this season. In order for the tractor and groomer to hit the lakes safely, we will need to see twelve inches of blue ice (closely packed crystals with few impurities, nearly clear throughout). This may seem excessive, but we need to remember that the combined weight of the tractor and groomer are a minimum 16,000 lbs. Conservation has assured us that they will make every attempt to groom the trails as soon as possible. Should ice thickness not be sufficient for grooming within the coming weeks, Conservation will consider using a trailer to move the tractor around the lakes to groom the sections of trails that lie between.

Let's hope for cold conditions followed by lots of snow over the coming weeks! As you are aware, if these two elements happen at the right time we are in for a great season. Looking forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming WSC events and on the trails!

Kevin Boughton

The Trail Chef

Send your favorite recipes to
ojones@whiteshellsnowmobileclub.ca

Trail Philly Cheese Steaks

Ingredients: Left over Prime Rib, Steak or Roast Beef, Cheese, Bell Peppers & Red Onion

Slice meat into thin strips, sauté with sliced peppers and onion. Butter bread and grill butter side down. Spread Kraft horseradish sauce, load with grilled meat and veggies then put shredded cheese of your choice on top, close sandwich and grill longer on both sides until it is brown. Wrap individually in foil and warm up on the wood stove at your favorite shelter.

Submitted by Jenny Jones

Some New Things Happening this Season



Betula LAKE RESORT

Phone (204) 348-2084
Email: info@betulalake.ca
www.betulalake.ca

Dedicated to your enjoyment of the Great Outdoors


Lakefront cabins WE OFFER:
Fully Winterized
1, 2 & 3 bedroom cabins
Wireless Internet
Fully equipped kitchens
TV's w/satellite and DVD
Screened decks & patio furniture
Pumpkin BBQ's & a fire pit
Canoes & Kayaks

C-Store with gas & movies
Brew Store - Domestic and Import
Hot & Eat Sandwiches
Muffins & Cinnamon Buns
Boat & motor rentals
Soft Ice Cream & Take Out Pizza
Furallant Fishing
Off season rates available

Winter Hours are 9:00am - 3:00pm Daily
Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays
Note: Call ahead for after hours Fuel Service
Indoor Washroom Facilities (Winter Only)

Solar Lights. Our Community Places Grant request was approved for \$2900 to install solar lighting in Betula and Mud Lake this year. The materials have been purchased and we are just waiting for trail conditions to allow access to get them installed.

New Rescue Sleigh. We have been fortunate to have been approved for a \$3000 grant from the Howie Foundation for a new Ambulatory sleigh for Nutimuk. The Howie family have also offered to maintain the sleigh and contents. For those that are not aware, the Howie foundation was set up in memory of Kevin Howie who passed away following a tragic boating accident. The Foundation is to help families in crisis in the search and rescue of loved ones within the Whiteshell Provincial Park. The new rescue sleigh has been purchased and with the help of Manitoba Conservation we are having a shelter built to house it. The existing rescue sleigh at Nutimuk will be relocated to the Seven Sisters area.



RENNIE RIVER LEISURE
MARINE • SNOWMOBILE • ATV • PARTS & SERVICE

Glen Kirby
P.O. Box 89 Rennie M.B.
Tel/Fax: 369-5623

DOMO FUEL
MANUFACTURERS OIL

HOT FOOD TO GO
PIZZA BY THE SLICE
CHILI GARLIC STICKS
CHICKEN AND FRIES
BURGERS AND DOGS

HOURS:
MON-THUR 7:30AM TO 5:30PM
FRIDAY 7:30AM TO 8:00PM (IN SEASON)
7:30AM TO 6:00PM (OFF SEASON)
SATURDAY 8:00am to 6:00pm
SUNDAY 10:00AM

NTC Infrastructure Program Funding – Canada’s Economic Action Plan

The National Trails Coalition (NTC) is the operating name for the Coalition of Canadian Trails Organizations, a federally incorporated not-for-profit organization. Its members are: Canadian Trails Federation (CTF), Canadian Council of Snowmobile Organizations (CCSO) and the Canadian Off-Highway Vehicle Distributors Council (COHV). The NTC was founded in 2007 based on a common belief that cooperative approaches and support at the national level would facilitate trail building and refurbishment activities; be beneficial to the long term sustainability of all forms of trail based activities; and stimulate economic activity and development in communities across the country.



Brereton Lake Resort

Fully Modern Cottages
Some with Whirlpools Tubs, Fireplaces, Gas BBQ,
Satellite TV, Gas and Groceries.
Pets Welcome, Licensed Restaurant
Snowmobile Rentals
Located on the main Snowmobile Trail
Ph. 1-204-369-5352 or
www.whiteshell.mb.ca/brereton

The NTC received a \$25 million dollar investment from the Government of Canada in Budget 2009: Canada’s Economic Action Plan. These federal dollars must be matched by cash contributions from NTC member organizations or their partners. Each Province is represented by a committee. In Manitoba’s case – Snowman, ATV MB, MRTA (Manitoba Recreational Trail Association – non-motorized) have the task for the implementation process, follow up, etc.

NEW!
Open This Winter

White Lake Resort
www.whitelakegranite.mb.ca

Hours: Wed, Thurs & Sunday - 8:00am-7:00pm
Friday & Saturday - 8:00am—8:00 pm
Closed on Mon, Tues!

Gas, Fully Licensed restaurant, Store and Winterized cabins.
348-7605
Owners: Darcy & Linda

Aside from delivering a much needed boost to the recreational trails sector in Canada, this program is intended to create jobs in the near term and a lasting platform upon which more jobs can be created in the future.

The Whiteshell Snowmobile Club was eligible for the program for trail improvements and was approved for almost 50% of \$23,000 for three trail brushing and widening projects: One Stone to Beauchemin; Trail Lake to Lone Island and Rennie to Seven Sisters. On the latter project WSC is partnering with Manitoba Conservation. WSC is covering the cost of the equipment rental and MC is covering the labor and fuel costs. Work is expected to start in mid December.

WSC 2009-2010 Events Calendar

Date	Event	Location	Contact Person
Jan 23, 2010	Poker Derby with a Demo ride from Enns Brothers	TBD	Kris Mutchler 471-4435 or 348-7823
Jan 24, 2010 From 1130-1:00	Pot Luck—Family Brunch	Beauchemin Shelter	Len & Juanita Williams 348-7451
Jan 30, 2010 From: 11:00-2:00	Membership Drive, complimentary hot dogs/hot chocolate	Eleanor, Red Rock & Edgar Lake Shelters	Jenny Jones 663-0971 or 369-5211
Feb 6, 2010	Lunch Ride	North West Angle, MN (160 miles return trip)	Kevin Boughton 467-2190 or 348-7352
Feb 13, 2010 From: 11:00-2:00	Vintage Sleds - Show & Shine	Brereton Lake Resort	Kevin Boughton 467-2190 or 348-7352
Feb 27&28, 2010	Club Ride	Roseau MN, stay over & possibly tour the Polaris Factory (300 miles return trip)	Kevin Boughton 467-2190 or 348-7352
Mar 20, 2010	Curling Bonspiel & Supper	Falcon Lake Curling Club	Gary Bentham 369-5410
Aug 20, 2010	Annual Golf Tournament	TBD	Looking for someone or a group to organize this event.

Membership

Please renew your membership and help us reach our goal of 400 this year!



WHITESHELL SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Join now, be part of the fun!!

Snowmobile Season: 2009/2010

Membership Single \$10
 Family \$20

Name (s) _____ Seller's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Postal Code _____

Lake _____ Lot _____ Block _____

Home Phone _____ Lake Phone _____

Occupation _____ Business _____

Email Address: _____

Please mail to: Membership Chairman, Whiteshell Snowmobile Club,
PO Box 118, Rennie, MB R0E 1R0 (make cheques payable to "Whiteshell Snowmobile Club")