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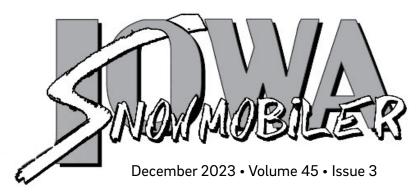
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50th Anniversary Party

Dignitaries at last month's convention include Ski-Doo legends, Past Presidents.



Awards Banquet

ISSA program returns to honor three members, one director and one club.



Snowmobile Iowa

State schedule released at convention with eight rides planned this winter.



Club Fundraiser

Ice drags planned this February at Little Wall Lake with annual Team lowa event.



This Month's Map Center Spread:

Team Iowa Snowmobilers, Region 7







COVER: Groomer operator Tony Hanson of the Emmet County Driftbusters in Region 2 makes his way along Highway 9 west of Armstrong last winter. All groomer operators in lowa need to be certified by the Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Program, and since 2017, nearly 700 volunteers have been trained.

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Milestone Celebration

Members assemble in Cedar Falls to recognize ISSA's 50th Anniversary at annual convention

by Cameron Hanson

More than 140 club members helped the ISSA celebrate its 50th Anniversary last month with a birthday bash at the Hilton Garden Inn in Cedar Falls Nov. 17-19. A special off-site excursion to the Waterloo Black Hawks hockey game Friday night set the tone early for the weekend and put everyone in the mood for the colder temperatures ahead.

As invited guests to the 2023 ISSA Annual Convention, Ski-Doo ambassadors Blair Morgan and Bret Rasmussen both attended the game and actively participated in the convention agenda on Saturday. Planning Committee Chair Seth Bram said he was thrilled to bring both personalities

to Iowa and create a buzz for the ISSA's benchmark occasion. "We're honored to have these iconic

snowmobilers here with us this weekend. and we appreciate the fact they were willing to take some time from their busy sched-

ules to come to our little piece of heaven." said Bram, who was assisted by his wife, Kelsey, and other club members along the Region 4 and 5 corridor.

Morgan, a Canadian snocross legend who works with Ski-Doo's factory race team, de-



livered the keynote address at the Saturday evening banquet, while Rasmussen, a backcountry expert from Idaho, led a Saturday afternoon breakout session. Both addressed the Saturday morning crowd as well.

"I really feel at home here in Iowa," said Morgan, who has been to Dubuque several times for the professional snocross races there. "I'm from a farm on the plains in Canada, and this community seems to have the same feel down here as I have back home. I'm happy to be here to kick off this event."

During his turn at the podium, Rasmussen said he has worked with the ISSA in the past, the "only difference then was the 'I' stood for Idaho," he joked. He then talked about trail access and respect for private property and emphasized that organizations like the ISSA in both states will carry the sport into the future by continuing to lead by example.



Presentation of Colors by Cedar Falls VFW Post 3896.

"You guys need to applaud yourselves because the things that you are doing here are preserving our sport for future generations to come," Rasmussen said.

Getting Younger

In addition to featured guests, the Golden Anniversary celebration also recognized the contributions of the ISSA's Past Presidents. More on that reception appears on p. 8 this month, but current president John Kahler said the ISSA should be thankful for its past leaders, as many of them continue to be involved in organized snowmobiling in Iowa.

"For an organization like ours that has been around for so long and done so much through so much change in our industry, it's monumental for us to reach this milestone this year," Kahler said. "To have the support for all the programs we have and to still have the involvement of several Past Presidents, you really don't see that anywhere else.'

Speaking on behalf of the Past Presidents, Dale Vagts from Cresco, who served in office more than 30 years ago, said he was encouraged to see more members starting to look younger as the organization grows older. He was particularly impressed by his home club, the Driftrunners, Inc., in Region 5, for not only being the largest club in the state but for getting so much work done with members more than half his age.

"I looked at a picture of my home club recently and couldn't help but notice how young everyone was," said Vagts, who is known across the Snow Belt for his work in trail liability insurance. "Every year, I go to conventions and meetings from Maine to



Region 5 Director Kate Taylor lined up this commemorative 50th Anniversary ice sculpture by local artist Ron Dillavou.

Washington, and the one thing we all talk about when we get together is how old everyone is getting. Our sport is full of older people.

"So when I see my home club, I see very active and young people involved, and we're starting to get there with the ISSA with our region directors and assistants too," he continued. "I see young faces. That's what I love about Iowa. We have young people committed to doing the job. I am proud of the Driftrunners, I'm proud of the ISSA and I'm proud of our youth."

Kahler said continuing to recruit and support younger snowmobilers will only position the ISSA for its next 50 years. To better connect with the younger generation, the ISSA recently partnered with Andrea



More than 90 ISSA members and guests packed the hospitality suite at Young Arena for the Waterloo Black Hawks hockey game against the Dubuque Fighting Saints Nov. 17. The team from Region 5 defeated the team from Region 4.

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Willey's Social Butterfly company to improve its presence on social media. Early results show engagement is increasing tenfold, and Kahler said he hopes that reach will translate into increased membership.

"While our numbers are strong, they could be stronger," he said. "I know snowmobiling is more expensive now, and it's pushed some people out. The dynamic of the sport has changed, but our main income is through dues. Without members, this organization does not keep going. We all know 10 to 15 people who ride snowmobiles but do not belong to a club, so we have some work to do."

The ISSA finished last season with 1,928 members. That total is down from a high of nearly 3,000 members 10 years ago. Snow helps generate more interest, but the weather is out of the ISSA's control. Kahler said he is open to suggestions to improve those numbers, and during his acceptance speech for the Club of the Year Award, Brandon Plaht from the Driftrunners offered to share what works for their club.

Because of their ongoing promotional efforts, the Driftunners have built their membership up to 157 members. "We're willing to help out any other club who wants it," Plaht said. "We're not just doing this for ourselves. We are more than willing to share anything that we have done, including our big membership push. What helps us can help everyone."



Bob Juhl, left, with the Bremer County Sno-Knights of Region 4 visits with ISSA President John Kahler at the Dickinson County Snowhawks' Snowmobile Iowa display in the Expo Room.

Regions Reduced

The ISSA's decline in membership did lead to the ISSA changing its By-Laws at convention this year. At the General Membership Meeting Saturday morning, members voted to reduce the number of regions in the state from 10 to nine. The one club affected by the reduction will be absorbed into Region 6.

"Moving down to nine regions is going to allow us to keep our quorum manageable for board meetings and allow us to effectively conduct the business of the organization," Kahler explained.

Also at the Saturday morning meeting, members endorsed proposed legislation to increase funding for the Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Program. No longer considered the "single sticker bill," this proposal from the ISSA's Legislative Committee will still combine the registration fee and trail pass fee in Iowa, but the approach to getting it passed will be handled differently.

"We've called it the single-sticker bill for several years and have been unsuccessful in getting it through," explained Legisla-



Ski-Doo Ambassadors Blair Morgan, left, and Bret Rasmussen signed autographs at the 2023 ISSA Convention and also spoke throughout the day on Saturday.

tive Committee Chair Jim Willey. "We are therefore changing the name and moving forward with the Iowa Snowmobile Funding Legislation because that is really what it is about.

"It's not really about the stickers anymore. It's about funding for our snowmobile program," he continued. "This legislation provides for improved funding without raising costs for Iowa trail riders. Yes, it does combine the fees of the trail pass and the registration, but this just makes sure everyone pays their fair share.'

The ISSA membership unanimously approved a resolution supporting the measure, and Willey will be sending a similar request for individual clubs to approve. Willey said ISSA Lobbyist Mike Heller and other officials can then present proof to legislators that snowmobilers support this fee merger and do not consider it a fee



Representing Region 5, Renee Gunderson, left, from the Clayton County Snowbirds and Jessica Johnson from the Winneshiek Trail Twisters show off their handiwork from the Chalk Couture craft class at convention.

increase.

Willey said he will also be asking clubs to donate \$300 to the ISSA's Club Challenge to help compensate Heller for his work in Des Moines. Due to budget constraints, the ISSA has not maintained a contract with Heller for the past three years, and any payment he receives comes from the Club Challenge. Convention weekend alone, nearly \$4,030 was raised for the ISSA's lobbying efforts.

Club Donations

The ISSA's fundraising year renews each November at convention, and last month, clubs donated more than \$10,000 for the various charities supported by the ISSA. As detailed on p. 21, they included \$4,900 for the Spina Bifida Association of Iowa; \$1,800 for the Club Challenge; \$800 for the ACSA Legal Defense Fund; \$1,050 for the ISSA Education and Scholarship Foundation; \$1,500 for the ISU Clean Snowmobile Challenge team; and \$200 for ALS of Iowa.

The Silent Auction at convention brought in \$800 for Spina Bifida, \$580 for the Club Challenge, \$350 for scholarship, \$215



Club memberss from Region 7 and 8 gather for region director elections Saturday morning.

for ALS and \$555 for the General Fund. The Live Auction added another \$2,200, and those proceeds were split evenly between the Club Challenge and the ISSA's Communications Committee.

Sally Carmichael's quilt raffle brought in another \$565 for the scholarship program, and the ISSA's Grand Raffle of a \$1,000 beef certificate and a half pallet of beer netted the ISSA \$3,000 for the General Fund. The Grand Raffle was won by Nick Leonard from the Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club. General raffle proceeds from door prizes brought in another \$1,520.

More to Come

In other convention news, the ISSA's Awards Program returned last month with five awards handed out at convention. Turn to p. 10 for more information on the winners. With 2023 an odd-numbered year, elections were also held for the odd-numbered regions. The only change reported was an Open seat in Region 9. Officers remain the same for another year, and five new assistant directors have joined the board.

Mark Kuennen from the Trail Blaz-zers, Inc., in Region 5 was elected to fill the Eastern Representative position on the Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Program (ISTGP) committee. He replaced Todd Sieverding who decided to step down this year. At convention, the ISTGP held its fourth and final training session on



Shane Braby, left, president of the Humboldt Sno-Skimmers in Region 2, reviews his club's trail system with Chris Gamache of Polaris Ride Command during a Saturday afternoon seminar at convention. Gamache and Charles Skelton walked club members through improvements to their platform and explained how they can raise money through this free service.

the new GPS tracking system for groomers.

Groomer training coordinator Chris Willey also led a groomer certification course Saturday afternoon, certifying 65 returning operators and welcoming 20 new operators. Since 2017, the IST-GP has trained close to 700 volunteer operators in the state. Certification lasts for five years.

As indicated earlier, more information from convention weekend appears elsewhere in this issue. The January magazine will also have additional convention reports, including both presentations from Rasmussen, Morgan and others. A date and location for the 2024 convention have yet to be set.



Groomer training coordinator Chris Willey leads the recertification class at convention Saturday afternoon.

Past Presidents Honored at Convention Reception

by Cameron Hanson

Several Past Presidents were honored at the ISSA's 50th Anniversary banquet Saturday evening, Nov. 18, at the state convention in Cedar Falls. Each one in attendance was called out by name, asked to stand for recognition and received a round of applause for their service to the organization.

"Because of their leadership, guidance and expertise over the past 50 years, we stand here today as the official voice of organized



snowmobiling in Iowa," emcee Seth Bram said. "Without their dedication and countless volunteer hours, we may have never reached this special milestone tonight."

Since 1973, 26 snowmobilers from Iowa have volunteered as presidents of the ISSA. Larry Huntley was installed as the first presi-

dent, and John Kahler is now currently serving in that capacity. Merv Hoermann was the only president to serve two terms in office—first in 2007 and then again in 2015.

Showing that snowmobiling is truly a family tradition, the ISSA has been led by three sets of father-son teams. They include Jim and Chris Willey, David and Brian Carmichael and Dennis and Scott Nauman. The second generation from that trio served in consecutive terms in that order.

The ISSA has also had a pair of brothers-in-law serve in leadership roles with David Carmichael and Dick Melick. Unfortunately, neither are no longer with us. In fact, eight Past Presidents have passed away, including Melick, Hoermann and Roger Muth recently in consecutive years. Also gone but not forgotten are Gary Bruns, Bill Nordstrom, Rich Moench and Mary Heikens.

At the banquet, Bram recognized five Past Presidents who have been inducted into the International Hall of Fame at Eagle River, Wis. They include Bruno Andreini in 2009, Dale Vagts in 2007, David Carmichael in 2005, Dick Melick in 2001 and Dan Martin in 1991. It is also important to note both Martin and Vagts are credited with pioneering the snowmobile trail liability insurance program that's still in effect today.

The ISSA also has several Past Presidents who are members of the Iron Dog Brigade, a prestigious honorary society "dedicated to the fun of snowmobiling." Membership is by invitation only, and



Past Presidents honored at the Nov. 18 banquet in Cedar Falls were, front row, from left: Bruno Andreini, Dennis Nauman, Dale Vagts, Scott Kooiker and Jeff Jans; and back row, from left: Jim Willey, Terry Durby, Jerry Kramer, Chris Willey, Brian Carmichael and Scott Nauman.

Past Presidents from Iowa in this elite organization include Andreini, Vagts, Martin, Dennis Nauman and Terry Durby. Former Iron Dogs also include Melick and David Carmichael.

Bram also took the time to acknowledge Terry Durby, Chris Willey and Jim Willey for their service to the American Council of Snowmobile Associations, or ACSA, a national watchdog organization to which the ISSA is a dues-paying member. All three of those Past Presidents served on the ACSA board in one capacity or another, with Durby elected to a two-year term as ACSA President in 2011.

To prepare for the special convention reception, Bram reached out to each Past President and personally invited them to attend the banquet convention. He also gave them an opportunity to reflect on their legacy. What follows on p. 10 are what some of them had to say about their legacies, in order from most recently served.

"As you will read, all of our past presidents took their roles very seriously and dedicated their time to navigate the ISSA through a changing landscape," Bram said. "We thank them for their service and for their time leading our organization."

YEARS IN OFFICE

Scott Nauman 2021-22 **Brian Carmichael** 2019-20 **Chris Willey** 2017-18 Merv Hoermann* 2007-08, 2015-16 Jim Willey 2013-14 **Gary Burger** 2011-12 **Gary McVicker** 2009-10 **Terry Durby** 2005-06 Jerry Kramer 2003-04

Dennis Nauman
2001-02
Jeff Jans
1999-2000
Bruno Andreini
1997-98
Dave Carmichael*
1995-96
Scott Kooiker
1993 -94
Dale Vagts
1991-92
Dick Melick*
1989-90
Roger Muth*
1987-88
Larry Childs
1986

1984-85
Marv Heikens*
1982-83
Chuck Colegrove
1981
Rich Moench*
1980
Gary Fairchild
1979
Bill Nordstrom*
1978
Gary Bruns*
1977
Richard Grosse
Mar 1975-Dec 1976
Larry Huntley
Nov 1973-Mar 1975

* deceased

Past President Legacy



As the first two immediate Past Presidents, Scott Nauman (left) and Brian Carmichael most notably led the ISSA through the constraints and lockdowns of the coronavirus pandemic in Iowa, including the cancellation of the state convention three years ago. Both of these officers guided the organization through the haze and orchestrated a new way of doing business for the ISSA, such as a reduction in regular board meetings and promoting the use of technology for remote video





For Chris Willey, his legacy is tied to landmark legislation in 2017 that gave the ISSA "local control" over 70 percent of the snowmobile registration receipts in Iowa. What resulted is the system we have in place today with the Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Program. This volunteer arm of the ISSA oversees groomer purchases and trail funding for clubs, and Wllley continues to serve as its coadministrator and groomer operator training coordinator.



Legislation was also a key reflection for Chris' dad, Jim Willey, who greatly influenced and lobbied for the implementation of the snowmobile trail pass program in 2013. This trail permit was created as a compromise to increasing snowmobiling registration fees. "I enjoyed meeting you, working with you, fighting for you and-in some cases fighting with you-all in the name of furthering snowmobiling in Iowa," he said. Willey also said he was proud of his family's involvement in the ISSA, including wife, Becky; sons, Chris and Tyler; daughter-in-law, Andrea; and late grandson, Wyatt. This family boasts three generation of members who have served in some official capacity.



Next up was Dennis Nauman who had the misfortune of serving during probably the darkest period in the ISSA's history. In May of 2002, the Iowa Legislature de-appropriated nearly \$1 million in snowmobile program reserves. In the wake of this event, Nauman and other officers formed the ISSA's Emergency Funding Committee and spent the next six years calling for the return of the money. The ISSA hired its first-ever lobbyist in 2003, and the money was finally reimbursed in 2008. "Several changes were made to prevent this from ever happening again," Dennis noted.



Jeff Jans' reflections on his term in office include working to convert the ISSA's official publication, the *lowa Snowmobiler*, from a newspaper format to a magazine. Jans also served during the fight to preserve access for snowmobiles in Yellowstone National Park and recalled working with ACSA on several land access issues. He also helped to bring the ISSA convention to the Iowa Great Lakes Region during his two years in office.



For Bruno Andreini, passing critical legislation was important during his term in office. With help from the board, he said the ISSA was able to increase registration fees and also brought about the titling of snowmobiles to improve proof of ownership. He also spearheaded the ISSA's SPORT program to raise funds for the ACSA Legal Defense Fund and also worked to create the ISSA's Education and Scholarship Program in 1998, which he still oversees today.



Scott Kooiker was the youngest person to ever lead the ISSA when he was elected to serve in 1993 at just 31. When asked about his contributions to the organization, Kooiker described himself as a "grassroots type of president who focused on starting from the ground up at the club level." He said he wants to be remembered for implementing parliamentary procedure, so board meetings "ran in an orderly fashion."



Lastly, Dale Vagts talked about the Iowa Legislature's first attempt to take snowmobile funds in the early 1990s when he was in office. Those efforts were eventually thwarted after he, David Carmichael and several others went to Des Moines to meet with Gov. Branstad. They eventually took their case to the media, sharing what their elected officials were up to. "This ended up halting their efforts to illegally move funds from the Iowa snowmobile program," Vagts recalled.

Award Winners Recognized at Convention Banquet

The ISSA Awards Program returned in November after taking last year off to reorganize. ISSA Secretary Kelsey Bram is now in charge the program, and nomination forms were made available electronically through fillable Google Forms this fall.



2023 nominations were due Oct. 8 in the following categories: Youth Snowmobiler of the Year, Snowmobiler of the Year, Snowmobile Family of the Year, Groomer Operator of the Year, Dealer of the Year and Club of the Year.

Bram announced this year's recipients at the Saturday evening banquet in Cedar Falls Nov. 18. What follows here is a synopsis of each winner based on their nomination forms. Please note there were no applications for the dealer and family categories this year. In the photos, the winners are flanked by ISSA President John Kahler and Vice President Matt Miner.

Youth Snowmobiler of the Year Award

The ISSA's Youth Snowmobiler of the Year Award honors young snowmobilers between the ages of 12 and 18 who help promote snowmobiling in and around their local communities.

"They are the future of our organization, and we feel it is important to recognize their contributions

to keep that fire lit for years to come," Bram said.

This year's recipient is Kylie Knoll from the Butler County Snow Snoops in Region 4. She is the daughter of Tony and Sarah Knoll.

According to her nomination form, Knoll plays an important role in her club's regular monthly meetings: She helps entertain the children of the officers while their parents are conducting the business of the club. Besides babysitting, this 15-year-old is active in her home club in a number of other ways,



Kylie Knoll

including helping out with several fundraisers.

Each February, she works the registration table at the club's annual vintage ride, and in July, she creates signs for their annual golf outing. She also volunteers her time mailing the club newsletter and regularly invites friends on snowmobile rides. Her latest project is to create mileage signs at trail intersections for her club.

Snowmobiler of the Year Award

This year's Snowmobiler of the Year Award winner went to Nathan Gudenkauf from the Snow Pioneers in Region 5. If the name sounds familiar, Nathan was also the ISSA's Young Adult Snowmobiler of the Year in 2015.

"It's nice to see his commitment to our favorite winter pastime continues to grow for this active club member from eastern Iowa," Bram said.

According to his nomination form, Gudenkauf is "always putting himself in the forefront of any activity we put together." His club describes him as "one of the first ones to show up to an event



Nathan Gudenkauf

and the last to leave. He is always willing to go above and beyond to help any snowmobiler or non-snowmobiler."

Since 2019, Gudenkauf has served as a board member for the Snow Pioneers and was most recently elected club treasurer. Besides his duties as a club officer, he helps coordinate local radar runs each winter by preparing the site and gathering supplies for the track. Before the snow flies, he also assists multiple trail bosses with the installation of their trail signs.

Gudenkauf is also a certified groomer operator and works on trail improvement efforts, including re-routing troublesome sections. He is also credited with getting younger members to join the club and has also been assisting club members with new fundraising efforts by securing several business sponsorships from his local community.

Groomer Operator of the Year Award

The 2023 Groomer Operator of the Year Award goes to Jeremy Moellers from the Driftrunners, Inc., in Region 5. Moellers was recognized for his volunteer service to his home club as their Groomer Boss.

"This award honors those volunteers who sacrifice their own riding time to make sure Iowa's snowmobile trails are in the best shape possible each winter," Bram said. "Jeremy embodies that spirit, and as you will see, groomed trails are a priority for him in his home area."



Jeremy Moellers

As the primary point of contact for his fellow volunteer operators, Moellers coordinates all of his club's grooming efforts and oversees equipment maintenance, often working on the club's Pisten Bully in his home shop on his own time.

He believes in training operators properly and makes sure they get enough seat time during their on-boarding process. Along with his club, he has helped to organize groomer certification courses for his region, and he has established a group messaging system for all groomer operators in his club.

Keeping the lines of communication open, he takes it upon himself to make sure that the club's groomer is being run efficiently, and when it's getting low on fuel out on the trail, he meets up with the groomer at a road crossing and delivers the fuel to keep it running. This is all done with his personal vehicle and equipment.

Snowmobile Club of the Year Award

This year's Snowmobile Club of the Year Award belongs to the Driftrunners, Inc., from Region 5. This club was organized in 1969 and finished last season with 157 members, making it the largest club in the state. They take membership recruitment and retention pretty seriously in northeast Iowa.

Through pre-season club mailings and an annual fall membership drive, the club typically signs up more than 100 members by the first of December. To help with recruitment, members promote club activities on social media and also distribute event flyers, so everyone knows what's going on each winter.

They have also made it easier to become a member by using QR codes that link to an online store. They regularly promote the benefits of joining a club and make membership forms available at each event. This club is also a 100 percent member of the ISSA and promotes the benefits of the state organization as well.

Luring hundreds of riders to their corner of the state, the Driftrunners maintain more than 200 miles of trail in northeast Iowa, primarily crossing private land and showcasing scenic areas along wooded bluffs. Members believe in keeping their trails well marked and regularly groomed, and depending on snowfall, operators will groom between 800 and 1,400 miles each winter.

This club also prides itself on supporting their community. Members collect toys each holiday season and donate to several local and state charities. They also volunteer their time for other community organizations, and for more than 50 years now, they have hosted the longest running snowmobile event in Iowa called Snow Fest.



Members of the Driftrunners, Inc.



Past President Brian Carmichael, second from right, presented Region 2 Director Jason Harvey with the ISSA's Region Director Award named in honor of Carmichael's father, Past President David Carmichael.

Harvey Receives ISSA Region Director Award

Region 2 Director Jason Harvey from Estherville was awarded the David Carmichael Region Director Award from the ISSA at the state convention last month in Cedar Falls. Harvey was recognized for his recent efforts to improve the ISSA's brand and image and for his work in his home area.

A former assistant to Jeremy Walker, Harvey was elected to the Region 2 seat on the ISSA Board of Directors in 2022. He then assumed chair of the ISSA's Promotions Committee, taking over for Walker in that department as well.

Earlier this year, Harvey worked with Rivals Custom Gear in Strawberry Point to create an online apparel store for ISSA gear. This effort reduced the amount of supply the ISSA had to carry on hand and simplified the process for ordering ISSA-branded apparel.

(Jason) has worked hard to update the ISSA's clothing selection and eliminate the need for excessive inventory," Past President Brian Carmichael said in announcing the award at the Saturday evening banquet. "He has also helped the ISSA's rebranding effort by mixing old school logos with new apparel styles."

Brian Carmichael is the son of Past President David Carmichael, who passed away in 2013. The award honors the late Carmichael's commitment to the ISSA and recognizes those board members who take their position seriously. The award is sponsored by Maize Customs, a custom shock company in Cedar Rapids, and nominees are voted on by their fellow board members.

"My dad always said without directors and assistants, you don't have a board," Carmichael noted. "Jason has been putting in the hours to visit the clubs in his region and communicates the latest information to them. He is a spark plug for the association, and his efforts have been noticed by his fellow board members."

In addition to the ISSA, Harvey serves as president of his home club, the Emmet County Driftbusters, and also volunteers with his local fire department. He said he has always been motivated and inspired by club elder and former Region 2 Director Jeff Felkey.

"I asked Jeff what we need to do to make our club and organization better, and he said we need more involvement," Harvey said. "As part of the younger generation, we need to ask ourselves, 'Who is going to take over for all this work on the state and local level?'. It needs to be us."

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2024 Snowmobile Iowa Schedule				
Date	Host Club	Location	Contact	
Jan. 13	Team Iowa	Stratford Fire Department	David Eide	
	Snowmobilers	630 Hwy. 175, Stratford	(515) 835-8000	
Jan. 20	Sno-Pak	The CO-OP Bar & Grill 714 S. East St., Pomeroy	Tyler Wagner (712) 297-0062	
Jan. 27	Dyersville	Dirty Ernie's	Ryan Ameskamp	
	Driftskippers	201 1st St. NW, Farley	(563) 599-6312	
Feb. 3	Sac County Snow	Breda Golf Course	Jamie Rohlf	
	Lovers	16323 120th St., Breda	(712) 830-2196	
Feb. 10	Dickinson County	Parks Marina	Chris Kellner	
	Snowhawks	24457 178th St., Okoboji	(515) 890-9575	
Feb. 17	Saylorville Dam	Ballard West Elementary	Barry Starmer	
	Snowmobile Club	106 E. Main St., Slater	(515) 240-5444	
Feb. 24	North Iowa Snow	Lone Oak Bar	Chad Brouwer	
	Seekers	104 Weimer St., Ventura	(641) 425-4872	
Feb. 24	Central Iowa Snowmobilers	TBD	Rob Schneider (641) 750-7927	

ISSA Sets Dates for State Rides

Organizers with the ISSA's Snowmobile Iowa program worked ahead this fall and locked in most of the dates and locations for upcoming state rides this winter. As detailed above, the schedule was released at the state convention last month.

Normally, a ride planning session is held convention weekend, but with all of the festivities held in conjunction with the ISSA's 50th Anniversary, program coordinator Seth Bram felt it was best to reserve that time for other events.

"We wanted to be proactive this year and get alot of things worked out ahead of time," Bram said. "I appreciate all the clubs which stepped up early and agreed to host a ride this winter,"

Seven Saturdays in January and February have been booked this winter. Only one date has two locations planned, so if another club wants to host a ride on a weekend with just one ride scheduled, they should reach out to Bram at (641) 512-1932 or sethbram@gmail. com to commit.

Approaching its eighth season, Snowmobile Iowa is a spin-off of the long-established club showcase at convention of the same name, where clubs set up booths to display their trails, maps and event photos. Organized rides during the season take that concept a step further by encouraging clubs to host events and show off their trails in person.

Each ride starts at 10 a.m., and planned routes should stay within 50 to 60 miles. Host clubs are asked to provide a 'Ride Captain' to lead the group and then have two or three members follow up at the rear to make sure participants stay on course, since many will likely be unfamiliar with the area.

Each host club is expected to provide trail maps. Ride organizers should also plan for lunch and fuel breaks for riders. Trail conditions and lodging information should also be posted as each event draws near. If the weather does not cooperate, a ride is typically not cancelled until the Thursday before.





by Cameron Hanson

Little Wall Lake stretches about a mile south of Jewell along Highway 69 in central Iowa. The western shoreline creates a slight bend in the road, but things seem to straighten out when Team Iowa Snowmobilers host their annual ice drags there the first Sat-

urday in February.

Since 2018, the Region 7 club—with the blessing of the Hamilton County Conservation Boardhas been converting the frozen area between the boat ramp and the fishing jetty on the north end of the lake into a 660-foot, two-lane track, creating exciting head-to-head competition for area racers.

To prepare for the event, about 30 club members volunteer their time over two weekends to clear the snow from the ice. They widen the surface to provide enough room for the straightaway, shutdown

lane and return lane. They also fence off designated areas for the pits and section off ample room for spectators, so everyone has a great view of the racing action.

Set for Feb.3, this winter will mark the seventh straight season for the club's annual fundraiser. Last year's event drew more



Race classes range from modified to trail to vintage.

than 70 racers in 17 classes, and another 100 spectators lined the fences and filled the parking lot at Little Wall Lake Park. Club president David Eide said their race has grown every year, as they continue to attract riders from within a 60mile radius of the venue.

"This event has been very successful for our club over the years, and we're hoping for another great turnout this winter," he said.

According to Eide, the ice drags started out as an opportunity for the club to raise money to help purchase grooming equipment for their 125 miles of ditch trails west of the I-35 corridor. The ongoing popularity of the races means proceeds not only benefit the club's grooming efforts, but they've also been able to tuck a little bit away and reinvest some money into their race equipment.

"Our races have made it possible for us to not only save money but to also purchase a new Port-A-Tree timing and lighting system with printouts to improve the competition on race day," Eide said.

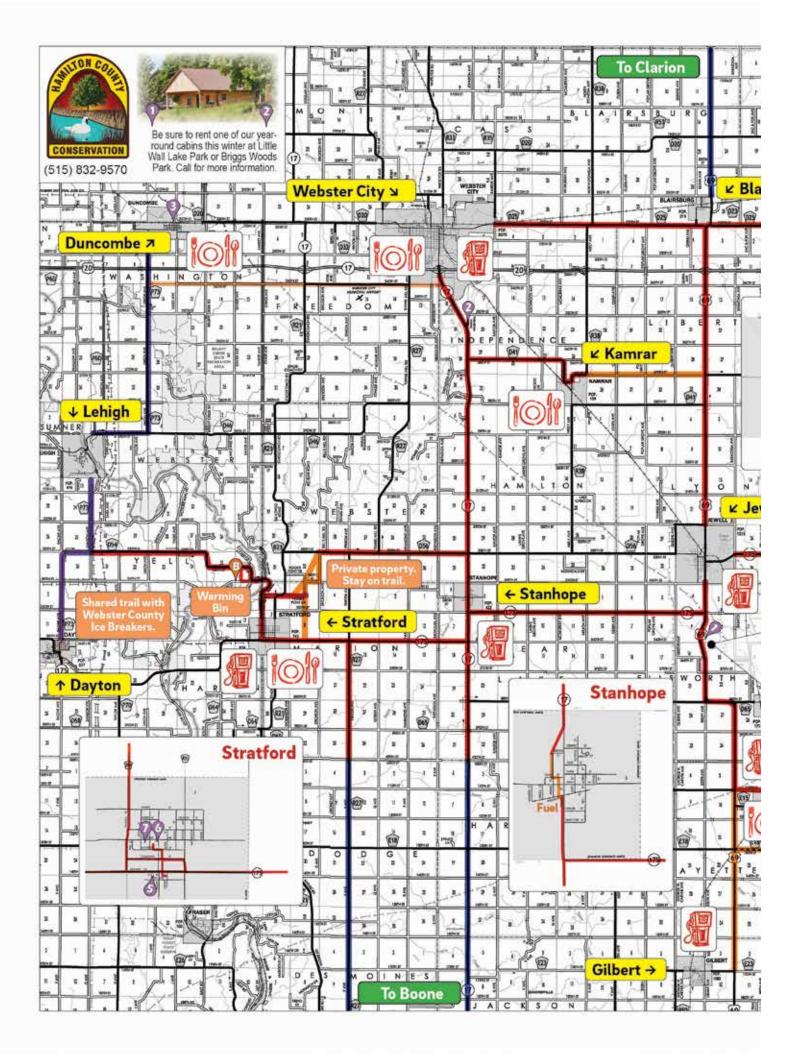
Last February was the first year for the new lights. Before that, the club relied on a home-made Christmas tree and even borrowed another unit from a nearby club. Thanks to a generous donation from Baker Electric of Fort Dodge, the club now has a reliable new system.

According to Eide, club sponsorships like Baker's help promote the event and contribute to its success each year. Banners from business supporters line the starting area, and donations allow the club to hand out die-cut metal trophies to the top two finishers each class. Entry fees also help with the payout in the top three races.

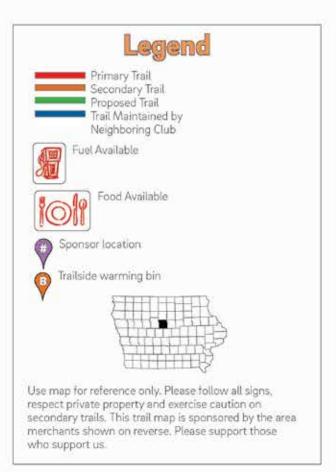
Each year, the competition ranges from trail sleds to vintage rides to modified machines. The last race of the day determines the King of the Ice winner, and last year's crown went to Jarren Halstead with a top speed of 136 mph. The club also hosts youth races, and they continue to be a crowd-pleasing draw for the event.

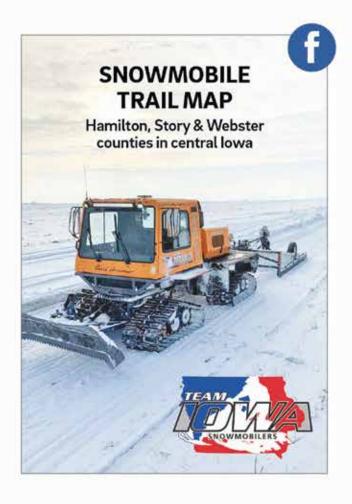
"We had 13 youths participate in our event last year, which is great," Eide said. "The kids had just as much fun as everyone watching them. It's great to see the parents taking the time to bring them out to have a fun family day. They are the future of the sport of snowmobiling." Turn to page 16













Team Iowa vice president Coyce Carlson kept things moving along as the public address announcer on race day.



Youth racing is always a popular attraction at the Team Iowa ice drags each February.



From page 13 For more information on the races, follow the club on Facebook. If you want to make a weekend of it, trailer parking and trail access is located at the county park. See the trail map insert for the club's entire trail system.



You can't predict the future, so plan for it.



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Jarren Halstead claimed the 2023 King of the Ice title with a top speed of 136 mph.

Driftrunners, Inc., Region 5

by Zach Gooder, Past PresidenT

The warm weather this fall has helped the club with our annual trail work and signage that tends to be a race before the ground freezes. Overall, our trail system is in great shape, and with a few minor adjustments and signs put in the ground, we will be ready for what is hopefully a snowy riding season.

We recently held our Toy Drive, where members and general public donate toys for less fortunate families to gift during the holiday season. We accumulated a good amount of toys to donate, and we thank all of you who participated!

We sent 11 people to the ISSA Convention, and we thank the ISSA for hosting us. Our next big event coming up is our 53rd Annual Snow Fest in January! Details on that will be in next month's magazine!



The Trail Blaz-zers Inc. in Region 5 recently installed a 40-foot bridge over a creek on Duane and Kate Taylor's property near Maynard. The bridge had been donated to the area golf course by Kate's father and was recently returned to the family. The bridge is now in place on the Trail Blaz-zer's trail system and will be outlined at night by solar-powered rope lighting.

CALENDAR

December

- · Groomer Operator Certification training Thursday, Dec. 14, from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at Mulligan's Bar and Grill, Mason City.
- · Club News deadline Dec. 8.
- Avalanche training Dec. 21 at Mason City Powersports.

January

- Dickinson County Snowhawks vintage ride Jan. 20.
- Driftrunners Snow Fest Jan. 25-28. Follow the club on Facebook for up-to-date details.
- Okobji Winter Games Jan. 25-28. Visit uofowintergames. com for more information.

February

- Butler County Snow Snoops 7th Annual Vintage Ride Feb. 3. Follow the club on Facebook as the event draws near.
- Team Iowa Snowmobilers ice drags Feb. 3 at Little Wall Lake, Jewell.
- Spina Bifida Winter Fun Day Feb. 4 at Huxley.
- Driftrunners Charlie's Chili Feed Feb. 10.
- Midwest Sled Fest Feb. 10 at Clear Lake State Park.



Members of the Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club of Region 7 spent a weekend preparing their groomer for the upcoming season.

Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club, Region 7

by Barry Starmer, President

As I sit here writing this article, leaves are falling, and today's temperature is in the mid-60s. Hard to believe snow will hopefully be falling in the next six to eight weeks.

We have all of our trails marked. Thanks to our members as well as the Clean Snowmobile Challenge team from Iowa State University for helping out. We had 22 ISU students show up over two days to help with trail marking. Without their assistance, it would



likely take at least two or three more days to complete marking our trail system.

In return, our club will once again be supporting the ISU engineers by matching up to \$500 in donations from fellow ISSA clubs to their volunteer student organization in Ames. We feel this is a worthy cause to support and hope you do as well. A current list of donations can be found on p. 21.

This year, we marked a trail to one of our local wineries known as The Cellar. We also spent a weekend getting our groomer ready to go for the season. Our new GPS tracker was installed and all



Saylorville club members, from left, Steve Klinkefus, Barry





Team Iowa Snowmobilers in Region 7 hosted the Central Region's mandatory GPS tracking meeting for the Iowa Snowmobile Trail Grant Program Oct. 18 at club president David Eide's shop at Ellsworth.

maintenance completed. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped out. Without you, this would not happen.

We're looking forward to the ISSA convention and seeing many friends I only see yearly at the convention.

As a reminder, when getting your sleds ready for winter, don't forget to check your trailer to make sure it's ready for the snowmobile trips, too.

Until next time, have a great holiday season. Be safe and get involved.



The Butler County Snow Snoops of Region 4 once again donated a new winter coat to a student living in one of the communities on their trail system. Above, club secretary Sadie Boeckmann hands this year's donation to Sharon Markussen at Clarksville Elementary.

Scholarship Essay

Scholarship Foundation Awards Two Students

by Cameron Hanson

The ISSA Education and Scholarship Foundation awarded two scholarships at the 2023 ISSA Annual Convention last month in Cedar Falls, writing \$1,500 checks to colleges attended by Brock Steinlage from Region 5 and Ginny Spry from Region 7.

Founded 28 years ago, the scholarship foundation has benefited more than 70 ISSA students since 1998. The foundation



was formed with the seed money left over from the ISSA's hosting of the International Snowmobile Congress in Cedar Rapids in

The scholarship program is funded by interest and earnings from those investments, plus annual fundraising efforts by the com-

mittee. At this year's convention, the foundation raised nearly \$2,000 through club donations, Silent Auction items and raffles, including Sally Carmichael's annual winter-themed quilt drawing.

Proceeds from the quilt raffle alone brought in \$565. To entice buyers, matching table runners were given to the first 30 supporters who purchased \$15 or more in tickets. The incentive appeared

"We were very pleased with the amount we were able to raise this year," said Carmichael, whose late husband, David, a Past ISSA President, served on the scholarship committee.

According to Past ISSA President Bruno Andreini, who oversees the program as its Executive Director, the foundation determines the amount they give in scholarships each year based on the annual contributions they receive from the snowmobile community. Staying true to the foundation's long-range strategic plan, they tend to not tap into program reserves and principal money.

"Our board wishes to thank all ISSA members and clubs for



Mary Kahler, right, from the Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club won Sally Carmichael's quilt raffle to benefit the ISSA's Education and Scholarship Foundation.

What Snowmobiling Means to Me

by Brock Steinlage

Trail Blaz-zers, Inc., Region 5 Oelwein High School, Oelwein

Iowa State University — Ag Systems Technology

I have been actively involved in snowmobiling and other outdoor activities, such as trapshooting, hunting and fishing, throughout my entire life. Snowmobiling has helped me create meaningful memories and valuable life lessons with my entire family. Snowmobiling with my family has also taught me

the proper way to enjoy the trails, while also being respectful of the landowner's property. We live extremely busy lives and getting outdoors is a way for us to relax and enjoy what nature has to offer. This has positively impacted my life in several ways. Snowmobiling has been a way for my family and I to grow closer to each other, all while learning how to respect and enjoy the outdoors.



I have been active in our Trail Blazzers Snowmobile Club for many years,

starting at age 4. I attended the Fun Days as a youngster and have signed and unsigned the trails for many years with my family. I have positively represented the Trail Blaz-zers in my community, as I have worked our club's fundraiser. Carrying out conversations and activities with other club members helped me realize just how impactful and important continuing education and enjoyment in the outdoors is.

I also enjoy snowmobiling with my friends. This is a great way for us all to get outdoors and disconnect from the crazy world we live in. Throughout my future, I hope to continue to be a member of a local snowmobiling club and also get my future family involved. I recently purchased my own snowmobile to be able to continue to enjoy the trails and comradery.

My family has also been heavily involved with racing snowmobiles for many years. Again, these events have helped me grow connections with my own family, our snowmobiling family and friends. I have been grass dragging snowmobiles for as long as I can remember. Countless memories and connections have been made at the track. I have met lifelong friends at these events and keep in touch with them. They help me out with any questions I have about my sled and I help them out when possible. Along with racing, my friends and I have attended the snocross races in Dubuque for multiple years. Seeing the pro athletes fly through the air and push the sleds to their limit is adrenaline inducing. We always have a blast and have even had the chance to talk to some of the racers. This only furthers my love for snowmobiles.

Snowmobiling means the world to me.

their continued support of this very important program," Andreini said. "You are the people who continue to make this program a success by helping our young family members attain a higher form of education."

Applications for 2024 are due April 15, and to qualify, students must belong to the ISSA either individually or through their families. The application period opens Jan. 15, and materials will be available for download at www.iowasnowmobiler.com/scholarship. Completed applications should be mailed to foundation secretary Carol Nauman at 1540 Kirkwood Ave, Floyd, IA 50435.

"Please take the time to apply early and do a thorough and neat job of filling out your application," Andreini said. "Accurate spelling, proper grammar and school and community involvement are very important to the grading process and will help us in judging these applications. Every required detail is so important."

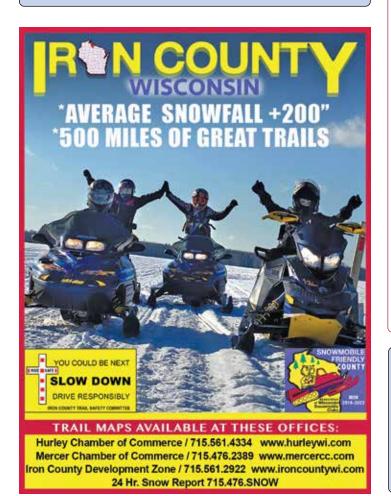
As part of the application process, each student must submit an essay on 'What Snowmobiling Means to Me'. The winning entries from this year accompany this article.

Each applicant also needs to obtain 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.

The top scholarship winner from Iowa each year is entered into the national competition for the \$1,000 C.J. Ramstad Memorial Scholarship sponsored by the International Snowmobile Media Council. For more information on either scholarship program, contact Andreini at (515) 240-3858 or awbrunoa3@gmail.com.

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What Snowmobiling Means to Me

by Ginny Spry

Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club, Region 7 Southeast Polk High School, Pleasant Hill Des Moines Area Community College — AgriBusiness

Snowmobiling has always been a part of my life, and I remember my first snowmobile was a Polaris 120 XC. Snowmobiling has been a family affair, whether we were drag racing, trail riding, or in the mountains of Wyoming, it has always been something we have done together. Snowmobiling has been a part of my childhood,

and my first memory of one was sitting in front of my dad while he drives. I remember gripping the handlebars so tight because I was scared, but I was also having the time of my life creating those core memories in my mind.

Snowmobiling to me means family, and it has been something my family and I have done together, such as my first trip to Wyoming. I vividly remember feeling the fresh powdered snow



coming over the handlebars, and seeing the breathtaking views of mountains up close was so beautiful to me. Even people who aren't a part of my family feel as if they have brought me in as their own, and they seem to be teaching me new riding tricks in the mountains to help me better myself. I also regretfully remember people helping me to get unstuck for the fourth time in a day. I love the feeling of peace and joy this sport gives me, and I love having surrounded myself with a group of people who have a passion for the same sport as I do and almost having that feeling I am a part of their family

Snowmobiling to me is also being accepted as a female in a male-dominated activity. I started drag racing snowmobiles around three years ago around central Iowa, and I was scared people would underestimate me or belittle me for trying to race a snowmobile as a female. After I won my first time ever racing, all of those feelings went away and gave me a sense I belonged for the first time.

Snowmobiling has also been a unique way for me to connect with other people across Iowa and other states. I remember one year in Saratoga, Wyo., we met some people who live just around 50 miles from us, even though we were all 1,000 miles away from home. There are a select few people who I go to school with who also have an interest in riding snowmobiles, and being involved in this sport has helped me make a connection with them and helped me find people to ride with.

Snowmobiling to me means family, peace, acceptance, and fun. I would like to thank you for taking the time to read this essay and hope you consider me for this scholarship.

ISSA Education and Scholarship **Foundation Mission Statement**

Our program is designed to provide financial assistance to eligible students for formal education or occupational training at an accredited two-year college, an accredited four year college or university or an accredited proprietary vocational school.



Perched atop one of the new Ski-Doo snowmobiles on display at the Expo Room, assistant project coordinator Thad Zimmerman represented the ISU Clean Snowmobile Challenge team at the ISSA convention in November.

ISU Team Appreciates Support from ISSA Clubs

Iowa snowmobile clubs raised \$1,500 for the SAE Clean Snowmobile Challenge (CSC) team at Iowa State University at the 2023 ISSA Annual Convention in Cedar Falls last month.

The Central Iowa Snowmobilers of Region 8 donated \$500 and the Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club of Region 7 donated \$250.



As they have done for the past several years, the Saylorville club then matched another \$500 for a total club donation of \$750.

The Saylorville club serves as the ISU team's home club. Students help mark their trails each fall, and they also volunteer their time at the Winter Fun Day for families with

the Spina Bifida Association of Iowa at Huxley each February.

This winter marks the team's 10th year competing in the Challenge. According to assistant project coordinator Thad Zimmerman, they need between \$7,000 and \$10,000 to operate each year, and they appreciate all the help they get from ISSA-member clubs. He said the contributions collected at convention will help cover their lodging and travel expenses to the competition.

Since 2015, the ISU team has been competing against other colleges and universities from across the Snow Belt. They are judged in 12 different categories and are tasked with reducing the sport's environmental footprint by curtailing emissions, reducing noise and improving fuel economy on their project sleds.

For the several years, the team has modified a turbo-charged Arctic Cat ZR7000 for the CSC competition, and most recently, they have also been tinkering with a factory-donated 2022 Arctic Cat Blast M 4000, seeing what they can get out of its single-cylinder engine and lightweight chassis.

In 2023, the team finished sixth out of 16 teams. This year's competition is slated for March 7-9 at Michigan Tech University at Hougton. They spent the last two years at Eagle River, Wis. For more information or to donate, clubs can contact Zimmerman at tzimmer@iastate.edu.

2024 DONATIONS

Spina Rifida Association of Iowa

Spina Bifida Association of Iowa	
Driftrunners	. \$1,000
Saylorville Dam Snowmobile Club	\$750
Central Iowa Snowmobilers	\$500
Bremer County Sno-Knights	\$300
Floyd County Groomers Association	\$300
Snow Pioneers	\$300
Cedar Falls Sno Hawks	\$250
Emmet County Driftbusters	\$200
Trail Blaz-zers, Inc.	
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Iowa River Riders	
Southwest Iowa Snow Scooters	
Team Iowa Snowmobilers	\$100
Webster County Ice Breakers	\$100
Winneshiek Trail Twisters	\$50
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Fundraising year renews each November at convention. Please use Venmo or mail donation checks to the ISSA office at 1924 270th St., Marble Rock, IA 50653

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