

WE ARE THE AWSC



ASSOCIATION OF WI Snowmobile Clubs Over 600 clubs that have a combined membership of over 41,000 of which many are family memberships!



AWSC is one of the largest, if not the largest, all volunteer organizations in the history of our state!





41,000 Family Memberships 1,400 Commercial Sponsors Every county in Wisconsin has representation in the AWSC.





Our members meet at fall workshop and spring convention. The full board meets four times a year including fall workshop and spring convention. We have 20 standing committees.



Our Club members, **County Alliance** members, AWSC Directors & **Executive Board** are all VOLUNTEERS.



We are truly the provider group. Our AWSC Clubs & **County Alliances** develop and maintain 25,000 miles of public snowmobile trails compared to 11,753 miles of state numbered highways in Wisconsin.



Approximately 75% of our trail system crosses private property. Most trails have to be put in and taken out each season.



We are the provider group for a sport that has a huge economic impact all over the state.



What is more important is that our sport takes place during a time when business is historically low.



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The DNR is our host agency.

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Manages and Administers our Snowmobile Safety Certification Program

Our clubs/ county alliances can apply for trail assistance funds for around 19,000 miles of approved self-funded trails through our Seg Trail Aids fund...

Snowmobile Trails that run across DNR Managed properties are contracted back to the clubs to Groom and support maintenance e specific to our use on the property.

Staff including RPMs and Enforcement time totaling around 9 FTES.

The Governor's Snowmobile Rec Council is an appointed citizen's group that recommends funding and policies to the DNR.

The Trail Aids Fund requires ZERO TAX **DOLLARS!** The Trail Aids Program, which is comprised of registration, trail pass collections, and fuel tax revenues from the fuel we use totaling around \$11 million a year.... Which returns BILLIONS of economic value back to our local, county, and state economies during a time of year when business is slow for many.



Snowmobile trail aids are entirely funded by snowmobilers. The money awarded in grants to Wisconsin counties comes from snowmobile registrations, trail pass revenue and gas tax from some of the gas used in snowmobiles. These grants are used to reimburse the over 600 snowmobile clubs in Wisconsin for some of their expenses.



The Trail Aids Fund does exactly that... helps out with incurred expenses. These annual grants do not cover all of the clubs/alliances operating expenses!

We truly are the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Clubs!



Our elected AWSC Executive Board and our County AWSC Directors and Reps combine forces with our local AWSC Clubs and County Alliance leadership in fulfilling legal and legislative efforts on local, state and national levels!



The AWSC is a Member of the American **Council of** Snowmobile **Associations.**



We work with and aid local clubs and county alliances in addressing and handling...

- Issues arising on a local level that require our involvement with State Agencies.
- Legal assistance and Lobbying support for issues that that arise and needed legislation on behalf of the AWSC and our Sport!



- Provide assistance and a support network to our local clubs and county when dealing with issues and situations in their local areas.
- Our AWSC Office in DeForest provides administrative support for our membership and association needs.



Our Recognition Programs

- Annual statewide awards program
- "Of the Year" Awards
- President's Cup
- Scholarships
- Snowmobile Friendly Communities



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Education and Safety

- Educational and information sessions at our fall workshop.
- Regular notifications provided by our AWSC Office.
- Provide input to the DNR and support to our hundreds of volunteer safety instructors regarding our Snowmobile Safety Certification Program.

Our KAOS Program (Kids and Adults on Snow)

- Has seen national recognition for involving our snowmobiling youth with our program...
- Leadership training for future AWSC leadership!
- This program has been so successful, that we are now electing these young adults as local club officers, county alliance leaders, AWSC Directors and Reps...
- Lauren Levey, one of our first KAOS members, is now the AWSC Treasurer!







Miss Snowflake Our AWSC Ambassador!

- Selected annually
- Provides representation to our clubs and to the general public

Our AWSC Clubs operate individually and as a part of their County Snowmobile Alliances:

- Grant funds are administered and dispersed through county government directly to either the county alliances or to the clubs directly.
- Many of our organizations purchase grooming and more expensive non-grooming equipment via their alliances, as this can be more cost effective and efficient!
- Provides a means for clubs to work together in providing and connecting the public trail system in each county
- Work together with county government and agencies on snowmobile related planning, policies, trail enforcement and issues that arise.





Our AWSC Member Clubs are the Backbone of the Statewide Snowmobile Trail system!

- Of the approximately 25,000 miles in Wisconsin, around 75% of those trails are on private property with seasonal easements. A vast majority of those trails are put in after fall harvest and removed the following spring after the season!
- Owning or leasing all needed machinery for grooming and non-grooming needs.
- Acquiring and providing all needed materials, including signs, stakes, attaching materials and the needed tools to install them.
- Provide the manpower to do all of the needed work!
- Many volunteers utilize their own personal equipment and bear some or all of those related expenses!
- They work with 10's of thousands of private landowners that allow us to use their property out of the goodness of their hearts!





- They work with local, county and state agencies to provide and protect their sections of the statewide system in their club's area.
- Work with area clubs to provide and protect their trails!
- Promote safe, responsible and courteous operation.
- They also step up and work with all parties to keep trails open.... and are forced to take responsibility with both public entities and private landowners in dealing with trespassing and trail misbehavior!









Besides all of their trail work and system support efforts, our AWSC Clubs spend 100's of hours every year raising funds to make up for their costs of operation.









They also are very generous by providing labor and donations to their local charities!



Many clubs have their own recognition awards involving their members in their respective communities as well! Our local clubs held over 250 snowmobile safety courses with volunteer instructors this past year that certified over 4500 students.





We value safe and responsible snowmobiling with a very minimal affect to our environment



..... with tireless efforts in supporting the sport we love!



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