

FRESH POWDER NORTHWEST

Spokane Winter Knights Snowmobile Club

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From the President

Greetings Fellow Winter Knights,

I first wanted to thank all our Winter Knight volunteers that helped us with the snow show, wood cutting and cabin maintenance this Fall. With many hands on deck, it made short work of the tasks we had to accomplish this year!!

Our snow show this year was very well received even though we had less vendors due to product shortages and lack of staff. Even with this, our attendance numbers were slightly over 2000 people, not counting kids. Without our volunteers we would not even be able to contemplate having a snow show. Thank you again to the WK volunteers that did the multitude of tasks necessary for the show to go forward in a professional manner.

Last, but not least regarding the snow show, I wanted to thank Bret Rasmussen of BRP Products and Ride Rasmussen Style for traveling to our show and putting on a riding fundamentals class. The class was very well attended, as it sent us scurrying for a whole lot more chairs for folks to sit in.

With the easing of the COVID restrictions this year, we are planning to have a full ride schedule out shortly providing ample opportunity to hook up with a snowmobile ride that fits your desires.

We are once again hearing from our local dealers that spare parts are in short supply this year. They are telling us to be cautious of those early season rides where rocks and stumps are lurking

for us to hit them. That new suspension a-arm may not be available for some time.

After the first of the year, our plan is to return once again to having "in person" meetings, provided that nothing changes for us.

Lastly, please be safe, ride with a partner and carry the needed equipment for your riding style and area. Enjoy the holidays and hope to see everybody again real soon.

Best Regards,

Greg Figg , President



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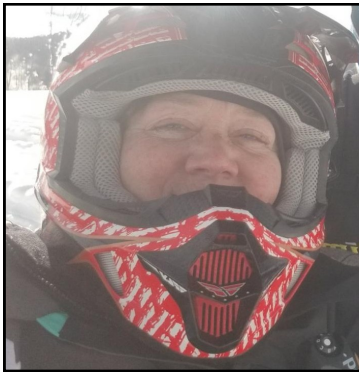
Rides

Well, it's getting to be that time of the year again! Finally!!!! As we start getting our sleds ready for what looks to be a great year and hopefully putting COVID in our rearview mirrors, I just wanted to let everyone know that I have compiled a FULL schedule of rides for this year. Every weekend has one or more rides scheduled. Sometimes, there is a road trip, such as to McCall, and for the people who don't want to travel far, there will be a ride somewhere closer to home. I'm looking to have the schedule out by December 1st.

Some of the places we are planning to ride are: Coolin, Mill Creek, Baldies, Flower Trail, Mt. Spokane, and others. There will be some weekday and night rides posted later. If there is a place that you would like to do a group ride, just let me know and I can get it on the schedule.

This year I'm bringing back the "Ride Definitions" of the various skill levels (with the help of some of the guys). There are 3 different levels of rides: Trail / Less Aggressive Off Trail, Off Trail, and Mountain rides. For each ride category, there is a brief description of what to expect and/or required.

As I write this article, there are NO RESTRICTIONS for riding. So, when you get out there, "RIDE IT LIKE YOU STOLE IT" and have fun. Let's have a great and safe riding year!



Rene' Wigen
Ride Coordinator / Board Member

Membership News

Thank you everyone for renewing your membership dues this year!

We are up 13 new members so far this year: 9 joined at our Snow Show earlier this month, 1 was a member as a child, 1 was referred by a current club member, 1 from social media, and 1 from our website.

There are still about 15 members that have not yet renewed. If you are one of these, please mail in your \$30 check, made payable to Spokane Winter Knights, as soon as possible to: P.O. Box 1255, Mead, WA 99021-1255. You may also renew on-line by going to our [website](#), completing the renewal form and pay using PayPal.

Golden members, even though you are free

from paying your Winter Knights dues, you still need to make sure your contact information is correct. Please return your updated form, call us, or email us at spokanewinterknights@gmail.com.

Al & Nellie McCarty
Membership Chairs



Life Flight Renewal

It is time to join or renew Life Flight memberships through the Winter Knights. Our 2021 memberships expire on December 31, 2021.

The membership fee is **\$59** a year. The membership will cover any dependents claimed on your tax return and elderly or disabled family members living in the same household.

1. If you are **joining** for the first time, please send your completed Enrollment Form (see back page of this newsletter) and your check for **\$59 MADE PAYABLE TO THE SPOKANE WINTER KNIGHTS** to me by December 4, 2021. You can mail it to me at the address below.

2. If you are **renewing** and there are no changes in your household, you do not need to complete a membership form. I just need your check for **\$59 MADE PAYABLE TO THE SPOKANE WINTER KNIGHTS or cash**. You can mail it to me at the address below.

3. If you would like to give a membership to a family member or friend, or invite someone you know to join our group membership in Life Flight, you can do that also. I just need the application completed and a check for **\$59 MADE PAYABLE TO THE SPOKANE WINTER KNIGHTS**. You can mail it to me at the address below.

Life Flight is not offering the 3 year membership any longer - you can only renew for a 1 year membership. If you have any questions, please call me at 484-7273.

Sharon Crockett

1128 E Gordon, Spokane 99207

2022 Scholarship

The application form for the Winter Knights 2022 Scholarship is now updated and posted on our club website. Please send all required documents to the address on the application (email will not be accepted) by March 15, 2022. Questions? Contact Sharon Crockett (509) 484-7273 or visit our club [website](#) for detailed information.



Upcoming General Meeting



If all goes to plan, our next general business meeting will be **IN PERSON** on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 7pm at the NEWTECH Skill Center, located at 4141 N. Regal. Join us at 6pm for dinner, prepared and served by the culinary students for \$11 per person (this includes tax and tip).

An RSVP for dinner is **REQUIRED** by Sunday, January 16.

We will continue to have the "Student Shoe/Coat Fund" donation jar at the check-in table to help support the students in the culinary arts program as well!

Next Board Meeting:

December 9, 2021

Time and Location TBD

Treasurer

Hello Winter Knights!

It was so wonderful to see our annual Snow Show return after a year off from COVID! As the club Treasurer, it has been an interesting two years juggling funds. We all worked hard and many smiles were captured by my camera at the show. Thank you to everyone! We are so grateful for the many vendors who committed to our Snow Show without knowing how much product they would be receiving to actually sell until shortly before the show.

The new logo was exciting to debut at the Snow Show. I will be headed to Stadium Sports with personal gear to have embroidered and wanted to let everyone know you can bring in any "new with tags" item and Stadium Sports of Spokane will happily logo it for you (they also have gear for sale in their store). Just ask for

Teri...she is amazing!

As we head into the most wonderful time of the year, I hope everyone who ordered new sleds receives them WITH instrument clusters, engines, shocks and all those other items that allow you to actually hit the snow! I've got my fingers crossed for you!

I can't WAIT to be out on the snow with friends and club members pushing my limits and learning new skills. Last year was my favorite year ever with amazing friends...but I say that every year. It just keeps getting better!

I wanted to give a special thank you to Bob Walker who always makes sure this girl has a ride everywhere and shared his secret "Original Bike Spirits – Spray Cleaner & Polish" with me...and managed to get me to help him detail the SAR sled, quad and trailer! LOL...he's a great

man!

As always, having world famous Bret Rasmussen of "Ride Rasmussen Style" attend our show and share riding tips and inspiration was a highlight! A special thank you to Ski-Doo for sending him our way to get the sledding hype going!

I'm looking forward to all the experiences the mountains hold for us. The exhilaration, helping friends, and the extreme laughter...it's all built into sledding. Let's ride!



Cindy Woodward,
Treasurer

Snow Show Kitchen Report



I want to thank everyone for providing food for the show. We had 14 crock pots on Friday and 25 crock pots on Saturday. We ran out of food and drink on Saturday by 3:00pm, except for a few hot dogs. I especially want to thank everyone who provided crock pot liners, you saved the kitchen crew a lot of work. Also, this was the last year I will be directing the kitchen. Jessica Lewis will be directing the kitchen next year, assisted by Bruce and Sue Bouma. I hope you give them as much support as you have provided me over the years.

Ron Kelley

Snow Show Pictures - Set Up November 12, 2021



Snow Show Pictures - November 13, 2021



More Snow Show pictures on page 8



Christmas Party

Saturday, December 18, 2021

Ruby River Hotel
(700 N. Division, downtown Spokane)

Social Hour @ 6pm with a No-Host Bar

Dinner @ 7pm

Free = Member Volunteer working 8+ hours @ Snow Show

\$17.50 = Winter Knights member

\$35.00 = Guest (Non-Winter Knights member)

RSVP and PAYMENT Due by Friday, December 3

- By mail (P.O. Box 1255, Mead, WA 99021-1255)
- Online with PayPal on spokanewinterknights.com

****An RSVP must still be made even if you earned a free dinner. Email spokanewinterknights@gmail.com****

A special hotel rate of \$129 + tax is available for that evening. Call the hotel directly by December 10 and ask to make a reservation with the group block "Spokane Winter Knights 2021 Holiday Party". Your AAA discount may be cheaper, so ask about that price too.

Don't miss out on all the fun!

Great food! Great games! Great prizes!

Silent Auction to benefit local charities!

Bring your checkbook!!

2021-2022 Upcoming Events

November:

26 Coeur d'Alene Lighting Parade - 5pm - Come see our entry!

December:

3 Deadline to RSVP for Christmas Party

4 Life Flight Deadline

18 Christmas Party - Ruby River Hotel - Social 6pm - Dinner 7pm

January:

13 Board Meeting - 6pm - location TBD

20 General Club Meeting - NEWTECH Skill Center - 7pm

February:

10 Board Meeting - 6pm - location TBD

17 General Club Meeting - NEWTECH Skill Center - 7pm

March:

10 Board Meeting - 6pm - location TBD

17 General Club Meeting - NEWTECH Skill Center - 7pm



- Club Officers -

President - Greg Figg

Vice President - Al McCarty

Treasurer - Cindy Woodward

Secretary - Shami Ruggles

- Club Chairs -

Snow Show - Dean Meakin

Search & Rescue - Bob Walker (Interim)

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- Board Members -

Simon Triggs

Bret Uhlich

Brandon Propeck

Rene' Wigen

Rick Suhr

Bob Walker

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More Snow Show Pictures 11-13-21





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New Member _____

MEMBERSHIP ENROLLMENT FORM

Spokane Winter Knights Association

MEMBER ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Spouse/Domestic Partner: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Additional Eligible Household Members:

Includes any dependents claimed on your tax return and elderly or disabled family members (age 65+) living in the same household

	Date of Birth	Relationship
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Member's Signature: _____

GROUP DISCOUNT MEMBERSHIP:

- ◆ Annual fee of \$59 per year per household.
- ◆ Discount rate is valid with enrollment through an approved group only.
- ◆ Return completed form to group contact.
- ◆ Complete Statement of Understanding is found on the reverse side of this form.

This form is valid through 11/30/2022. Contact your employer or group representative for an updated enrollment form if this form is expired. New and lapsed member benefits take effect upon receipt of payment. Life Flight Network transports patients based on medical need, not membership status. Medicaid beneficiaries should not apply for membership. Life Flight Network operates under its own FAA Part 135 Air Carrier Certificate.