

SUMMER 2024

## Greetings Superior Snowmobile Club members!

After the absolute unprecedented disaster of the last winter season, we have some **very exciting news** that we hope will rekindle “the spirit”, get your right thumbs twitching and truly wet your appetites for this coming season!

Meteorological sources are saying that La Nina is building and that our region, based upon past La Nina atmospheric conditions compared to what’s evolving currently, is set to experience what may be the “worst” (snow and cold) winter in 20 years! As many of us know, when it’s cold here, it’s usually snowing here. Even though it’s summer, starting our “snow dances” early cant’ hurt!

\***Trail #109** update: After 6 years of closure, we’ve identified and now have approved a re-route! **Vice President Jim Feehan** and his crew are working tirelessly on getting this re-route opened. We’ll then need to BRUSH and SIGN the entire trail. BOTTOM LINE.....**THE TRAIL WILL BE OPEN** for this coming season!! And.....the Superior Snowmobile Club will be grooming it all the way to Alston!

\***Trail #3** update: The Misery River Bridge in Twin Lakes is being closed for repairs, and the DNR has required that we re-route snowmobile traffic around this for this coming season. This re-route will be clearly marked and groomed. Please be advised that the snowmobile re-route will differ from the ATV re-route.

\***Trail #13** update: The trail from Greenland to Rockland is still very much open, but sadly, Trail #13 out of Twin Lakes looping around to Greenland is closed permanently. This decision was made by the DNR as the costs associated with creating a new bridge over the Sleeping River (old bridge was washed out during the spring of 2022) were cost prohibitive. The good news is that we’re working on a re-route. We’ll keep you posted on the progress made.

\***Trail #12** update: the trail will be open with no changes.

### OTHER CLUB INFORMATION

- **Our 2024 BRUSHING & SIGNING weekend is September 20 – 21** and we’re truly going to need your help! Please r.s.v.p. so we can get a handle on numbers for crews and the Saturday night appreciation cookout at the Twin Lakes groomer barn.
- **The Twin Lakes groomer barn** was expanded last summer and now includes a meeting room, a mezzanine for extra storage and inside storage for other club owned large equipment. It’s unfinished inside as I compose this, but wiring has begun, and we hope to have it at least able to be used for our monthly club meetings that re-commence in September and usually run through May (we meet the first Wednesday of these months @ 5:30p.m. and all are welcome).
- There’ve been fantasies (mostly mine) of having a big pot of chili, hot warm up drinks and maybe a table or two of euchre on pre-determined cold and snowy weekend evenings. This would be donations only, so a bit of a fund-raiser also. *Please let us know what you think about this idea!*
- We’ll have our 4 New Holland grooming units on the trails as we have in the past. Just so you know, all routine maintenance of our tractors and drags is done by our volunteer groomer operators.
- Please support our club and **renew your membership!** This can be done at our website: [superiorsnowmobileclub.org](http://superiorsnowmobileclub.org) or with the attached [Membership Renewal form](#). Also, and just as importantly, our local businesses truly suffered this past season, and your dollars spent in our region truly make a difference. These businesses support our club, so please support them!
- Trail and groomer etiquette is crucial for safety, not only for riders but also for the groomers. Please pay attention to all rules, remember that the groomer ALWAYS has the right of way and RIDE RIGHT!
- Please visit our website @ SUPERIORSNOWMOBILECLUB.ORG, or FB @ THE U.P. SUPERIOR SNOWMOBILE CLUB

See you “OUT THERE”!

Brad Sturtevant - President