

**Means snowmobile season over  
on to the next season**

## CHANGING OF THE SEASON

# Facts about trail funding

## Do trails just appear?

Many of our members understand that there are many things that go into putting snowmobile trails in place. But do you realize how snowmobile trail funding comes from all of us working together? It begins with the landowners, clubs, county associations to the DNR. All of us working together leads to trail funding which means we can hopefully make trails better in the future.

## Assembly Bill 180

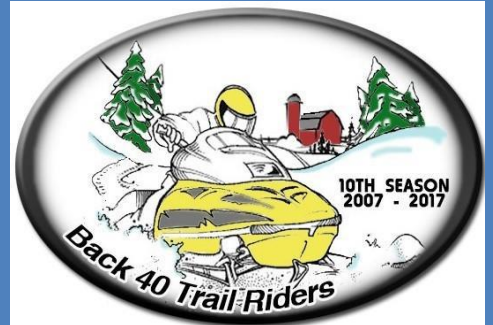
If you are receive emails from the club an email was sent out earlier this week requesting you to support Assembly Bill 180 also known as AB180 to increase the \$250 per mile for trail maintenance to \$300 per mile and the supplemental from

\$150 to \$200 per mile. The current rates have not changed in almost 20 years. Also included in this bill is to eliminate the sunset clause of the trail pass. The trail pass was originally set for 4 years. The trail pass fees would become a permanent funding source. If you get a chance where you can contact your legislator or send a letter asking them to support this bill would be helpful. I have included an example of a letter you could use as a guide. Not sure who your representatives are, this link should provide your district information <http://legis.wisconsin.gov/>

## 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Corn Feed August 12<sup>th</sup> at Fireside

So, here is your challenge, last year was the largest Corn Feed we have had. Let's make the

# The Rider Report



## APRIL 2017

10<sup>th</sup> year even bigger! Plan on attending and tell your family and friends to come too and enjoy the afternoon. Start practicing for the watermelon seed spitting contest. The kids and adults really have fun with this. You might even say the adults look at it as bragging rights for the year. Start drawing up your plans for the Fireside Cardboard Boat Race. This is always exciting to participate in or watch. The Corn Feed will run from 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm. We will be serving corn, brats, beans and chips.

## Raffle ticket items

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BACK 40 TRAIL RIDERS, N880 SCHOOL RD, NEW AUBURN, WI 54757

## CORN FEED RAFFLE

*Drawing August 12, 2017 at 5:00 pm*

**FIRESIDE BAR & GRILL**

N12745 Fireside Lake Rd, New Auburn, WI 54757

1st prize: Thompson Center Compass 30/06 with scope

2nd prize: Browning A Bolt III 270

3rd prize: Henry Golden Boy 22

4th prize: HJC Modular Helmet MAX 2 (donated by Sport Motors Harley-Davidson)

5th prize: Minn Kota Endura trolling motor C2 30 (donated by Carlson's)

Tickets \$5 each or 3 for \$10 Lic. #: R0028417A-79874

**Corn Feed: 12:30 pm to 5:00 pm**

Gun winners must meet all state and federal guidelines. Guns to be picked up at Mommsen Sport in Chetek, WI. Need not be present to win

## Raffle Tickets

Do you know where the funds we raise from the Corn Feed go? Funds are used to help pay for club insurance, corporation papers, gift certificates for the landowners to name a few. Your help in selling or purchasing tickets helps us meet our expenses. If you would like to sell tickets you can pick them up at the April meeting or you can email [back40trailriders@yahoo.com](mailto:back40trailriders@yahoo.com) or call 715-868-0006 and we will see that you get some! We appreciate your support!

## April Meeting

Our last meeting of the season is Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at Fireside. The meeting will take place in the garage meeting room

across from the bar. The election of President and Secretary/Treasurer will be at this meeting. Some of the members stay after the meeting for dinner and visiting. We usually have some good conversation and laughs! Hope you can make the last meeting.

## AWSC numbers

Some interesting numbers regarding membership. Total membership of the AWSC thru the end of February - there are 615 clubs for a total of 41,595 memberships. Keep in mind each membership be it family or single only counts as one. I found this interesting that the Back 40 is in the top 36% of membership. There are 392 clubs smaller! As clubs, we

still have our work cut out for us. End of 2016 there were 196,000 registered sleds and only 128,254 trail passes sold and only 65,590 sold by the AWSC. Remember each pass sold by the DNR cost \$30 each. With membership to the AWSC the cost is \$10 per sled. Example you have a family of 4 buying passes from the DNR for \$120. If a member of the Back 40 it would be \$25 membership and \$40 for the passes if you have 4 sleds for a total of \$65. So, it is costing you almost 50% less and you receive the benefits of the AWSC, WSN magazine and information from the club.



## Contact information for the Back 40 Trail Riders

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Back 40 Trail Riders



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## Thank you to the following businesses for your support

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**Back 40 Trail Riders Snowmobile Club  
Membership 2017-2018**

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**Member name (s)**

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**Address City State zip**

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**Phone**

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**email address**

**Do you wish to share your contact information with other members \_\_\_ yes \_\_\_ no**

**How would you like to receive your newsletter \_\_\_\_\_email \_\_\_\_\_ mail**

**Type of membership**

**Family: \_\_\_ (\$25) Number of children and names**

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**Single: \_\_\_ (\$20)**

**Senior: \_\_\_ (\$15)**

**Secondary: \_\_\_ (\$15) \* Name of primary club**

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**Club sponsor: \_\_\_ (\$25) Name of business**

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**State sponsor: \_\_\_ (\$45) Club membership included (appear on AWSC website and WSN magazine)**

☐ **Senior dues are the same for primary or secondary membership. One household member must be over the age of 65**

**Mail dues to:**

**Back 40 Trail Riders Club**

**c/o Don Gunderson**

**N880 School Rd. New Auburn, WI 54757**

**(715) 868-0006**

**Dues are payable for the 2017-2018 season starting July 1, 2017 to qualify for the discounted Wisconsin Trail Pass. Dues are mailed once a week to the AWSC. With your primary membership, you will receive the WSN magazine, and a complimentary \$3000 accidental death and dismemberment benefit. This benefit is for each adult household member and any children under the age of 19.**