

PA Grand Canyon Snowmobile Club

June 2022 Newsletter

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Notes from June 12, 2022, meeting: Club members present were Jim/June Baney, Tom/Áine Byrne, Dave/Belinda Frost, Dianne Tshudy, Brian/Nicole Shoop, and Bill Sowers

Old Business

Trout Tournament Shirts:

Our trout tournament shirts finally arrived and are in the clubhouse. Unfortunately, a snafu in shipping caused them to be delayed and they arrived after the tournament ended. But we're set for next year's tournament!

PennDOT Electronic Road Signs:

These signs, erected just before and after the clubhouse by PennDOT for the Upper Pine Creek Trout Tournament, worked really well again, doing their part to keep everyone safe. We are very grateful to PennDOT!

New Business

Donations:

A donation was sent to the Valley Alliance Church and to the Upper Pine Creek Sportsmen's Association for their help in making our tournament a success again this year. Thanks much to those organizations!

31st Annual Upper Pine Creek Trout Tournament

Thank You Advertisement:

As we do every year to show our appreciation, an ad will be placed in the Wellsboro Gazette and other local papers listing and thanking ALL of our business sponsors of the trout tournament. Without their generous donations, we could not put the tournament on, and we are extremely thankful for their contributions.

Notes to Members

There is no meeting in July of the Board of Directors for the club and there will therefore be no July newsletter.

New Business (Cont'd)

TRAIL CLOSURE

Attention Snowmobilers: A section of the PAGCSC's South railbed (the trail behind the clubhouse) will be Permanently Closed beginning this 2022/23 snowmobile season.

Back in 2017 our club did a major rebuild on the old, rickety bridge just east of Pine Creek Outfitters on the south railbed. The new "Dave Hassler Memorial Bridge" was built and served everyone well. At that time, water flowed under the bridge freely and out to Pine Creek. Over the last three years, conditions have worsened to the point that the water flow is no longer going under the bridge at all. We've tried addressing the problem with various fixes, but none have been successful.

Unfortunately, this redirected flow has caused the western lagoon at the Pine Creek Outfitters' access road to remain high. It continues to flood over about one hundred yards' worth of the railbed's length in that low-lying area, which has forced us to make the changes described below.

The South railbed section that will be closed runs from the Pine Creek Outfitters' access road all the way to our clubhouse.

Access to the clubhouse from the Colton Road/Burnin' Barrel area will now be via the North Meadow Trail, which begins to the right of the red barn on the opposite side of Rt. 6 across from the Burnin' Barrel. It will be the main route to the clubhouse going forward, and it will bring snowmobilers out directly across the road from our clubhouse on Rt. 6. The club plans to make improvements to the North Meadow Trail this fall.

Sledders coming from the West (McCarthy Trail/Log Cabin Inn) to the clubhouse on the South railbed will not be affected until they reach the clubhouse. At that point, the South railbed will be closed off and they'll be directed to take the North Meadow Trail in front of the clubhouse on the opposite side of Rt. 6 and then take the trail the whole way to Colton Road/Burnin' Barrel and into the Grand Canyon.