April 1, 2025 Volume 10 Issue 7

President's Pondering—Bryan Meador

Hello Fellow Sledders,

This has been a tough year for snow in the lower San Juan Mountains. We did get to enjoy a few great riding days. The weather people say 76% snowpack, that may be true in the high country, but not in our area. There is always next year, well later this year, in a few months it will start snowing again! The days fly by, enjoy your summer.

Just because the weather is warming up, doesn't mean you can stop thinking about riding. Southwest Colorado Outdoor Recreation Roundtable will be having a Volunteer Summit at Purgatory Community Center (Nordic Center) May 17th from 10am to 2 pm. Would you like to attend? We volunteer a lot of hours. Let me know. Help support the club.

April 26^{th,} we have a chance for you to volunteer your special skills. We will be doing roadside clean up on the lower half of Echo Basin road. Bring clippers, and your choice of cutting utensils. The gate will be closed for safety reasons. 9am meetup time. Bring water and I will bring a grill and provide lunch of some sort. All weather dependent. Watch for the email.

Have a safe summer, get out and enjoy the great outdoors. Be safe and we will see you soon.

Bryan Meador, President, San Juan Sledders Snowmobile Club



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Club Officers

- President—Bryan Meador
- Vice President—Chris Hinds
- Treasurer— Kristina Blumenauer
- Secretary— Morgan Hott
- CSA Representative—Curt Larsen
- Grooming Foreman—Travis Leonard
- Club Reporter—Dianne Larsen



Editor's Note—Dianne Larsen

- The April meeting will be held Tuesday the 8th at the Fun Center. Dinner at 6. Meeting at 6:30.
- The Drawing for the \$300 Fun Center gift certificate will be held at the April meeting!
 Show up to get one more chance to get your name in the hat.
- All remaining SWAG will be at the club

- meeting as well. Beanies \$10, caps \$20, vests \$25, jackets \$35-40, hoodies & sweatshirts \$30.
- Let's enjoy a great summer
- As always, please submit stories and pictures to a.dianne.larsen@gmail.com.

March Meeting!











February 11th 2025 Meeting Minutes—Morgan Hott

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by President Byran Meador at Fun Center - Durango

Member & new guest introductions

Motion: Minutes from February 11th, 2025 meeting approved as presented - accepted by Dianne Larsen; 2nd Curt Larsen

Treasurer's Report - Kristina Blumenauer

- Members: 114
- Bank Balance as of today: \$25,748.98
- Expenses BASIN COOP \$950.70, SWAG \$1,485.54, CSA WINTER CONVENTION \$720.72, \$143.37 MEETING MEAL
- Revenue \$838.09 SWAG AND MEMBERSHIPS pending clearing
- Paypal \$3,038.51
- Motion: Accepted Treasurer's Report as presented Dianne Larsen; 2nd Curt Larsen

Committee Reports

Grooming - Travis Leonard

- Groomed over Bolam on 03/11/25, the main road is dirt
- Grooming might be finished unless we get more snow
- 84 hours so far this year of grooming time

Unfinished Business

- Echo Basin Clean Up
 - Bryan asked when they plan to open the gate and is waiting to hear back.
 - Clean up date will be April 26th
 - Southwest Ag will be donating equipment for clearing and grubbing. The club will just need to cover the cost of fuel.
 - Travis will also bring equipment. The club will pay \$140/ hour
 - Motion to cover expenses for fuel and Travis's time/equipment approved Chris Hinds; 2nd Richard Hott
- Beaver Meadows Parking Lot -
 - Jeepers Creepers will endorse us if we apply for summer grant money.
 - Summer grant money would be received in 2027.
 - We will try to get equipment demoed or donated for the project.
 - We are going to try and get the forest service to approve a couple of test holes so we can decide how much grant money to apply for.
- Purgatory Parking Lot
 - Nick talked with the forest service to try and get us all together to discuss the parking lot plan.

New Business

- Silverton had their Radar Run last weekend and had a good turnout.
- Idea: Since we were unable to host our poker run, could we do a summer event to raise money?
 - Will discuss further as we get closer.
- Bryan will be the CSA District 9 Representative beginning May 1st.
- There will be a CSA meeting in May.
- 2026 Registration stickers will increase to \$50.25

The meeting was adjourned - accepted by Chris Hinds; 2nd Richard Hott

Respectfully submitted by Morgan Hott, Club Secretary



Committee Chairs & Volunteers

- Bryan Meador, Safety Instructor
- Dianne Larsen, Rides Chairperson
- Ron Corkish, Search & Rescue Liaison
- Dianne Larsen, Newsletter Editor
- Ken Hilfiker, Website Administrator
- Amanda Williamson, Facebook Administrator

The April meeting will be at the Fun Center Tuesday the **8th**. Dinner 6pm, Meeting at 6:30pm



Members enjoying March Snow!





Meeting Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call / Introduction of Guests

III. Reading of Minutes

IV. Treasurers Report – Kristina Blumenauer

V. Committee Reports

• Club Rides - Dianne Larsen

Equipment/Grooming/Truck To Do List

Travis Leonard & Kevin Walters

Membership – Kristina Blumenauer

VII. Unfinished BusinessIX. Motion to Adjourn









Lucchesi Property Group 970-799-5354 Dan Lucchesi



Bayfield Builders 970-946-9008 Jordan Frane



McCormick Construction 970-946-6857—Doug McCormick



Blouin Brothers Construction 970-759-2179—Lyndsey Blouin



McDonalds 970-247-9391 John Bronson

ELECTRIC 970-259-3395



3C Guiding 307-790-9953—Cameron Chimenti



Durango Adventure Rentals 970-335-9311—Chuck Schultz

Phillips Electric



Nic McDonald 970-565-7893



SNOWMOBILE Snowmobile Adventures 970-903-7916—Ben Cross



Durango Dog Ranch 970-259-0694—Greg & Gretchen Dubit



Spellbring Construction 505-325-5600 Aaron & Tami Spellbring



SILVERLINE ROPERTIES

The Bug Masters 505-325-7477 **Delbert Raney**

Silverline Properties

970-759-8882 Carli Harriman



Twin Buttes 970-259-3883 Glen & Dianne Pauls





Leonard & Sons Excavation 970-759-1995 Travis Leonard



Weminuche Grill



Wagon Wheel Liquors

Fun Center, Inc 970-259-1070—Joe Washburn & Pete Tabor

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Mailing Address:

San Juan Sledders Snowmobile Club

PO Box 591

Durango, CO 81302

New Member	_ Renew Member B	usiness Member	
Single Membership	\$43/Year		
Family Membership	s \$48/Year		
Business Members	hip \$68/Year		
CSA Right to Ride	Donation (Opti	ional)	
CSA SEEDS Donati	on (Opti	ional, SEEDS—Support, Educati	on, Events, Development, and Safety)
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Last Name:		First Name:	
Spouse:			
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