

## President's Pondering—Bryan Meador

Hello Fellow Sledders,

Talk about a late season dump! That was awesome! The reading on the stick at Molas pass was right about the 10-foot mark March 26<sup>th</sup>. The tree drifts are really nasty. But riding is incredible. So, get a few last rides in while you can!

With this pondering comes some deep thoughts. We spent spring break with 4 of the 6 grandkids, in Las Cruces. We had a supper amazing time. My grandma always told me, "I wish I could have had grandkids first". Ours range from 6 to 15 years of age. In late May we travel to Bullard Texas and spend a week with the other 2 grandkids. We can't wait. Grandkids are so much fun. Spoil them, pack them full of candy and sugar then send them home with great memories! So, along those lines the wife and I have talked about spending more time with our grandkids.

Wanting to spend more time with the little's will reduce our time here at home. I will be stepping away from my post as President. I know I told several of you I wasn't going anywhere, but I miss my grandkids. I have a super great team supporting me with the club. We have accomplished so much together. The Lemon parking area, Barlow parking area, Purgatory parking area getting it brought back to the table. We hosted the CSA winter convention. Purchased a newer haul truck and a brand-new snow cat! Looking at paying off the snow cat several years early. We are a great group of people. Thank you for standing beside me. I will still remain an active club member, we are not leaving, just resetting our life's. April fools, I am not leaving until you vote me out.

Be safe out there! See you on the mountain,

Bryan Meador,

Proud President, San Juan Sledders Snowmobile Club



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### Club Officers

- President—Bryan Meador
- Vice President—Chris Hinds
- Treasurer—Dianne Larsen
- Secretary—Jennifer Hawn
- CSA Representative—Curt Larsen
- Grooming Foreman—Travis Leonard
- Club Reporter—Ken Hilfiker



## Editor's Note—Dianne Larsen

- Our April meeting will be at the La Plata Fairgrounds Tuesday the 11th. Dinner at 6, meeting at 6:30.
- Halleluah! We voted at the last meeting to pay off our snow cat loan when we reached \$50,000 in our checking account. With our last grooming check we reached our goal and the loan has been paid off! Congrats San Juan Sledders for reaching our goal and many thanks to the grooming team for making us reach our goal!
- Our club donated \$900 to the CSA Right to Ride and CSA was much appreciative for our donation!
- As always, please submit stories and pictures to [a.dianne.larsen@gmail.com](mailto:a.dianne.larsen@gmail.com).

## March Riding—Dianne Larsen

While we've lacked in organized club rides in March, there was plenty of great snow accompanied by some great riding by our club members!



Dan Lucchesi and Darby Davis at Beaver



Lyndsey Bouin & Kevin Walters at Middle Mountain



Nadine Barber—Lemon



## March 14th 2023 Meeting Minutes—Jennifer Hawn

Meeting was called to order at 6:33pm by President Bryan Meador

Member & New guest introductions

**MOTION:** Minutes from February 21, 2023 meeting approved as presented - accepted by Dianne Larsen; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hinds

### Treasurer's Report – Dianne Larsen

- Balance: \$47,203
- Revenue: \$13,962 January grooming, \$178 memb/swag
- Expenses: \$72 Jennifer Hawn Feb mtg pizza, \$437 Travis Leonard, \$1,610 Basin Co-op
- Loan Balance: \$16,362
- Paypal account: \$590
- Paypal fund: \$0
- **MOTION:** Accept Treasurer's report as presented – accepted by Kevin Walters; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hinds

**MOTION:** Curt Larsen proposed paying off the loan for the snowcat – accepted by Dianne Larsen; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hinds

**AMENDED MOTION:** After discussion the prior motion was amended to state that when the San Juan Sledders bank account exceeds \$50,000 we will pay off the balance of the snowcat – accepted by Curt Larsen; 2<sup>nd</sup> Dianne Pauls

### Committee Reports –

**Club Rides** – Landon Tate

**Grooming** – Kevin Walters for Travis Leonard

We have 16hrs left of our grooming contract

**Membership** – Dianne Larsen - 115 members

### New Business –

Curt Larsen has new radios available

Grooming Grant Application for 2024

Kevin Walters received the Grooming Grant Application for 2024. He will fill out application and submit it.

This is the first time in years that we have fulfilled our grooming contract

We will continue to groom if possible to get additional hours grooming

Chris Hinds discussed finding options for storing the truck/snowcat under cover

Chris suggested that we look into dome storage

Chris is going to check with Josh to see if there is any storage at Jackson Lake

Chris and Travis had a discussion regarding hauling fuel for the snowcat

Discussion was tabled until April meeting when Travis is present

Dianne suggested that a group come up with a plan and we make a motion at the April Meeting for a dollar amount they can spend on snowcat for additional fuel options

The meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm – accepted by Dianne Larsen; 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Hinds

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Hawn, Club Secretary



### Committee Chairs & Volunteers

- Roger Pennington, Safety Instructor
- Landon Tate, Rides Chairperson
- Ron Corkish, Search & Rescue Liaison
- Dianne Larsen, Newsletter Editor
- Chris Hinds & Ken Hilfiker, Website Administrator & Facebook Administrator

### Meeting Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call / Introduction of Guests
- III. Reading of Minutes
- IV. Treasurers Report – Dianne Larsen
- V. Committee Reports
  - Club Rides
  - Equipment/Grooming/Truck To Do List– Travis Leonard & Kevin Walters
  - Membership – Dianne Larsen
- VII. Unfinished Business
- VIII. New Business

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- IX. Motion to Adjourn



Brady Leonard



Dianne Larsen—Middle Mountain



Travis Leonard—Middle Mountain



Curt Larsen—West Mancos



**425 Degrees Take & Bake Pizza**  
970-799-0425—Michael Gunn



**Leonard & Sons Excavation**  
970-884-2239  
Travis & Linda Leonard



**Advantage Repair Service**  
970-903-7340—Lynn & Lee Parks



**Phantastic Screens**  
970-247-7907  
Marty & Ann Gunn



**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

**BOLETUS CREEK APPRAISALS**

**Boletus Creek Appraisals**  
Phone: 9709034416—Geoff Bourque



**Built to Last Automotive**  
970-259-8777 Jeff Howard



**Durango Adventure Rentals**  
970-335-9311—Chuck Schultz



**Home Roots Hardwood Flooring**  
970-749-6821  
Jesse King



**Nic McDonald**  
970-565-7893



**Silverline Construction**  
970-759-2327  
Wes Harriman



**Dale R. Willbanks Agency**  
970-247-5828—Dale Willbanks



**Spellbring Construction**  
505-325-5600  
Aaron & Tami Spellbring



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



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



**La Plata County Search & Rescue**  
970-946-4437—Ron Corkish



**Twin Buttes**  
970-259-3883  
Glen & Dianne Pauls



**Welch Automotive**  
303-324-7185  
Jack Welch



**Weminuche Grill**  
970-884-7153—Joe Zebas



**\*\* Handlebar Motorsports**  
970-247-0845—Tom Grover



**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 \_\_\_\_\_ Business Member \_\_\_\_\_

Single Membership \$43/Year \_\_\_\_\_

Family Membership \$48/Year \_\_\_\_\_

Business Membership \$68/Year \_\_\_\_\_

CSA Right to Ride Donation \_\_\_\_\_ (Optional)

CSA SEEDS Donation \_\_\_\_\_ (Optional, SEEDS—Support, Education, Events, Development, and Safety)

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Snowmobiles: \_\_\_\_\_ Sponsors' Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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