



Douglas Area Trails Association Snowmobile News

June 2024

Jeff Linn Takes New Position

Jeff Linn, Douglas Area Trail Association Trail Administrator, has decided to pursue another employment opportunity and will be leaving his position at DATA on July 5, 2024. Jeff has been the Trail Administrator for 16 years and has provided valuable trail support and leadership during those years. We thank Jeff for his dedication to DATA over the past 16 years and wish him the best as he transitions to his new opportunity.

A Word From The President

Randy Dertinger

Well, our winter was so dry and our spring and beginning of summer is too wet? Go figure! At least we are getting some needed moisture. Hopefully some of this moisture will be saved for next winter!!!

As we move into summer, there lots of changes coming to DATA! As I've mentioned before, both the Vice-President and Presidents' second terms are up at the fiscal year end. Sounds like we may have some new takers in the woods thinking about taking on the new roles. More on that to come after elections in August.

The big news is that our Trail Administrator has taken a new position and will be leaving DATA July 5th. We thank Jeff Linn for his 16 years of service and contributions to DATA. Jeff your experience will be missed. We all wish you well on your new opportunities and adventures. Thank You!

With the majority of our trails on private property, the Land Owner appreciation dinner is schedule for July 21st at the 4H stand on the Douglas County Fair Grounds. The Pork Producers will again be grilling the pork chops. Special thanks to the Chippewan 4H club for helping prepare and serve our meal. The DATA board members will be on hand to talk with and answer questions.

Thanks everyone for helping DATA have the best trails in the region! Enjoy your summer, but think SNOW!!!

Douglas Area Trail Association Annual Meeting Notice

The annual meeting of DATA will be held at 7:00 pm on August 12 at the DATA shop on Centennial Drive. The Charitable Gambling meeting begins at 6:00 pm with the DATA meeting immediately after the Charities meeting. All members are invited to attend this meeting as well as any DATA meeting throughout the year. Meetings are held the second Monday of the month.

MnUSA Summer Event – Register Now

MnUSA has scheduled a summer picnic hosted by Region 9. The event will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2024, at Battle Lake Lions Park Shelter in Battle Lake. Check out the link below for more information and to register for the event. Cost is \$20 per person if registered by July 1, 2024.

[MnUSA :: MnUSA Summer Picnic \(mnsnowmobiler.org\)](https://mnsnowmobiler.org)

Trail Administrator - Help Wanted

Douglas Area Trails Association is seeking applicants for a Trail Administrator. This individual should be a community minded individual with strong leadership, organizational, communication, and mechanical skills as well as being self-motivated. Applicants should send a resume along with a letter of introduction to datatrailsinfo@gctel.net.

DATA to Exhibit at Youth Outdoor Activity Day

DATA will exhibit at the Youth Outdoor Activity Day in Alexandria scheduled for Sunday, August 25 from 10 am to 4 pm at the Alexandria Shooting Park. DATA will share information about snowmobile safety and youth safety training. Games will be available for youth to play and win prizes. Youth Outdoor Activity Day is an event that aims to introduce children and their families to various outdoor activities. It provides free equipment and opportunities for kids to explore their interests. Registration and information can be found at this link [Youth Outdoor Activity Day](#).

DATA & MnUSA Memberships

DATA needs your help and support. We encourage you to be a member of DATA and MnUSA. DATA builds and maintains 368 miles of trails in Douglas County and maintains relationships with 700 landowners. MnUSA was created 40 years ago so snowmobilers would have a voice at the state level. Do you know someone who would like to become a member of DATA? Visit our website at douglasareatrails.com and click on the Membership link.

A Message from The Depot Smokehouse & Tavern

Support the Douglas Area Trails Association by purchasing charitable gambling pull tabs when you stop at The Depot Smokehouse & Tavern. There is plenty of parking and The Depot is located right on the Central Lakes Trail in beautiful downtown Alexandria.

