

2020 ANNUAL REPORT

At a Glance

2020, Our Budding Mission

2020 was a year of change, challenge, and new beginnings. New beginnings resonates with our newly founded organization, Bago Tracks & Trails. Launched in January of 2020, we established our mission to be "A grassroots movement focused on connecting communities with healthy lifestyles in Winnebago County. Do what moves you." This will be accomplished through education, community engagement, and trail improvement.

Education

Thanks to Marc Salm, one of our board members, we've been able to host weekly "Wednesyaay" rides. Building community on the trails, but also providing the opportunity to educate riders. We will continue to use these rides and our social media presence to educate people on trail safety, bike safety, and of the community recreational resources that Winnebago County has available.



Community Engagement

We got the ball (and bikes) rolling with some fundraising bike ride events: A poker run and fall ride. This marks the beginning of Bago Tacks & Trails efforts to get people on the trails in Winnebago County and fundraise for future trail improvements. That effort has, currently, evolved into the a aforementioned rides on Wednesday nights. Larger, fundraising ride events will continue to be a vehicle for community engagement and fundraising.

2020 also marks a year of setting up the organization for a robust membership that engages not only traditional trail users, but engaging businesses that are in close proximity to trails in the county. The memberships for Bago Tracks & Trails will be finalized in spring of 2021, and will create a vehicle for engagement and fundraising for future projects.

Trail Improvement - CTY Rd M

While setting up Bago Tracks & Trails to engage with our community and mean something to our members, we've concurrently been searching for trail connection opportunities. "Where can we add appropriate trail segments to connect existing trail systems to new communities to increase trail safety and accessibility?" Using this question, we've identified a manageable section of snowmobile trail along WI HWY 10 that would connect CTY RD M and S Loop Rd in Winchester. This connection would help to connect the community of Winchester to the WIOUWASH and Friendship Trail systems, which currently requires riders to use the slim shoulder of a fast moving CTY Rd M. We have began the process of connecting with regional and county organizations like the DNR, DOT, and Fox Cities Greenways to explore creating the connection. This, we hope, will bear fruit as a successful project in the coming years.

Looking Back at 2020

Resisting the urge to insight a 20/20 hindsight pun, 2020 may have been the end of an era for humanity, but it marks the new beginning for our organization and for outdoor recreation in Winnebago County. To sum it up, Dan & Patti Dringoli of Bare Bones Brewery served as a catalyzing force in bringing Bago Tracks & Trails together. We formed our board and 501(c)(3), and we're on the trail to make your Winnebago County, a more outdoor accessible place. We've hosted 2 (safe) medium sized events, and over a dozen rides with nearly 70 attendees between them. We've identified some potential trail improvements, and have begun the process of engaging other organizations to improve your trails. Cheers to 2020 and here's to new beginnings in 2021.

2020 Financials			
Income		Expenses	
Direct Public Support	\$965.00	Donated Bikes	\$1,200.00
Membership	\$100.00	Other Costs	\$120.75
Sponsorship	-		
Miscellaneous	\$4,050.00	Total Expenses	\$1,320.75
Total Income	\$5,115.00	Net Income:	\$3,794.25