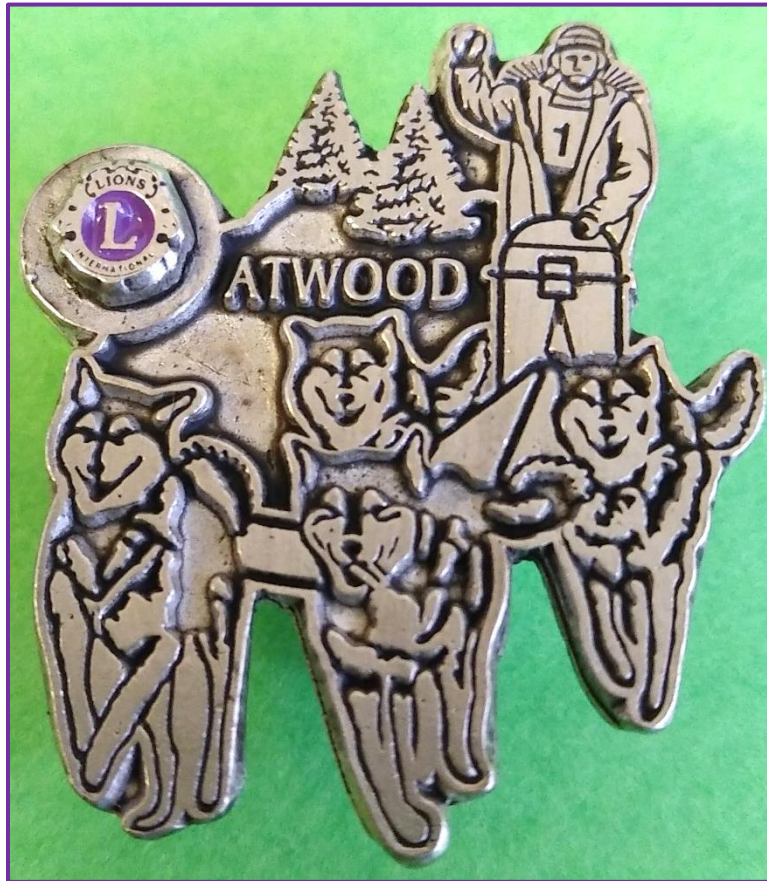
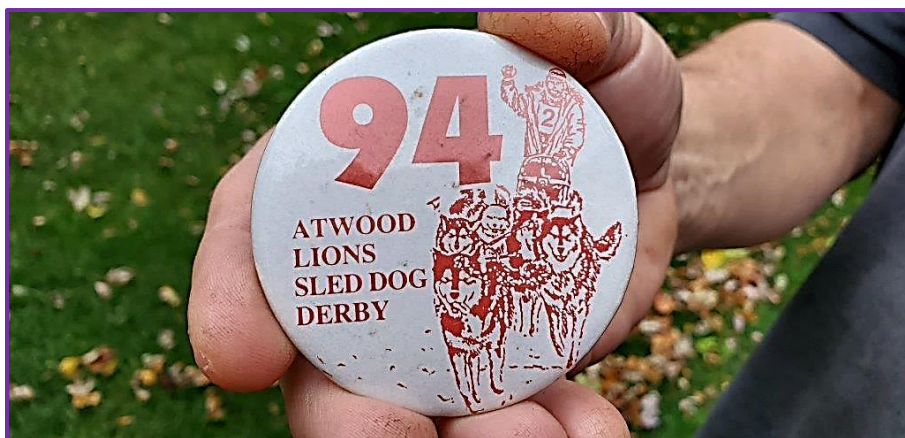


1993-1995 Atwood Lions Club Sled Dog Derby Pin



According to Lion Jim Brenneman, “The Atwood Lions Sled Dog Derby ran from 1993 - 1995. Apparently the last year it ran we hooked up with the local Kinsmen Club, some issues developed and that was it!!! You can see in the pin (below) the #2 which indicated the second year. “ *(thank you Lion Jim Brenneman)*



1994 Atwood Lions Sled Dog Derby Article



MUSHER ON THE MOVE —The pace was fast at the second annual Atwood Lions Club Sled Dog Derby and Trade Show which attracted over 60 participants. Over the two-days about 6,000 spectators watched as ers shot out of the race chute. (Banner Photo)

World champion wins derby

ATWOOD—As a steady down-fall of rain hit the area last Thursday and Friday, sled dog races seemed an unlikely event for the weekend.

But fate...and the weatherman, came through for the Atwood Lions Club and its second annual Sled Dog Derby and Trade Show was a snowy success.

Two days of racing were given

top marks by the competitors who travelled from near and far to participate in the second largest International Sled Dog Racing Association (ISDRA) derby in Canada.

Over 1,000 sled dogs could be heard whining and barking in the drivers' pit just outside the Elma Memorial Community Centre, Atwood, their enthusiasm gaining momentum as race time drew near.

Crowds, estimated at about 6,000 over the two-days, cheered on a total of 65 teams; 27 in the eight-dog class and 38 in the four-dog class.

A high calibre of racers was in attendance, including 1993 four-dog World Champion Lou Serre of Markstay.

Mr. Serre won the four-dog class in Atwood with times of 11:58:20 on Saturday and 11:28:67 on Sunday.

He is also the race evaluator and although he must wait to review the racers' comment sheets before giving the event a rating, he felt sure it would be a good one.

Last year, the Atwood derby re-

time of 11:40:61.

Fourth in the event was Schiafone of Barrie, fifth was Aumont of Val Gagne and sixth was Bruce McNeill of worth.

With a disappointing 15th finish on Saturday, Mr. Serre the ISDRA four-dog silver medalist in 1993, managed to move sixth place on Sunday with a ic run.

Seventh in the event was Hajeks of Connecticut, eighth was 12-year-old Jesse Loughe of Minden, ninth was Jeremy of Elmira and 10th was Matt of Ohio.

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