

# MIDWEST MICHIGAN BRANCH 2023 SNOWPLOW ROADEO AND EQUIPMENT SHOW



Please join us on **October 11, 2023 at 7:30 AM**, for the Midwest Michigan Snowplow Roadeo and Equipment Show! This year's event will take place at:

**Norton Shores Public Works  
1174 E Mt Garfield Rd, Norton Shores, MI 49441**

Spend the day with us and view a variety of Public Works equipment, talk to other operators, watch the competition throughout the day and enjoy a great lunch. This is a fantastic opportunity for learning and sharing new tips, tricks, what works and what doesn't as well as seeing the latest products from numerous vendors.

## ❁ SNOWPLOW COMPETITION

The competition is an obstacle course designed to simulate actual snowplowing operations where drivers are timed and scored for accuracy, safety, and speed. The competition will require each team member to complete the snowplow course independently and the scores will be combined for a team total. **Competition begins with an 8:00 AM mandatory driver's meeting.**

- Each City/County is allowed ONE team of TWO drivers for each garage facility.
- The course will NOT be available for practice.
- Two identical trucks will be provided at the event for competition.
- Drivers must turn over cell phones while driving.

## Course Outline

Each driver will be judged on the following:

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| * Start                 | * Speed Trap   |
| * Straight Line         | * Inside Curve |
| * Serpentine            | * Ball Tip     |
| * Diminishing Clearance | * Offset Alley |
| * Parked Cars           | * Alley Dock   |
| * Outside Curve         | * Stop Bar     |

## Diagnostic Exam (required)

In addition to the course competition, the two-person team must complete a diagnostic exam on a truck.

## Education sessions (required)

Each driver must attend an education session worth 500 points to earn up to an additional 1000 total team points to be added to the competition score. **This year's training sessions will be facilitated by Dr. Lew Bender!**

## ❁ PRIZES

Best team receives a traveling trophy, jacket and \$3,000 toward expenses to the 2024 Western Snow & Ice Conference in Colorado. The first-place driver will be awarded a trophy and if not part of the winning team will also receive a jacket and \$1,500 toward attendance at the 2024 Western Snow & Ice Conference in Colorado.

## ❁ CELEBRITY COMPETITION

Convince your politician/CEO to drive a big truck! The celebrity competition is on a shortened Roadeo course. The celebrity with the best score will receive a traveling trophy. **Celebrity Competition (non CDL holders) is from Noon to 1:00 PM. Limited time available so register early!**

## ❁ PRIDE OF THE FLEET COMPETITION

Show off your truck or unique equipment! The winning entry will receive a plaque. Previous winning entries excluded.

## ❁ INNOVATIVE IDEA SHOWCASE

Share a new design or innovative idea and win an award for your ingenuity! We'll have an area dedicated to display your work.

## ❁ EQUIPMENT SHOW

Exhibitors will be showing off their state-of-the-art equipment from **7:30 AM to 3:00 PM**. New products and ideas are available in the displays. See the latest technology!

## ❁ FOR SUPERVISORS

A session will be provided at 10 AM for supervisors only. **This year's training sessions will be facilitated by Dr. Lew Bender!** You will need to register for the class. Names of those who attend will be placed in a drawing for a door prize!

## ❁ REGISTRATION

The enclosed registration form **MUST** be completed and returned for all visitors and competitors by **September 29, 2023**. Everyone must be pre-registered to receive lunch (complimentary) and to participate in events.







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## REGISTRATION FORM(S)

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### Driver Registration

(Snowplow team drivers will run in alphabetical order – BRING LICENSE & DOT CARD)

Snowplow Driver #1: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Snowplow Driver #2: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Celebrity Driver: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be entering a vehicle in Pride of the Fleet? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you have an entry in our “Innovative Idea Showcase”? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Waiver

We are legally required to have a waiver on file for EACH driver entering the competition (Snowplow Driver and Celebrity Driver). See attached form and send with registration information.

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### RETURN ALL FORMS TO:

**Midwest Michigan APWA Snowplow Roadeo, c/o Alexandra Baylis  
Grand Rapids Public Services 201 Market Ave SW, MI 49503**

(Event to be held at Norton Shores Public Works – 1174 E Mt Garfield Rd, Norton Shores, MI 49441)

### Contact Information for Questions:

Phone (616) 456-3197; email: APWARoadeo@outlook.com

**Equipment Competition “ROADEOS”  
Release, Indemnity and Hold Harmless Agreement**

The American Public Works Association, Michigan Midwest Branch (APWA) in conjunction with participant (operator), \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledge that the following terms are a condition to participate in the 2023 Michigan Midwest Branch Snowplow Roadeo (Roadeo) and hereby agree that:

1. Operator acknowledges that construction equipment of the type used in the Roadeo is dangerous and can cause serious bodily injury, death and damage to property if not used in a safe and careful manner by trained and experienced operators. Operator warrants and represents to the APWA that he/she has been fully and adequately trained in the use of any and all equipment which he/she operates in the Roadeo and that he/she has had actual experience with the equipment. Operator further warrants and represents that he/she possess the skill to operate and use any such equipment in a safe and careful manner and agree to so operate such equipment as to avoid damage to property or injury to persons. Operator acknowledges that APWA is relying upon this representation and warranty.

2. Operator shall indemnify and hold APWA harmless from the claims of any and all persons for death, bodily injury, or damage to property which arise from or is a result of Operator’s participation, use and operation of equipment in the Roadeo, whether such claims are based in whole or in part upon the negligence of the Operator or APWA any defect in equipment, any site condition, or any negligence by any other person, including other Operators.

3. Operator agrees that, as an essential term and condition to his/her participation in the Roadeo he/she hereby acquits, discharges, exonerates and forever releases APWA, their officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns, of and from any and all actions, causes of action, damages, liability, obligations, rights, torts, wrongs and claims (“Claims”) which may arise from Operator’s use of equipment in the Roadeo, including any and all claims of any nature whatsoever, whether for death, bodily injury and/or damage to property, including failure or defect in any equipment or otherwise. As an inducement to APWA to allow Operator to participate in the Roadeo, Operator agrees, for him/herself, his/her heirs, successors and assigns, that he/she shall not sue or make any Claim of any kind against APWA, their officers, directors, employees, agents, successors and assigns, for or in account of anything which may relate to or arise from the Roadeo.

4. Operator consents to and authorizes APWA to use any photograph, video, film, or depiction of Operator for advertising and other commercial purposes; Operator waives and releases APWA from any right to compensation for the use of Operator’s likeness as may otherwise be provided by law.

5. Operator affirms he possesses a valid Michigan driver’s license.

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OPERATOR (signature)

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OPERATOR (print name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
OPERATOR Driver’s License Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
WITNESS (signature)

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