Snowmobile rally for Special Olympics held

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Burb Hiesler and Harold Ward of Sonningdale hosted a snowmobile Special Olympic rally Dec. 18. Over 500 snowmobilers and riders turned out for the rally from all over Saskatchewan; plus ghost riders. The route lacked a good snow

cover. All the prizes went to out of the local area winners. A few from our area attended.

We can be very thankful that to date we have had a moderate winter season, not to cold and not to much snow about. The shortest day of the year and the beginning of winter has passed. In southern Saskatchewan the mild temperature, right snow conditions and right winds took snow crystals and rolled them into football size snow balls called Snow Rollers. It is something

that does not happen very often.

The colder weather has brought many more birds out to the feeders. A flock of Red Polls and evening Grosbeaks have made daily trips to feed, besides the little Chickadees, Woodpeckers and Blue Jays.

Ladies of the local area attended a home made Christmas craft party at the home of Mrs. Kay Robertson of Bjelde Creek. Each lady brought a Christmas craft that they had made this year.

An old fashioned Christmas concert was held at Bjelde Creek Community Centre Dec. 22. The community centre is only a small building and it was standing room only. Baljennie Community club members put on a short skit. Many from the local area attended.

There were many beautiful outdoor Christmas lighting scenes of pretty colored displays in the Battlefords. Many farm homes in our local area were also decorated with pretty lights.