

PA GOVERNOR TALKS TO SNOWMOBILERS



Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club Director Dan Stevenson talks to Governor Tom Wolfe in front of the clubs' booth during the Marienville Octoberfest, Friday September 22, 2017.

Hopefully we can get more state secondary roads and many more miles of state and national forest roads open for snowmobiling.

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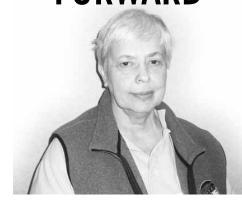
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MOVING FORWARD



Happy Veterans Day! Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank you to all our Veterans and their families for the sacrifices they make to keep us safe and free. Take time this Thanksgiving holiday to thank a Vet for their service to our country and way of life!

Take time to thank God and all those who have helped you become the person you are.

Take time to enjoy your family. Thank you to all the volunteers, vendors, attendees, sponsors and promotors who contributed to make the PowerSport Show a success. Without your unselfish help and donations this show would not be possible. Let's give a gigantic "Thank You" to Travis Mathna and Roger Auker who chaired the Show.

The Board reorganizes our Standing Committees every

year. They are listed in the Keystone Snowmobiler. If you have skills or an expertise in a certain area that you are willing to share please notify me or any Board member in the next several weeks. Your generosity of giving of your time and ideas can be a great way to infuse new ideas into the organization. We need dedicated people to help in all areas.

Phase **Three** of the Signage/GPS program is almost finished. PSSA now has a website devoted to club trails. Phase Three Clubs can make changes to their trails almost instantly. Future plans are to integrate these maps with the DCNR maps and make them available to the general public. We hope to make this resource available to all clubs.

October/November months are devoted to making final snowmobile trail preparations for the snowmobile season. Thank your clubs for all the work they do to help you enjoy the winter! Join a club! Encourage others to join PSSA!

Think Snow! (Let's do a SNOW dance!)

Liz Krug, President

Mark your Calendar: Membership Meeting – May 5, 2018 – Ramada Conference and Golf Hotel-University Park (same as this year)



NEWS FROM PSSA'S GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR



Hello, PSSA Members,

I am pleased to report that a new round of mini-grants were awarded on October 11th to 13 clubs for a total of \$62,821.00 from our DCNR Round 22 grant. Clubs receiving these mini-grants for grooming, trail maintenance and construction, and trailheads are:

Forest County Snowmobile Club
Glendale Lake Snowmobile Club
God's Country Black Forest
Marienville Trail Riders
McKean Snowriders
Forest County
Potter County
Forest and McKean Counties
Erie County

NEP Sno-Trails Wayne and Susquehanna Counties
PA Grand Canyon Snowmobile Club Tioga County

PA Snowseekers Snowmobile Association
Presque Isle Snowmobile Club
Pymatuning Trailblazers Snowmobile Club
Southern Potter Snowmobile Club
St. Marys Snowmobile Association
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Thank you to volunteer clubs for all the work they do to build, extend, and improve Pennsylvania's snowmobile trails.

I'd like to remind volunteers who have been working on PSSA's navigational signage project to be sure to record your time and mileage spent GPS-ing trails, posting signs at trail intersections, or attending meetings on this project. You can contact me for the recording forms or you can check the PSSA website under Organizations and Club Members/Club Documents/Navigational Signs Grant/Volunteer Work Record Signage Grant- Phase 3 to download the forms. As Liz mentioned in her article, our Phase III Navigational Signs Project ends December 31, 2017, so please submit your mileage and volunteer time records by December 15th.

As I write this, we are still waiting to hear whether or not PSSA was awarded a grant from the April 2017 application for DCNR Round 23.

Feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Lori Elliott, PSSA Grants Administrator



Hello from The Chickaree Ridge Runners Recreation and Rescue Snowmobile Club. We held our first race on Sept. 24th and had a good turnout, even though it was warm that day. Thanks to all the racers and spectators for coming out to support us. The next race is Oct. 22nd, and the final race is Nov. 5th. The gates open at 8am, registration is from 9-11am and racing starts at noon. The kitchen opens at 11am and we have a variety of food at reasonable prices. We have indoor restrooms and bleacher seating to watch the racers. Thanks to everyone who bought our \$20 tickets and congratulations to the winners.

Our benefit Poker Run is scheduled for Feb. 11th, 2018. Dr. Don Leckey has a trip planned for the upper peninsula of Michigan from Jan. 26th thru Feb. 3rd, 2018. Hopefully we will get snow here in Pa so we can go north to the Pa Grand Canyon and do some local riding as well.

For more info or to join our club, it is open to the public, a single membership is \$10 per year and a family membership is \$15 per year. Call Martin Marine at (814) 749-9931 or visit our website at www.chickareeridgerunners.com (I try to keep it up to date). Like us on Facebook at Chickaree Ridge Runners Snowmobile Recreation and Rescue Club. Meetings are held the first and third Thursday of each month from

CHICKAREE RIDGE RUNNERS SMC

Race Results - September 24, 2017

Vintage Liquid Cool Stock:

Vinny Civitarese — SD Zachary Peiffer — AC

Stock Studded 440:

Levi Smith — Pol

Zachary Peiffer — AC

Jack Machuta — AC

Stock Studded 700 S/P:

Brandon Bright — AC Butch Johnson — Pol

Stock Studded 800 S/P:

Jim Goller, Jr. — Pol Jack Machuta — Pol

Improved Trail 700:

Tyler Fram — Pol

Steve Bright — AC

 $\mathsf{Greg}\;\mathsf{Maser}-\mathsf{SD}$

Improved Trail 800:

Steve Bright — AC

Jim Goller, Jr. — Pol

Matt Adams — SD

Pro Quad:

Jon Custer — Yam

Brian Wasser — Honda

Levi Smith — Pol

Sled Bracket:

Tyler Fram — Pol

Greg Maser — SD

Levi Smith — Pol

Quad Bracket:

Jason McKinley — Pol

Brian Hill — Honda

Justin Williamson — Honda

Sled Bracket vs Quad Bracket:

Tyler Fram — Pol Jason McKinley — Pol

Club Points Standing— September 24, 2017 (Money Classes Only)

Steve Bright 16+15=31Jim Goller, Jr. 10+8+9=27**Zachary Peiffer** 8+12=20Tyler Fram 20 Jack Machuta 9+8=17**Greg Maser** 12 **Vinny Civitarese** 10 **Brandon Bright** 10 Matt Adams 9 **Butch Johnson** 8

Sept. thru April and the first Thursday from May thru Aug. They start at 8:00pm and are held at our clubhouse.

Be safe and as always, THINK SNOW, Sincerely,

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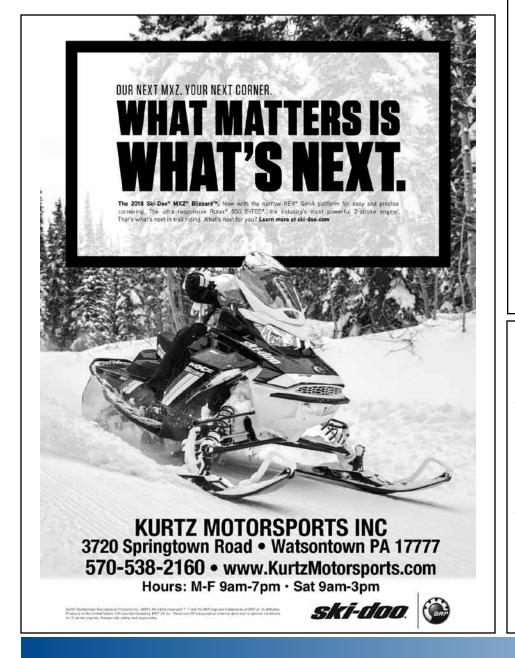
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15th ANNUAL HYNER MOUNTAIN SMC YOUTH SAFETY COURSE ON SUNDAY AGAIN THIS YEAR

15th annual youth Pennsylvania snowmobile safety course will be taught on Sunday, November 19, 2017 at the Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club lodge, which is located along Route 44 approximately 6 miles north of Haneyville, PA in Clinton County.

The club's annual safety course was moved to the third Sunday of November in 2016 in order to avoid scheduling conflicts with the PA Game Commission's family-oriented participation by student-athletes who may be unable to attend a Saturday course.

Pennsylvania's Snowmobile Law requires voungsters between the gges of 10 to 15 to earn a safety certificate before they may lawfully operate a snowmobile in the state, except upon lands owned or leased by their parent or legal guardian. The course is free for all participants.

The goal of the course, which was developed and is administered by the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, is to develop safe attitudes and practices in all Keystone State snowmobilers. Student manuals and workbooks will be utilized to illustrate the sport's basic principles and safety concepts. The course content will cover winter clothing,

The Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club's machine safety, and snowmobile laws and head"... regulations. Class participants qualify for their certificate by completing their workbooks and achieving a score of 80% or better on the final examination.

> Course instructors include Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club members Rich Ebersole of Cornwall, PA and Harrison Langley, Jr. of Palmyra, PA and "Keystone Snowmobiler" coeditor Henry Hartman of Hanover, PA.

Parents are to accompany their children Saturday black bear hunt and also to facilitate to registration so that the required forms may be completed. Registration begins at 7:30 AM; class starts promptly at 8:00 AM and will end by 4:00 PM. The Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club will provide lunch.

> Enrollment for the course is limited to a maximum of 30 students and pre-registration is required. Parents are encouraged to stay for the day to attend the course with their children or join the club's members in the cozy living room area of our spacious sleep-in lodge for a day of conversation and fellowship around our mountain stone fireplace. With direct access to the Sproul State Forest trail system from our parking area, come discover why we say that the Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club is "a great place to park your sled and rest your

The Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club is located approximately five (5) miles north of Haneyville. From the intersection of Route 44 and Hyner Mountain Road, continue north (straight) on Route 44 and look for Pat Reeders Tavern on the right. At the end of Pat Reeder's driveway, look for the gravel road on the left which is marked by a green road sign: "Reeders Addition Lane". Make a left onto Reeder's Addition Lane and proceed to the end where the lane splits into three (3) separate driveways. Take the middle, gated driveway to the Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club lodge which is a large, 2-story brown building. The club's parking area encircles the lodge.

To pre-register for the course at the Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club, please contact Dan Casey at 570-875-3006 or dcasey@ptd.net



KELLNER TOURS TO CONTINUE

Following the untimely death of Don Kellner, operator of Kellner Tours, three friends and fellow riders have decided to continue the snow tour operations, Sue Barrick, Randy Moyer, and Carl Mindler have created Kellner Snow Tours LLC. At the present time a trip is planned, starting 02/18/18 at the Hotel Ropuguemont, Saint Raymond, Quebec. The riders will travel to Hotel Marineau La Tuque, in La Tuque; then to Hotel Chateau Roberval, in Roberval; then to The Delta Saguenay in Jonquiere; to the Fairmont Manor Richelieu in Charlevoix; to Auberge La Camarine, Mont Ste Anne Beaupre; and returning to Saint Raymond on 02/23/18.

We are committed to the same high standards established by Don. The trip will have luggage transportation, emergency breakdown-sled retrieval service, support truck, and guides.

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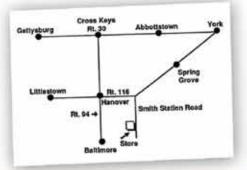




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SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CERTIFICATION COMMITTEE BACKGROUND





by Ed Klim Haslett, MI, October 10, 2017: The snowmobile manufacturing industry first organized itself 1965 when it formed the

International Snowmobile Industry Association (ISIA). Over the years the structure has been altered and in 1995 the International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association (ISMA) was formed to represent the manufacturers of snowmobiles throughout the world.

The snowmobile industry grew rapidly and it became apparent that there existed a need for safety and production standards for the snowmobile industry. Individual snowmobile manufacturers in 1970 worked closely with the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) SAE J-89: who helped form a subcommittee to develop recommended practices to guide manufacturers in the production of snowmobiles. In 1971-72, these recommended practices, developed through the SAE and other sources, were assembled by the safety engineering committee into a single usable document. This document was published in May 1973 as the Manual of Recommended Standards and Engineering practices for snowmobiles.

The Snowmobile Safety and Certification Committee (SSCC) was then formed and was SAE J-1282: presented at the International Snowmobile Congress (ISC) in June, 1973. In June of 1973 the SAE J-288: manual was submitted to the Canadian Federal SAE J-2826: Department of Transportation, to the United SAE J-1279:

States Consumer Product Safety Commission, and the United States Bureau of Outdoor Recreation SAE J-68: for their review and input.

The SSCC was recognized internationally in 1974 and continues now in its continual use and SAE J-292: updated of the SSCC-11 Standards, which have been updated in August 2017. The Snowmobile Safety and Certification Committee is a nonprofit organization which is concerned with the snowmobile machine and related product safety.

The standards within the SSCC requirements contains many specifications which are required to be met. They are all inspected and certified by a third-party Testina Laboratory. The standards are as follows:

SAE J-33:

SAE J-1161:

SAE J-192:

SAE J-92:

SAE J-68:

SAE J-1222:

SAE J44:

SAE J-45:

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Snowmobiles				
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SAE J-277: SAE J-278: Snowmobile Stop Lamps SAE J-280: **Snowmobile Headlamps** SAE J-576:

SAE J-578:

SAE J-1062:

SAE J-1038:

SAE J-62:

SAE J-280:

SAE J-292:

SSCC-53:

SSCC-63:

and Reflectors Color Specifications

Lighting and Markers SAE J-592 & 594:

> Snowmobile Handgrips

Children's Snowmobiles Children's lighting Snowmobile Headlamps

Systems be made to a Certified Snowmobile have the proper identification stamped on the exhaust

A snowmobile shall comply with all of the above requirements set forth in the appropriate

lists and their approved tests.

The SSCC Engineering Group and the SAE Snowmobile Committee are two of the more active committees working within the SSCC and the ISMA. They meet on a monthly basis to continually update and review snowmobile safety standards and technology. The manufacturers Engineering Committees meet throughout the year with regulatory bodies from North America and Europe and beyond. Technology in all engineering fields moves at a rapid pace and we can all attest to the amazing products available to us from the manufacturers. These products represent the best of technological breakthroughs and amazing quality, performance and longlasting life expectancy. The amount of time, work, energy, and knowledge that goes into every snowmobile produced is truly amazing and the vehicles are absolute artwork for engineering students worldwide.

Mechanism Requirements Snowmobile and and **Design of Voltage System** Requirements for Plastic Materials Used on Lenses Additional Standards for Side Marker Lamps, etc Passenger Recommendations for **Cutter Lamps** Snowmobile Identification Numbers Requirements of Exhaust system

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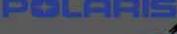






















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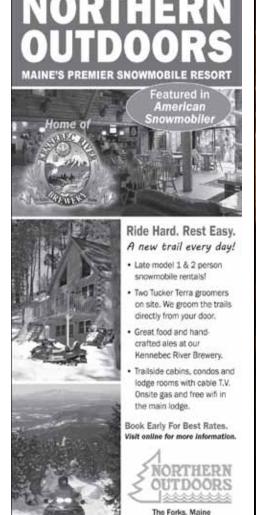
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PA GRAND **CANYON SMC**

On Saturday Sept. 23rd. our club held its annual work detail along with the ladies doing the mass mailing of the membership applications in the clubhouse. The clearing of the four miles of rail bed from the Burnin' Barrel Bar to the Log Cabin Inn is needed each year to remove any downed trees and all the encroaching brush that tends to overtake the trail at various locations. Dave Frost with the use of his tractor and brush hoa did a wonderful job of clearing the trail floor. The briars/brush that was on both sides of the trail were then trimmed by the rest of our trail team that consisted of Edgar Shelmire, Walt Domarew, Mike Van Ess, Brian Shoop, Nicole Shoop, and Jim Baney. See photos below.

The ladies who prepared the membership applications for mailing also prepared a delicious lunch for the trail crew that was very much appreciated. A very big thank you goes out to Marce Van Ess, Mary Domarew and June Baney for a wonderful lunch and a fine job on the mass mailing of the membership applications.

Jim Baney, President, PA Grand Canyon SMC, AKA "Grousegirl"

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We had a blast at the snowmobile grass drag races on September 17 and October 8. The September race was warm and sunny. Maybe a bit too warm for the racers who had to leave plenty of time to cool down their sleds. They weren't complaining though with such a beautiful opportunity to run the track. October 8th started off rainy, but cooler. Fortunately, the afternoon dried up, and the racing went on. Both races had reasonable turnouts, and the prizes were earned through tough battles on the track. With the leadership of Sheila Knupp, Allan Knupp, the Race Committee, and numerous volunteers the races were a success. Thank you all for your important part of bringing it together. Our neighboring clubs, Maple Summit and Rolling Ridge joined us again with information booths. We each took turns answering questions about racing and riding in general. We really appreciate their continued support and joining in on the festivities. An added human interest story--on race day September 17, I forgot my wallet, and therefore had no money. Todd Harcum, representing Maple Summit, gave me \$20 so I could buy a sandwich and 50/50 tickets from his wife, Allyson. Guess what????? I won the 50/50. I paid Todd back his money, paid my dues to all three clubs, and I still had money left over. That money was donated to the three clubs equally. Todd's generosity led to each of

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the clubs' benefits. That is how it works best laws, safety tips, clothing advice, parts of the in our sport. Snowmobilers look out for each other's interests. Our sponsors are how we make this happen. Thank you Highland Harley Davidson, Kneppco Equipment, Gellners Sales and Service Inc., Mosites Motorsports, F&S Yamaha and Marine, Ritco Inc., Art Engleka, and Morocco Welding. We can't do this without

Our Snowmobile Safety Class will be held on November 11, 2017, at the clubhouse from 8:30 A.M.---4:30 P.M. The class is free and we will feed you. You must pre-register for the class by calling Jim Wilkinson at 724-925-2073 or email at jwwilk@hotmail.com. If you sign up your child, we require an adult to take the class with them. We must be doing something right because over the last few years we have taught DCNR rangers, Nordic Ski Patrol, and a number of adults without children. They all said they learned something new from the class and recommend it to riders of all abilities. The class is based on a course set up by the state, and run by six trained instructors. The materials presented involve a workbook, supplemental handouts, videos, snowmobiling equipment, and vears of combined experience. Topics include the history of snowmobiling, riding

sled, trailering, and destinations. As you can tell, there is plenty to talk about.

The annual banquet for LHSC will be held on November 17, 2017, at Bell's Banquet Hall located at the bottom of Route 31's Three Mile Hill in Laurelville. Doc Lewis and his wife are in charge of this social event. They have rounded up a variety of door prizes to win, and chose the tasty food choices for the buffet. The cash bar gathering starts at 6:30, and the buffet will begin at 7:00 A.M. We will present the welldeserved Snowmobile Member of the year award at the banquet. RSVP's are sent to our treasurer, Linda Walker. Bring your appetite and have a good time.

The next meeting is Thursday, Nov. 9th at 8:00 PM in the clubhouse. Annual renewal of your membership dues are set to be returned by the meeting. You can mail them to the club at LHSC, PO Box 91, Jones Mills, PA 15646, or deliver them in person to the board. Please contact the board if you have not received your renewal form and banquet information by the time you read this. They were mailed out before Columbus Day.

The countdown to winter is coming fast. Time to get your toys ready for winter. As you know, the difference between men and boys is the price of their toys.

Until next time---live life to its fullest

Jim Wilkinson & Shelly Buckles

Right: Caleb and Connor Zorn receiving their racing plaques.



Right: Brady Eicher with his racing plaque.





Right: Winner of the annual guessing game.



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September 17, 2017 Race Results

Bracket Class

- 1. #59 Matt Hiltz
- 2. #35 John Vogt
- 3. #28 Travis Erb

Mini Sleds

- 1. #666 Caleb Zorn
- 2. #6 Brody Eicher

Vintage F/C Stock

- 1. #880 Brandon Smith
- 2. #931 Vinny Civitarese

Vintage Liquid Improved

- 1. #1 Valarie Blank
- 2. #11 Ashley Kauffman

Stock Studded 700 Liquid SP

- 1. #20 Josh Boring
- 2. #25 Donovan Vogt

Stock Studded 1000 Liquid

- 1. #12 Nick Orengia
- 2. #50 Patrick Canfield Improved 700
- 1. #00 Rick Hinkle
- 2. #12 Nick Orengia

Stock Studded 800 Liquid MP

- 1. #20 Josh Boring
- 2. #3 Joel Gift

Open Mod 600

- 1. #12 Nick Orengia
- 2. #31 Brenton Tubbs

Improved 500

- 1. #1 Valarie Blank
- 2. #31 Brenton Tubbs

Stock Studded 440 Liquid

- 1. #31 Brenton Tubbs
- 2. #5 Zachary Peiffer

All Out Class

- 1. #14 Ron Kalina

2. #00 Rick Hinkle

- Vintage Liquid Stock 1. #5 Zachary Peiffer
- 2. #9 Amber Kauffman

Improved Trail 700

- 1. #13 Steve Bright
- 2. #20 Josh Boring
- 3. #28 Travis Erb
- Stock Studded 800 Liquid SP
- 1. #30 Rene Hemphill
- 2. #15 Chray Cameron
- 3. #20 Josh Boring

Open Mod 500

- 1. #1 Valarie Blank
- 2. #31 Brenton Tubbs

Stock Studded 600 Liquid SP

- 1. #18 Butch Roth
- 2. #11 Ashley Kauffman
- 3. #31 Brenton Tubbs

Improved Trail 800

- 1. #13 Steve Bright
- 2. #20 Josh Boring
- 3. #59 Matt Hiltz

Stock Studded 700 Liquid MP

- 1. #3 Joel Gift
- 2. #20 Josh Boring
- 3. #31 Brenton Tubbs Improved 800
- 1. #12 Nick Orengia
- 2. #59 Matt Hiltz
- 3. #25 Donovan Vogt

October 8, 2017 Race Results

Bracket Class

- 1. #4 Harry Ratvasky
- 2. #931 Vinny Civitarese
- 3. #17 Amber Kauffman

Mini Sleds

- 1. #666 Caleb Zorn
- 2. #686 Conner Zorn

Stock Studded 700 Liquid

- 1. #20 Josh Boring
- 2. #6 Brandon Bright

- Improved 700
- 1. #9 Tyler Fram

2. #00 Rick Hinkle **All Out Anything Goes**

- 1. #10 Ron Kalina
- 2. #9 Tyler Fram

Vintage Liquid Stock

- 1. #17 Amber Kauffman
- 2. #1 Zachary Peiffer

Improved Trail 700

1. #20 Josh Boring 2. #13 Steve Bright

Stock Studded 800

- 1. #20 Josh Boring
- 2. #932 Greg Maser
- 3. #11 Jim Goller Jr. **Improved Trail 800**
- 1. #13 Steve Bright
- 2. #20 Josh Boring

A QUOTE TO NOTE

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader." - John Quincy Adams

HOLLINGER'S SPORTS 'N TURF AND DUTCH TRAIL CUTTERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB TO **CONDUCT ANNUAL SAFETY COURSE**

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youngsters between the ages of 10 to 15 to completed. Registration begins at 7:30 AM; earn a safety certificate before they may lawfully operate a snowmobile in the state, except upon lands owned or leased by their Club will provide lunch. parent or legal guardian.

The goal of the course, which was developed by the PA Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, is to develop safe attitudes in all Keystone State snowmobilers. Student manuals and workbooks will be utilized to illustrate the sport's basic principles and safety concepts. The course content will cover winter clothing, machine safety, and snowmobile laws and regulations. Class participants qualify for their certificate by completing their workbooks and achieving a score of 80% or better on the To pre-register for the course, please contact final examination.

Pennsylvania's snowmobile safety course will Course instructors include Henry Hartman,

Parents are to accompany their children to Pennsylvania's Snowmobile Law requires registration so that the required forms may be class starts promptly at 8:00 AM and will end at 4:00 PM. The Dutch Trail Cutters Snowmobile

> Enrollment for the course is limited to a maximum of 40 students and parents are requested to pre-register their children. Registration priority will be given to youngsters between the ages of 10 to 15. Pre-registered students will be guaranteed a seat until 8:00 AM. Walk-in students, including adults that wish to participate, will only be accepted if the class is not completely filled or the pre-registered students do not arrive by 8:00 AM.

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The Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club held a members picnic Sunday September 17, 2017. Club members had a meeting to discuss upcoming work sessions just after their picnic dinner. PSSA Vice President Jim Wolfe let the club know of their grant approval from DCNR for brushing of approximately 25 miles of their 350-mile trail system. The club also hopes to apply for additional monies for more brushing. The club also received an endorsement letter from the US Forest Service approving of said trail work. The club is also in support of Warren and McKean County working together to apply for the 25 million Federal TIGER grant that would be used to sustain the Longhouse Scenic road from Route 321 just north of Kane, Pa. to Route 59 just east of Warren, Pa. This 25 miles of USFS Trail 1 is some of the most beautiful scenery east of the Mississippi. Some portions of this road had to be reduced to one lane this past winter. The road was built back in the sixties overlooking the Kinzua Dam and accessing Jakes Rocks area.

Jerry Thornton



Above: Marienville Trail Riders Jim Anthony, Dave Timothy, Jerry Beichner, and Jerry Thornton meet at the groomer barn before heading out to manually brush the new All Seasons Trail System that will lead into Marienville, Pa. 3.2 miles of this new trail will allow the groomers access to Trail 12 bypass. This new trail system is part of Jenks Township All Season Trail System.



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by Henry Hartman

Chaparral Snowmobiles were produced from 1970 to 1974, in Denver, Colorado. They used the slogan "The Frisky fleet from Colorado high country". The Chaparral line came about as a successor to a machine called the Snow Birdie, built in 1968 & 1969. In addition to snowmobiles, the company also manufactured motorcycles and minibikes for a few years. They produced an early 6-wheel-drive ATV amphibious vehicle that didn't set any sales records!

The first few years featured engines built by Kohler, Hirth, JLO Rockwell, and Sachs. Later years included CCW engines and eventually in 1973, Chaparral-branded engines manufactured by Xenoah and Fuji. They had 3-cylinder liquidcooled 650cc engines in some race models.

Model names for the 1970 snowmobiles included 'Firebird', 'Executive', '300', and 'Snowgoer' series. There were a total of 13 various models across the series. In 1971, the 'Skylark' series was introduced while the '300' and 'Snowgoer' names were abandoned. Sixteen different offerings were spread across the three series. Then in 1972, the 'Executive' series disappeared and the 'Thunderbird' name was introduced. A whopping 20 different models were in the line-up!

The 1973 models line-up saw a great reduction in the Chaparral models available to the public. The 'Skylark' series was gone and the 'SS III' series was debuted along with the returning Firebird and Thunderbird series. Eleven different individual models were offered, about half of the

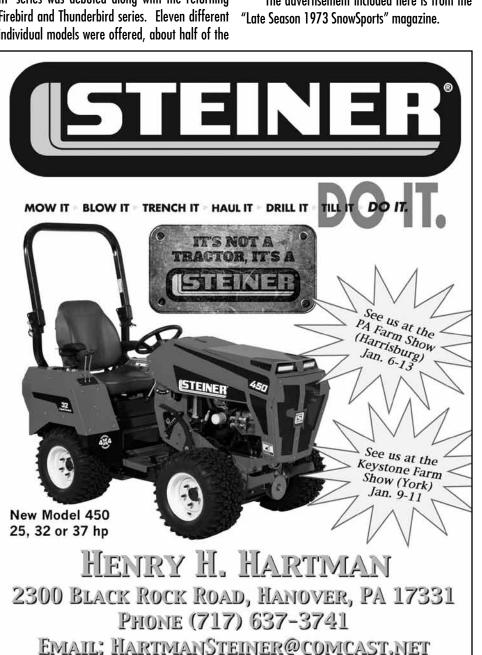
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models from the year before! And the attrition continued for 1974 when only five models were produced: Firebird 292 & 340; Thunderbird 440; and SSX 340 & 440. On February 11, 1974, the parent company of Chaparral Industries announced the closing of that business. The remaining inventory was sold to a company in Michigan.

Chaparral was a regular competitor in Oval and Grass Drag racing in the early seventies. They hired factory race drivers from some of the other larger teams, it's too bad the equipment was not as good as the drivers. Another public relations ploy, besides racing, was a cross-country snowmobile trip from New York to San Francisco. Rider and company official Tom Shifflet made the trip in the spring of 1970, with a Skat Track wheel system on the front of the snowmobile. One day, he rode an amazing 738 miles! The trip included an ascent of Pikes Peak, and the entire feat was co-sponsored by Gates Rubber Company & JLO Rockwell engines. The stunt did not make much news at the time, even though it was claimed to have set numerous records.

As we have written several times about bygone brands of snowmobiles, the "energy crisis" of the mid 70's helped to spell the end of Chaparral snowmobiles. Another contributing factor was lack of snow in many areas of the country in those

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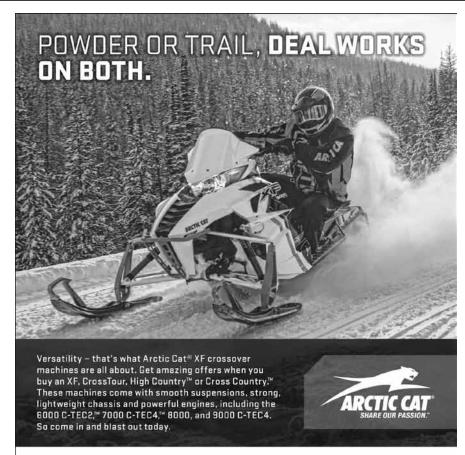
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