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## GLENDALE LAKE SMC OPENS NEW TRAIL



On February 9th, we had the official Ribbon Cutting on our trail connecting Prince Gallitzin State Park at Glendale Lake and Black Moshanon State Park. As the snow was gently falling, the ribbon was cut on the new trail. The trail is approximately 30 miles long and connects 20 miles of trails at Glendale and 60 miles of trails at Black Mo. Ride all the trails out and back and you're looking at close to a 140 mile ride. The Ribbon Cutting was a real celebration for the Club with close to 50 people in attendance on a Friday morning. Government Officials, many DCNR people, community members and club members all turned out for the event.

*See full story on page 16.*



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# MOVING FORWARD



## Happy Easter!

Erie needs about 7 inches of snow to surpass all annual snowfall records. People are tired of snow but want to break the record!

Thank you to all those who submitted nominations for Awards, Executive Board Nominations and Regional Director Nominations. Charles Walter, current Secretary, and Terry Wood, President of the Forest County Club have placed their names in nominations for the two open Executive Board positions.. (see page 4)

Recently the Board voted to continue the PowerSport Show this year. The Committee comprised of Travis Mathna, Arlene LaTourette, Chick Walters and Kathy Woolever will begin work on a budget for this event. Specific information will be made available as soon as dates etc. are determined. The Committee is looking for a Promoter for the Show.

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018 9am at the Ramada Golf and Conference Center. This is the same place as last year.

Carol Mosier and Sheila East volunteered to Co-Chair the Auction. We need everyone to bring a planter, gift card, basket or other

items. This Auction helps defray the cost of the meeting and awards.

The Membership meeting will have an Open Forum for "Members Only" this year. If you cannot attend or want your ideas or comments presented by someone else you may send your comments, suggestions, concerns, and ideas to James Wolfe, Vice-President. We will discuss ideas to move the Association forward. Several topics already mentioned include the following: Annual Dues, Registration Fee, PSSA Financials and Frequently Asked Questions. Hope to see you there.

*Liz Krug, President*  
Think Snow (for next winter)

**Mark your Calendar:**  
**Membership Meeting**  
**May 5, 2018**

**Ramada Conference and Golf Hotel- University Park**

## A QUOTE TO NOTE

Because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

*Edward Everett Hale,*  
writer and clergyman

## NEWS FROM PSSA'S GRANTS ADMINISTRATOR



Hello, PSSA Members, As I write this article, there is plenty of snow on the ground here in Harrisburg. Unfortunately, the northern part of the state did not profit from the storm that passed through on the first day of spring and received no snow. As a result, we could not bring Video Mike Grant back to Pennsylvania this year to make Year Two of our "Pennsylvania Snowmobiling" video for Snow Trails TV. Hopefully next year will be better.

In regard to other grant projects, I will again submit an application to DCNR for funds for PSSA's mini-grant program. We will need letters of support from the clubs that benefit from this program stating why these funds are needed to help defray trail maintenance and grooming expenses. I have emailed the grants contacts in your clubs with this request. If you did not receive this email and can provide a letter of support, please send it to me on your club's letterhead, if available, by April 9. Email is preferable but I can scan a faxed or mailed letter also. Thank you for your help!

*Lori Elliott, PSSA Grants Administrator*

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**Terry Wood**

I am married with two adult children and reside in Chardon, Ohio. I was born and raised in Meadville, PA. My wife (Paulette) and I have a cabin in Kellettsville, PA where we spend a considerable amount of time. I retired from BASF (chemicals) as IT Manager for one of their business units after 40+ years in Information Technology with multiple companies.

I have been a member of PSSA for approximately 17 years. My family has been actively snowmobiling since 1992. Our favorite riding destinations are the ANF and Yellowstone National Park area. I've been an officer with Forest County Snowmobile Club (FCSC) since 2000 and am currently President. Recently I was asked to take over leading the bi-annual meetings with the local snowmobile clubs and ANF U.S. Forest Service.

I am looking forward to taking on an active role within the PSSA leadership. I plan to gain a better understanding of the key issues impacting PSSA and the sport of snowmobiling across the state. Volunteers, along with the efforts of PSSA, are the foundation to maintaining and improving snowmobiling across the state. I've been writing PSSA mini-grants and C2P2 equipment grants for FCSC for a number of years. In addition, I've coordinated with the U.S. Forest Service and local Clubs the funding and installation of three multi-use bridges. As a small Club with most of our members 1 to 2+ hours away, I cannot emphasize the importance of PSSA's role in helping clubs secure funding for trail projects, grooming and equipment. Without PSSA our Club would not exist today. With the recent reduction in snowmobile monies from DCNR, PSSA will need to continue to explore and implement ways to generate additional funding. I want to see the sport of snowmobiling continue to grow across the state for current riders and future generations. It is a great way to get outside and experience the winter beauty of Pennsylvania.

I have been a groomer operator/mechanic for 10+ years. This experience has enlightened me into the importance of trail maintenance during the off season to provide safer and better groomed trails that hold up to sled traffic longer. Pennsylvania competes with other states for snowmobilers. Therefore, it is critical that support for grooming across the state grows because today's riders prefer destinations with regularly groomed trails.

In closing, I look forward to working with the PSSA board of directors and members to help advance the organization and improve the snowmobiling experience across Pennsylvania.

**Charles K. Walter**

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1984-1989 Contiental Training Services Indianapolis Ind.  
Director, Finanical Aid and Student Service for 6 resident trade schools with annual enrollment of 17,000. Accountable for admission office staffing, training and services at forty five (45) enrollment locations.

1974-1984 Northeast Technical Institute, Fleetville, PA  
Private trade school; During this time held various positions including; governmental programs director; financial aid and student services manager and school administrator.

Interests  
I am on the Board of Directors for NEP Sno-Trails and remain active throughout the year in various club projects and events.  
My wife Bonnie and I have been snowmobiling PA, NY, Mn, Me, and Canada for the past 46 years. Other interests are hunting, gardening and auto races.

**How long have you been a PSSA member?**  
Snowmobiler for the past 46 years. Not sure exact year I joined PSSA but probably 15-20 years ago.

**Club affiliations:**  
TC Riders Snowmobile Club, Camden NY  
NEP Sno-Trails, Forest City, PA

**Favorite riding locations:**  
Pennsylvania - NEP Sno-Trails. Club trails in Susquehanna and Wayne Counties. 200 miles of groomed trails, great scenery, great riding plus close to home.  
Canada - The Gaspé. Absolute favorite ride is a week-long saddlebag trip around the Gaspé Peninsula.

**What do you feel are the most pressing issues facing the PSSA?**  
I live in an area where all our trails are on private property so things such as landowner relations and trail closures become major issues for us. With that in mind here are my thoughts on the subject:

1- Membership in PSSA. In recent years the total number of individual members in the state organization has been steady or declining. That trend has to be turned around. There are some initiatives that could be tried at the state level but the local clubs have the best opportunity to make it happen.

2- Lack of volunteerism at both the local club and state level. It seems that everyone wants to be a critic on what's wrong and how to fix it but very few are willing to step forward and help out. Getting more members to volunteer is an ongoing challenge.

3- Trail closures and loss of riding opportunities on private lands. Number of reasons this happens but it is becoming more apparent that the actions of a growing number of abusive riders are creating a negative image of our sport and a leading cause of trail closures. Regulations and education alone are not enough. Local law enforcement needs to be visible and active to reverse this trend.

4- Continual threats and challenges to our sport from groups opposed to the use of motorized recreational vehicles on public lands. These groups are well funded; active nationwide; they have strong political lobbies and various strategies to close pubic lands for recreational vehicles. PSSA has to remain vigilant and oppose any efforts made by these groups that threaten our sport.

**What is your vision for the future of the PSSA?**  
I see a PSSA as providing a leadership role to protect and improve snowmobile opportunities for individuals, clubs and other related entities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In that capacity I see the PSSA developing plans and strategies regarding legislative initiatives; education; landowner relations; trail funding opportunities and regulation enforcement. They need to be the ever-vigilant voice that opposes any threats to our sport from the non-motorized vehicle groups.

**Any other information about your candidacy or yourself that you want to provide?**  
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- 9:00 Opening Remarks: Elizabeth Krug, President
- 9:15 General Membership Meeting PSSA  
Updates and Reports
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 General Membership Meeting  
Elections, Budget
- 11:30 Luncheon and Awards Presentations  
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Hello from the Laurel Highlands. We have often heard the saying, "The third time is the charm". I thought this saying would come true when referring to the snowfall in Pennsylvania. This should be the year we would have more than enough snow to ride on. Especially, since the last 2 years were bad for our sport in Southwestern PA. Guess what? I was wrong. It's no wonder there have been more sleds than usual on Craigslist and more sitting in yards for sale. Only time will tell if we can get back to the exciting winters of years past.

There were many who came out to the trails and had satisfying rides, mostly on weekdays. The reports about conditions were all over the place from "everything is so rocky"

## LAUREL HIGHLANDS SMC

to "Wow, we had near perfect conditions". Despite the shaky, unpredictable weather, DCNR, forestry and parks, did a tremendous job of working with the snow they had. Even through the meltdowns, they kept the trails groomed making a solid flat base. They patiently opened and closed the gates between storms, and made the rides a success for those who braved the conditions. Thank you Forbes State Forest, Laurel Hill State Park Complex, and Linn Run State Park for the continued help and support. Thank you to each of the Rangers out there keeping us safe. Thank you to Maple Summit and Rolling Ridge for your great trails

and hard work keeping this sport alive. You are appreciated neighbors. Thank you to the "plow guys," Bob Ainsley and Bob Nichols, for keeping our lot open. Thank you to the board, and volunteers who continue to keep things going whether they had the opportunity to ride or not. We are fortunate to have so many pieces of the puzzle working smoothly together in our area.

All 4 snowmobile manufacturers can be found online and in the dealerships with the latest 2019 model year information. You can place your spring order right now if you desire.

Several of our members have put on many

miles and hours this year to get to the UP of Michigan and Maine to ride. As you ride, you build memories to last a lifetime. We were lucky enough to make one of those journeys again this year with friends. The photos and memories create the joy to get us into next season. Here is a memory that will last forever. My nephew traveled to the UP to ride. When he approached the Mighty Mac Bridge a Road crew truck came across the lane and closed it going north. He had to stay in a hotel to wait for an opening. On his return trip heading south the Mighty Mac Bridge was closed again. Poor guy, this is an example of "Murphy's Law." The bridge closes if the wind is blowing too hard or ice chunks are falling from the bridge cables. That was the case this trip for several snowmobilers. Despite the luck with the bridge, he was able to rack up the miles and had a great time.

Workdays start up again at the club on April 21, 2018. This is the annual "Adopt A Highway" treasure hunt. We start at 9:00 A.M. from the clubhouse. In the past, we have collected between 42-86 bags of garbage. You never know what you can expect to find along the road. We will provide lunch and drinks as well as all needed roadside equipment. Dress for the weather.

Come join us for a workday or a club meeting which is held the second Thursday of the month at 8:00 P.M. We serve pizza, pop, and brownies. Check your LHSC calendar or go to lhsc.net to find out what is going on. Our club is active 12 months a year. We could use your help. The drag race committee could use your help too. The dates are not set yet, but we'll keep you posted.

Looking forward to seeing many of you at the PSSA Spring Meeting in State College, Pa. held at the Ramada Inn. More information can be obtained by going to pasnow.org on this function. (or see pages 6 & 7)

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Above: Linda Walker at the End of the World, Michigan.



Left: Lake Superior scenery.



Above: Group photo at the lake.

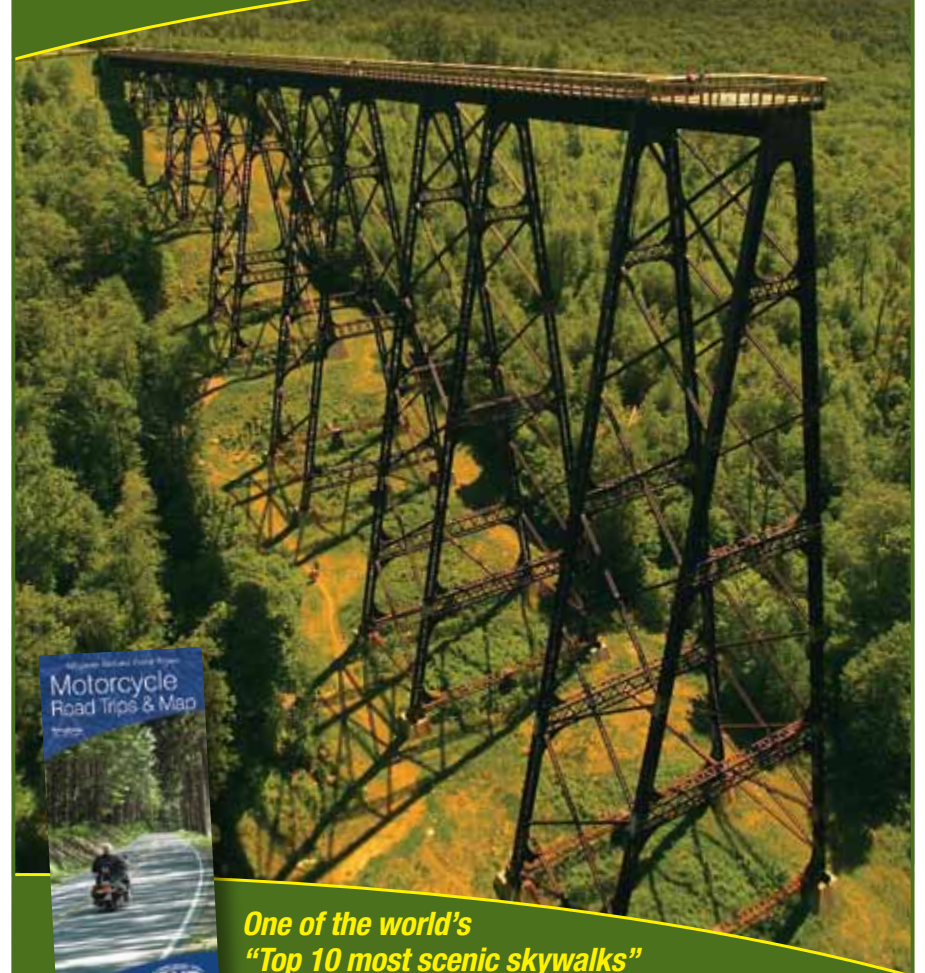
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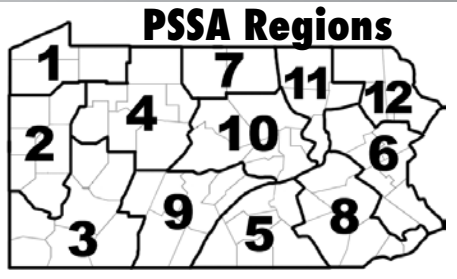
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York County November 10 8:00am-4:00pm	Region 5 Conway-Runkle Annex of Dubs Church, Hanover, PA F&S Yamaha, SMC of Adams County	F&S Yamaha 717-632-6382 Limited to 40 students
Clinton County November 18 7:30am-4:00pm	Region 10 Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club	Dan Casey at 570-875-3006 or <a href="mailto:dcasey@ptd.net">dcasey@ptd.net</a> Limited to 30 students
Lancaster County December 1 7:30am-4:00pm	Region 8 Akron Fire Company, Akron, PA Sports 'N Turf of Lancaster & Dutch Trail Cutters SMC	Janet Auker - 717-859-5455 or 1-866-791-6384 Limited to 40 students
Cambria County Jan. 5, 2019 8:00am-4:30pm	Region 9 Chickaree Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club Chickaree Ridge Runners SMC & Martin Marine Sales, Inc.	Clint Elias (724)-349-5369 or (814)-749-9931, <a href="mailto:clintswitchback8@gmail.com">clintswitchback8@gmail.com</a> Limited to 30 Students

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Please schedule your Safety Class dates as soon as possible and send the information to the Keystone Snowmobiler for inclusion in our Master List of Snowmobile Safety Classes.

## AMERICAN COUNCIL OF SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATIONS

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Categories include:

- Snowmobiler of the Year
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CRT Awards recognize the trails. There are several categories to enter your trail projects. These awards are presented in Washington, DC in June.

The CRT awards recognize worthy trail projects funded by the Recreational Trails Program (RTP). These awards raise the trails visibility to the national level. The trails receive recognition of the efforts of local and state organization that work to bring the trails from plans to reality. These awards also come with Congressional recognition, which is good because they are the ones that appropriate the federal gas taxes to the RTP program.

All of the forms are on the ACSA website, <http://www.snowmobilers.org/snowmobilers-of-the-year.aspx>

## HYNER MOUNTAIN SMC

Hello from Hyner Mountain Snowmobile Club. Just want to let everyone know what has been happening up on the mountain.

Well, as far as snowmobiling goes, not very much! For the third straight year “Mother Nature” has dealt us a blow - another very lousy winter! At least as far as the North Central counties of Pennsylvania (this is where our lodge is located), and where most that read the Keystoner and ride their sleds are concerned. I'll explain: For the past two winters, each time a storm moved across the state, it has nearly always skirted these counties. Central and Eastern Pennsylvania counties would get either plow-able snow, or plain hammered with snow; while our lodge and surrounding areas would get a dusting to three inches of snow! This for the third straight year . . . . Unbelievable!

Good thing there's New York and/or Maine for riding. Some of our members did some riding in New York; and, a group of us did some riding up in Aroostook County Maine (“The County”).

Well, now it is time to get ready for spring and summer at the lodge, which is one of the great things about being a club member. When winter is over (be it good or bad) we only pack up the sleds and gear, not the friendships and comradery. We'll all be getting together for numerous occasions throughout the spring and summer seasons.

Well that's about all for now. Hope everybody had a great and safe winter, no matter where or how much you rode.

Talk to ya next month.  
THINK SNOW!!

Dan Casey

### Ever See Lies About Snowmobiles on Social Media or in the News?

It's always frustrating to see poorly written or downright untrue articles about snowmobiling on the news, in print and/or on Social Media sites.

When you see these, do you respond? We certainly hope so-never let an untruth about our sport stand unchallenged. So, where can you get real information to answer these un-truths? Go to this page: [www.snowmobileinfo.org](http://www.snowmobileinfo.org).

We've spent a lot of time and energy gathering facts and putting them together in a coherent manner. Please use this tool when encountering items published by folks with an anti-snowmobile agenda.



March 11, 2018

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Dear PSSA,  
The Kimberton Snow Stompers Snowmobile Club has been a member of the + association since the 1970's and I am sad to inform you that we are closing the book on our organization as an active club.

We will continue to get together and/ or ride as friends but will no longer be holding official meetings and doing our annual Kimberton Fair soda stand to raise funds to contribute to local charities in the name of snowmobiling.

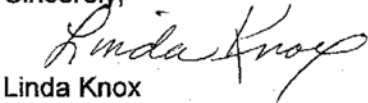
Over the years we have ridden local (no longer available), Potter County and Poe Valley/ Bald Eagle/ 7 Mountains areas. Over the years we have also ridden in northern Main (home based at Shin Pond Village riding north to Fort Kent and between), the International Snowmobile Festival (out of Madawaska) and an overnight saddlebag week around the Province of New Brunswick with another trip via long distance flight to West Yellowstone for a week before they instilled guided trail tours.

It has been a great experience and as we grow older we continue to ride the mountains as the opportunity and weather permit. One more trip is planned for Maine in 2019 and as always PA.

Enclosed is a final check (#7426107 for \$172.68), closing our club account, that we are donating to the PSSA to utilize as best needed. Your work over the years has been a great support and information source to enhance snowmobile riding for everyone.

We wish the PSSA organization all the best for the benefit of everyone that loves the sport.

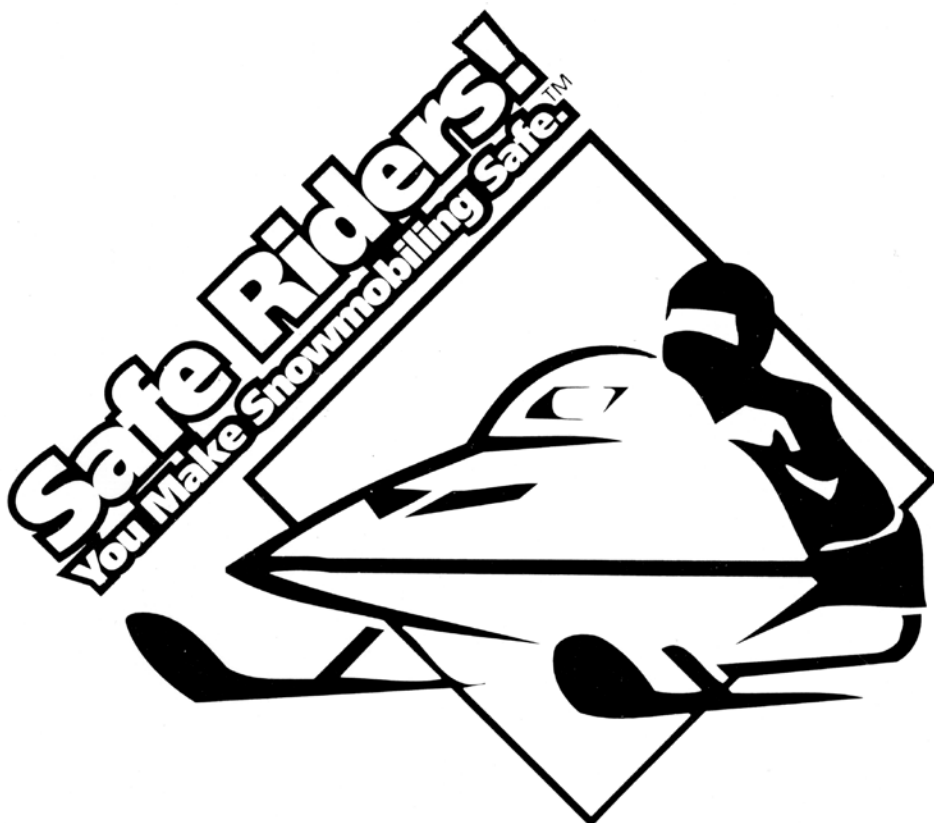
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Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club group ride on Manistique Lake.



Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club group gets ready to ride.



Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club and Forest County ATV Club put on St Patricks' Day Dinner 2018.





## MARIENVILLE TRAIL RIDERS

Twenty-one snowmobilers spent a week from February 18 to the 25, 2018 in Curtis, Michigan. The group rented three beautiful lodges at Pine Bluff that had heated floors, five separate beds with three bedrooms. Each lodge included satellite TV, fireplace, in a large room along with a fully equipped kitchen and a full bathroom upstairs and downstairs. The upstairs included a washer and dryer. The group was able to eat all of their meals, with the exception of going out to eat Wednesday and Friday evening, in their lodge for breakfast and dinner. The three lodges booked six, seven and eight riders, respectively. The cost for each person was \$184.00 not including the cost of gas and lunches for the seven nights and eight day stay.

Mother Nature cooperated by making sure there was enough snow on the trails and there was not a day riding that we did not see a groomer or two. President of the Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club, Ray Bish and vice president Joe Rodgers co-planned the event and it could not have been a better trip. The first day of riding, they, along with fellow club rider Bubba Harris broke us up into three groups as they all headed out to Bear Trap in three different directions. As luck would turn up and good planning by Ray, Joe and Bubba, everyone showed up at Bear Trap for lunch at about the same time. It was a great ride with many miles covered, some fast, some slow and some with very fast speeds. The rides resulted in everyone being satisfied with the ride and speeds enjoyed by all. The second day saw three more groups head out in three different directions again only to connect at Paradise for lunch. One group had some bumpy trails coming across the northern loop by way of Grand Marais because the groomer broke down. We all had a great ride

with some stopping at Whitefish Point and some stopping at the waterfalls south of Paradise.

Wednesday proved to be a day for shopping for some and others returned to the trails as some headed out to Grand Marais and others travelled to Buck Horn with lots of smiles and miles occurring. To quote a long time snowmobiler from the club, Gabby Burkhardt, "It's not the miles, it's the smiles." As with any trip, especially with 21 sleds, the group did have a few breakdowns but with the expertise of Joe and Ray along with Gregg Dalton and Brian Popoleo, everyone whose sled broke down was able to be hauled back to Curtis. Another experienced Michigan rider was Ray Lamison who rode in the back of the pack, making sure we did not lose anyone. Jerry Thornton held the record of towing two sleds back to Beartrap and making four trips there in the six days of riding. On one of the towing trips, while following Joe Rodgers, Jerry Thornton was super glad to find out how smart Joe was when the two finally got to the gas station at Seney where Thornton's sled took 10.3 gallons of gas and his tank only held 10.9 gallons. This was after making two trips to Beartrap and having passed three gas stations signs 30 miles previously. Al Cemer and Roy Daniels put on the most miles for the week as they rode to Wisconsin on Wednesday so Al could buy a new Polaris to finish the week.

Back at Pine Bluff, the snowmobilers were able to relax in a large hot tub or swim in the luxury indoor pool or play billiards. Another attribute about staying at Pine Bluff was that it offered the riders easy access to Manistique Lake which was frozen over and provided the riders a chance of increasing the mileage they

rode or easy access to other trails. Thursday saw the groups downsize to two groups as they rode to Trout Lake or Munising. During one of the trips, the members remember the smashed sled that is in a glass case at Newberry. This is just a reminder of the hazards of riding if you do not have your sled under control. Friday they made the trip to Grand Marais or Pine Stump. On the final day, one group made it to the ice caves and back to the lodges by 4:30. A round trip of 220 miles, while the other group went to Pine Stump for lunch and back. Total miles travelled by some was 970 miles for the week but everyone had more smiles than they could handle in one week. Everyone is looking forward to next year's trips. Thank you Ray and Joe, keep up the good work!

### **Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club and Forest County ATV Club Host St. Patrick's Day Dinner**

Twenty two club members from the local Marienville snowmobile and ATV club held a very successful dinner at the MACA building this past St. Patrick's Day weekend. The members started serving at 4 pm and were sold out by 6:45. The club had prepared for 100 meals and were able to serve 102 dinners. Along with the wonderful ham and green beans, the guests had a choice of many desserts and either a very large potato or sweet potato along with Cole slaw and a drink. Guests could also partake in the kissing booth, Chinese auction, choose their favorite leprechaun, pick a leprechaun nametag or take a guess at the numbers of pieces of candy in the jar. The dinner was more of a spring party and community service dinner as they only charged

\$10.00 for the meal. Many of the club members came to the dinner to socialize and get outside and appreciated the beautiful weekend. Some snowmobilers were able to ride up at Longhouse Trail, getting in a final ride before spring. Club members would like to especially thank Denise and Gregg Mashensic, Mickey and Dan Stevenson, Joe and Marie LeClair, Dave and Jane Timothy, Roxanne and Jerry Thornton, Gregg and Julie Dalton, Ted and Deb LeStitis, Don and Brenda Fisher, Ray Bish, Ray Lamison, Rick Huth, Jerry Beichner, Hank Bauer and especially Brian Popoleo for helping out. Many thanks to all who donated Chinese auction items. It proved to be a big moneymaker for the clubs. Just a reminder to all ATV enthusiasts, Forest County meetings will start the second Tuesday of the month in April thru November and the meetings will be held in the basement of the MACA building starting at 7pm. The Marienville Trail Riders Snowmobile Club meetings are held the second Sunday of the month at 2pm and held at the Kelly Hotel restaurant.

*Jerry Thornton*





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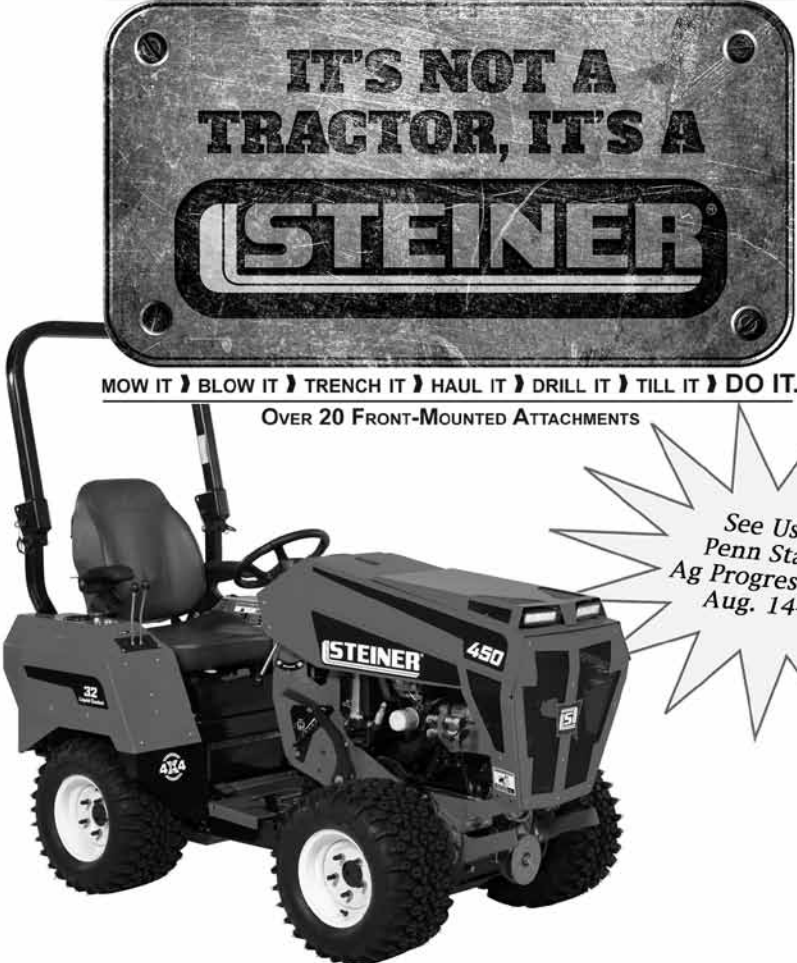
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Greetings from the beautiful Glendale Lake Area and the Glendale Lake SMC. It's 70 degrees the day I'm writing this, hopefully winter's returned by the time you read this. February was an exciting month for the club. Saturday February 10th was a big day with the Winter Fun Days at Prince Gallitzin State Park and the Black Mo Club Poker Run at the Black Moshanon State Park both on the same day. Winter Fun Days had great snow this year and featured many winter activities. The turnout was great and our club representatives enjoyed discussing the sport with those in attendance. Visit our club FaceBook page for complete coverage. And even though it was a last minute decision for the Black Mo Club to have their Poker Run, attendance was up considerably this year.

The day before the Winter Fun Days, on February 9th, we had the official Ribbon Cutting on our trail connecting Prince Gallitzin State Park at Glendale Lake and Black Moshanon State Park. As the snow was gently falling, the ribbon was cut on the new trail. The trail is approximately 30 miles long and connects 20 miles of trails at Glendale and 60 miles of trails at Black Mo.

## GLENDALE LAKE SMC

Ride all the trails out and back and you're looking at close to a 140 mile ride. The Ribbon Cutting was a real celebration for the Club with close to 50 people in attendance on a Friday morning. Government Officials, many DCNR people, community members and club members all turned out for the event. The media coverage was great too with TV, radio and several local newspapers all covering it as well. Following the ribbon cutting that was held right on the trail, everyone migrated to the Park Office for a luncheon hosted by the club and DCNR. It was really heartwarming to see the enthusiasm and support that both DCNR and our local officials have for our sport, our trails and our club. We're not just a snowmobile club but also a valuable part of this community. It was great to see it recognized.

Mother Nature really cooperated for the ribbon cutting. Not only did we have snow for the pictures but lots of sleds were on hand for the ribbon cutting and then many

of us rode the trail after the luncheon. What better way to celebrate the day and the club's success in opening this new trail than to go snowmobiling.

Many Club members have enjoyed riding the new trail and the park trails. Others have ventured to Potter County, Laurel Highlands, RB Winter, ANF, and SW NY. All these areas are an easy drive from this area and all of them add to the snowmobile experience. Other Club members traveled further including trips to Old Forge, Tug Hill, Michigan's UP, Ontario and Quebec. Distance doesn't seem to be a factor to some if you're looking for snow.

To learn more about the ribbon cutting, club happenings, trail reports and where the best riding is, visit our Club FaceBook page. Or use the FB page to find a riding partner for that next ride. We're also working on a phone call system for finding a riding partner. More on that at our next meeting.

Our Club is located in south central PA, about 1.5 hours east of the Laurel Highlands and about 45 minutes west of Black Moshanon State Park. We're not far from Ebensburg and Altoona. If you're from this area or ride in this area, we urge you to join our club. We meet the first Monday of the month, year round at 7:30 PM at the Patton Sportsman's Club. Club hats and shirts are available anytime at the Patton Sportsman. We have a great time at our Club Meetings. We take care of business, enjoy some great food if you're hungry, and swap some real good sled stories. Come join us.

If you're not from our area, we still urge you to join a club in your area, or where your ride. And join the PSSA so that by all of us sledders working together we can improve snowmobiling for all. Enjoy winter and share it with a friend.

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