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Powersports Show Wrap-up!

HAVE SOME CLUB NEWS?

Many thanks to all the snowmobile clubs that have submitted news and information. We encourage all clubs to send us information each month. Here's how to submit your news for publication:

Email address: member@pasnow.org **SUBJECT LINE: KEYSTONE SNOWMOBILER** Include: Full name of your club in the email Pictures: jpeg/png format

DEADLINE: 20TH OF THE MONTH PRIOR TO PUBLICATION

For postings to our Facebook page, please fill out this form. Guidelines for posts are on the form.

Facebook Form

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SNOWMOBILE SAFETY CLASSES

For list of all the Safety Classes please visit: <u>https://www.pasnow.org/snowmobile-safety-classes/</u>

If your club is holding a safety class and you'd like to be on the list please submit your info to: member@pasnow.org.



MOVING FORWARD November 2024

Hi, everyone!

The colorful leaves of the season are falling fast and furious and we will see signs of winter soon. I am sure trail work has started everywhere across our state and groomers are ready and waiting!

On October 25th through the 27th, 2024, we held our much anticipated Powersports Show following a five year hiatus due to the various restrictions related to COVID and to inventory procurement issues for our vendors. We changed facilities to the Bloomsburg Fairgrounds and were very pleased with this new location and the participation of the vendors and attendees. This move to the Bloomsburg area was well received! Our vendors all reported better than predicted sales and enjoyed the venue.

As she has done in the past, Michele Palmer from Blizzard Trailer Sales of Booneville, NY, again generously donated both a four place trailer and a two place trailer for our raffle. We would like to thank Michele and all the vendors that participated this year. Many mentioned they are ready and willing to return in 2025. PSSA also welcomed Brad Smith and members with the Pennsylvania Off Highway Vehicles Association (PAOHV) who came alongside us as a presenting sponsor. We are very grateful to Best Line Powersports, Five Star Powersports, and Anthracite Outdoor Adventure Area (AOAA) for sponsoring the show with us.

I would especially like to thank Travis Mathna, PSSA Region 5 Director, and Maura Donley and Kathy Woolever from SOTactics, Inc., for their professional help in coordinating this great event again this year. We could not have done this without them or without all of the volunteers that came out to the show to support PSSA.

The raffle winners are available in this issue - congratulations to all the winners!

PSSA is still working to increase registration in a way that most benefits Pennsylvania snowmobilers and the trails we ride as well as working on the spring mini grants.

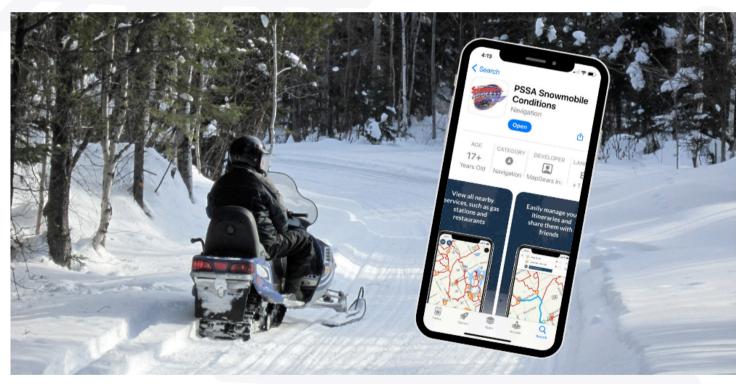


MOVING FORWARD (cont.) November 2024

We're excited to start up our first full riding season with MapGears! Please be sure to visit our MapGears page for more information on this trail conditions map app. <u>https://www.pasnow.org/trail-guide/</u>

Think Snow!

Rich Hayes



View the PSSA Snowmobile Trail Conditions Map!

The online version of <u>the PSSA Snowmobile Trail</u> <u>Conditions Map</u> is completely free to use. Plan your trips, save itineraries for future adventures or share them with friends.

Thank you to all of our Sponsors! Platinum Sponsor



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Thank you to our Volunteers!!

A great Powersports Show isn't possible without the herculean effort of so many people! We thank all who helped out, volunteered, cheered us on and came out for the show!

Show Committee

Travis Mathna, Show Committee Chair Rich Hayes, Brad Smith, Arline LaTourette, Randy Green, Daryl Bush, Norm Strotman

Show Managers and Promoters

Kathy Woolever and Maura Donley

Volunteers

Loretta Hayes, Steve Matscherz, Joey Powlus, Cindy Barrick, Bob & Marie Fisher, Mike Clementoni, Randall Dotterer, Grant LaTourette, Tom Funovita, Kayla Komar, Dustin Smith, Gerritt and Vicki LaTourette, Sue and Ray Kimble, Hyner Mountain SMC, Willow Creek SMC

Used Sled Corral

Henry Hartman and his Team

Used Clothing Corral

Carla Komar, Jerry and Judy Obert, Grant LaTourette

Vintage Sled Show

Russel and Joshua Ackley and their Team

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PA Trails Foundation and PA Grand Canyon SMC

Thank you to our Exhibitors!

PA Powersports Show

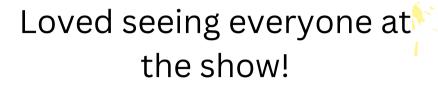
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An Officer and Two Gentlemen Anthracite Outdoor Adventure Area **BestLine Powersports Blizzard Manufacturing** BuschyBoy's **Motorsports Central Mountains ATV** Association Dead Man Walking Distillery E-Ranger LLC Earley-Polli Agency **Five Star Powersports** F&S Yamaha & Marine God's Country Black **Forest SMC** Hyner Mountain SMC

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Trailers

Blizzard Manufacturing is an All Aluminum trailer manufacturer located in upstate New York. We have built our business on high quality and workmanship. Our trailers are made with a heavier frame construction, a roof truss bow system and have a completely sealed exterior which are all signature features of Blizzard trailers.

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https://blizzardmfg.com/

DID YOU WIN?

THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING RAFFLE SPONSORS!

We want to thank all those that bought raffle tickets - this is our biggest fundraiser of the year and your contribution helps help the sport of snowmobiling!

Grand Prize

2025 Blizzard Enclosed 4 Place Trailer Model 722 6'6" High Inside, 81" Inside Width 7000 GVWR Value: \$16,500 WINNER: Dave Guse, Central PA

2nd Prize

2025 Blizzard Enclosed 2 Place Trailer Model Nor-Easter 12' Deck, 5'6" High Inside 2999 GVWR Value \$7,200 WINNER: Randy Dotterer, Barto, PA

Beaver Creek Lodge Winter Adventure

4 night, 3 day Snowmobile Room for 2, two sleds, one guide for one day, 4 night 3 day snowmobile stayPackage (Prize value \$3,000) WINNER: Michael Herbst, Windsor, PA

> Sheetz Gift Card (Prize value \$1,000) WINNER: Carl Mindler, Lebanon, PA

BestLine Powersports Gift Certificates

(Three prizes valued at \$500 each) WINNERS: Dean Steinbach, Zelienople, PA | Barry Nolt, Bloomsburg, PA | Craig Robinson, Fort Loudon, PA

More Raffle Winners!

Vermont Getaway

Three day VAST TMA Trail Pass + 2 nights lodging (Prize value \$500) WINNER: Wilmer Zimmerman, New Holand, PA

\$500 Gift Certificate for **Rough Cut Lodge**, Gainesville, PA Two nights rental accommodations for up to 4 guests at Rough Cut Lodge 2570 Route 6 Gaines, PA 16921. Valid for one year after promotion winning. Blackout dates apply for holiday and special events weekends. **WINNER: Jason Baver, Nazareth, PA**

\$500 Gift Certificate for **Mill Stream Inn**, Coudersport, PA **WINNER: Joyce Lapinski, Jamestown, PA**

Zippo/Case Outdoors Package (Prize value \$300)
 WINNER: William Thompson, Nottingham, PA

Polaris Jr ATV (Prize Value \$3500) WINNER: Craig Kuyat, Johnstown, PA



Thank you Polaris and Five Star!

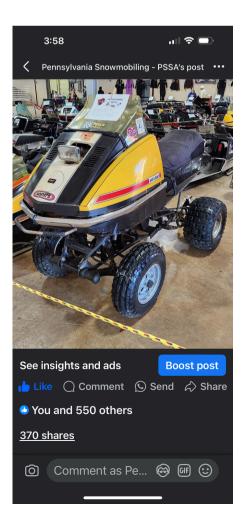


Polaris Jr ATV valued \$3,500

or

Polaris Gift Certificate Valued at \$3,000 that can be used to purchase a new Polaris Snowmobile or ATV at Five Star

Sponsored by Five Star Powersports WINNER: Craig Kuyat



Our most popular Facebook post from the show! We have tons of great pics on social so check them all out!

facebook.com/pasnow





PA GRAND CANYON SNOWMOBILE CLUB

4814 Route 6 Wellsboro, PA 16901 570-724-2888

New Members Welcome

Single	
Family	
Business	

\$20 \$25

\$15

* Donate to our club's scholarship fund! *

Benefits include:

- · Easy access to more than 200 miles of groomed trails
- · On-site gas for members only
- · Numerous area discounts for club members
- · Club-groomed trails from Ansonia to Gaines
- Maps, trail cams, trail directions, and great conversation can always be found at our club!

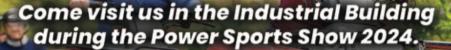
Activities include:

- Trail rides to Black Forest Inn / Slate Run
- Host of the Upper Pine Creek Trout Tournament
- A dopt-a-Highway
- Annual club family picnic / trail clearing day

www.pagrandcanyonsnowmobileclub.com Or join us on Facebook The PA Trails Foundation provides free, hands-on ATV and Dirt Bike Safety Education events using our custom simulators. Bring us to your community event or club next year!

Our non-profit is grant funded and endorsed by PA DCNR, PAOHV, and other organizations across Pennsylvania.

Contact us at patrailsfoundation@gmail.com



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FOUNDATION

Hands on training will be available throughout the show on every hour for ATVs and half hour for dirt bikes.

Experience the simulator first hand!



Premium Member Recognition

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Jason B. Baver **Bendal Family Benner Family** Jeremy Blurton **Mike Brower** Mike Brower **Brown Family** Nathan & Ingrid Eckhart Gochenauer Family **Kistler Family Terry Kline** Krise Family Arline LaTourette Clinton C. LaTourette John W. Manfredi Martin Family Steve Matscherz Scott Rodich **Robert Rohrbaugh** Douglas J. Sampson Sell Family David E. Shenk Siska Family Steinbach Family Strotman Family Uhler Family Weiss Family Zimmerman Family Wilmer Zimmerman

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Get Ready!

The Pennsylvania Trail Map and APP is here! Check it out at the PA Powersports Show



The online version of the PSSA Snowmobile Trail Conditions Map is completely free to use. Plan your trips, save itineraries for future adventures or share them with friends.

Trail Map features:

- Cell Service Not Required for Navigation
- No cell service needed to pinpoint your exact location and load routes
- Thousands of PA miles in the palm of your hand
- Select a starting point and destination, then go!
- Plan trips in advance and save them for future adventures
- Easily modify destinations on the go, with drag and drop menu
- \$4.95 per season for the mobile app
- Get the App Now!

Learn more and see the online version of the app here:





Or visit: https://www.pasnow.org/trail-guide/

Webcams!

Many thanks to all the snowmobile clubs for sharing and maintaining these webcams. We've been working to update the page so that we're ready for snow! CHECK THEM OUT!









Prince Galiltzin State Park Beaver Valley Marina Snowmobil



Prince Gallitzin State Park Beaver Valley Marina Snowmobile Trail

WHAT DOES PSSA DO?

- Promote snowmobile recreation via Website (www.pasnow.org) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/pasnow"Pennsylvania Snowmobiling"
- Obtain funding to help clubs maintain and groom trails
- Monitor state and federal issues and send alerts
- Represent snowmobilers on the Snowmobile/ATV Advisory Committee (SAAC) and PA Trails Advisory Committee (PTAC)
- Support volunteer clubs by: Joining a club, participate in activities, offer to help
- Provide funds for trail maintenance/grooming, webcams/images on the PSSA website and GPS units in groomers.
- Support Navigational Signage (GPS) on trails
- Coordinate connectors and new trails
- Encourage Business to join PSSA and provide Discounts to members
- Promote Safe Riding and offer Education and Safety Classes for Youth 10-15
- Host the annual PA Powersport Show provided Dealers have sufficient inventory
- Offer Discounts to members to buy and sell snowmobiles, ATVs, and trailers etc. at our show
- Represent the Association at national events such as: American Council of Snowmobile Associations, United Snowmobile Alliance
- Liaison with elected officials
- Inform members of current issues, trails and legislation etc. via "Keystone Snowmobiler" and Facebook
- Maintain a website: (www. pasnow.org) which contains up-to-date information concerning snowmobile recreation, issues, clubs, legislation and concerns of our members
- Prepares a mini-grant application in support of all clubs Helps clubs prepare other grants when necessary.

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

The PA Powersports Show is the #1 way our organization raises money to advocate for and support snowmobiling in Pennsylvania. We are in the process of raising \$20,000 to make up for this loss of income and are asking that you consider a donation to PSSA in addition to your membership dues. Please also consider a monetary donation in lieu of your usual PA Powersports Auction item if you've supported us this way in the past. We would be very grateful.

Your donation will be used to help PSSA establish and maintain important connections with local clubs to exchange ideas and share important technical information and education on all snowmobile areas of interest. PSSA also works with both federal and state government agencies to preserve and enhance trails and riding opportunities. Our focus includes preserving our natural resources and the environment as well as advocating for the safety and general welfare of snowmobiling. You can make a difference for the good of snowmobiling in Pennsylvania when you send in your donation with your membership dues and raffle ticket funds! Together, let's ensure that all snowmobilers can have safe, fun, and available trails to ride in Pennsylvania!



REGIONAL DIRECTORS

What do Regional Directors do?

Board Member and participate in Board meetings Represent clubs in their Region. Liaison with the Board Help promote snowmobile recreation. Ambassadors for snowmobile recreation state-wide Help with projects- Power Sport Show, rides Contact elected officials as needed

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Website Monthly Traffic August to February: 35,500 Sessions/20,500 Users

Facebook Audience: 11,000



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