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# October 2011 Newsletter

## Greetings everyone

Here we are approaching the riding season, leaves falling to the ground, soon there will be frost then it will be here.

We had a great summer and Thanksgiving in the area and I hope everyone was able to take time and enjoy it with family and friends. With a great summer this year after some not so great ones the last couple of years are the hopes for a great winter too! Hopefully we shall see an early freeze with lots of snow and minimal thaws resulting in good trails and riding all winter long.

Your executive and directors had a meeting in September in order to get plans underway for the coming winter as always there are things to get done on the trails before the season starts. If you have some time, I hope that you will be able to help out your club. Please contact any Director.

## Trail Conditions

Not all trails have been checked yet but we do know that some trails require clearing and brushing as always. There are 8 trees down on the D trail near Mond Lake from a beaver this summer, so likely some others. The D trail along the rialbed will be marked closed in the



guide this year due to landowner issues. Although this would result in there will be no direct link to the west end of our District we have not given up yet. Stay tuned! A number of us spent much of August and September exploring a new route around this area but we are not likely to have it ready for the upcoming season. This is about a 15 km re-route and will take time and money to have ready. We will continue to work on this proposed new route.

We would like to set up area groups to check trails and keep them up such as Fairbank area, Panache area and Lively area. This would limit the amount of work for all. If you are interested in an area, contact me or a director.

## **2012 Permits**

The permits have come in to STP and are being distributed to the various clubs. The permits will in turn be given to our sellers. Where can you get your permit? The Village Inn will be a **new permit seller** this year adding to our other locations, The Naughton General Store and Algonquin Equipment (BRP dealer).

As most of you are aware the price of a permit has **not** gone up. The cost remains at \$200 if purchased by Dec 1<sup>st</sup> and \$250 after this date. Classic Permits remain at \$125 and are only available at the STP office in Garson. I will have permits available at Fairbank Lake, call ahead to be sure I am there, 705-866-5301

## **Landowners**

We have many land owners who have given us permission to use their land to travel on, please respect their property and stay on the trails. If you see a landowner, thank them, without them we would have any trails in our area. The Landowner Gas Card draw went to Guy Richard – Congratulations!

## **Snowrama**

Easter Seals and all the clubs in the Sudbury area will be suiting up and collecting pledges for the Snowrama ride on February 4 2012. The Broader Dill Snowmobile Club is offering to host this years event that would start from Coniston, the Collonial Hotel with route going south through BDSC trails to Estaire and returning. Registration is 9 am, ride begins about 10 and the event finishes around 2 or 3 pm in the afternoon.

This is a great way to get out to trails you may not otherwise ride on and meet other riders from the area while supporting Easter Seals. Watch for more information to come.

## **Weekly rides**

With Mother Natures help; WSR plans to bring back the weekly Wednesday snowmobile ride in the surrounding area. This is another great way to explore new trails in the District. In the past the locations of the rides varied as we have been to Killarney, French River, Wolf Mountain, Blind River, Elliot Lake and Manitoulin Island.

We hope to see new faces joining our group this year for the rides. Watch for more details as we get the season underway!

## **VIA - Volunteers In Action**

Meetings, meetings and more meetings!!! Who likes to attend meetings when you could be out riding? They are necessary events; we must have a viable club as a member of the OFSC in order to have a trail system to ride on. An OFSC membership provides us access to funds for grooming, trail maintenance and liability insurance, therefore they are necessary.

We try to keep them short and would like to have some fun at them. But if meetings aren't for you but would like to assist in keeping our organization viable, there are many ways, you may have one of those ways we haven't thought of. Like all volunteer groups we are dependant on having volunteers and there is always a need to bring new people in.

We have more than meetings, we have many activities to keep our trail system open and safe for all to enjoy. If you would like to volunteer, even only a little, we are looking for you, contact one of our VIA members; Vanessa @ [VGillespie@emcoltd.com](mailto:VGillespie@emcoltd.com)

***Murray Baker***  
***President***

### **Ski-Doo Million Dollar Support Program**

We have the opportunity again this year to reach the \$1500 mark to add funds to the coffers. Last year WSR managed to get \$1190, the most in the District, thanks to all of you who took the time to fill in a ballot and take it to the Ski-Doo dealer.

You may receive a Club Support Donation Certificate or you can go on line to get one. Please fill yours out submit it on line or drop the paper one off. Our goal is to get over the 150 members in resulting in the maximum donation from BRP and Ski-Doo dealers of \$1500 this year.

This must be done by November 15<sup>th</sup> 2011. This is not just the permit holders but anyone involved with snowmobiling, all family members can fill out a certificate.

Go to;

<http://en-ca.ski-doo.com/clubsupport2011/Home.aspx> to submit a certificate, I did, it was easy!



**Algonquin equipment presents WSR a cheque from BRP Club support program**

### **Dates for your calendar**

#### **WSR Meetings:**

**2011- October 13<sup>th</sup>, Annual General Membership meeting November 16, December 14. 2012- January 11, February 15, March 14, April 11**

Snowarama: February 4, 2012 – Support Easter Seals

Walden Winter Carnival: February 11 – 12, 2012

**NEW!** - Family Day: February 20, 2012 – No Cost Permit Day -ride the trails without a Permit

An extra day to ride – February 29<sup>th</sup> - join us on a Wednesday Ride

March - TBD – WSR/BDSA Family Night

Check out: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Walden-Sno-Runners>

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**November 16, 2011**

**(Election of Officers)**

**Kinsman Hall – Lively - 7PM**

