Sat. Feb 17th - The 18th Annual Travis Mercy Skate Park Fundraiser

Poker Run ~ Silent Auction ~ Quilt Raffle ~ Meal by Randy Henry/The Racing Chefs

Thanks to the following local businesses for their continued support of our club and snowmobiling in our region. We hope you patronize them and thank them along with us!

Great Energy
Store &
Rickey’s Indian
Restaurant

Gilles
Sales & Service

Lenny’s

Comfort Suites

Maplewood

Allen
Lumber Co.

Laqueres

Jet Service
Envelope Co.

Barre Electric
& Lighting Supply, Inc.

Applebee’s

Safelite
AutoGlass

Shot of Cor. 12/14 reroute after an "easy" section cut

Although Mother Nature appeared to be tying up our spare time, we were able to clear our entire trail network and allow our volunteers to enjoy their hunting season, knowing we are set to go for December. Here’s to a snowy season and no surprises on opening day when the Grooming crews get underway!

On November 3rd, we held our 35th annual snowmobile club raffle. Attendees were treated to a buffet meal prepared by the Canadian Club and Steve Reno took home the grand prize of $4000. This event serves as our club’s primary fundraiser to offset our operating cost to provide our portion of the trail network. This year we raised just under $6000 which will come in very handy knowing the amount of effort placed on our trail system this off season. Congrats to Steve and thanks to all the ticket holders as well, we hope to see you back again next year supporting our efforts on the trails.

The off season proved to be very active for the club volunteers as we took action on performing a re-route of Cor. 12/14 near the Knapp Airport. We have been working closely with a new landowner in this area, and coordinating the timing of a re-route with development plans that he has. Steve Malnati and Jon Joslin took the lead scouting out possible routes that would bypass the area being developed. Although several options panned out to be viable, they opted to eliminate a straighter shot seeing how it would have involved installation of culverts, bridges and required more machine work elevating the cost of the project as a whole. The second option required much more volunteer work clearing the way, but allowed us to keep the cost down quite a bit. Once all the new landowners were on board, VAST paperwork filed and approved, it was time to fire up the saws. In knowing the distance and amount of work ahead of us, we knew we were looking at dedicating a lot of time to get this completed. As work bees got under way, we were quite amazed by the crew of volunteers that showed up, often times having 3, 4 or 5 saws in operation, with equal or more bodies on hand clearing behind them. Although this took almost 10 work bees to accomplish, without all the Volunteer help that came out, we would have been looking at double that and dealing with a lot of burnout of the core crew. We can’t thank the volunteers enough for coming out to help us make trails happen!!

After completion of the reroute, focus moved to redecking a bridge in South Barre. As this bridge is jointly used by us and land lease for farming, the landowner covered the $3000 cost of material, whereas Thunder Chicken Volunteers planned, acquired materials and performed the labor to remove and redeck the bridge. Concurrently with this project, we were hit with a late October wind storm that raised havoc on our trail system. Again with a great group of volunteers, efforts were able to continue setting up our trail system, while addressing all the downed trees getting ready for opening day December 16th.

300 new stakes painted up w/reflective glass from L&D Safety Markings

360x698 to 94x756

465x77 to 595x126

422x143 to 587x184

320x137 to 398x196

405x209 to 564x265

41x132 to 99x200

153x202 to 227x276

133x137 to 290x196

27x212 to 107x265

286x76 to 306x125

181x70 to 273x125

1004x335 to 1172x458

939x485 to 1172x677

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Upcoming events:
Saturday Feb 17th, 2018 – 18th Annual Travis Mercy Skate Park Fundraiser – Hosted by the Barre Town Thunder Chickens and the Mercy Family.

Meeting Dates:
Jan 9  Feb 13  Mar 13 & April 10

Join us at Club Meetings – Held at the Steakhouse Restaurant – 6:30 pm. Food/Drinks available to order during the meeting – we’d love to hear your ideas. See you there!

Club Officers/Directors 2017-2018 Season
President ……………………………..David Rouleau
Vice President…………………………Jim Dwinell
Secretary………………………………Janelle Anderson
Treasurer………………………………..Steve Arquin
Trail Master…………………………….Jon Jostin
Membership Coordinator………..Donna M. Rouleau

2yr Directors – Doug Anderson, Gary Klinefelter, Steve Malnati
1yr Directors - Nate Hunt, George Hunt, Ali Rosa

In knowing that volunteers are hard to come by, we have always tried to extend more than a thank you to those that come out and help us on projects or setting up the trails. Through the above fundraiser and our trail sponsorship program we are able to provide lunches at some work bees, Free or discounted TMA and/or club logo tee shirts to those helping. More hands on deck help get things done faster and avoid burn out, allowing us to keep the core crew passionate about keeping our trails the best we can. HUGE thank you to all volunteers and people that support our efforts!

TMAs are in hand and available for purchase. Price is $120 VT Reg, $150 out of state reg if you take advantage of the early bird savings before 12/16. See our website for locations or mail in the attached form to process by mail.

This year’s Quilt, made by Lulah Lavery aka WN7-WN116, temp spur through Northern Power. ~ look for event sign from Cor. 14B between Jct 8:15-9:00 at Maplewood’s Convenience Store, there $5, or just partake in the meal/auction. Meal prepared by Randy Henry and the Racing Chefs. Skate park supporters are welcome to take advantage of the early bird savings before 12/16. See our website for locations or mail in the attached form to process by mail.

At the Barre Tree Lighting parade, we gave Santa a lift – we also gave him some snow in return!

Format will be a Snowmobile Poker Run arriving around 12-12:30 for the meal, silent auction & raffle. Details are still being finalized, but will be similar as in the past with a Pork and Chicken meal prepared by Randy Henry and the Racing Chefs. We hereby promise that the food will be similar as in the past with a Pork and Chicken meal. We are able to provide lunches at some work bees, Free or discounted TMA and/or club logo tee shirts to those helping. More hands on deck help get things done faster and avoid burn out, allowing us to keep the core crew passionate about keeping our trails the best we can.

Snowmobile Club
Barre Town Thunder Chickens

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REGULAR SEASON AVAILABLE AFTER 12/15/17

FAMILY TMA: MUST List two previously purchased Early Bird TMA to qualify for Family rate

REGULAR - REGISTERED IN VERMONT
Choose if this snowmobile is NOT registered in VT.

\$105 ea.

FAMILY - REGISTERED OUT-OF-STATE
Choose if this snowmobile is registered out of state.

\$112 ea.

REGULAR - REGISTERED IN VERMONT
Choose if this snowmobile is NOT registered in VT.

\$185 ea.

REGULAR - REGISTERED OUT-OF-STATE
Choose if this snowmobile is NOT registered in VT.

\$192 ea.

2. At the Barre Tree Lighting parade, we gave Santa a lift – we asked for lots of snow in return!

If you can’t make the event and would like to purchase raffle tickets, contact us at BTThunderChickens@gmail.com and we can coordinate. 1 ticket for $1 or 6 tickets for $5.

VOLUNTEER - Ask your club how to qualify

This document and TMA decal entitles you to access the Statewide Snowmobile Trail System. Carry this form in this snowmobile at all times.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, I declare that I am well aware and accept that snowmobiling is an inherently risky activity.

As a member of VAST when using any of the trails which constitute the Statewide Snowmobile Trail System (SSTS) or using any event knowing that you have no assurance that the trails are safe or have been inspected. Therefore, I hereby request to use the trails as a member of VAST and that I assume all of the risks attendant, the land on which the (SSTS) use these trails knowing that you have no assurance that the trails are safe or have been inspected.

You must take care to use them with caution for yourself, and as a member of VAST when using any of the trails which constitute the Statewide Snowmobile Trail System.

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