



TIOGA RIDGE RUNNERS

SNOWMOBILE CLUB, LLC.



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February News Letter

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General: The next club meetings will be held **7:30 pm on Thursday, February 7, 2008** and **February 21, 2008** at **Metro's Restaurant**, 98 Ithaca Road (Rt. 96), Owego, NY. Metro's is the restaurant on the right between the driving range and miniature golf course on Rt. 96, just West of Turner's bridge after turning off from Rt. 38 onto Rt. 96.

Welcome: We would like to welcome all of our new and returning members and encourage all of our past members to rejoin our club. It is the intent of the Snowmobilers Rights and Responsibilities Act (SRRA) Two-Tier registration system to "strengthen club volunteerism through increased membership and provide an avenue for communication with nearly all the riders using our trails". Please remember it is the clubs that establish, build, maintain and sign our nearly 11,000 miles of trail in New York state. Without clubs there are no trails and without contributing members there are no clubs! Please try to take the time to get involved and help make our trail system the best that it can be. Once again welcome to our club and hopefully we can have some fun along the way.

Club Events/Fundraisers: The 3rd Annual Club Chicken Barbecue will be held Saturday February 9th 2008 at **Metro's Restaurant**, 98 Ithaca Road (Rt. 96), Owego, NY from 12:00 to 3:00 PM. Tickets will be available at the next club meeting. The club is trying to pre-sell 100 tickets, but tickets and dinners will be available the day of the barbecue first come, first served. Tickets that were handed out at the last meeting **MUST** be turned in by the next meeting, February 7, 2008. The chicken barbecue tickets are \$7.00.

Youth Safety Course: The next NYS Certified Youth Snowmobile Safety course has been scheduled at the Newark Valley Volunteer Fire Hall on **February 16, 2008**. The course is free of charge, but is limited to 50 students ages 10 (minimum with birth certificate proof of age) to 18. New riders over the age of 18 are also welcome. If anyone would be willing to help man this event please attend the next meeting or contact an officer. If you have children you would like to have attend this course or if you know someone who would like to have children attend this course please contact Mike Worzel or Bill Carrigg. (Contact information on the opposite side of this newsletter)

2008 Super Raffle Offers 70 Prizes: The NYSSA Super Raffle is an excellent FUND RAISING method available to our Club through NYSSA at no cost to us. All we have to do is sell tickets and keep half of the proceeds. For example: If 200 club members sell 5 tickets each at \$5.00 per ticket that equals \$5,000 in total ticket sales of which the club keeps half or \$2,500! Since there is enormous potential for our Club to increase our income we would like each member to consider selling and/or purchasing 5 tickets each as part of their annual club duties. We will be sending out 5 tickets with each voucher and sending the 5 tickets to those who have already received their vouchers. Please try your best to sell these 5 tickets, it would be a big help and wouldn't require all that much effort. With all of the great prizes the tickets shouldn't be that hard to sell! Please send any tickets sold with a check for the proceeds made out to **Tioga Ridge Runners** back to the club's address. Also, please send any unsold tickets back to the club's address. The proceeds or tickets can also be returned at any club meeting. The main drawing will take place on Saturday, April 12, during the 2008 NYSSA Annual Meeting and Forum weekend. The Early Bird Eleven prizes were drawn on Saturday, January 5 2008 and one of our club members, Jeff White, won a Snowmobile vacation package for 2 from Northern Outdoors, The Forks, ME, Plus \$400 from NYSSA. Congratulations Jeff!

Trails: Trails officially opened **December 19, 2007**, so **when** we get the snow back please remember to show respect to the private and public landowners that so generously open up their property to us by staying on the marked trails, being as quiet as possible near residences and businesses and carrying out what you carry in. Also if the opportunity arises please support the businesses that support our map and our club.

Elections: Elections were held Thursday December 6, 2007. The results of these elections can be seen in the officer contact information on the opposite side of this newsletter and board member election results are as follows: Randy Coffin, Chris DeMarco, Joe Faber, Jim Irvine, Mark Kwiatkowski, Jason Miller, Mike Pettit, Steve Singleton and Don Stevens.

(Cut along line – Keep it Handy!)

If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact:

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 <p>SNOWMOBILE CLUB, LLC</p>	Dates to Remember				
	Feb. 7 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	Feb. 16 th	Saturday	8:00 AM	Safety Course	NV Fire Hall
	Feb. 21 st	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	Mar. 6 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	Mar 20 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	April 3 rd	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	April 11-13 th	Fri, Sat, Sun		2008 NYSSA Forum	Crowne Plaza Hotel, Niagara Falls
	April 17 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	May 1 st	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	June 5 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's Restaurant
	July 27 th	Sunday	Tentative	Pre-Season Club Picnic	?

All Snowmobilers Welcome – Bring A Friend!