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November News Letter

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Meetings: The next club meeting will be held at **7:30 pm on Thursday, November 4, 2010** at the **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 the intersection of Rt. 96 and Rt. 38.

The 2010 Ski-Doo® Million Dollar Club Support Program: For each snowmobiler who fills out and drops off a program certificate at a Ski-Doo Dealership between **September 1st, 2010 and November 15th, 2010**, BRP and its dealers will donate \$10 cash to that member's club. Each snowmobile club is eligible for a total Ski-Doo donation of up to \$1,500 in cash (150 members X \$10 = \$1,500) paid directly to clubs by BRP and Ski-Doo dealers. Our Club achieved this goal last year, but only through an extensive telemarketing campaign where 3 dedicated club members contacted as many of our members by phone as possible and asked their permission to fill out the certificate. This year we hope that the majority of our members will take the initiative and the few minutes that it takes to fill out this form to help support our club. This is an easy way to provide financial help to the club without a major inconvenience to each individual member. Hurry! Go drop off your certificate at your nearest Ski-Doo dealer. Program certificates will be available in all snowmobile magazines, at fall snowmobile shows, and on ski-doo.com. A link to the form is posted on www.tiogaridgerunners.com in the top left hand corner of the front page.

By – Law Revisions: The club has been working towards becoming tax exempt and revisions to the by-laws and articles of Incorporation are necessary. These changes will be presented and discussed at the November 4th meeting. These revisions will then be voted on at the November 18th meeting. The proposed by-law revisions are posted on the website at: <http://www.tiogaridgerunners.com/2009%20bylaws.html> for member review prior to the November 18th meeting. The changes are to align the current club purposes in the club's By Laws and the Articles of Incorporation.

Membership/NYS Registration: This will be the 5th season that the registration fee is \$100 **UNLESS** you are a member of a New York State Snowmobile Association (NYSSA) member club. Again you will receive the NYSSA snowmobile club membership voucher needed to register your snowmobiles at the discounted rate of \$45 once you have joined a club or renewed your club membership. **DO NOT REGISTER YOUR SLED WITHOUT A VOUCHER OR YOU WILL PAY THE \$100 FEE AND DMV WILL NOT REFUND IT!!!!!!** If you become a club member before you renew your registration you will receive the \$55 registration discount. You may currently become a club member and receive a voucher in one of 3 ways:

- 1.) Fill out the secure online form <https://membership.nyssnowassoc.org/club/show/1025> at the NYSSA site and pay dues using your credit card and immediately print your voucher out on your own printer after completing the form.
- 2.) Bring a completed club membership application along with payment to a club meeting. Club membership application can be found attached or online at: http://www.tiogaridgerunners.com/TRRMA001%20Rev12%208_23_10.pdf
- 3.) Mail a completed club membership application along with payment (checks only please) and a self-addressed stamped envelope, to the address at the top of the application and we will send you your voucher.

Trail Signing Class: There will be a local Trail Signing Class again this year, so hopefully we can get the remaining trail workers who weren't able to attend the courses in the past and anyone else who would like to learn about trail signing to attend the course this year. The signing class emphasizes the importance of uniform signing within the club and throughout the state as a risk management tool to reduce the cost of trail insurance for the statewide trail system. The location and date of the course is **Nov 10th at the Candor Fire Hall**. The class begins at 7:00 PM. Please contact an officer or send an email to tiogaridgerunners@yahoo.com if you're interested in attending the signing class.

Elections: Elections are held at the first December meeting each season. This season elections will be held on Thursday December 2nd, 2010. Nominations will be taken from the floor at the next two meetings and at the December 2nd meeting as write-ins on the ballot. All officers' and directors positions are up for election. Please come to a meeting or contact a club officer for more information. A description of all of the positions can be found in the bylaws on the website at: <http://www.tiogaridgerunners.com/By%20Laws.pdf> This is your chance to make a difference in "Your" club.

(Cut along line – Keep it Handy!)

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

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	Dates to Remember				
	Nov. 4 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's
	Nov 18 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's
	Dec. 2 nd	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's
	Dec. 16 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's
	Dec. 21 st	Tuesday	Dusk	Deer Season Ends	Woods
	Jan. 6 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's
	Jan. 14 th	Friday	12:00 PM	Groomer Equipment show	Salisbury, NY
	Jan. 15 th	Thursday	8:30 AM	Grooming Seminar	Salisbury, NY
	Jan. 20 th	Thursday	7:30 PM	Meeting	Metro's

All Snowmobilers Welcome – Bring A Friend!