



Club Newsletter

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Revelstoke BC
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Member & Supporter of the B.C. Snowmobile Federation

PRESIDENTS REPORT by Greg Byman

As you well know, the season is underway! Riders have been up in late October but I personally rode on November 6 on Frisby Ridge and it was fantastic. There is a good base and deep snow and more on the way almost daily.

You may not have heard yet but there is going to be logging on Frisby this winter. The Revelstoke Snowmobile Club and the Snowmobile Revelstoke Society are working closely with forestry and the logging contractor to come up with an alternative groomer route, so there should be minimal interruptions to our snowmobile season on this mountain. I would like to thank Stella-Jones, the logging tenure holder for working closely with our two organizations to provide as little interruption as possible. Keep an eye on the club web site for updates on the status of the new trail being built for us on Frisby. I would also like to extend a WARM 'THANK YOU' to the 14 members who spent a Sunday last month filling the Frisby cabin basement with dry firewood for this season. Without the dedication of these 14 people, there would not have been a stick of firewood at the cabin this winter.

Two of the larger items we have been dealing with this over the past few months are communication regarding closures and lobbying our local government for support. A BIG thanks to Kathy, Angie and Ron for attending the SnowShows in Washington, Edmonton, Saskatoon and Vernon. They have been very busy spreading the word that Revelstoke is open for business and promoting the vast open areas that we have. My suggestion is that you ride the closure areas until January 1st and again after April 15 as well as the other numerous area that we enjoy.

As you are aware the club has been working hard with all levels of government to keep our riding areas open. We attended a meeting on November 1 with the City, the Chamber of Commerce, the Economic Development Commission and the Revelstoke Accommodation Association. The meeting took over a month to plan but was very instrumental in educating the various groups about the issues we face and the efforts put forth by the Club and the Society. One item identified as being crucial to support our efforts was a new Economic Survey to see what impact snowmobile tourism has on Revelstoke's economy through the winter months and what summer spin off develop from this. If you receive or see one of these surveys please take the time to fill it out. It could prove to be a very useful tool when we go to Tourism B.C. in Victoria and request the reopening of the closed areas. The club has invested time, effort and money into the new website (www.revelstokesnowmobileclub.com) and we encourage you to use it. We will be offering daily postings on trails groomed, snow depths and temperatures. You can also ask questions on FaceBook and we will answer them immediately. See you sledding!



Behind the Scenes *by Ron LaRoy*

This Fall I decided I wanted to be part of the 'traveling circuit' and work a couple of the Snowmobile Shows. I went to Edmonton and I continue to be amazed by the large numbers of people (18,000+ this year), the amount of snowmobile gear that goes out of those shows and the continuing interest in Revelstoke. The displays are awesome, all the sled manufacturers are there and the accessories that are on the market now is mind numbing. If it is snowmobile or ATV related, it is there! Technically the club is there to keep sledders abreast of whatever changes are taking place to their snowmobiling areas in and around Revelstoke, to explain what has happened over the summer and what the club is doing about it. We answer questions and concerns, give suggestions on how you, the snowmobiler can help us, reassure those not comfortable in coming to the mountains to snowmobile and generally be a club presence. There remains confusion on why there are two groups in Revy and by us being at these shows we are able to explain the responsibilities of both groups. The Society's job is to promote Revelstoke, solicit new corporate supporters and distribute information about the present corporate supporters, in short to sell the idea of coming to Revelstoke for your winter fun. In reality we both do each others jobs. When one representative is busy another takes over talking with the person asking for the information, explaining about the recent closures and what the club and society are doing about them, giving out info about the various businesses in town, etc. In short, we are partners doing a job to keep everyone informed about Revelstoke. I believe it is critical for us to be present at these shows. There are a lot of other places trying for the tourism dollar now, Golden, Sicomous, Fernie and Kimberly to name a few. And that dollar keeps people employed over the winter months. That 2nd paycheck coming into the house makes the difference for a lot of people and that dollar spent by a sledder goes around the community seven times. Why do we want tourists using up all our areas? I agree it is nice to be able to go into an area and find untouched snow but we have proven over the years that by these areas being used and contributing money into the economy of the region, it helps us keep our areas open. Yes, we have suffered the loss of two popular areas this summer but I think through our ongoing efforts and especially by presenting an economical picture of snowmobile tourism, we will get these areas back. And remember as soon as you drive past the City limits, you become a tourist in someone else's area.

The Saskatoon show was to say the least, overwhelming. The crowds started Friday evening, continued through all day Saturday and into Sunday. There were no breaks! This is a different type of snowmobiler as well. We saw more families at this show and more beginner snowmobilers coming to our booth and asking for info, how safe is the area, how far is it, can I handle the riding, do you have riding areas for beginners and on and on. The folks from Saskatchewan are the 2nd largest, outside of BC, member numbers in our club and when you consider the distance they have to drive, that is fantastic. It was interesting to see the types of sleds on display at the manufacturers booths, mostly short track, two up types of sleds. But don't get me wrong there was an equal number of high performance long track sleds there as well. In any case I found it tiring but at the same time very rewarding. The effort that goes into getting prepared for these shows has to be appreciated. Waiting for maps from government so we could print new trail maps and getting these maps at the final hour before the show starts, getting new banners made up and again waiting for government info so we can make the banners as factual as possible, arranging travel and hotels, packing so you have enough info but not taking to much. But we had fun, met a lot of new people and talked with a lot of the regulars that come here every winter. So I guess I am looking forward to next year when we can do it all over again.

We have to congratulate the Vernon Snowmobile Club for the effort and time they put into their show. It was a one day display of destination areas, accessories, sleds, quads, clothing, etc., but it was well attended the whole time and again, worth our while to be there. It offered a chance to talk more to those who live in our back yard, discuss issues and compare notes. Lots of door prizes, lots going on throughout the whole evening. Approximately 1000 people went through the doors, not bad for a one day show and I am sure most of them stopped by our booth at one time or another.

That's it for this season, the next destination is the ISC in June.

Boulder Smokin' Grill Report *by Becky Bristow*

With no idea what I was getting into, I made it through the 2011 season, thanks to you guys.

Day 1 was a powder day and I managed to get stuck in the parking lot before even unloading my sled. I eventually made it to the cabin though but only after getting stuck multiple time on the trail only to find a crowd eager for burgers once I finally arrived.

If I wasn't getting stuck I was driving too fast on the bumps and the Red Bull and who knows what else was flying out the backend of the toboggan. The first day that the brownies weren't smashed they were soaked in the exploded 1/2 gallon of ketchup and pickle juice instead. After lots of trial and error I am looking forward to the upcoming season.

I wanted everyone to know that we will be OPEN EVERY Friday, Saturday and Sunday all winter once the grooming starts. We will also be open on holidays (with the exception of Christmas Day) and special events. Bring CASH and a strong appetite as there will be new options on the menu this year. I am trying to keep prices down while covering the costs of renting the storage unit for equipment and food and renting the community center kitchen for food prep.

Thanks again for your support and see you on the mountain.

Upcoming Events *by Kathy Burke*

November 26:

Thunderstruck 10 Premiere Rivercity Pub at the Regent Hotel at 7 p.m. Please bring an item for the Revelstoke Christmas Hamper as your admission fee. Lets make it 4 years in a row being the top donator group to this charity. There will be lots of draw prizes and an auction for the Canadian Avalanche Center based right here in Revy and for the Revelstoke Snowmobile Club. Lori is bringing in the band 'Brocade' from Calgary for our dancing and listening enjoyment after the movie and auction. At this time we are gratefully accepting items for the draws and the auction. If you can help out, contact Randy Swenson or myself (Kathy) 250 837-2595. See you there.

January 21 & 22:

Canadian Avalanche Center 'Avy days' Boulder Mtn Cabin

March 3:

Revelstoke Snowmobile Club 'Ladies Ride'. Lots of fun and activities planned for this event. Book early!

For information on all of these events contact Kathy Burke at 250 837-2595. As more details come available they will be posted on the club's website: revelstokesnowmobileclub.com and in the newsletter

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Snowmobile Revelstoke Society Report

CORPORATE SUPPORTERS OF THE TRAIL GROOMING PROGRAM

- Platinum:** Days Inn & Suites, Glacier House Resort, Great Canadian Snowmobile Tours, Peaks Lodge, Sandman Hotel (Revelstoke), Super 8 Motel, Yamaha Canada, Zala's Restaurant.
- Diamond:** Revelstoke Credit Union
- Gold:** Absolute Power & Performance, (St. Albert, AB.) Best Western Plus (Revelstoke), Big Eddy Pub & Liquor Store, Coast Hillcrest Hotel, CRRacing (Kelowna), Full Speed Rentals (Revelstoke & Sicamous), River City Pub/112 Restaurant & Lounge/Traverse Lounge, Rocky Mountain Supreme (Rosedale, AB.)
- Silver:** Boulder Mountain Sled Shed, Columbia Chevron, Don's Speed Parts (Wainwright, AB.), Infinite Power Sports (Revelstoke), McDonalds (Revelstoke), Mt Begbie Brewing Co., Shuswap Xtreme Recreation (Salmon Arm), Smokey Bear Campground Resort, Tim Horton's (Revelstoke).
- Bronze:** Alpine Inn, BHEX Contracting, Big Eddy Fuel Services, Big Eddy Market, Capri Insurance, Emo's Restaurant, Swiss Chalet Motel, Tracks Canada (High River, AB.), Trigger Point Snow Services (Amber Wood).

The West Entrance booth has been moved this year, further up the trail near the big corner where the West Entrance trail meets the main trail.

The Frisby booth will be further up the trail as well, at least for part of the winter while logging takes place on Frisby. The Society and the Club have been working with Stella-Jones and the contractor as well as the Forest Service to maintain access to Frisby. This involves the building of a new trail for us so we can bypass the haul road. We are stressing that it is very important for you to stay on this new trail and to not ride the plowed haul road as it is illegal to snowmobile on a plowed forest service road in B.C., as well as dangerous as there will be loaded logging trucks and other logging traffic on the haul roads. If there is snowmobile traffic on the plowed road it will result in the closure of that area until the logging is complete. The new bypass trail will be well marked. Keep an eye on the Society's website as well as the Club's website for updated info.

AT THE VERNON SNOWSHOW.....



Membership & Insurance Information

The Membership Application Form is on the following page.

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| M embership fees remain the same as last year: | Family: | \$180 |
| | Single: | \$130 |
| | Child: | \$30 |
| | Senior: | \$75 |
| | Non-Rider: | \$10 |

A family includes ANY TWO people in the SAME household, eg: husband/wife, father/son or daughter. It DOES NOT include two members of the family, one living in one place and the other at another address. A child membership is classed as anyone under the age of 16. 16 and over would qualify for a single membership. A senior membership is anyone 65 and older. A non-rider is self-explanatory but this membership does NOT include a Trail Pass decal, only a club decal and membership card for both the Revelstoke Snowmobile Club and the BC Snowmobile Federation. If the child is under 16 and rides their own snowmobile they are required to have a Trail Pass as well, the membership includes the Trail Pass for the whole season. Your membership also includes a membership into the BC Snowmobile Federation. This membership includes special offers and/or discounts at the following:

Sandman Hotels
Capri Insurance
Mark's Work Wearhouse
Wide Open Throttle
Amsoil

The 3rd Party Liability Insurance is available to any RSC and BCSF member at a special rate of \$70 for \$1 million coverage. If buying the insurance, fill out the application COMPLETELY, that means: sign the form, PRINT your name, snowmobile year, make and model and most importantly, serial number and your drivers license number, without this information we cannot process the application.

Please print clearly, You would not believe the number of applications we got last year that we could not read, therefore you did not receive a newsletter and you did not receive the SnoRiders West Magazine. We NEED to be able to read your information. Fill out an application for EACH membership you are buying, yes even the kids.

PLEASE GIVE US YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS, WE ONLY PASS IT ONTO THE BC SNOWMOBILE FEDERATION, IT GOES NOWHERE ELSE!! IT REALLY SAVES US MONEY WHEN MAILING YOUR NEWSLETTER AND OTHER CORRESPONDENCE....REMEMBER E-MAIL FREE, POSTAGE EXPENSIVE!

Memberships are also available in Revv at Rough Country Marine Days Inn, Sandman, Sled Shed or via the club's website.





REVELSTOKE SNOWMOBILE CLUB

2012 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Snowmobile Permit



MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

New Member

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov: _____

Postal: _____ Phone: (____) _____

email: _____

**PLEASE
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Conditions of sale of permit By accepting this snowmobile permit, the permit holder & the operator of the snowmobile to which it is attached has read, understands and agrees to all of the conditions of sale listed on the reverse side of this receipt. **I accept all the inherent risks of snowmobiling and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting therefrom.**

Signature _____

Signed this _____ day of _____ 20____

- Please keep my personal information confidential
 I am interested in accidental death & dismemberment

Vendor:
REVELSTOKE SNOWMOBILE CLUB
 Box 1849
 Club
 Revelstoke, BC V0E 2S0 CANADA

Payment of Fees:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Membership fee | \$ _____ |
| Optional Liability | \$ _____ |
| Total owing | \$ _____ |
| Total cash or cheque | \$ _____ |

OPTIONAL LIABILITY

The SNOWMOBILE PERMIT Insurance applied for in this form provides up to \$1 million third party legal liability coverage for Bodily Injury or Property Damage arising out of the ownership, use or operation of the snowmobile described in this application. **See reverse for more details.**

- Yes, I would like to purchase the Off Road Liability Insurance Premium \$59.00 with a \$11.00 administration Fee
 No, I am not interested in the Off Road Liability

Declaration and Statement of Facts

- I state the information provided below is truthfully accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- I state that: I am the owner of the above described snowmobile; and
 - the operators will have no Motor Vehicle related Criminal Code (or other) offences assessed 6 or more points each on their driving record within the past 3 years; and
 - the operators will have no more than 2 moving Motor Vehicle Act offences (other than above) on their driving record within the past 3 years.
- I agree to provide (and/or grant permission for the Insurer to obtain) Motor Vehicle Driving Records to verify compliance with the above statements for insurance purposes.
- I state that the snowmobile will not be used:
 - by any operator under the age of 15 years old.
 - by any operator who is under the influence of drugs or alcohol (zero tolerance).
 - for any racing, speed test, extreme activity such as but not limited to Hill Climb.
 - for competition or practice, jumping, waterborne use or business purposes.
 - for any purpose for which the snowmobile was not intended, including carrying more passengers than recommended by the manufacturer.
 - while the operator and any passenger is not wearing appropriate helmets.
 - on any public roadway other than permitted by an unlicensed snowmobile under the laws, acts or statutes of the Province of British Columbia.
- I understand, accept and agree that misrepresentations on this form are material to the Insurer's acceptance of my application and will render insurance coverage Null and Void.
- I state I have read and understand the insurance conditions on this form including the reverse side. I agree to purchase the insurance coverage under the conditions outlined.

Premium is fully earned at time of purchase - No Refunds

- *Not valid without sled information completed.
 *Required if purchasing optional liability insurance

Date _____

Signature of Owner _____

Owner's name _____
(If different from member.)

*Snowmobile Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

*Ser.# _____

*Drivers Licence # _____

RATES:

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|---------|-------|--------------------------|------------|------|--------------------------|
| Single: | \$130 | <input type="checkbox"/> | Non-Rider: | \$10 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Family: | \$180 | <input type="checkbox"/> | Insurance: | \$70 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Child: | \$30 | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| Senior: | \$75 | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |

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| Other | \$ _____ |
| Total | \$ _____ |