



THE BUZZ

JANUARY 2008

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 9, 2008

7:00 pm @ the Bee Hive!!!!!!!

THE 2ND WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH (Sept.-April)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I am composing this newsletter one week before our upcoming *January Monthly Meeting* and it has just snowed an additional foot. Cold weather is here and it is expected to be (-15F) tomorrow night! This is bittersweet since I have looked at the forecast for the week of our *Meeting* and it looks like warm weather will be back!! We need to ride when there's snow and pick our way around when we lose it. At least we have the snow and we can get out there and enjoy it with our friends and families! We had a decent turnout for our *December Monthly Meeting* and we have decided to continue our *Monthly Meetings* at the *Bee Hive* as a result. I have heard that our *Members* enjoy going to a less formal place where they can dress anyway they like and bring their favorite beverage! *So, come and ride your sled to our January Monthly Meeting have dinner and give support to the Members that allow you to enjoy the best snowmobiling in Vermont!*

Trails Coordinator, Lionel "Chief Worker Bee" Cyr, wants to report that all trails are open. We need to take extreme caution when riding our Trails. *A few landowners have complained recently about riders not staying on our Trails and even running over "no snowmobiling" signs!* We all need to be careful here when we ride on other people's land! Signing has also become an issue. Due to the early snow and then a severe meltdown, some of our trail signs have fell down. Please, if you see a sign down, help out the Trail Trustee and pick the sign back up. We also need all *Sno-Bees Official Trail Trustees* out on the trail inspecting their signs and fix those that are damaged or severely leaning. We all have to be careful for all water bars that get created when we have a melt down. Hitting these holes could damage yourself and your sled! Enjoy the ride!!

Grooming Chair, Dave "Get Away from the Groomer" Watson: Special thanks to all our Members who showed restraint this year and did not venture out on the *Trails* until December 15, 2007. After the meltdown, we did not groom as much as before in order to keep our base intact. With the snow we just received and the cold that we are going to be getting, we should see our trails in great shape. If another melt down does come, please take it easy around the water bars. While grooming, I have had a number of riders who feel that since they are the first ones on a newly groomed trail they can carve it up any way they like! Please, tell your friends to *tread lightly when on a newly groomed trail*. This TLC will allow for our Trails to "set up" and get rock hard. The groom will last longer for the next time you come by that way. I have also heard a few sleds go by that have loud pipes! I will report those sleds that do not change these pipes back to the original factory pipes. After market pipes are loud, illegal and are a great way to upset a landowner resulting in trail closure. You are hereby warned!! Tread softly!

Membership Chairperson, Patti "I've got 1200 miles on.. So Far!!" Booska: Wow, what an Awesome start for our trails this season & here's hoping Mother Nature is just as kind to us through the New Year! We have had Great results with TMA purchases. I want to thank all of you who had purchased your TMAs before the trails opened on Dec 16th. Our Club and V.A.S.T need these funds to stay in operation. If you have NOT yet purchased your TMA, they are in stock at all our *Official Sno-Bees TMA Outlets* for sale. For a list of the businesses that sell these *TMAs* please go to our *Sno-Bees website* at www.snobeels.com Or you can purchase your *TMA* online at this same website! Again, *PLEASE* send your email address to membership@snobeels.com. You can also register your email address

when you access www.snobeas.com. So, help us save money on postage and handling and register your email address with us. *Every little bit helps us to achieve our goals as a Club!*

We have our *Sno-Bees \$20 Monthly Raffle Tickets* for sale this month. Please look to those *Sno-Bees Members* who have them for sale or you can purchase them online at our website. And, you can always stop by and see *Ron at Brookside* to get one.

The *Official Sno-Bees \$100 Dinner Raffle* will be held again at the *Canadian Club*. This event will be held on Friday, January 18, 2008. We have sent out letters to those people who attended this event last year. For those that did not attend last year and want to go this year, call Theresa Berkeley at (802)249-2678. All had a great time last year and this year should be no exception!

See you at our next Monthly Meeting which we will be back at the Bee Hive!! We would like to have a *Pot Luck Dinner for those that attend!* Dinner will be at 5:30 so that everything can be cleaned up before the Meeting. Anyone interested in bringing a dish just call *John Plante @ 249-0666!* The *Bee Hive* is located next to the *Bailey Airport* off Sunset Road in Barre Town. You take Windy Wood Road off Hill Street. This is the road on the left when you come to the intersection at *Trow Hill Grocery*. Follow Windy Wood a few miles to a stop sign, then take a left on Sunset Road. Go approx. 1 mile to Bee Hive on left. On the Trail, go to the *Trail Support Sign* and follow signs to the *Bee Hive*. *Or call the Bee Hive @ 479-9486.*

Thanks

*John "Keep Seyon Open for Riding!" Plante
President*

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