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## SNOWMOBILE CLUB, Inc.

- Your club officers, directors and committee chairs are:

President: Brent Walck, 523-2320 Vice-President: Gary Broderick, 731-1719 Secretary: Dave Ackerman, 949-6730 Treasurer: Mark Stevens, 905-931-3070 Trail Treasurer: Lonnie Daigler, 731-5128 Directors: Jim Biehls, 625-6834 Doug Caldwell, 523-6653 Dave Fricano, 417-6330 Lonnie Daigler, 731-5128 Trail Coordinator: Pete Fleckenstein, 628-4841 Groomer Scheduler: Paul Prior, 743-9623 Groomer Barn/Groomer Coord.: Herb Stephenson, 523-1242

We hope you are this great start to the riding season! Be safe and stay on the trail!

Groomers are out. Remember, state law says Groomers ALWAYS have the right of way! Ride between the stakes-the trails are set up using dual stakes-ride in-between them at all times. Our landowners have given us permission to use their land-many of our them are farmers that have winter crops planted-riding on them especially in marginal conditions ruins them-riding outside the stakes-just because there is fresh snow-ruins more crops and may cause landowners to revoke permission-which will CLOSE THE TRAILS.

The NYS Snowmobile Safety Course will be held on January 21<sup>st</sup> and 22nd at the Shawnee Fire Hall. Pre-registration is required. Students must be a minimum of 10 years old as of the date of the class. Students should bring a snack. We will supply soft drinks. All attendees should be there NLT 4:30 p.m. on the 21<sup>st</sup> for registration; class will run from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. both nights. Attendance at both classes is required for graduation. Parents are encouraged to attend with their children. Children may be left, but a parent/guardian must register them and pick them up at the end of the class. Call Rodger at 731-2174 to register. There is no charge for this course.

--Volunteers are needed to help teach and complete the required paperwork. Please call Gary at 807-7002 if you can lend a hand.



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--We are always looking for new instructors for the Snowmobile Safety Course. If you are interested in becoming a certified instructor, please contact Rodger at 731-2174 or Gary at 807-7002.

The Shawnee Sno-Chiefs are on Facebook! Check in and 'Join' our group page-get news and updates from around the county, state and country as they happen! We can be found here: http://www.facebook.com/groups/shawneesnochiefs

2013 Super Raffle tickets are available now! This year there are 50 prizes including 2 new sleds, a \$5000 gift card, \$5000 cash and 46 other valuable prizes. For each \$5 ticket sold, the club keeps half. Get your tickets now! Call Gary at 807-7002.

Do you have some fundraising ideas? Please call Brent at 523-2320. We need to find ways to supplement our income this year-we are cutting back on expenses, but still need to find ways to bring in additional funds.

Do you have an idea for a club ride? One day or multi-day trip? The club is looking to plan some 'out of town' rides this season. Would you be willing to help make it happen? If so, call Brent at 523-2320.

The Club Sno-Drags are scheduled for January 26<sup>th</sup>. This event is only open to members of the club and/or of the Shawnee Fire Hall. We will supply lights, food and drink. Fee for this event? Nothing. If you can help out for an hour or more, please call Lonnie at 731-5128. Make-up (Snow Date) date is February 2, 2013.

Want to save some money on your liability insurance for three years by taking a 6 hour safe driver's course? Want to do it in the comfort of your own home? Want to do it cheaper than what you'd normally pay? NYSSA is now offering an accredited online safe drivers course for \$22 per person. Once registered, you have 30 days to complete the course and they will mail you a certificate upon completion to present to your insurer. For more info, please check here: https://www.bigappletrafficschool.com/Student/Registration/CreateAccount.aspx

Do you want to save money? Do you need to cut back on expenses? As a member of the Shawnee Sno-Chiefs, you are automatically a member of the NYSSA and can to participate in the Member's Discount Program located here: <u>http://www.nyssaforum.com/?page=Benefits</u>. Discounts include, travel, hotels, insurance, car rental and many other items you may be interested in!



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If you are out riding and notice stakes/signs down, please attempt to put them back up. If you can't, please notify Pete at 628-4841 of the location of the downed stake/sign(s). Many of these signs identify hazards and missing signs can contribute to accidents.

Wheeled vehicles are not allowed on our trail system, with the exception of the old rail bed in Pendleton (S-41). Please do not ride your ATV or UTV on our trail system-several of our landowners have asked us to call the police and report any ATV/UTV sightings on their lands. The Sheriff Snowmobile unit can be reached at 433-3346.





We are always looking for volunteers to help with Groomer Maintenance, Groomer Operation and Barn Upkeep. If you have some time and/or experience, would like to help out or if you are willing to learn, please call Herb at 523-1242.

We can use some help with plowing around the groomer barn, if you have some spare time on your hands.

New Shawnee Sno-Chiefs logo clothing is available to order at each meeting-and we've made these fine clothing items more affordable. These are high quality items with the club name and logo stitched in-Sweatshirts, Long Sleeve T-shirts, Short Sleeve T-shirts, and Polo shirts. The come in a choice of colors and sizes. Please come to a meeting and see these items. Sno-Chiefs Logo wear must be preordered and pre-paid.



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