## Hilton Sno-Flyers News

## August 2010

### Welcome to the 2010/11 Season!!!

Wednesday, September 1st marks the beginning of the 2010-2011 snowmobile season for the Hilton Sno-Flyers with our first meeting at the America Legion, Ferris - Goodridge Post on **691 Trimmer Road in Spencerport**. Many club members have been busy in what we refer to as the off-season and I'd like to thank them all for what they've done. Groomer Barn Work, Groomer and Trailer Maintenance, Trail Work and 3 Parades have come and gone while the rest of us have been enjoying the summer. There's still plenty to do... The Hilton Applefest, our largest fundraiser will be October 2&3, the annual Snow Show will be November 14th, and of course trail work details... We realize that some of you may not be able to attend the September 1st meeting as it falls before the Labor Day weekend, but we'll give you another chance to get to a meeting in September on Wednesday the 15th. I hope to see you then so we can all work together to make this upcoming season the best it can be.

Rich Manley

President, Hilton Sno-Flyers 329-1140 (best time to talk snowmobiling: 7:00pm-9:00pm)



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#### **Upcoming Events**

- Work detail 2nd and 4th Wednesday of every month at the south groomer Barn 6pm-9pm Dan Gurbacki 469-6789
- First Meeting of the Year! September 1st, 7:30pm at the Ferris-Goodridge Post 691 Trimmer Road
- Hilton Applefest October 2nd & 3rd Peter D'Orazio 733-8629
- Hilton Sno-Flyers 14th Annual Snowshow and Vintage Sleds November 14th at Doan Dodge
- Sleds of Stafford Vintage Show September 19th at BW's in Pavillion
- Salmon Creek Vintage Show and Chicken Barbecue October 16th at the Brockport Elk's Club
- 2010 SnowBash September 18th & 19th sponsored by Ohio Ridge Riders
- WNY Xtreme Powersports Show October 23 & 24th Hamburg Fairgrounds
- BigEast Powersports Show October 1st to 3rd Syracuse, NY

### Vice President's Report

Every year about this time, we as snowmobilers start thinking about winter and getting our sleds ready for that big snow fall. The registrations were mailed early this year, so lets get those snowmobiles registered early. It is important to register before November 30th. The moneys received from registration is applied to the Trails Grant in Aid Fund program. From this fund, is where the club receives the dollars per miles to fund our trails. The more money in the fund the more each club receives. Any registration after November 30th would be applied to the following snowmobile season. The club meetings this year are being held at a new location.

Ferris Goodridge American Legion Post 330

691 Trimmer Rd

Spencerport NY

Meetings are the 1st and 3rd Wednesday in the months of September and October, the 3rd Wednesday the remaining months. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE.

This Club is a 12 month a year business that is run by volunteers, but the volunteering for this year has been very poor. More hands make the job easier for the few hands that have volunteered. Thanks to those people who have helped out. Work details will soon be starting. Attend the meetings and watch our Web Site to keep up to date on what your club is doing.

Tom Francis, VP

### Groomer Report

Over the last weekend Tom Francis and I charged up the batteries on the pb 240 and rotated the track to the position needed to open up the track . If Pete can make it Wednesday night , my plan is to get the left track opened up on the PB 240 and remove the planetary to begin changing the seals .

This isn't some thing I can do myself so based on availability of capable help ,I see this repair as a pretty high priority relative to other activities ..

Parade trailer is back inside the barn with all accessories stored on the top shelf in side garage area.

I spoke with South Barn owner last weekend and he gave us permission to dig out where the big red trailer will sit so that entering the trailer will be at or near ground level . He also indicated we could use his loader on site to dig out the area if we want to and cautioned us on where to dig because of a potential water line to the out building . He also said there is a pile of stone we can use if needed . A work detail needs to be coordinated around this.

Rod also indicated he purchased a manual door opener for the big garage door. He is going to have it installed as well as the big spring that is broke, replaced .

Big blue trailer > still have to get it to thruway spring for evaluation.

Dan

Hello, I'm Peter J. D'orazio, a new BOD member . I will be heading up the operating of the french fry booth this year at the famous Hilton AppleFest. Please feel free to volunteer and help the club with it's number one fund raising event, and the kicker is it's fun.

I also will be in charge of the NYSSA Raffle Tickets again this year. Please consider taking some tickets to sell or buy them for yourself. This is a great fundraiser for the club as we get half the cost of the ticket given back to us. There will be 50 fabulous prizes again this year!

### Treasurers Report

Hello Everyone,

The summer has been quite warm; I am hoping the winter reciprocates with some sustained cold and snow. For those of you newer to the club I will briefly share my history with the club. I first joined the Hilton Sno-Flyers in 1995. I became the Recording Secretary in 1997 and held that position on the Board of Directors for three years. In 2000 I became a Club Officer taking on the Treasurer position. I intended to stay in this position for two to four years. I have now supported three different Presidents during my ten years in this position and still enjoy what I do. When I joined we were a small club who owned a Polaris 6X6, we even attempted to groom trails with it. Back then we would argue that we should not invest in equipment as the winters were not long enough. We ended up taking the jump purchasing a little red track truck, the membership responded with incredible support. We never looked back, and continued to groom and grow, when the SARA bill was adopted by the state, we were rewarded with many new members joining our club. With the growth came struggles as we continued to need more volunteers with the increase in our trail maintenance

I have worked with many devoted members through the years who have made this club what it is today. We are here to promote safe responsible snowmobiling with the best trails possible, each year we improve. We now are a 501-C3 charitable organization. We have a new groomer barn that we are excited about that now protects our three groomers and other equipment, this place also gives a good place to work on our equipment.

You have heard me speak of volunteers, please consider volunteering in whatever capacity you wish, we could use help if you have interest in any of the following, mechanical, trail signage, club events including snow show, applefest, NYSSA raffles, Christmas party, adopt a highway, groomer operators, trail fund help, trail bosses, I can even train a new Treasurer. People who step up and show commitment to the club are welcome to attend the NYSSA forum with the BOD in April. We have a club that could use some younger committed members to work themselves into our Board of Directors. We need members to step up if we want this club to succeed in the future.

Just some general Treasurer info, as of May 1st our conservative estimate that we based our 2010/2011 budget on was actually 2519.88 less than our actual end of snowmobile season balance. Last years fundraisers made profits of \$4888. from the Applefest, \$41.98 from the Snow Show (not including an incredible amount of memberships), and \$365. from the NYSSA Raffle (read on). Our budget starts and ends May 1st to April 30th the NYSSA raffle from last year had a carryover profit that went into this years budget at 1287.50, this will be available for next years budgeting. Sounds confusing although be aware, we budget from money in hand at the end of the previous season, not on projected estimates from what we think we can make. This years budget is based on last years closing cash. We are very healthy financially and continue to need fundraisers as a supplement for our future needs.

One other note- we earmarked \$85 from a 50/50 last year and contributed to Anthony Diponzio. Let me tell you he is a class act, he took the time to send our club a personal letter of thank you. If anyone would like to see this note I will have it at the next meeting.

In closing I would like to thank our Volunteers and our Landowners for being so generous to our members, this is truly what makes our snowmobiling enjoyment possible.

John

The 2010 Hilton Apple Fest will be Saturday October 2nd ~ 10 AM - 5 PM Sunday October 3rd ~ 10 AM - 4:30 PM





# Hilton Sno-Flyers 14th Annual Snow Show

Sunday, November 14th, 2010 10 am - 4pm **Doan Dodge Chrysler Jeep 4477 West Ridge Road** Between Elmgrove and Manitou on Rt 104

### FREE ADMISSION

Trail Equipment and Groomers \* Area Snowmobile Clubs Area Dealers \* Refreshments Available \* Law Enforcement Door Prizes \* Raffles \* DMV Vouchers \* Membership Signups Department of Motor Vehicles on site – Bring your registrations

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## 2010/11 Meeting Schedule and Location 7:30 PM

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September 1st & 15th October 6th & 20th
November 17th December 15th
January 19th February 16th
March 16th April 6th

**Needed**: Your club is looking for a donated refrigerator for the south groomer barn.

Wanted: Newsletter Editor-contact Jim Howard for details



We're on the Web! www.hiltonsnoflyers.com

Notes from the Editor: Looking for material for the newsletter, pictures, for sale items, stories or events. Send to snoflyers@gmail.com

### Hilton Sno-Flyers Mission Statement

The Hilton Sno-Flyers are a 501c3 not for profit organization who's goal is to promote safe and legal snowmobiling in the western New York region through communication and education with its membership.

### Club Contact Info

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Director: Dan Gurbacki Director: Marty Sauer Director: Robert Allen Director: Robert Colby

Special Appointee: Peter D'Orazio

Past President: Jim Meyer



### How to Renew Your Club Membership Online

If you've received your snowmobile registration renewal from DMV and want to get your sled registered before Holiday expenses crop up, here is a reminder about how to obtain your 2010-11 NYSSA Membership Voucher.

- 1) Go to www.nysnowmobiler.com and click on the big green button. ---> This will take you to our secure Online Membership System.
- 2) Login with your six-digit NYSSA Member ID# and password. Your Member ID# is on your membership card, and also on your previous season's voucher. Hint: your password is made up of letters, and must contain at least one number. If you don't remember your NYSSA ID number, contact your Club's Membership Administrator at snoflyers@gmail.com. You may also email membership@nysnowmobiler.com or call the NYSSA Office, 888-624-3849 x103. **Reset password** can be used to obtain a new password, however users on AOL or Netscape may never receive the message, as these systems seem to think these messages are spam. If your email address recently changed, you may also never receive the message. Please call or email us for assistance.
- 3) Simply click on renew to renew your membership for the 2010-11 season. Follow the prompts on each screen, and when you are done you will see "Return Home to View Memberships and Print a Voucher" -- click on that, and that's right, you can print your voucher right on your own computer printer no waiting! Print an extra copy for your records.

Member Login	NYSSA Membership Card  John Doe  Mach Sent Standard  April  April
My 6 Digit NYSSA ID is:	Appl 3 200
My Password is:	Login  Need a password? Reset Password for NYSSA ID above

4) Sign your voucher before you mail it in with your DMV Registration Renewal or they will send it back unprocessed!