

FLEA CALLER

VAST ANNUAL MEETING



VAST President Tim Mills with 2018 Junior Snowmobilers of the Year Greg, Philip and Ryan Gullone

The Snow Fleas and Windsor County were well represented at this year's VAST Annual Meeting.

Snow Fleas Roger "Willie" Arnow received the 2018 Snowmobiler of the Year Award, and Greg, Philip, and Ryan Gullone received the 2018 Junior Snowmobiler of the Year Award. Also recognized at the meeting was Cam Burkhardt one of this year's two VAST Scholarship Award winners.

Congratulations to the Weatherfield Pathfinders for receiving the 2018 Trail Project of the Year Award; Seth Kimball 2018 VAST Horizon Award winner; and Kevin Heiden 2018 Motivation Award winner.

Congratulations to Mary Hutchins from the Hartford Hurricane Riders who received a 2018 Trails Coordinator Award.

And last, but definitely not least, congratulations to Windsor County Secretary and our favorite photographer Patty Madigan Companik for receiving a VAST 2018 President's Award.

All very well deserved!

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2019 TMAs

VAST announced there will be no increase in the cost of TMAs for the upcoming season. The one TMA change is they are going back to 3-day passes instead of the 4-day passes sold last season.

2019 Early Bird TMAs and 3-day passes are now available to purchase online at the VAST website <https://vtvast.org/online-tma-purchase-cb.html>. Enter your

sled registration number to find your completed file. Receipts will be emailed at time of purchase, and TMA stickers will be mailed out in mid-November.

Clubs are expected to receive Early Bird TMAs in mid-October. A copy of our 2018-2019 Membership Application is included with this newsletter. **PLEASE NOTE:** changes have been made to the Application due to new VAST liability wording and requirements on purchaser's information. Please use only the 2018-2019 Application. **Per VAST - if you are purchasing your TMA via the mail, you must include a signed Membership Application acknowledging the new liability wording or we will not be able to process the TMA until you sign the TMA in person.** We are sorry for the inconvenience.

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OCTOBER MEETING

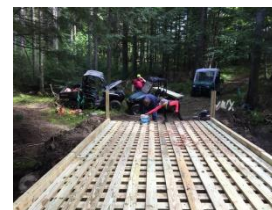
Our next meeting is Thursday, Oct. 18th beginning at 7:00 pm at the home of Dot and Pete Ramsdell, 369 Route 131, Cavendish.

This is the meeting when we hold our drawing for 2018 Volunteer TMAs. Club members who have taken 10 or more tickets to sell need to turn in the money and ticket stubs by noon to have their name included in this year's Volunteer TMA drawing.

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CORRIDOR 12 BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION

A huge thank you to Cam Burkhardt, Glenn Fagan, Joe



Marini, Karen Nardella, Tim Rowe, and Russ Walsh. This group moved all the lumber to the site, and installed the 24' bridge deck and corner posts in a record 3.5 hours and took photos! These folks were all business. Thank you to Chef Jared for his flexibility in providing a hot lunch for this hard-working group 2 hours earlier than planned. Special thanks to George Petruney and Karen Nardella for allowing us to access the trail via their property.

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NOVEMBER MEETING & RAFFLE

Based on early raffle ticket sales we think all tickets will be sold by our target date of Saturday, Nov. 24th. We have decided to hold our November Club meeting on the 24th beginning at 4:00 pm at the Proctorsville Firehouse, 513 Main St., Proctorsville. As soon as the business portion of the meeting is over we will hold a 50/50 raffle and then draw the winning raffle ticket. Light refreshments will be provided.

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RESPECT

Most of the trails in Windsor County are on private land. At the September County meeting it was announced that several more trails have been closed because of issues last season with snowmobilers.

Put yourself in the position of the landowner. You allow a groomed trail on your property. People ignore the signs, get off the trail and ride around on your land. You see someone doing this. You approach them and ask them to stop. They start arguing with you like you have no right to stop them from what they are doing. How would you react?

Without the generosity of landowners we have no trails. Snowmobiling is a privilege folks; not a right! If you can't respect the privilege and the landowners, you have no right to be on the trail. It only takes one person to ruin it for everyone. Don't be that one person.

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LOOKING FOR GIFT IDEAS?

Our Club clothing is perfect! We have a supply of youth short sleeve t-shirts (sizes Small to XL), adult short sleeve t-shirts in sizes Medium to 3X, and adult sweatshirts in sizes Small to 3X. Photos can be found on our website, and the items can be purchased at the Marini's.

We will be sending in an order to our supplier on Oct. 22nd for our fleece shirts, vests, and jackets. The order will be delivered in mid-November and available for pickup at the Marini's. The fleece order form can be downloaded from our website.

Contact Karen Marini for information on shipping. Profits from the sale of Club clothing go into our barn building fund.

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50TH ANNIVERSARY STICKERS



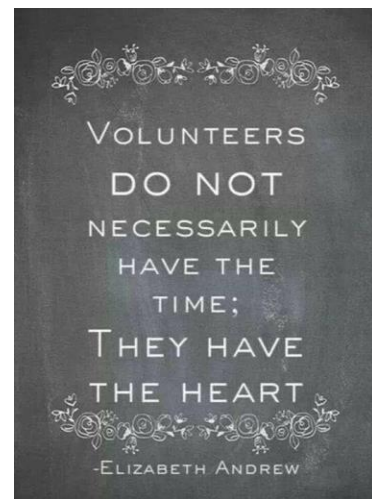
Our Club's 50th Anniversary stickers will be available for sale when purchasing your TMAs this year. The stickers are \$3.00 each, and our supply is limited. Get yours before they sell out!

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ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's Annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8th at the home of Karen and Jared Wilson. Look for details in our November newsletter.

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CIRCLE THE DATE

- Oct. 19, 20 & 21** ME Snowmobile Show
Augusta Civic Center, Augusta, ME
- Oct. 26, 27 & 28** PA Powersports Show
Lebanon Valley Expo Center
Lebanon, PA
- Nov. 17 & 18** SAM Sled Expo
Big E, Springfield, MA
- Nov. 24 4:00 pm** November Club Meeting & Raffle Drawing
Proctorsville Fire Dept.
513 Main St., Proctorsville
- Dec. 8 5:30 pm** Club Christmas Party
Karen & Jared Wilson's home