
FLEA CALLER

Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who purchased a TMA and selected the Cavendish GM Snow Fleas as your Club as well as those who purchased a Membership Only to the club. We were also overwhelmed with appreciation by the financial donations people made when purchasing their TMA. We realize that mother nature hasn't been too kind to us, but your dedication to the sport helps us continue to keep the club up and running. Whether we have snow or not, we have our Tucker monthly loan payments, Insurance payments and Maintenance work that continues on and requires funding. We cannot express enough how thankful we are to all of you for your support. We have the BEST members!

We would also like to thank Sal Vasta who donated rubber mats to the club for the flooring where the Tucker is stored/maintained. This will help protect the flooring from the steel tracks.

Glenn Fagan and Sandra Belange took care of painting the drag several months ago. Team work makes the dream work - Thank you for your dedication.



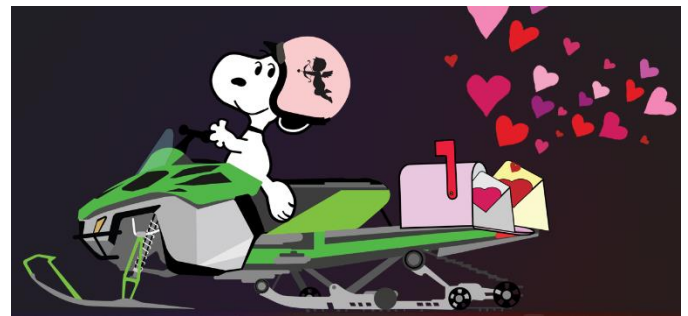
We had some early season snow, then rain compounded by strong winds. With that came the cleanup of downed trees. Joe Marini Dan

Tiernan, and Russ Walsh spent days clearing the trails in preparation of the next snow event. Thank you for keeping our trails clear and safe for all riders. We also need to do a shout out to Paul Marsh and his friends who continue to care for a section of 106 going towards Redding. Marsh and team took care of clearing all of the downed trees in that area after the storms earlier this season.

FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

The Club's next meeting will be Saturday, **February 18th** beginning at 4:30 pm, 865 Heald Rd, Cavendish VT. The more members who become involved the better the Club will be. Hope to see you there!

UPCOMING SNOW FLEA EVENTS



Valentine's Day Ride In is planned to be held on Saturday February 4 2023. We are dedicating this ride in to Karen Marini. Hot Dogs (with plenty of fixings) - Burgers - Soup - Chips and Dessert Items will be available for your consumption! All Food is by donation. We plan to do a 50/50 Raffle and have Club Merchandise on hand for sale. Plan to stop by the Cook Shack between 10:00 - 3:00 - have a quick bite - do a little socializing and continue to hit the trails that day. We are hoping the snow we get this week stays and everyone will enjoy some time riding our

trails! *Thank you, Stacey Burkhardt for the great Valentine's Day Snow Flea logo!*

We have a second Ride In Event also planned this year - our second annual St. Patrick's Day Ride in. Save the date of Saturday March 4th!

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The club will be setting up a booth at the Chester Fall Festival - **September 16 & 17th**. This will be a new fundraiser for the club. We will be cutting, frying and selling French Fries. We plan to serve regular French Fries and..... Disco Fries. Not to be confused with Poutine. Disco Fries have Gravy like Poutine but are made with shredded Mozzarella Cheese instead of Cheese Curds. Disco Fries are an East Coast thing vs Poutine which is a Canadian thing. (google it lol). We recently received the donation of Industrial level Potato Slicing equipment. **We will need volunteers to work shifts during the two day event.** We know it is early, if you want to be included in the planning and/or would like us to keep you posted regarding the schedule coverage needs, please reach out to Patty/Frank Companik at 203 710 7358. Should be a fun time! If the weather is good - and the event does what it has during the past few years - we are in for a **VERY** busy 2 days.

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VAST SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Two \$1500
SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATIONS ARE  DUE MARCH 1, 2023

VAST awards two \$1,500 scholarships annually. VAST Scholarship Awards are open to VAST members, their spouses and/or dependents of all ages to help you further your education in any post secondary school, including vocational/technical education.

Two Chances to Win! The applications of the top five finalists will also be submitted for consideration to the Northeast Chapter of the International Snowmobile Council's (NEISC) Scholarship Awards program. The NEISC awards two \$500 scholarship awards annually.

All applications must be postmarked or faxed NO later than March 1, 2023.
For application go to: vtvast.org/scholarships.html or call (802) 229-0005
Please send all applications to:

26 Vast Lane, Barre, VT 05641 | fax: 802-223-4316 | email: mandy@vtvast.org

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Windsor County Club Events that are planned. Be sure to check their Facebook page for details:

- Jan 29th (Sunday) - Barnard Poker Run
- **Feb 4 - Cavendish - Valentine's Day Ride In (dedicated to Karen Marini) Cook Shack**
- Feb 11 or 18 (tbd) - Weathersfield Pathfinders - Poker Run
- Feb 18 - Ludlow - Toss for Tina - Ride In - All proceeds to benefit Cancer Awareness - Warming Hut
- Feb 18 - Chester Winter Carnival - Chester club hosting Kid Snowmobile Rides - all welcome
- Feb 19 (Sunday) - Chester - Poker Run
- Feb 25 - AMSR Ride In
- **March 4 - Cavendish - St Patrick's Day Ride In - Cook Shack**

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VAST PROMOTIONAL WEEKEND

January 27 thru 29th 2023

TMA Pass Required!

Discover Riding in Vermont this weekend with Ride for \$25 **January 27-29, 2023** (this replaces the free weekend). The \$25.00 will help clubs with additional grooming expenses due to heavier traffic. The \$25 goes directly to the clubs to help them with trail maintenance and grooming.

To purchase a Ride for \$25 Trail Pass you will need:

- Current DMV/ORB registration in ANY state or province
- Liability Insurance
- Snowmobile Safety certificate from any state if born after July 1, 1983.

<https://vast.tfaforms.net/4820379>

YOUR 3-DAY RIDE \$25 TRAIL PASS IS EMAILED ONLY! You will NOT receive a sticker. Print the pass out or carry a digital copy on your smartphone. **CHECK YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS CAREFULLY.** Always make sure to check the updated trail conditions prior to riding at <https://vtvast.org/trails.html>