



SDHSA presents \$500 to the Stittsville Foodbank

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The BEAST presents \$1,000 to Way Out Woman (WOW) for Breast Cancer Research

# The B.E.A.S.T.



## President's Message – Jim Lackey



Jim Lackey  
B.E.A.S.T. President

It's that time of year again for everyone to start thinking and praying for snow! Depending on whether you work with the glass half full or half empty, the forecast is for a warmer than normal season. This could potentially mean more of what we have had for the last couple of years, which wasn't so good locally, or it could mean for a great riding season. Either way, our club volunteers are gearing up to put on another fine season of snowmobiling no matter what Mother Nature dishes out.

There is a lot of activity that has been going on for the last year with some good news and some bad news for snowmobilers in the region.

We have good news in that the OFSC has elected one of our own long time volunteer / snowmobilers, Bruce Robinson as OFSC President. Bruce has been an avid snowmobiler in the Kemptville Region for as long as there have been snowmobiles and he is an excellent choice to help keep the snowmobiling movement alive and well in the Province of Ontario. You may read Bruce's story in your Fall Edition of Ontario Snowmobiler.

Other good news will be with respect to permit fees this season and some great news from the OFSC to help reduce the cost of your personal insurance for your snow machine.

We also have some not so good news in the potential risk for trails to be closed this season as well as our annual plea for help from our membership to do their part in making this your sport for the present and years to come.

I encourage you to read on so that you can be armed with the information you need to make your season an enjoyable one.

As always, I like to mention our own BEAST website as it contains a lot of valuable information on trails, trail conditions, events and other sled head related news. We have evolved this site quite a bit over the years and it is your trusted source of information on the BEAST. You can find us at: [www.snowmobile.on.ca](http://www.snowmobile.on.ca)

I challenge all of you to help make our season a success by remembering that this is a User Pay system run on the generosity of volunteer club workers and landowners. We encourage you to support them and to work with them because without them, you would have no trails.

Always ask yourself this question, "Am I part of the problem or the solution?" Solutions we welcome, problems we don't!

This is my 8th season as a volunteer working in the capacity of President for the BEAST. I can certainly say that the times are a changing. We have come a long way to deliver an excellent quality product and I am proud to have been part of that evolution. I am even more proud of the small number of volunteers from our three member clubs that help make it all happen.

Read on and please do your part to be informed and to enjoy the season!



## OFSC Announces - No Permit Fee Increase This Season

The OFSC is pleased to announce that the fee for 2006/07 Full Season Snowmobile Trail Permits will remain the same as last winter. The regular Full Season fee is \$230, but you can save \$50 if your permit is purchased on or before December 1, 2006.

You may also be entered into the draw to win free gas if you buy before November 1, 2006.



There is also the introduction this season of the 3 Day Pass for \$90.00 which should be welcome by those who only get the chance to ride once or twice a year. Your best value is the Full season pass for what you can experience but

for some, this suits them just fine as well.

Watch [www.ofsc.on.ca](http://www.ofsc.on.ca) for details of the OFSC Early Sales Draw, where pre-November 1st buyers can win great prizes!

### It's the Law!

Ontario law requires every recreational sled\* using an OFSC Prescribed Trail to have and display a valid Snowmobile Trail Permit. Fines for failure to comply range from a minimum of \$200. to a maximum of \$1000.  
\*exemptions or partial exemptions for specific user groups.



Don Cherry; Grapes giving the "thumbs up" to the new Sledder's Choice Program.

## Save Your Dough to Ride the Snow!

Having a tough time insuring your snowmobile? The OFSC has great news from an unlikely supporter Don "Grapes" Cherry and the Sledder's Choice Group Insurance Program.

Basically, the program is geared towards families that own multiple machines or riders that have good driving records but can't find a broker to insure that high CC sled.

Details on the program can be found at: [www.sledderschoice.ca](http://www.sledderschoice.ca) Take a look as it might be just what you need to keep your sled insured at an affordable price!

## Driver Training

Speaking of insuring riders, have the kids been pestering you to get that snowmobile license? Well BEAST will be holding our driver training session this season for riders that are 12 years of age or older.

Driver training will be held Nov. 26, at the Beckwith Hall, from 8a.m. - 4 p.m. Pre-register by Nov. 21st by calling Tanis Cordick at 613-253-0139 for further details.



## Trail News for this Season

As most people are aware, the construction of 4 lanes on Highway 7 has begun with a fevered pace. Our BEAST 201 Trail that traditionally ran along the stretch of Highway between Old Hazledean Road and the Canadian Golf course will not be open for this season.

The SDHSA club is presently working with local landowners to build a bypass trail to accommo-

date riders accessing the north end of Stittsville, but for now this trail is "Officially Closed".

The BEAST will post any trail changes on our website but the main message is to stay off this stretch of road unless you see a signed and groomed snowmobile trail. Road work will be ongoing throughout the area this winter and there is a high risk of serious injury or even death should you

decide to ignore this warning.

In fact, there is always the risk of serious injury or death anytime you venture away from a marked and groomed snowmobile trail!!

### Permit Prices

- Full Season on or before December 1st—\$180.00
- Full Season After December 1st—\$230.00
- 3 Day Permit—\$90.00
- 7 Day Permit—\$120.00





**Why can't we groom early season?  
Groomers don't float.**

Help us help you!

*Trail Work Days*

*November*

*18th and 25th*

*To register call*

*613-257-5545*



**Farmers Feed Cities!**

## Early Season Riding

There is nothing more frustrating than to having that shiny permit fastened to the windshield of your sled when the first flakes of snow hit the ground and you want to ride.

Every year, we receive numerous calls asking why the clubs are not out grooming trails. The logic would seem that the Club should be good to go because there is snow on the ground, you purchased your permit and you are ready to ride. I wish it were that

simple but it is not.

Something that most people seem to forget is that after spending literally hundred's of hours setting up and signing safe trails for everyone to enjoy, Club Volunteers are some of the most anxious to ride.

There is an interesting article on our website from the Intrepid Snowmobiler himself, Craig Nicholson and it provides an excellent explanation as to what it takes to start the season. I encour-

age everyone to read this article as it saves us time in repeating the story. You can find it on our website under the heading of "Jumping the Gun". Trust us folks, we are more anxious to ride than anyone else out there and we will open and groom trails when they are safe to do so.

Check our website for Trail Conditions as we try to report our grooming progress on a daily basis.

## Trail Work Days

We have had a number of queries from riders as to how they can be involved with trail setup for the winter. Trail Work Days are a great way to get to know your club executive and the trails in this area.

We have 2 workdays planned for this year and they will be on November 18th and 25th. On the evening of November 25th we will be returning to the 6th Line Stop Club house for a potluck dinner.

Our VIA (Volunteers in Action) Coordinator, Anna Mould, is awaiting your call. Anna can provide you with all the information you need to get involved with your club. She may be reached at 613-257-5545 and leave a message as she will call back!

## Farmers Feed Cities/Lanark Land Owners Association

Some of you may have heard that snowmobile trails in certain trail sections of Ontario may not be open for this season. The situation is with some landowner and farming groups that are fed up with the government and their failure to recognize the value of their land.

The BEAST fully supports these groups and has been working with the OFSC and our own District Management to try and resolve some of these issues. Our message here is that if you see a closed trail, don't complain to the landowner but rather support them by

calling your local MP to ensure they are aware that you are supporting their cause. We may have some trail areas where there could be closures for this season. The good news so far is that the closures appear to be minimal compared to the number of kilometers available to ride in this region.

Our message here is that you will need to make your own informed decision to purchase your permit now or wait to see how things progress as we get closer to opening trails. The BEAST is committed to posting trail closures on our website as they become official.

We also ask that you respect landowners should you see any trail closed by a gate. It is closed for a reason and it should not be opened unless you are part of the club trail workers responsible for that section. Opening a gate without permission or pre-maturely could mean permanent closure of the trail. Trust us; we don't need the extra work that is associated with a trail re-route!

Use common sense here folks. Would you want someone going onto your property and disrespecting it?

## Give us some time ...

All 3 of our member clubs, ADSA, RSR and SDHSA are looking for volunteers to help with a number of projects. Whatever your skill or interest, we will strive to make your investment with us productive, rewarding, and most of all, fun.

One main comment we have heard over the past couple of seasons is that people are willing to help but they need information on how to get started. We have taken steps this past season to document the various club positions and we are ready to assist people that are willing to put some time in to help out their club.

Best place to start is to call one of our contacts or come to a club meeting.

## ADSA/RSR Bucks Program

2006/07 will be the 3rd season for the ADSA Ashton and 2nd season for the RSR Bucks Programs. The goal is to recognize the efforts of our hard working volunteers. The program, utilizes fundraising dollars that can provide volunteers up to a \$50.00 rebate on their season permit. The benefits of such a program start to add up if you happen to be on a limited budget

## Groomer Update

In Jan. of 2006, The BEAST has purchased a used 1999 New Holland 8160 with a 9.5 foot Sur-Trac drag for use by The BEAST to maintain trails. Expect to see this in the SDHSA the majority of the time. This is a large leap forward



Currently, the ADSA is looking for volunteers for the following positions:

- **Newsletter Coordinator (BEAST level)**
- **Response Investigation Officer**
- **Risk Management Officer**
- **South Side Trail Sector Coordinator**
- **Trail Maintainers**
- **Trail Section Coordinators - In all trail sections**

The Richmond Snow Rovers will be seeking people to fill the following positions at their Annual meeting.

or if you own more than one snowmobile.

Basically, any person performing volunteer work on behalf of the Ashton or Richmond clubs can earn \$1.00 for every hour worked up to a maximum of \$50.00. While this does not sound like great pay, it does start to add up if you get the whole family into the

in technology, comfort and performance for the club. Official operator training was conducted by Ebert Welding on Jan. 25, 2006 for all interested BEAST operators and executive. A big thanks to Ian from Ebert for pro-

General Members Meeting to be held on Oct. 17th. Further details are included in an earlier newsletter to RSR Membership.

Currently, the RSR is looking for volunteers for the following positions:

- **President**
- **Vice President**
- **Secretary**
- **Treasurer**

The BEAST and Member Clubs are non-profit organizations run entirely by volunteers. In Ontario alone, snowmobiling contributes more than \$1 billion to the local economy. We rely on active volunteers to get the job done.

For more information on these or other volunteer opportunities contact Anna Mould (257-5545).

volunteer swing of things.

Plans to expand this program into the Stittville club will be part of our meeting discussions this coming season.

More details on the ADSA/RSR Bucks Program can be obtained by contacting any of our club contacts or by visiting our website.

viding the informative session. We now have to clear a few trees as the new unit is 4" wider and a bit thicker at the top, as well as being four feet longer. With this purchase, the previous grooming unit, a 1994 Massey 390T was sold.



**Rob Campbell clearing brush during a BEAST Work Day**

*"All 3 of our member clubs (ADSA, RSR and SDHSA) are looking for volunteers like you"*



**Our new groomer; 1999 New Holland 8160**

## Permit Outlets

### Kanata, Stittsville, Nepean area

			Season	3 Day	7 Day
<u>George's Service Center</u>	Carp Rd. North of 417	(613) 831-2255	✓		
<u>Stittsville Trailer Sales</u>	Main St. Stittsville across from the fire hall.	(613) 836-5555	✓		
Kanata Power Sports	Moodie Dr. north of Robertson Rd.	(613)	✓		
Primo Trailer Sales	Moodie Dr. north of Fallowfield Rd.	(613) 596-4589	✓		

### Richmond Area

			Season	3 Day	7 Day
Richmond Home Hardware	6179 Perth Street, Richmond	(613) 838-4659	✓		
Agridential Ltd.	McBean St. Richmond	(613) 838-3042	✓		
Sam's Country House Restaurant	Munster		✓		
McRea's Store			✓		
Mary Dullemond	@ home	(613) 838-2936	✓	✓	✓

### Ashton, Almonte, Clayton, Carleton Place, Smith's Falls

			Season	3 Day	7 Day
License Office	Smiths Falls, 88 Cornelia St.	(613) 283-6837	✓		
License Office	Almonte, 154 Bridge St.	(613) 256-2790	✓	✓	
<u>Carleton Place Marine</u>	Carleton Place, Hwy 15 (Yamaha Dealer)	(613) 257-1772	✓	✓	
<u>Black's Corners Motorsports</u>	Carleton Place, Hwy 15 (Polaris Dealer)	(613) 253-2115	✓	✓	
Small Engine World	(Artic Cat Dealer), Scotch Corners	(613) 257-2232	✓		
Carlbeck Golf Course	Carleton Place, 469 Lake Park Road	(613) 257-8623	✓		
Gemmill's General Store	Clayton	(613) 256-1947	✓	✓	
Carson's	Perth, Hwy 7 (Ski Doo Dealer)	(613) 267-3499	✓		
Carleton Auto Parts	Almonte, 91 Bridge St.	(613) 256-4473	✓	✓	
Carleton Auto Parts	Carleton Place, 60 Moore St.	(613) 257-2599	✓		
Almonte Grocery & Gas Bar	Petro Canada Hwy29 & 49 Almonte	(613) 256-3633	✓		
Hank's Tire Supply	Smith Falls, 22 Union St.	(613) 283-0173	✓	✓	
Lake And Trail	Perth, Hwy 7 (Artic Cat)	(613) 267-4861	✓	✓	
Valley Small Engines	Carleton Place, Hwy 15	(613) 257-7032	✓	✓	
Levi Home Hardware	Almonte, 476 Ottawa St.	(613) 256-3732	✓		
Audy Bedard	@ M & P Farm Enterprises	(613) 256-2973	✓		
Stuart Spoor	@ home 2205 6th line, Carleton Place	(613) 257-1561	✓	✓	✓
	@ clubhouse on meeting nights		✓	✓	✓
Jim Lackey	@ home RR2 Carleton Place	(613) 253-5486	✓	✓	✓

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## Club Contacts



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Canada

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Beckwith, Carleton  
Place K2S 1A2

**The BEAST**  
Jim Lackey 253-5486

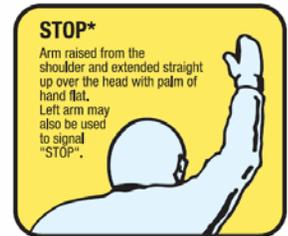
**ADSA (Ashton)**  
Anna Mould 257-5545

**RSR (Richmond)**  
Dave Poaps 489-0750

**SDHSA (Stittsville)**  
Daryl Rauhala 836-9348

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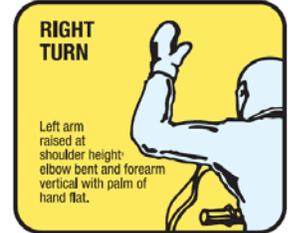
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Arm raised from the shoulder and extended straight up over the head with palm of hand flat. Left arm may also be used to signal "STOP".



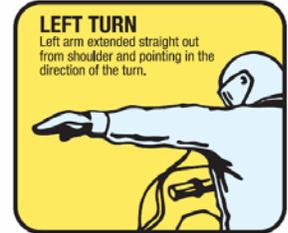
### SLOWING

Left arm extended out and down from the side of the body with a downward flapping motion of hand to signal warning or caution.



### RIGHT TURN

Left arm raised at shoulder height; elbow bent and forearm vertical with palm of hand flat.



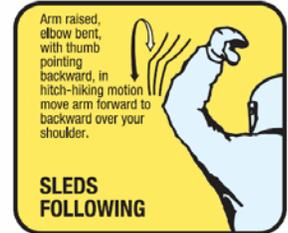
### LEFT TURN

Left arm extended straight out from shoulder and pointing in the direction of the turn.



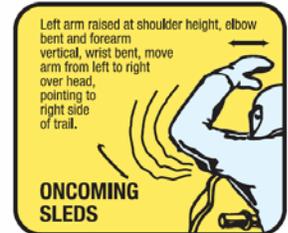
### LAST SLED IN LINE

Raise forearm from handle bar and show clenched fist at shoulder height.



Arm raised, elbow bent, with thumb pointing backward, in hitch-hiking motion move arm forward to backward over your shoulder.

### SLEDS FOLLOWING



Left arm raised at shoulder height, elbow bent and forearm vertical, wrist bent, move arm from left to right over head, pointing to right side of trail.

### ONCOMING SLEDS

## Important Dates

Some of these may have passed already but we encourage you to be part of any future events.

These are important dates to mark onto your calendar.

- November 1, 2006 Early Bird Draw for season permits
- November 2, 2006 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop. Regular meetings are on the 1st Thursday of every month from now until Spring.
- November 14, 2006 ADSA AGM (6th Line Stop)
- November 18, 2006 BEAST Work Day
- November 25, 2006 BEAST Work Day (Includes Potluck Supper at the 6th Line Stop)
- November 26, 2006 Driver training at the Beckwith Hall, 84. Pre-register by Nov. 21st by calling Tanis Cordick at 613-253-0139
- December 1, 2006 Final day to get your discounted permit
- December 5, 2006 International Volunteer Day—[www.worldvolunteerweb.org](http://www.worldvolunteerweb.org)
- December 7, 2006 BEAST Annual General Meeting (Elections) at the 6th Line Stop
- January 4, 2007 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop
- February 1, 2007 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop
- February 24, 2007 BEAST Corporate Ride at Golden Sands Resort; Contact Golden Sands to book your room 1-800-565-2520 (Refer to BEAST when booking) or Julie-Anne Bedard @ 613-256-2973
- March 1, 2007 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop
- April 5, 2007 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop

Note that most of these events are based from our Club House located on the 6th Line of Beckwith (2237 6th Line of Beckwith, Carleton Place) which is just off Highway 15 between Carleton Place and Franktown. Please call Jim Lackey at 613-253-5486 for directions if you need them.

## NO ATVs ON OFSC TRAILS!

- Please Don't Trespass -  
ATVs are not allowed on OFSC trails on private land in any season without landowner permission.

ATVs must stay off all OFSC trails during the winter grooming season.

