



Member in Good Standing

**Fall 2008**

**BEAUTIFUL EASTERN ASSOCIATION SNOWMOBILE TRAILS**



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**ADSA Presents BEAST remaining account balances**

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



## President's Message – Jim Lackey



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

Check your Mullen!! Words of advice from our long time ADSA and BEAST volunteer/member Stuart Spoor. Our own Stunt Man Stuie had brought a 6 foot plus high Mullen to our club meeting at the start of last season, citing that we should expect to see 6' or more of snow for 2007/08 sled season. The room was full of doubting Thomases, hecklers and nay sayers on such foolishness! Guess who had the last laugh on us?

2007/08 brought a winter that came early and lasted longer than any other season we have had in years. With the massive amount of snow and milder than normal temperatures, trail permit membership sales were up in the province and snowmobile sales had the retailers smiling for the first time in a long time with show room floors virtually empty by the end of January.

The heavy snow also provided BEAST grooming operations with our share of challenges such as stuck groomers (snow too deep if you can imagine), open water (which prevented us from opening some trails for the entire year) and a lack of frost which kept the ice in many places very thin and hazardous. One thing we did learn is that massive amounts of snow insulates the ground and prevented it from freezing or making ice. These are 2 very important ingredients for successful grooming.

Operations encountered groomers stuck in the heavy drifted snow areas 3 times, broken through ice 2 times and a fair number of mechanical failures which made it hard to keep up with the demand for smooth trails. If you want to have some fun, send me a note and I will send you my "Grooming Night from Hell report" that I encountered at the end of last season. Note that it is not suitable for younger audiences!

Sheer dedication from our grooming and mechanical crews working in the extreme cold kept the fleet running and our trails in the best conditions possible. We

have a new Murphy's Law - coldest days of the year = sunk groomers through ice or so it would appear. These efforts along with accurate trail condition reporting from our website, seen us receiving compliments from many riders.

Other significant news is the continued growth and support from our membership in helping us build and maintain our trails. We had excellent response from many people at the MegaTrax Snowmobile Show last fall and throughout the season. Riders were ready and willing to volunteer time to run our trails. Increased volunteer base is a focus of ours that we will continue to grow and improve each year with some of the best Volunteer Recognition incentives in the province of Ontario!

2008 was also a year of many firsts such as the Carleton Place Parade of Lights, Rider Appreciation Day, BEAST support for the Carleton Place Hospital Foundation via a Poker Run and our first full season for OFSC Top Trail A and E extension through our system. You will be able to read more about these events from last season as well as upcoming events in this annual newsletter.

2008 was also a couple of firsts for the OFSC with the Go Snowmobile Show in Toronto, Ont. and the launch of a used sled website, Sleds2Buy.com. Both initiatives send revenues back to clubs for trail operations so please support them if you can as it benefits you on the trails. The Go Snowmobiling show focused on the snowmobile experience, family fun and tourism in our vast trail system. It also had all 4 manufacturers in attendance with their new machines without all of the aftermarket vendor presence and hype. The success of this show will see the 2<sup>nd</sup> running from Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> 2008 at the Toronto Congress Centre on Dixon Rd. See the link for more details

[www.sportsmensshows.com/snowmobile/](http://www.sportsmensshows.com/snowmobile/).

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Sleds 2 Buy provides people with a fairly inexpensive way to advertise your sled that won't be lost in the shuffle of ATV, Boat and RV ads. The sled website link

[www.sleds2buy.com](http://www.sleds2buy.com)

In preparation for the 2008/09 season, the BEAST continued to work on improved grooming equipment by trading and selling

some of the older grooming units and purchased 2 new Bombardier BR180 machines for this coming season. The newer units will be easier to maneuver through trails and are much lighter than our tractor based machines. Hopefully you will see us with an earlier jump to the grooming season.

Keep in mind though that they

are still a lot heavier than a snowmobile and will not be out grooming on the first snowfall. Our website contains an excellent story from the Intrepid Snowmobiler, Craig Nicholson called "Jumping the Gun" that everyone should read each year. See our website at [www.snowmobile.on.ca](http://www.snowmobile.on.ca) for this and other interesting articles.

Last but not least, OFSC trail permit prices will remain the same for this season as they have for the past 3 years. You can purchase your permit before December 1 for \$180.00 or \$230.00 after December 1. This is without a doubt, one of the fairest priced motorized vehicle sports that you can participate in and enjoy so check you Mullen and see you on the trails!

## ADSA Closes The Doors For The Last Time

Keeping in step with the original goals and objectives of the BEAST, the Ashton and District Snowmobile Association has called it a day and voted in spring 2008 to not renew OFSC membership for the 2008/09 season.

After being a registered club with the OFSC for more than 28 years, the ADSA decided to follow it's own heritage by declining the single club membership with the OFSC to complete full amalgamation with the BEAST. This was not an easy decision to make given the past success of the ADSA but the BEAST now has close to a 10

year track record of a very successful organization.

The ADSA volunteers were tired of the duplicate effort to maintain club and association status and have agreed to focus our efforts on the growth of BEAST. The legacy of the ADSA will live in name to some degree with our revised BEAST constitution and bylaws.

ADSA has merged all grooming and financial assets with the BEAST and will also cancel the Non-Profit status with the Corporation of Ontario. If you recall, BEAST member club Stittsville

Dwyer Hill Snowmobile Association completed this same merger process in the 2006/07 season and our Richmond Snow Rover club has similar plans for 2009/10.

What this means for the volunteers and members is less paper work required by the OFSC to maintain the single club identity, a larger membership base for permit revenue and more time to focus on trail building, operation and of course, riding our sleds! After all this is what it is about in the first place!

What this means for snowmobilers is the same great trails you have experienced for the past several years as BEAST and our clubs worked extremely hard to merge operations with the bureaucratic paper work being the last step of long process.

A fitting presentation was held at our BEAST meeting on August 7, 2008 with one of the original ADSA founders and Treasurer, Stuart Spoor handing over the final ADSA assets to BEAST president Jim Lackey who was also the ADSA President for the past 3 years.

## Information regarding Winter use of the Trans Canada Trail

The BEAST would like to share some information regarding the Multi-Use Trans Canada Trail that links Stittsville to Carleton Place. We have received some inquiries regarding trail use with other user groups besides snowmobiling such as cross country skiing, hikers, walkers, nature groups etc. BEAST was an active participant in the original Trans Canada Trail Working Committee that helped establish the trail to what we see today. Snowmobiling was the only recognized motorized recreational use permitted on certain portions of this trail as it was clearly demonstrated that we were a well organized recreational entity that would ensure

responsible use of the trails. The portion of the TCT trail from West Ridge Drive in Stittsville to McNeely Avenue in Carleton Place is brushed and groomed by the BEAST for Winter season use. Snowmobiling volunteers provide more than 100 hours of brushing, cleaning and maintaining this trail annually with no assistance from any outside entity. There is no other user group to our knowledge that provides the same level of work that is free to the entire community to enjoy. Without the BEAST's involvement, the tree lined TCT would become overgrown and narrow as observed in other sections of the TCT east of West Ridge.

During the Winter, the Association's industrial sized snow groomer maintains this same section of trail, providing a smooth and wide snow packed surface that is also enjoyed by many user groups and not just snowmobiling. It should be noted that all funding for these grooming activities is provided solely by permit holders of the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC). The work completed by snowmobile club volunteers has provided an excellent starting point for Trans Canada Trail development for many regions in Ontario and across Canada. As part of this TCT usage permission, there was agreement from the Association

with the City of Ottawa, that the Snowmobile Association would provide these grooming and maintenance services while sharing the trail with other user groups. The agreement was to operate responsibly and to respect each other so that all of us could enjoy the use of this trail. For the snowmobiling community, we remind you to be courteous to all others using the TCT and slow down while passing other outdoor enthusiasts. We would like to ask for a similar courtesy from all user groups when they see snowmobiles approaching. Please use common sense and be safe while we all enjoy the Winter together.



**Farmers Feed Cities!**



**BEAST Presents \$1,000 donation to Carleton Place Memorial Hospital**

## 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

## Special BEAST Volunteers

A special note of thanks needs to go to a long time volunteers to snowmobiling Gary & Frankie Leach of Franktown, Ontario. After many years of being involved with the sport, the winters down south in warmer climates have become the preferred choice for this fine couple. Gary and his wife Frankie have looked after the trail sections from McLaughlin Road near Smiths Falls to Dwyer Hill and across to the 9<sup>th</sup> line of Beckwith with limited resources as they knew volunteers were needed in other areas of the BEAST system.

Gary and Frankie are well known in this area and have helped maintain excellent land owner relations as well as trail opening and closing. Gary was also involved with early season grooming and would

often be seen riding around with the Yamaha VK540 to pack down trails and help build frost for the heavier equipment to cross.

This couple not only devoted a lot of time to snowmobiling but they are very active in their own community as volunteers for their Church and we thank them for their long term support and wish them well with their future.

On another note, we would also like to send a special note to our long time groomer operator and club volunteer, Ed Hayter. Many of you may recognize Ed in one of our groomers on the Carleton Place side of Mississippi Lake, Ashton and Smiths Falls area. Ed not only provided us with excellent grooming service but he helped the club tremendously by

performing a lot of his own maintenance on equipment and was always willing to help the club with trails were needed. Ed is also an avid snowmobiler and could be seen riding the trails on his Arctic Cat testing them out to make sure the quality of grooming was 100%.

In Summer 2007 during some knee surgery, Ed suffered a fairly serious stroke which has prevented him from getting back into the groomer and riding his snowmobile. His wife Kathy and family have been very supportive in Ed's recovery which has been a positive but very long process. For those of you who know Ed, you know he is a determined and tough act to follow and we wish him well in his continued recovery.

## Snowmobiler Remembered

It is with a sad note that we announce the passing of one of our long time ADSA member and one of the original BEAST Executive Directors, Donald Cathcart. Donnie became involved with this sport back in the early 70's with organized snowmobile racing at Sand Dee Lee Speedway and a mechanical shop that he ran from Stittsville selling Johnson snowmobiles. He was also active as a volunteer in the Stittsville area when the OFSC was first formed by helping the local private members club in joining the new provincial federation.

Don and his family eventually moved from Stittsville to Almonte, Ont. where he became very involved with the Ashton and District Snowmobile Association as a trail worker and eventual BEAST board member. Don eventually became the prime groomer operator for the west side of Mississippi Lake to Lanark and White Lake trail sections.

Given his background with his regular job at the City of Ottawa with Road Operations, the choice was easy to make when the call came from the OFSC to help a small team of volunteers implement a Risk Management program. Never one to back down from a challenge, Don was an active member in the development of groomer operation safety and standardized trail signage program for the province.

The results of this work effort by this special person helped return the insurance companies faith in our sport to the point where we can now obtain competitive insurance rates. This Risk Management work has seen the provinces annual insurance premium reduced year after year as we are now recognized as one of the best organized motorized entity in the country.

Donnie was also an active volunteer in other parts of the community with fire fighting and with the

local Civitan Club. He also worked with the International Plowing match when it was held in Carleton Place. In his spare time if you could imagine, he and his son Doug were involved with the race car scene and have been involved with CASCAR and other forms of racing for almost as long as he has been involved with snowmobiling.

There will be plans for a trail memorial for Don this coming season as it would only be fitting to pay our respect and tribute to a person that devoted so much time to this sport.

Don leaves behind his wife Isobel, beloved father of Sharron Davies (Matt) of Stittsville, Susan Cathcart-Mills (Greg) of Uxbridge and Douglas (Christine Le Grand) of Richmond. Grampie also leaves of Brad & Brent Davies, Connor & Liam Mills and Charlotte Cathcart.



## Rider Appreciation Day

Sometimes when you are out riding the trails and you see a group of sleds stopped, you may just want to check out what is going on. That is what happened back in February when the BEAST Exec decided to get back to some grass roots fun and have a rider appreciation day.

After loading up the trail rescue sled with firewood, hot dogs, a strip loin steak or 2 and some drinks, several BEAST Trail Patrol and club members setup a campfire the intersection of Main A and E104 trails near Dwyer Hill

Road. Hot dogs and drinks were handed out for free to all riders sporting a valid OFSC trail permit.

The ones brave enough to cook them on a stick, got to enjoy some fire roasted steak on a bun while the supply lasted!

Approximately 70-80 riders passed through and enjoyed the free snacks as well as spending a few moments with other riders to talk about the latest in trail conditions, sled technology and riding adventures. The feedback was positive

and the folks leaving the scene could take some dollars saved and spend it on some extra gas to extend the day's ride.

Watch for the BEAST website or watch for signs on the trail that will advertise our Rider Appreciation Day for next season. We look forward to having some fun on the trail and you never know if there may be an extra steak for you!



The kids enjoyed a break during the BEAST Rider Appreciation BBQ.

## OFSC Antique Sled Permit

At the 2007 OFSC Annual General Meeting, a motion was passed to task a group to review the possibility of an Antique Sled Permit. This is welcome news to many people and Antique Snowmobile clubs out there that have older machines that pretty much stay in storage or are reserved for shows only. This move is following suit to a number of other provinces and states that have made provision for an antique permit for sleds 15 years or older.

In a recent OFSC Board of Governors Report, an update was provided that this permit may become available if approved at the 2008 OFSC AGM and by the Ministry of Transport who is the OFSC permit regulator and had the final say in the matter.

The 2008 OFSC Trail Fund proposal for AGM will include provision for this special permit (50% of regular season permit) which if approved by OFSC clubs, will be

reviewed and approved or rejected by the MTO. These permits would not be handled by clubs as there will be paperwork required to prove the age of a rider's machine in order to qualify for the reduced cost.

There will be more information made available on our website pending the outcome of 2008 AGM.

## New Groomers

Can you do a 2 for 1 deal? That was the big question in June of this year when a trip to Sudbury, Ontario uncovered 2 pristine condition BR180 snowmobile groomers. The grooming units came from the state of Wisconsin with very low hours and were well maintained by the previous owners.

There are a number of differences between these machines and the traditional farm tractor/track setup the BEAST has used over the years. The BEAST ran a BR180 last season and it was the first time we experienced the drive system used by these machines.

The quality of trail in this units territory was excellent to superior for the majority of last year.

The BR's are a little bit easier to maneuver as they employ hydrostatic drive systems to steer the unit rather than rely on a articulated system used on the tractors. This system provides a tighter turning radius and makes it easier to groom some of our more challenging sections of trail in a lot less time.

Each of them, tractor vs. hydrostatic drive have their Pros/Cons but the package deal to purchase some relatively new equipment at almost 1/2 the cost to purchase

them new was too much to pass up.

Watch for our new units to be in the East side of Mississippi Lake and the Stittsville/Richmond Area.



Our new groomers eagerly await the coming snow fall...

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



**Daryl and Sean present Stittsville Trailer with a token of our appreciation**



**Is there anything better? Audy approves the results of the 2004 BR 180**



**Ethan a.k.a. "Crusty Jr." sports his new Volunteer Toque at the Volunteer BBQ**

## Highway 7 Expansion

Last season, we saw trail closure and reroutes for the BEAST 201 trail leaving Stittsville that ran parallel to Highway 7 and for the E103 trail that ran from Dwyer Hill Road and Highway 7 to Almonte. Thanks to the hard work efforts of Daryl Rauhala and the SDHSA crew, a BEAST 201 trail reroute was successfully built to handle traffic leaving Stittsville up to the new expanded 4 lane highway. The new route now takes you south to the Trans Canada Trail and helps riders avoid running the streets of Stittsville to gain trail access if you live on the north end of the village.

Unfortunately, the E103 section of trail from Highway 7 at Dwyer Hill will be closed permanently. The construction activity and loss of land use permission is too much to invest money to build an

alternate at this stage. Riders heading in the direction of Almonte will need to continue west on the Trans Canada Trail (Rail Road bed) until they hit the Main A trail going north to Almonte near Cemetary Side Road.

There was also another issue with the E103 trail once you left our system and headed towards the burnt lands in the West Carleton system. Construction operations are pumping water from a nearby pit on a year round basis which washes out the trail continuously with a creek like flow right down the middle of the trail. In fact, the West Carleton Club never groomed this trail section once all last year. For those of you who spent time fishing your sled out of the water hole on the burnt lands will know what I am talking about!

The decision to close this trail was a tough one to make as it is probably the most scenic trail sections of our system. This trail also provided access for members in the Corkery Woods area of Old Almonte Road.

At this stage, we would like to ask riders to respect our land owners by not trespassing at closed or locked gates. We will need to review this situation upon completion of the 4 lane expansion to see if we can re-open a local trail to help riders in this area and it would be good if we did not upset them by trespassing on their property. This will save us time, money and energy if we follow the rule of "if the gate is closed or locked, don't open it"

## Respecting Land Owners

On the note of respecting land owners, we did experience a couple of situations last year with the early snow and anxious riders. Several gates on the Main A trail section between BEAST 202 (Rail Road Bed) and Almonte were opened by riders with the first dump of snow.

It is important to respect these

gate closures here and anywhere else as there could be a number of reasons why the gate is closed. Winter planting, livestock still in fields, landowners request are a couple of reasons why a gate could be closed.

Unless you are part of the trail coordination or work with these trail sections, please respect the

landowner and leave the gates closed. Trust me, we are as eager to ride as anyone else as we work at this stuff all year round. There is nothing more frustrating than getting the call from a landowner to say a section of trail will be closed because people don't respect their wishes. If you don't know, don't go!!

## Anyone Can Do It!

Volunteering can be a fun and fulfilling experience and anyone can do it! At age 5, Ethan H. was last year's youngest volunteer with The BEAST. Given instruction and a bit of assistance Ethan was able to contribute to a sport he enjoys. By cutting reflective tape, helping get the groomer ready for a run, painting pickets and just helping out with other odd jobs

he accumulated well over 5 hours of volunteer time. He even got to fall asleep in the groomer a few nights last year. The BEAST showed their appreciation by presenting him with his very own OFSC Volunteer touque. We are pretty sure he's still smiling too.

With nothing but a lot of determination, Ethan has proven that anyone really can volunteer no

matter what their age or skill level. To find out more about how you and your family can help organized snowmobiling in Ontario, please feel free to contact our volunteer coordinator.

## 1st Annual Carleton Place Memorial Hospital Poker Run

Despite one of the worst snow storms of the year, the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Carleton Place Memorial Hospital Run brought out almost 40 riders and raised \$5,969. Both the BEAST and the CPDMH consider this a great success and would like to thank everyone who participated.

When the BEAST was approached by Ian Edwards, Member of the CPDMH Board of Directors, things just seemed to click. The Carleton Place and District Memorial Hospital is central to the area in which the BEAST operates. It was agreed by everyone on the BEAST Board that we would participate and assist wherever possible.

The work started many months before the big event. Ian and his team were hard at work securing locations for a route, checkpoints, meals and other details. Posters were put up around the area and advertising was added to the

CPDMH and BEAST websites. Participants began registering and collecting their pledges.

Less than 48 hours before the big event, the weather man started talking about a major storm which was heading towards the area, signs were posted along the route and the groomer was given a full check up. It wouldn't be long now...

With less than 12 hours before the run, Dave Hunt had just finished his office job and jumped into the groomer. White conditions and 12 inches of snow were making for a slow ride, but he managed to get a good chunk of the run packed and ready. Meanwhile, the kitchen staff tried their best to make it to the Lake Park Lodge Resort for breakfast, eager and die hard snowmobiles started to arrive. Without hesitation Dave jumped out of the groomer and onto his snowmobile and met up with the group to also partici-

pate in the run.

Everyone made it to the final checkpoint safe and even on time. With over \$1,000 in pledges and an early bird registration, Janet Brydges pulled out the lucky cards and ended up with the winning hand. Shortly after winning the grand prize of \$1,000, Janet made an announcement that she was donating the full cash prize back to the Carleton Place Memorial Hospital fund. Shortly after her amazing announcement the BEAST President, Jim Lackey, stepped forward to announce another \$1,000 donation on behalf of the BEAST. Needless to say, Ian, his team, and the rest of the crowd were extremely taken aback by these two amazing announcements. A special thank you goes out to everyone who contributed to this event, especially Janet Brydges!

We are all looking forward to next years event.



**Taking a well deserved break during the RSR Poker Run.**

**Help us help you!**

*Trail Work Days*

*November 22nd*

*and*

*December 6th*

*To register call Anna*

*at*

*613-257-5545*

## Parade Of Lights

There is nothing better than a parade and Carleton Place residents and spectators can probably still hear the ringing tunes of Stompin' Tom's Snowmobile Song. Everyone had fun, and it was neat to see people dancing in the crowds to the music of the Stomper and the children enjoying treats handed out by BEAST volunteers as our lighted float

passed them by. This was the first time the BEAST organized a float in the Carleton Place Parade of lights and it was a great opportunity to showcase one of our new groomers purchased last season. The groomer, shiny sleds and messages to support our farmers led us to believe our efforts were a huge success. Even though it wasn't a prize winning float, the

float helped raise awareness for volunteering and family snowmobiling within our community.

The BEAST has decided to show their community spirit and will once again be participating in this event. We look forward to seeing you there in December.



**George shows us why they call it "a couch"...**

## BEAST and OFSC Team Up To Recognize Our Land Owners

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> straight season, BEAST and the OFSC have joined forces to provide more recognition for the generous use of land by literally thousands of land owners across the province. OFSC in partnership with Petro Canada, produced a number of \$50.00 gas cards to a fair number of BEAST trail property owners. These folks were certainly happy to see these

cards at a time when gas is at the price it is today.

Even with this generosity, BEAST Execs feel that we still need to do more and we held our annual landowner draw which divides \$3,000.00 to over 25 lucky winners. Imagine the face of Patricia W. when she received her cheque for \$500.00! 4 other lucky winners

received \$250.00 each with 10 winners at \$100.00 and 10 winners of \$50.00.

This annual draw will be something that the BEAST will continue to support as it is an excellent way to maintain solid relations with our landowners which in turn helps to provide trail sustainability for our members to

### 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.

\*exceptions or partial exemptions for specific user groups.



## Permit Outlets

### Kanata, Stittsville, Nepean area

George's Service Center      Carp Rd. North of 417      (613) 831-2255

Stittsville Trailer Sales      Main St. Stittsville across from the fire hall.      (613) 836-5555

### Richmond Area

Richmond Home Hardware      6179 Perth Street, Richmond      (613) 838-4659

Danby's Bar and Grill      2858 Munster Rd, Munster (Accepts VISA)

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

License Office      Smiths Falls, 88 Cornelia St.      (613) 283-6837

License Office      Almonte, 154 Bridge St.      (613) 256-2790

Carleton Place Marine      Carleton Place, Hwy 15 (Yamaha Dealer)      (613) 257-1772

Black's Corners Motorsports      Carleton Place, Hwy 15 (Polaris Dealer)      (613) 253-2115

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

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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Throughout our trail system, generous landowners allow the winter use of their property for the enjoyment of snowmobiling. This land use privilege is crucial to the existence of the snowmobile trail which provide many social, recreational and economic benefits to our entire community. Without the continuing cooperation of these unselfish friends of snowmobiling, the quality of winter life throughout our area would be significantly diminished.

We ask everyone in our community, but especially snowmobilers and those who benefit most directly from snowmobile trails, to say a special thanks to our landowners for the use of their property again this season.

Thank you from

All the  
OFSC Clubs and  
Volunteers in Ontario



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NATIONALLY APPROVED SNOWMOBILE HAND SIGNALS

### STOP\*

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.

- September 26-28, 2008 OFSC Go Snowmobiling Show (Toronto)
- October 2, 2008 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop. Regular meetings are on the 1st Thursday of every month from now until Spring.
- November 1, 2008 Early Bird Draw for season permits
- November 6, 2008 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop
- November 22, 2008 BEAST Work Day
- November 29, 2008 Carleton Place Parade
- December 1, 2008 Final day to get your discounted permit
- December 4, 2008 BEAST Annual General Meeting (Elections) at the 6th Line Stop
- December 6, 2008 BEAST Work Day (Includes Potluck Supper at the 6th Line Stop)
- January 8, 2009 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop
- January 30-Feb1, 2009 BEAST Corporate Ride
- February 5, 2009 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop
- February 7, 2009 Carleton Place Hospital Poker Run
- March 1, 2009 RSR Poker Run
- March 5, 2009 Regular BEAST Meeting at the 6th Line Stop

*Watch our website for other advertised events!*

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.

