



Member in Good Standing

Fall 2020

BEAUTIFUL EASTERN ASSOCIATION OF SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

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Permit Prices

- **Seasonal Permit:**
\$190 on or before Nov 1st
\$220 on or before Dec 1st
\$270 after Dec 1st
- **Classic Snowmobile (>15 yrs old):**
\$150 on or before Dec 1st
\$190 after Dec 1st
- **Other Permits/Fees:**



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President's Message – Ian Edwards

What a year so far! I hope everyone is doing well and taking care of themselves and their families. This COVID-19 pandemic has been problematic to say the least for all aspects of our lives. I hope that the tide will change and things will get back to normal soon.

The BEAST Snowmobile Club operates as a member of the OFSC, within the UCSR (Upper Canada Snowmobile Region, aka "The District"). Our club is one of 16 clubs within the district. Trail passes sold usually run close to 1000 for our club and represent about 15% of the districts total passes sold. We are fortunate to have a great group of core volunteers who are able to get the work done so the groomer operators can begin once the snow flies. If you can help in some capacity please get in touch with our volunteer coordinator at volunteers@thebeast.ca. Trail work days will be posted later in the newsletter, so if you are available take some time to help out in your area.

Since our trails were closed in early March by our provincial government all aspects of our typical business has been affected. We had to delay our AGM from early April until September. We also had to postpone our land-owners dinner until such a time we can meet as a group of 100 or more. We can't meet as a club of volunteers like normal so many decisions are and will continue to be made by the Board of Directors you elected to run the club. Efforts have been made to be inclusive of all

members but sometimes decisions need to be made quickly and decisively, thus the Board makes the decision in the best interests of all. Difficult times for sure.

At this time I would like to welcome Val Illingworth as our new Trail Patrol Coordinator. Val is taking on this roll due to George Laight's hiatus. George is working through some health issues.

This year you will see some trail improvements in all sectors. Trail changes in SW, upgrades in NW, heavy brushing completed in SE and trail changes in NE. All these improvements were completed by volunteers who gave their time to make the BEAST trails that much better.

You will also see a new piece of equipment. We are fortunate to receive a used Prinoth Husky for our club. It is being refurbished locally and will be used in the SW this season.

Circling back to the COVID-19 problem. With the restrictions being placed on travel at the moment, we realize that there will be more local riding this winter. The club would like to reassure our members that steps will be taken to ensure our trails are in tip top shape throughout the season.

In closing I would like to reiterate our hope that you and your families are coping with our new normal. Rest assured our club will continue to provide a good trail experience and a safe one at that.

Ian Edwards
BEAST Club President



Trail Sector Reports

Through this newsletter you will see references to NE (North West), SE (South East), NW (North West) and SW (South West). To those of you who don't already know there is a history with these areas. Follow the link below to learn more.

<http://www.thebeast.ca/the-beast/>

South East Trail Sector - Shaun Cunningham

Things are chugging along in the South East trail sector. Currently we are working on the BEAST 203 trail, on Argues property behind the Sand Del Lee Motocross Racetrack. Long awaited work with gates and excavating to clean up the trail corridor and secure the property for our long time landowner. View some photos of the work here at following link.

<http://www.thebeast.ca/publications/20202021-season/>

At the BEAST we aspire to remove ourselves from active roadways onto private property to make it safer for all. It helps make maintaining a good trail much easier and the trail lasts

longer without the affects of sun, salt and City of Ottawa plows. This year a new landowner has helped us get off a portion of Jock Trail Road (BEAST 303). It's all good.



North West Trail Sector - Audy Bedard

The Northwest sector has a varied selection of great trails! The key trail is E104A from Mississippi Lake to the village of Lanark that connects to District 6. If you take the BEAST 306 from E104A to connect to West Carleton Snowmobile Trails Association (WCSTA), you will run through the village of Clayton where you will find friendly service, fuel and snacks at the Clayton General Store. The BEAST 307 runs from the E104A at Boyd's Settlement to Innisville, where you can fuel up your trusty sled at Ultramar. There is also a Restaurant nearby where you can fuel up as well. Last but not least there is my favorite trail, the BEAST 308 which runs from Clayton to 3 mile Bay on White Lake. This is a more remote trail which is 24km long through some very picturesque forest.

The BEAST 308 trail has had significant trail work this year. Thanks to Ian Edwards, his hard work paid off with a grant to do major widening and surface modifications to remove trail imperfections. The work covered about 15 kms of trail. Also would like to thank Grant Penstone and his army of top notch volunteers for executing the work that had to be completed. Also a Big Thank you to all the great Landowners on this trail for your many years of support. Make sure stop at the "Easton-Munro lookout" with a great view. For pictures see the following link to the BEAST website <http://www.thebeast.ca/publications/20202021-season/>

Other trail work this year is going on the E104A to divert the trail off of a few water holes between Pine Grove Road and the 7th Concession of Lanark Highlands. Last year it was very difficult to keep a sustainable trail in this section as the area would not freeze up because of a wet fall last year. Thank you to Pat Herbert and his band of volunteers. The work is on going at the time of printing.

Trail Work Day's are Nov. 21, 28 and Dec. 5. If you can help out on our work days in the Northwest sector contact Audy & Julie-Anne Bedard @ 613-256-2973 for further info.

Keep an eye on the ITG for updates.



North East Trail Sector - Blaine Johnson

The BEAST North East (NE) consists of trails from Stittsville on the Trans Canada Trail (TCT), also labeled BEAST 200, portions of the A Top Trail from the TCT southeast to the Jock River, BEAST 303 east to Copeland Rd (around Munster), the E104A (Ashton Station Rd to the TCT trail), and the BEAST 206 (Ashton swamp). Basically the trails are from Stittsville to Carleton Place/Ashton and from Munster to Almonte.

In general, the NE is high, dry and the easiest BEAST sector to access for trail work and overall maintenance. From a trail grooming standpoint, all these trails are covered by one 2001 BR180 that is a shared groomer with the South East (SE) sector. In addition, the A Top trail is the NE's grooming responsibility end to end within the BEAST. Swamps and creeks largely define the boundaries, especially in the early season.

The NE sector trails tend to be the first ones to open and the last ones to close. Great for those sledgers that are itching to get out after the first winter storms and for those diehards that want to get out as late in the season as possible.

We have a seasoned groomer crew, with the bulk of the grooming operations occurring between 8PM and 6AM. This allows time for the trail to setup and ultimately last longer. The NE has an operator scheduled to groom every night of the season. The common factors that prevent a grooming shift are lack of snow, breakdowns, warm weather and rare cases of cold spells.

There are a few updates for 2021. We are working with local landowners to try and reroute the A Trail out of the subdivision between Flewellyn Road and Fernbank Road, as there has been a lot of development there this summer, which would put more trails onto the roads. Last year the Ashton swamp trail was renamed the BEAST 206, formerly it was a section of E104A. The name swap was to enable E104A to entirely open sooner, as the swamp trail typically opens later. For trail open status, see the

OFSG ITG at www.ofsc.on.ca/trail-maps/ or the Go Snowmobiling ITG App. In the last couple of years the BEAST club has worked hard to improve the ride and safety for those sledgers that like to use the Ashton swamp trail. Let us know what you think of the smoother trail.

One key area of ongoing concern is the TCT/BEAST 200 leading out of Stittsville. This trail is unique as it is a multi-use (shared) trail controlled by the City of Ottawa. Its status is controlled by city council based on feedback from the public in the context of all shared trails within the city limits. The BEAST has just signed a new five year land use agreement with the City of Ottawa, see article on page 2, and pays a fee for the right to maintain an OFSC trail within the city limits. The city has been a great partner with the BEAST and this arrangement will continue on the condition that snowmobilers are courteous to other users of the TCT. As this is the only access to OFSC trails out of Stittsville, please be extra cautious here and pass along this message to fellow snowmobilers. Slow down to a crawl when passing other TCT users. We must police ourselves here, or we all lose access, plain and simple.

Volunteers continue to be the lifeblood of all of the snowmobile organizations across the province. If you cherish any of the trails mentioned above and want to see them exist in the future, please contact the BEAST volunteer coordinator at volunteers@thebeast.ca, and consider taking on a role working on some of the volunteer tasks required to keep them open. We have a need for various volunteers that maintain sections of trail, communications experts, landowner engagement, finance etc. Whatever your skillsets, we probably have a need.

Step up to keep local Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC) trails alive!!

South West Trail Sector - Ian Myatt

Well with a new season around the corner and the weather starting to cool off snow is not far behind. A few updates for this new season. A new trail has been cut in the south west from 4th line Beckwith to the OVRT. This was a heavily treed and bushed area but thanks to the great help of many volunteers over several weekends it has made a spectacular new trail. This trail is a new section of the BEAST 305. This new section was developed in cooperation with Beckwith Township and will be a multi-use section of the trail. This will alleviate the swampy part of that trail making it hard to groom early in the season. A big thanks to everyone and their great efforts. For pictures see the following link to the BEAST website. <http://www.thebeast.ca/publications/20202021-season/>

Also new to the club we have a shiny almost new Husky groomer which will be hitting one of the sectors of the beast wherever it is best suited. See the Grooming section in this newsletter. As well a new brushing bar which, with the help of AJ Repair Services, will be a new addition to possibly be interchanged or moved throughout the sectors drags. This will certainly help ensure shiny panels and a lot less scratches on everyone's rides.



A big shout out to anyone interested in one of our trail work days coming up. Everyone is welcome and appreciated. Contact Ian Myatt at imscuba@hotmail.ca 613-207-0708. Well for now and until next time. Stay safe and have a great winter.

City of Ottawa Trails

Upper Canada Snowmobile Region and City of Ottawa Reach Agreement for Use of City Land for Snowmobile Trails.

(Ottawa, ON: October 21, 2020) – The Upper Canada Snowmobile Region (UCSR) is pleased to announce that a new License of Occupation Agreement has been reached with the City of Ottawa to allow the five snowmobile clubs [Beautiful Eastern Association of Snowmobile Trails (BEAST), Carleton Regional Snowmobile Club (CRSC), Osgoode Carleton Snowmobile Trails Club (OCSTC), Rideau Snowmobile Club (RSC), and West Carleton Snowmobile Trails Association (WCSTA)] continued seasonal use of City land for the 2020-2021 snowmobile season and through to the spring of 2025.

See full press release at <https://www.ucsr.ca/news.html>

The use of the city's lands is subject to:

- City of Ottawa All-Terrain Vehicles and Other Vehicles By-law (By-Law 2019-421.), as applicable in Osgoode area
- Highway Traffic Act of Ontario;
- Motorized Snow Vehicles Act of Ontario
- Off-road Vehicles Act of Ontario
- Trespass to Property Act of Ontario;
- Occupiers' Liability Act of Ontario

Snowmobilers are reminded:

- to follow the snowmobiler's code(s) of ethics
- exercise caution and show courtesy to other users as the Lands are shared
- to not perform activities that may be considered a nuisance
- to comply with safety protocols for snowmobiling when passing, which include slowing down to "dead slow", when in the proximity of other users
- to reduce speeds to safe levels during times of limited visibility or inclement weather to ensure their safety and the safety of others
- to adhere to the prohibited access and reduce speed zones as indicated on the trails and where available pathway/trail specific maps.

See full list of rules: <https://www.ucsr.ca/ottawatrails.html>

For trails open status, follow the OFSG ITG at www.ofsc.on.ca/trail-maps/ or the Go Snowmobiling ITG App.



Groomers - Audy Bedard

The BEAST trail system covers over 340 km of varied terrain. For the past many seasons the club has been using 3 Bombardier BR180 groomers to maintain our trails. After this past season however, one of the groomers needed expensive repairs to get it back to dependable working order. An estimate was submitted to the OFSC Fleet Manager for work on this unit as well as another unit we have, and both were declined. However, we didn't go away empty handed.

This season we have a new to us, 2012 Prinoth Husky to join our fleet. This unit will be working on the SW sector (Carleton Place, Ashton, Smith's Falls) as that BR180 had major repair issues and was taken off the snow by OFSC. The Prinoth Husky came to us from the Cochrane Polar Bear Riders along with refurb money to make any necessary repairs. There will be 1 BR180 working in the NE/SE sector (Richmond, Stittsville and Almonte) and our oldest BR180 still pulling in the NW sector (White Lake, Clayton, Innisville, Lanark).

Our fleet is getting older by the year. We are working with the District and the OFSC to acquire newer equipment. The OFSC manages the placement and purchasing of all snow grooming equipment the clubs use.

How do we get a new or gently used unit? In the spring over the past couple years, the fleet manager at the OFSC meets with district and club reps to identify needs and wants. Prior to that meeting the clubs report to our district groomer chairman to prioritize what is best for the district and clubs involved. The



result of the OFSC fleet managers report was that the BEAST would receive a used unit from Cochrane, and Cochrane would receive a new unit. The new equipment will usually go to a district/club that is a high traffic and grooming area with a longer season (Over 400 hours of yearly use and usually 10+ weeks of grooming). This does not mean we will never receive a new unit. The OFSC is trying to make the best use of its resources throughout the province. When the new unit arrives, the unit it replaces is cascaded to Districts/clubs where the seasons are not as long and demanding. In our case usually 5 to 8 weeks and 200 to 350 hours per year per groomer. The used unit is usually evaluated to see if it is a good unit for a refurb. If it isn't, the OFSC will sell it off. If it is, a good unit it will be refurbished and then delivered to a District/club for placement. This is how we received our new to us, Prinoth Husky.

The BR180 that was taken off the snow will stay with the BEAST to be used as a parts machine for our own BR180's as well as other similar units within our district.

BEAST Club Rides - Rob Illingworth

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing global Pandemic there are no group rides planned at this time. If and when the gathering rules change, we will hopefully arrange some rides at that time.

If you would like to keep informed of any future planned rides send an email to clubrides@thebeast.ca



Ottawa Valley Recreational Trail (OVRT) - Ian Edwards

The OVRT (BEAST Trail 311) has been a great connecting trail for all clubs in our district. It was the first trail to open and the last to close this spring. Even with the insurance issue with the City last year all riders enjoyed the use of it to head north to trails in District 6 and beyond.

Our continued use of it is contingent on all riders expecting and respecting other users. This trail is a multi use trail. Expect to see walkers, fat tire bikers, snowshoers and cross country skiers to name a few. When passing through towns and populated are-

as, please, slow down to 20km/hr or less. There is zero tolerance for speeding. The OPP SAVE team will be patrolling and charges will be laid if riders don't respect the rules. Our continued use of the OVRT depends on your cooperation.

Breaking news: Lanark County has expanded their parking lots at Waba Road and OVRT in Pakenham, and on County Road 10 west of Franktown where the OVRT crosses. Both parking lots will be plowed for use this winter. See the following link for maps. <http://www.thebeast.ca/publications/20202021-season/>

BEAST Workdays - Saturdays Nov 21, Nov 28, Dec 5

BEAST has organized workdays that provide an opportunity to pitch in and help us get trails ready for the season. Often, we hear from people that they want to help but family commitments or their work prevent them from participating. We are offering three different choices again this season, but don't let your unavailability on those specific dates stop you from volunteering to help. We do have some volunteers that work on the trails during the regular work week, which may be better suited for shift workers or people who have more time during the week than on the weekend.

Many hands make light work, so why not give our team a hand? We all seem to be able to make time in our plans to snow-mobile on the weekends after the trail work is done and ready to ride. We would appreciate it if similar planning could be considered to pitch in and help rather than leave it all to the few die-hard volunteers. I can assure you that you will learn a lot about the sport that you may not have known and you will have a lot of laughs with a great bunch of people.

Having assets like a chainsaw, an ATV or power tools are all great things but not absolutely necessary to have. All that is needed is to show up, and we will figure out a task for you.

Workdays usually start around 9 am with people meeting at a designated location a few minutes early so we can organ-

ize work groups. There are the usual meeting places to choose from, so pick the one closest to you and come on out!

- **South West: (New location)** 2021 9th Line Beckwith, Carleton Place Ian Myatt, 613-207-0708, info@thebeast.ca
- **North West:** 1465 Wolfe Grove Rd, Almonte Audy Bedard, 613-256-2973, jabedard@storm.ca
- **South East:** Call or email for location Shaun Cunningham, 613-227-9445, cpl1@bell.net
- **North East:** Call or email for location Blaine Johnson, 613-868-2164, NEDirector@thebeast.ca

Note: Due to changing protocols for meeting and gathering during this COVID-19 pandemic, all dates and times could be changed, modified, or cancelled at any time. Please consult the website www.thebeast.ca and our Facebook page for up to date information.



Sponsorship

Many businesses are hard hit by COVID-19, so this season we will not print maps, and won't be soliciting map ads this season. Please support our generous sponsors.

A-J Repairs Services
Barley Mow (Almonte)
Black's Corners Motorsports (Polaris)
Carleton Place Marine (Yamaha)
Cedar Cove Resort and Lakeside Bar & Grill (White Lake)
Clayton General Store
Crawford Landscaping
Danbys Roadhouse (Richmond)
J & M Harvey Property Maintenance

Jim Licari Automotive (Carleton Place)
Kanata Opticians
George's Bar and Grill (Munster)
Mementos Signs, Awards, Promotions
Next Gen Sign Specialists
Perth Powersports and Marine (Ski-doo)
Rental Village
Ryno Motors
Subway (Almonte)
Thirsty Moose Pub & Eatery



Twisted Metal Garage & Paint Shop
Universal Supply Group (NAPA)

OFSC Interactive Trail Map – Points of Interest (POI's) are still available (for \$75). The OFSC on-line trail map, at www.ofsc.on.ca, and the GoSnowmobiling phone app, offers Points of Interest (POI's) listings all year. This feature lists your businesses GPS coordinates and makes your business more visible to sledders, displaying location on the map, including address, phone number, logo, photo and business hours. Contact us at info@thebeast.ca or at sponsor@thebeast.ca for more information.

UCSR Sled Raffle 2020

Two 2020 Skidoo Renegade 900 ACE Adrenaline and a 2021 Triton Covered Trailer. Total Value \$29,860
Tickets are \$5 each with 15,000 tickets printed.

See all of the details at www.ucsr.ca/lottery

Locations to buy tickets or contact us at info@thebeast.ca

- Blacks Corners Motorsports
- Carleton Place Marine
- Christopher's Meats 6146 Perth St. Richmond
- Clayton General Store
- Perth Powersports and Marine



BEAST Corporate Ride

Last February, this popular event was staged out of the Valois Motel and Restaurant in Mattawa. Some folks sledded all of the way there, and many travelled by truck and trailer. Mattawa was also the destination in 2017, shown here is a group photo at the Mica Mine on the A112A trail.

For our corporate ride this year we are researching a couple of possible locations. As mentioned throughout this newsletter, participation is hinged on local protocols for COVID-19 at the destination we decide on. There will be an announcement coming soon.

Contact info@thebeast.ca, follow our website at www.thebeast.ca, or our Facebook page.



Beauties of the BEAST - Julie-Anne Bedard

2021 marks the 9th Annual Beauties of the BEAST Snowmobile Run. Last season the Beauties of the BEAST held another successful snowmobile fundraiser ride on Feb 1, 2020. The 8th running of this fun-filled, overnight ladies only snowmobile run saw 22 ladies, 17 snowmobiles, and 1 truck and trailer in attendance. After a day of riding some of the most beautiful trails in Ontario, the beauties settled in for an evening of relaxation, good food and great times with old and new friends at the Sands on Golden Lake. These wonderful ladies raised \$3175.00 through this event for Lanark County Interval House.

As always, our mission is to be friendly ambassadors for snowmobiling and to actively participate in helping more women get to know the sport that we love. We always have a great time raising money for a great cause. It doesn't matter if you're a beginner or a seasoned rider; this event is a ride for all women.

This year the 9th Annual Beauties run may be a little different due to COVID-19. The decision was made to forgo the usual overnight stay to help ensure the safety of all participants. Out of abundance of caution and in keeping in-line with ever-evolving guidelines designed to curb the spread of COVID-19, the Beauties team has been working on tailoring an event that will meet the requirements from government, whatever they may be, and still allow our Beauties to ride and support the Lanark County Interval House. The Beauties committee is busy making arrangements to hold a full day ride with a BBQ. Plans will likely not be solidified until much closer to the event, but when details are available for this seasons event they will be posted to the Beauties Facebook page. By Chrystal Bass



BEAST Poker Rally - Dave Poaps

When: Saturday, 6 February 2021

Where: Munster, ON

Times: Registration from 9am to 11am

Return to starting point by 5pm

Winners announced by 6pm

Who: Open to anyone who has a valid 2020/2021 OFSC permit

Fee: \$25 with some proceeds going to charity

Contact: Dave Poaps 613-913-5400



Up to \$1000 in prizes

BEAST Trail Patrol - Val Illingworth

I have taken over the role of Trail Patrol coordinator from George Light and as you can imagine I will have big shoes to fill! I will do my best to carry out this role for the BEAST and will always be open to any suggestion to improve rider experiences on our trail system. As an avid rider myself, I have been acting as a Trail Patrol member alongside my husband Rob for the last two years and look forward to many more.

The OFSC Trail Patrol Program commenced in 1983 at the inception of the user-pay system. Trail Patrol members volunteer their time and the use of their personal equipment to be snowmobile ambassadors. These volunteers are clearly identifiable by their Trail Patrol vest, and each member also carries their Trail Patrol ID issued by the OFSC.

The BEAST Trail Patrol is currently comprised of 36 members who patrol as their individual time permits during the week, weekends and evenings. Patrols generally consist of two Trail Patrol members but occasionally include four to eight members. We have members stationed all over the BEAST Trail system including Stittsville, Richmond, Almonte, Barrhaven, Carleton Place, Munster Hamlet, including the OVRT and Trans Canada Trail.

The primary function of Trail Patrol is public awareness and safety. Trail Patrol members' duties are centered around activity on OFSC Prescribed Trails and may be summarized into four broad categories:

- *On-Trail Support:* Trail Patrol members provide on-trail support in the form of maps, safety equipment, directions, help and updated information on trail conditions.
- *Safety Promotion:* Members promote safe riding by reminding snowmobilers of safe riding practices.
- *Risk Management:* Trail Patrol members actively identify and report unsafe or unusual conditions, remove branches and report safety issues to the club.
- *Landowner Agent:* As the agent for the landowner, a Trail Patrol has a responsibility to report trespasses to the Police.



Members of the Trail Patrol will be out again this season checking for permits, providing assistance, information and generally making sledders feel welcome on the trails. Our goal is to ensure the trails are safe and to promote the positive image of snowmobiling.

Interested in becoming a Trail Patrol member? We are always

looking for new members to help make our trails safe. Getting started involves an introduction session to the four categories shown above and some on the snow excursions to familiarize you with day-to-day activities on the trail. Contact

trailpatrol@thebeast.ca



Driver Training

Ontario Law requires any person 16 years and over to hold a valid Ontario Driver's Licence or a Motorized Snow Vehicle Operator's Licence to operate a snowmobile on OFSC snowmobile trails. Persons 12 to 15 years old require a Motorized Snow Vehicle Operator's Licence.

Due to this year's COVID-19 protocols in-class driver training will be suspended for this season. However, an OFSC on-line course is still available. Please follow the link below. We hope to have our in-class course available next year. Please email info@thebeast.ca if any further questions.

For details on the OFSC online training follow the link.

<https://www.ofsc.on.ca/driver-training/>



Volunteers in Action (VIA) - Wanda Bowes

With our busy lives, it can be hard to find time to volunteer. As a non-profit organization, the BEAST relies on the many people that come out and volunteer their time to making the trails the best they can be.

We are always looking to expand our close-knit group of volunteers to include more men, women and children who love snowmobiling and are looking to make a difference. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people and connect with the snowmobiling community.

Do you have a few hours or more than a few hours to give? We can use your help. We

will work to match what you can give with what we need. High school students can earn 40 hours of community service by volunteering with the club. Every season we need volunteers for trail work (spring and fall), social activities (planning and organizing) and fundraising. If you can spare a couple of hours, it is a help and is greatly appreciated.

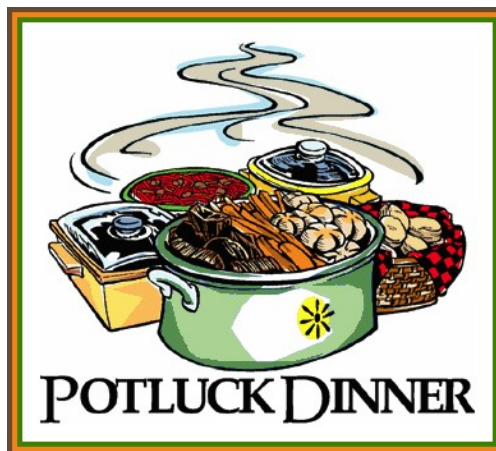
Contact Wanda Bowes at 613-612-8193 or email volunteers@thebeast.ca

BEAST Potluck

Following the third trail work day in December, December 5th this year, we have traditionally had an old-fashioned family friendly potluck dinner at Jim and Debbie Lackey's house in Jim's Garage on 7th Line Beckwith.

Unfortunately, due to the ongoing COVID-19 global pandemic there is no potluck planned for this season, hoping for next season.

Note: Due to changing protocols for meeting and gathering during this COVID-19 pandemic, all dates and times could be changed, modified, or cancelled at any time. Please consult the website www.thebeast.ca and our Facebook page for up to date information.



BEAST email updates:

If you haven't received an email from us lately, you're probably not on our mailing list. When filling out your permit application, make sure to include your email address or better yet visit our website at www.thebeast.ca to sign up today. We will not sell your information nor will we fill your mailbox with useless emails! You may unsubscribe at any time in the future if desired.



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IN ACTION**



OFSC News — Ian Edwards

Try our Trails Weekend

Again, like last year there will be no "Try Our Trails" weekend. So, if you, or someone you know are sitting on the fence waiting for the free weekend, don't wait. Buy your trail pass online www.ofsc.on.ca and save yourself money when you buy early.

OFSC Mobile APP

The mobile app that OFSC reintroduced a couple seasons ago is back with more upgrades and a no cost version of the same app. The cost for the full function app is \$3.99 yearly with all the features you are used to. The no cost app is a stripped down version of the same app. Details of the difference can be seen on the OFSC site. Both apps are available for Apple and Google Android devices, and on the OFSC website.

Provincial Trail Guide

Same as last year, there will be no printed provincial trail guide from OFSC. All trails and trail information is available on the ITG (Interactive Trail Guide)

<https://www.ofsc.on.ca/trail-maps/>

Printed trail guides are still available district by district. UCSR maps will be available for pickup at local dealerships in early December.



Our local BEAST Trail Guide will not be printed for this season. Most of our sponsors have been hit hard by the restrictions placed on them by the COVID-19 Protocols and it was agreed by our membership not to place that expense on our sponsors. We hope to have our BEAST Trail Guide available next season.

Trail Permit Gift Coupons

The success of the OFSC Trail Permit gift coupon will continue for this season. It allows riders an opportunity to purchase a discounted Permit prior to the season if they are waiting on a spring order sled to be delivered or if someone wants to gift a coupon at Christmas then that can be done as well.

The cost of the coupon coincides with the rate schedule published on our website as well as the OFSC. There are some conditions though. First of all, the coupon is just

that, a coupon. It is not a gift card. Coupons can have an expiry date. Gift cards cannot expire. It's Ontario Law. Once it is purchased it belongs to the person who's name is registered on that coupon. It can be redeemed by that person at anytime up to the expiry date. We believe the expired date for this year is March 31, 2021. The coupons can be given as gifts if you like. Just remember there are no refunds. Once the coupon has expired that's it. No credit, refunds or exchanges.



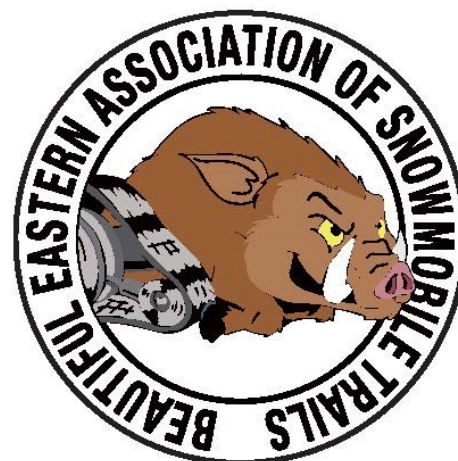
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Important Dates - Gord Servant

- Nov 5, 2020, General Meeting
- Nov 21, 2020, BEAST Workday #1
- Nov 28, 2020, BEAST Workday #2
- Dec 1, 2020, Last day to buy your season pass at \$220.
- Dec 3, 2020, General Meeting
- Dec 5, 2020, BEAST Workday #3
- Jan 7, 2021, General Meeting
- Jan 16-17, 2021, Trail Patrol Check Point Weekend #1
- Jan 23-24, 2021, Trail Patrol Check Point Weekend #2
- Jan 30-31, 2021, Trail Patrol Check Point Weekend #3
- Jan 30-31, 2021, Beauties of the BEAST Ride
- Feb 4, 2021, General Meeting
- Feb 6, 2021, BEAST Richmond Poker Rally
- Feb 12-14, 2021, BEAST Corporate Ride
- Mar 4, 2021, General Meeting
- Apr 1, 2021, BEAST AGM (Annual General Meeting)

- Apr 9, 2021, BEAST Landowner Appreciation Dinner

Note: Due to changing protocols for meeting and gathering during this COVID-19 pandemic, all dates and times could be changed, modified, or cancelled at any time. Please consult the website www.thebeast.ca and our Facebook page for up to date information.



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