

Savoy Kanary Kats Club Newsletter

This season has been filled with highs and low... days with high temps and low snow. As of mid-February most trails still have a base where running water hasn't damaged it. Although it's still early-season conditions given the weather challenges, there have been a few days of riding. The heavy, wet snow and freezing rain followed by bitter cold in early February did significant amounts of damage. We are indebted to a handful of strong backs and strong-willed volunteers who cleared the many miles of downed trees and bent over brush that made trails impassable... thank goodness for our volunteers (see the attached photos for some of the storm damage). Still ride with caution as the storm damage isn't 100% resolved. If you're willing and able, we could always use a hand to clean up the trails a bit more before everything is back to normal.

We had a successful sled raffle in January. This year we raffled a 2023 Polaris 850 Indy VR1 129. It retailed for \$16,399 and tickets were \$20 each. David Colla from Pittsfield was the lucky winner. Dave, we hope to see you on the trails with your new sled!

Our Annual Winter Carnival is scheduled for February 18th at the Groomer Garage located at 90 Tolton Road, Savoy. You can ride in on your sled (preferred) or drive a car or truck, but parking it limited. Bring the family as you can purchase food, clothing, a poker run, a Chinese Auction as well as an arrowed ride (if weather cooperates) and a bon fire. It's great for families and non-snowmobilers alike. The fun starts around 10 AM and goes until 4 PM. All proceeds from the auction benefit the Harold Rice Memorial Scholarship Fund.

We also want to thank Terri (Rice) Bird for her overwhelming support of the club. Terri and her siblings are the children of Harold Rice, one of the founders of the club back in 1972. The Rice family have been supporting the club for decades and we sincerely appreciate their support. Terri is our current treasurer and has decided to turn over the reins so she can spend more time with her family. We are forever indebted to Terri for all her hard work... thank you!!

Please support our local businesses who support the sport and our club. They include Pub 116, Pittsfield Lawn and Tractor, South Side Sales and Service, Ronnies Adams, Ronnies Bennington, Ronnies Pittsfield, LP Adams to name a few.

Upcoming Events:

- Club meetings are the second Friday of the month at the Groomer Garage starting at 7 pm
- Equipment work events are still held Wednesday nights at 6 pm
- Next club meeting is this Friday, February 10th at 7 pm at the groomer garage in Savoy (and the one after that is March 10th... come join us!)