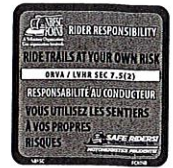


DECEMBER 22, 2020
MAILOUT TO ALL CLUBS

DESCRIPTION	REPLY	DEADLINE
2020 Seasonal Trail Permit Returns (by Email)	YES	December 20, 2020
2020 President's Ride	YES	January 18, 2021
2020 Lottery Tickets	YES	March 1, 2021
Award Nominations	YES	April 15, 2021
NEC Scholarship (by Email)	YES	March 15, 2021
Emergency Moving Groomers		
Sale of Daily Trail Permits		
Tourism Weekend		
Insuring Fuel Tanks		
CGL Insurance dropping Liquor Liability		
Accident Reporting Forms		
Club's Responsibility - \$2500 Deductible		
Take a Friend Snowmobiling Week		



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October, 2020

To: NBFSC Club Presidents

Re: 2021 Annual Grey Rock Power Centre / NBFSC President's Ride
January 28-30, 2021
Quality Inn at Grey Rock, Edmundston

NEW THIS YEAR – we will be holding TWO consecutive President's Rides from the Grey Rock Power Centre and you can choose which one you wish to attend. The two options will be filled by those who first reserve and commit. We need to operate this way in 2021 to comply with COVID-19 regulations and trust we will have more President's and volunteers attend than would be possible with a traditional format.

Option A	Option B
Thursday, Jan. 28 – Meet & Greet 7PM	Friday, Jan. 29 – Meet & Greet 7PM
Friday, Jan. 29 – 7 AM Breakfast, 9AM Ride	Saturday, Jan. 30 – 7 AM Breakfast, 9AM Ride
Friday, Jan. 29 – 7PM Banquet	Saturday, Jan. 30 – 7PM Banquet

Each of our 49-Member Club Presidents (or alternate) is invited on this ride at no charge, and can bring another guest with them to this event, at the guest's cost. We would like to encourage all the Club Presidents to bring their significant other in 2021. The rules around your ability to bring another guest, ie volunteer, spouse or friend is contingent on the following rules being adhered to:

1. All (additional) guests attending must be registered by Monday, January 18, 2021.
2. All (additional) guests must prepay for their expenses for the President's Ride weekend by Monday, January 18, 2021.
3. Costs for additional guests are;
 - a. Shared room with Club President is \$255.00 taxes in.
 - b. Private room is \$375.00, taxes in.
4. Staff are not allowed to make any exceptions for the Club President's guests, confirmations or costs.

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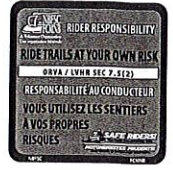


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Here are the itinerary details of the 2021 Grey Rock Power Centre President's Ride:

When: Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 28-30 2021

Where: Quality Inn at Grey Rock Power Centre, Edmundston (NBFCSC Zone 1)

What : (you need to bring): bring your snowmobile and your riding gear. Snowmobiles full of fuel before departure, please.

Who : The following individuals will be offered an invitation to future President's Rides:

- ◆ **The sitting Presidents (or alternates) of all member clubs of the Federation. ***
- ◆ **A single guest of the sitting Club President (as explained above).**
- ◆ **The sitting Directors of the Federation.**
- ◆ **The Past Presidents of the Federation.**
- ◆ **The sitting President, Vice-President and immediate Past President of the Federation.**
- ◆ **NBFSC Award recipients from the previous season.**

* Club Presidents, if unable to attend, may appoint their Vice-President or past President as first alternates. The President may also appoint an individual from the club they deem deserving, but the appointment must be a member of that club. Therefore no more than one representative per club is to be invited unless they fall into one of the other categories of invitation.

Everyone invited will be the guest of the Federation in 2021.

Why: so you can enjoy your hard work and that of your fellow Club President's.

All eligible participants are asked to complete the enclosed registration form as soon as possible. Riders will be asked to share rooms with their fellow club Presidents. You may indicate your preference for a roommate. All of your expenses except personal incidentals and liquor are included in the hospitality of the weekend.



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The Agenda for the weekend looks like this:

OPTION A:

1. Thursday: @ 7: 00 pm. Meet and Greet and Welcome. Snacks only provided. (you can check in any time after 3 PM, credit card and picture ID is required)
2. Friday: @ 7:00 am. Breakfast provided. Itinerary for President's Ride.
Friday: @ 9:00 am. Group leaders and Club Presidents depart hotel.
Friday: @ Noon approximately, fuel stop & lunch on the trail. (Fuel provided.)
Friday: @ 5:00 pm. Arrival back at hotel.
Friday: @ 7:00 pm. Dinner and recognition of NBFSC Club Presidents.
3. Saturday: Depart for home at your leisure. (check out is by 11:00 AM)

OPTION B :

1. Friday: @ 7: 00 pm. Meet and Greet and Welcome. Snacks only provided. (you can check in any time after 3 PM, credit card and picture ID is required)
2. Saturday: @ 7:00 am. Breakfast provided. Itinerary for President's Ride.
Saturday: @ 9:00 am. Group leaders and Club Presidents depart hotel.
Saturday: @ Noon approximately, fuel stop & lunch on the trail. (Fuel provided.)
Saturday: @ 5:00 pm. Arrival back at hotel.
Saturday: @ 7:00 pm. Dinner and recognition of NBFSC Club Presidents.
3. Sunday: Depart for home at your leisure. (check out is by 11:00 AM)

Any questions regarding the 2021 Grey Rock Power Centre Annual President's Ride should be forwarded to the office.

Regards,

Ross Antworth - General Manager, NBFSC

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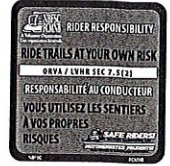
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CLUB / RETURN BY JANUARY 18, 2021
Grey Rock Power Centre President's Ride
JANUARY 28-30, 2021

Club Name :

President, Vice President or
other Participant:

Circle your choice:

OPTION A

OPTION B

*Chosen Roommate :
(another Club Representative)

Food Allergies :

Phone Number where we can
reach you:
(Please do not indicate "on file".)

Fax back to NBFSC office at 506-325-2627 or email info@nbfsc.com.

Club President's Signature : _____

Everyone invited will be asked to share accommodations with another club representative. The NBFSC Office will assign roommates for those who do not indicate their choice.

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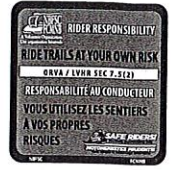


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GUEST / RETURN BY JANUARY 18, 2021
Grey Rock Power Centre President's Ride
JANUARY 28-30, 2021

Member Club : _____

Paying Guest : (1 per Club) _____

*Chosen Roommate :
(another Club Representative) _____

Circle your choice: **OPTION A** **OPTION B**

Food Allergies _____

Phone Number where we can reach you:
(Please do not indicate "on file".) _____

Payment : Shared room with Club President is \$255.00 taxes in.
Private room is \$375.00, taxes in.

Credit Card: Exp. Date: _____ Card # _____

Fax back to NBFSC office at 506-325-2627 or email info@nbfsc.com.

Participant's Signature : _____
* The NBFSC Office will assign roommates for those who do not indicate their choice.

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December / décembre, 2020

To: N.B.F.S.C. Member Clubs
Re: 2021 NBFCSC Provincial Lottery

Reminder – the draw date is **March 15, 2021** therefore all sold tickets are required to be returned to the office no later than **March 1, 2021**. Clubs are required to sell a minimum of 50 lottery tickets.

Any questions may be directed to the office.

Aux : Clubs membres de la FCMNB
Objet : Loterie provinciale de la FCMNB 2021

Veillez noter – la date du tirage sera le **15 mars, 2021**, donc tous les billets vendus devront être retournés au bureau pas plus tard que le **1 mars, 2021**. Les clubs doivent vendre un minimum de 50 billets de loterie.

Toutes questions peuvent être adressées au bureau.

Regards, / Sincèrement vôtre,

Ross Antworth
General Manager / Directeur général
The New Brunswick Federation of Snowmobile Clubs Inc.
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**Nominations for the NBFSC Annual Awards
For the Annual General Meeting in May 2021
DEADLINE – APRIL 15, 2021**

Award Chosen:

1. Snowmobiler of the Year; Howard Doucet Memorial, or;
2. Club Groomer of the Year, or;
3. Snowmobile Dealer of the Year

Name of Nominee's:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Contact Information of Nominee:

1. Phone: _____
2. E-mail: _____
3. Other: _____

Home Club of NBFSC:

1. Club Name: _____
2. Club Number #: _____

Started Snowmobiling:

- Year: _____
First Snowmobile: _____
Current Snowmobile: _____

Started Volunteering?

- Year: _____
Number of Years: _____

Position's held in Club:

- _____
- _____

Other Awards or Recognition:

- _____
- _____

Why do you recommend this Volunteer?

- _____

Emergency Plan, Moving Groomers

I. GENERAL

The purpose of this emergency plan is to improve a weakness in the NBFSC trail system as it relates to consistently and frequently grooming trails throughout a season by the Member Clubs. All Member Clubs have identified a territory for “their” trails over the last approximate 35 years. Member Clubs meet at these territory boundaries to collectively groom the entire NBFSC Trail network each season. When a Member Club’s Groomer/Drag has a mechanical failure (“broken down”) there has been no backup plan to groom their trails with other grooming equipment from around the Province. Note: the NBFSC does not own any Trail Groomers, the Member Clubs own the Trail Groomers in the provincial fleet.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this emergency plan is to identify another club(s) grooming equipment by a Director (of the Board) in cooperation with the Member Clubs who may assist when a Groomer / Drag is “broken down” or will be “broken down” beyond the guideline of seven (7) days as outlined in ***NBFSC Operating Policy, TRL-004***. This plan outlines all steps to be taken to assist the “broken down” Club and ensure all NBFSC Permit Holders have a groomed trail system throughout the Province.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

The “broken down” Member Club’s Zone Director is to undertake this recommended sequence of actions. The Zone Director is the lead, with assistance from the Trail Manager when required. Overall responsibility to ensure this plan is followed is the Zone Director first and in his/her absence the Member Club affected by the breakdown.

IV. PROCESS / STEPS / ORDER OF PRIORITY ACTIONS ARE;

1. Call/ contact the NBFSC member club(s) whose trail system directly joins the club whose groomer/drag is unable to groom their trails. Contact as many adjoining clubs as required to ensure all trails, under the effected “break down” are groomed to the NBFSC guidelines. If not successful;
 - i. Note; in order of importance, NBFSC Provincial Trails should be groomed first and generally groomed more frequently. While NBFSC Local trails are important, they are the secondary priority when prioritization of resources must be applied.

Emergency Plan, Moving Groomers cont.

2. Call / contact all member clubs in the entire NBFSC Zone affected in the event that a number of member clubs must 'come together' to schedule grooming to ensure all trails in the affected Zone are groomed to the minimum of once every seven (7) days. If not successful;
3. Call / contact NBFSC member clubs in the adjoining NBFSC Zone(s) – with the assistance of other Zone Directors - that may be able to groom an expanded territory to assist the effected Member Club or all Clubs in the Zone who are assisting the effected Club who is broken down. If not successful;
4. Ask a Member Club with grooming equipment that is not being utilized (in a winter with no snow in some Zones) to agree to physically move their Groomer/Drag to the effected Club to groom the trails where the “broken down groomer” is at. After receiving agreement;
5. Ask the NBFSC Board of Directors for the financial approval of the estimated costs to float the Groomer/Drag from its home Club to the ‘broken down’ club including a return trip. Estimates of cost must be provided in the request so the motion can be made for an actual quantitative \$\$ amount.

V. FUNDING for MOVING GROOMERS

The Board of Directors will propose to the Member Clubs at each AGM a line item to support this Emergency Plan in the proposed Operating Budget, approved by a majority of the delegates of the AGM. It is the Board’s intent, with Member Club support, to always have a budgeted amount to support this plan.

VI. RULES

1. Grooming hours collected on a Club’s Groomer will be credited to that Groomer at year end, no matter which club’s snowmobile trails they groom. Exceptions for not crediting grooming hours are covered under **NBFSC Operating Policy, TRL-006**, of which examples could be using the groomer for snow plowing, using the groomer to surface or plow ATV winter trails or excessive engine idling recorded.
2. The cost/compensation for labor (if agreed to) is between individual member clubs – volunteers; the NBFSC will not be a referee in any disputes or fund labor.

Emergency Plan, Moving Groomers cont.

3. The cost/compensation for fuel (if agreed to) is between individual member clubs – volunteers; the NBFSC will not be a referee in any disputes or fund fuel.
 4. The cost/compensation for mechanical breakdowns (if agreed to) is between individual member clubs – volunteers; the NBFSC will not be a referee in any disputes or fund mechanical breakdowns.
 5. In the event of an accident with the 'borrowed' Club's Groomer/Drag and the 'public' while grooming another Member Clubs trails, the NBFSC's Groomer Fleet insurance will respond to the claim, however the Member Club whose trails the Groomer is operating in, may hold liability if proven.
 6. In the event of improperly placed or missing NBFSC Trail Signage, the operator of the 'borrowed' Club's Groomer/Drag will not be responsible for correcting the errors. If the operator is from the "broken down" club but using the 'borrowed' groomer, then the operator is responsible to replace and report improperly placed or missing NBFSC Trail Signage as he/she is currently. In the event an accident occurs during this time, the Member Club who is borrowing the Groomer shall remain solely responsible for any claims pursuant to trail signage.
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To: All NBFSC Clubs
Re: Daily Trail Permits

Total Net Revenue from the daily permits is disbursed as per the following formula. The club which sells the daily trail permit will keep 50% of the total net revenue, and the other 50% of the total net revenue will be distributed in the October Payout.

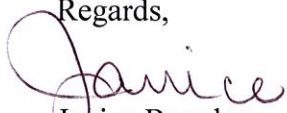
All Daily Trail Permits sold and unsold must be returned to the office by April 30th. Any lost permits will be considered sold and invoiced as such. The club will be sent an invoice for sold (and lost) permits once reconciliation is completed.

For each permit sold, the club will be invoiced the following amounts:

Selling Price	1 – Day	2 – Day	3 – Day	4 – Day	5 – Day	6 - Day	7 - Day
	\$ 40.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 160.00
50% net revenue	\$14.89	\$23.59	\$32.29	\$40.98	\$49.68	\$58.37	\$ 67.07
NBFSC Budget	\$ 5.00	\$5.00	\$ 5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$5.00	\$ 5.00
HST	\$2.98	\$4.29	\$ 5.59	\$6.90	\$8.20	\$9.51	\$ 10.81
Total Club Invoice per Permit	\$22.88	\$32.88	\$42.88	\$52.88	\$62.88	\$72.88	\$ 82.88

If you have any questions concerning the sale of daily trail permits, please contact the office.

Regards,


Janice Bragdon
Office Manager

The New Brunswick Federation of Snowmobile Clubs



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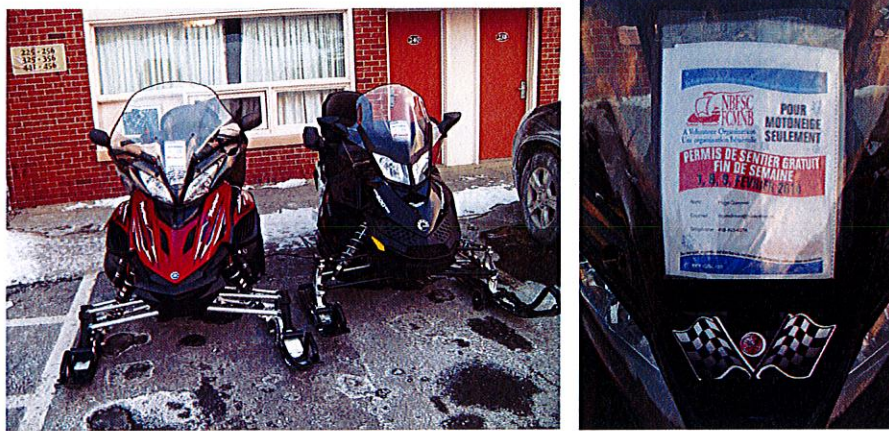
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Tourism Weekend

February 12, 13, 14, 2021

The weekend formally known as the “Free Trail Permit Weekend” is now being called the “Tourism Weekend”. Beginning Friday February 12, till Sunday February 14, 2021, snowmobile visitors to New Brunswick can acquire a “Special *no charge* Permit”, to ride any of the NBFSC’s 8000 plus kilometers of trails, for these three days. The “*no charge*” Weekend is only available to snowmobile tourists and visitors from Nova Scotia, PEI, Quebec, Ontario or the New England States, not residents of New Brunswick.



While the cost of the normal, \$80.00, 3-Day Trail Permit is being waived for this weekend, all snowmobilers participating must display the *no charge* NBFSC Trail permit on the windshield of their snowmobile during these three days.

This “Special *no charge* Permit” can be printed off the website after filling in a very brief registration form at www.nbfsc.com from December - February 14.

The *no charge* 3-Day Trail Permits are only available from the NBFSC Website; they are not available at any other location in New Brunswick.

New Brunswick’s Off Road Vehicle Enforcement teams will be participating all weekend also. Everyone with a “Special *no charge* Permit” displayed will be waived through any check points and welcomed on all trails however other requirements of the Off Road vehicle Act will still be enforced. Therefore while you can acquire a *no charge* Trail Permit, all snowmobiles and snowmobilers on NBFSC trails are still required, under the Off Road Vehicle Act, to carry personal PLPD insurance (\$200,000.00 minimum) and have a current snowmobile registration from your home Province or State for your ride.

We have no doubt that many of the regular and popular pit stops, hotels and lodges will fill up quickly so plan to reserve your favorite or new favorite place as soon as possible. You can check our website to review all of the NBFSC’s Corporate Partners, many of the popular stops on the NBFSC trails.



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To: All Member Clubs
Re: Club's Responsibility – Insuring Fuel Tanks

Dear Club,

At the October 13, 2018 Board of Director's meeting, the following motion was accepted; ***“moved that the NBFSC will not insure any of (our) Clubs Fuel Tanks, it's up to the Clubs to do this.”*** Member clubs are responsible in acquiring their own fuel tank coverage policy that would cover clean up, third party and your own premise liability.

As member clubs, your respective responsibilities around the issues of trail grooming, trail signage, fundraising, landowner negotiations and NBFSC Operating Policies and NBFSC General By-Laws continue. This change and any others going forward will be communicated and captured in future NBFSC “Club Agreements”.

Any questions regarding this decision may be directed to your Zone Director or myself.

Regards,

Ross Antworth
General Manager
The New Brunswick Federation of Snowmobile Clubs Inc.

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To: All Member Clubs
Re: CGL Insurance dropping Liquor Liability Rider

Dear Clubs,

The NBFSC Board of Directors has made a decision, which became effective on June 4th, 2016. The decision is to renew the federation's Commercial General Liability (CGL) insurance policy, without a liquor liability rider as part of the Federation's and the Member Clubs ongoing coverage, **AFTER JUNE 4TH, 2016.**

The Board has received for many years, multiple and conflicting views on this issue. The most common argument was that not including liquor liability into our CGL policy would cost less (premium). This may become true in the future but our advice received, over the seasons every time this question was raised, does not currently support this argument.

Consistently, for two decades now, all past and current claims (lawsuits) year round generally always involve our practices, guidelines and ultimately Operating Policies around trail grooming and/or trail signage. In short every snowmobiler who goes to the justice system to recover their claimed losses against a Member Club and the NBFSC, claims that the trail signage and/or the trail grooming was the primary cause for their accident, thus for their loss and the basis of their lawsuit. Thus, the Board of Directors will continue to make trail grooming guidelines and trail signage placement guidelines a very high and necessary responsibility of all Member Clubs. The courts have verified in all the decisions reached, that this is our responsibility; being a volunteer offers no protection.

The Board also has also received consistent criticism for adopting and promoting the Federation's strong positions with the International Association of Snowmobile Administrators (IASA) alcohol program, "Zero Tolerance" and the longstanding International Snowmobile Manufacturer's Association's (ISMA) "Safe Riders, You make Snowmobiling Safe", but then purchasing liquor liability insurance. Effectively by condoning and allowing alcohol to be a part of

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Federation and/or Member Club functions, activities and fundraisers we were in contradiction of the programs adopted from the IASA and ISMA. We know that our images gained from all of the programs we promote are critically important to the world of business, government and the broader public. Our actions will better align with our promotions.

In closing, while we have never received a claim – lawsuit against the NBFSC claiming that our inclusion of alcohol was the cause for a snowmobiler’s loss - one can only imagine what the publicity and image, let alone lasting outcome, of such a claim would have on organized snowmobiling.

The Board has reached the decision to be consistent in our messages and our actions, and we are implementing this change to reduce our and the Member Clubs exposure to potential catastrophic losses, both financially and publically.

Please ensure that if your club activities in the future include the serving of alcohol that you acquire appropriate and adequate liquor liability insurance coverage. Ideally the Federation would like to see all activities that come under this risk, be eliminated. The NBFSC CGL will no longer respond to these claims. Any questions regarding this change should be directed to your Zone Director.

Yours Truly

Ross Antworth, GM, NBFSC
“A Volunteer Organization”

cc: NBFSC Board of Directors

cc: Dan Cain, Broker, Cain Insurance Services

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December, 2020

To: All Member Clubs

Re: Club's Responsibility - \$2500.00 Deductible – per NBFSC's CGL Insurance Claims

Dear Club,

At the September 12, 2009 Board of Director's meeting, the following motion was accepted; "be it moved that member clubs be responsible for the first \$2500.00 of the Insurance deductible if found responsible or negligent by the Board of Directors, on a case by case basis." This portion payable by your club was effective beginning with the 2009-2010 season.

The Federation's deductibles on any claims or lawsuits vary depending on the policy dates and carry a deductible within \$5,000.00 to \$15,000.00.

It will be at the Board of Director's discretion to apply this responsibility - \$2500.00 - to member clubs who are involved in all future claims and/or lawsuits. This amount will be topped up by the Federation's internally restricted cash reserves to fulfill our deductible amount per occurrence obligation.

As member clubs, your respective responsibilities around the issues of trail grooming, trail signage, fundraising, landowner negotiations and NBFSC Operating Policies and NBFSC General By-Laws continue. This change and any others going forward will be communicated and captured in future NBFSC "Club Agreements".

Any questions regarding this decision may be directed to your Zone Director or myself.

Regards,

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HASLETT, MI, December 10, 2020: The Go Snowmobiling/Take a Friend Snowmobiling campaign has been supported by the snowmobile community over the years. Snowmobile Clubs and Associations across North America have taken Military Personnel snowmobiling, coordinated Enlightenment rides with land managers, and often just have fun organizing snowmobile rides with friends and family. The trails and riding areas in many parts of North America are amazing and offer great opportunities to take friends snowmobiling.

The Take a Friend Snowmobiling rides highlight the “wow-factor” and the pure enjoyment that people have when they first ride a snowmobile. First-time snowmobilers can’t quit talking about how much fun the ride was. When you take a friend snowmobiling, remember this may very well be their first time on a snowmobile. Chances are that your normal ride would seem like a marathon to an uninitiated friend. Let your friend enjoy that first day of snowmobiling. Again, enjoy the ride, make it relatively short, make it simple, and remember that it is always a good idea to feed your guests.

The Go Snowmobiling/Take a Friend Snowmobiling campaign is also joined with the Safe Riders! Campaign. We have a 13 chapter Safe Riders video series that can be found on our website at: <http://www.snowmobile.org/snowmobile-videos.html>. The chapters are a great tool when introducing a friend to snowmobiling and will help make the ride more enjoyable for everyone.

You should also visit and “Like” our Facebook page before participating in a Go Snowmobiling campaign. Our Facebook page is www.Facebook.com/GoSnowmobiling. When looking at the page you will notice that many snowmobilers are posting pictures and their experiences on the page. We have thousands of Friends who visit regularly and it is common for snowmobilers to send out informative posts that are forwarded to hundreds and thousands of snowmobile enthusiasts worldwide. There is a short general survey on our Facebook page, so when you visit the page, consider answering a few simple survey questions. We are constantly surveying snowmobile customers to see how we can better serve you and how we can help you enjoy your snowmobiling activity.

When you consider putting together a Take a Friend Snowmobiling ride, just remember that individuals who don’t own a snowmobile have a high interest in going snowmobiling.

People that you know, who don't snowmobile, want to snowmobile. They also want to go snowmobiling for the same reasons you do:

- a. To enjoy the scenery
- b. To get outdoors to have fun with family and friends
- c. To go to unique places that they can't reach any other way to see amazing sights
- d. To have fun in the winter outdoors and be able to go home tired and be ready for a good night's sleep.

So please, go out and have fun, take a friend snowmobiling, and enjoy this wonderful winter. The link to the "Take a Friend Snowmobiling Campaign Action Manual" is: <http://www.snowmobile.org/docs/2021-take-a-friend-snowmobiling.pdf> Please review it and share it with others.

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