

# ❄️ THE NSI SNOW NEWS ❄️

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## Greetings from the President - David Ritzer

Hello. As I am writing this article snowflakes are in the air. I guess that Mother Nature has finally gotten into the winter mode. But, with all the warm weather the trail crew has had good temperatures to do our annual trail opening duties. With trail riding season upon us, remember that that season begins on the 15<sup>th</sup> of December, or when snow conditions permit - usually 12" on the ground. It is best to wait until the groomer goes out, so you know that there is enough ground cover to ride on. Our Christmas party is coming up on December 19<sup>th</sup> at Don and Lea DuBois' house. This should be a fun event, so please try to attend. We are planning more social events thru out the winter and if you have any ideas, please let one of the board members know about your idea. With enough said, hope for a good riding season and have a safe and happy holiday season.



Don DuBois

Welcome to the start of a new season. Hope you all had a great Thanksgiving. The riding season is fast approaching and it seems that summer should not be over so quick, so much to do so little time to do it in. Once again that dedicated Wed night crew has been out all summer, repairing signs, de-brushing, clearing a new trail trying to improve our trail system. It was a lot of work and they deserve a lot of credit.

In August we obtained permission from new landowners on Winch Hill Ext. and cleared a new trail allowing us to stop riding the town rd as this was a safety issue. It has been stumped; seed and mulch placed, signed and is ready to ride. Big thanks to those that donated time and equipment to get this new trail done quickly.

We decided to get our signs out earlier this year, so as not to interfere with hunting season and trying to contend with early snow falls and frozen ground as in past years. When you receive this news letter all should be out.

We have completed repairs on the groomer, we replaced the belts on one track and it is back on and ready to go. A BIG THANKS to Silas and father Doug, Andy, Rick, Matt for helping to get this done. I also wish to thank Matt Ritzer for taking the time to weld up our drag, great job.

The landowner permission forms are mostly in, no surprises yet.

Hope you all have a great Christmas and good luck to all the hunters, hope you all are successful.  
PLEASE GET INVOLDED

## THIS ISSUE

### REPORTS

Pres/Trails/Treasurer

Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> Holiday Party/ Early Bird Registration

## TREASURERS REPORT.

David MacDougall

Checking - \$6,751.03  
Savings - \$9,557.25  
CD #3281 - \$8030.75  
CD #7399 - \$10,233.37  
CD #8679 - \$15,000.00

### Income

TMA's - \$1,225.00  
Insurance Refund - \$57.00  
**Total Income - \$1,282.00**

### Expenses

Office Expense - \$89.09  
Bank Service Charge - \$6.58  
County Dues - \$447.00  
TMA Refund - \$ 60.00  
Trailer Registration - \$46.00  
**Total Expenses - \$648.67**  
11/30 Checking Balance - \$7,384.42  
11/30 Club Balance - \$50,205.79  
Membership - 21

## TRAILS REPORT

\*\*\* EARLY BIRD MEMBERSHIP DUE BY DEC. 15, 2009 \*\*\*  
Contact David MacDougall, 152 Terrace Dr, Northfield VT. 05663

## NSI Membership Minutes

November 18, 2009

Called to order at 6:35, 5 members present.  
October 5, 2009 Board minutes were accepted as read. A Motion to accept was made by John Yacavoni/Silas Power.

- Treasurer Report – David MacDougall  
CD - \$18,264.12  
SVG - \$24, 557.25  
CKG - \$ 6,849.74
- Membership – 16
- VAST-John Yacavoni – Report was published in the Nov. newsletter. Equipment Aide paperwork is due to VAST by June 1, 2010. Motion made to accept report by David Ritzer/Andy Ritzer
- Trails – Dave Ritzer for Don DuBois – The grooming contract has been signed and returned. Final payment contingent on returning the survey. Trails all signed. The club inventory is still in process.
- Raffle results – Club realized \$3791.54 profit.
- NEW BUSINESS
- Dave MacDougall requested authorization to take \$15,000 from savings and put into a CD. Motion was made by John Yacavoni to do so and seconded by Silas Power. Additional TMA criteria need to be given to Dave MacDougall. Insurance policy
- Social - Upcoming socials discussed – December Holiday party, January Club Ride, February spaghetti dinner, March Poker Ride
- Discussion held on various avenues to explore for the eventual replacement of groomer.
- Motion made to adjourn by David MacDougall/seconded by John Yacavoni
- Meeting adjourned 7:25,

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~~Up Coming Events~~

NSI Holiday Party – Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>  
Don & Lea DuBois' House  
Dinner at 6:00, with gift exchange to follow

### 2009/2010 NSI Officers

Pres.	David Ritzer
1VP	Silas Power
2VP	John Yacavoni
Treasurer	David MacDougall
Trail Master	Donald DuBois
Fund Raiser	Pauli Knapp
Secretary	Penny Ritzer
Social	Vacant

The new Trail Master will pick his trail assistants.