



Fall is the time to put your summer toys away... and get ready to ride!

Tips to get you, and your sled ready to ride..

Let's start with...Gas - Did you leave last year's gas in your sled over the summer? If so, you will need to put new gas in your sled before your first ride. Drain the tank, put it in a vehicle that can handle flex fuel, then put fresh (non-ethanol if possible) fuel in... check your spark plugs. Check your carbs for gunk build up.

Belt/Clutches - Do you have an extra belt? Are your clutches clean?

Pull Cord, and a back-up (for your friend who did not do his fall check-up) Many of you who have not had the pleasure of trying to start your sled after breaking off your pull cord will not fully understand the "fun" it is on the trail, in the dark, in freezing temps. Trust me, it is not something you want to experience. So... Check the pull cord, especially near the ends for any fraying. If it is frayed, replace it NOW.

New Spark Plugs (and spares in your sled) You may want to hold off on putting in your new spark plugs until after you start your sled for the first few times, especially if you fogged your engine last spring prior to storage, this way you will not get the burnt fogging oil all over your new spark plugs.

Under Carriage - Get to know your under carriage... it is easiest if you remove the entire system. Then check your bogie wheels, your skags, the slide rails... Check the bearings in each bogie wheel, spin it, if it makes a grinding noise, replace them. Check both sides to your slides for wear and replace them now...it is much easier in your garage than when they have them fused onto the rails from overheating, it also saves you money by only replacing the slides and not the entire track clip system. (I speak from experience here)

Shocks - It is important to check your shocks, front and rear. Compress them and see if they make any unusual noises, or don't spring back properly. Depending on their type, it may be time to replace or re-charge them. Many of our PISC members can give you ideas on how to do this yourself, or ask them for referrals to a place to get them done. Check out our sponsor list to get local vendors who can assist you.

Trust me, you don't want yours, or your wife's shock to blow out 60 miles from home... it makes for a very unhappy and sore wife! And you know the saying...(again, from experience)

Track - Check the entire track, all the parts including the clips, lugs, and the studs... you do not want to be heading down a steep hill and hit the brakes only to find your track behind you... no track = no brakes. (I have not done this... but I have seen it) Take the skid frame out in the fall, and you can check all the moving parts much easier that way, than when it is caked with ice.

Chain Case Oil - OK, admit it... most of you have never even thought about checking the chain, or even know you needed to change the chain case oil. There are a few ways to do this, the easier way tends to leave the crud in the bottom, and really only cosmetically makes a small difference or, you can pull the pipe and canister, pull the main cover off and clean out all of the mess inside. If your sleds have electronic reverse, there are bolts that can come loose and cause a great deal of damage, so check those also. Replace the cover and fill with the recommended oil. Doing this now saves you a lot of aggravation and money.

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\*PISC Events\*

Grass Drags

Another great year, see back...

...November 2013 ...

Safety Course Training Saturday, Nov 9th, 2013

Limited Seating, call Tom Teed to register @ 814-825-6521

NEW RAFFLE PARTY DATE!

Saturday, November 16, 2013

We are holding the annual Raffle Party in a New Month this year due to hunting and Christmas seasons.

Still to be held

@ Sparrow Pond, 7pm

Please bring a dozen of cookies to share Saturday night...

Need assistance with set up on Friday Night at 7pm,

Tickets are \$5each, 3 for \$10 Get your tickets in ASAP to Linda McCarthy, 814-796-6739 for information on tickets...

Trail Work...

Your Help NEEDED

Meet at clubhouse on Sundays at 9am, for details call Dick East at 814-882-7473 or Sid Shaffer 814- 882-5607

Results of Elections

Your New Officers are:

President - Mike Keverline 814-873-1752

Vice President - Dick East

Secretary - Karen East

Treasurer - Linda McCarthy

Membership - Bev Rapp

New Board Members -

Sid Schaefer, Tom Teed, & Eric McKenzie

# A Big THANKS!!! To all of our sponsors of this year's Grass Drags! See Web for details!

## RACE WINNERS

Vintage Open	Steve Gleason
Trail Stock 800	Kriss Press
Juniors I 370cc	Kenneth Kaczunowski
Improved Stock 400 Liquid	- Steve Kirsch
Trail Stock 700	Rolf Krupp
Juniors II 440 fan	Cole Saloom
2002 and older 600	Whitney Jones
2002 and older 1000	Eckel Racing
Trail Stock 1000	Colin Johnson
Juniors IV 500 Liquid	Christopher Weber
Trail Stock 600 Single	Rolf Krupp
Trail Stock 440 Liquid	Valarie Blank
Trail Stock 600	Whitney Jones
Trail Stock 500	Christopher Weber
2002 and older 800	Eckel Racing
Vintage 340	Valarie Blank
Stock Mini 120's	Elliot Herman
Modified Mini 120's	Elliot Herman
Vintage 440 Wellie Yaple Mem. Cup	- Tim Reese
Improved Stock 800	Steve Kimmy
Improved Stock 700	Eckel Racing
Improved Stock 600	Dustin Brown
Stock 700	Nick Oregia
Stock 600	Nick Oregia
Stock 800 Parker/Dauer Mem. Cup	- Jesse James
Stock 1000	Jesse James
ERIE CUP	Jesse James
Pro Stock 800	Jerry Kaczanowski
Power Adder Over1000	Brian Werner
Stock 500	Rolf Krupp
Stock 440 Liquid	Rolf Krupp
1000 Top Eliminator Presque Isle Cup	- Brian Werner
Improved Stock 1000	Steve Kimmy
Open 1000	Brian Werner
King Of the Trail	Steve Gleason

## Trail Work...

Trail work has begun! We have several large projects to do on the trails this year as well as trimming and cleaning the trails. Trail work parties are every Sunday @ 9:00 am and we will be meeting at the club house. If you are able to come help and want more info, call our rail captains Dick East @ (814) 882-7473 or Sid Shaffer @ (814) 882-5607

We want to thank all the members who help get the trails ready to ride, and keep them open and safe. We would also like to thank all the members who work behind the scenes for all their hard work and dedication. All PISC members have skills that can be used. Thanks for all you do to make this club special!!!

Always looking for articles and pictures to publish in the newsletter... and on the Website  
Email the webmaster at [bjrmek@gmail.com](mailto:bjrmek@gmail.com)

Thanks!

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We are really looking for someone who loves to write to help with newsletter and website!  
Call Bev @ 814-873-1752 if you are interested!!!

## [www.snowmobilePISC.com](http://www.snowmobilePISC.com)

NEW! Starting MAY 2013... **General meetings will be held first Thursday of each month - August thru May, (no general meetings for June and July) at the clubhouse @ 8pm... following the board meetings which will start at 7pm on the same night.**

DON'T FORGET - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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### Now you have checked your sled... it is time to check your own gear.

Check your helmet, and visor. Tighten all the screws, check your vents. Wipe everything clean, check for any "smells" that you can take care of now. Check your jacket and bibs for tears and make sure all zippers and snaps work. This may be a great time for washing and re-water proofing your entire outfit including your gloves. There is nothing worse than getting on the trails and realizing you forgot to put anti-fog on your visor, or that your zipper won't work.

OK, there are worse things, but a little preparation prior to the first snowfall should allow for a very enjoyable and hopefully LONG riding season.

If you have never worked on your own sleds, get to know some of your other PISC members, they can give you more tips, or even recommend who, or where, you can take your sled to get it ready to ride. Check out our website at [www.snowmobilePISC.com](http://www.snowmobilePISC.com) for a list of vendors whom support our sport.

See you on the trails!

Mike

## Membership Renewals

Applications to renew your membership were enclosed along with this years tickets. If you have not sent in your membership, it is still not too late... applications are available online...

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

### Print one off and mail it to:

PISC c/o Bev Rapp  
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Erie, PA 16509

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