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# **Keep the Track Side Down and Enjoy**

# **Club News**

By Bob DiOrio BSS News Editor

## **Meeting Notice**

Our meetings this month will be held on Feb 4 and 18th starting at 6:30pm.

#### **BSS News**

#### **Snowmobilers and Social Media**

By Bob DiOrio

Social media can be great tool for snowmobilers. You can find up to date information on snow conditions, grooming and club events. With just a simple post on Facebook, you can reach out to thousands. Clubs post grooming, rides, events, meetings online, and those that want to stay informed should actually go out there and click on the website or Facebook page.

On the other side to all this online information are the ones that post questions without even looking first to see if the information is already there. Look before asking questions. Usually the answers is just a click or two away. Redundant posts clutter up informative snowmobile sites making it cumbersome to find the important info you seek.



Riding pictures are great on social media. I cannot get enough of them and I love them all. I do find the captions amusing that accompany the pictures too. It is interesting to see the riding area, the trail condition, how many miles were ridden, where they stopped and whom they are with. It is true a pictures worth a thousand words. One word of advice for those snowmobilers who caption photos – spell and grammar check, unless you do not mind sounding like a complete Moran. Remember it reflects on all of us. Also, note, grooming pictures are time sensitive. Trails can be mint in the AM and beat to death by the afternoon. Be attentive to how and when you decipher snowmobile-riding posts.

## Some of BSS's fleet has taken to the trails.

Grooming has taken place in Pittsfield State Forest and Windsor. October Mountain will assess conditions daily and as soon as it is feasible, the fire roads will be groomed. Be advised that all the gates are still closed on OMSF so caution is in order.

## **evTrails**

As with any new application, there is teething pains. Grooming status and trail conditions should be verified by other sources. This is a reality in both Vermont (VAST) and here in Massachusetts.



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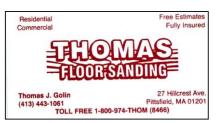
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#### 2025 CLUB SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Feb 4 / 18 Club Meeting:

Polish Falcons Club 32 Bel Air Ave, in Pittsfield, MA. @ 6:30 PM.

## Feb. 16 Chilly Chili

The Ski Lodge in Pittsfield State Forest. Ride sign in 9:30am-10am, ride leaves @10am. Hamburgers, hot dogs and of course chili after the ride, free event for BSS members, all others \$5/person, max. \$10/family. Must show your pink trail permit for proof of membership. Alcohol is not allowed in the state forest. If there is a lack of snow, the ride will be cancelled but we will still have the Chili event.

#### Mar. 5 Donny's Mystery Ride

#### Mar. 30 Polenta Dinner II.

To benefit the Berkshire Snow Seekers, Social Hour 5:00 PM, Dinner served @ 6:00 PM at the Polish Falcons Club 32 Bel Air Ave, in Pittsfield, MA. The contact for this event is Chris Rogers @ (413) 684-3837

# **Meetings**

All members please note regular club meeting is 6:30 PM on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month from September thru mid-April at the Polish Falcons Club located at 32 Bel Air Ave, in Pittsfield, MA.

# **Facebook**

The Berkshire Snow Seekers have been on Facebook for more than five years now! Just "like" us and you can post on our page. We will make every attempt to keep you up to date on the latest rides, events and snow conditions. Check out the latest pictures and videos and join in the fun.

# **Trail Coordinators**

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