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**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 5th, 7:00 pm,
at Johnny & Nancy's Country Tavern, Pennsdale**

ATV Fun Ride and Picnic—November 6, 2011

90+ Riders Enjoy ATVing and Raising Funds for Flood Relief

On Sunday, November 6, 2011, HLSORC held an ATV Fun Ride and Picnic at John and Chad Cropper's property in Montoursville. Over 90 people enjoyed a day of riding and food, all in the name of 'Flood Relief'. The event began at 10:00 a.m. and it didn't take long for riders to find the mud.

Lee and Shaun Evans were on hand with the Best Line PowerSports dealer display.

The Cropper's provided the coffee and donuts and a bonfire to warm up. While the sun shone bright all day it was pretty windy on top of the hill.

Ed Williams and Jim Hine served up a tasty hot sausage sandwiches, hamburgers, and hotdogs.

To kick start our fundraiser, during the November meeting the club voted to include our annual charitable donation of \$500.00 to the 'flood relief' cause. Instead of paying to ride, participants could donate to the 'flood relief' bucket.

Several members renewed their memberships and we had a few new members join that day. The club had voted to allow \$5.00 of each membership to be donated to the fundraiser flood relief.

The club held a 50/50 drawing with those proceeds also going to our 'flood relief' fundraiser.

The generosity of the participants at this event netted a sizable donation. After the event Jim Hine and Ed Williams delivered the donation to Travis Laylon.

Travis has been a long standing member and office of our club. During the flooding in September, the Laylon's had a first floor of water and lost all their vehicles (along with a snowmobile) due to the quick rising of Loyalsock Creek.

The Laylon's have been busy repairing their kitchen and preparing their nursery for the expected arrival of their first child in December.

Hopefully our contribution will help with preparations for Baby Laylon and make their Christmas season a little brighter.

THANK YOU,
John and Chad Cropper and family
for allowing us to hold
this event on your properties.

ATV Drag Race Results

Twenty-seven racer's participated in the second annual ATV Drag Races held in conjunction with the Rotary Club Balloon Fest at the Lycoming County Fairgrounds on September 18, 2011.

The 450 class brought the most entries with nine machines in the stock division and five in the modified division.

In the stock class, Steve Vandine, on his Suzuki LTR450 took first place, followed by Steve Herr 2nd and Brandon Shad 3rd. Taking first place in the modified division was Tyre Hornburger, on his 350 Banshee, followed by Dalton Roles 2nd and Kyle Kaiser 3rd.

The 400 class stock division had five entrees with Isaac Barto capturing first place, followed by Steve Barto 2nd and Pat Ray 3rd.

The Utility and UTV classes were combined for the day. Lisa Ketchum took the 1st place prize on her 700 King Quad. Second, third and fourth place were all 660 Rhinos ridden by Chris Bender, Ron Sweet and Mike Wright respectively.



The Open Modified division brought some interesting machines. Two riders laid down some fast times. Tyre Hornburger edged out Chris Bender on an alcohol powered Honda 3-wheeler.

Devlin Myers made some exhibition runs with his 100" wheelbase Yamaha Banshee. One hundred fifteen horsepower is really something to watch in just two hundred "short" feet.

All in all a great day of racing fun.

The club has been asked to return to the Rotary Balloon Fest, so keep September 15 and 16, 2012, open for next year's ATV Drag Racing event.

2012 Calendar of Events

- January 15**—PA Game Land Snowmobile Trails Open
January 21—Black Moshannon Snowmobile Club Poker Run at Mid State Airport
January 22—Weather Permitting—Snowmobiling at Mile Run—Bald Eagle State Forest or Trail Clearing at Ricketts Glen or Little Bear, or guided ATV Ride
February 4—(alternate date) Black Moshannon Snowmobile Club Poker Run at Mid State Airport
February 12 or 26—Clarkstown Nationals
March 16—Setup for King of the Mountain Event—Ski Sawmill, Morris, PA
March 17—King of the Mountain Event—Ski Sawmill
March 18—Teardown/cleanup for King of the Mountain Event—Ski Sawmill
April 7—NY Snirt Run—Tug Hill Area—ATVs / Snowmobiles
April 14—PSSA Annual Meeting—State College, PA
May 26—ATV Trails Open—possible Poker Run
June (Date TBD) Guided Ride—Bloody Skillet—SSRT
July (Date TBD) ATV Hill Climb Event—Ski Sawmill
August (Date TBD) possible Summerfest or ATV/ camping weekend event
September 16 - ATV Drag Races—Rotary Balloon Fest—Lycoming County Fairgrounds
October 6—Bus Trip to Big East PowerSports Show Syracuse, NY
October 28—Haunted ATV Poker Run
November (Date TBD) Trail Clearing at Ricketts Glenn or Little Bear, and/or ATV Ride
December 2—Toys for Tots—ATV Poker Run (dealers)
December (Date TBD) Trail Clearing at Ricketts Glen or Little Bear, and/or ATV Ride
 This event calendar is subject to change due to weather conditions.
 For the latest information please check our web at www.highlandlakerecreationclub.com

“King of the Mountain” Snowmobile Hill Climb Scheduled

The seventh annual “King of the Mountain” snowmobile hill climb event will be held on Saturday, March 17, 2012, at the Ski Sawmill Family Resort in Morris, PA.

This is an “800-foot drag race up the hill”.

STOCK Classes: 500 and under, 600 and under, 700 and under, 800 and under, and 1000 and under,

MOD Classes: 600, 800, and Open Mod,
1st place finishers in all classes compete for
“KING FOR THE MOUNTAIN!”



Payout for 1st and 2nd in each class.

The event is double elimination racing side by side up the hill.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT SNOW, WE WILL HAVE IT!

Last year's event was very well attended. Bring the entire family for a full day of fun. Family ski and tubing discounts, spectator chair lift rides, good food, and lodging are available.

For more information please contact event coordinators:

**Robert Rabb at 570-337-9560 or
Matt Rabb at 570-772-2379.**

View event information on the web at www.highlandlakerecreationclub.com or Facebook

200+ SLEDS EXPECTED—DON'T MISS OUT!

Did you know...

Your membership in the Highland Lake Snowmobile and Outdoor Recreation Club entitles you to **10% off non-sale parts, accessories, and apparel** at the following dealers:

Kurtz Kawasaki & Skidoo in Watsonstown,
Best Line Equipment in Pennsdale,
Ye Olde Cycle Barn in Hughesville and
Wheels of Williamsport

Just show your card at the time of purchase and receive your benefit on the spot. One member said how they recently saved over \$50!

We ask that all HLSORC members strongly support these sponsor members as their efforts within our club have helped us continue to grow. Without them, we wouldn't be where we are today.

Membership Renewal

If you have not yet renewed your membership for 2012, we certainly hope you would consider doing so.

We need your continued support. Membership applications can be found on the club website

www.highlandlakerecreationclub.com

or by attending a monthly meeting.

OFFICERS:

President: John Cropper
Vice President: Travis Layton
Secretary: Susan Iachini
Treasurer: Kim Bussler
Sergeant at Arms: Ed Williams

TRUSTEES:

Chad Cropper
 Ernie Shumbat
 Wes Zeisloft
 Shawn Downey

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

ATV: Chris Bender
By-Laws: Jim Hine
Membership: Mike Clementoni
Trail Development:
 Travis Layton & Jim Hine

Snowmobile: Robbie Rabb
Special Events: Todd Arthur
Legislative: Todd Arthur
Safety Training: Mike Getz
Recruitment: Susan Iachini

Rickett's Glen State Park Trail Clearing, Sunday, November 20, 2011...

Eleven individuals, of which eight were members of our club, worked along with Park Ranger, Mick Maneval, from 10:00 a.m. past dark clearing trees and rocks from the snowmobile trails within Rickett's Glen State Park. Transport UTV's were provided by John Cropper, Barry Hill, and John Richlin.

Currently there are 25 miles of snowmobile trails within the park, with an additional 20+ miles of snowmobile trails on the adjoining State Game Lands. Park officials have expressed an interest in expanding the snowmobile trails. An enormous amount of trail work will be needed to obtain this goal. Miles of trail clearing, bridge building, manpower, heavy equipment operators and grant funding are needed.

The Endless Mountains Regional Trail System Feasibility Study deemed Rickett's Glen State Park as an opportunity worth pursuing over time. The Park typically offers an abundance of snow depth, when other areas of Pennsylvania do not. A priority goal is to enhance the snowmobile trail (Old Bulldozer Trail) that begins off Route 118 at the parking area and climbs up the mountain. Enhancing this trail, would allow snowmobilers to park and unload in a safe area and eliminate the need to climb up the mountain road during snow and ice conditions.

It is important to note, that the snowmobile trails within the park and game lands do not open until January 15th, 2012.

The park offers heated cabins for rent (\$79 a night) during snowmobile season, plus trail side bathrooms. As of this time, no grooming of trails is performed within the Park or State Game Lands.

Ricketts Glen harbors Glens Natural Area, a National Natural Landmark. Take the Falls Trail and explore the Glens, which boasts a series of wild, free-flowing waterfalls, each cascading through rock-strewn clefts in this ancient hillside. The 94-foot Ganoga Falls is the highest of 22 named waterfalls. Old growth timber and diverse wildlife add to the scenic area. Ricketts Glen State Park is one of the most scenic areas in Pennsylvania. This large park is comprised of 13,050 acres in Luzerne, Sullivan and Columbia counties.

The park is 30 miles north of Bloomsburg on PA 487. The section of PA 487 from the town of Red Rock to the Lake Jean area of the park is a very steep road. Heavy trailer units should avoid this hill and enter the park by taking PA 487 south from Dushore. GPS Coordinates: DD: 41.335 N 76.301 W

Contact Information:

Ricketts Glen State Park
 695 State Route 487
 Benton, PA 17814
 570-477-5675

Manager: Terence Daltroff
 E-mail: rickettsglensp@pa.gov

<http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/stateparks/findapark/rickettsglen/index.htm>

Some Club Facts...

Club members by age group:

21–29	=	12%
30–39	=	13%
40–49	=	36%
50–59	=	21%
60–69	=	11%
70+	=	7%

Average Age = 47

Club members by activity:

87% snowmobilers

72% ATV riders

57% are BOTH snowmobile and ATV riders