

# Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club, Inc

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[www.gltrailblazers.com](http://www.gltrailblazers.com)  
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## Upcoming Events – see full schedule later in this newsletter

Our next club event is the **Hot Dog Ride**. Ride



leader **John Amerman 970-627-5482**, **303-618-4452** cell or [jagrandlake07@comcast.net](mailto:jagrandlake07@comcast.net).

Meet at **Idleglen** at **11:30 am December 12** for brats, dogs and fixin's. The food will be at the

last campsite on the right before Idleglen. We want to make sure folks who want to socialize, but may not want to ride can join us for the food part of this event. If there is enough snow, we'll ride after we eat. If the snow isn't deep enough to ride, we'll hang out and get to know each other better.

**Steak Ride, January 2.** Leader **Bill Sauter 970-627-8315** or **303-548-5184** cell. meet at Idleglen at



**11:00 am**, ready to ride at 11:30.

The ride will go to Odie Owl meadow to dedicate a plaque for Barb Merz and enjoy a steak.

Bring your own beverage. Barb was a great asset to the club and

we'll be remembering her and honoring her.

## Membership Renewal Time

It's that time of year; time to renew your membership. Your membership expires December 31 each year. Your membership supports your local club and the Colorado Snowmobile Association. It also supports our sport. If you belong to another snowmobile club in Colorado, you only need to pay the CSA portion once – your second membership is \$20 less. If your membership is processed before December 1<sup>st</sup>, you'll get the Snow Scoop, the CSA newsletter, all season long. If you don't get your January newsletter, be sure to drop me a line – I might have missed your renewal.



You can now renew your membership online at [www.snowmobilecolo.com](http://www.snowmobilecolo.com). There could be a delay between your online renewal and when we get your information. I am checking the website frequently,

but if you drop me an email to let me know you renewed I'll make sure there's no gap in your newsletters. I will also email you a few extra questions that we added to our membership form this year. Also, be sure to indicate you are renewing for Trail Blazers as well as CSA.

## Recent Events

November 28<sup>th</sup> we had the annual Pancake Breakfast. There wasn't much snow on the ground, and lots of bare spots.

About

38

people

came for

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pancakes, eggs, meats, coffee and juice. It was cold, but a good time was had by most. Marily

Movius decided to take a break ... actually she was tripped by a dog, slipped, and landed on her hip, breaking her femur. She is expected to recover quickly.

## Marilyn update

*"Well, guys...she is home and bouncing all around the house, folding clothes, rinsing dishes, picking up and going up and down our stairs...her only issue is comfortability when laying down and getting her leg in "just the right position". But the drugs help with that. I will try and save some of them for me..wheeee. Take care and thanks for the thoughts and prayers."* – John



## Snowmobile Safety Training

**December 19 & 20** the Trail Blazers are hosting Snowmobile Safety Training at the Grand Lake Fire Station. For more information, or to sign up, call **Debbie Mason 970-531-3480** or **Tom Mason 970-531-5812**. The Safety Training is for any rider of any age. Kids aged 10 – 16 can legally ride solo on public lands in Colorado (unless there are local regulations that override this rule, such as in Grand

Lake) if carrying their Safety Certificate. Saturday is the classroom session, from **8:00** to about **noon**. Participants should bring light snacks to get through the morning. They should also dress warmly – we will go outside to go over the parts of the snowmobile and basic riding positions. We will discuss many aspects of safety, riding, clothing, etc., to prepare riders for what they will encounter out on the trails. Sunday, we meet again at 8:00 to take a written test on the material covered Saturday. After the written test, each student goes to East Inlet to take a practical test of basic riding techniques and safety on a snowmobile. For the Sunday test, participants need to bring a snowmobile, helmet and adequate, warm clothing. Let's hope we get plenty of snow before then – right now it's pretty darned thin.

We will be needing helpers to help Larry Goscha set up and work the driving course on Sunday morning. If you can help, contact Tom or Debbie Mason (970-531-5812 or 3480 or Larry Goscha 970-627-5421). If we have the snow for it, course set-up can be done between 8:30 & 9:00 and the first riders could show up any time starting (probably) around 9 or so.

### **Become a business member!**

If you run a business you can't find a better advertising value. Any business membership gets listed in our newsletter and in the CSA Snow Scoop, if your business membership is processed before December 1<sup>st</sup>. Of course to get processed in time, it needs to arrive several days before that December 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. A business membership is only \$50! Think about becoming a business member. Even if you don't make it to many of the rides, you'll be supporting the sport and getting cheap advertising all over the state (and beyond).

### **Organizer Found!**

Kimbirly Orr has taken on the critical task of organizing the preparations for the Flight for Life Poker Run. Kimbirly has a professional background in organizing shows, fundraisers and other large events. If you can donate time, door prizes, money toward the cash prizes, services, or anything else that will make this event a huge success, contact Kimbirly at 303-601-6931 or [Kimbirly@hotmail.com](mailto:Kimbirly@hotmail.com).

### **Alpaca hats and more**

More of the Alpaca hats are in; they're \$35 each; knit finger puppets \$2 each; crocheted purses w/lining \$25 & \$15 each. Also jewelry: necklaces, earrings, some with bracelets \$20 per set. All items are hand-made in Peru. All proceeds go to Pat's Place, a home for battered women and their children in Lima. For hats or puppets, call Ron Bowen 970-887-2054. To see jewelry and purses, go to Tingle Massage in Grand Lake.



### **Trail Blazers web site has a new look**

Marshall Shovein has taken on the club's web site. He's also created a Facebook page for the club. There's a link from the web page to the Facebook page. You'll find detailed descriptions for the rides. Check out the new look and the new links at [www.gltrailblazers.com](http://www.gltrailblazers.com). Tell your friends & neighbors to check it out!

### **Extra Questions (not on CSA site)**

Are you available to ride weekdays?

Do you prefer Family Riding, Trail Riding, Off-Trail Riding, or all of the above?

May we include you in our member directory? It will include name, address, phone, email, riding preferences.

If you have more than one phone number, please include them, too.

The directory will be completed & distributed in late December. Drop me an email with the above information so your entry will be complete.

### **2009 – 2010 Ride Schedule**

*(Rides and events are removed after they occur)*

Saturday, **December 12 – 11:30 am** Hot Dog Ride  
Saturday & Sunday **December 19-20 –**  
Snowmobile Safety Class

Saturday, **January 2 – 11:30 am** Steak Ride  
Saturday, **January 2 – Board Meeting 5 pm**, Grand Lake Fire Station

Saturday, **January 16 – 9 am** Long Ride, Gould  
Friday - Sunday, **January 29-31 – Yahoo Ride**  
(limited to 13 MAX)



Saturday, **February 6** – Board Meeting **5 pm**,  
 Grand Lake Fire Station  
 Saturday, **February 13** – Poker Run to benefit  
 Flight For Life  
 Saturday, **February 27** – **7 pm** Moonlight Ride  
 Thursday – Sunday, **March 4-7** – Overnight Ride –  
 location to be determined  
 Saturday, **March 13** – Board Meeting **5 pm**, Grand  
 Lake Fire Station  
 Saturday, **April 3** – Board Meeting, Potluck &  
 Elections **5 pm**, Grand Lake Fire Station  
 Saturday, **May 22** – **10 am** Highway Clean-Up  
 Saturday, **June 5** – Board Meeting **5 pm**, Grand  
 Lake Fire Station  
 Saturday, **August 7** – Board Meeting **10 am**,  
**Summer Picnic noon**

### Board of Directors

President – Mike Ingle – 970-531-5940  
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A few photos from years past to whet your appetite



2007 Brown Bag Ride



2007 Moonlight Ride



2007 Long Ride

Please patronize our business members – be sure to tell them you saw them in the newsletter.

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**Zimmerman Construction**

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**Don't forget to renew your membership!**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
For  
**TRAIL BLAZERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB, INC.**

By joining the Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club, you are enabling us to support legislation which protects your snowmobile rights and areas. You will receive our newsletters, keeping you up-to-date on the latest snowmobiling news in this area, our meetings and our events, and also ***Snow Scoop*** publications containing information on statewide events and legislation affecting Colorado and neighboring states. \*As an additional benefit of this membership, you, your spouse, and minor children receive Colorado Snowmobile Association liability insurance, provided you are on a sanctioned club ride. If you enjoy snowmobiling in the Grand Lake area, help keep it open by joining the Trail Blazers.

**\*WE DO ENCOURAGE EACH OF YOU TO CARRY LIABILITY INSURANCE.**

(Please detach and mail with your payment)

**DUES ARE PAYABLE ANNUALLY, ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1**

Individual or Family Membership--\$40.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Business Membership--\$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please print clearly)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse (Significant Other) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Number in Family: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Sleds: \_\_\_\_\_ Names of children under 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: **Trail Blazers Snowmobile Club, Inc.**  
Mail check to: **P.O. Box 507**  
**Grand Lake, CO 80447-0507**

Please circle:      Renewal Membership      First-time membership

If first time, how did you learn of us? \_\_\_\_\_

How would you like to receive your newsletter? US Postal \_\_\_\_\_ or E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of another Snowmobile Club? NO \_\_\_\_\_, YES \_\_\_\_\_ If YES Club name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Are you available to ride during the week? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_

May we include you in our member directory? (Published in late December) No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_

What kind of riding do you prefer? Family \_\_\_\_\_ Trail \_\_\_\_\_ Off-Trail \_\_\_\_\_