

# CATO TRAIL BLAZERS

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## SNOWMOBILE SEASON IS GETTING CLOSER

It may seem strange getting this in the heart of summer. We just experienced a stunning solar eclipse, a wet then dry summer, and crazy temperature swings. But the truth is, in 4 months, we could be under several inches of snow (fingers crossed). The snowmobile season is just around the corner. The first meeting is September 14, and the Open House is Sept 23. As you put your summer toys away its time to dust off your favorite toy (snowmobile duh) and get that ready. This also means joining the club and registering your snowmobile. Don't be that last minute person; our membership secretary rides too.

**Open House Sept 23 10-1**  
Our annual open house is Sept 23 10-1, at our clubhouse on Stockwell Rd. As usually, we'll cook you lunch, free, and we'll have some brand new sleds for you to look at, courtesy of Bibbens, Cooks, and D&D in Cato. Swing by, meet some people, grab lunch, join the club. **Want a free trail map?** Join the club at the open house and get a free trail map! Bring the kids, as families are welcome. Kids love sitting on new snowmobiles and checking out the groomers. It's \$30 to join the club (which is the state minimum).

As more and more of us are learning to use technology, there are cool and helpful things available. Visit our website and check out the snowmobile webmap. There is a free version and a paid version. Both overlay the trail maps over roads and landmarks. Very helpful for planning routes or if riding on unfamiliar trails. But all tech can fail, they only last as long as the power source. So don't forget the good ole' fashion paper trail map. They are \$5 for latest version or come get a recent version for free at the Open House when you join the club.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our club is operated by volunteers. We have no paid positions. We have people with a variety of skills that help us out, which helps make great trails and enjoyable snowmobile experience. We have computer people, mechanics,

Excavator operators, chain saw operators, book keepers, photographers, ATV drivers, thinkers, and general laborers. There is a task for everyone. I joined the club not knowing a single person here, I didn't grow up here. Snowmobiling and joining the club has helped me learn more about my community and make many new friends. Feel free stop in for a meeting, open house, or just contact a board member. Trail work and others stuff is just around the corner.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Sept 14 – Meeting 7:30pm
- Sept 23 – Open House 10-1
- Oct 12 – Meeting 7:30pm

### Board Members

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Long Term forecasts predict another brutal winter! Yeah, they said that last year, but we have to get snow sometime. So get your sled ready