

## Chautauqua Lake Snowmobile Club

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## Club Elections And End Of Season Party

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Friday, March 23, 2012, 8:26:00 AM | [admin](#) 

ELECTIONS FOR BOD AND OFFICERSElections will be held on Wednesday April 4th, 7:30PM at the Clubhouse on Hannum Rd. All positions are open. President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, 3 Board positions, Landowner Coordinator, Safety Coordinator, Activities Coordinator, Membership Coordinator, and Fundraising Coordinator.END OF SEASON PARTYParty will be at the Sherman Fire hall in Sherman NY on May 12th. Doors open at 5 and dinner will be at 6. Kids 10 and under are \$6 presale and \$8 at the door. Adults are \$12 presale and \$15 at the door. Ticket money must be post marked by Monday April 30th. Send money to: CLSC c/o Bob Perry, PO Box 356 Clymer NY, 14724

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## TRAILS CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

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Thursday, March 15, 2012, 8:16:00 PM | [admin](#) 

Sorry to say that we are picking up the trail signs and writing off this winter as a bust. Thank you to all members that joined this year and we hope to see you again next year.

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## Work Party To Pickup Trail Signs - 3/17

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Thursday, March 15, 2012, 8:14:00 PM | [admin](#) 

We will be having a work party Saturday morning 3/17 @ 8am. We will meet at the clubhouse on Hannum rd in Mayville, to remove trail signs. Bring a four-wheeler or side by side if you have one. Any help will be appreciated.

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## TRAILS CLOSED - NO BASE

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Monday, February 13, 2012, 2:14:00 PM | [admin](#) 

Trails are closed at this time due to no base. The light fluffy snow was just enough to open them for a day and that was it. The sun and wind have created many bare spots so until we get more snow the trails system is closed at this time.

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## TRAILS OPEN - CONDITIONS VERY POOR

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Sunday, February 12, 2012, 11:38:00 AM | [admin](#) 

We recieved about 8-12 inches of snow over the past few days but its very fluffy and does not pack well. Trails are open at this time but conditions are very poor with little base and water/mud holes all over. The high winds also have thin/bare spots all

over the hills. Please use caution when riding and keep to the CLSC trails at this time as other clubs have yet to open their trails. It might not be worth the trip for out of town riders but for locals the trails are open at this time.

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## Trail Work Party January 28th @ 9AM

Tuesday, January 24, 2012, 10:21:00 PM | [admin](#) →

We are having a work party this Saturday the 28th @ 9AM to clean up the trails after the wind storms the past two weeks. We are meeting at the clubhouse on Hannum Rd. Bring gloves, chain saws, ATV's or just yourself. Any help is appreciated.

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## TRAILS STILL CLOSED

Saturday, January 21, 2012, 9:52:00 PM | [admin](#) →

Well Mother Nature was a letdown once again in the snow department. Not enough snow fell last night to open the trails this weekend and warmer weather and 50 degree temps are on the way. This will for sure have us starting over once again waiting for the next big storm. With the little snow also brought out careless riders out riding on our closed trails upsetting landowners. These are in no doubt local riders so they should know better. We continue to express how important it is to stay off these trails until opened. Everyone wants to ride, however there are 1% of riders that don't think rules apply to them. If you see one of these riders, express your concern to them letting them know they are ruining it for you and your fellow riders that obey the rules. Making them feel like a second class citizen might be enough for them to get the point!

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## TRAILS CLOSED - NO BASE

Friday, January 20, 2012, 8:45:00 AM | [admin](#) →

Trails are currently closed at this time due to no base. We have received a little snow over the past couple days and more expected tonight (1/20) but we don't have enough to open the trail system as of yet. If trails get enough snow tonight we will post a message Saturday afternoon, otherwise please stay off the trails until you see a message saying they are open.

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## Trails Closed - Conditions Poor

Monday, January 16, 2012, 3:50:00 PM | [admin](#) →

Trails are currently closed due to the warm weather and no base. Please stay off the trails until we receive more snow and colder temps to build a decent base for riding. The winter feast has also been postponed for this weekend. We will post another date should we get more snow.

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## Two Trails Closed Off for Snowmobilers

Monday, January 16, 2012, 8:06:00 AM | [admin](#) →

After much anticipation, trails officially opened Saturday for snowmobilers across Chautauqua County. However, the day was bittersweet, as some landowners closed off trails because of trespassing concerns. YNN's Katie Cummings talks with an area

snowmobile club and landowner on how it affected the season. [Click Here To Read Article](#) Due to the lack of respect from some riders, landowners nearly closed a 9 mile stretch of trail from French Creek to Pine Junction and also S52 toward the Busti we have worked over 10 years to put together has been closed for the season. The trail from French Creek to Pine Junction is open again due to a gracious landowner so lets keep it that way. We cannot express how meaningful it is to stay off the trails as we only have so many landowners in our county. The continual lack of respect from a few roage riders will make riding in the county impossible if we don't have landowner support French Creek Trail has been reopened once the trails reopen, please keep it this way by staying off closed trails

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## TRAILS OPEN AS OF 1/14 @ 11:20AM

Saturday, January 14, 2012, 11:01:00 AM | [admin](#) →

It is Saturday January 14th and trails are OPEN at this time. We have received approximately 12-20 inches of new snow but it is light and fluffy and hard to pack. Trails are in very poor condition due to the unfrozen ground in spots and standing water so please be careful. Also watch for downed trees on the trail and take it easy until we can get some more cold weather and snowbase. Due to the lack of respect from some riders, landowners have closed a 9 mile stretch of trail from French Creek to Pine Junction and also S52 toward the Busti we have worked over 10 years to put together. These closings put a damper on the season already and landowners will close more trails and prosecute trespassers if the closed trail riding continues. We cannot express how meaningful it is to stay off the trails as we only have so many landowners in our county. The continual lack of respect from a few roage riders will make riding in the county impossible if we don't have landowner support.

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## Weiner Roast Cancelled

Wednesday, January 04, 2012, 11:34:00 AM | [admin](#) →

The Weiner Roast for this weekend has been cancelled due to lack of snow and warmer weather in the forecast.

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## Trails Closed

Monday, January 02, 2012, 1:33:00 PM | [admin](#) →

Trails are closed as of 1/2 but it is snowing at this time. A large storm is expected but we need a ton of snow due to the large amounts of water on the trails. Colder weather and snow are coming but conditions are not rideable at this time. This message will update when trials are open.

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## TRAILS CLOSED - NOT ENOUGH SNOW

Wednesday, December 28, 2011, 9:37:00 PM | [admin](#) →

Trails did not open for the start of the season and remain closed due to lack of base. We do have a bit of snow but need colder temps and more snow for the trails to open.

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## In Search Of Webcam Sponsors

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Saturday, December 17, 2011, 10:14:00 PM | admin →

We are currently seeking sponsors (business or person) for our clubhouse webcam for the months of Jan, Feb, and March of 2012. Sponsorship is \$100 for all 3 months, and the more sponsors we get, the more webcams we can purchase and place at other locations on our trailsystem. We will place your business ad or personal ad on the access page that connects you to the camera. Our webcams are used frequently for up to date weather conditions by our 2300+ members and other non-members who ride in our area. If interested contact Steve Smith @ [steveandbrandy@bluefrog.com](mailto:steveandbrandy@bluefrog.com)

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## 2012 NYSSA Super Raffle

Saturday, December 17, 2011, 10:03:00 PM | admin →

Enclosed with your latest newsletter are raffle tickets for the 2012 NYSSA Super Raffle. Tickets are \$5 each and CLSC keeps \$2.50 from every ticket sold! Please make your check payable to:Chautauqua Lake Snowmobile Club.P.O BOX 134Mayville, NY 14757Tickets need to be returned by April 7th.1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizes:2012 Polaris Rush 600, 2012 Ski-Doo MXZ 600, 2012 Arctic Cat F570

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## Why You Need To Care About the NY State "Road Tax"

Saturday, December 17, 2011, 10:01:00 PM | admin →

Ever wonder where the "Road Tax" goes when you purchase fuel for your sled? When filling up on the trails please remember to go inside the gas station and ask to sign the log sheet for your gas purchase. New York State will reimburse participating clubs \$.08 per gallon of road tax for all fuel sold for use in your snowmobiles. Many Gas Station's on our trail system are taking the extra step in supporting our Club by keeping the log sheets and collecting the receipts throughout the season!.If you are filling up after hours with a credit card, you can hold on to your receipt,and sign the log sheet the next time you purchase gas. Our club has risen close to\$2000 just by you filling up and turning in the duplicate receipt inside!

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## Getting Ready For The Start Of The 2012 Season!

Saturday, December 17, 2011, 9:57:00 PM | admin →

Winter is here and there is one thing on our minds and that's riding our sleds! This off season has been a challenge for ALL of our trail captains. Due to the lack of respect for landowner's properties, Our club had to replace a couple of our landowner's trees, and they were very pleased with us after taking care of the damage after the whole destruction incident...(there is still a \$500 reward for arrest and conviction of the person(s) who did the damage.) However, the trail has been changed in French Creek to the tune of at least \$4000+ in materials and many volunteer hours for the new trail.There have been many trail changes in Findley Lake, Sherman, and French Creek, Mayville, Brocton, and Panama due to issues with snowmobilers not staying on the designated trails as per landowner agreement and trail markings! This costs a lot of time, money, and hard labor by a select few for those that don't abide by the rules. Remember it is a privilege to ride on someone else's property.....STAY ON TRAIL OR STAY HOME! To the good thought, we do have more new trails this year....2 in the Mayville State Lands, one near Brocton and you can now access Fuel in Brocton and the trail going to Busti, NY, but to make the trail in Busti go further, we need many new volunteers from the Frewsburg, NY area to help with this advancement and dollars to be found to make this happen. So for now, you can get in town to Busti but that's all for this year.Our club has also purchased a 2006 BR 180 and 3 2011 Mogul Master 18-09, 11 Blade Drags! You will also see many improvements on the Findley Lake trail and Mayville-Stockton trail all made wider, and smoother Due to all the new changes, please be aware of the postings/markings and stay in the designated marked areas. Please respect the landowner.....no gestures or

complaining...without them our trails would not be possible!Another new thing we are doing this year is going paperless. Our club spends thousands of dollars on mailings which could be used for fuel for our groomer fleet. A night of grooming cost's the club over \$1000 in fuel and we groom 4 nights a week (sometimes 7 in some areas) with all 9 of our Groomers! Our club has figured out to be an average of over \$1000 PER-MILE to operate our 200+ mile trail system every year.You will receive your membership renewal in the late summer via US Mail and your membership packet which you just received. All we ask you to do is add your email address so we can get your voucher to you in the fall after you sent in you payment for renewal to CLSC. We DO NOT distribute or sell our membership list to anyone! We will be sending our info for the end of season party later this year via email and any other communications we may need to send, and always check the club website [www.chautauquasnow.com](http://www.chautauquasnow.com) for trail closures, openings and events!

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## Trail Work Parties - HELP NEEDED

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Tuesday, September 20, 2011, 2:39:00 PM | [admin](#) 

WE NEED YOUR HELP!! We have trail work parties every Saturday and Sunday from Labor Day Weekend until all the signs are up and trails are open.Bring your 4-wheelers, chain saws, or just come and help clear brush, and post trail signs with us. Lunch is usually provided, call Chris Jaynes @ 716-326-4772, Bill Ottaway @ 716-753-0504 or Steve Smith @ 716-792-9802/ ([clscpresident@chautauquasnow.com](mailto:clscpresident@chautauquasnow.com)) to get on a scheduled work party.Those who work 15 hours on the trails will receive a 10% Bonus Program Gold Card, and those who work 25 or more hours will earn a 15% Platinum Card. This program makes it easy for the membership and businesses to share the costs of trail maintenance. After all, we both benefit from well maintained and groomed trails!

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## 2011-2012 President's Message

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Thursday, September 01, 2011, 10:00:00 AM | [admin](#) 

The days are getting shorter and the nights are getting longer. It only means one thing... WINTER IS COMING! It's time to pull those sleds out of storage and get them ready to hit the trails this winter.The CLSC Board Members and Club Officers are working hard on developing a plan to make this the best season ever by improving trails, updating groomers, grooming equipment(drags), signage, widening trails, and bridges.The Club is always looking for members that can come out and lend a hand to get the trails ready. It may sound like hard work, but you get a good feeling that you helped and made a difference to your trail system that we all love to ride in the winter. Please check the club website for upcoming work parties.If you can't come out and help with trail maintenance please help the club by donating to the Groomer Fund. 100% of your donations go directly to the groomer fund which helps pay for things like diesel, parts, drags, new groomers and safety equipment so you don't encounter a groomer head on! Also, I would like to thank members for making CLSC the largest snowmobile club in NYS with close to 2300 members! This could not have happened without you!Don't forget to check out the club activity card when you receive your membership package. Every weekend during the riding season we have an event going on whether it's a dinner ride or a member part at various locations! We are the only club in Chautauqua County to offer something to our members EVERY weekend and that's what makes it worth joining the Chautauqua County Snowmobile Club!Click Here For The Complete 2011-2012 NewsletterStay to the right and stay safeSteve SmithPresident, Chautauqua Lake Snowmobile Club

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## 2011-2012 Membership News

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Thursday, September 01, 2011, 10:00:00 AM | [admin](#) 

I would like to start out by thanking all of you for making the Chautauqua Lake Snowmobile Club one the largest snowmobile

clubs in New York State with over 2300 members! I would like to take the time to introduce myself. My name is Beth Perry and I have taken over the Membership Coordinator position for CLSC. I'm so excited to be stepping in as Membership Coordinator! I have been working along with Brandy the last couple of years and hope to keep up the excellent job she has been doing. I feel that consistent increase in memberships just shows that the CLSC is the best out there. Well it's hard to believe that it's that time of year again... So, you have received your snowmobile registrations in the mail and you're wondering, what is the easiest way to receive the club membership discount and register my snowmobiles? There are several options to pick from: You can join CLSC by mailing your membership application directly to the membership coordinator @ CLSC membership, 5600 Springbrook Rd, Dewittville, NY 14728. Please allow 2 weeks for processing time. You can join our club online with a credit card via the NYSSA website @ <https://membership.nyssnowassoc.org/> and receive your voucher immediately. If you are registering through the NYSSA you will not have the ability to buy a clubhouse key or join our trail bonus program during the checkout process. You can also apply for a CLSC membership in person at any Chautauqua County DMV office should you wait until the last minute to register your sled. The DMV has membership applications located in their offices. We do encourage everyone to sign up as early as possible so we can get the money into the trails to help pay for gas and maintenance on equipment. To view all the benefits of our club please view our membership page on the website. If you have not received your membership within two weeks please feel free to call and check on the status. Please be patient, all the work that is done for the CLSC is voluntary and is done around our full time jobs.

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## Help With The Trails And Get 10-15% Bonus Cards

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Thursday, September 01, 2011, 10:00:00 AM | [admin](#) →

Your help is desperately needed to get our trail system up and ready for the 2011-2012 season! Bring your 4-wheelers, chain saws, or just come and help clear brush, and post trail signs with us. Lunch is usually provided, call Steve Smith at 716-753-6704 or Jeff Richards at 716-753-6960 to get on a scheduled work party. Those who work 15 hours on the trails will receive a 10% Bonus Program Gold Card, and those who work 25 or more hours will earn a 15% Platinum Card. This program makes it easy for the membership and businesses to share the costs of trail maintenance. After all, we both benefit from well maintained and groomed trails! Come out and support the bonus program, participating local businesses and most importantly - support the club! Remember - Trail Sponsor Bonus Program Cards are good for twelve months. The money you will save with all the available discounts will outweigh the up-front cost of your donation. 100% of the money earned by the Bonus Program is used for the purchase of groomers, groomer fuel and trail maintenance.

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## 2009-2011 Season Summary & News History

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Friday, December 31, 2010, 11:16:00 PM | [admin](#) →

Below are PDF documents of the entire season's trail updates for historical/legal purposes containing open and close dates. [CLICK FOR 2009-2010 SEASON SUMMARY](#). [CLICK FOR 2010-2011 SEASON SUMMARY](#).

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