



FSA INFORMER

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December 2008

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President's Corner

As I sit here and write this letter , before I go in to put the turkey in for Thanksgiving Dinner, I am reminded of all the things that have happened this past year. We lost a great friend and snowmobiler, Bret Sickmann, he was always there when you needed a hand. In a few days, God willing, I will be a grandfather for the second time. It seems the good Lord gives a little and takes a little. With the economy like it is, the one bright spot is gas has come full circle and it won't cost so much to fill your sled if it ever雪s, we won't be able to go very far but we have great riding right here.

The Forest service claims they are working to get the March 15 closure lifted, so time will tell how that plays out. The next meeting will be at Penco and I understand it will have an avalanche program as part of the meeting. I am sure we can all use a little refresher on that subject. There is a group trying to put together some snow cross races at the speedway between Kalispell and Whitefish this winter. I suggested they come to the next meeting a give us an up date as to their plans and program. Anyone interested, should come to the meeting it should be interesting. I hope everyone has a great Thanksgiving and we will see you at the meeting.

Bill

Join us for the December Meeting at
Penco
Tuesday, December 9
7pm.
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Bring a friend. The Forest Service will be conducting the Avalanche Awareness Class and there will be drawings for a \$75 Give Certificate from Kurt's and a \$50 Gas Card from Mikes Conoco.

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Dealer of the Month

Penco Power Products, was founded in 1985 by the Penrod brothers. Jeff, Kirk, and Vaughn Penrod began their operation as a small engine and auto repair shop in Bigfork, MT. This small business slowly began to grow, introducing new opportunities to expand. Taking their chances in the motor sports industry, the Penrod brothers added Arctic Cat to their expanding family. In 1990, the Penrod brothers took another risky business venture by purchasing a Yamaha franchise and making their business what you see today.

Leading the pack in power sports, Penco Power Products is now centrally located in Kalispell, MT and has expanded by approximately 5,000sq feet into a custom built home for Yamaha, KTM, and Walker Lawn Equipment sales.

Penco considers the community to be the life blood of their operation and eagerly gives back to the community. Throughout the summer and into the winter, weekends are set aside for community events such as open houses, rider courses, family fun and games, and barbeques! Winners of these fun competitions are often rewarded with cash and merchandise prizes. Penco holds customer rides that entail dirt and rocks for off-road riding and snow courses for the winter months.

Helping to keep riders safe, Penco offers a variety of tools, products, and safety training courses. Our local racers are offered sponsorship and discounts on parts and labor. Throughout the year, Penco gives to the community by donating coats to help keep children warm. Cash and products are donated yearly to assist fund raisers such as W.I.N.G.S cancer society, and St. Judes Children's Hospital and the Flathead Snowmobile Association's Pray for Snow Party. Area police, fire departments, schools, food banks. Local charities are all included in the Penco's extended family. We believe in giving back to those who support and help us grow! Penco has a strong ethic and business background.

Our Penco home is open to anyone needing or willing to take a chance on letting us serve them.

Penco will be hosting the club meeting December 8th at 7pm. The Forest Service will be there conducting the Avalanche Awareness Class. Be sure to join us.

Calendar of Events

December 9

January 13

January 18

February 10th

February 15th

March 10

March 15th

Meeting at Penco

Meeting at Jesco

Family Day Ride hosted by Jeff & Darlene Cameron

Meeting at Fastoys

Family Day Ride hosted by the McPhee family.

Meeting at Kurt's

Family Day Ride and last day of snowmobiling
on the Flathead National Forest,

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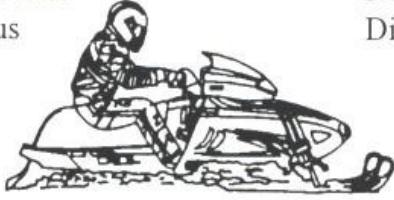
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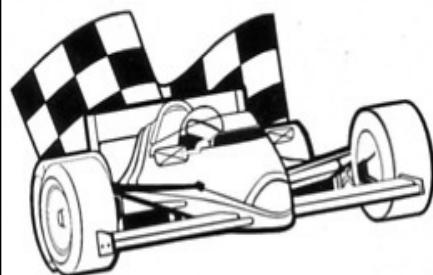
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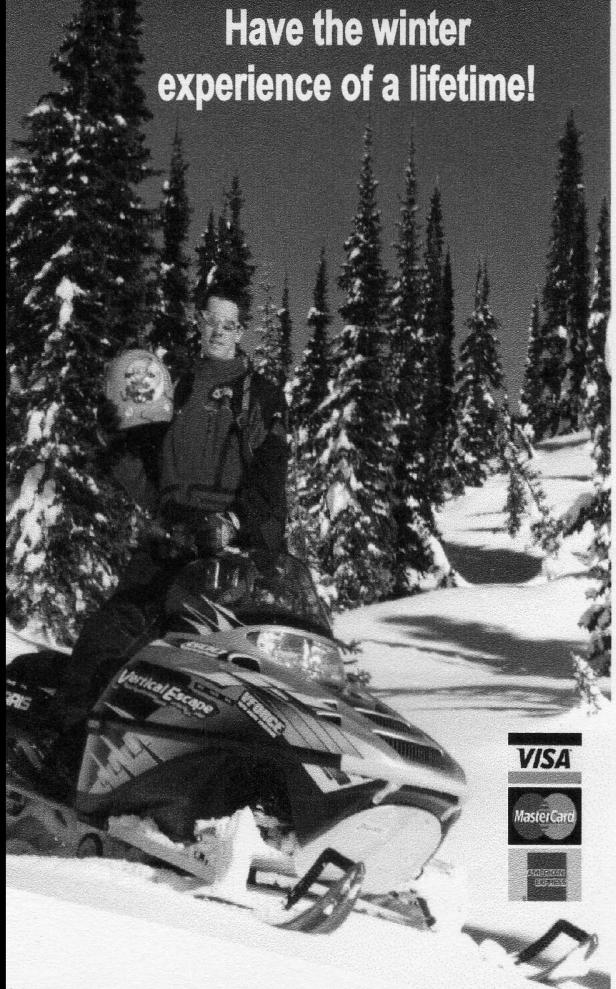
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|--|-------------------|
| () Pray for snow party | November 8, 2008 |
| () Night of Lights (Columbia Falls) | December 2008 |
| () January Family Day Ride | January 18, 2008 |
| () Whitefish Winter Carnival | February 2009 |
| () February Family Day Ride | February 16, 2008 |
| () March Family Day Ride/Doug Bettors | March 7, 2008 |

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5th Annual Pray for Snow Party a Success

The Pray for Snow Party was held at Shakers Restaurant in Whitefish. It was well attended and lots of fun. The food was wonderful and thanks for the many business that supported us we were able to have a successful silent auction and great giveaways.

A function like this cannot be held without the hard work of volunteers and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Brian and Michelle Fey, Devonna Benware, Glen Kolodejchuk, Dana Hayword, Dave Slack and Rick David who helped contact businesses and gather prizes.

Our dealers that gave gifts are to be especially thanked. They went out of their way to attend and bring sleds for us to see. My heartfelt apologies go to them because the lighting where the sleds were was not adequate.

We presented our plaques for Dealer of the Year—Kurt's Polaris, Business of the Year—S&S Campers and Snowmobiler of the Year—shared by Robbie Holman and Rick and Tammy David.

Thanks to Chris and Liz Hanson we had a nice large flat screen tv to watch videos and George Miletich of Music One helped with a sound system.

Functions like this are fun to attend so always remember that if you are attending, chances are someone else has worked hard to make sure the event happens. Take a moment to thank your volunteers—they deserve it.
Marie Lewis

Season's Greetings



Grooming Report

We are ready to go. One groomer is up and running the other shortly. The Forest Service is finishing up on the 'challenge cost share' agreement. We just need snow.

Robbie

Meeting Winners

Bruce Jugnitsch won the \$75 gift certificate from Kurt's Polaris.

Dave Slack won the split the pot.



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