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December 2009

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING IS ON December 17th
at the American Legion Tillman Post in Akron at 7:30PM**

**Next Board Meeting: January 14th at Pour Boyz,
6241 S. Transit Road in Lockport at 7:00PM**

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Club Headlines

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- **Other Meetings:**
- **Board Meeting: January 14th** at 7:00PM Pour Boyz 6241 S. Transit Road in Lockport.
- **General Meeting: January 28th** at 7:30 PM at American Legion Tillman Post, 9 Eckerson Avenue in the Village of Akron.

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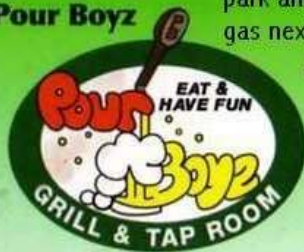
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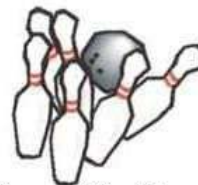
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President's Page

Thanks (again) to our landowners

For the 200+ people that attended our landowner appreciation party last Sat night, thank you for coming! I hope you had a great time. For those who missed it...we had the biggest one to date! Tons of great prizes, food, and a full house made it the best one yet!

And of course, this party is really for the landowners who offer the use of their land for the trail system. We've said it countless times before. Without *all* the pieces in place there would be *no* trail system in WNY.

I want to thank all the donators and those who worked hard to make that possible. It goes to show you that we can accomplish a lot when people volunteer. It can be done – thanks! Check out the list of supporters in this issue and thank them when you see them.

Dec 12th also marked another significant event in the history of our club. We took delivery of the new groomer! It was parked outside at the party so I hope you had a minute to see it. I hope the next time you see it; it'll be grooming our trails! A huge thanks to Bill at Peronne, Rich Wood, and Dan Dressel for making the 12+ hour drive to go get it. Think snow!

See you at our next meeting on the 17th.

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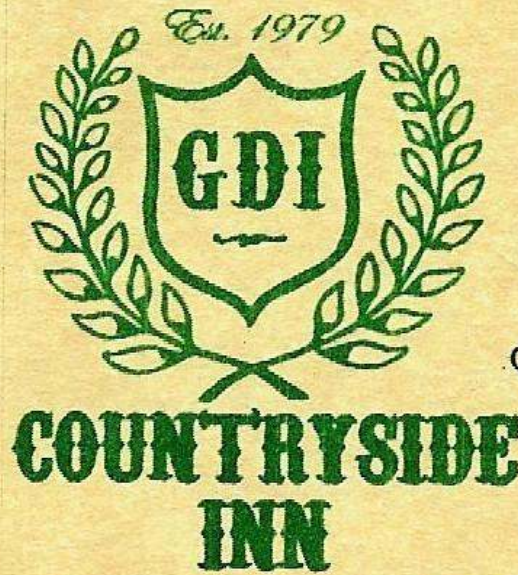
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Things are looking real good so far from the Niagara Co. side of town. As of DEC 10th, most of the trails have been installed with the rest to be put in after hunting season. I am currently trying to connect the trail up to Orleans Co. and also working on the north side of Gasport. If there is any one out there that could help with this that would be of great help. Now the want list - we are in the need for stakes and signs. I am sure there are still some out there that are stored some place not being used-we need to locate them. Thanks to the ones who have made it thru the water and mud installing their section of trail.

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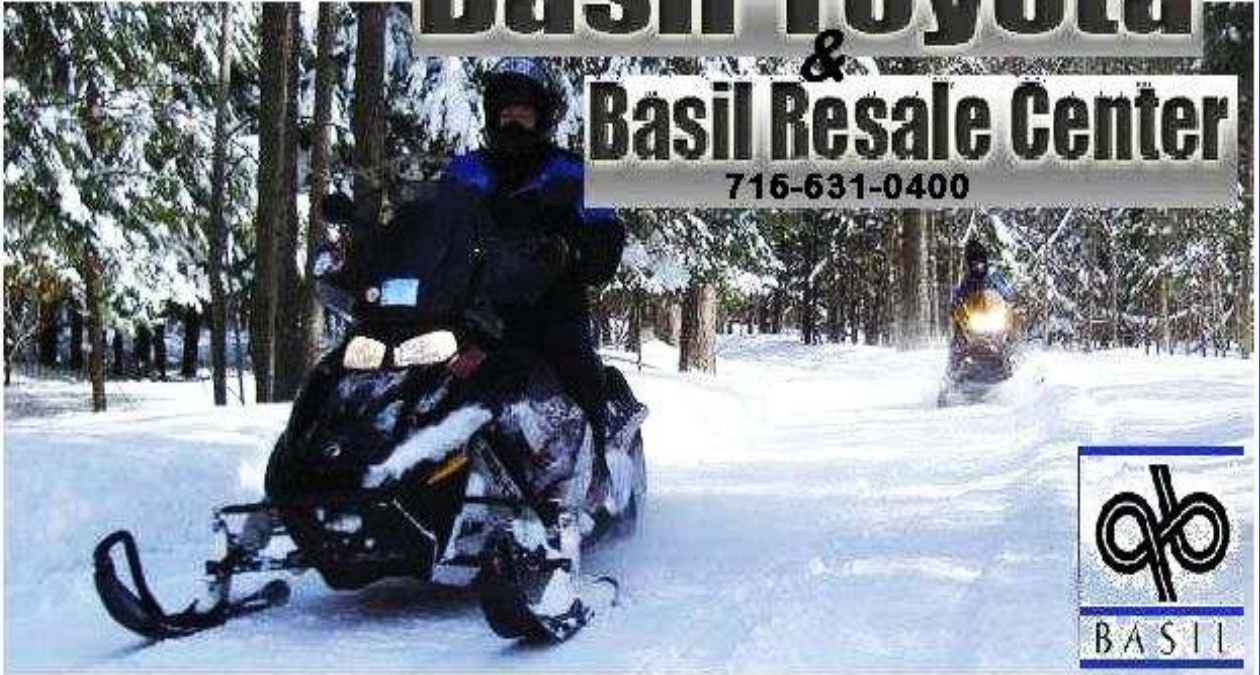
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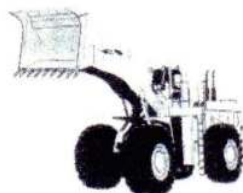
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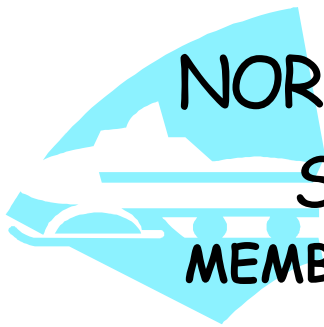
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