



On behalf of the Trailblazers Snowmobile club, the Town of Whitecourt, and Woodlands County, we would like to welcome you to the Snowmobile Capital of Alberta !

### **Trail Pass & Club Information**

**1** - 75% of the money raised from trail pass sales goes right back into the trail system here in Whitecourt if you purchase your trail pass (either annual pass or day pass) from Whitecourt. Thank you for your support.

**2** - Whitecourt Trailblazers will sell 300 – 400 annual passes this year and another 500 – 700 day passes. The money raised from the sales of those passes will only cover 50% of the overall grooming and trail maintenance costs for the season. We have (2) two sno-cats and trail drag systems (valued at \$300,000.00) and we groom the more popular trails weekly. Some of the trails with less traffic will be groomed every 2 – 3 weeks, as conditions warrant. Grooming costs are in the \$15 per KM range. A \$20 trail pass will offset grooming costs for 1 km of trail, and an Annual Trail Pass will offset the grooming costs for 2 kms of trail. We plan on grooming 2000 – 3000 kms during the upcoming season!

**3** - The Club has approximately 40 active members (of the 400 annual passes sold) who contribute by way of volunteering to help raise additional funding to offset trail maintenance costs. Some of the Clubs major fund raising events include our annual snowmobile rally (each year on the February Family Day weekend), an annual new Sled raffle for \$5 per ticket, as well as other efforts. In addition, club efforts are supported by many local businesses, and municipal governments. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please visit our website [www.whitecourtrailblazers.ca](http://www.whitecourtrailblazers.ca), and send us an email. Our group of 40 active club members volunteer 4000 hours per year as a group with some members volunteering more than 500 hours annually. Please keep in mind that our Club volunteers are sledders just like you, and we can use your help.

**4** - Please use respect on the trails, keep to the right and watch for oncoming traffic. Please obey all Caution and Stop signs. Dress for the conditions and ride within your experience and skill level.

**5** - The lookouts and the warm-up shelters are maintained by volunteers for your enjoyment. Please leave them in better condition than you found them. We have provided garbage cans at all these locations, but we encourage riders to take their own trash out with them. If you carried it in, you can take the trash out with you when you leave.

**6** – In the past few years we've expanded our trail system and we now maintain 465 kms of trails. We've also made an effort to improve the signage throughout the trail system. Trail maps are available on-line at our club website. We are also working on improving our smart phone trail map and hope to have this available in January 2013.

Thank you for supporting Organized Snowmobiling in the Snowmobile Capital of Alberta!

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