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# Trail Sweepings

The Newsletter of the  
**Trailsweepers Snow and Sports Club, Inc.**

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## Annual Almost-Summer Bash

Sunday, **June 21th** at Noon

Another one of those *don't miss it* party. Our annual BBQ get together in the pavilion of the *George Freer Memorial Park* along the river in Port Ewen. We know, it's Father's Day, so bring your kids or dad along. Bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. The club provides chicken, burgers, hotdogs, sodas, paper/plasticware and a keg of cool beer.



In order to have enough food for everyone, you need to sign up **by Sunday June 14th** and let us know what you'll bring.

***No glass allowed in park,. Use plastic mugs, bring your wine in a water bottle or keep in your cooler.***

For details and signup, contact:

Jim Tomassetti (331-2324) [jimtom@cadence.com](mailto:jimtom@cadence.com)

Rick Fick (914-443-4060) [rjje@msn.com](mailto:rjje@msn.com)



For those needing to shed a few calories ahead of the party, a road bike ride will gather at 9AM and leave the park at 9:30AM

### Directions:

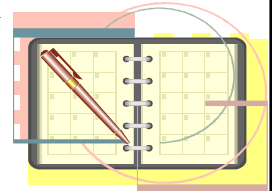
- From Kingston, take 9W South over the Rondout.
- Proceed through next light, then take first left on Canal Street and follow it to the bottom.



## Yearly Calendar Planning Meeting

Wednesday, June 17 at 6:30

We'll have our annual planning meeting to refine dates and ownership of the upcoming season activities. Bring in some fresh ideas to the board or offer to lead one activity.



Bring a salad, dessert or side dish to share and your own drinks. It will be held at **Dale Ziegenfelder's** house on :

High Rocks Rd  
Glenford, NY 12433  
657-6312

### Directions:

- From the Thruway traffic circle
- Take RT-28 West for 7.4 mi to Glenford sign
- Slight right onto Old RT-28 for 0.6 miles
- At the white church, turn right and take Ohayo Mountain Rd for 1 mi
- Slight left onto High Rocks Rd. Drive way is 0.4 miles up

**Dale Ziegenfelder**



**Summer meeting hours  
are now at 8:30PM**



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### Social Events

#### Holiday Party

Yvonne Baker 331-1068

#### Fall Kickoff Party

Janet Mihm 246-1742

#### Spring Banquet

Dale Ziegenfelder 657-6312

## Weekly Bike Rides

### Mountain Bike Ride

#### Wednesdays:

Biking at Minnewaska. We meet at the Traps parking lot. Ride leaves at 5:30 till about 8:00pm. Followed by beer, soda and pizza at *My Hero's*. We have both B and C groups riding now, neither group will leave anybody behind.

**Rick Fick** 914-443-4060



### Road Rides

#### Wednesdays:

The Wednesday ride starts at Bike Brothers bike shop and leaves at 6 PM. This is a fast A ride.

#### Thursdays:

The ride leaves at 6 PM from Dietz Stadium in Kingston. A B/B+ ride, usually 25 to 40 miles.

**Jim Tomassetti** 331-2324



## President's Column



Hello all,  
sorry I missed last month's newsletter. Amie and I were off enjoying a vacation. The summer is starting off great. The mountain biking and road rides are going good and well attended. Kayaking is also off to a good start.

There is a planning meeting scheduled for Wednesday June 17th at Dale and Diana's at 6 o'clock. I know our new program chair, Josh, is working on some good presentations and thanks to Dave for organizing the happy hours. Enjoy the summer and see you at the meetings.

Kevin

[president@trailsweepers.org](mailto:president@trailsweepers.org)

## Proposed Summer Budget



### Voted on at 5/28 meeting

Hiking \$100  
Kick Off Party \$200  
Summer Bash \$200  
Office Supplies \$90  
Trail Sweepings \$400  
Programs \$100  
Publicity \$200  
Softball \$200  
Revolving discount tickets \$2000  
60th Anniversary \$400

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## Updated news

This newsletter contents is sealed once published, but you can always get updated information on our Website

[trailsweepers.org](http://trailsweepers.org)

And select *Events Calendar*.

Any website **blue** word or phrase can be expanded by clicking on it.

Give it a try

## 2009 Kayak Schedule

This year's kayak schedule is listed below. The dates, times, and meeting places vary; therefore, give yourself about a half-hour—45 minutes to get ready to paddle. We normally go in some rain and shine. If it is a total washout, the trip is cancelled. In case you are in doubt, contact the trip leader. Don't forget to bring everything you will need for the trip—craft, paddle, life jacket, food, water, sponge, bailer, sunhat, sunscreen, long sleeve shirt if you don't want



to put on sunscreen, sunglasses with safety strap, spray skirt, waterproof bag, proper clothing for the trip and weather. Remember, get dressed for the water! Be sure to check start time for each trip!

This year we are looking for trip leaders for each of the kayak trips. Please contact Yvonne Baker if you are interested in leading one (845-331-1068)

**Sat June 13 Catskill Dutchman's Landing.** Paddle Ramshorn Sanctuary and surrounding area. 2 pm.

**Sat. July 11 Mariner's Harbor** in Highland. Heading north. 10 am.

**Sat. Aug. 8 Rhinecliff Boat Launch.** Rhinecliff, NY Head south or north depending on tide. 10am.

**Sat. Sept. 19 Thimble Islands, Connecticut.** All day trip which may turn into weekend trip (Sat & Sun). Meet at the Park & Ride in New Paltz early in the morning. More info will be forthcoming. Wonderful area, fun time.

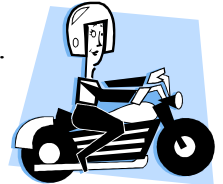


Mmmh, the lazy  
days of Summer

## Cruzin the Catskills

### Biking day report by Kayak John

We started the day (May 16) at the Quick Check gas station at the thruway circle where we mounted our motorcycles: an Indian, two Suzukis and a Honda. Seven hearty souls decided to take a ride into the Catskills even though there was the threat of rain.



The route meandered on Rt. 212 through Woodstock north to Phoenicia where it was decided that we ought to put on our rain gear since we encountered a little bit of rain. We thought the rain came early! Our original destination was the Gilboa Dam from which we would return to Kingston via the back roads of Greene County. Since the skies looked more favorable in the easterly direction, we decided to head back toward the Shokan Reservoir; we rode around it and were inspired by its majestic view—the water, the houses, the roads, and the greenery!

Dale and Diane invited us to their house to give us a little tour of their lovely home and to check out Dale's organ!!! It was ginormous! It was humongous! It was unique! It was ubiquitous! The house was literally built around his organ!! Dale can honestly say that he has the biggest organ in Ulster County; perhaps the biggest in the state! Boy, could it make a sound!!! As Dale played it, the sound filled the room to its capacity; it was a beautiful, hearty sound; what an experience! So the next time you see Dale, ask him about his organ!!!

We also had some good food at Winchells Corner on Rt. 28A; a real country restaurant which featured excellent Italian food all freshly made. We ended the ride by each of us Rick, Nancy, Sharon, Mark, Dale, Diana, and myself going our separate ways after the Ohayo Mt. house tour! Thanks, Dale and Diana for a beautiful experience and the rest of the riders who made this a nice day.

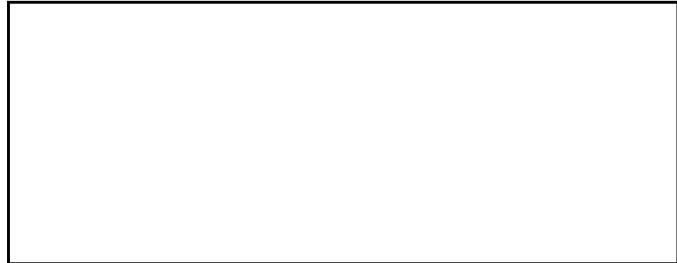
See the crew picture at

[www.trailsweepers.org/images/bikers.jpg](http://www.trailsweepers.org/images/bikers.jpg)



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## Happy Hour

*A few times a month, the club members meet at an area bar or eatery. Join us for a couple of hours of libation and friendly conversation.*



### June

- 5 **Rhinecliff Hotel**
- 19 **Rosita's** on Rondout Landing

### July

- 17 **Anchorage**, Eddyville
- 24 **Mariner's Harbor** Kingston, joint with HVSC. Followed at 8PM by a dance cruise on the **Rip Van Winkle**. To the music of Thunder Ridge. Get your own tickets - [www.hudsonrivercruises.com](http://www.hudsonrivercruises.com)

Contact Dave Cardall 336-8876 for suggestions

*Check for last minute changes on our Website at [trailsweepers.org](http://trailsweepers.org)*

## 50/50 Raffle



Current jackpot: **\$160**  
(estimate)

The price for raffle tickets is \$1 each or 3 for \$2. At the end of the meeting, two tickets will be drawn. The holder of each drawn ticket gets to pick one card from a deck of playing cards. If one picks the Ace of Spades, that player wins the 50/50 jackpot. If not, the picked cards are discarded and the unclaimed jackpot is held over to the next meeting.

At each meeting, as the jackpot grows, the deck of cards shrinks until the Ace of Spades is pulled and we have a winner.

## Upcoming Events

*Check up to date events calendar on our Website at [trailsweepers.org](http://trailsweepers.org)*

### Regular Meetings:

On 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 8:30pm at the Bridgewater Bar & Grill, on Abeel Street in Kingston.



### June

- 11 Meeting at 8:30
- 13 Kayak, Dutchman's landing
- 17 Yearly planning meeting
- 25 Meeting at 8:30

### On going summer activities.

Tuesdays 6PM: Road biking  
Wednesdays 5:30PM: Mountain biking.

See website calendar for details.