

# Vintage sleds rally Saturday

Snowmobilers are keeping their fingers crossed for prime conditions for the 15- to 20-mile Vintage Ride from Liston's Bar and Grill in Worthington through Huntington Saturday.

Vintage refers to snowmobiles that are at least 25 years old. Participants can obtain a registration for their sleds — as riders refer to their snowmobiles — at the start point the day of the ride.

This is the third year of the Vintage Ride, and the second year that Worthington has been picked as the start point, said Dean Messeck of the 200-member Worthington Snowmobile Club. The ride is one of several planned by the Massachusetts Vintage Snowmobile Club, Messeck said on Saturday, speaking from his Old Main Road home.

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Last year 25 sleds showed up for the Vintage Ride, Messeck said. Some had been restored to “almost-new” condition, he said, while others were “old clunkers.”

“I’ve been riding my whole life, for 40 years,” Messeck said. He got his first sled when he was 10, an old Ski-doo that he rode around hayfields.

The ride will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. If it is canceled it will not be rescheduled this year. Meanwhile, members are hoping for “a good

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Snow conditions permitting, there will be two small loops, one for skating and one for classic cross country skiing, to traverse with friends and family. The loops will converge at a food and water station near the lodge in case participants wish to switch techniques. Registration, which requires a \$20 donation, can be done in person or online at [www.SkiReg.com](http://www.SkiReg.com) through Jan. 31. After that the requested registration fee is \$25. Skiers can sign up at Notchview on the day of the tour before 10 a.m. A “no snow” date is set for Feb. 10. For snow conditions, visit [www.notchview.org](http://www.notchview.org) or call 684-0148.

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### Gourmet game dinner

The second annual seven-course gourmet game dinner