

FXR Opens Store in Burnsville



FXR outerwear based in Winnipeg, Manitoba, opened its first-ever store in November 2009. The FXR Super Store is located at the Burnsville Center in Burnsville, Minnesota. The store has many of FXR's sledding gear and other items.

A Man, His Machine and a Record-Setting Ride for Charity

Nick Keller is a man with a mission. The 56-year-old Richmond, Minnesota, resident began a quest to ride more than 12,200 miles in 60 consecutive days to help raise money for the Snowball Cancer Challenge. All the proceeds will go to the Keller Family Community Foundation.

Keller began his trek on December 26, 2009, and it should end on February 23, 2010. If he goes the 12,000-plus miles it will set a new world record, but for Keller the record is secondary. Keller is doing the ride to raise awareness for cancer. About 20 years ago, his mother, Mary Jane, succumbed to the disease at age 56, and the ride also is to honor her. A longtime snowmobiler who averages about 5,000 miles per season, Keller's planned route will take him from his starting point in Richmond to Michigan and Wisconsin. A daily blog on Keller's Web site recaps each day's ride. To follow Keller's trek, visit www.snowballcancer.org.

Trail Maintenance Equipment Expo Planned

On February 17-18, those interested in checking out the latest and greatest grooming and trail maintenance equipment can see it at Giants Ridge Golf & Ski Resort in Biwabik, Minnesota.

There will be grooming tractors and trail drags and a hands-on demonstration on two miles of rolling hills and corners of the Laurentian Snowmobile Trail. There also will be static displays

of non-snow type trail maintenance equipment such as brushing machines and other skid-steer trail maintenance attachments.

The hosts of the event are the Hibbing/Chisholm/Side Lake PathBlazers snowmobile club and Giants Ridge. For more information, contact the PathBlazers at 218-966-7817; Giants Ridge at 800-688-7669; or DeLyle Pankratz at 218-780-7490.

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