Around the Neighborhood

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Vintage vroom



Peegeo's snowmobile show features factory racers and one-cylinder classics



Skee-Horse, Sno-Traveller and Sears snowmobiles were among the large collection of antique and classic sleds on display at Peegeo's Restaurant this past weekend. The snowmobile show featured 99 entries competing in five trophy classes, a swap meet and even an old carburetor toss contest.



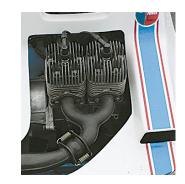
Right: A spectator admires rows of antique, vintage and classic snowmobiles lining the parking lot outside Peegeo's Restaurant in Traverse City. Trophies were handed out in the following categories: oldest sled, antique 1966-older, vintage 1967-72, classic 1973-76 and factory racer 1967-76. Taking home the loudest sled award was a Polaris Super Voyager that registered 130 decibels.





Most of the sleds at the show were decades older than this young snowmobile enthusiast, including this custom 1970 Yamadoo created by Tim Somerson. The vintage sled, fashioned after a motorcycle chopper, featured chrome side exhaust pipes and high rise handlebars.

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Scott Lawson of St. Clair, Mich. squirts fuel into the engine of his 1972 Sno Jet Thunder Jet prior to starting up the vintage factory racer. Lawson bought the Thunder Jet in 1997 and spent several years restoring the rare snowmobile.

TC HAPPENINGS

Things to do, places to go, people to see

Fairy tale figure skating

"Fairytales on Ice," presented by the Twin Bay Skating Club will feature guest skaters senior pairs Kristen Roth and Steve Hartsell, novice men William Brewster and senior lady Katie Stewart. Shows are at 7 p.m. Friday, 1:30 and 7 p.m. Saturday. Evening performances are \$10 and admission for the matinee show is \$8. Centre Ice is located at 1544 Chartwell off of Hammond Road. Tickets are available from 4 to 6 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday and noon to 2 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 947-2267.

Opera House opens doors

The City Opera House will hold an community open house featuring tours, information and entertainment from 2 to 4:30 p.m., Saturday. Sunday is Family Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. The City Opera House is located on East Front Street in downtown Traverse City.