



MOUNTAINEERS' ECHOES

Newsletter Of The Uncanoonuc Mountaineers



Dedicated to safe snowmobiling!

Al Lambert, President

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President's Message

Well, again this year, our Adult Weekend could have been much better than it was! I'm not quite sure if we actually went SNOWmobiling, it felt and looked more like MUDmobiling! But, considering the way that this season has gone so far, it appears that it may end up being the only riding we get in this year! Those who did attend the weekend seemed to have had a good time and viewed it as, at the very least, a weekend away to relax. We'll just have to hope that the snow will eventually fall so that we'll be able to get some decent riding at least once this season. Quite a depressing season to say the least! The thought that next season will have to be better---- is getting harder and harder to swallow!

Once again, I wish to extend sincere gratitude to Colonel Ron Allie for making a very generous contribution to EasterSeals Camp Sno-Mo on behalf of the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers. Our club, Easter Seals and I appreciate it immensely! "Thank you, Ron"

For those of you who may not know Ron, he was Colonel Ron Allie of the NH Fish and Game Department just a few years ago and is now enjoying retirement! Ron has always been a strong supporter of the Ride-In and a very generous contributor as well. There is no way that you can attend a Ride-In and not be aware of Colonel Allie's presence! He is never apprehensive or reluctant about doing anything (no matter how humiliating it may appear) to get extra money from attendees of the Ride-In to donate to the cause. He was then, and still is a strong supporter of snowmobilers and all the work that we do to raise monies for the Easter Seals Camp. He is no less a presence at the Ride-In now even after his retiring from the department. Ron is to the Ride-In as what Jerry Lewis is to the MD telethon. You can't imagine one without the other! At one of the past Ride-Ins we, the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers, presented Colonel Allie with an embroidered Club jacket and made him and his wife, Sherry, honorary members of our Club. For

all that he has done and continues to do; we are honored to have Ron and Sherry as members of our club!

Obviously, Mother Nature was not with us, once again, for this year's Ride-In. Rain and warm weather do not go with our sport! However, some did brave the barely snow covered trails, water bars and mud holes.

Linda and I were not able to stay for Sunday's award ceremonies, due to Kelsea's semi-formal, but Dick and Kathy Poole did. The club's donation this year was \$4,628.25 (with the help of Ron Allie). That placed us 2nd in county and 4th in state! It's truly amazing what a club our size accomplishes! Many other clubs in our state wonder how we do it! For all of you that have helped throughout the year (you know who you are) with our fundraising, "Thank you", once again, for the time and effort you put in for the benefit of the kids of Camp Sno-Mo. I need to also thank Dave McGlauffin for all the door knocking and leg work he does every year to come up with ways to raise money! Thanks, Dave.

At this point, I don't know what to tell you about the family outing! We'll have to discuss what we are going to do regarding this event at the February meeting. Check the website (or call) for future info on what might be happening.

The same would also (obviously) go to any scheduled club rides! If in doubt, call or check the website!

Enough said for now! Our next meeting will be February 13th 7:00 pm at the Rec Center. Hope you can make it and don't give up on the season yet!

Your President,
Albert Lambert



During the months of February and March, any club member wishing to have their graduating high school senior apply for the club's scholarship must request an application. To be considered for the scholarship, the applicant must meet the following requirements: be a senior in an accredited high school with a graduation date of June 2006, be the son or daughter of a member in good standing of the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers of Goffstown for a minimum of three years and lastly, must be accepted to an accredited postsecondary learning institution for the 2006-2007 academic year. Anyone meeting these requirements can give Linda Lambert a call at 497-4023 to receive an application.

B.S. from Bill

Hi all,

It was another Easter Seals "Trailer In" as Mother Nature not only provided little snow, but also what was around disappeared quickly as the rains swept in. In last month's article I said, "Thankfully we are finally seeing some regular snowfall down here in the southern part of New Hampshire. As of this date I personally have not been out on the trails yet. Hopefully this weekend I will venture out into the Great White North to put some miles under the skis." Open mouth and insert foot. Forget about getting out to ride, I haven't even had the reason to start my machine for months now. I towed it all the way up to Lancaster just because my truck felt like it wasn't being used as a truck. Every time it snows even a ¼ of an inch I put on the 4-wheel drive just to remind myself that I do indeed own a truck.

As for the Easter Seals weekend itself, I admit I was worried at first. The idea that the Cabot was hosting was worrisome since it does not have as many accommodations or space as our other sites. Who really wanted to spend hundreds of dollars a night to be 17 miles away by sled at the Mountain View Grand? I have no idea how many people stayed elsewhere. When Annie called to confirm our reservation, they didn't have it. Somehow we got a room. Overall, I must say was impressed at the turnout, given the weather and hotel setup. The committee did a great job to organize and present all the activities and events. Personally though, I liked the addition of a poker tournament best. I don't say that just because I won my table, which I did. Put on your dancing shoes baby, we're going out to paint the town!

As for club news, there really isn't much to report on. Has anyone been out riding yet? Any stories to report? No one's been upended by a stump or had a slow motion fall off their sled or been rolled over in a ditch because there is no snow to ride on. At this rate, I will be pulling the Harley out of storage by March 1st just to feel like

what it's like to ride something (I said something, not someONE you dirty minded people) again.

Finally, one quick question. Was that the most pitiful, boring and unentertaining Superbowl in quite some time? Seattle's play was like old people making love. They got all wound up, rushed up the field then it just got slow and sloppy and they deflated before they could finish off any one drive. As for Pittsburgh, Antwaan Randle El looked more like a NFL quarterback than Roethlisberger did. Don't even get started about the half time show. The Stones should give it up and not so gracefully move their collective butts into a retirement home. The one positive note I can come up with is that Jerome Bettis did finally get his championship ring.

No more BS for now,

Bill Lofgren



Our own Kim Poole is now in basic training stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. We are very proud of her and wish her well. She'd love to get some mail from home! She'll be there for the next 18+ weeks. Her address is:

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS ***(mark your calendars!)***

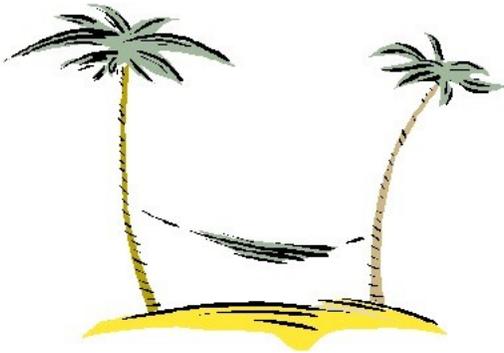
- Feb 13:** Club meeting
- Feb 19:** Family outing then night ride???????
- Mar 11:** Club daytime ride
- Mar 13:** Club meeting
- Apr 10:** Club meeting
- Apr 15:** Potluck Supper at Bill & Annie's
- May 13:** Banquet, final meeting, election of officers
- July 14-16:** NHIS Nextel Cup fundraiser???????
- July 22:** Family Outing at the Lambert's
- Sept 9:** Thunder Run for Camp Sno-Mo

Want an effortless way to help the club earn money?

I am Laurie Galletta of Go Travel, and I have offered my vacation planning services to assist with the fundraising efforts of the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers. I specialize in cruise and land vacation packages. In addition to fantastic personalized service, I also work to get you the best vacation value for your money.

I have offered to give 10% of my earnings back to the club from any bookings that reference the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers. Any applicable bookings made by club members or friends & family will qualify! All you need to do is say the Uncanoonuc Snowmobile Club sent you and that is all! What could be better? Excellent service, great value, dream vacations, and helping the club at the same time.

People are traveling again. It is never too early to reserve your space for that cruise or that resort you have been dreaming about. Contact Laurie Galletta via e-mail at l_galletta@comcast.net or call me at 603-624-7330. Support those that support the sport, and don't forget to tell me that the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers sent you!





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