



MOUNTAINEERS' ECHOES

Newsletter Of The Uncanoonuc Mountaineers



Dedicated to safe snowmobiling!

Al Lambert, President

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President's Message

I'll start by thanking Daryl for following my instructions last month regarding getting back to doing his "Snow Dance"! For sure, there must be some magic in those slippers he got at the club Christmas party since we are ever so close to breaking the all time state record for snow fall. You Da man, Daryl! I should also thank Dick Poole for selling his sleds and not replacing them this season! Either way, it's nice to see a winter that truly feels like a New England winter!

It's been a great February with only one event cancelled (the 2-10 club ride) due to ice conditions on the trails. I believe that it was that cancellation that prompted Daryl to pull out those slippers and start dancing! It worked! The Family Outing at the Dow's pond went very well and the weather was much nicer than last year's bitter cold. The Family Weekend at the Cabot gave us some of the best riding that we've had in NH in many years! The weather was perfect and most of the trails made you feel like you were in Canada. The Sunday ride through Whitefield, Dalton and back to Lancaster was to say the least "SPECTACULAR"! Table top trails and crystal clear blue skies made for a picture perfect day of riding. It was the kind of day you didn't want to end!

The fact that the restaurant wasn't operating at the Cabot was only a minor issue. In fact, it made for some additional

sled rides to town for supper Saturday night and breakfast Sunday morning. Saturday night's supper at the North Country Family Restaurant at the Lancaster Motel couldn't have been a better time anywhere! The food was very good and we had our own separate room to party in! The waitress was good spirited and was able to handle everything that Lee put her through! She was even able to supply Lee with a special twirling spoon for his spaghetti that I believe hadn't been used since Paul Bunyan had last eaten there! Most of us returned to the North Country for Sunday breakfast and had an equally good experience. I highly recommend this restaurant if you find yourself in the Lancaster area!

At the March meeting we'll be discussing the addition of the Conflict of Interest Policy to our By-Laws. If you have any thoughts or concerns on this matter please make them known to me before the meeting, or if you can, attend the meeting on March 10th. This is a rather simple clause and probably should have been in the By-Laws from the beginning! Such are the times we live in, we need to come up with all these policies to protect us from ourselves!

Don't forget, if you have a qualifying student for the club's scholarship, they must be turned in and post marked no later than April 15th! Contact Linda Lambert for the applications and any info about this scholarship. Email: iwont4gt@verizon.net or 497-4023.

That's all for now! I'll just say, "GET OUT AND RIDE, cuz it don't get no better than this"! Hope to see you on the trails and at the next meeting on March 10th 7:00 pm at the Rec Center.
Your president,
Albert Lambert

Club Ride March 8th Cancelled

The weather forecast is predicting more rain Friday night into Saturday (March 7 + 8). If we get the rain they are predicting, the club ride that we had planned for this Saturday will not work out.

Unfortunately the ride will have to be cancelled for now unless the conditions improve. If anything changes and snow conditions allow, we'll send around an e-mail announcement if we can do the ride after all.

B.S. from Bill

Hi all,

The start of the last "official" month of winter (hey it still can snow in early April) and we are within inches of a new all-time snowfall record. We need about 22 inches and tomorrow (Friday 2/29) we could be getting 6-8 inches more. And if March holds to pattern, well we will all be remembering the Winter of 2008. Unfortunately I have only gotten out twice. For information about that, see last month's song.

I managed to get the whole family to the Family Day this year. Okay, so Monica and Annie spent the last 20 minutes we were there in the truck, under blankets, but we all did make an appearance. It was perfectly cold, clear and a good day to be outside. Thank goodness for my little Rissa. She is a trooper and spent the entire time out on the pond with me.

Speaking of Marissa, she got her first ever ride on a snowmobile. She drove the Polaris 120 that Dave and Ellen brought along. Heck, she hadn't even been on mine with me yet. She loved it, Annie got pictures and on the way home she asked me, "When I turn 12, can you get me a snowmobile?" WE HAVE A CONVERT!

There were plenty of club members that showed up, but the Rasketts I must point out. Watching Tommy and Andrew, whether riding alone or with a parent, was a joy. You couldn't wipe the smile off their faces. Daryl was "so cute" riding that little Kitty Kat but I still don't know how it even moved him. Finally, I do have to harass Daryl (it is a duty of mine in this column.) How could you only come in second in the prior day's races?

Finally, we had no trouble with the fire this year. No thick, black, choking diesel smoke that I saw, or smelled!

No more BS for now,

Bill Lofgren

A Note from the Family Weekend

The family weekend was a fabulous time (as Daryl would say - how do you spell PHENOMENAL?) and I just wanted to say a special thank you to Linda for making Tommy's weekend one that he will never forget. You "saved the day" in too many ways to count.

Because we were the only family with a little one, I felt as though the spotlight was on us a lot of the time. Tommy was a trooper (even with a fever!) and everyone deserves a special thank you for being patient with us. All of the offers to drive him home on Saturday night, as well as feeding him the snacks that he oh so loves, did not go un-noticed or unappreciated!. Nothing like a snowmobiling weekend of

great trails and great company! Thank
you all! Sally and Daryl

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2007 – 2008 Season

Mar 8: Daytime Ride cancelled

(unless conditions improve)

Mar 10: Club Meeting

Apr 12: Pot Luck Dinner

Apr 14: Club Meeting

May 3: Banquet, final mtg, election of officers

Jul 12: Easter Seals Land & Lake Poker Run

Jul 19: Summer Family Fun Day

TBD: Camp Sno-Mo Thunder Run

Next Meeting: Monday, March 10th, 2008
7:00 pm, Goffstown Rec Center

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