



MOUNTAINEERS' ECHOES

Newsletter Of The Uncanoonuc Mountaineers



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Al Lambert, President

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President's Message

What great weather we had for our two biggest events of this season! The Grass Drags' weekend was absolutely beautiful (and it showed in the numbers of spectators attending) and we had a sunny, cool, windy day for the Flea Market. Club members working at the Drags this year were down somewhat but we hopefully still raised enough funds to cover the insurances and other operating expenses of the club. The Flea Market had a good turnout but the visitors didn't seem as interested as usual in buying food and drinks. We also tried adding a few new games for the kids, as well as face painting, but there didn't seem to be many kids in attendance this year so the interest wasn't there. Buddy will have the financial numbers at the November meeting but it appears that we made a profit from the event. I must say that it was wonderful to get through both of these events without rain! I can't remember a year that it didn't rain for at least one of these events. I would love to see this weather pattern repeated for years to come! Thank you, once again, to everyone that gave their time to help out at these events. It is greatly appreciated and is crucial to covering club expenses.

The Board of Directors met on October 23rd to discuss the coming season and any other items needing attention. The first item we discussed was the Poker Run and whether or not

we should do it again next summer. With all the work that was done to get the first one off the ground, it's believed that next year's should be much easier to put together. So, it was felt that given its success it might be worth doing again. If agreed to, a tentative date of July 21st has been set for the Run and there will be a meeting to begin the planning process for it on November 15th 7:00pm at Marc & Sue Phillips' house. If you want to help in any way with the planning for this event please try to make this meeting.

We also discussed the Adult Weekend and whether or not it should become a Family Weekend instead? Some felt that it may have greater attendance if we change it to a family weekend so it will be brought up for discussion at the meeting. We are also looking for new locations for this weekend so if you have any ideas we'd love to hear from you!

The last discussion was the purchase of a new groomer, drag and trailer package for the club. The board felt strongly that this season is a good time to apply for the 80/20 Grant & Aid from the state. It will be recommended that we put a refundable deposit on said package pending approval from the membership and contingent upon receiving the Grant and Aid from the state.

As you can see, the result of this meeting is that there will be several items that we will be discussing and voting on at the November 13th meeting.

If you have an opinion on any of these items or maybe you have a few thoughts of your own of things the club could or should be doing, come to the November 13th meeting and have your voice heard!

That's it! Enough said for this issue. I sincerely hope you can make the next meeting, November 13th 7:00 pm at the Rec Center.

Your President,
Albert Lambert



Bowl-A-Thon December 3 King's Lanes

Bowl-A-Thon

The next FUN event for the club is the Bowl-A-Thon to benefit Easter Seals Camp Sno-Mo at King's Lanes on December 3rd. Bowling will start at 9:30 am. Just like last year, the club will pay the bowling fees for each bowler that raises \$25.00 (or more!) for the Camp. So keep this date in mind as a fun morning event for the entire family to do. It's always a great time for the kids as well as the adults! Contact Kathy Poole (r_kpoole@yahoo.com or 529-3385) for more info or a pledge sheet.

Christmas Party & Yankee Swap

As a heads up, our December meeting is also our annual Christmas Party & Yankee Swap. FYI, this is an adult only party! Attending members should bring some type of food item for the party, if possible. Each member who wishes to join in on the Yankee Swap must bring in a wrapped non-secular gift valued at about \$10.00. Gag gifts really make this a fun time for all! If you are able to make the December 11th meeting, give Linda Lambert a call (497-4023) to find out what food items are already being brought and what might be needed

to round off the menu. A sign-up sheet will go around at the November meeting to get the planning started. I hope to see you there!

B.S. from Bill

Hello all,

Grass Drags: Last year I was maligning the weather and lamenting the mud and cold and wet, this year the weather was amazing. Cool, clear, and most importantly, not a drop of rain. Friday night, Saturday and Sunday were packed with a record number of spectators enjoying the many areas at the races. We had the grass drags flying down the track, the water crossers spraying and sinking the swap area, the vendors and food, the Slednecks and this year we added ATV racing. I was busy working different areas, but from what I hear it was a big hit.

Last year's Dec. article included the following, "If you haven't been watching the weather this October, Mt. Washington set a record for snowfall in a 24 hr period twice within 10 days and had a total of 72 inches in those 10 days. If this is any indication of what is to come, YAHOOO! Silly me. Little did I foresee that it would be one of the worst years in memory. I personally never got the sled off the trailer, much less put a mile on. Here's to a better year. (Can't be much worse, can it?)"

Oct 21 was a cold windy but thankfully clear day for our annual Flea Market and Vintage Snowmobile Show. Many sellers, displays and potential buyers showed up and braved the frigid temperatures. Numbers are still not in, but everything points to a successful day. Coming up soon (Dec. 3rd) we will be having our annual Bowl-A-Thon to raise money for Easter Seals.

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No more BS for now,
Bill Logren

Jul 15: Family Outing at the Lambert's

Jul 21: Second Annual Camp Sno-Mo Thunder Run

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov 13: Club Meeting

Dec 3: Bowl-A-Thon, Kings Lanes

Dec 11: Club Meeting, Holiday Party and Yankee Swap

Jan 5: Club Night Ride for Supper

Jan 6: Safety Class

Jan 8: Club Meeting

Jan 19-21: Adult Weekend

Jan 27: Club Day/Dinner Ride

Feb 1: Easter Seals Ride in Lancaster

Feb 11: Club Day Ride

Feb 12: Club Meeting

Feb 18: Family Outing and Night Ride

Mar 4: Family Vacation Week

Mar 11: Club Day Ride

Mar 12: Club Meeting

Apr 9: Club Meeting

Apr 14: Potluck Supper at the Poole's

May 5: Banquet, Final Meeting, Election



A GO TRAVEL UPDATE

CHANGES IN PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS!

The federal government has determined that passports will be required for AIR travelers coming into and out of the US by Jan 8, 2007. LAND & SEA travelers will not need passports until 2009. There are some unique exceptions so to be sure to ask when booking your trip. Snowmobilers going into and out of Canada will not need passports until 2009; however, you will still need photo id and birth certificate.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 13th, 2006
7:00 pm, Goffstown Rec Center

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