



MOUNTAINEERS' ECHOES

Newsletter Of The Uncanoonuc Mountaineers



Dedicated to safe snowmobiling!

Oct 2012

Al Lambert, President
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Letter from the President

I'd like to thank all the club members that were able to make our first meeting last month. We had a great turnout for the first meeting and some great discussions as well. We still have some details to work out regarding club trips this season so be sure to keep up with the postings in our newsletter as well as the club website. Of particular importance is letting us know if you are interested in attending any of our weekend events this season. The sooner we know the number of rooms we'll need, the better our chances are of being able to get them! We don't want you to miss out so be sure to let someone know if you're interested ASAP!

Linda and I attended NHTA's President's Night meeting as well as the county meeting this past month. You'll find notes in her minutes regarding some of the items that were discussed. One item to note was from the Bureau Of Trails in regards to the lack of trail funds for this season. Last season saw only half the registrations of a normal year so you can imagine just how low the funds are right now. Add to that, that they cannot carry any substantial funds over from one season to the next (if they do, the state will redirect the money to

other agencies). With that said, they're asking that we pass the word to our membership that registering sleds earlier, rather than later, would be of tremendous benefit to trail maintenance this coming season.

Hopefully you saw the article in last month's Union Leader regarding the impact of snowmobiling in NH. NHTA had an impact study done to see where snowmobiling ranked regarding income brought into the state. The study took info from the 2010-2011 season (which was a good thing) and it showed that we passed the ski industry by some 30+ million dollars! This is great news for our sport since it gives us more leverage when going before state agencies to fight for any legislation or maintaining access on state lands. You can find more info on this study on the NHTA website.

As I hope you are aware, our Flea Market & Antique Sled Show is October 20th behind the Villa Augustina school. Help is always needed and appreciated. Contact Bud Gordon GORDONBIGBLUE@aol.com or 529-3408 to find out where help is needed or read it in the minutes in the Echoes.

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**Our next Club Meeting
is on Monday, Oct 8,
at 7:00 pm at the
Goffstown Rec Center**

Fundraising

First, let me say thank you to Bruce Buttrick for stepping up to help continue the fundraising efforts for our club. Bruce will be handling the 120 Club drawings and NNSA Super Raffle Tickets. I will continue to work with the Lakes Region Casino and completing paperwork for our Charity dates. My new schedule has made it impossible for me to attend meetings as I work Monday nights. I am hopeful that I will at least be able to get time to attend the annual Yankee Swap!

Now, on with the fundraising!

NNSA Super Raffle!

The latest information is that NNSA is going to be changing the Super Raffle this year. We believe that they are changing to a raffle with only a certain number of tickets sold for a higher price. We will pass on more information as we get it.

120 Club Raffle!

Our first drawings will again begin at the December Meeting. Please see Bruce Buttrick to purchase your ticket and to pick up some tickets to sell to your family, friends and co-workers. It is never too early to start selling. Tickets are \$20 for 20 weekly chances to win \$20 plus during the April meeting we will give away larger prizes. All proceeds go to the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Scholarship program!

If anyone has any ideas for additional fundraising, please feel free to email me at racersuperdave@comcast.net or call me at (603) 487-3938 or (603) 315-8115.

Snowmobile Flea Market

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**Saturday, Oct. 20
Villa Fields**

**Volunteers needed! Contact
Bud Gordon at:**

gordonbigblue@aol.com

Easter Seals Weekend

The club is hoping to attend The Easter Seals Ride-In on Feb. 1,2 & 3 in Gorham, NH. We would like to get an initial count of those who are interested. You don't have to commit, but if you are at all interested in going, please let us know at the meeting or e-mail Al Lambert at: the3lamberts@gmail.com

We would like to put together an estimate of how many rooms we might need and how many members of our club are considering going.

Let's keep our fingers crossed for a great season! I know the economy isn't great and gas prices just seem to keep climbing, but every now and then you just need to escape from everything. There's no better way to do that than to get on your sled and go ride the snowy trails to forget about everything else!

I hope to see you Monday night Oct. 8th for our 7:00 pm meeting. We have a lot to talk about.

Your President,
Al Lambert

Publicity Director Needed ASAP

Our club is still without much-needed representation on our board. We are in **immediate** need of a Publicity Director.

Our board members who are fully involved in other positions could really use your help. If you are able to spare some time and help out in this position we would greatly appreciate it!





**2012-2013
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
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- Oct 5,6,7NHSA Grass Drags
- Oct 8Club Meeting
- Oct 20 Annual Flea Market/Antique Sled Show
Naults Power House Open House
- Nov 12 Club Meeting
- Nov 18 Bowl-A-Thon, Kings Lanes, 9:30 am
- Dec 10 Club Meeting, Holiday Party with Yankee Swap
- Jan 5 Snowmobile Safety Class, 8:00-5:00
- Jan 12 Club Day Ride
- Jan 14 Club Meeting
- Jan 19 Club Night Ride
- Jan 25, 26,27 Adult Weekend, Errol Motel, Errol
- Feb 1, 2, 3 Easter Seals Weekend, Royalty Inn, Gorham
- Feb 9 Family Fun Day (will be moved to Feb 16th
if the weather isn't good on the 9th)
- Feb 11Club Meeting
- Feb 22, 23, 24 Family Weekend, Cabot Inn, Lancaster
- Mar 2 Daytime Ride
- Mar 8, 9, 10 Family Weekend, Errol Motel, Errol
- Mar 11 Club Meeting
- Apr 6 Pat's Peak Hill Climbs (Weare Winter Wanderers)
- Apr 8 Club Meeting
- Apr 13 Pot Luck Dinner
- May 11 Banquet, Final Meeting, Election of Officers