



MOUNTAINEERS' ECHOES

Newsletter Of The Uncanoonuc Mountaineers



Dedicated to safe snowmobiling!

Al Lambert, President

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President's Message

Welcome to the start of another season of the sport we can't get enough of! After a very hot and humid summer, the thought of cold and snow sounds awesome! Let's keep our fingers crossed that we get plenty of both!

September 12th 7:00pm at the Rec center will be our first meeting of the 05-06 season. It will start with final reports by appropriate board members and the closing of the books for last season. Once these items are addressed the start of the new season will begin and new board members will assume their duties for the coming season.

As always, the beginning of the season is our busiest time for club fundraising activities! The Grass Drags are coming quickly (October 7-9) and we need all the help we can get at this event! This is truly the "BIG ONE" for us in raising the monies needed to operate the club. Dick Poole will be getting in touch with members to see what time you might be able to give over this weekend. Whatever time you can give is greatly appreciated. It all adds up!

We also have another NHIS race weekend in Loudon September 17&18th that some of us will be working. We had a great turnout for the NHIS race on July 16&17th with the club earning just over \$1,600.00 for the kids of Easter Seals Camp Sno-Mo. It certainly was an interesting event to work and unlike anything I had ever done before. It's a

whole different breed of spectator than you'd find at a grass drag event, for sure! And, it was a lot hotter in July as well! I'd like to thank and recognize those members that worked the race weekend. They were (in no particular order) Bruce Buttrick, Bill Lofgren, Russ & Cathy Brown, Dick & Kathy Poole, Pat Higley, Debra Whitney, Dave McGlaulin and my wife Linda. Thank you all for giving up a weekend of your summer to help out yet again! A special thanks to Dave McGlaulin for putting this together and for his ongoing efforts to find new ways for us to raise monies. Thanks Dave!

The board of directors met in August to put together a calendar of events for the coming season. We will tweak this calendar at the first meeting. The more input the better in deciding what we'd like to do as a club this year. We'll also discuss the Flea Market that will be on October 22nd. We should have flyers available at the meeting because getting the word out for this event is crucial to its success! This is a great event to meet other club members and is also a great way to sell an old sled or trailer or maybe even buy one if you're in the market! If you can help on the day of the event, either in the cook shack or parking vehicles, it would also be greatly appreciated as well. We are a club and the more participants we have at an event the easier it is to run and the more enjoyable it becomes.

I hope you are able to attend the September 12th meeting. I'm looking

forward to the coming season and its activities.

Your President,
Albert Lambert

B.S. from Bill

Hello all,

The snow and cold weather are quite a ways off and there really isn't much to do or think about for the upcoming snowmobiling season. The only blip on the radar screen is the Grass Drags next month. That is not to say that the summer has been uneventful. As many of you know, and attended, in May we held our annual End of Season Banquet, which included several awards. Even yours truly received a plaque for meritorious service to the club. No, it wasn't for *Most Reckless Driver* or *Best Impression of a Gymnast*. Also we elected our new slate of officers. I would like to personally congratulate them.

President:	Albert Lambert
Vice President:	Richard Poole
Secretary:	Laurie Galletta
Treasurer:	Lee Forcier
Membership:	Kathy Poole
Publicity:	Bill Lofgren
Social:	Linda Lambert
Fundraiser:	Dave McGlaufflin
Trail Administrator:	Daryl Raskett

For the 10 or so of us that worked as ushers at NHIS, I can safely say it was an experience. Some thought it was less than fun but I personally enjoyed it despite the long hours, always being on your feet and the occasionally confrontational fans. Regardless, the pay was a nice little boost to our finances and I did get to experience the race from closer than just about anyone else. As ushers, we were right down by the track and could hear and *FEEL* those 800hp monsters scream by. In September we will be repeating our jobs at NHIS and I for one am looking forward to it. Not just because of the racing, but I was so well received by the usher managers that they offered me a

position. So, I will be paid to watch the race. Life is good.

A couple of weeks later, after we had all regained our hearing, it was time to gather at our summer "meeting". It was a beautiful, warm, sunny and relatively un-humid day for July. Kelsea, remember, hot dogs that come in bulk with a natural casing are usually linked together and need to be cut apart BEFORE being put in the steamer. Sally, all I can say is that I am thankful your boys got your good looks. (Hey, what kind for BS column would this be without a poke at Daryl?) It was cute to see the little tykes having fun on such a nice day. Unfortunately I was unable to stay long enough to get in the pool, but the crystal blue waters looked inviting. Thanks again to Al and Linda for their hospitality.

Finally, the Board (or should I say Bored) of Directors meet for our annual off-season meeting. But that's most likely of no interest to the rest of you so I won't try and cure anyone's insomnia and spare you all the details. I just want to say welcome aboard Laurie. Didn't know what you were getting yourself in for, did you? LOL

No more BS for now,
Bill Lofgren



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!~~

~~Sept 17-18: NHIS Nextel Cup Easter Seals Fundraiser~~

~~Oct 7-9th: Grass Drags~~

~~Oct 10: Club meeting~~

~~Oct 22: Annual Flea Market~~

~~Nov 14: Club meeting~~

~~Dec 1: Snowmobile upgrades~~

~~Dec 12: Club meeting, holiday party with Yankee Swap~~

~~Jan 6: Club night ride for supper~~

~~Jan 7: Safety class (tentative)~~

~~Jan 9: Club meeting~~

~~Jan 13-15: Adult Weekend~~

~~Jan 21: Club day/dinner ride~~

~~Feb 3-5: Easter Seals Ride-In, Lancaster~~

~~Feb 12: Family outing then night ride~~

~~Feb 13: Club meeting~~

~~Feb 18: Club daytime ride~~

~~Mar 11: Club daytime ride~~

~~Mar 13: Club meeting~~

~~Apr 10: Club meeting~~

~~Apr 15: Potluck Supper at Bill & Annie's~~

~~May 6: Banquet, final meeting, election of officers~~

~~July 14-16: NHIS Nextel Cup fundraiser~~

~~July 22: Family Outing at the Lambert's~~

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Contract Laurie Galletta
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call me at 603-624-7330. Support those
(mark your calendars!)

Email Addresses!

If your email address has changed, or you are new to the internet, please get it to me so that you'll receive future echoes uninterrupted! The club website is also being updated and will contain current and past echoes as well. Send changes to: the3lamberts@verizon.net

DON'T FORGET...



~~Next Meeting: Sept 12th 2005~~

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