



MOUNTAINEERS' ECHOES

Newsletter Of The Uncanoonuc Mountaineers



Dedicated to safe snowmobiling!

Al Lambert, President

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Letter from the President

Our weekend in Littleton found the snow on the thin side and a little warmer than we would have liked it to be! Saturday brought some tough times on the rails getting out of town with one sled busting a tie rod and out of commission for the day. We did finally make it to Lancaster and had lunch at the Cabot Inn. Our plan was to go there to see if the food and service was better under the new management. I regret to report it was not! I'm not saying that the food was bad; you just need to be very patient and have no other plans for the day!

Sunday, some of us decided to try our luck riding out of Nash Stream. We did find much better snow in that area, but I think that a thousand sleds beat us to the trails! They were pretty whooped-up but at least they had a lot of snow! We made it to Dixville Peak and got to see the resident fox while there. It's always a great spot up there and with all the trees encased in heavy snow it was truly a winter wonderland! We left there and headed over to Log Haven for a late lunch. Then back on the sleds to make

our way back to the vehicles. Take the bumps out of the ride and it was just about a 10! Some of us were originally going to stay until Monday, but with the forecasted snow for the Southern part of the state, we all decided to head home. All and all, not a bad weekend really... No one got hurt and I think everyone had a pretty good time!

Lee Forcier and I attended a meeting in Weare lead by Roger Wright to inform clubs of the new IRS regulations and what we needed to do to make sure we were compliant with the new rules that began in 2008. After some research on Lee's part it looks like we can squeak by with our 501-C7 status. We just need to be sure that a 990N ecard is filed each year before January 15th. We were a few weeks late on getting ours in for the 2008-2009 season but it shouldn't be a problem.

In checking into our club's status with the State and the IRS, we learned that the IRS still had our fiscal year ending in May of each year.

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**Our next meeting is on
Monday, February 8 at
7:00 pm at the Rec Center!**

This was the case a few years ago but was changed thinking it would be easier to have it start with the new season in September. Rather than file new papers with the IRS we are going to discuss moving the fiscal year back to what it was as well as include in the By-Laws that papers need to be filed with the IRS every year no later than January 15th. It is recommended that this be in the By-Laws to insure that new members to a Board of Directors of any organization be aware of the need to file with the IRS every year. Come to the February meeting if you have anything to add to this topic.

Dave McGlaulin has already turned in our club donation of \$3,100+ to Easter Seals Camp Sno-Mo for this season. Some of us in the club will be riding to the Balsams on Saturday so as to show a club presence at the event.

Don't forget that the Family Fun Day has moved to February 27th. We'll get additional information for that event to you when the time is closer. Also, we have the Club Family Weekend at Samantha's February 19th -21st. If you'd like to go, rooms are still available. Just let them know when you call (323-9100) that you are with our club and mention Cheryl Forcier's name to get the discounted rate. Hope to see you there!

That's it for now! I hope to see you at the next meeting



on February 8th at 7:00 pm to help in the discussion of By-Law revisions.

Take care and ride safely!

Your President,
Albert Lambert

Trail Update

The trails are pretty much closed until we get more snow. I have only done a little bit of grooming because of the lack of snow and the fact that rocks are poking up everywhere.

Daryl Raskett
Trail Administrator

B.S. From Bill

Hi all,

The winter started out soooooo promising. We saw two big snows early and some cold weather. By the time January 1st rolled around, it looked like the riding would be good this year. Just as the local lakes froze to the point of supporting riders and the snow looked read things went downhill. The January thaw and a heavy rain wiped out all the visible snow in my back yard. Since then I haven't even had to start the snow blower. The club has had to cancel rides and postpone events and is the Ride-In going to be another



"Trailer-In"?

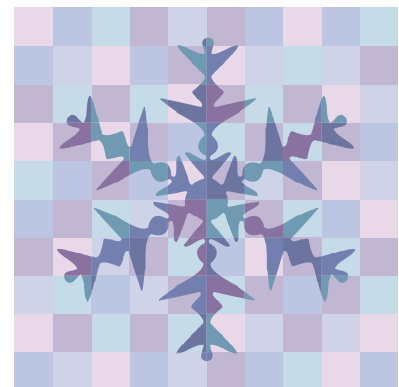
(*Editor's note: Yes, I know every year it is a Trailer-In regardless of the fact that a couple of brave souls do actually ride all the way there. But it is called the Ride-In, indicating that things are to be ridden, i.e. snowmobiles. Thus, calling it a Trailer-In is just my way of indicating that all is not well with the weather.)

(*Editor's sub-note: These Editor's notes are mean to be funny and in no way did I mean to insinuate that any of my readers would not be smart enough to get my double entendre of a "Trailer-In".)

The only saving grace for me is that I wasn't going to ride this year no matter what. (Remember that little incident where I sold my sled?) Where oh where has the snow all gone? I of course have not been up North so I don't know if it's any better up there. For those that still have sleds and can ride, let me know how it is where you are. I need some vicarious thrills!

No more BS for now,

Bill Lofgren



Enjoying my first Snowmobile

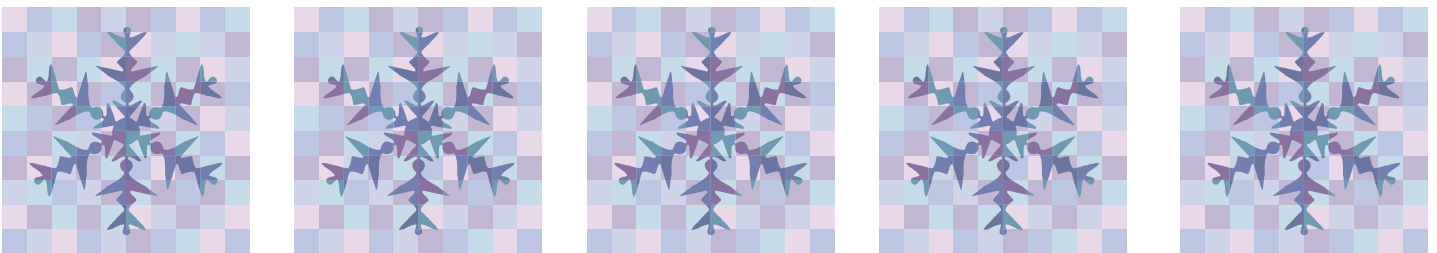
Growing up in NH I have always enjoyed the snowy winters and the bright sunny skies. There's nothing I enjoy more than the endless views available from the many summits within NH. I have done a lot of snowshoeing and cross country skiing but have never owned a snowmobile. I had been thinking for years about possibly purchasing one and finally did so in October of 2009. My first priority was to join a local club and had no doubt that the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers would be my first choice. I have witnessed their commitment to their club for many years in the community. Attending my first meeting in December was a great pleasure and everyone was very welcoming, the Yankee swap was a blast.

The snows finally arrived and I had accumulated over 30 miles on my new snowmobile. That's a lot of circles around my house in two days! On Friday January 26, 2010 I finally took my first long trip out of the neighborhood. Glen Lake had frozen over and deemed safe. Living on Wallace Road I took the Worthley Hill trail to the High school and over to the Glen lake shoreline. My map indicated I could make it all the way to Clough State Park. I was there by noon and was enjoying my packed lunch on the shores of one of NH's largest State parks. I soon headed home and made several stops along the way and marveled at the great views and many animal tracks.

Heavy rains were predicted for Monday January 25th and I knew the conditions of the trails would become compromised. Therefore I headed back out on Sunday the 24th for another venture. This time my destination was Turkey pond in Concord NH. It was a great trip and I was treated to some great fast track ice races when I got there. Hundreds had gathered for their weekly races and the canteen truck had hot dogs and coffee awaiting me. Later on as I headed back home I decided to venture up the North Mountain trail. What a great trail and a more rewarding view than I could have ever asked for. I had now been on the trails for six hours and it was time to retreat. As tired as my arms were I hated to call it a day, what fun I was having on my snowmobile.

I must say thank you to all who have worked so hard to make these trails a reality. I was amazed how well groomed and safe the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers kept their trails. This is the first time my wife has ever heard me wish for *more snow!* Have fun to everyone and ride safely.

Jim Beauchemin



For Sale

98 Arctic Cat 440 Jag. Picked track, elec. start, reverse, excellent condition. \$1800. **Call Al Lambert, 391-2597.**

Girls size 16 Arctic Cat Team jacket and bib pants. Jacket is black with purple V inset on front. Also has small orange/green stripe on sleeve. Pants all black. Excellent condition. \$100

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**2009-2010
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
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- February 5-7**.....Easter Seals Ride-In at the Balsams
- February 8**Club Meeting
- February 27**Family Fun Day, 10:00-??
- February 19-21**.....Family Weekend at Samantha's
- March 8**.....Club Meeting
- March 13**.....Day ride up North
- April 12**Club Meeting
- April 17**.....Pot Luck
- May 1**Annual Banquet/Election of officers
- July ??** Summer outing at the Lambert's



**Poker Nights at
Belmont
Lodge:**

**2010
DATES
TO BE
ANNOUNCED!**

