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# A Letter from the President

Happy Summer Easy Riders!

I hope everyone is enjoying the off season. There has certainly been no shortage of rain recently and I'm certainly looking forward to some sunny weather without rain in the forecast.

The banquet was quite the success and it seemed like everyone had a good time and had plenty to eat. I would like to thank Chris and Larry for the work they did making the banquet such a success!

Financially the club is doing great. Thanks to the membership for the outstanding job done selling/buying the SAM raffle tickets. We sold 362 tickets and generated \$926 of revenue for the club. This was our major fundraising event for the year and hopefully we can repeat these results next year.

I'm currently working on moving the website to a new host due to the lack of support from our current host. This will take some of the stress off Larry and his task as webmaster. Keep tuned in on this.

I'm also thinking about a fall activity that I think would be exciting and something the membership could enjoy. It would involve a weekend getaway and renting UTVs and utilizing some of the trails we ride on in the winter. Keep tuned in this as I'm getting the cost and logistics ironed out and will forward the info to the membership soon, to see what kind of interest we have.

Last but not least I would like to again thank Tom Rosato for his many years of service as our club secretary. Thank You Tom for your hard work and dedication to the club!

I would also be remiss if I did not also thank Chris Arena for volunteering to replace Tom as secretary. Thank you, Chris, for stepping up to the task!

Keep checking for posts and messages from the club's email.

Enjoy your summer and until next time.

Michael Nicoli





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# Meeting dates for upcoming season\*

## Club Meeting dates for the 2023/2024 Season

October 10th, 2023	1st meeting of the season
November 14th, 2023	Open house meeting
December 12th, 2023	Christmas party (Tentative date)
January 9th, 2024	
February 13th, 2024	
March 12th, 2024	
April 27th, 2024	End of the season Banquet (Tentative date)

## Board of Directors Meeting dates for the 2023/2024 Season (all members are welcome at our BOD meetings)

September 26th, 2023	
October 24th, 2023	
November 28th, 2023	
December 26th, 2023	(Cancelled)
January 23rd, 2024	
February 27th, 2024	
March 26th, 2024	
April 23rd, 2024	
May 28th 2024	

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**Posted 1/19/23 - Pohenegamook border crossing**



**Posted 3/28/23  
Swampbuck / Ft. Kent**

**EASY RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB, Club General Meeting  
March 28, 2023, 7:00 pm**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:10 pm

3 of 4 Officers present – Missing Mike N; 4 of 6 BOD Members present. Missing John B, Bob B

MEETING ATTENDANCE:

21 total including the 3 Officers and 4 BOD members.

Secretary's REPORT:

Accepted as read.

Last Club General Meeting was February 9, 2023

TREASURERS REPORT:

Accepted as read.

Current balance - \$6,339.26

NEW BUSINESS:

**ERSC/SAM Raffle** – This is the clubs main fundraiser. All members were previously provided 10 tickets and reminded to sell as many as possible. 1<sup>st</sup> prize is the 4-place snowmobile trailer or \$5,000. 2<sup>nd</sup> place is \$2,000 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place is \$1,000. Sell, sell, sell! The drawing is scheduled for April 13, 2023 at the SAM Annual meeting. 355 tickets sold so far. This is our highest total ever. The club should receive approximately \$1,000 in proceeds from SAM for our efforts. This is well above the amount we budgeted.

**50/50 Raffle** – The plan was to conduct a 50/50 raffle., however plans change. It never happened.

**SAM Meeting** – Greg reported that this year has been a year in transition for SAM as all new officers were voted in this year, they lost their executive director, Rena, and they lost their lobbyist (not state certified), etc . They are still in the black financially despite the lean snow year. Next SAM Expo to be held at the Big E on November 25, 2023. SAM Annual Meeting including elections to be held at B Bullets on April 13 at 7pm. Prime Rib meal. Report accepted as read

**ERSC Elections** – Nominations were opened tonight once again for next seasons officers and BOD members. BOD increased by one to 7 members due to increased membership. The final ballot was handed out to all 21 members in attendance for voting. The ballot included all incumbents except for Chris A who resigned as a BOD member to run for the office of Secretary and Keith G, a new nominee for BOD. Thir was no nominee for the 7<sup>th</sup> BOD position. The final ballot contained the following names:

Officers: President - Mike N / Vice President – Greg C / Treasurer – Larry M / Secretary – Chris A (NEW)

BOD Members: John B, Gary L, John S, Paul T, Bob B; Keith G(NEW), Write in for the 7<sup>th</sup> BOD member (NEW)

**Election results** – All 4 officers were [elected](#) and all 6 BOD members were elected. There was no candidate for the 7<sup>th</sup> BOD position.

**Final Banquet** –Will be held at the Bolton tavern in Marlboro MA on April 29, 2023.Costs are \$20 per person with the club picking up the remainder of the costs. Cocktail hour begins at 6pm with dinner scheduled for 7 pm. Sign ups going well – 23 members have signed up so far.

**Mike N** – Mike plans to attend the final banquet. We're all looking forward to seeing him.

**Photo Contest** – BOD voted at an earlier meeting tonight to cancel the photo contest for this year. The BOD recognizes that this years rules are not clear. They voted to reinstitute the photo contest next season with the appropriate revised guidance.

**Trips** – A few hardy ERSC members are still riding. Paul T, Mark C and John F plan to ride in NH next weekend

**Next Club Meeting** – The next club meeting will be the first meeting of next season currently scheduled for October 10, 2023. Please plan to attend the Final Banquet

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:56 pm



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**You know this guy?**

Well, he's one of our older members, Russ Glidden. He put 6010 miles on his sled this past season. The Only club member that has done more than that is Paul (Moses) Lessard. But he didn't do more than that till after he moved to Northern Maine a few years ago.

**Congratulations Russ**

**In case you missed these,  
from our Facebook page.**



## EASY RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION NEW or RENEWAL (circle one)

The Easy Riders Snowmobile Club of Marlborough, Inc. is an informal organization of persons interested in the sport of snowmobiling. Our purpose is to promote the sport of family snowmobiling by offering the opportunity for like minded individuals to share information and experiences. Through bi-monthly newsletters and meetings during the season, members can share information about equipment, trail access, snow conditions, safety techniques and group riding opportunities. The Club encourages participation in non-competitive group snowmobiling activities but the Club does not sponsor formal organized trips.

The initiators of Club activities act as focal points to bring together the ideas, energies and resources of the group, but are not formal leaders. They are not paid, do not represent the Club, and can take no responsibility for the safety or well-being of participants. A membership roster is available to members on request; listing names, addresses, e-mail addresses and telephone numbers for the purpose of member-to-member direct communication, but for no other distribution or commercial purposes.

**TO JOIN (or renew your membership):** Please read and sign the "Assumption of Responsibility and Release of Liability" waiver, fill in the information requested, and mail a check for \$40.00 payable to the *Easy Riders Snowmobile Club* to: Easy Riders Snowmobile Club, 29 Parkers St., Rochdale, MA 01542-1008. A discounted fee of \$30.00 is available if received by the Treasurer on or before December 15th. An alternate discounted fee of \$25.00 is available when purchasing club and SAM memberships in a single transaction on or before December 15th. Membership applies to an individual, his or her spouse or significant other, and all dependent children under the age of 18 years. SAM. Trail permit fees, \$50.00 per sled (plus service fee if applicable), are in addition to the membership fee and are not a condition for membership in the Easy Riders Snowmobile Club.

#### ASSUMPTION OF RESPONSIBILITY & RELEASE OF LIABILITY WAIVER:

I knowingly, voluntarily and willingly, on behalf of myself, my heirs and executors, take full responsibility for my personal safety and well being while participating in any snowmobiling activities with the Easy Riders Snowmobile Club of Marlborough, Inc. and any of its members or officers, and waive any claims against the Easy Riders Snowmobile Club of Marlborough, Inc. and any of its members or officers for any injury, including death, or damage to my equipment, resulting from such participation.

I understand that snowmobiling is a potentially dangerous activity and assume sole responsibility for deciding if my experience, skills, condition and equipment are sufficient for my safe participation. I am also aware that weather, trail and road conditions are unpredictable and may pose hazards to me while snowmobiling as well as when traveling to or from a snowmobiling activity by car, truck, or any other form of transportation.

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I have thoroughly read the above three paragraphs, and I fully understand their content.

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