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A Letter from the President

Happy summer Easy Riders!

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. To be honest, I can't wait for winter! It's been too hot and humid for me lately.

I guess it's time to start planning for the 24/25 season. We have received confirmation that Bob C. will be running his annual January Ft. Kent trip again this year. You can find more info on this trip in this newsletter or on our website.

We are going to have several fundraising raffles this year. The first one is the SAM trailer raffle and you should have received tickets already. The drawing will be held on Sunday Nov. 24th at 2:00PM. This is one week following the SAM Expo.

Please do your best to sell or buy the five tickets you received. We will be running another raffle and details on this one will be announced at our first meeting in October.

As always, frequently check our website and Facebook Page for current news and events for the upcoming season.

That's all for now. Enjoy your summer and stay cool.

Mike Nicoli

Buy thru our club. All members have received a small supply of raffle tickets. If you know a member, contact them or contact the club at easyriderssc@charter.net or message us thru Facebook.

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Save the Date!

The 2024 Expo will once again be held at the Eastern States Exposition Center on November 16 & 17.

The Sled Expo is the largest snowmobile show in New England!

Attendees

Visit the Sled Expo Marketplace and prepare for fun on the trails. Keep up-to-date with trail conditions using our interactive map app. Whether you are a beginner who has never tried snowmobiling or an experienced rider looking to upgrade your equipment, learn more about the sport with a visit to the Marketplace. Our vendors are offering special deals and are holding open house events. Get tech tips, club information, and much more!

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Photo Contest

The five photos voted on at the End of the Season Banquet were chosen by your officers and directors at the April Board Meeting.



Photo posted by Bob Baker (Millinocket)



Photo posted by Mark Carrier (North Central Quebec).



**Photo posted by Mark Carrier
(Northern Quebec)**



**Photo posted by Mark Carrier
(North shore of St. Lawrence River, Quebec)**

Photo Contest Winner.



The winner was chosen by vote of those attending the End of the Season Banquet.

Photo posted by Larry McCullough

Taken on a mountain top on the East side of the Saguenay River in Quebec

We will be making another change to the photo contest for next season. Due to the fact that several great photos did not have the required sled in the photo, your officers and board have decided to drop that requirement for next seasons photo contest. Good luck everyone. Remember, photos must be posted to one of the Easy Riders Facebook pages.

UPCOMING MEETINGS, TRIPS & EVENTS*

Sep. 24th, 2024	Board Meeting
Oct. 8th, 2024	1st Club Meeting of the Season
Oct. 11th -13th, 2024	NH Race into Winter
Oct. 22th, 2024	Board Meeting
Nov.12th, 2024	Club Open House Meeting
Nov. 16th, 17th, 2024	Sled Expo @ the Big E
Nov. 24th, 2024	SAM Trailer Raffle Drawing @ 2:00
Nov. 26th, 2024	Board Meeting
Dec. 10th, 2024	Christmas Party (tentative)
Jan. 14th, 2025	Club Meeting
Jan. 15th - 21st, 2025	Annual Ft. Kent Trip
Jan. 28th, 2025	Board Meeting
Feb. 11th, 2025	Club Meeting
Feb 25th, 2025	Board Meeting
Mar. 11th, 2025	Club Meeting (Elections)
Mar. 25th, 2025	Board Meeting
Apr. 22nd, 2025	Board Meeting
Apr. 26th, 2025	End of the season Banquet (tentative)
May. 27th, 2025	Board Meeting

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FROM ROUTE 9 East or West. Best route is to take Interstate 495 North then follow Interstate 495 directions below.

FROM INTERSTATE 495 North or South, Take Exit 65A toward Route 85 Hudson. At the first set of traffic lights take a right on to Fitchburg St. The Marlborough Moose is about 1/2 mile on left.

Please enter through the upper level front door.

ANNUAL FORT KENT TRIP

**As Bob C. has done in the past, he is organizing
our annual trip to Fort Kent.**

**Trip dates are Jan. 15th, thru Jan. 21st, 2025. You
can set your own dates (add or subtract).**

20 rooms have been reserved.

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NH Grass Drags and Watercross



The NH Grass Drags and Watercross is a three day powersports extravaganza held annually by the New Hampshire Snowmobile Association on Columbus Day weekend in October. Also known in the snowmobile world as “*The Grass Drags*” or “*Epping*,” the *Race Into Winter Grass Drags and Watercross* is the premiere event for snowmobile enthusiasts and competitors.

Race Into Winter: October 11-12-13, 2024

The NH Grass Drags and Watercross is the Biggest, Baddest Snowmobile Event in the World. Considered the start of New England’s snowmobile season, over 45,000 snowmobile and outdoor enthusiasts turn out each year to watch some of the fastest snowmobile racers from the United States and Canada. The event starts on Friday at 2 PM and doesn’t end until 6 PM Sunday at Brookvale Pines Farm, 154 Martin Road, Fremont, NH.

Annual Banquet photos

Photos courtesy of Val Flieger



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.

As a member of a club that promotes family participation, I take full responsibility for the safety of any minor family members of mine who participate in Club activities. Adult family members of mine (18 years or older) who wish to participate in Club activities as members of the Easy Riders Snowmobile Club of Marlborough, Inc. have agreed to sign this form as well. Note: there is no additional fee for the participation of additional family members, but only one newsletter will be distributed to each family membership.

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

MEMBER

Signature _____ Date _____
Printed Name _____ Age (if under 18) _____
Address _____ e-mail: _____
City, State & Zip _____ Telephone(____) _____ home
Telephone(____) _____ cell

NOTE: If you wish to purchase a SAM Trail Permit for one or more snowmobiles, the cost is \$50.00 per sled. Please have your sled make, model, and serial number and MA registration number for inclusion on the SAM application for membership/trail pass.

ADDITIONAL ADULT FAMILY MEMBER, OR THE RESPONSIBLE PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF THE ABOVE APPLICANT IF UNDER 18 YEARS OLD (Additional forms may be used for additional family members who snowmobile.)

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