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A Letter from the President

Greetings Easy Riders,

Well Folks, it's November and this is a busy month for the club. First off, we have the Open House Meeting on November 12th @ 6:30pm, where we will be having Pizza, Door Prizes and a 50/50 drawing. We will also have a bartender during the evening for refreshments. We will be selling memberships, SAM trail passes, and club clothing so come by and check out the open house.

Next on the agenda is the Sled Expo in Springfield on November 16th & 17th. We will have a booth to promote the club, sell club clothing, decals and raffle tickets. If you are interested in volunteering to help out with the booth, contact Larry at easyriderssc@charter.net. We appear to be a little behind last year on SAM Raffles sales so if you still have tickets to sell, please sell them or buy them and get them turned in at the open house meeting or get them mailed back to Larry. Time is running out and this is our major fundraiser.

The Christmas Party this year will be held at the Moose Lodge on December 10th @ 6:30 during our regular December meeting. We will be having a Potluck Dinner, Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffle, and we will be having a Yankee Swap, so please bring a gift with a value around \$20. We will also have a bartender for the evening. Come enjoy the night and spread some holiday cheer!

Ok, before you know it we will be on our first trip, so make sure that your sleds, tow vehicle / trailers and gear are ready for the season. There is nothing worse than having issues while on a trip.

Let's all do a little snow dance and pray that we have a record-breaking winter this year. Needless to say, we are way overdue for one.

That's all for now,. Hope to see you at a meeting or on the trail.

Michael Nicoli
President

Fort Kent trip

January 15th to the 20th, 2025.

As Bob C. has done, year after year, he is coordinating our first trip of the season to Fort Kent Maine. We will again be staying at the Northern Door Inn. Bob has asked Lori to hold 20 rooms for our group. Make sure you let them know that you are taking one of the rooms reserved for the Easy Riders when you call to reserve yours. You don't have to stay the entire time, come when you can and leave when you must.

Per the Moosetown Riders Snowmobile Club, they have been doing some major updates to the trail out to the Allagash. Per a posting to FB, the trail from Chamberlain's Market out to Two Rivers Lunch has been shortened buy up to 5 miles this year by eliminating a section of difficult trail via a reroute up and over the mountain.

As we almost always do, some people will definitely be heading over to Moose Valley at least once during the trip. So, bring your passport. Canadian Currency is available at ATM's across the river in Clair. Daily trail passes for New Brunswick can be purchased online. Remember, New Brunswick requires liability insurance in the amount of \$200.00 CA, so make sure you have evidence of your liability insurance. I found out recently that they also require, at a minimum, a left hand mirror on your sled.

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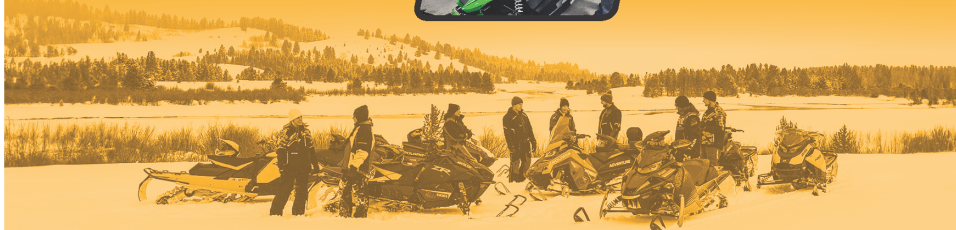


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Possible Maine / Canada Loop trip

Tues Feb 11th thru Mon 17th, 2025

**This is my initial thoughts on a loop trip
starting and ending in Jackman Maine.**

**Drive up to Jackman and stay at Bishop's Motor
Lodge on Tuesday Feb 11th**

**Ride to Millinocket on the Wed the 12th via Pittston
Farms, N.E. Carry, Kokadjo and the JoMary system,
staying at Baxter Park Inn.**

**Ride to Ft. Kent on Thurs Feb 13th, staying at
Trackdown Lodge (Northern Door Inn is not
available, Penns group is there).**

**Ride to Rimouski Que on Fri the 14th via Moose
Valley, staying at Hotel L'Empress**

**Ride to La Pocatiere on Sat the 15th staying at
Auberge Cap Martin.**

**Ride back to Jackman on Sun the 16th staying
again at Bishop's Motor Lodge.**

Drive home on Mon the 17th.

UPCOMING MEETINGS, TRIPS & EVENTS*

Nov. 12th, 2024	Club Open House Meeting @ 6:30
Nov. 16th, 17th, 2024	Sled Expo @ the Big E
Nov. 24th, 2024	SAM Trailer Raffle Drawing
Nov. 26th, 2024	Board Meeting (reschedule?)
Dec. 10th, 2024	Christmas Party @ the Lodge @ 6:30
Jan. 14th, 2025	Club Meeting
Jan. 15th - 20th, 2025	Annual Ft. Kent Trip
Jan. 28th, 2025	Board Meeting
Feb. 11th, 2025	Club Meeting
Feb. 13th - 17th, 2025	Chris A's trip to Millinocket
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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EASY RIDERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Club Meeting

10/8/24,

7:00pm

Call to order @ 7:18

Member Attendance: 22

Board/ officer attendance:

Board members, 6 out of 6 present, 3 out of 4 offices present, missing Greg C.

Secretary's Report: Chris read notes from March 12th 2024 club meeting at the Moose Lodge. Accepted as read.

Treasurer's Report: Read by Larry. Accepted as read. Current balance was \$4,817.82,

SAM Update: New calendar of events has been uploaded to the SAM website. Sue Smiley is the new SAM president. SAM liability policy has gone up to 45k a year.

New News: SAM raffle to be held at the Moose lodge on Sunday Nov. 12th. Between 1:00 and 5:00, with trailer will be here on site. (The drawing will no longer be held at the Lodge). There will be a swapmeet at the SAM Snowmobile show on Nov. 15th - 17th. ERSC looking for volunteers to man our booth. Our open house meeting will be Nov. 12th. We will have pizza, door prize, and a 50/50 raffle. We will also have a bar tender. Start time will be 6:30. We will be doing the photo contest again. Our Club X-Mas party to be held at the Moose lodge on Dec. 12th. There will be a Pot luck dinner, bar tender, and Yankee swap, bring a gift up \$20 in value.

Trips: Bob C. will have a trip to Fort Kent Jan 15th to 20th. You can get a room at the Northern Door.

Larry M. will have a back packing trip Jan 11th to 17th. Details to follow. Chris A. has a trip planed for NEOC in Millinocket Feb 13th. To 17th. All are welcome just need to look for lodging.

Motion to adjourn @ 8:06

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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.

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