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Respectfully submitted, Steven Kiander, Treasurer

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Emily Martin, her sister Molly Martin, and Maura Lagerstrom spend the afternoon greeting visitors with smiles, as they sell raffle tickets at the Umbagog Snowmobile Association club house. Photo/Dan Gould

Cover: Racers from all over North America will strut their stuff on land, water and in the air. Join fellow sledheads at Race Into Winter's Grassdrags and Watercross, October 7-8-9 in Fremont. Check the official event program inside for the complete schedule and more. Photo/Dan Gould





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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This season we will be without one of the icons of the sport. Harold Case passed away this summer. I am dedicating this issue of the Sno-Traveler to Harold. Harold was the person we went to for questions about everything snowmobiling: NHSA history, Camp Sno-Mo, the Ride-In, snowmobile policy, and so on. He was always there with information and insight.

I have invited NHSA Past Presidents to recall a memory that they have of Harold, something they could share with all of you. Harold will be greatly missed.

Harold F. Case, NHSA Past President, passed away at his home on June 15, 2022. Born in Manchester, he joined the Navy in 1956, serving as Petty Officer First Class and becoming an electrician. After discharge in 1959, he joined Honeywell, enjoying a successful 40-plus year career.

He was a lifelong avid snowmobiler and was active in many organizations, including the Hudson Sno-Men, (President, Board member), NHSA (President, Board member), ASCA (Chair) and ISC (Co-Chair).

Harold was honored with the NHSA Lifetime Achievement Award in 2018, inducted into the Iron Dog Brigade in 1992, honored as Snowmobiler of the Year 1994–1995, and in 2005 was inducted into the International Snowmobile Hall of Fame.

Since 1975, he was active in the Easterseals Ride-In which at that time had helped raise over \$1 million for Easterseals and Camp Sno-Mo. In his spare time Harold and Judy loved to go camping in their RV and deep-sea fishing with his friends and family.

Tom Willand



Past Presidents Remember a Friend

NHSA Past President Harold Case was a staunch supporter and active leader of organized snowmobiling in his home state of New Hampshire and the United States.

I first met Harold at a NHSA county meeting when he was the director. We became close friends, volunteering in the NHSA and traveling together to the International Snowmobile Congress. We snowmobiled often, including a memorable trip from Candia to North Conway for the Ride-In during a treacherous ice storm. That miserable trip challenged us in many ways and only made our friendship stronger.

Harold was passionate about the Ride-In. I was fortunate to co-chair the event with him for several years. I appreciated his leadership abilities and miss him.

-Charlie Kurtz

It is with heavy heart that we share the news that NHSA Past President Harold Case passed away. He was a great friend to many and his contributions to make snowmobiling better are countless.

-Roger Wright

Since the early 1990s I have been on and off the NHSA Board of Directors three times and served in many different capacities. Harold Case was the first president that I had the honor of serving with. He served our sport at every level from local clubs to national and international levels. Mr. Case challenged many of us to do more and to do it better. His advice and experience will be missed. His love of our sport will not be forgotten.

Terry Callum

Harold was involved in the NHSA far before I ever thought about being active in the association. He was our president in 1992-1994, when I graduated high school. Fast forward to 2004 when I became



active with my local club and the NHSA. Coming in as an assistant director, I met Harold, whom was an enormous source of information and experience to ends I had never seen.

He was always pleasant and happy to see all. After a few years of going from assistant director to director, Harold and a couple of the other past presidents asked me to move to NHSA vice president and then to president. I moved ahead as vice president after many conversations with Harold and the others. I was honored that these folks had confidence in my leadership and that I had their votes to continue building the association in a positive direction. No matter what the situation was, Harold was there at any time of day to offer his advice, experience and help us work through the best path forward without pressure to follow his lead, but to come to conclusion on my own. The snowmobiling community has lost an amazing and passionate snowmobiler who gave so much to the sport. He will continue to watch over the snowmobilers of the great state of New Hampshire! Rest easy Harold!

-Russ Davis

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In just a few short months we will be riding again. Until then, there is plenty to keep us occupied. I'll start by thanking you for joining your club early and often.

Fueling the Fleet

Obviously, the clubs are concerned with fuel costs and the impact it will have on grooming. Although fuel has come down somewhat, it's still way over the top when compared to last winter's average of approximately \$3.50, versus \$5.25-plus a gallon in early September. Future price projections are neck and neck with long-term weather forecasts and a spin of the roulette wheel. Clubs will be counting on your membership and donations to keep the grooming fleet out on the trails rather than parked in the barn.

NHSA Trailer

Be sure to visit the brand new NHSA trailer at the Grass Drags, where the limited-edition Race Into Winter shirts will be available, alongside a new collection of NH sledding apparel. Spend a few minutes checking your email on our free Wi-Fi network while the kids play a round of cornhole or giant jenga. NHSA staff and volunteers will be there to answer your snowmobiling questions. Super Raffle tickets will also be available. More on that in a minute.

The NHSA trailer project was a major undertaking and would not have happened without the talented and generous crew at PROLine Trailers (thank you Aaron and Tom Murtagh). Another salute to Jeff Bilodeau of First Class Flooring for donating and installing the beautiful floor. And finally, we need to recognize NHSA President Tom Willand, who has been tinkering on this project for almost three years, thanks to pandemic curve balls.

Super Raffle is Back!

This is the raffle that directly benefits the trails, as all net proceeds go to participating clubs. Tickets are just 20-bucks. Go to nhsa.com to contact a participating club or additional info. The drawing is February 5, 2023.

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2023 Trail Map

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Trails Workshop for Clubs

The NHSA Trails Workshop is scheduled for November 5 at the Grand Summit Hotel at Attitash. Notable changes include a breakfast buffet instead of lunch. The overall schedule is redesigned to finish around 1pm, getting everyone home earlier. Multiple educational breakouts will cater to volunteers who manage the trail system. Registration forms will be emailed to clubs in October.

TECH CORNER





FUTURE TECH: WHAT IS IN IT FOR YOU?

STORY BY JIM TUCKER

Over the years we have been privileged to witness some great innovations in snowmobile design. I have been around 50-plus years in the snowmobile orbit and can remember the Wild West of the '70s, with over 100 manufacturers of snowmobiles. Every one of them had their own ideas about how a snowmobile should perform and what the future of sledding looked like. Some went by the wayside during cyclical low snow years and others because they made poor quality sleds that did not perform as expected. Maybe some just made bad management decisions.

Fast forward to today and only four sled manufacturers remain. From those four manufacturers we have seen a multifold increase in design innovations, albeit in a longer timeframe than the Wild West days. Rider forward design, direct fuel injection, electronic pipe sensors, turbos, radical front ends, integral GPS navigation, efficient clutch designs, brakes that actually work, luxurious quality foam seats, air suspension, and on and on it goes. As curious and savvy as we the consumers are I cannot help but wonder where we are headed next in this beloved world of ours.

No doubt innovation costs money and that is the number one concern from snowmobilers, the cost to buy and own a sled. I cannot tell you the number of times I have chatted with snowmobilers at rest stops only to hear them say how much fun they are having with the family, yet at the same time they feel like they are slowly getting priced out of the sport. Many say it is becoming a sport of the rich and that the working middle class family of today can only buy used machines because they simply cannot afford to outfit the wife and junior with new sleds.

The manufacturers' response has been to introduce highquality sleds minus some higher priced options and engine choices that have a lower price point. The Arctic Blast, Polaris EVO and Ski-Doo Neo come to mind. In this humble writers' opinion it is refreshing to see and long overdue. I applaud that decision. Yes, there are plenty of folks out there with serious coin in their pockets and they will always buy whatever trail shredding weapon the Big Four offer. Competition amongst the Big Four is good for the sport. The end result is better quality sleds for all to enjoy, as cuttingedge technology trickles down to all sleds. Right on brother! And now I humbly submit my version of the future of snowmobile design.

Back in the day Popular Mechanics promised us flying cars. Wow, that was going to be really something. As a kid, I dreamed about flying all around the neighborhood waving to everyone, going over the treetops, anywhere I wanted, in no time at all. It sounded like being an adult was well worth the wait. Well, that idea was a big dud and as far as Popular Mechanics goes I want my subscription money back. I am still holding my breath on the zero gravity Star Wars Speeder.

As most of you know I've advocated for anti-lock brakes on snowmobiles for years. We all know the scenario of happily riding down the trail only to come upon some sort of trail drop-off or pothole, then ham-fisting the brake lever to the handlebars. This leads to the inevitable sideways slide, possible rollover or worse yet, impact with a solid object. Yikes! It would not take much tech to upgrade the brakes to a pulsating brake piston caliper that would rapidly and gently modulate the pad application to the disc. This would allow more straight-line deceleration and therefore better stopping outcomes. More on next gen brakes later.

What about powerplants of the future? At this moment in history we are seeing a great push towards electrifying cars, trucks and everything else that crawls, lifts, tows, flies or navigates under the venerable combustion engine. Government incentives are like fruit on a tree waiting to be plucked by industry leaders of the auto world. It is an exciting time to be alive and see this battery-operated progression, and like others before me, I cannot wait to see the integration to the snowmobile world. As of this writing, range and battery life in the cold are deal stoppers. If and when the Tesla engineers develop those wafer-thin batteries they have been chatting about, then that would be a game changer.

Speaking of Tesla I would be remiss if I didn't give a shout out to boy wonder Elon Musk, who is the absolute genius of modern technology. He is the real life equivalent of Hollywood's Tony Stark, of Stark Industries. Think about this for a moment: He was co-founder of PayPal, which he sold to fund Tesla and SpaceX, which at the time was a little more than an idea noted on paper. He took failing industries

and built them up to something that is now commonplace and simply works. Just think if he took a glance toward the snowmobile world what his brilliant mind might conjure up?

We have a new powerplant to consider in our future that would need charging stations at regular intervals along the trail. They would have to be quick charge, on the order of 15 minutes or so. Positive attributes would be no more smoke, no more spilled gas, no more wonky startups in the morning, no junky belts to worry about, not to mention the silence of a motor just purring under the hood and snow crunching under the skis. I'm still leery of how we recycle batteries without creating an environmental mess, along with the money and time to install the infrastructure. Certainly these problems can be worked out.

The upstart Taiga Motors has made great strides in electric snowmobiles. They currently produce sleds on a preorder only basis and let their customers demo units at specified locations throughout selected ski areas in the United States and Canada. I missed my one chance last year to demo a unit but that will not happen this year. I am very anxious to bring those results to you in a later article. Ski areas seem to benefit quite nicely with electric snowmobiles as they do not have to worry about range. After the workday is done they are hooked up to charging stations at the base mountain for the night.

What about hybrids? Motorheads out there, we need to take a quick look at Porsche and their 919 Hybrid prototype race car. The 919 had three wins at Le Mans and took the podium at multiple endurance races throughout the world. This just proved that the Porsche engineers really did their homework and were able pull some ridiculous numbers out of a small internal combustion engine. The engine itself was a 2.0 liter turbocharged 90-degree V-4 that produced 500HP, despite rules that restricted fuel flow. All in a chassis that weighed 2,000 pounds. Very impressive indeed but that was only the beginning of the story.

Porsche asked their engineers to integrate a complementary 400HP hybrid system that literally was off the charts in all areas of performance. How did they do it you ask? They took the rule book and threw it right out the window, that's how. Starting with a clean slate, they develop a car so groundbreaking that no one would think possible. "Let your imagination roam free and see what you can come up with" is what I suspect Porsche brass said to their engineers. Money was no object.

Porsche engineers figured out a way to harness thermal energy by using a mini turbine in the exhaust system that



The Porsche 919 Hybrid is amazing. During braking, a generator at the front axle converts the car's kinetic energy into electrical energy. In the split exhaust system, one turbine drives the turbocharger while another converts surplus energy into electrical energy. Photo/Porsche AG

generated electricity (a turbo boost generator). Not only that but Porsche engineers also incorporated regenerative braking, by spinning an axle mounted electric motor when the brakes were applied. These two complex systems convert unused energy (thermal and kinetic) into electricity that is then stored in a lithium battery which can then be used to accelerate the car. Regen braking is now commonplace on many hybrid and electric street cars.

Not only did they build a machine that was faster than a Formula-One car in a drag race but the 2018 Evo version combined 1160 total horsepower to shatter the world record lap at the Nürburgring in Germany. That 919 Hybrid Evo, a one-off prototype, was in a class by itself and is now a museum piece.

You must watch the YouTube video of the world record lap. The in-car video does not even seem real. It looks more like a hyper video game but it truly is in real time. Check out the boost and brake levels and the astonishing rate of acceleration achieved. After setting the record, race driver Timo Bernhard said he could not go any faster, as he regularly hit 4-plus G's of body-crushing load! Longwinded lesson, there are possible adaptations of hybrid power that snowmobiles could incorporate, especially regenerative braking.

On to something else. Chassis design is already being tweaked by none other than Polaris with their carbon fiber spars that are bonded in place. Carbon fiber is stiffer, lighter, stronger, and more understood in its properties than ever before and would lend itself well to a snowmobile design. The weight savings over aluminum approaches 40 percent. There are several custom shops that produce carbon fiber tunnels and suspensions. Could we possibly see a carbon fiber tunnel offered by the manufacturers? What about a 100 percent carbon fiber snowmobile?

Things are changing fast in the suspension arena. Remember the long travel revolution in the 1990s and what that did for our riding capability? Get ready for version II. Ski-Doo's Smart-Shox Semi-Active suspension is impressive, using variable shock valves to control ride and pitch. By taking multiple inputs from the sled, the shocks electronically adjust up to 34 times per second on compression and 50 times per second on rebound to maximize ride and handling. Reviews are glowing. The Magnetic Ride Control in the Chevrolet Corvette is simply amazing, and a similar system could theoretically be adapted to sleds. The active damping system uses magnetized shock fluid and electromagnetic coils to alter the consistency of the fluid, changing damping rates of the shocks almost instantly. This system is found on many Cadillacs and GMC trucks. Even Ferrari and Lamborghini use it. This will flatten a bump like never before.

And what about a carbon fiber helmet like military pilots? It would have a heads-up display that would show your speed and all the vitals of the sled on the lower portion of the visor. Of course it would have to be voice activated for route guidance, tracking and weather radar, all of which would be projected on the visor. While on the subject of accessories, why not have solar heated suits? They have already developed the basic technology to weave solar panels to clothing. I've got to slow down. My head is ready to explode!

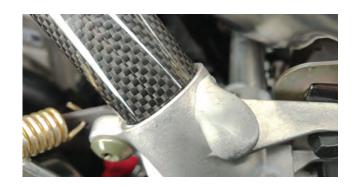
Are there any other propulsion systems on the drawing board? Who knows but consider this: cell phones were, for the most part, unheard of just 20 years ago. Will we have to wait that long for a new breed of snowmobile? I don't think so but I cannot wait to see what the engineers have up their sleeves for us.



Heads-up technology already exists in eyewear. The ActiveLook 2.0 technology embedded in ENGO 2 gives users greater ability to customize the data projected into their field of view. Credit Engo Eyewear



Future performance gains could be found through advances in suspension technology and carbon fiber materials. Photos/Dan Gould - Jim Tucker





Meeting Your Conservation Officer

Working with your local conservation officer can resolve issues and create cooperation with clubs to make snowmobile season easier for everyone. This spring I attended the International Snowmobile Congress in Dubuque, Iowa, and one of the seminars presented there was "How to work with your local police department, fire department and emergency management." This seminar was more geared for working with first responders in the western part of the country but it got me thinking about relationships that conservation officers and the snowmobile community have in New Hampshire. Every snowmobile club should know the conservation officer in their area or the officer that is covering their area currently. It is the task of every officer to create and maintain good relationships in their assigned patrol area.

When I was a conservation officer in an assigned patrol I created great relationships with my clubs and regularly attended meetings. The clubs knew how to contact me if there was an issue and there were plenty. The clubs relayed to me information on landowners that were having issues and I was able to prioritize my patrol time to address

these issues. When I was out patrolling and I came across the groomer I would stop and talk with the operator. It was these contacts and relationships that helped me be an effective officer and help the snowmobile clubs be successful.



Every snowmobile club should know the conservation officer in their area or the officer that is covering their area. Photo/Dan Gould

This would be my expectation for all conservation officers across the state. If you have not seen your conservation officer in a while please reach out and let them know when your next club meeting is scheduled. If you have not met them yet contact me at Fish & Game Headquarters and I will have them get in touch with you. Any problems that the clubs are having during the season should be relayed to the officer as quickly as possible and we will do our best to address those issues. Having a quality relationship with your local conservation officer makes the season go smoother for all of us. Have a safe snowmobile season.

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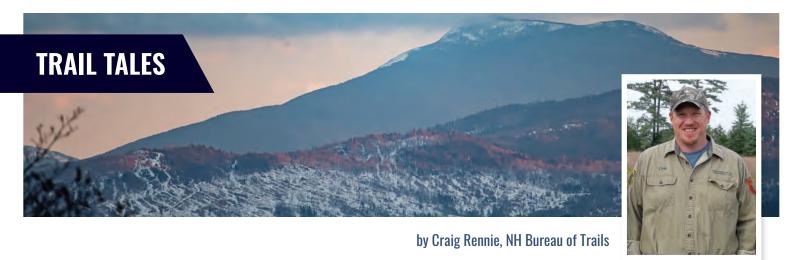
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The dog days of summer are here with lots of work going on in the Bureau of Trails, but I cannot help but think about cooler days ahead and the start of our fall season (think Grass Drags!). Looking further ahead I am pleased to report that the Farmer's Almanac is calling for a colder winter with more snow that will be "shovel worthy" in the northeast, let's hope so.

The Bureau of Trails and the majority of our snowmobile clubs have been working diligently through another busy construction season maintaining and repairing our trails in order to get ready for the snowmobile season. I have seen first-hand some of the great trail improvement projects that clubs have been completing around the state with assistance from Grant in Aid (GIA) funding which is dedicated to improving our trail system. A whopping \$1,822,238.19 of GIA funds were awarded to the snowmobile clubs this past spring for purchasing equipment and improving the trails. It is great to see these registration dollars in action this summer that will ensure our snowmobile trail network is safe and ready for winter use. In addition, you may see a few clubs with shiny new groomers on the trail that should make for improved grooming conditions as well.

Like last year we had several washouts around the state with the most severe being along the Ammonoosuc Recreation Rail Trail in Lisbon where a portion of the rail trail washed into the river during spring runoff. The Bureau of Trails immediately responded to this washout and completed a bio-engineered bank stabilization project by installing tree stumps and log revetments into the

bank and by

replanting

native shrubs that will help to protect the rail trail from

The Bureau of Trails worked



Root wads and logs are being installed into the bank to

of Environmental Services and the US Army Corps of Engineers to acquire emergency wetland permits to allow this stabilization effort to be completed in short order.

The Bureau of Trails manages approximately 300 miles of rail trails in New Hampshire, but they often come with infrastructure maintenance issues as most rail trails are located directly adjacent to streams and rivers. These riparian areas have more gradual grades that were critical for locating trains and railroads on the landscape.

We are extremely fortunate to have 7,000-plus miles of interconnected snowmobile trails in New Hampshire but it would not exist without the dedication of 100 organized snowmobile clubs and the volunteers that make it happen. This, combined with the generosity of landowners, keeps our trail system alive and well for all to enjoy, the majority of which occurs on private land. Speaking of which, a reminder to our snowmobile clubs to make sure you submit your updated landowner lists to ensure that our generous landowners have additional liability protections by including them in the Bureau's insurance policy.

In closing, it's time to start wrenching on your sled and get everything ready to go! The snowmobile season is an exciting time, but let's all strive to be good stewards of the land on which we ride and treat it like our own by staying on trail. Also, be sure to join your local club and get involved in deciding the future of our trail system. Ride safe and see you out there!





NH Snowmobile Museum Rally 2022 In Memory of George and Betty Burdick

BY BUD GORDON

This year the NH Snowmobile Museum Winter Rally was held in memory of George and Betty Burdick. George got involved in antique snowmobiles in 1985, when he bought a pair of Bolens snowmobiles for \$1, and in December 1986 brought them to the NH Snowmobile Museum to show. He then joined the museum as a member and continued on as a board member for many years, eventually being elected museum president, a position he held for many more years. One of the two Bolens snowmobiles was eventually donated to the museum by George and is still on display.

Betty served as a go-to person at museum events during George's time with the museum. Always there to help out, selling books, memberships, memorabilia, and organizing. Betty was happy to help. The Burdicks spent many weekends at the museum giving tours and working on displays. They were instrumental in the growth of the museum during the early years. George's vision for the museum was to streamline the displays for easier viewing. The NH Snowmobile Museum and the Andover Snowmobile Club were both very dear to George, and Betty was always by his side to assist.

I first met George in 1981 while he was in charge of truck maintenance for Weeks Dairy in Concord, NH. My first impression of George was that of a gruff, no-nonsense trucker. I dealt with George for many years, working as an auto glass technician, both at Weeks and later at Lily Transportation truck maintenance for Crowley Foods. It was at my first attendance of a NH Snowmobile Museum Winter Rally in 2001 that I got to see another side of George, a man whose passion for snowmobiles ran deep. I got to know him and his son Stephen much better over the next decade at the museum Winter Rallies. I had the chance to talk to George more in depth at the first Eastern VSCA National Show in Springfield, MA in 2007. It was there that I learned just how passionate he was about vintage snowmobiles. I also had the pleasure of working with him at the museum displays at the NHSA Snowmobile Grass Drags and Watercross until he retired from the museum in 2013.

Mother nature was not kind to us for the 2022 Winter Rally. A week before the event there was enough snow in the field to ride, possibly enough to ride out in the park too. Unfortunately rain and high temperatures up to 60 degrees during the week melted the snow and left the field muddy and covered with standing water. We received a call from the director of the park suggesting that we cancel the rally due to the field conditions. After a discussion of the board members and a check on the weekend weather prediction we decided to take a chance. Low temps of 11 degrees Friday night and 10 degrees Saturday night, along with high temps staying below freezing during the day left the center of the field covered with a thick layer of glare ice and frozen dirt around the edges of the field. This we could work with. The rally went on.

Despite poor weather during the week, Stephen Burdick flew out from Orondo, Washington for the rally. Stephen, along with Dave and Lucille Burdick of Berlin, NH came to the rally on Sunday to help out. A Burdick's Choice Award was offered in memory of George and Betty. The Burdicks chose a snowmobile that they felt best represented what their parents looked for in an antique snowmobile. The recipient of the Burdick's Choice Award was Steve Dickenson of Berlin, NH for his 1968 Arctic Cat Panther with a 1968 Arctic Cat Freightliner tow sled. Steve's Panther also took first place in the '60s original class. The Burdicks also brought a sled of their own to show, a 1971 Eskimo RT/2, which garnered a second place in the '70s original class.

Attendance at this year's rally was up from the last few years. Over eighty snowmobiles were registered for the show and countless others not entered in the show. With the lack of snow the rally attracted many people who were looking for something snowmobile related to do. The rally was the perfect venue with all of the snowmobile related activities to keep people entertained. Not only could you check out all of the vintage snowmobiles, there was a slowest snowmobile contest (try to take as much time as you can from start to finish without stopping), a loudest pipe contest, and a best starting snowmobile contest (the cold engine had to be started with one pull of the rope, after sitting for at least one hour, only the choke could be used, no primer). Unfortunately, the vintage snowmobile ride had to be canceled. Food was available from the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers Snowmobile Club of Goffstown. At the

end of the show raffle prizes were awarded, along with contest awards and trophies.

This year's feature sled was "cross-country racer". This would be any snowmobile that was built specifically for cross-country races or would have been used in races such as the Winnipeg to St Paul I-500, Thunder Bay to the Twin Cities, or the Iron Man 250. In the '60s and early '70s many sleds were modified for these races, although some manufacturers did build early racers, Sno-Jet Cross Country and Ski-Doo TNT, for example. Later models include John Deere Liquidator, Arctic Cat Cross-Country or EXT Special, Polaris TX-C or XC 400, and Ski-Doo RV or Formula Plus 500 are some examples. There are many others. Trophies were also awarded for '60s, '70s, and 80s up for both original and restored snowmobiles, along with classes for youth (under 12) and teen (12-17).

Many thanks to the Burdicks for their help, the Uncanoonuc Mountaineers of Goffstown for serving food again this year, our trophy sponsors, Charlie Bierce and Doug Kauer for their help with the loud pipe and best starting contests, and a special thank you to Tara Verdonck and Paige Lumnah for their help in the office

with sled registrations, selling raffle tickets, and all of the running around.

This year's raffle sled is a 1971 Evinrude 437cc 25HP Bobcat that has been restored. The drawing for the sled will be at the museum display at the Race Into Winter Grass Drags and Watercross on Sunday, October 9. Second prize is a \$100 gas card, and third prize is a one-year membership to the museum, which includes a Members Only T-shirt. Tickets for the raffle are \$5 each, 3/\$10, or 15/\$20 and can be purchased from museum board members or at any event that we have a display set up. This raffle is a major fundraiser to keep museum operations running. Please help if you can.

We have the following events scheduled for the upcoming season: vintage snowmobile display at the NHSA Grass Drags and Watercross October 7–9, Vintage Ride in Bear Notch State Park on Saturday, January 21st, the annual Winter Rally on Sunday, February 19, the Franconia Notch ride on Sunday, March 5 and the Spring Swap Meet on Saturday, June 3. For more information on any of these events check our website, nhsnowmobilemuseum.com or our Facebook page. We hope to see you at our future events!.



From left: Stephen Burdick, Dave Burdick, and Dave's wife Lucille Burdick who came to the rally to honor George and Betty. Photo/John Lumnah.



Burdick's Choice Award winner, Steve Dickenson's 1968 Arctic Cat Panther with a 12 horsepower Kohler engine and 1968 Arctic Cat Freightliner tow sled. The Burdicks chose this sled combination because they felt it was something that their parents would really enjoy. The Panther also won first place in the '60s original class.



George Burdick talking with some other attendees of the Andover Snowmobile Club SnoFest in February 2012. George loved to talk antique snowmobiles with fellow enthusiasts. Photo/Museum file.



The Burdick family's 1971 Eskimo RT/2. The sled is all original and is powered by a 38 horsepower 436cc Sachs engine. Photo/John Lumnah.



Betty Burdick with her son Stephen and grandchildren Jayden and Sarah Burdick with the museum Model T snowmobile. Photo/Burdic family.



1975 Mercury Trail Twister owned by Taylor Gunn of Meredith, NH, customized as a mountain sled, won second place in the '70s restored class. To the right of the Mercury are a 1982 Kawasaki Interceptor, a Yamaha Bravo 300, and a 1979 Kawasaki Invader 440.



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IRON DOG BRIGADE INDUCTS ROGER WRIGHT

At 103 current members, the Iron Dog Brigade is truly an honorary society. Over the years 11 New Hampshire residents have been inducted into the Iron Dogs.

Longtime snowmobile advocate Roger Wright, a Past President of the New Hampshire Snowmobile Association, was inducted into the Iron Dog Brigade at the 2022 International Snowmobile Congress in Dubuque Iowa.

Roger has actively volunteered in the snowmobile community for decades: locally, nationally and internationally. He was seven years-old when his father brought a snowmobile home and it wasn't long before he was allowed to ride it around the field. In the coming years he would help his father and a few family friends create several trails in southern Cornish NH that eventually became part of the Shugah Valley Snow Riders trail network.

Roger has volunteered in just about every conceivable position at the club and state level. He served as president of the NHSA and is currently chair of the Advisory Board, made up of past presidents. As chair and co-chair of the NH Grass Drags since 2008 he has worked with the snowmobile manufacturers, dealer networks, small business, clubs and racers to build one of the largest snowmobile events in the world. These efforts have helped raise substantial funding for local clubs and the Association, which have a direct positive impact on the NH trail system.

Nationally, he now serves as the chair of the United Snowmobile Alliance, a national advocacy organization. He was also the co-chair of the Northeastern Chapter of

the International Snowmobile Council and is still the scholarship chairman.

In between his time grooming trails and going to meetings Roger typically racks up more than 5,000 miles every year, sledding throughout his home state as well as the rest of New England and Canada.



Roger Wright's induction to the Iron Dog Brigade followed a formal presentation by Marie Hixson, Iron Dog Board of Director, on behalf of Charlie Kurtz who submitted Roger's nomination. Photo/Dan Gould

The Iron Dogs is an honorary society, consisting of people who have worked diligently for over 15 years keeping the sport of snowmobiling on track. Each year snowmobilers are nominated for membership, those eligible are inducted at the annual banquet held at the International Snowmobile Congress. The ceremony, complete with a four-foot-long sword tapping each shoulder, is a rite of passage.

The term "Iron Dog" was coined at the dawn of snowmobiling. In 1960 Edgar Hetteen, an industry visionary and pioneer, traveled across Alaska on his new contraption, a snowmobile. The natives promptly named it an "iron dog" because it did the work of a dog team. For more information on the Iron Dog Brigade, go to www.irondogbrigade.com

Chris Gamache Honored at International Snowmobile Congress

At the 2022 International Snowmobile Congress in Iowa one of most prestigious awards granted in the entire snowmobile industry was presented to Chris Gamache.

The Iron Dog Brigade Distinguished Service Award is awarded alternately between industry representatives and representatives from the user ranks. Previously known as The George Eisenhuth Award, the purpose of the award is to recognize individuals who have distinguished themselves in furtherance of snowmobiling as a fun family sport. It has been presented annually since 1980.

Chris is only the fourth individual from New Hampshire to receive this distinction amongst his peers in the snowmobile industry. He is the Trails Manager for Polaris Ride Command. Previously he was the Chief of the NH Bureau of Trails

and volunteered as the chairman of the International Association of Snowmobile Administrators for several years.

Past recipients of the award are Edgar Hetteen, founder of modernday Polaris and Arctic Cat, Laurent Beaudoin,



Distinguished Service Award from Iron Dog officers, Judy and Bob King.

retired CEO of BRP Ski-Doo, Roger Skime of Arctic Cat, inventor of the modern day slide rail suspension, John Ehlert of publishing fame with Snow Goer, Richard and Audrey Decker who owned the Eagle River Derby Track of the World Championship snowmobile race, among other notable leaders in the industry.



PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

154 Martin Road, Fremont, NH

COMING FROM POINTS NORTH OR WEST:

- 1. Route 101 East to Exit 6
- 2. Get on Depot Rd and drive south
- 3. It turns into Beede Rd, go 0.5 miles
- 4. Bear left on Rogers Rd and drive southeast 0.2 miles
- 5. Bear left on Shirkin Rd and go about 1.4 miles
- 6. Turn right onto Martin Rd and go about 0.8 miles

COMING FROM MAINE:

- 1. Route 101 West to Exit 7
- 2. Get on Route 125 and drive south 1.2 miles
- 3. Turn right onto North Rd (at blinkers) and go 0.6 miles
- 4. Turn right onto Martin Rd and go 0.3 miles

COMING FROM MASSACHUSETTS:

The preferred way would be north on Route 93 and then east on Route 101, then follow the above directions from points west. While it is further, there will be less traffic. If you come north on Route 125, be sure you take the Kingston/Plaistow exit off I-495. There are two Route 125 exits, you want the one closer to Maine!

- 1. Route I-495N Plaistow Exit at Route 125 (Exit 51)
- 2. Stay on Route 125 North for 16.4 miles
- 3. Turn left onto North Rd and go 0.6 miles
- 4. Turn right onto Martin Rd and go 0.3 miles





2 pm - 9 pm Friday 9 am - 6 pm Saturday

9 am - 6 pm Sunday

CHILDREN UNDER 12 ARE FREE!

FREE PARKING NOT PERMITTED

Pets

Glass Bottles

Wire Ties

Drones

Coolers larger than 15" Overnight Parking

aren't nice!

For a list of NHSA Grass Drags and Watercross' participating vendors go to nhsa.com.

CAMPING IS SOLD-OUT. NO SPACE **AVAILABLE!**









Photos/Dan Gould

The Swap Meet is open Friday, Saturday,

and Sunday.

Set-Up Friday at noon, Saturday and Sunday
at 7am. Vendors must be in Swap Meet area before

You cannot take your vehicle out and then return. Once you leave you are out. Transportation will be provided to take sold items out of the swap area. You are expected to stay until racing ends.

The Swap Meet is open to the public on Friday, 2 pm to 6 pm, and on Saturday and Sunday, 9 am to 6 pm.

The New Hampshire Snowmobile Association and Brookvale Pines Farm assume no liability for lost or stolen items. It is your responsibility to secure and protect your property.

SWAP PRICES (Regular Admission Fee, Per Person, Charged Separately)

3-DAY SWAP MEET FEE

(You must arrive and set up Friday to qualify for this price)

\$60 Per space, 16' x 25'

Commercial type vehicle: Email for quote: vendor@nhgrassdrags.com

SATURDAY SWAP MEET FEE

\$40 Per space, 16' x 25'

Commercial type vehicle: Email for quote: vendor@nhgrassdrags.com

SUNDAY SWAP MEET FEE

\$25 Per space, 16' x 25'

Commercial type vehicle: Email for quote: vendor@nhgrassdrags.com

NO NEW PARTS OR CLOTHING or anything that competes with the vendors is allowed.

NO SNOWMOBILES or ATVS ARE TO BE DRIVEN ANYWHERE ON THE GROUNDS

NO RAFFLE SALES

NO STREET SELLING ALLOWED

When swappers arrive, they should enter the event at the "Pit Road"

Entrance gate for Swap Meet will be on your left-hand side.

Admission for Event, Per Person

Friday: \$20

Saturday: \$25

Sunday: \$20

Weekend Pass: \$45

Subject to change at anytime

List of participating vendors and site map can be found at nhsa.com.

FRIDAY-OCTOBER 7

2:00PM – 9:00PM GATES OPEN - VENDOR DISPLAYS

2:00PM – 6:00PM SWAP MEET OPENS

2:00PM WATERCROSS PRO DUELS/

PRO LEMANS

3:00PM WATERCROSS EAST/WEST CHALLENGE QUALIFING

3:00PM – 5:00PM PROSTOCK 800 AND 1000 QUALIFYING

4:00PM WATERCROSS WOMEN'S

COMPETITION

5:00PM – 6:00PM WATERCROSS JUMP SHOW

AND COMPETITION

6:00PM – 9:00PM GRASS DRAG AMATEUR TRAIL STOCK RACING

9:00PM GATES CLOSE

SATURDAY-OCTOBER 8

1:00PM

8:45AM WATERCROSS AMATEUR RACING

9:00AM – 5:00PM SWAP MEET OPENS

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10:00AM – 1:15PM WATERCROSS OVAL RACING

12:00PM -12:30PM GRASS DRAG MINI SLED RACING REGISTRATION/MEETING

(GRASS DRAG HOT PIT ENTRANCE)
GRASS DRAG MINI SLED RACING

1:15PM RAVE-X FREESTYLE SNOWMOBILE SHOW

2:00PM-6:00PM WATERCROSS OVAL RACING

2:00PM NHSA GRASS DRAG PRO STOCK 1000 2:15PM-5:00PM YOUTH ZONE 120 MINI SLED DEMO

2:15PM-4:45PM SPECTATOR CHALLENGE

2:15PM - 5:15PM LAWN MOWER COMPETITION RACING 2:30PM - 5PM GRASS DRAG QUALIFYING/TESTING

6:00PM GATES CLOSE

SUNDAY-OCTOBER 9

9:00AM – 5:00PM SWAP MEET OPENS

9:00AM – 6:00PM GATES OPEN - VENDOR DISPLAYS
8:45AM – 9:45AM WATERCROSS DRAG RACING
9:30AM-12:30PM YOUTH ZONE 120 MINI SLED DEMO
9:30AM - 12:30PM LAWN MOWER RACE COMPETITION
10:00AM – 1:00PM GRASS DRAG PRO RACE COMPETITION

11:00AM – 1:15PM WATER CROSS OVAL RACING

12:00PM -12:30PM GRASS DRAG MINI SLED RACING REGISTRATION/

MEETING (GRASS DRAG HOT PIT ENTRANCE)

1:00PM GRASS DRAG MINI SLED RACING

1:15PM RAVE-X FREESTYLE SNOWMOBILE SHOW
2:00PM-5:00PM GRASS DRAG PRO RACE COMPETITION FINALS

2:15PM-5:00PM YOUTH ZONE 120 MINI SLED DEMO
2:00PM – 6:00PM WATERCROSS EAST/WEST CHALLENGE

6:00PM GATES CLOSE









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	59	James R. Rosencrantz & Sons
	111	TMS Diesel
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	3	Chubba Wubba
	7	Colebrook Ski-Bees
	73	Donut Shack
	4	Gelinas Food Concessions
	8 & 77	JR's Steak & Seafood
	2	Marg's Kitchen
	76	Marion's Fried Dough
	29	Mr. Jack's Catering Service
	18	Phily's Good Eats
	30	Pizza
	87	Regina Faye's Kettle Corn
	5	Sandi's Concessions
	43	Scottie's Good Food
	28	Scrub Oak Scramblers
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	106	Al's Snowmobile
	97 & 99	All Seasons Motorsports

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85	Knotty Carvings
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102	More Freakin Power (M&S Adventures)
46 & 47	Motorcycles of Manchester (MOM's)
84	Mountainside Powersports
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22	Profile
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94	Rave X
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103	Rick's Motorsport
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40	Ruffian SnowBikes
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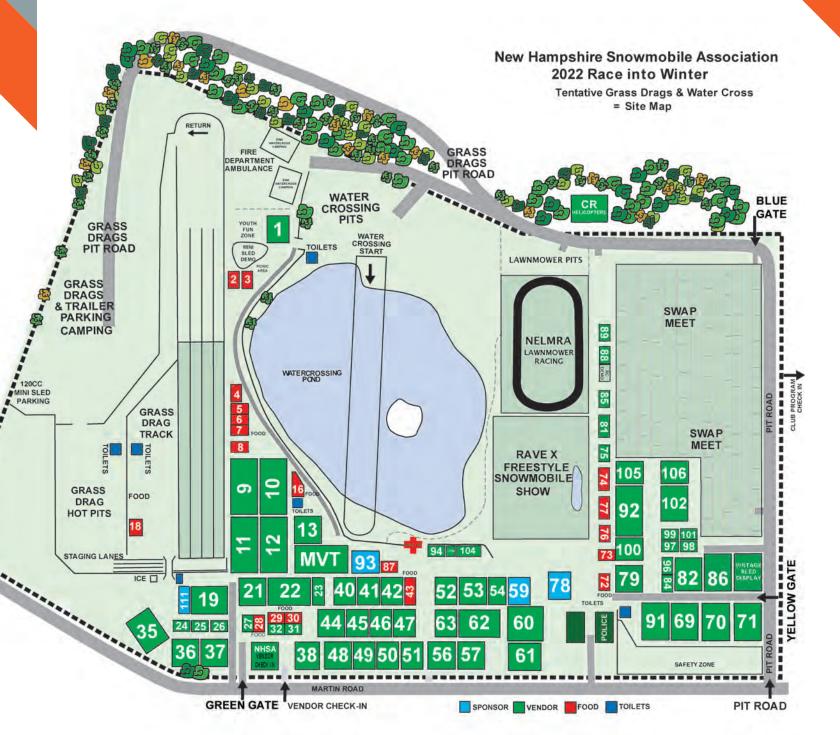
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2022 ANNUAL AWARDS

BARN ON THE PEMI, PLYMOUTH, NH PHOTOS/DAN GOULD



SNOWMOBILER OF THE YEAR

Grafton County Director, Ev Ferrell, introduced Nigel Croxon as the NHSA Snowmobiler of the Year. Nigel is a member of the Alexandria Ledge Climbers Snowmobile Club and an active supporter of clubs throughout the state.



CATHERINE DICKSON AWARD

The Catherine Dickson Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Evelyn Ferrell by NHSA President Chris Runnals. This prestigious award is presented in memory of Catherine Dickson, NHSA's first-ever female president, who dedicated most of her life to snowmobiling. Ev is the Grafton County Director and chair of the grass drags committee.



NH FISH AND GAME OHRV SAFETY EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS AWARD

Stephen Janaitis, Moultonboro Snowmobile Club's president, accepts the NH Fish and Game OHRV Safety Education Instructors Award from Captain Michael Eastman.



CLUB OF THE YEAR

Keith Bousquet, president of the Club of the Baker River Valley Snowmobile Club, accepts the Club of the Year award on behalf of the organization's volunteers.



JUNIOR SNOWMOBILER OF THE YEAR

Tom Taylor, Carroll County
Director, had the honor
of presenting the Junior
Snowmobiler of the Year award
to Jack Lheureux of the Scrub
Oak Scramblers. Jack has been
a volunteer since he was six
years-old!



BUREAU OF TRAILS CHIEF'S AWARD

Deputy Chief, Alexis Rudko, presents the Bureau of Trails Chief's Award to Mike Gelinas of the Powder Mill Snowmobile Club.



GROOMER OF THE YEAR

Russ Neal, Strafford County Director, congratulates Mike Gelinas as the 2022 Groomer of the Year, and for his 28 years of volunteering for the Powder Mill Snowmobile Club.



LYLE "FIB" MCBURNEY AWARD

Terry Callum, Sullivan County Director, was the 2022 Lyle "Fib" McBurney Award recipient, an honor chosen from among the NHSA board, based on the devotion to organized snowmobiling in New Hampshire.



PRESIDENTIAL SERVICE AWARD

NHSA President Chris Runnals recognized Roger Wright's continued support and volunteerism with the Presidential Service Award. Roger, a past president, is co-chair of the grass drags and several other committees. He is also chairman of the United Snowmobile Alliance and was inducted into the Iron Dog Brigade this year.



SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Administrative Assistant, Janis Riley, was recognized by Chris Runnals for her outstanding work at the NHSA office and dedication to the Association.



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR

Russ Neal, Strafford County Director, presents Russ Weldon of Merrymeeting Marina in New Durham with the Snowmobile Business of the Year Award for his contributions to the community and local clubs.

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2022 ANNUAL AWARDS

CLUB MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

50 YEAR Recognition

Asquamchumauke Valley SC

Belknap Snowmobilers

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Derry Pathfinders

Fort Mountain Trailwinders

Hardy Country SC

Jefferson Hi-Landers

Lee Sno-Travelers

Monroe Bumper Humpers

Night Riders

Presidential Range Riders SC

Sutton Ridge Runners

Twin Ridge Mountaineers

Westmoreland Sno-Belters

40 YEAF

Umbagog Snowmobile Association

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35 YEAR

Lake Sunapee SC

Nor'Easters SC

30 YEAF

Swift Diamond Riders

20 YEAF

Dalton Ridge Runners Monadnock Trail Breakers





CLUB NEWS AWARD

Club News Award for participating in every issue of the Sno-Traveler.

BELKNAP COUNT

Sno Streakers Inc

CARROLL COUNT

Moultonboro SC

Mountain Meadow Riders SC

Ossipee Valley SC

Scrub Oak Scramblers

Seven Lakes SC

Wolfeboro SC

COOS COUNTY

Colebrook Ski Bees

Pittsburg Ridge Runners

Umbagog Snowmobile Association

GRAFTON COUNTY

Asquamchumauke Valley SC

Bridgewater Mountain SC

Central New Hampshire SC

Lyme Pinnacle SC Squam Trail Busters

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Brookline IceBreakers

Nor'Easters SC

Uncanoonuc Mountaineers

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Wilton/Lyndehorough Winter Wanderers

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SULLIVAN COUNTY

Blow-Me-Down Snowriders

Crescent Lake Regional Sno-Riders









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- ☐ Apple CarPlay or Android
 Auto dashboard
- ☐ Lightweight carbon fiber chassis/parts
- ☐ Heads-Up Display in helmets
- □ Active suspension systems
- □ Anti-lock brakes



CAMP SNO-MO UPDATE

After going virtual last summer due to COVID-19 campers ages 11 to 21 have returned in person this year to enjoy another unforgettable Camp Sno-Mo experience. With health and safety guidelines securely in place Easterseals NH's camp program successfully reopened this year with nine weeks of summer sessions beginning at the end of June and running through the end of August.

Easterseals NH has spent over thirty years providing campers with traditional summer activities that are often inaccessible for children and young adults with disabilities. Campers have been so enthusiastic about returning to Camp Sno-Mo this year that each week has sold out at full capacity, including the final week offered to young adults 22 years and older.

Archery, horseback riding, water sports, and campfire singalongs are just a few of the activities at Camp Sno-Mo that campers look forward to each year. But there is one experience that everyone at camp gets especially excited about, the Merit Badge Ceremony held each Friday.

These weekly awards are about so much more than celebrating a camper's accomplishments. At Camp Sno-Mo, they are an uplifting reminder of the self-empowerment and confidence-building skills that campers cultivate weekly with the support of their counselors.

As each camper receives their certificate the room erupts in applause and cheers. Jacob has officially been deemed the ultimate Chess Master, a title he is very proud to receive. Lily was honored for her canoeing skills. Alex was celebrated for being a woodworking champ. And Hope took home camp gold with merit badges in art, basketry, and cooking.

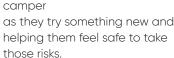
While Hope is undoubtedly happy about the merit badges she earned, she is equally thrilled to have made a lasting friendship this summer. As she stands next to her new friend Lily, Hope explains how the two became close. "The first day we met was on Sunday, and we played together," Hope shares. "It makes me happy to be with Lily, and she's a good friend to me. She is so nice, and we have fun together."

Besides hanging out with her new best friend, Hope's favorite thing to do at Camp Sno-Mo is archery, an activity just about every other camper looks forward to. They are not the only ones who cherish their time at the range. Charlie, an archery and shooting arts instructor, loves when he gets to witness a camper

realizing just how much they are capable of.

"When they're hitting the target, their eyes light up," Charlie says. "They get so excited."

Traditional camp activities can often be brand-new experiences for children living with disabilities, which is why Camp Sno-Mo staffers are dedicated to a single mission, uplifting and supporting every



"These kids can do anything

they want if they try hard for it," says Hugo, a staffer at Camp Sno-Mo who traveled from Brazil to work this summer with Easterseals NH. "Camp is definitely a life-changing experience for those who come and those who have the opportunity to work here."

Hugo fell in love with Camp Sno-Mo in 2019 when he first traveled to America to work here. Due to the pandemic and the cancelation of in-person summer sessions, Hugo has waited several years to return to his favorite summer spot. And now that he is here, he cannot imagine working anywhere else.

"You start to learn a lot here," Hugo says. "Sometimes, campers are back home in programs where they do not have the chance to show what they have to offer. Here, we are like, 'You can do it! Let's try!' They discover things they have never done before. I had a camper in 2019, and he liked the ropes course that we had. He earned a merit badge, and at the end of the week, he got an offer from the Scouts to apply for work here. For him it was groundbreaking."

First-time camp staff member Anthony seems to agree wholeheartedly with Hugo. Standing beside camper Alex at the archery range, he shares why he loves his job at Camp Sno-Mo. "It's very rewarding," Anthony says. "You will have a camper who does not think they can do certain things, and then once they are able to, they have that moment of thinking, 'I can do this!' It is just awesome."

As this year's camp season wraps up, Camp Director Chris Ellis reflects on the generosity and dedication that helps set Camp Sno-Mo apart from other summer programs. "We are so grateful to be back up and running this year," Chris says. "Seeing every week fill up so quickly has given our campers and staff so much hope and joy. We appreciate the generous donors and sponsors like the New Hampshire Snowmobile Association, who make Camp Sno-Mo possible year after year. As we gear up for next year, we are excited to keep growing as a summer program that continues to give our campers the opportunities they deserve to thrive."

Congratulations to the staff, volunteers, supporters, and campers who have helped to make this summer at Camp Sno-Mo the best one yet!





NEWS FROM THE CAPITOL

by Adam Schmidt, Vice President, J. Grimbilas Strategic Solutions

The 2022 regular New Hampshire legislative session ended just before Memorial Day.

The Legislature was able to complete their work, on time and address over 1,000 individual pieces of legislation. They returned to Concord holding in-person public hearings and, beginning in the spring, regularly held their respective sessions in the House and Senate chambers. Due to COVID-19 prior years required remote hearings and alternative locations for session days to address public health concerns. Working with policy makers, in Concord, was a welcome return to normalcy.

There were two bills on which NHSA focused during the second half of the session; HB 1498 which proposed a mandatory safety education course for snowmobile and OHRV use and HB 1554 which sought to require NH Fish and Game to offer online registrations for snowmobiles and OHRVs. For both bills, NHSA leadership attended hearings in Concord to offer comments and address questions from legislators. In the end, meaningful interactions were held to improve both bills.

HB 1498 would have created a phased-in requirement for all snowmobilers to complete a safety education course. The bill was modeled upon the existing boater education program. The Department of Fish and Game would develop a course and competency exam which could be taken in person or remotely. Many of the details were going to be left to the Department to



Brian Labrie testifies at the State House before the Senate Transportation Committee on behalf of the New Hampshire Snowmobile Association. Brian is the current NHSA Vice President and serves as chair of the Legislative Committee.

develop in rules. After hearing feedback from numerous clubs, NHSA testified that while the Association and clubs support safe snowmobile use, the proposal could be improved. NHSA shared the concerns they received from clubs regarding the mandatory requirement, with no consideration given to experience, etc. Further, other states which have implemented similar programs did allow for certain individuals to be exempt from the requirement, largely based on age. The House Resources, Recreation and Development Committee voted to recommend that the bill be sent back to study. The House approved that recommendation. Later this fall, a group of legislators will discuss the issue further and make a non-binding recommendation regarding whether or not a similar bill should be re-introduced in 2023. The discussion relative to a mandatory safety education course will continue into next year. Representative Tim Egan (D-Sugar Hill) has been working with insurance regulators to determine if proof of completing a safety training course could allow for a lower premium. We will see if this concept gains traction.

In our last update, we detailed NHSA efforts to work with Fish and Game and other impacted groups to move toward an online registration option for snowmobilers. HB 1554 was introduced with the intent of requiring Fish and Game to develop an online portal for registrations. Many surrounding states and provinces already provide this service. After several conversations, Fish and Game agreed to support the bill but requested the online registration to coincide with a planned upgrade to their information technology infrastructure. An amendment was developed to align the dates and was passed by the House and Senate. Governor Sununu signed the bill into law earlier this summer. The new law requires the Department to offer alternatives for online registration by September 1, 2025. We have remained in contact with various interested parties to offer input and suggestions for any future request for proposal which may be issued by the State of NH. Hopefully, the momentum continues and a meaningful option is developed for online snowmobile registration.

Finally, 2022 is an election year. The state primary will be held on September 13 and the general election will be on November 8. Governor Sununu is seeking a fourth, two-year term. He has several challengers in a Republican primary. Senator Tom Sherman

has no opposition in the Democratic primary for Governor and will be his party's nominee. For the House and Senate, many candidates will be running in districts which have been altered. Every 10 years, the House and Senate must redraw districts. Some districts were left unchanged but many were altered. You may notice the differences as election day gets closer. Due to the size of the NH House (400 members) it is very difficult to determine the level of change which may occur to the composition of the body after an election. Alternatively, the Senate has 24 members, and it is usually easier to determine the level of change which may occur. After the November election it is safe to say that the Senate will look very different than it does currently. This is not due to the relative strength or weakness of the candidates in either party. Rather, eight of the 24 members are not seeking re-election. Before any ballots are cast in November the body will experience a turnover of one third. That is fairly significant.

Two Senators who did not seek re-election really went above and beyond for the sport of snowmobiling during their time in the Senate. Senator Erin Hennessey (R-Littleton) spearheaded the effort to develop the Snowmobile Club Assistance Program during the COVID-19 pandemic. The program provided grants to local clubs who, due to COVID, were unable to hold their traditional fundraising events. Senator Bob Giuda (R-Warren) worked tirelessly with NHSA and other stakeholders on the most recent registration level adjustment. His engagement was key in the passage of the legislation to revise the registration law.

With the changes to the Senate on the horizon our office has been meeting with candidates, from both parties, to ensure they know NHSA can serve as a resource should they have questions relative to the snowmobile industry in New Hampshire. We will see what types of bills get filed in the fall for 2023. It will be here before we know it.







NEW SNOWMOBILE SALES DATA FOR WINTER OF 2021-2022

By Ed Klim, President, International Snowmobile Manufacturers Association



Snowmobilers enjoyed the winter of 2021-2022, finding reasonable snow conditions in many parts of North America. There were 130,644 new snowmobiles sold worldwide, a two percent decline from the previous year, which was a strong sales year supported by a long winter season. Sales in all three major markets, (United States, Canada, and Scandinavia) were strong overall, supported by record breaking sales of parts, garments, and accessories. Sales in the United States were 53,821 new snowmobiles, while 50,943 new snowmobiles were sold in Canada.

Sales in Europe showed a slight increase in Finland reporting 3,736 units sold compared to 3,437 units last year, and Sweden continues its strong sales activity with 8,671 new sleds sold following last year's sales of 8,443. Overall sales in Europe and Russia were 25,880 snowmobiles sold, a 10 percent increase in sales from last year.

There are 1.2 million registered snowmobiles in the United States and over 601,000 in Canada. The registration numbers continue to increase, showing that snowmobiling continues to be an active, healthy winter sport.

Surveys show that 74 percent of the snowmobiling households own two snowmobiles, and 39 percent own three snowmobiles. Registration in Northern Europe is steady, and there are 320,000 active snowmobilers in Scandinavia.

Snowmobile related tourism continues to increase in North America and beyond. This can be seen in recent economic studies conducted by major colleges and universities. Miles ridden by snowmobilers, which is always predictive of economic impact, showed that riding and related tourism continued a steady pace compared to previous years.

The average age of a snowmobiler this past season was 53 years of age. Approximately 88 percent of snowmobilers are males and 12 percent females.

Snowmobilers are outdoor enthusiasts and most participate in activities such as boating, camping, fishing, ATV and motorcycle riding, and more. Over 70 percent of snowmobilers in North America are club and/or snowmobile association/federation members. They are also active in raising money for charity and annually raise over \$3 million for National charities.

The snowmobile clubs and state and provincial snowmobile organizations continue to expand as they serve as a great conduit for snowmobiling and are involved in local issues supporting their local communities. Economic impact studies show that snowmobiling is

growing in importance as part of the overall economic engine and job arowth for winter tourism.

Snowmobiling generates over \$30 billion worth of economic activity in North America. Snowmobiling joins other outdoor recreation activities in generating over \$689 billion worth of economic activity in the United States. Economic activity generated by snowmobilers provides many jobs and investment opportunities and generates considerable tax revenue for local governments which eagerly support snowmobiling. The most recent surveys show that snowmobilers spend over \$3,500 per family supporting snowmobiling activities, on average, and that does not include the purchase of a snowmobile and trailer.

In many parts of North America and Northern Europe, snowmobilers are the economic engine for winter tourism. Snowmobiling is a vital component of the rural America development effort and is recognized as such by land managers.





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CLUB NEWS

BELKNAP COUNTY

Mohawk Trail Riders By Kenny Gaudet, Staff Writer

The summer heat waves are a distance past. If the heat flip flops to cold and snow it will be a fantastic riding season this year! Sitting up here on Mayhem Mt. the trees are changing.

During the summer I had the opportunity to represent the club at the Sanbornton Old Home Day with my good friend Scott Staples and his wife Stephanie. We sat at our table and spoke to many fine local people most who were aware of the club and the work we do. Everyone thanked us and we collected over \$250 in donations. President Justin Barriault gave kids mini rides in the Tucker which was a big hit with the kids. I think we lined up some future groomer operators also.

Trail and bridge work continue as you would expect this time of season, that stuff never ends. We will be hosting the trail groomers course this winter, look for details coming.

If the snow keeps coming and temps stay cold, we will announce some club events on our website and Facebook page. Hope to see you on the trails.

We have our new club logo on t-shirts, hoodies and stickers. A new updated trail map is out, maps will be distributed until they are gone.

We are having monthly meetings at the Steele Hill's Hilltop Restaurant on the first Tuesday of the month. Thanks for reading this. Check out our website at www. mohawktrailriders.org. Lots of good stuff and a decent free trail map.

Feel free to email us with any questions or comments. Justin

Barriault is our president and Bruce Harvey is our trail administrator. Of course we're on Facebook where you'll get on the trail live updates when the trails open and more. Like Us. We like you and our motto is "We Have Fun".

Mount Maior By Denise Wallsten, Fundraising

Happy fall, to all! It's that

time again when the weather is changing and the leaves are turning. Snowmobiles are on our minds as we pack up the summer toys. For many in our club it is a year-round job to keep trails open and plotted, working with landowners and towns for permissions. With the high amount of recent real estate transactions and construction, it has become an increasing challenge to maintain access and continuity of our system. We are ever grateful to the landowners who generously continue to allow access and cannot stress enough how important it is to Stay On Trail and be Respectful. Losing one section could collapse a trail system.

Trail work will be on-going this fall until the snow flies. All volunteers are welcome and needed. Work parties will be announced on our website and Facebook, so make sure to look us up, Like us, and follow

Fundraising will be doing Trail Sponsorships again this year, our Annual Super St Patty's Day Raffle, and plan to be on the ice for the Alton Winter Carnival.

A new Can-Am Defender UTV is due September 1 with a larger drag to replace the Skandic which was totaled in a fire last year. This should improve day-to-day conditions on Primary Trail 305 along with other smaller trails.



Thanks to Larry, Gary, and all who showed up for the Alton Old Home Day Parade for Mount Major SC.

Huge shout out to our STPs (Same Ten People). Without their efforts we wouldn't be here today. Please volunteer. Our STPs are getting older. We really need fresh blood to step up and step in. MMSC is a premier club in the Lakes Region with trails throughout Alton from the shores of Winnipesaukee to the summit of Mt Major. We are looking forward to an epic season and hope you will join us. Go tune up those sleds! We will see you at the Grass Drags.

Sno Streakers. Inc. By Cortland Findlay, Secretary

It is the first news article for the season. Short of starting the first article with the usual. "We had a great summer! We look forward to trail maintenance. Hopefully a good snow year," how can we creatively start this club news article today?

I, Cortland, am the secretary for the club. I have been the secretary for four years. I enjoy the opportunity and camaraderie I have found in the Sno Streakers of Meredith. I live in Meredith and manage my family's business where like countless other businesses have the difficulty of finding

help and we offer paying

How can we continue to find volunteers for our club? Without the undying efforts of the diehards our current club trails would be closed, not maintained, and not groomed. The riders would be devastated.

I am 30, our median age of the club board is 45 (some guessing involved). Forty-five is a great age but where are all the 30 or younger volunteers? We need you. If you like snowmobiling, come help! It does not require too much time. The great thing is you can offer up the time you have, no need to overstep and offer too much.

A lending hand is graciously appreciated. From my personal experience offering a hand has helped myself and my husband, who is the vice president of the club, tremendously. We have made new relationships with fellow snowmobilers. We have gone on countless club rides and group rides. The connections we have made in our community has helped us in return with building our own home.



Sno Streakers' past club ride event and pre-ride meeting.

renovation project, Swallow

Point trail will be improved.

Behind the scenes, several

boom and conversion of

reroutes are planned, triggered

seasonal homes to year-round.

The attached photo shows the

system crosses. We are in awe

at the cooperation of so many

property owners and hope our

the gift they are giving.

Your membership dues and

donations, along with state

members continue to appreciate

130-plus properties our trail

by the Moultonboro building

I truly feel without our sweat equity in the humble Sno Streakers snowmobile club my husband and I would have had to work harder to find the right connections for our home. So if you read this and have not already helped with fall maintenance or joined a Tuesday meeting throughout the winter reach out to us. We would love to meet you!

CARROLL COUNTY

Moultonboro By Bill Gassman, Vice President

Welcome back. For the 2023 season, the theme is renewal. Members elected a new president, secretary and treasurer along with new board members. A project to maintain nine bridges is underway. Continuing our multi-year trail

grants, fund our obsession to keep improving where we ride. Our trail master is doing an amazing job and built partnerships with people with skills in diesel mechanics, carpentry, welding and excavation. Club operations is

Snowmobile Trail Property Owner Map. Source/Moultonboro GIS System.



Mountain Meadow Riders' new groomer

a year-round job but activity ramps up in the fall.

Pre-season member events include a kickoff meeting on October 15 at the Balmoral club house, the president's letter mailed out near Halloween, and a Christmas party in early December. Check the club's website for the latest information and if you use Facebook subscribe to our channel.

Starting September 10 we ask for volunteers to join our weekly trail crew session. We meet at the club garage on Highway Garage Rd every Saturday at 8 am weather permitting. People split into small crews and clear a trail section of debris and overhanging branches. Please consider volunteering for one or more days. Many hands help make the job go quicker.

In closing, a repeat of the yearly warning to protect your sled from becoming a rodent's home as the weather turns colder. Enjoy the fall!

Mountain Meadow Riders By James Love, Secretary

Bring on the colder temperatures! As we roll into September members of the Mountain Meadow Riders are busy preparing equipment for trail maintenance this fall as well as a long snow-filled winter.

We want to thank all of those who volunteered to help with trail maintenance this year. It was great to see the families and especially our junior riders get out and see the work that goes into making this sport so

We plan to improve and replace two bridges on Corridor 19 this fall and all club members are invited to help. Access to our newly acquired 20 miles of trails in East Conway (the former Snoward Bound trail system) connects directly to Corridor 19 giving riders the opportunity to enjoy fantastic scenery for riders of all abilities.

Stay tuned to our social media pages and website for upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. We will see you out there!

Sandwich Sidehillers By Jeff Tomas, President

Greetings Sidehillers' members! Hope everyone has had a great summer. It has been a busy summer for the Sidehillers.

The club has gone through some changes since the snow was on the ground. The club has a new set of officers, myself included. I would like to welcome Arlene as vice president. Julie as secretary. Courtney as treasurer, and Don as trail administrator. Past president Ross stayed on

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Luau Crew: Jodi, George, and her Scrub Oak Scrambler Luau Crew.

happen.

the outdoors during the winter

months and have fun making it

Watch the club's Facebook page

as well as the Sandwich page

for updates on upcoming trail

work parties and the monthly

meetings for the upcoming

season. See you soon!

By Sean M. Pinard.

Vice President

Scrub Oak Scramblers

Welcome back all. We hope

you all had a great summer.

I will start off on a sad note

time member of Scrub Oaks

was a huge loss for us and he

staple at the clubhouse and in

recent years the keeper of our

On a good note, at the NHSA

Annual Meeting our own Jack

Lheureux won Jr Snowmobiler of

the year, a well-deserved honor.

We are proud to have him as part

of our crew. Next, we had a great

Luau on the Lake fundraiser

for Camp Sno-Mo. It was a

huge turn out and a great day

overall. We had tons of raffles

outside fire pit for open houses.

unfortunately. We lost a long-

Dana "Hutch" Hutchinson. This

will be dearly missed. He was a

as a member of the board of directors. Also, I would like to thank Chip and Bob for continuing as board members. Change can be a good thing and I hope with the new people at the helm the club is able to bring some new people out of the woodwork getting some much-needed new energy and bounce back stronger!

We have been meeting monthly and working in preparation for this upcoming season. Along with a new slate of club officers the club has been working on a couple of big projects. The club applied for and was awarded a grant through the Bureau of Trails to help with some of these projects.

There is a lot of good stuff and good vibes with this group.
The new members working alongside existing members, some that have been here since the start of the club, have really come together in the last few months. We are all here to have fun, together as a club. We are all part of the community where the goal is to have a trail system where people can get out and enjoy

We'll M

Dana "Hutch" Hutchinson long time Scrub Oak Scramblers member lost in July 2022.

2022 JR snowmobiler: SOS

members aather around lack.

at the NHSA Annual Meeting.

Brian, Rachel and Piper Lheureux

and went through a bunch of food. Thanks to all the vendors and people who donated as well as all the attendees and our fearless leader Jodi and her

By the time you read this we will have had our annual camping trip which this year was at a new location. Also, a long-awaited comeback, the Lobster Bake. Now the Steak*Chicken*Lobster BBQ. This will be joined with BBB and their cornhole tournament. Look for info and pictures from that event in the next article.

If you have not already done so, make sure you join up. Again, this year the best way to do this is through the NHSA club portal on-line. If you want to join by paper form let us know or see the website for the form and instructions.

Trail work will be starting shortly if not already. There has been a few smaller items done throughout the summer, but we will be in full swing come October.

Last but not least coming up shortly is the Grass Drags and we will once again be holding our food booth. We will be in need of many people to run the booth so if you can help out let us know. Keep an eye on the website for updates and information! All are updated as soon as possible.

As always, we hope to see you soon and Pray for Snow! www.sossc.com

Seven Lakes By Bill Johansen, Trail Master

Where to start. With the hot, dry summer most normal people have not been thinking about snowmobiling. But the men and women around SLSC are far from normal! Dave Murphy closed the deal on getting us the grant for our new tracks for our South Tucker. Dave and Derek Macedo took the six hour ride to go pick them up on a hot summer weekend. On the next hot summer weekend Doug LaBree, Dave and Derek had them installed on T2. Wow! Great work guys.

Thanks to the donations last season Mike Towle delivered our new Ranger and Tracks to the clubhouse, ready for fall trail work and winter grooming. This new smaller UTV will be a game changer for our local connector trails. Bob Ledonne and Steve already fabricated the new drag and Don Clifford quickly put a coat of fresh paint on it to help it withstand the elements.

Fundraising has been going on all summer. Rick Dill, Mike and Anthony Moscaritolo, Stan Saracy, Jeff Marshall (Club member of the Year), Nick Pesce, Bill Van Husen, Phil Valenti, Ken Kobb and many more have all been roasting over the grill at the club events hosted by Hobbs Brewing this summer. Too much to fit all the goings on into this small article.

Please register early. Join and donate locally. Our small club needs every one of you.

Finally, and most importantly, we burned through our grooming grant way before the

season was over last year but because of all of the grooming donations we were able to keep grooming. When clubs don't have the revenue to groom, grooming stops or has to be "managed" during peak times. This leads to bumpy trails and boy do we hate those. We made a commitment to our members that if there is snow and it is cold enough we will groom no matter what! This way you are hitting a groomed trail most times you ride not just on the lucky break.

WolfeboroBy Karen Taylor

The Wolfeboro Snowmobile Club is gearing up for a busy fall. Trail work is happening most weekends preparing the trail system for the season and several new projects are being discussed presently with landowners for the near future.

Participation in the club has been increasing, so please continue to keep club workdays in mind as there are many bridges and trail projects on tap for the fall and many hands make for light work.

For new volunteers, we would love for you to attend our monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in Wolfeboro. Send an email to the club if you would like to join a meeting to wolfeborosnowmobileclub@gmail.com.

Upcoming Volunteer opportunities:

- Volunteers are needed for the Race Into Winter event Columbus Day weekend for Friday, October 7 through Sunday, October 9. Please contact the club.
- Ongoing fall workdays, please keep an eye on our Facebook page for scheduled workdays.!
- Bridge and trail maintenance will be on-going all fall.
 Join for a few hours each weekend as able. Any help is appreciated.
- Plenty of flexible opportunities to volunteer around your schedule as well.

During the off-season, the WSC club was honored to volunteer with several other clubs on work at the Easterseals Camp Sno-Mo in Gilmanton, NH. Over the last few years clubs have worked on a variety of projects to include rebuilding tent platforms as well as more recently setting up a new electrical system within the camp. These projects allowed for important upgrades at the camp, to include leveled sites around the campfire, making wheelchair access easier and safer as well as lit pathways throughout the camp. Multiple clubs made this happen by generously donating their time, materials, and expertise for a common goal of improvements for the campers!

O CHESHIRE COUNTY

Keene Sno Riders By Jeremy Evans, President

Greetings fellow snowmobilers! This spring and summer have been full of preparation and planning here in Keene and Surry. We have several projects underway that will improve the riding experience on our trail system.

One of the most exciting

projects is a partnership with

the Monadnock Region Rail Trail Collaborative (MRRTC) and Cheshire County to upgrade a mile of the Cheshire Rail Trail (C-4) through Surry. This section is always challenging due to it running through a rail cut with ledges on both sides. High rider volume, narrow railbed and substantial runoff make it difficult to maintain. We are hoping to secure funding to improve drainage, clear overgrown trees and brush, and improve the rail bed surface. This will not only benefit snowmobilers, but all the many other recreational users accessing this great trail system.

The City of Keene is resurfacing the rail trail south of Surry from Hurricane Road north to the Surry Town Line. Combined with work already done in Swanzey and work in progress by other local clubs, our goal is to have the entire 50 miles of rail trail upgraded in the next few years.

We are also reopening a trail to the Best Western as well as Tempesta's Restaurant in Keene in order to offer direct trail access to lodging and another great dining alternative.

Everyone Think Snow! Have a great riding season and be sure to visit Keene and the rest of the Monadnock Region for some great riding. hold a radar run late in January or early February to raise funds for our club. The last few winters have not been nice to us. It would be nice to be able to hold this fun event this winter.

Luckily, we were able to get some Grant-In Aid funds, along with money raised by our Go-Fund-Me page to refurbish our Tucker. We also held a cornhole tournament, thanks to the folks at Anonymous Cornhole and

Westmoreland Sno-Belters

By Dan Shelley, President/Trail

wonderful summer. My buddy

I hope everyone has had a

Nigel posted a snow map

for this winter and it looks

promising. I sure hope so! In

the past we have been able to

Administrator

The Tucker was ready to go last winter and stands in waiting for a snowy 2022–2023 season. The Skandics have been refurbished as well, thanks Chris, and will be ready to flatten out the smaller trails.

my buddy Joe who raised some

funds.

Looking forward to checking out the Sno-Traveler Map App. I bet there will be some enhancements for the upcoming season.

Join your local club early, they have already started spending their money to get the trails ready for snow. Get out in your yard, with full gear on, and do a snow dance. See you on the trails!

O COOS COUNTY

Colebrook Ski-Bees By Ken Herchenroder, Board Member

Hello from the North Country. All of the winter weather predictions have been coming out and if the models are correct we should be in for a cold snowy winter. Some even predicting a brutal one!

The Ski-Bees have been getting ready with fundraising and maintenance. August 26 was



Electrical upgrades by local snowmobile clubs at Easterseals Camp Sno-Mo.

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the Colebrook Moose Festival. The Ski-Bees cooking had a little different taste with a new menu prepared by Chef Niki and company. Thank you to all that came and enjoyed the food and the festival.

Many thanks to David for all the countless hours working on the groomers getting them ready for hopefully a nice long winter. Look on our Facebook page for updates on work parties in the fall and other ways that you can help the club. As usual we will need to repair bridges, signage, and stake fields.

Upcoming fundraising activities include our cook trailer at the Grass Drags in Fremont with the usual menu. Hope to see everyone there at the kick-off to winter event.

This year again we are having a sled raffle. The sled this year is a 2023 600 EFI Ski-Doo Renegade Sport. Raffle tickets will be available in Colebrook at Lemieux's Garage and at Diamond Peaks Store as well as the Ski-Bees website. If you are a Ski-Bee member now (and who wouldn't be) you will be able to get raffle tickets when you get your fall mailing with application. Tickets this year are \$25 each with a second and third place prize. Only 1000 tickets will be sold.

I am sure that most snowmobile clubs will be stressing the importance of donations to their club's groomer fund. With the price of diesel fuel it will be more costly than ever to keep our fleet of three groomers running.

Before I run out of space I would like to welcome aboard AJ Lacasse, our new trail master, and Niki Degraffenreid a new member of the Board of Directors.

Dalton Ridge RunnersBy Wayne St Hilaire, Director

Our clubhouse and groomer barn are coming to a reality! We are in the first phase of construction as we speak. It will have a heated workshop when we need it for maintenance and repairs, a small meeting area, and a new and improved kitchen and luncheon area to welcome and warm our guests. All right on Corridor 5!

We will have a huge 100-yard sliding hill and a few sleds for our visitors to use or bring their own. Come and burn off some energy. The sliding hill is open 7 days a week as conditions allow. Access is at our parking lot for vehicles and snowmobile trailers. Lots to do for any of our members or volunteers. Don't be shy. Just contact any club member and we'll find something for you to do!

We are holding our new Sled raffle again this year, a brand new 2023 Ski Doo Renegade E-TEC 600 X Package. Second and Third prizes are \$500 and \$250 respectively. Tickets are \$20 each or 6 tickets for \$100. Maximum of 1500 tickets!

Drawing will be on February 11, 2023 unless all the tickets are sold early. We have a booth at the vendors tent at this year's Grass Drags in Fremont NH. We are also selling tickets at the Lancaster Fair on Labor Day weekend. You will find us at the Dalton Mountain Motorsports area there. We graciously thank Lisa and staff for allowing us to display a sled there and sell our tickets. They have been wonderful sponsors for our club! We will be posting updates on our Facebook pages at: Dalton Ridgerunners .

Last but not least, we have a lot of trail maintenance and signing to be done. Please, please, please contact any of our officers and let them know when you can help.

Snowmobiling doesn't happen without our landowners, the use of their properties, and our great volunteers who make it happen! Think snow and maybe we will see you on the trails.



The Jefferson Hi-Landers President Richard Garabedian and Trail Master Paul Selfridge warming up at the bonfire. The operating hours for the warming hut and bonfire are 1 - 4 pm Saturdays on Chambers Road in Jefferson, NH. We hope to see you all this upcoming winter season.

Photo/Angela Selfridge

Groveton TrailblazersBy Jane Emperor, Secretary

Another snowmobile season is almost upon us. Everyone is getting the occasional thoughts of north county snow.

The Groveton Trailblazers are already hard at work. Signs have been refinished, trails are being cleared and marked, and groomers will be ready to go when the season opens. Volunteers are always appreciated for these seasonal work parties. Watch our Facebook Page for upcoming work details.

The club meets the first Saturday of each month at 9 am at the clubhouse at 9 Log Hollow Drive, Stark, NH. The first meeting is held in September and we run through April.

During the season we have special fundraising events such as: Trailblazers Annual Christmas Party Extravaganza /Auction and Toys for Tots collection in December, possibly a traditional Steak Feed in January and Spaghetti Dinners. There is always something happening.

The kitchen starts warming up for lunches on Saturdays from 11 am to 3 pm once we have open trails. Everyone is welcome, so stop in and say hello.

Be sure to watch for updates and posts on our Facebook page or just to ask a question. Sign up for Groveton Trailblazers club membership today!

Jefferson Hi-Landers By Judy Owen, Secretary

The Jefferson Hi-Landers snowmobile club is gearing up for an exciting upcoming winter season. We are celebrating our club's 50th Anniversary. While you are out on the trails, you can stop at our warming hut and enjoy a hot dog, a snack, and a hot drink. The bonfire will warm you up before you get back on the trails.

Join our club and enjoy yearlong activities. We not only snowmobile but have ATV rides and barbecues. We welcome all that want to join our club. The club website is hilanderssmc@gmail.com or like us on Facebook at Jefferson NH Hi-Landers Snowmobile Club.

Pittsburg Ridge Runners By Curt Shaw, President

We started the new season at the Pittsburg Old Home Day with a food tent and a clothing tent. The food sold out and we made over \$2,000. Thanks to all the volunteers who made this possible. The next activity will be a combined Ridge Runner and Great North Woods ATV Poker Run on Sept 5.

We will have our Craft Fair on November 26 at the clubhouse. We will have a full-size slate pool table for auction. Join us to support Camp Sno-Mo. We were honored by Easterseals last year for contributing over \$35,000. The most money raised in the state.

We finally have the full-size tracks installed on our new groomer that we received in February. Not only had the groomer been delayed but the wide tracks weren't with it. We are finally going to have a 12-foot wide groomer and drag combo ready to go this season. Be prepared to move over when you see this monster coming.

We expect fuel costs to be a major expense this year. We have been operating with reasonable costs over the last four or five years, but it appears that this year will be different. I expect fuel costs to be well over \$100,000 if we have a full season

The Warming Hut will open the first weekend of January. It will be in the clubhouse once again this year. See you there. Hoping for an early and a long season. Happy trails!

Swift Diamond Riders By Jason Balint, Trail Administrator

Greetings from the North. I would love to start off by saying what a relief it is that the world's state of affairs has resumed to a degree of normalcy post COVID but I would look like Pinocchio, I think. Good news is that we have some normal stuff going on that you will soon begin to enjoy but, we need snow for that.

First off big shout out to the Metallak ATV Club and the other adjoining clubs as well for another successful season and putting riders on our doorstep, every little bit



Swift Diamond Riders' new Prinoth Bison. Photo/ Jason Balint

helps. Another shout out to the NH Bureau of Trails and our county representatives for their support helping us add another Prinoth Bison to our grooming fleet. We feel like we have finally graduated to the grown-up table and can retire the booster seats! Having three Bisons at our disposal all toting 10-foot drags will be a huge help and stress reliever for our club so again, much appreciated!

From a trail update standpoint there is not much to offer at this time other than we hope to be cleared of any major logging operations but won't know for sure for a bit longer so hang tight. Our most important focus over the next two seasons is improving our overall trail signage. We know it needs work and we are committed to getting there. It just takes time and money, right? So if you have both feel free to drop us a note on how you can help.

From an equipment standpoint we are in very good shape which is great with no major repairs on the docket. Let us hope it stays that way. This is pretty much it for now other than you remembering to join our club and support where you ride. Hope you are all as ready for snow as we think we are. Be safe out there.

Umbagog Snowmobile Association By William Morin, Vice President

The fall season is upon us and that means trail and equipment maintenance will be an ongoing affair for the club. We will be evaluating trails and bridges to determine the amount of work on each that needs to be done as we proceed forward. We will put notices on Facebook for everyone to keep up with our progress or to join in and help if you have the time.

The two new groomers will be ready to run for a full season this year along with our new drag that we acquired last year. We will be operating three groomers full-time this year ensuring our trails remain in top condition for as long as we have the right conditions.

This fall we will also be having a booth at the New Hampshire Grass Drags in Fremont. This remains one of our largest fundraising events for the club. The last few years this income has been instrumental for us to cover our costs until we can

start grooming in December or January. Anyone interested in helping with the Grass Drags for a couple of hours or a day please let me know at wmorini@aol.com and I will put you on the volunteer list for the event. We need about 20-25 people to staff the booth for the weekend so all are welcome.

I hope everyone has a good fall and we look forward to seeing everyone at the first club meeting which will be posted on our Facebook site and held at the club house on Route 26 in Errol. During the off-season we had to tear down the log cabin next to the garage because it had become unsafe and would no longer hold up to the snow loads on the roof so the site will look a little different than in the past.



Russell Barnett splits a pile of wood at the Umbagog club house. Behind him is the old log cabin which was recently torn down. Photo/Dan Gould

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Waumbek Methna By Roy Parkhurst, President

As we enjoy the last days of summer our focus begins to shift on preparing for the 2023 snowmobile season. We have not been idle this summer. The club has applied for grants for a new groomer and drag and at this time we are waiting on confirmation.

The club had a bridge dedication of the "Bailey bridge' that crosses the Israel River. One of our founding members, Maurice Dubois passed away in 2021. The club decided to honor his many years of volunteerism to the club and the sport of snowmobiling.

The plaque attached to the bridge states: "Maurice Dubois Bridge. This bridge is named after Maurice Dubois, a founding member of the Waumbek Methna Snowmobile Club. Maurice and six other charter members founded the club in 1979. Dedication is in recognition of Maurice's lifelong work to develop and maintain the Jefferson area snowmobile trail system. 2021"

White Mountain Ridge Runners By Karen Mozisek, Treasurer and Bobby Rodrigue, Secretary

As we begin our new season, the White Mountain Ridge Runners are proud to say that we are celebrating our 50th Anniversary! We plan on hosting a few events in celebration of this milestone anniversary throughout the riding season.

Our groomers have all been serviced and are ready to flatten trails for the 2022-2023 riding season. We are installing a new brush bar on one of our drags to trim our trails while we groom them.

Our volunteers are very busy checking trails and bridges for any needed repairs. We are finding more trails these days that are flooded by beavers.

The beavers are keeping us busier than we want to be but they live out there and we don't.

We ask that you look for our article in the next edition as we will report on trail conditions and any changes in routes for the upcoming season.

As usual, we hope that you want to get involved and become a volunteer with us. We have monthly meetings every first Tuesday of the month, at 6:30 pm, at our clubhouse located at 241 Jericho Road in Berlin. New ideas and extra hands are always welcome. Our warming hut is available for your riding and viewing pleasure.

Look us up at whitemtridgerunners.com. Think Snow!

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Alexandria Ledge Climbers By Lucy Ford, Secretary

Welcome to our 34th season. As I write this we are in the midst of a heat wave 90-plus degrees. I think this is a good time to think about the winter ahead and all the snow we are going to have, and all the fun we are going to have on our snowmobiles.

At our April meeting we elected officers for a two-year term. Dennis Ford for president and trail administrator, Bob Armstrong for vice president, Nigel Croxon for trail master, Lucy Ford for secretary and treasurer, and Steve Norander as assistant trail master, "Welcome".

Last year we put on the first Newfound Classic car show in conjunction with the Bristol Old Home Day festivities at Kelly Park. We will be doing that again this year on August 27. Rain date is August 28. Anyone interested in bringing a vehicle or helping out at the show please contact Lucy.

Fundraising is very important for the operation of the club. If anyone has any ideas on



Alexandria Ledge Climbers remind members to stay on the trail. Photo/Dennis Ford

fundraising or would like to head up a fundraising committee please contact Dennis. A good fundraiser would be the Grass Drags for the club if we could get some people interested as the pay is \$10 per hour donation to the club, before the show, during, and after. Anyone interested please contact me at 603-744-

We will be doing trail work once the weather starts to get cooler. We have one very large bridge to rebuild this year. We are also going to reroute Corridor 11 around the big ledge out behind our house. Look for information on this and all other trail work on our Facebook page and website at Alexandrialedgeclimbers.org.

This year we will have the use of the state's BR 120 again for grooming the Bristol end of the trail system and with the repairs we made last year the machine looks in good shape for another season.

Asquamchumauke Valley By Jayne McCullock, Secretary

Writing this article makes me smile in thinking that the season will soon be upon us. The summer has flown

by with many club activities, but the best is yet to come. We are looking forward to the upcoming season and have lots of fun planned.

This summer was an active one for our club. We began by having a club booth at the Warren NH Old Home Days in July. The theme was "American Pride" and we won first place in the town parade with our float. Our theme was "Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and Chevrolet" - how much more American can you get than that? We handed out baseball size popcorn balls, cooked hot dogs and mini apple pies for the judges to enjoy. The last day of Old Home Days we drew the winner of our summer raffle, two little local girls were very happy that their dad surprised them when he won the ATV with snow tracks for

We had two days that we cooked lunch at the Wentworth Farmers Market. It was a great fundraiser for the club and even more fun to see the townspeople come out and enjoy lunch and of course the shopping.

This was a very active summer



ATV winners from Asquamchumauke Valley's summer raffle.

for our club's FUNdraising Committee. We had several meetings with the group, one by the pool. We are trying to put a little FUN into the fundraising.

A huge Thank You to our local Bar & Grille, Ore Mill. They held several monthly raffles for our club. We are lucky to have such a great place in our area and to have their support for our activities. We will be holding our third annual membership drive at Ore Mill again this fall.

We hope to see everyone again soon and remember to ride to the rocket. Post your rocket pictures on our Facebook page. Think snow!

Baker River Valley By Franci Frame-Smith, Secretary

Are you wondering how to get the most bang for your buck this winter?

Get away from inflation and gas prices to the 70-plus miles of trails brought to you by Baker River Valley Snowmobile Club (BRVSC). We are located in Wentworth, New Hampshire, Exit 15 from 91 north or Exit 26 from 93 north, where the conditions are awesome!

Chances are if you are reading



this you are less than three hours travel time from our clubhouse with trailside parking, a warm place to get ready, and a hot meal served up by volunteers.

Why join BRVSC?

- · Scenic low traffic trails
- · Family friendly members
- Shorter travel time, more time and money for fun
- · Warm clubhouse and plenty of parking
- Community service and camaraderie
- Discount on sled registrations

Have you always wanted to drive a groomer or blaze a new trail? Have a hidden talent? Our skilled members stay busy throughout the season as well as during the off-season. Annual snowmobile events include Bonfire & Moonlight

> 2022 Ladies Ride attendees in front of the Baker River Valley clubhouse.

Ride, Poker Run, Ladies Ride and Beginner Clinic, Shamrock Shuffle, OHRV Safety Certification courses and more.

We reach out to our community through several events and initiatives to include Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Monthly Breakfast Buffet, Toy and Food drives as well as partnering with Boy Scouts and local First Responders on various fundraising projects.

All this magic doesn't happen by itself. We need and welcome volunteers to keep our trail system going. Trail work, kitchen cooks, servers, bakers, t-shirt design, administrative or big ideas are just a few of the things we do. Whether you've got a few hours or more, we would love for you to join us!

Future leaders of Asquamchumauke Valley Snowmobile Club.

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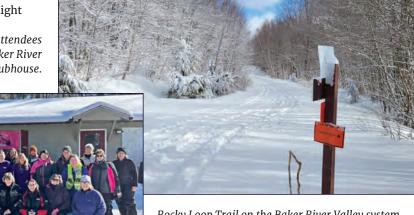
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Check out our website at mybrvsc.org. You will find a lot of information about us and what we do to advance the sport and our community.

Bridgewater Mountain By Mike Phillips

Next month's grass drags are around the corner, setting in motion the upcoming season. Let's get this party started! Check out the drags, buy some new gear, and enjoy hanging out with your fellow sledding enthusiasts. Then go home, sign on to the NHSA portal and join your club(s) of choice.

Renewing your membership early helps clubs with trail



Rocky Loop Trail on the Baker River Valley system.

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projects, groomer maintenance costs, and various club expenses. BMSC will always look to earn your membership dues with great grooming and timely, honest reports of riding conditions throughout the season.

We have been busy this summer with landowner relations, clearing brush, and trimming tree limbs. Our team just completed some significant improvements to the Homestead Trail. Several culverts were installed at various areas that were problematic in the past. This will make for a more enjoyable ride to and from the restaurant. Many thanks to Don, Russ, Ryan, and Steve for working tirelessly on this project, despite the sweltering conditions in early August. We greatly appreciate the support and generosity of the Homestead in assisting with this project.

Behind the scenes, our treasurer/secretary and trail administrator have been busy with their administrative duties for the upcoming season. Tip of the helmet to Robin and Jonah for their knowledge and attention to detail!

Please keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for the latest club news and announcements. We look forward to seeing you on our trails this season!



Don, Russ, Ryan and Steve install new culverts on the Homestead Trail on the Bridgewater Mountain system. Photo/Mike Phillips.

Bruhawachet Sno-Trackers By Kathy M Wilson

Greetings to all our members, friends and supporters. We hope that everyone enjoyed the hot, dry summer but now it's time to start looking forward to a cold and snowy winter!

The club, once again, was successful in receiving two grants for trail improvements. We will be working on a section of Annies Loop and North Trail. We plan to have a few trail work parties in October so please check your email for updates.

Did you happen to notice a few new trailside features when you rode our trails last season? The Walker family donated two trailside benches for the Eagle Cliff area and Planet Graphics donated club trail welcome

signs. We appreciate the generosity and support of our members and the surrounding community.

We are very excited to announce that we plan to resume our club cookouts during the winter months. We will get the information out as soon as we determine a schedule.

The NHSA portal is up and running for memberships online. Please take the time to join our club early to avoid the rush when the snow flies.

BST looks forward to seeing you out enjoying our trails. Until then, stay well and think snow!

Central New Hampshire By AJ Lambert, Webmaster

Winter season 2022 - 2023 is almost here! CNHSC's plan is to complete fall trail work and clean up before the season in October, November, and December. Please look to our website and Facebook page for

trail work parties.

One of the trailside benches donated by the Walker family to Planet Graphics donated club trail welcome signs to the the Bruhawachet Sno-Trackers for Bruhawachet Sno-Trackers. Photo/Dan Gould the Eagle Cliff area.

to assist in working on Trail 152 south heading towards the bog for improvements to that trail. Please check out our new website at www.CNHSC. com. We are excited about the updates to the website with a refreshed new look and update it weekly.

We received a grant this year

Thank you to all our volunteers who helped us towards the end of last season working our Track Driven Machine Show, which made it to NH Chronicle, and our Club Cookout. The two events brought enthusiasts from across New England and beyond. Both events of which are scheduled again for this season.

Membership is open, please join early. We really use all the funds from membership to prep the almost 100 miles of trails and maintain our three groomers and drags.

We usually host monthly meetings on the second Thursday of the month from 7 to 8 pm at Dirt Designs on 73 Laundromat Rd in Thornton NH just off Exit 29 on Route 93. Please keep an eye on Facebook and our website.

If you would like to advertise with us on our website we still have room. We have a very large following to our Facebook page and website. We have opened two categories of advertising for Platinum and Gold. Platinum ad sponsors will get additional advertising on Facebook for trail report sponsorship.

Please follow and like us on Facebook (Central New Hampshire Snowmobile Club) or subscribe on our website to get current updates and news of the club at www.cnhsc.com.

Hardy Country By Jen Lloyd, Secretary

Happy fall to you all! Hope you enjoyed your summer and are ready for a wonderful riding season.

When the grooming ends and mud season dries up, trail

Central NH's Annual Club Cookout on Trail 155 on March 5, 2022.



work begins! This summer has seen many projects happening throughout the Hardy Country trail system. Four (yes count them, four!) bridges are being built, two on Bear Mountain trail and two on Hood Trail.

Trail master, Jim Bilodeau and assistant trail master. Kevin Maass have been constructing many bridge parts to be moved to the sites. Countless volunteer hours from these two in addition to many other volunteers make it possible for these projects to succeed. We cannot thank you enough! Stay tuned to Facebook and email for bridge building dates, as well as other trail work projects.

We work hard to earn your membership so please join Hardy Country Snowmobile Club. Our dedicated groomer operators work around the clock to ensure the best riding conditions for all to enjoy and your support is sincerely appreciated.



Steel being set for new bridges on Hardy Country trails.

We look forward to a fun, wonderfully, snowy riding season!

Lisbon Stump Jumpers By Martha Verret, Secretary/ Treasurer

Lisbon Stump Jumpers hope that everyone had a great summer. We welcome you all back as we head into fall.

As always summer for us is about trimming and clearing trails when time permits. We are hoping to gather some members to do some more trail work prior to opening season. We are in hope of lots of snow for the season to allow for great trail riding.

As a reminder we have our Vintage Race that we hold on the first Saturday of February, weather pending

Again, we welcome new members and anyone wishing to join our club and, or, attend our meetings to see what we have to offer. Feel free to visit our website at www. lisbonstumpjumpers.org.

Lyme Pinnacle By Ken Milkie. President

The Lyme Pinnacle Snowmobile Club maintains 70-plus miles of trails in the Upper Valley. Now that the weather has cooled we have begun the yearly tasks of trail clearing. Both BR180s are being serviced to be ready to go when the snow arrives.

Several Lyme Pinnacle members will be working at the Grass Drags. It is an awesome show. Volunteers can sign up on the NHSA website for several weekends before the show. during the show, or takedown after the show.

Show on February 19, 2022.

We have several summer projects to complete this fall. A trail reroute, a new bridge, and parking lot repairs. We also have the fall trail cleanup along with bridge and sign repairs. Contact me if you want to help. lymepinnacle@gmail.com

Club meetings are at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of the month over a Zoom connection.

Club family membership can be made by sending \$35 to Lyme Pinnacle Snowmobile Club, PO Box 121, Lyme NH 03768. Club trail maps are available at the Lyme Country Store.

Find us on Facebook for the latest club news and trail conditions.

Mt. Cardigan By Debbie Davis, Secretary

Holy heat snowman! It sure has been hot this summer. I hope that means that we are going to have a snowy winter.

I want to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported us during Canaan Old Home days. And a big thank you to David Crate for getting our grooming back to town. I highly encourage you to support clubs all year round we all need it!

We are ready to start trail work in September. Join us on Sunday mornings at 8 am. Check out

our Facebook page for details. We will be planning some fun events this year, hope to see you there. Think snow and start snow dancing early.

Squam Trail Busters By Jeff Tomas, President

Greetings members! Hope everyone has had a great summer. There were a few good weeks of nice summer weather (isn't that what everyone who does not have a snowmobile says about the snowmobile season? Can only ride it a few weeks a year, yet the boat did not get used that much this summer). This "short" summer has been busy with our big reroute that was started last year along with other summer projects we have been working

As the summer is coming to an end and the fall comes around watch our Facebook Page for the weekly work parties. The club's monthly meetings are the second Thursday of the month and we usually have pizza provided. We are always looking for new members to get involved. It is a great time and not every member is a snowmobiler. If we all do a little then a few don't have to do a lot. Every little bit helps! Join the Squam Trail Busters' club today. Visit nhsamembership.com

Also, would like to thank our gracious landowners for the use of their land. Without you the club and the community would not have a trail system for all to enjoy during the winter months. Thank you!

The club recently lost one of the founding members, Uncle Pete. Even though he sold his sled a couple years ago he would still be seen out wearing the vintage Squam Trail Busters gear year-round. Whenever I would see him, the conversation always seemed to talk about one of the many sled trips years ago. He will be dearly missed but everyone knows he will be riding along with us. Rest easy Uncle Pete!

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many old Squam Trail

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

Border Riders By Frederick Rourke Jr. Vice President

Well it is mid-August already and I am writing our first article for the 2022-2023 season. As we are all aware the 2021- 2022 season was a loss for the southern clubs with little to no snow. It is getting tougher and tougher to sustain a club with all the price increases of insurance, gas, oil, maintenance and most of all low membership numbers. We need to find a way to increase our club finances. If anyone, from any club not just ours, has any ideas please contact one of our club officers at www. borderridersofpelham.com.

In the coming weeks keep a look out for trail work parties. We have a bridge at Gagnon's over Beaver Brook to be built and a half bridge to build at Damie's by the powerlines over the wall and as usual lots and lots of trimming and clean-up of trails.

Our annual Meet & Greet will be on October 22, 2022 at 12 noon:

American Legion Post #100

8 Windham Rd

Pelham, NH

All are welcome! Fun for all ages! We also have some pretty great food, just saying.

It is also time to join your local club and ride anywhere you want. The online membership portal is open and waiting for you to join.

Remember Think Snow!

Brookline Ice Breakers By Patricia Smith, Vice President

The upcoming season is upon us. We are hoping with the dry summer we have had that this is not the norm through the winter!

We again would like to ask that you plan on joining our club before the riding season or our September meeting. We have our first club meeting on September 20, beginning at 7 pm. In order to be able to vote you need to be a member of the Icebreakers. Last year's membership ended with around 136 members.

In our last meeting we voted the following people in for the following positions: president -Ed Cook, vice president - Patty Smith, secretary - Linda Ackley, treasurer - open position, currently Ed Cook is filling in, trail administrator - Kevin Majeski, trail maintenance - Grover Farwell, III. Board of Director members are Ian Murphy, Emily Cook (also website and Facebook admin), Buddy Dougherty, Dave Ditullio, and Mike Bergen.

Again this year we will be asking for volunteers to help in our projects. If it weren't for our volunteers we would not have our trails ready for the riding season. Please help if you can. At our September meeting we will discuss our projects for the fall, date for the OHRV Safety Class and other upcoming events.

Congratulations to Ian Murphy who has become a Certified Instructor for the upcoming OHRV course.

We would like to remind all those interested in attending, the Grass Drags are the weekend of October 7, 8 and 9. Come out and watch the Watercross and Grass Drags. There are many vendors of each snowmobile manufacturer, food vendors, and so much more. The Rave-X Freestvle will be performing as well.

Until our next article we wish you the safest rest of the summer and fall. See you on the trails this winter either in the south or the north!

Nor'Easters By Doug Cleveland, Treasurer

Well after another minimal snow winter in the southern part of the state we are now in a drought with record-breaking temperatures. Hopefully we will make up for it with a lot of snow this coming winter.

During the off-season we have been working on a number of trail improvement projects including a summer trail work project on the Vista Trail and Lilla's Loop, as well as the usual rebuilding bridges, cutting brush, mowing and repairing trail damage and erosion. We also now have a new Tri-Club trail map with the Brookline Icebreakers and the Wilton-Lyndeborough Winter Wanderers which is available at all of our business partners.

Our monthly club meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month from September through April, starting at 7 pm. We usually meet at the Lawrence Barn Community center on Depot Road in Hollis. Stay tuned to Facebook and our website for information on club meetings and other activities.

We recommend that you renew your club membership early so you can register your sleds and be ready to ride before snow flies and avoid the last-minute rush. Your membership dues pay for trail grooming and maintenance so it's important to join your local club. The best way to renew your membership is to go on our website and join online where you can get

your sled registration discount voucher instantly.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who have worked so hard for the club this year, plus all the landowners who allow us to use the trails across their property.

Hope to see you all at the Grass Drags in October.

Uncanoonuc Mountaineers By Linda Lambert, Secretary

And we're off, heading into the 2022 - 2023 season! Really? It's 86 degrees out with 78% humidity. I have had enough of this crappy weather. I want it to be cold and white asap.

We will have had our board meeting and first club meeting by the time you read this but that is the only excitement we have had.

With our new calendar of events in place I can tell vou that our annual Antique Snowmobile Show and Flea Market will take place on Saturday, October 15 from 8 to 3 pm on North Mast Street, Route 114, in Goffstown. Admission is free. There will be lots of antique sleds to admire and then you can vote for your favorites.

Do you want to sell your sled, trailer, parts? Do you have crafts you want to sell or do you want to set up a flea market table? Just call Bud at 603-496-5452 for the price of a rental space or for any questions you have regarding this fun day. It is a great place to buy used sleds, trailers, and parts too.

While you are there do not forget to stop by our famous cookshack. Delicious breakfast sandwiches and lunch will be served along with snacks and drinks. NHSA super raffle tickets will be available as well as lots of raffle items. Hope you will stop by to say hello and support our club.

If you are looking for a small club with friendly members to join the Uncanoonuc

Antique Snowmobile Show and Flea Market hosted by the **Uncanoonuc Mountaineers** Saturday, October 15, 8 to 3 pm. NHSA super raffle tickets will be available as well as club memberships and information. Left to right: members Allen Coldwell, Sue Phillips, Al Lambert, President, a quest, and Dave McGlauflin. Photo/Bud Gordon



Mountaineers' Annual Antique Snowmobile Show and Flea Market on Saturday, October 15, 8 to 3 pm, Notrh Mast Street, Route 114, Goffstown. Photo/Bud Gordon

A few of the many antique sleds you will see at the Uncanoonuc

Mountaineers is the club for vou. We meet the second Monday of each month at the Parks and Recreation Center on Mast Road in Goffstown and send out our club newspaper after each meeting. Members are welcome to list items they have to sell or what they are looking for. New members are always welcome. Want to just sit in on a meeting to see what we are about? You are welcome to do that as well. Think snow!

Weare Winter Wanderers By Jamie Boudreau, **Publicity Director**

The Weare Winter Wanderers were busy again this summer with our cook trailer making its annual appearances at the Hare Scramble at Mt. William gravel pit and also at the Weare Patriotic celebration. Thank you to all the WWW members who volunteered to work at these very important club functions.

The club also had an entry into the Patriotic Celebration parade with an awesome float (see picture). A huge thank you to Ray Lemay - float director, Jonathan Lemay - assistant float director, and Connor Boudreau - lighting guy for making the float look great and coming in second place. Thank you also to Matt Shapiro and his crew for hauling our trailer wherever we should need it

much appreciated Matt.

The club is working on some trail reroutes so please be on the lookout for future work parties. The information can be found on our Facebook page.

We also elected new officers in July. They are as follows: president - Bill Bolton, vice president - Tim Lorenz, secretary - Kelly Ward, treasurer - Naomi Bolton, trail administrator - Melissa Boudreau, trail master - Steve Livingston, social director - Jess Duhaime, equipment director - Ray Lemay, membership director - Kevin Booker, publicity director -Jamie Boudreau.

Please, if you have time to give, reach out to our trail master, Steve Livingston and ask where you could possibly help out.

Wilton-Lyndeborough **Winter Wanderers** By Patricia Smith, Club Member

Welcome back to the Sno-Traveler issue for September. Let's hope this upcoming season is a better one than the last. Speaking of the upcoming season our club has hundreds of members and covers the towns of Wilton, Lyndeborough, Milford, Greenville, and Mason. Consider joining our club early!

During this fall season please consider volunteering your

time to help clean up the trails

on the issue with the railroad corridor trail. Unfortunately, we do not have a resolution to that trail system. On June 17 Governor Sununu signed an Amendment HB1579 that cleans up the verbiage to include zero liability with regards to railroad tracks. This should have eliminated any issues with the insurance company that the owner had however it has not brought a resolution because the insurance company

from fallen debris etc. It is our

Please join the club and attend

the meetings. Meetings begin

in September and are the third

Thursday of the month. To find

out about these opportunities.

Should you need to contact the

wlww.org. There will be updates

club you may do so at www.

to trail work here as well.

Currently we have an update

volunteers who help to keep

these trails in tip-top shape

so that you may enjoy the

upcoming winter trails.

considers "snowmobile operation may be hazardous" on the railbed and unsafe. It was determined there are too many hazards along this corridor. So again, this year the corridor will be closed. Our members are still working on this situation. In October please enjoy the

Grass Drags in Fremont, NH. October 7 - 9 are the dates of the Grass Drags where you can see Watercross, Grass Drags, manufacturer vendors and food vendors. This happens once a year and is a huge event!

Enjoy the rest of the summer and fall. See you on the trails!

MERRIMACK COUNTY

Andover By Allan Houle, President

As we look forward to the 2022-2023 season we can only hope that we are all blessed with good riding conditions. Our dedicated grooming staff is eager to keep on grooming.

We were able to provide our food booth at the Andover



Weare Winter Wanderers' float in the Patriotic Celebration parade. Photo/ Melissa Boudreau

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A look into the future, coming soon to a trail near you! Andover Snowmobile Club.

Annual Fourth of July event and what a crowd we had. It was great to get back to this event once again. Thank you to all that supported and worked so hard to make this event a success.

Trail work will begin early Fall with some bridge work along with updating signage. Our Merrill Limb Masher has worked out very well to keep overhanging limbs trimmed back during the winter which helps with getting ready for the upcoming season. In the past we would have to spend additional time out with pole saws. There will always be the usual clearing off debris from all of our trails as well.

Club meetings are held on the second Monday of each month from September through April at the Refinery Restaurant in Andover. Meetings start at 7 pm. This year's officers and directors are: president – Allan Houle, vice president – Nathan Mallett, secretary – Lisa Meier, treasurer – Mike Henderson, trail master – Tom Heath, trail administrator – Leon Nelson, directors – Jim Malecha, Daniel Nelson, Anthony Giglio, and

Bill Snow. We thank all of our officers and directors for their continued support and dedication to our club.

We will be working on some events for this season and look forward to bringing our Annual Italian Buffet back once again providing conditions allow. We look forward to our 20th Annual Highland Lake SnoFest antique and vintage snowmobile show and ride. This event has grown very well over the years. I cannot believe that it has already been 20 years. You can find additional information regarding dates on our website: www. andoversnowmobileclub.com.

Fort Mountain Trailwinders By Kevin Gagne, Trail Administrator

Fort Mountain Trailwinders are looking forward to a great snowmobile season. No snow, so let's do a car show on September 24, 9 am at Webster Park in Epsom, NH. This will be our fourth annual car show.

We would like to recognize past club member Steve Kiander for single handedly spearheading and producing the past three



1930 Ford Racer.



1963 Classic Corvette.



Elliot Spiegel, shown here with a 1930 Vintage Ford, opted to sell his snowmobile to build cars. He was an avid supporter and friend of the snowmobile club.

years' FMTW car shows. In the wake of your loss our team has our work cut out to be able to continue the standard set forth. We wish you all the best on your new venture with the Southern NH Snow Slickers' first Annual Car Show on September 10, in Pembroke, NH. Fall projects are gearing up. We are planning to continue where we left off last season brushing and improving our trails. Thanks to GIA we have a substantial grant to really get a lot done on primary Trail 360 as well as Kimball Trail.

We are in the process of applying to the Bureau of Trails to upgrade Kimball Trail to primary status. We are updating and adding new signage as well as new trail maps. We are teaming up with NH Trail Dawgs to reestablish trails to Webster Park to link both trail systems.

Our once strong membership core is aging. Not me, or Bruce, Bryan, Chet, John and Roland of course. We will never age. As we all lose members to other interests we join many clubs having to combine resources. It is an ever-constant struggle to maintain the trail system and keep landowners happy.

We urge you to join us. It's up to the next generation if the snowmobiling sport is to survive. Our monthly meetings will be the first Tuesday of every month at 25 Howard Lane in Epsom.

Look for posts of trail workdays by email and social media. Join FMTW through NHSA website.

Lake Sunapee By Paul Lombardi, President

With those of us in southern and central New Hampshire having survived a major heat wave, winter can't be far behind? We certainly hope not!

Our club's first-time participation in Newbury's Old Home Day in early July was a great success! We presented ourselves as the local club representing New Hampshire snowmobiling in the Lake Sunapee region. A large copy of our trail map showed our extensive trail system. Many people expressed their thanks and complimented our grooming efforts.



Lake Sunapee Snowmobile Club at Newbury's Old Home Day.

We raffled off several prizes and gift certificates, donated by several very supportive local businesses. These proceeds will go towards supporting our trail maintenance program and our long-term goals of grooming equipment updates. Many thanks to all who donated prizes and those who bought raffle tickets.

Our 2022-2023 season meetings will be held at Newbury's Veteran Hall, across from the Town Hall, on the first Wednesday night of each month at 7 pm. Come and join us!

New Hampshire Trail Dawgs By Kevin Gagne, Trail Administrator

NH Trail Dawgs Dawgs' Bone-Breaking-News, August 27, 2022: After several years of absence the NH Trail Dawgs returned with two floats for the Pembroke/Allenstown Old Home Day parade. We had

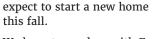
the honor to debut the new New Hampshire Snowmobile Association's trailer.

We are happy to announce the return of monthly club meetings located at Kimball's Cavern, 351 Pembroke Street at 7 pm, on the second Thursday of month, October through April. Don't be shy.

Save the date: Annual Turkey Shoot/ Meat Spin at Suncook Legion on November 12, 2022.

Club registration portal is activated with access from our newly revamped website www.nhtraildawgs.com. Sign up early. You will need to be prepared for early season. We need the cash flow.

Trails update: Corridor 15 from the end of Hardy Road at North Pembroke Road to Chichester town line is scheduled to be closed forever. I am being told by a new landowner that they are lining up builders and



We have teamed up with Fort Mountain to reestablish the trail to Webster Park in Epsom in an attempt to connect Corridor 15 from Live Let Live to P360 railbed. Pembroke Range Road Loops will be as far as you can go north on the Pembroke side of Corridor 15 this season.

We are feverishly working with landowners on a posable new route for Corridor 15.
Unfortunately it is a project that may take a few years to establish because we only have a handful of old decrepit farts left to do all the work. Not me, or Mike, Roger, Galen, Bill, John, Nick, Matt, Ed, and Jake of course.

Hard to believe in our heyday we had over 700 members. Last season we struggled to get 70.

If you snowmobiled some of our rerouted trail system last season you would have experienced what us old folks can still do.

Town Line Trail Dusters By Scott Shibles, President

It is a shame there are nine months of summer in between snowmobile seasons. But it is almost here!

The Town Line Trail Dusters have some exciting news. We have the opportunity to open back up some trails that we previously lost to new homeowners. We have been awarded a GIA grant to build two bridges and clear some new trail with an excavator. We began trail work on Sunday, September 11. We work on Sunday mornings from 8 am to noon each week. We meet at Dunkin Donuts before 8 am and leave at 8 am.

We have a lot of new work this year as well as the usual 75 miles of trimming and clearing trails. If any of the new is to happen, we need help. All you have to do is show up at Dunkin's with some gloves, good work boots, and a "can



NH Trail Dawgs in the Pembroke/Allenstown Old Home Day parade.

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do" attitude. We will provide the fun!

Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at Alan's of Boscawen restaurant in the function room. Alan's has been gracious enough to let us use their facilities for the past several decades. Bring a friend to the meeting, enjoy some great food, and become a part of what makes this sport possible. See you on the trails.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

Northwood Crankpullers By Patrick Merrill, **Vice President**

Winter 2021-2022 was a tough one for many clubs. The weather, though becoming the norm, was variable, snow was thin, and every weekend seemed to thaw. But in northern Rockingham County we got to open all 28 of our gates, run all three of our groomers and both of our Skandics. More active members kept us up on trail maintenance and breakdowns.

Club membership though up, seems to fall into one of three categories: "doers, talkers, and users." Many of our talkers used to be doers but burnt out holding the club together for decades. Users paying just \$25 (the NHSA get a \$10 cut) in dues, may be slowly learning that unless they become even part-time doers, snowmobiling in New Hampshire will soon be a map of closed system loops.

So please, as you are getting excited for snow, keep in mind the clubs in southern New Hampshire. When we get snow down here prioritize a ride as far south as you can. Great Bay Sno-Rollers (GBSR) has a new group of guys packing snow and clearing trails. Lee Sno-Travelers is hanging by their thumbs, and with some help from GBSR might just keep us connected to the coast with a ride more technical than the C6 railbed. Barrington Snow Goers



Northwood Crankpullers' volunteers headed out to unlock gates and open trails, your club dues at work! Trail master Don in 1973 Thoikol, trail administrator Dan in ASV Scout on Corridor 17 in Northwood. Photo/ Patrick Merrill

has the best single-track riding from my door. Their doers can all fit around a dinner table. Southern New Hampshire Snow Slickers to our south is the club we want to be when we grow up but they too have few doing the work of many.

So don't delay, come tour southern New Hampshire. It is no secret we have the shortest winter in the state, but you just might have time to see every trail once.

Whether you are a doer a talker or a user I wish you a safe and exciting season. I hope you get a chance to chase Don in the 50-year-old groomer. Park and ride from Northwoods Brewery, let the kids loose in the park or best yet, become a doer. Every club could use help, even just part-time. Many hands make light work.

Southern New Hampshire Snow Slickers By Penny Hampl, **Communications Director**

Usually summer means a slowdown in activity. This year it meant lots of committee meetings. After years of parking the groomers in the

clubhouse in the off-season we are working on a separate groomer storage building. Then the plan is to remodel and update some of the clubhouse.

There have been other committee meetings this summer. Old Home Day and the Car Show committee are working on upcoming events.

We participated in Candia's Old Home Day, August 27. As of writing this, we are planning to have our Tucker and its drag joined in the parade as well as our UTV.

A big thank you goes to Manchester Water Works for after the logging operation. Also a thank you to the NH Bureau of Trails for the gravel that was used to repair the One Mile Trail at Bear Brook State Park.

Photo/Tom Johnson

We have a few trail projects being scheduled for the fall as well as one of our ever-popular bridge projects. Watch for more information on our Facebook page and emails.

Our first meeting of the 2022-2023 season is September 19 with a potluck dinner before the meeting. The social committee has a full schedule of events this year, including a new favorite Loaf and Ladle in November.



Southern New Hampshire Snow Slickers' Trail 15 awaits snow. Photos/Ray Philibotte

STRAFFORD COUNTY

Powder Mill By Ginny Abresch, Secretary

Once again, another summer has come and gone, but not without some significant improvements to our trail system. Jim Matthews, Mike Gelinas and crew have installed more new intersection signs and a few dedication and memorial projects have been put in place to include one kiosk and two scenic view benches on Caverly Mountain and Birch Ridge.

Nineteen helpers snowmobilers, horseback riders, hikers, XC skiers and mountain bike riders came together in August to close out work on the new camp Pride Trail. It was wonderful to see our community work together for a common goal. Middleton to Birch Ridge Trail has new hay and seed. Work is completed on the new Blueberry Trail Loop with amazing views.

Congratulations are in order for Mike Gelinas and Russ from Merrymeeting Marina. This past spring, Mike received the NHSA "Groomer of the Year Award" and also the Bureau of Trails' Chiefs Award. Merrymeeting Marina was awarded the NHSA "Business of the Year" Award.

We are so proud of the honor and recognition they have brought to Powder Mill Snowmobile Club. Because of all their hard work, along with organizing other volunteers, our trail system has been growing and getting better every year.

With the expansion and improvement of our trail system, so has the growth of our membership. We have become a victim of our success. Attendance at our monthly meetings last year has grown to 25-30 members each month. Since we reached max capacity at our last venue, we have moved our meetings to



Nineteen trail enthusiasts work together to improve Powder Mill Snowmobile Club's trails. A community effort for all to enjoy.

Mitchell Hill BBO Grill & Brew in Rochester. We will still meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 pm. Please mark your calendars and join us at the next meeting.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook or our website for the latest announcements. Now we just need to think snow!

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Blow-Me-Down Snowriders By John Berry, **Trail Administrator**

Mid-August now which means BMD annual fundraiser (food booth) at the Cornish Fair is about to begin. It reminds me of winter in that we watch and hope for a great weather

forecast! After a two-year absence our club is anxious to open up our booth again and raise funds. Hopefully many members and friends show up to make this event successful. It is work but I sure like the social aspect and interaction the food booth provides. Over the years we have streamlined the process immensely leading to better overall organization.

I want to pass along a note of gratitude for the members who keep our warming hut useable and appreciated by many locals during the off season. Thanks to Ken for cutting and splitting next year's firewood, Aaron for stacking the wood, and of course Gil for overall property maintenance. I am sure other

Mike Gelinas and Russ from Merrymeeting Marina accept awards at the NHSA Annual Meeting in May. Powder Mill Snowmobile Club.

members have contributed. so thanks again to all. Please respect our warming hut always as many snowmobilers and locals utilize and enjoy it.

Crescent Lake Regional Sno-Riders By Terry Callum, President

Our club has already done two major fundraisers this summer and will be working again in a few days. Financially, these have outperformed many of the ones in past years so we are off to a good start. We are confident it will be a busy fall but hopefully we will not have to deal with the flood damages again for a few years that consumed last fall.



The Crescent Lake crew gathered for Unity Old Home Day.

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Hidden Valley Sno-RidersBy Lisa Hopkins, Secretary

Beavers and snakes! Gregg and Peter Hopkins worked throughout the summer to control the water level on Trail 393 in Marlow. This trail has been flooded for several years thanks to persistent beavers. During this process they encountered a 6-foot long water snake! I am sure the snakes are happy the work is done.

New culverts are now in place in two areas along the trail. This trail is used by many in the community. If the culverts work it will benefit hikers, bikers, and snowmobilers alike. Let us keep our fingers crossed this will stop the flooded trail issue.

Due to landowner concerns we have closed and gifted our warming hut on Trail 392, which is located at the top of Marlow Hill Road. We have also rerouted the trail to the outer most edge of the property in an effort to work with the landowner. We continue to appreciate the opportunity to work with our local landowners.

Trail trimming will resume once the weather becomes cooler. Jim Strickland, Gus Merwin, and local landowner got a head start spreading stones on wet areas along Trail 392. All of this trail and equipment maintenance means nicely groomed trails for some great riding ahead! As always, we thank our club members in advance for making every effort to attend a few upcoming work parties.

Through the collaboration of many of our club members and local businesses we will be holding our first Annual Cornhole Tournament on September 10, 2022. We are hoping that this fundraising event will be successful and continue each year. It is shaping up to be a great community event.

Shout out to Peter Hopkins! Thank you for attending the state chainsaw safety certification class. We appreciate your commitment Peter.

Old 4 Rod, Gun, and Snowmobile Club By William Fowle, President

As I sit here on the hottest day of the year, so far, I am thinking about the upcoming season. We have a new challenge to overcome this year. We have three trail reroutes in the works. One is a state highway crossing, to be moved to improve safety. This will require cutting a couple hundred yards of new trail.

The other two are due to a landowner dispute, not from rider actions. We need to reroute about one and a half miles of Trail 399 south and about a mile of 399 north. We are working on landowner permissions and trail marking for the last two reroutes.

On a good note, the heating system is being installed in the groomer barn, and the water and sewer lines will soon be connected. After that it is on to put up a ceiling and enclose and finish the bathroom.

Then we will have a home for our Hunter Safety and OHRV/ Snowmobile Safety classes.

We also have the fill to finish the groomer barn field and parking area. We are working on a few small improvements to the drag behind the Tucker, which will make it easier to clear off excess snow before we bring it back in the barn.

Here's hoping for a snowy winter without the rain and warm weather that has plagued the last few seasons.

Tri-Town Trailblazers By Nathan Beach, President

We would like to thank all the volunteers who helped get our trails online last season. We had to repair eight of our bridges that got damaged by flooding. The support from

other clubs and the snowmobile community was awesome to see in action. Thankfully this year we are starting in a much better place.

We still have many goals for this fall including a bridge upgrade and a small reroute. We look forward to seeing you this fall for workdays and on the trail this winter. Email and Facebook updates about workdays will be out soon.

As always thank you to the landowners. Think snow!

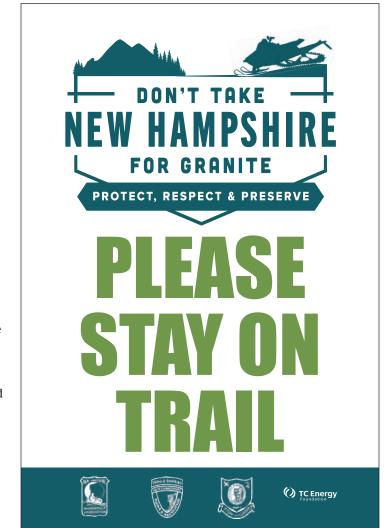
Washington Snow Riders By Barbara Gaskell, Secretary

Thank you to all the volunteers who turned up to work trails and rebuild bridges. Also thanks for helping with the annual Flea Market in July.

Watch your email and the club Facebook group for info on our first meeting in October and trail work parties.

Do not forget you can join the club online now. You do not have to wait.

On a sad note one of our founding members died this year. Jim Gaskell was an important part of the Snow Riders and his loss will be deeply felt.



BAKER RIVER SNOWMOBILE BRIDGE DEDICATION IN HONOR OF CHARLES R. MCLOUD

I'm writing to express my heartfelt thanks to the Snow Drifters Snowmobile Club and New Hampshire Snowmobile Association for honoring my late husband, Charles R. McLoud by dedicating the Baker River Rumney Snowmobile Bridge to him.

This meaningful event included sharing many treasured memories and reliving Charles' service to the club, county and state. I know Charles would have been so pleased and honored.

Charles grew up working with his father and brothers in the road construction business, starting at the age of fourteen. This was his first love. After enduring a back injury in the 1960s Charles was advised to leave the construction industry. With a talent for mechanical work Charles joined his father's chainsaw business in Plymouth, NH. It was at this time that Charles became actively involved in the Snow Drifters Club. Charles combined his passion for construction work with his interest in trail work by maintaining, improving, and grooming snowmobile trails throughout Grafton County.

I remember snowmobiling home from Pittsburg one day when we passed over a bridge in Gorham. Charles paused his machine and exclaimed, "This is it! This is how we're going to cross over the Baker River!" He examined the bridge and committed the engineering to memory. The next day he drove down to Concord and procured the Gorham snowmobile bridge plans on file and so began the Baker River Snowmobile Bridge planning. Prior to the installation of this bridge, snowmobilers had to wait for the ice to freeze and traverse steep banks on either side in order to connect Plymouth to Rumney. He took great pride in this bridge project and would be proud and humbled to have this bridge dedicated in his honor.

The Snowmobile Community has a special place in my heart. Following the February 27 dedication I received a beautiful bouquet of flowers to my home. The note enclosed acknowledged Charles' contributions to providing and maintaining trails for generations to enjoy. It was signed "A Grateful Dad." I am enjoying the flowers and I am grateful for this special tribute.

Lois R. McLoud

With sincere thanks and appreciation,







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There will be some fresh changes to the Trails Workshop for 2022.

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The last breakouts will end around 1pm, allowing everyone to start their trip back home early and have lunch on their own.

Please stay tuned for more information as we develop the program and try to make an event the snowmobile trail community needs and wants! Go to nhsa.com for updates.





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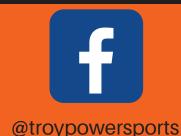




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