



27TH ANNUAL MOOSESTOMPERS WEEKEND FEBRUARY 3-5, 2023

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**DUE TO EXTREME COLD TEMPERATURES
FORECAST FOR FRIDAY EVENING & SATURDAY
SOME CHANGES TO THE MOOSESTOMPERS SCHEDULE HAVE BEEN MADE
Check Moosestompers Facebook page,
www.moosestompers.com or WHOU FM for ongoing updates.**

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

SNOW CREATION CONTEST – This is a Facebook photo contest. So, you can build a snowman, snow sculpture or any other snow “creation” right at your own home, then snap a picture & submit it to the Moosestompers Facebook page. Submissions will be accepted through noon on February 5th. Voting will continue through Tuesday, February 7th. The entry with the most “likes” will win a gift certificate. See rules and details on our Facebook page and at moosestompers.com.

MOOSESTOMPERS COLORING CONTEST – A moose-themed coloring page will be distributed through area schools and will be available on-line. Children color the page and submit it to Serendipitous Dragonfly by 3:00pm Saturday, February 4th to be entered and to be displayed. Prizes will be awarded. Show us your artistic talent!

SELFIE/PHOTO STATIONS – Help us celebrate the 27th Annual Moosestompers Weekend by taking a picture or selfie at one of the photo stations. You’ll find moose-themed backdrops outside Serendipitous Dragonfly and at Community Park. Post your pictures using #moosestompers or send by private message to the Moosestompers Facebook page.

MOOSESTOMPERS DINE OR GO – On your way to or from the Moosestompers activities, you can pick up a meal or a snack at local establishments. You can dine-in or take out. Some places also offer delivery. It’s a great weekend to treat yourself! Some locations will be offering specials for the weekend. Check out the Moosestompers Facebook page for more details and see the ad in today’s paper.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

CANCELLED - 5:00pm-7:00pm - SLIDE UNDER THE LIGHTS – Derby Hill – Bring your sleds and enjoy the fun of nighttime sliding with lights and music. The Sliding Hill will be supervised by the Houlton Border Patrol Explorer Post 1820 and their advisors.

7:00pm – HOULTON/HODGDON/KATAHDIN BLACKHAWKS vs JOHN BAPST – John Millar Civic Center – Support the local team for it’s Senior Night. Check it out! Adults \$5 & Students \$3. Concessions will be available.

POSTPONED TO SUNDAY AT 4:00PM - 8:00pm – MOONLIGHT SNOWSHOE HIKE – Military Street Baptist Church/Church On The Hill is having a guided snowshoe hike on the hill. Come and enjoy nature’s beauty under the moonlight. Bring a headlamp or flashlight! The foyer will be open with the fireplace blazing and hot chocolate available.

ALL WEEKEND AT MILITARY STREET BAPTIST CHURCH ON THE HILL

Snowshoe & cross-country ski trails will be open for use.

Trail maps are posted and flagged.

Begin at the MOOSE and enjoy!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH

6:00am-10:00am – MEDUXNEKEAG RAMBLERS' SPECIAL BREAKFAST – Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so fill up and get ready for a great day of outdoor fun at the Meduxnekeag Ramblers Clubhouse on Wiley Road in Littleton. Cost is \$10 for Adults and \$7 for children under 8. Menu includes eggs, bacon, pancakes, baked ham, baked beans, homemade donuts and muffins, special pastries and beverages. And, be sure to get a 50/50 ticket for the drawing!

6:00am – REGISTRATION BEGINS FOR THE MOOSESTOMPERS FISHING DERBY AT SEIDERS VARIETY STORE – (Calais Road, Hodgdon) (Pre-Registration is available at Seiders on Friday.) – When you purchase a ticket you are automatically entered for a chance to win \$500 CASH as well as hundreds of dollars in additional door prizes. Registrations are \$10.00 each or 3 for \$20.00. \$200 for the biggest Trout, \$200 for the biggest Togue. Second place is \$100 & third is \$50. Prizes for Pickerel, Perch and Kids prizes, too!! Weigh in times and rules & regulations are on the registration tickets! Join us for the Annual Moosestompers Fishing Derby! See YOU on Nickerson Lake, Drews Lake and Mill Pond. For additional information or tickets call Gino Seiders at 207-538-5440. **STILL GOING ON – DRESS WARMLY!**

CANCELLED - 8:30am-1:00pm – PEE WEE & TYKES BASKETBALL GAMES – Gentle Memorial Building – The schedule includes Suns vs Rockets (Pee Wee) at 8:30am, Jazz vs Hawks (Pee Wee) at 9:30am, Pacers vs Spurs (Tykes) at 11:00am, Celtics vs Lakers (Tykes) at 12:00noon.

CANCELLED - 10:00am-12:00pm – FREE PUBLIC SKATING – John Millar Civic Center - \$2.00 for Skate Rentals – Concessions available. *(There is a limited supply of rental skates and they are rented on a first come, first served basis)*

SLIDE AT YOUR OWN RISK – NO SUPERVISION PROVIDED ON SATUDAY 11:00am-4:00pm – GIANT SLIDING HILL – Enjoy Derby Hill for sliding. Bring your own sled, flying saucer or toboggan and have fun! The Sliding Hill will be supervised by the Houlton Border Patrol Explorer Post 1820 and their advisors.

12:00pm-3:00pm – PUBLIC BEAN DINNER – American Legion Post 47 – Enjoy a Bean Dinner with all the fixings at the Legion Post on Bangor Street. Cost is \$10.00 per person.

CANCELLED - 12:00pm-2:00pm – HOULTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL SAFETY BOOTH – Learn about preventing frostbite, helmet safety and more with the caring and compassionate crew from HRH.

12:00pm-6:00pm – HOULTON SHIRES JV & VARSITY BASKETBALL vs HERMON – Houlton High School Alumni Gymnasium – Support the local teams. Schedule as follows: Boys JV @ 12:00pm; Girls JV @ 1:40pm; Boys Varsity @ 4:00pm; Girls Varsity @ 4:30pm. Check it out! Concessions will be available.

CANCELLED - 1:00pm-3:00pm – HOULTON PARKS & REC CROSS COUNTRY SKIING – Community Park – Sponsored by Houlton Parks & Rec Department – Take this awesome opportunity to introduce your child or yourself to the excitement of cross-country skiing. It's a great way to build the love of an outdoor sport to better your health and enjoy nature. Visit the Houlton Parks & Rec Winter Sports Trailer near the Exhibit Hall – ON LOAN FREE skis, poles & boots provided by the Houlton Rec Department! Snowshoes are also available.

CANCELLED - 12:00pm-4:00pm – MOOSE MAINE-IAH MONSTER TRUCK RIDES – Community Park – SPONSORED BY BROWN CONSTRUCTION – Enjoy an exciting ride on this magnificent Moose-themed monster truck!

4:30pm-6:00pm – GHCA SPAGHETTI SUPPER & DESSERT AUCTION FUNDRAISER – Southern Aroostook Agricultural Museum, Littleton – Admission is by donation.

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POSTPONED TO SUNDAY AT 5:00PM - 6:00pm – ATV/UTV/SNOWMOBILE LIGHT PARADE – A parade through the streets of Houlton – the parade starts at Community Park –travels out Randall Avenue, down Pleasant Street, across Summer Street, down Main Street, around Market Square, back up Main Street, across Summer Street, up Pleasant Street and in Randall Avenue to end at Community Park. (Route is subject to change) Warm up by the **BONFIRE** after the parade.

POSTPONED TO SUNDAY AT 5:30PM - 6:30pm – FIREWORKS – Community Park

CANCELLED - 7:00pm-11:00pm – MOOSESTOMPERS BALL – American Legion Post 47 – “Moosestomp” your feet to the sounds of Ted & The Boys With Miss Emily at the Legion to end off your evening.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH ~~ KIDS DAY ~~

10:00am-2:00pm – FREE KIDS’ FISHING DERBY – SPONSORED BY MACHIAS SAVINGS BANK - As part of the Annual Moosestompers Ice Fishing Derby this year will be a FREE fishing derby for kids under 16 on Drews Lake only. The event includes free bait and a free hot dog lunch. Traps will be available for those needing them and holes will be drilled for the participants. The Traps For Kids organization is part of the event. There will be lots of door prizes so join in the fun!

11:00am-4:00pm – GIANT SLIDING HILL – Enjoy Derby Hill for sliding. Bring your own sled, flying saucer or toboggan and have fun! Face coverings and distancing will be required. The Sliding Hill will be supervised by the Houlton Border Patrol Explorer Post 1820 and their advisors.

11:30am-12:30pm – FREE HIGH SCHOOL STICK TIME – John Millar Civic Center – Full hockey gear required.

12:00pm-2:00pm – ANTIQUE AND VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE DISPLAY – Community Park – SPONSORED BY HOULTON POWER SPORTS

Bring your restored or vintage and antique sleds and show them off to the crowd. The public will vote to select the winners for Vintage Single Cylinder, Vintage Twin Cylinder, Vintage Open and the Oldest Vintage Sled. There will also be a \$100 prize for the People’s Choice Award.

12:00pm-3:00pm – HAY RIDES – Enjoy a FREE hay ride around Community Park.

12:00-3:00pm – CONCESSIONS – Exhibit Hall – The Houlton Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will be serving up treats to keep you going through the busy day.

12:00pm-3:00pm – SNOW SLED RIDES – Community Park – Take a ride around the park in style as a local snowmobiler pulls you & your friends on a special ‘boggan. A great way to ride!

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12:30pm – SAWDUST PRIZE SEARCH – Community Park – A guaranteed wild time digging in the sawdust for children’s prizes

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1:30pm – COLORING CONTEST AWARDS – Community Park – The contest winners will be presented their awards – top three in each age group.

1:45pm – SNOWDANCE – Community Park - Dance to the song Rising Star from the Minions movie and get ready for the Half Dollar Scramble (children only for the scramble).

2:00pm – HALF DOLLAR SCRAMBLE FOR KIDS – Community Park – Three age groups: 6 & under, 7-9 and 10-13. Kids come and dig for treasure! There are 3 piles of snow mixed with 900 half dollars for the kids to find. Our thanks to the following banks for making this event possible – THE COUNTY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, TD BANK, MACHIAS SAVINGS BANK AND KATAHDIN TRUST COMPANY.

2:30pm-4:30pm - HOGAN TIRE SKATE TIME – John Millar Civic Center – SPONSORED BY HOGAN TIRE. Free admission. Free skate rentals. *(There is a limited supply of rental skates and they are rented on a first come, first served basis).*

2:30pm – GIANT BONFIRE – Community Park – SPONSORED BY THE HOULTON FIRE DEPARTMENT – Get warm & toasty after the day of outdoor fun and enjoy a cup of hot chocolate.

3:00pm – FISHING DERBY FINAL WEIGH IN – Seiders Variety Store on Calais Road in Hodgdon – Awards will be presented at a later time.

4:00pm – FAMILY SNOWSHOE HIKE – Military Street Baptist Church/Church On The Hill is having a guided snowshoe hike on the hill. Come and enjoy nature's beauty. It may get dark before ending, so bring a headlamp or flashlight! The foyer will be open with the fireplace blazing and hot chocolate available.

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