



Dear George and staff,

Thank you again for your help with communications at our January 25th sled dog race in Brownville. We had 22 dog teams and one skijorer, which I considered a pretty good turnout. The mushers thought the trail was great on Saturday; of course, Sunday had to be cancelled due to the weather, but that's sled dog racing! Given the snowmobile-musher incident, your services allowed us to become aware of the incident as soon as possible, and with details provided by the radio operators, we were able to alert the Warden service, and give a good discription of the location. Fortunately for all involved, injuries appeared to be minor to the musher, and no dogs were injured in the accident. As we all realize, it could have been much worse. It is always very reassuring that your club members are out on the trail and at headquarters providing a level of safety we would not otherwise have.

We hope to put the race on again in Brownville next year. I do appreciate your suggestions to mark the trail to better alert snowmobilers to the dog teams, and having EMS on standby. We will be having organizing meetings in the near future, and will bring these recommendations to the team. We always hope to put on a fun race for the participants, but safety is our first concern.

Thanks again George, and please thank the other guys who turned out for the race. The Wilderness Race committee in Greenville (I'm a board member for that group) will also be planning for next year. Thanks for your efforts in Greenville too, we all hope for better conditions next year.

Sincerely,

Jill Carter,
President, The Maine Highlands Sled Dog Club