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RAYMOND ROADRUNNER

TOWN OF RAYMOND – JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

Comprehensive Plan Workshop

Come share your ideas for Raymond's future!

Sat., January 20th • 9am-4pm

Jordan Small School Cafeteria

9am-4pm: Open House Workshop
1pm: Data Highlights Presentation
3pm: Data Highlights Presentation

Raymond is working on a Comprehensive Plan update, and we want to hear from you on important topics like land use, transportation, housing, and more. Join us for an open house workshop, and attend on of the presentations to hear about the work we've done so far.

compplan.raymondmaine.org

Congratulations

to **SUSAN LOOK**,
our new Town Manager!

The Raymond Select Board voted unanimously to appoint her as Town Manager. Sue has been acting as the interim Town Manager since July & has done a wonderful job. Please congratulate her if you stop by the Town Office!

NEWS & EVENTS

3 MEADOW ROAD, RAYMOND
Questions regarding library events please call 207-655-4283
raymondvillagelibrary.org
Follow us on Facebook

Reminder of new operating hours:
THE LIBRARY IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ON THE FOLLOWING:
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:00am-6:00pm
Fridays & Saturdays from 9:00am-2:00pm

Museum & Park Passes Available
Use your library card to request passes to the following museums & attractions:

- ★ **Portland Museum of Art** – Free admission for two adults and up to six children
- ★ **Maine Wildlife Park** – Reduced fee of \$3.50 for up to seven people
- ★ **Children's Museum & Theatre** – Half price admission for up to four people
- ★ **Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens** – Free admission for two adults plus children (Not valid for winter months)
- ★ **Southworth Planetarium** – Free admission for up to six people
- ★ **Railway Village Museum** – Free admission for two adults plus children
- ★ **Maine State Parks** – Free admission for participating Maine parks

STAY TUNED FOR MORE LIBRARY PROGRAMMING COMING IN 2024.
Follow our Facebook page or visit raymondvillagelibrary.org for our schedule or contact us at 207-655-4283 for more information!

FREE FISHING WEEKEND is February 17-18, 2024

23rd ANNUAL SEBAGO LAKE ICE FISHING DERBY

Saturday, Feb. 18 & Sunday, Feb. 19

It's a Maine tradition spanning 23 years & you're invited to be part of it! Get outside and safely enjoy winter lakes in Cumberland County!

Fun for the family & the competitor in all of us. Enjoy the Polar Dip, Ice Shack Contest, & other family-friendly activities.

All entries qualify for the 2024 GRAND PRIZE OF \$5000 IN CASH!
Proceeds to benefit the Sebago Lake Rotary Clubs Feed the Need serving 12 local food pantries and other Rotary charities.

RAYMOND BEACH WEIGH STATION:
Headquarters Weigh Station for the Sebago Derby.
Subject to favorable ice and weather conditions, Raymond Beach will also host the Polar Dip, and food vendor stands.

WEIGH STATION TIMES:
7AM to 5PM Saturday & 8AM to 4PM Sunday.
– It's a 4PM sharp close on Sunday –
Anglers need to be in line prior to 4PM

For registration details & more info. visit: ICEFISHINGDERBY.COM

If you would like to donate to the Feed the Need directly you may do so at: www.sebagolakeschamber.com/feed-the-need

2024 DOG LICENSES - RENEW NOW!

In person at the Town Office or at: www.raymondmaine.org. There's a link for Dog Licensing under Online Transactions> Animal Welfare on the right-hand column of the home page.

RENEWALS AFTER 1/31/24 WILL INCURE A \$25 LATE FEE THAT CANNOT BE WAIVED

Ice Thickness Chart

Safe Ice Depths

STAY OFF!

2" OR LESS

4"

5"-6"

8"-12"

12"-15"

NOTE: These are rough guidelines for clear ice only.
Chart courtesy of The Old Farmer's Almanac. www.almanac.com

WINTER ICE SAFETY TIPS:

- Always check the ice thickness by using an auger, chisel, or a long drill bit
- Ice should be blue to clear in color. White or opaque ice is water saturated snow that has frozen on top of ice. This kind of ice is porous and generally unsafe.
- Don't forget proper gear like ice safety picks.
- Have a safety plan & know what to do if someone falls through the ice.

IF YOU DON'T KNOW IF IT'S SAFE – DON'T GO!

It's never too early to think Summer & get your Tassel Top Park

SEASON MEMBERSHIP PASSES

1. Go to: RAYMOND.RECDESK.COM & click on the "Membership" button
2. You will need to create an account & follow the steps to register. An emailed receipt will be send with information on the upcoming season.

For add'l info email: joseph.crocker@raymondmaine.org or call 207-655-4742

Happy New Year everyone!

The 23/24 snowmobile season is not off to a great start. With no real consistency in the temps this could be a short season for us.

COME ON SNOW!

CLUB NEWS:

Monthly meetings held the first Tuesday of each month at 7PM from now thru April at The Deck House Tavern in Windham

The Rattlers recently dedicated a trail bridge to Gary Colburn a local landowner.

We were privileged to have his daughter, Leslie Colburn Brooks, join us for raising the sign. Gary was always super supportive of the club and a pleasure to work with.

A special thanks to all the landowners that share their property with us.

FIND CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND CONTACT INFO ONLINE AT:
raymondmaine.org/content/raymond-rattlers-snowmobile-club and on the Raymond Rattlers Facebook page.

Single or family membership - \$35 • Business memberships - \$50
Business membership includes your business name in the Maine Snowmobiler Newspaper business section.

CLUB MAILING ADDRESS IS:
Raymond Rattlers S.C., PO Box 994, Raymond Maine 04071
Make checks payable to Raymond Rattlers SC

TRAIL MAPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT SUNSET VARIETY FOR \$5 EACH. All map proceeds go directly to trail grooming.

Ride right and respect landowners property! Thank you - RRSC

WE ARE EXCITED TO CONTINUE THE GROWTH OF OUR ORGANIZATION AND SUPPORT OF RAYMOND SCHOOLS IN 2024!

We are turning our focus to a terrific Teacher Appreciation event and 2023 Field Trips for Raymond educators and students.

WE'D LOVE YOUR HELP!

IF YOU CAN HELP OUR TEAM BY VOLUNTEERING OR THROUGH A DONATION OF ANY DENOMINATION, WE WOULD BE SO GRATEFUL!

No contribution is too small
Venmo us @RaymondSchool-PTO
or donate at www.raymondschoolpto.org.