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## BLOG: SNOWSHOE TOUR WITH ALPINE ADVENTURES

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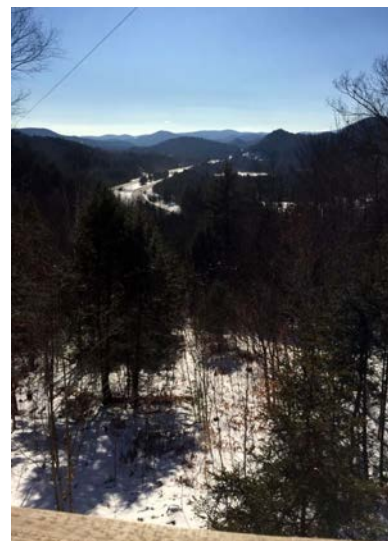
By: GSA Kathryn Segreti, League of NH Craftsmen Concord Class of 2012

I have never been on snow shoes before so when the opportunity was presented to us by Granite State Ambassadors I really wanted to go. Alpine adventures was taking us into the mountains on their fabulous all terrain military vehicles (that they got from Switzerland!) and supplying guides, snowshoes, poles and wonderful, wonderful guides on a groomed trail. Seriously how could you not want to do this?

I had heard that snow shoeing could be very strenuous and I was a little hesitant about spending extended time outside where it could be cold and damp. Not so my friends. The sun was shining and the trail was protected by the woodland canopy and of course it didn't hurt that the day was absolutely beautiful.

You start by getting in the back of their military style Pinzgauer 6 and rolling your way to their mountain site where they offer their snowshoeing and zip line activities. The ride there is an experience in itself – a little bouncy (but that is part of the fun) with many opportunities for extended panoramic views.

When you arrive near the top of this mountain, 4 charming and helpful young men assisted each of us (as was needed of course) in adjusting and attaching our snowshoes and poles. All of this was done alongside a charming hut made from the indigenous forest including benches and a roaring fire. The trail is groomed and does require some up and down walking but basically you are heading down the mountain so it was invigorating but not exhausting. As we went along we saw many animal tracks in the snow. The trail is designed to offer stops on the way which included a scenic look out area where we all regrouped. Once we were ready we headed down to their wonderful tree house which featured snacks and drinks. The tree house is absolutely charming and worth going just to see that. Of course we were able to see some of their famous zip lines on the way but that will have to be another adventure. They have some of the longest runs in the State if you like that kind of thing (I do!). Also they do run them in the winter!



If you are looking to get outside and enjoy Mother Nature this winter and not too sure how to do it this is a perfect choice. You will come back rejuvenated. Thank you Alpine Adventures – you have created a convert.

### Here are some additional comments from those who ventured out with us:

*"I would recommend this snow showing trip to everyone who loves the outdoors. The crew did a fantastic job helping us have a good time and making sure we were safe at all times. The goodies were excellent and served at the right time. Great adventure. I had a great time and would do it again."*

GSA Denis Beaulieu, Sprint Class of 2002



*"I personally had a blast! Riding in those antique Austrian trucks was a hoot. The guides were incredibly helpful and courteous. Some of our members struggled a bit with the snowshoes and/or the trail. The guides were right there to lend them a hand. And tell Just Ry's Bakery in North Woodstock, where you got the cookies from, that they also put out a great product. Knowing what I do now, I will not hesitate to recommend your company to travelers as they pass through the Manchester airport or the rest area in Hooksett where I volunteer."*



GSA Moe Demers, Comfort Inn Airport 2011

*"I just wanted to offer my thanks for a wonderful outing yesterday. It's been a few years since my husband and I took your Zip Line tour so it was really nice to have a chance to see all your changes. I'm also glad to know you added snowshoeing tours. I regularly get asked at the Big-E Fair about places to go and have never had what I felt was an adequate answer. Now I have even more reasons to hand off your brochures! I hope the Snow Gods provide you with a busy winter!"*

GSA Kirsten Powelson, McAuliffe Shepard Discovery Center Class of 2014

*"I had not done any snowshoeing before, but Kelly encouraged me to try it, and I'm glad I did. While I admit to being tired after my trek, I really enjoyed it. The guys were very accommodating in every way, including letting me skip that last very steep incline at the end and ride down on the truck. I really appreciated that option. The most important thing though is that I'd do it all again and certainly recommend it to others!"*

GSA Marty Wagner, Comfort Inn Concord Class of 2011



*"All I can say is Wow! This was my first experience snowshoeing and it most definitely won't be my last! What a great time, the weather was absolutely perfect to snow shoe and enjoy the day. The staff at Alpine adventures were fun, accommodating, and attentive. Once at home base, we put on our gear and headed on the trail, which I, along with most of the others in my group, thought would be a nice wide, easy, and straight path. It was not, and that is where I got hooked! Snowshoeing is walking through nature, taking in the sights and smells of the forest. We walked up hills and down hills enjoying the great outdoors and the views were just breath taking. The guides would stop once in a while and point out different tracks in the woods that were fox, coyote, deer, or some other creature. We saw some of their zip lines as we passed and they looked like they would be awesome to experience at any time of year.*



*Thank you Alpine adventures for giving me the opportunity to experience snowshoeing and take in the beauty of the great state of New Hampshire. Alpine Adventures is a very well run organization and if you are interested in zip lining or snowshoeing, I would recommend you look them up."*

GSA Maryellen McGrath, Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce Class of 2012

*"We had the perfect day to be up in the white mountains snowshoeing. I personally enjoyed it! The guides were great pointing out the mountains and also telling us how they built the treehouse and forts. Also I have to admit the treats afterwards from Just Ry's bakery in North Woodstock were great!"*

GSA Diane LaBelle, Red River Theatre Class of 2013

*"Our tour with Alpine Adventures began with absolutely perfect weather for a day in the White Mountains. Our guides were so friendly and helpful we knew we were in for a good time. We loaded ourselves into these all terrain vehicles, buckled up (a good idea!) and we were off - heading straight up hill! What a ride, better than Disney! When we disembarked We were greeted by more guides, a playful pup named "kitty" and a roaring fire pit dug into the ground, a lean-to and benches. Our guides were so helpful showing us left from right adjusting our straps and just making sure everyone was all set as we put on our gear. We had guides front and rear and had the opportunity to split up choosing longer and steeper terrain over less long and not as steep. Both groups converged at a beautiful scenic vista with yet another structure/shelter built by our guides using timber from their land. We then made our final decent under their 9 zip lines to the tree house where we were treated to hot chocolate and pastries from Just Ry's Bakery in North Woodstock. The view from the outdoor deck was beautiful and we enjoyed hearing about the design and build of this beautiful building. This too was constructed by them using wood milled right on their land. For those who could not attend you should feel confident recommending this*





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GSA Patricia Mason, Concentra Urgent Care Class of 2009

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Alpine Adventures is located on Main Street in Lincoln. They aren't hard to find as you can't miss the towering zip lines and challenge course rising above their log cabin base camp. With 300 private acres they offer excitement and adventure for all abilities! Among the offerings are a Tree Top Canopy Tour, SkyRider Ziplines, a Thrillsville Aerial Challenge Course, the BIGAIRBAG Stuntzone, Snowshoe Tours and Off-Road Adventures with their unique 6 wheel Pinzgauer Swiss Army transport vehicles!

The general group Snowshoe Tour that the GSA's participated in includes a brief off road tour, guided snowshoe tour, snowshoes, adjustable trekking poles for safety and stability and transportation to and from the trails. Snowshoe tour pricing starts at \$79 per person. Private tours are also available. Reservations for all of their adventures, along with details of age/height/weight restrictions, group pricing and photos and videos can be found on their website at [www.alpinezipline.com](http://www.alpinezipline.com).



Alpine Adventures has even posted our group photo on their Snowshoe Tour information page! Check it out at: <http://www.alpinezipline.com/adventure/snowshoe-tour/>

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