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***Boron, Gulla split Pro finals at Black Mountain for Rock Maple Racing,
Presented by the New England Dodge Dealers
Robert Graeber Claims Second Winter X Games Qualifier***

RUMFORD, Maine (Dec. 17, 2007) — Defending Pro champion Jason Boron and former national tour champion T.J. Gulla split the Pro finals Sunday afternoon, as Rock Maple Racing (RMR) completed Round 2 on the 10-race 2007-08 Central series snocross schedule at the beautiful Black Mountain of Maine ski area.

Despite an intense early-season snowstorm, Sunday's events were completed through the cooperation of teams and officials. Boron (Outdoor Performance/D&Z Racing Ski-doo) earned his first victory of the season in Pro Open, holding off XP-S/Harrison Motorsports teammates Darrin Mees and C.W. Sirjane. Gulla backed up his sweep of the Central finals in Windham, NY the previous week with a dominant victory in Pro Stock. Sirjane followed Gulla across the line with Chris Chico third.

The other big race everyone was anticipating at Black Mountain was the Winter X Games Qualifier. In a wildly popular win among local fans, series newcomer Robert Graeber powered his Team Southside Polaris to victory. Graeber will join John O'Malley as representatives of the East when the prestigious Winter X Games commence late next month in Aspen, Colorado.

Vermont veteran and defending Pro Vet champion Joe Lemieux held off local favorite Dean Stevens to claim the Pro Vet final. Stevens, of Oakland, is making a strong return to snocross this season while Rene Desrochers was third. Continuing the successful weekend for Vermont riders, Rutland's Cindy Regimbald won the Pro Women final over Melanie Acker and Michaela Lemieux.

In Semi-Pro division action Sunday, Nick Kelly (Team Arctic/Wallingford Racing) put Arctic Cat back on the RMR podium in grand style with his victory in the Open final. Kelly, now in his second year with the Maine-based Wallingford team, held off divisional strongman Derek Graham and Graeber for top honors. Graeber would not go home with just the Winter X Games spot, however, as he bounced back to capture the Semi-Pro Stock final over Mike Tietjen and Jake Melville. Maine's Sean Boivin completes our list of Semi-Pro winners, powering his Arctic Cat to victory over New Brunswick brothers Matthew and Michael Simonson in Stock 440.

Garrett Mees kicked things off for the Sport division when he claimed both Saturday and Sunday's Super Stock final. Quebec native Lucas Brunelle and Corin Todd filled out the podium in a hotly-contested battle on Saturday, while Joe Mosher and Kyle Conover topped Sunday's podium. Brunelle bounced back to claims Sunday's final over Todd and Cody Flach. Brunelle, who rides like a veteran at just 15, also won Sunday's Sport Stock 500 and 600 finals in an outstanding weekend for the young Canadian athlete.

Scott Smith led an all-Malone podium in Sport Stock 600 Fan. Smith held off Hal Collins and Steven Bailey as the upstate New York riders made their mark on Maine. Scott Edwards caps our list of Sport division winners with his victory in the 600 Performance final over Jordan Hicks and Ben Schultz. Edwards also claimed Sunday's Plus 25 Stock final.

In Junior division action, Lincoln Lemieux carried the momentum he built at Whaleback into the hills of western Maine. The second generation athlete from St. Johnsbury, VT, recorded three more wins at Black Mountain for his second hat trick of the season. Linc powered his Ski-doo to victory in Jr. 14-15 Stock 500, 16-17 Stock 500 and 16-17 Stock 600 Fan. When it comes time to make the transition to Sport, Linc will have no difficulty. Joey Stock held off Taylor Collins and Jake DaSilva to win Jr. 14-15 Stock 600 Fan, while Leo Patenude and Jake Scott posted victories in the 10-13 age bracket. Wade Acker (300 Freestyle Sat.) and Montana Jess (300 Freestyle Sun.) complete our list of Junior division winners for a great show in Rumford.

Other winners in Central series action include Sara Harrison (Jr. Girls 10-13 Stock 600 Fan); KC Anderson (Women Stock 600 Sat. & Sun.); Janell Smith (Women Stock Novice); Scott Edwards (Plus 25 Stock); Desrochers (Plus 35 Masters); Tim Lapierre (Trail 600 Saturday); and Brent Williams (Trail 600 Sunday).

Rock Maple's East series was also in action at Black Mountain over the weekend. Matt Simonson made the long haul down from New Brunswick pay off with his victory in Semi-Pro Open. Local rider Michael Gustus, of Sabattus, Maine, held off Williams and Regimbald to win the Sport 600 final, while KC Anderson out-dueled Janell Smith and Paige Calderwood in Women's 600. Lincoln Lemieux added another pair of Junior division wins to his weekend take, as did Leo Patenude in the Fan-cooled classes.

Rock Maple Racing would like to thank the Chisholm Ski Club and the entire staff at Black Mountain for going the extra mile. Our teams and officials were welcomed into the River Valley region with open arms, and for that we are deeply appreciative. Thank you for serving as the ideal host for snocross in your region, it was a pleasure to compete at such a fine venue.

RMR will now observe a break for the holidays, with the next race set for January 5-6, 2008, at the Franklin County Fairgrounds in Malone, New York. On behalf of president Tara Saxton and the entire staff here at Rock Maple Racing, Merry Christmas to you all and have a SAFE and wonderful New Year.

Rock Maple Racing is the eastern affiliate of the World Powersports Association (WPSA), the national sanctioning body for snocross racing. For full results in all classes from Black Mountain or to learn more, visit us online at www.rockmaple.com.

