

Bluff Country ATV Club Newsletter

Next Meeting: June 18th 10:00am @ Stumpy's, Rushford, MN
3rd Sat of the month

Upcoming Events:

June 25th ATV ride-Wisconsin
July 16th Meeting and ATV work Day
July 17th Rushford Parade
July 17th Tri-County Trailblazers ATV Race
July 23rd ATV Drags work Day
July 24th ATV ride-Wisconsin
July 30th ATV Drags work Day
July 31st ATV Drag Race
Sept 24-25 2-day ride-Wisconsin

Notes From May Meeting:

Membership Report – Heidi: Three renews
Two new members

Old Business:

The Highland Trail – Brian K., Mike, Bob

Bob reported no new news. There has been a new land owner. We have been trying to get access to the valley. Mitch suggested a ride to scout out the area. It is illegal to ride there. Need to get permission with the DNR.

Hats for the club- Brian, Mitch, Mike, Carl

Mitch had a sample, needs to get pricing. Proposed setting up a clothing committee.

ATV drags- July 31, 2005, Mitch

May 10th Mitch and Mike meet with Hoedown Committee. We were invited to participate in the parade. Need to complete the registration card. We need a "Food concession permit" \$35. We also need to fill out the application for the drag race. Mitch will complete the form. Pay hoedown committee 15% of profit from the race event. We will get yellow shirts for the drivers-150 to 200. Green shirts for the spectators-100. Need larger sizes this year.

Business Cards- Mitch passed out Business cards to be passed out to perspective members. A few corrections were suggested.

Ad's in Magazine - Sam Moore

Get an ad into ATVAM for the Drag race.

Parades – Need new sign – update the logo. Need more riders in the parade. Could use banners from dealers. Julie Shofner checking.

Web sight – Brian to visit dealers- looking for donors.

Safety Training – Brian thanked everyone that helped. 19 students went thru the program. Dover Fire Dept donated the use of the cones.

New Business:

Bills for training approved.

NOTE: Anybody that has the orange T-shirts from the race, please bring them to the meeting.

May Ride: The riding at the Dwain Peterson property was great. The view from the hills was definitely something to see. As usual the weather did not cooperate. I don't think we got to see all of the trails. We had fun.

From the Pres: On May 14, 2005 the club held its second ATV safety training. It was a huge success with 19 students getting their certification. The ages range from 12 to 16. Frank Gerry, Sam Moore and I set up the driving test stations. We picked up ATV's from River Valley Power Sports, Al's Specialty Marine, and Plainview Powersports, the day before. A fourth ATV was brought up on training day from Hammell Equipment Inc. The Dover Fire Department purchased the orange road cones that are needed for the driving test tracks and have made them available to the club for future training. A BIG thanks goes out to the Dover Fire Department and ATV dealers for supporting the club's safety training program.

The day of the training went smooth with the participation from club members: Frank Gerry, Sam Moore, Jean Kroning, Josh Hoekstra, Mike Bublitz, Mitchell Bublitz, Mike Halvorson, Heidi Halvorson, and Brianna Kroning. Doug Hill, an instructor, from Albert Lea helped out. With all the hard work the instructors put into the class the day of the event went smooth and appreciation was expressed by many parents and students. I too want to extend a big THANK YOU to the people helping with the training. It takes a group effort to have a successful training class and the Bluff Country ATV Club has now had two of them.

The Ride at Dwayne Peterson's property was great, (a little wet). There were more trails, but the rain cut it short.

It's getting close to turn our attention to the ATV Drag and getting things in place. The club is registered for the Houston Hoedown Parade and hopefully will have a lot of machines.

June Ride: Mike Halvorson and family have invited us out to ride on their 120 acres. Mike and Cory have been making a few more trails with the truck. We could do a bonfire and cook out.

Race Day: There have been two race events in Burr Oak, Wisconsin. The first event three of us ventured over. Brian Kroning took 2nd place in utility class riding Mitch's Polaris 800.

This weekend the Polaris 800's got into the money again (no money-just trophy). This time Carl Vogel got third place. The only thing that could beat the 800's is scramblers. Not sure why they were in our class.



Pre-race excitement-can't hardly hold it in.



Mike hot off the line-Go Baby Go!!!!



Here is the winner-congratulation to Carl Vogel for third place.



More pictures from Vegas-Mitch at the mouth of his gold mine-and you thought he earned his money.



Riding at Dwain Peterson