



# Bluff Country ATV Newsletter February 2008

## February Meeting

February's meeting was our annual pizza party. We had 16 people attend the meeting. A number of members renewed their membership for 2008. We also received a business membership from Al's Specialty in Rochester. Thank you to all for your continued support.

## Winter Rivalry



Can-Am (Brian)

vs



Polaris (Mitch)

**Sorry, neither one could make it through the drift.....even though Mitch gave it as much "Polaris" as he could, but as the story goes, Brian did get further.**

## Club Trip

The trip is scheduled for July 30<sup>th</sup> to August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The hotel arrangements have not been finalized, but hopefully soon.

## Dues

Thank you to those that have already renewed their memberships for 2008, if you have not already done so, I will gladly provide you with the following information.

Family membership is \$20, a single membership is \$15, and business memberships \$50. Dues can be mailed to PO Box 191, Rushford, MN 55971, brought along to the upcoming meeting, or submitted through the website (and paid). When you re-new your membership, this is a good time to update your membership information such as home phone numbers, cell phone numbers, addresses, e-mails and family members to be listed. Family memberships include spouses and kids under 18, and college age children over 18 that are actively attending college.

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## Youth Safety Training

The training date for Rushford has been confirmed for April 26<sup>th</sup> and there is also one scheduled for May 10<sup>th</sup> in Dover. All we need now is students and some wonderful volunteers to help out at the event. Registration is now open on the website for both classes. If you know someone that is interested in taking the class, refer them to the website for all the information. If they e-mail in their registration, they will get a confirmation e-mail back

## New Club Officers

At the meeting in February, we had election of officers for 2008. Thank you to all of our 2007 officers for all of the hard work and time that they have all put in. Brian Kroning, our President for the last three years decided to step down from his position to let someone else enjoy the fun. We just want to say thank you to Brian for all his hard work and everything that he has done for the club. It is all greatly appreciated. Welcome to all the new officers and thank you to the officers that are returning for an additional year.

## New Officers for 2008 are:

President:	Jeff Thompson
Vice President:	Andy Heuer
Treasurer:	Mitch Bublitz
Secretary:	Jean Kroning
Director:	Brian Kroning
Director:	Jan Bublitz
Director:	Mike Halvorson

## Notes from the President

During our February club meeting we held the annual election of officers for 2008. I would like to thank Brian Kroning for all his hard work as our past club president. With Brian moving to a Directors position I'm sure he will still have plenty of advice, right Jean! A big **THANK YOU** also to Andy, Mitch, and Jean for there continued supporting effort of the other officer positions in '08.

The Chatfield Trail will be closed March 1 thru May 1 during the spring snow melt and for all the land owners "who have graciously allowed us to operate the trail on there property" to plant crops. We will be performing maintenance on the trail and installing additional trail signs for all the riders who continue to enjoy this SE Minnesota riding opportunity. Living near the trail, I am continually amazed at the increased numbers of ATV's seen on the trail, at the trail head parking lot, and in town at local merchants before and after their ride. We ALL have to do our part to insure this riding opportunity continues.

I am looking forward to riding with all of you on this and other trails this year. Ride hard, ride often, and keep those wheels right side down.

Jeff

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## Trail Closure

The trail is officially closed from March 1 through May 1. During this time, there will be trail maintenance occurring to prepare the trail for another year of enjoyment.



From left to right: Mitch, Brian, and Jeff



Flipping of the gates.....



Mitch



Jeff and Brian

## Up Coming Events

March 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Club Meeting	10:00am Blue's Café in Chatfield
April 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Club Meeting	10:00am Blue's Café in Chatfield
April 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Youth Safety Training Date has been confirmed!	Rushford
May 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Land Owner Dinner Rain Date is May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Parking Lot of ATV Trail
May 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Youth Safety Training Date has been confirmed!	Dover
May 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Rain date for Land Owner Dinner	Parking Lot of ATV Trail
June 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2008	Worlds Longest ATV Parade	Silver Bay, MN
July 30 <sup>th</sup> -August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Club Trip	Dead Horse Trail, WI

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