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NEAR NORTH TRAIL RIDERS

ATHELSTANE, WI

Meetings held @ Athelstane Town Hall County Rd A & C
Second Saturday of the month except July the 3rd Saturday
Meetings: June 12th & July 17th
Coming Events: June 5th Open House
ATV-UTV Trip to Iron County July 15th to 18th

Spring Banquet

The spring banquet took place on Saturday evening at Sally & JC's Northwood's Bar. Four of the clubs Landowners and their wife's attended as well as the clubs Honorary Members Bill & Pat Jose. Bill was one of the original members who started the Near North Trail Riders that we are called today with only a bed spring and an old snowmobile to groom the trails, a far cry from what the club now owns to groom the trails winter and summer. The club has grown to also include ATV & UTV members. By the way Bill says at 91 years young he is the oldest man in Athelstane. And thank you to Sally and JC for providing a beautiful banquet with 31 members for an enjoyable evening and also a DJ, club member Brian Becker who provided music to round out the evening.

Member Attendance Drawing

At Saturday's meeting two numbers were drawn for the member attendance drawing. The first number drawn was 15 and that was me. I do not participate in the drawing as I am an officer of the club. The second number drawn was 7 which belonged to Bob Lamers. A check was given to him in the amount of \$18.00. So see how easy it is to put a little cash in your pocket by attending the meeting each month and maybe your number will be drawn from the coffee can.

Marinette County Alliance Report

Vice President and club rep Kelly Barnes attended the last meeting until fall. He reported that 64,880 discounted trail passes were sold this past winter season and Regular full price trail passes totaled 79,517. Kelly also reported that the GPS system has to be installed on the clubs groomers by November 1st. The AWSC is promoting trail signs respecting the landowner's

property. Map ads must be turned in by July 19th and this year the club will be submitting an ad on the 2021-2022 trail map.

Trail Report

All Trails opened up on Friday April 23rd. Groomer Boss Justin Hirschmann and Trail Boss Dennis Hermes wants to thank everyone who came to the club shed after the April meeting to help take those tracks off of the tractor and getting the tires back on for summer grading of the trails. Justin & Dennis also want to thank Tom from Team Winnebago Land for providing lunch for everyone who helped with the trail cleanup day on April 24th.

A Reminder about the ATV-UTV Ride

The ride is planned for July 15th-18th to Iron Country WI. This ride is open to members as well as non-members. ATV's and UTV's will be trailed to Iron County with plans to stay at The Frontier Bar & Camp Grounds. The address is 11296 W US Hwy 2 Saxon WI 54559. They were begin to take reservations April 1st for those that want to camp the phone number is 715-893-2461 or there are also hotels in the area. Riders will be returning on Sunday July 18th. You can contact Justin Hirschmann @ 920-737-1876 for more information. Justin is asking people to call him if they are going so that he can give the camp ground a rough idea of how many people to expect.

Open House

The 4th annual open house will be coming up on Saturday June 5th this year. The committee is once again asking club members and non-club members if they can donate anything for the raffles and to help serve the food or help in anyway it would be greatly appreciated. If you can would you please call Jill Hirschmann @ 920-366-8067 or Justin Hirschmann @ 920-737-1876. This year we are also having a youth helmet fitting and give a way in partnership with JC Power Sports in Crivitz. We were able to secure a grant from the Northeast Wisconsin Regional Trauma Advisory Council. The club is also putting some money towards it. We will have a limited number of helmets. Parents and Kids will begin to register at 11:00 with fittings to begin at 12:00. Kids must be accompanied with a parent.

Well another month has come and gone and where in the world are those sunny and warm temps is everyone's guess. The sunny days of April gave way to cloudy and cool temps of May. Just wondering if is summer going to come this year or are we going to go back to fall.

SCREAM!!!! Just heard the weather report and for the Athelstane area we have frost and freezing temperatures for this evening and we are to cover up the plants. **GOOD GREIF!!!** Who has plants to cover up? It's been too darn cold to plant anything. Oh well I will keep my fingers crossed and soon I can start to complain about the heat. LOL!!!! That's it once again I will be back next month with more old business and some new business and some monkey business too.

A REMINDER: Watch for your new membership form in your June newsletter

