



Tri-County ATV Club

Summer 2010 Newsletter

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President's Message

Hello Riders,

We are off to a good start weather-wise. This June was not a wash-out like it has been the last couple of years. I have noticed membership sales at the local businesses were down last month, but membership sales overall are the same level as usual. I think some people held back buying a membership figuring it was going to rain half the summer like the last couple of years. It is important to show your support by purchasing this year's membership. To those of you that have already, thank you.

We have had quite a few productive trail maintenance work crews the last few Saturdays. The maintenance is on-going with another trail re-route that needs to be laid out and funded. Chainsaw work will be needed. Please contact Ernie or Dave if you can volunteer your time. A few people putting in a few hours is more productive than one person putting in a lot of hours. Your volunteer time is greatly appreciated. Thank you to all who have helped out.

We had a trail check by the Sherriff in May, and in June the Game Warden checked a couple ATV's. No one was issued a citation either time. Another good reason to register and join the club.

We had a group ride of 24 ATV's in June. The group refers to themselves as the FCAEA. Basically they are a group of middle aged men who get together once a year for a ride in the NEK. It is because of their membership sales that the club got it's average sales numbers up. Thank you to the FCAEA for their support. Pictures of the ride are posted on our website.

Our next meeting will be July 10. The topic of discussion will be trail expansion. We will need more people helping with trail projects for any expansion project to go forward this year. I hope to see you at the next meeting. Take care and ride safe.

Thank You, Ernie Pappas

Message from Public Relations

To our membership,

Please get your ATV registered and encourage your friends to as well, so you can all get your trail passes. These ARE required to ride legally and on TCATV and all VASA trails. We are warning you in advance that

law enforcement of illegal riding, and riding without VT registration and a valid trail pass will be stepped up dramatically this year. We don't want anyone getting a needless ticket and fine. The points go right on your regular driver's license. Officers will not be giving warnings, they will be issuing tickets.

VASA and club membership and trail passes will be available before membership meetings at the Clyde River Hotel in Island Pond on the second Saturday May through October. They are also available anytime from Bill Bailey c/o TCATV P.O. Box 329 Island Pond VT 05846, 802-723-4148. We hope to have them available at a few local locations as well this year. At present, Brighton Motor Sports and Ming's are offering them.

We are a looking for HELP with our club activities contact Andy Aldrich 802-467-1073 Examples are: club ride-ins, visiting other clubs and ride their trails, club BBQ, community service program, July 4th parade, membership table tops, annual regional rodeo delegate, and more. Please contact Andy Aldrich if you are interested helping on an emergency response team that is on call to help local emergency services in our communities. Please consider volunteering.

The trail crossing at Route 105 continues to be "ride at your own risk". We hope that by next summer it will be complete and permitted.

Lend your support to the local Chambers and Businesses to present our sport positively and to support them as well.

The Beaver Dam trail is still closed but we hope to have it open by the end of June. Contact Trail Master Dave Beloin at 802-323-4095 to help on this project and or the monthly maintenance. Trail maintenance during the season will meet at 9 a.m. at the Clyde River Hotel every 3rd Saturday of the month, May through October. We need trail work leaders and assistant trail masters along with workers. Bring coffee etc. and a lunch and we'll have a picnic around midday. Or come early and get coffee, and/or breakfast before we go out to work on the trails.

Did you know you get a club membership discount when you help on trails and also for most committee chairs?

*Riding into the sunset... Andy Aldrich,
TCATV Club Public Relations*

Our next meeting will be held Saturday, July 10 at 9 a.m.
Please visit www.tricountyatvclub.org for the latest club information



INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Island Pond will hold it's 4th of July Parade on Saturday, July 3rd. We need club members to participate in the parade by riding ATV's and holding the Club Banner. Please contact Bill Bailey at (802)723-4148 or Ernie Pappas at (978) 772-4667 if you are interested in participating!

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