



Upstate ATV Association

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Corrections

Attention club members! Please check your name and address on this newsletter for anything that may be wrong or misspelled. Please forward corrections to Amanda at (315) 723-0876 or e-mailing Amanda at reinhardts@a-znet.com.

Please remember also that we are always looking for more e-mail addresses to cut down on postage. If email is a convenient way for you to get the newsletter, then please respond to the above e-mail address for Amanda.

Newsletter Notice

Previous newsletters stated that club members would be receiving a newsletter in April.

Newsletters will not be sent in April. Due to the time that this newsletter is being sent out, the next newsletter will be sent out in May. The April information will be combined with the May newsletter.



Renewal Notice

We are now renewing members for the 2005-2006 year. Membership fee is \$15.00. Attached to this newsletter is the membership application. Please cut this application out, fill it out and send it with your money to:

Randy Wheatly
Box 924 Newport Grey Rd
Newport NY 13416

Please keep in mind that your 2004-2005 membership is officially over on March 31st, 2005.

Since our season was almost over at the time of Snow Bash, members that signed up at Snow Bash are valid for the 2005-2006 year.



Elections

This years elections will be held on April 7th.

Nominations for board member or officer positions can be made and voted on at this meeting.

At the current time the present board members and officers would like to stay in their positions.

For anyone wishing to vote for current officers and board members or to nominate someone of choice please plan on attending this April 7th meeting.

Marc Butler/Jim Seward

Our board members along with some other representatives met with Marc Butler on Jan. 6th and Jim Seward on Jan. 26th and had wonderful discussions on many topics. Some of the topics included club insurance, 2 bills that are being worked on (one at the assembly and one at the senate), ATV registrations, the conflict of which agency will handle ATVs and how to facilitate working with other legislators on these issues.

Here is the list of representatives assisting us with our battles:

- 46 Corners OHV Club
- Soggy Bottom Riders ATV Club
- Euphrata Trail Monitors
- Trail Pass
- NYSORVA
- Black River Valley Four Wheeler Club
- Oneida County ATV Association

We thank everyone for their participation at these meetings. By having other clubs at these meetings we also find out how we can all help each other.

In following up with these meetings, there will be a meeting with Jim Seward and some of the above-mentioned clubs/organizations on March 8th in Albany. We wish these people the best in fighting for ATV use!

NYSORVA

Our club has recently made a \$500.00 good faith donation to NYSORVA. This is going to be a critical year for ATV enthusiasts. We need a strong presence in Albany! This year, NYSORVA plans to concentrate on fund raising, securing a full time staff member, and doing an economic impact study on ATVs to be presented to our state representatives in Albany. NYSORVA would also like to hire a lobbyist.

However, This all takes money!

Ideally, NYSORVA would like to raise \$100,000.00, realistically; the organization is hoping to raise \$50,000.00. If we want to be heard in Albany, now is the time to support NYSORVA!

With your new or renewal 2005/2006 membership, consider adding \$5.00 as a voluntary donation which will be set aside to be sent to NYSORVA at a later date. ATV enthusiasts need to unite together in conjunction with NYOSRVA. This will mean dedication and commitment along with monetary support. Our board is willing to offer that support provided that NYSORVA is able to accomplish the goals that they presented at our January meeting.

Our board plans to introduce a conditional change to our bylaws. A proposal will be presented to our members to increase our membership fee to \$20.00 with \$5.00 per membership to be sent to NYSORVA. This change would be effective for the 2006/2007 year and would be contingent on NYSORVA's performance for the upcoming season.

More details will follow as those details get worked out. Your comments and concerns are important to us. Please contact us or attend the club meetings for an open discussion!

It's time to take action! Let's make a powerful stand in Albany!

Mid-Winter Party

On Sat. Feb. 5th the club held its 3rd annual club party. There were about 50 people there and everyone had a lot of fun.

We had a new DJ this year, which allowed us to sing karaoke. There were some very good singers and some not so good singers!

Also, the ladies from the Norway General Store filled us up with a hearty meal.

We hope to see more club members though next year!

Ride For Children

The ride for Missing and Exploited children was not a huge success this year. The reason for that is due to our own "mother nature." She did not provide us with the amount of snow needed to have a successful ride. Maybe "mother nature" will

make the ride successful next year.

Raffle

This year will be the 4th annual club raffle. Currently we are getting prices of two different ATVs.

Choice 1= 400cc 4x4 ATV
Choice 2= 300cc 2x4 ATV
with a trailer

One of the two choices will be the grand prize for the annual raffle. The prices will be brought to the March board meeting. At the April 7th meeting a vote will be held to decide on which choice will be the grand prize.

Also, the club is also accepting other items for runner-up prizes. Please be on the lookout for a business that will donate items. All items will need to be handed in by the May 5th club meeting.

Maps

Recently a maps meeting was held and a few of our representatives attended. The outcome of the meeting is that without club insurance for private land, maps cannot be made.

In the future when clubs do have insurance, maps will be made for each county that has available trails in New York State. At the edges of the county map will be trails leading into other counties.

Gander Mtn.

Have you heard of Gander Mountain yet? Gander Mountain is a chain store with several different locations. There is one store located in New Hartford. Gander Mountain sells ATVs, gear to go riding with and even has a maintenance department.

The club president Perry Siver has talked to a

representative from Gander Mountain. There is a possibility that our club members will be able to get a discount in the store on ATV products by showing our membership card.

Look for future updates on this topic!

Also, our club officers have been invited to a meeting at the Watertown Gander Mountain on March 16th. Topics of this meeting include discussion of events, lawsuits and trails.



Spaghetti Dinner

The Black River Valley Four Wheeler Club is sponsoring fundraiser spaghetti dinner. The dinner is being held at the Coachlight Inn, Brantingham, NY on March 10th. The dinner starts at 5:00 pm and goes until all are served or until they run out of food. Cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children, free for children under the age of 5 years.



St. Patrick's Parade

The 46 Corners OHV Club has invited our club to a St. Patrick's Day Parade in Camden, NY. The parade will be held on March 12th and will start at 2:00pm. For anyone interested, please contact Perry Siver for further information. Perry can be reached at (315) 845-1542.



ATV Rally

A tentative date of April 16th is set for an ATV rally. The rally will be held at the DEC headquarters in Raybrook, NY.

At this time finalized details are not available. Please keep checking the website for updated information since there will not be an April newsletter.



Volunteer Award

Marie Squillace (one of our board members and active participant of club activities) has applied for a volunteer service award through her employer. Our club has written a letter for her in hopes of winning the award. If she wins the award, her employer will give money to our club.

Good Luck Marie!

Meeting Place

An additional meeting place has been scheduled for this year's calendar. An agreement has been made to have two club meetings at Haskell's Inn in Cold Brook, NY. Make sure to check your calendar out when you get your membership packet.

Classifieds

2003 ATV Trailer

Drive on Drive off ATV trailer,
\$1200.00 with Utility Box OR \$1100.00
without Utility Box
Call (315) 845-1514



Snowmobile Trailer

V Nose, Drive On/Drive Off, 102" wide by 16'
long, galvanized frame, heavy-duty axle.
\$2000.00 or best offer Contact Steve Lake at
(315) 732-8227



Upstate ATV Association Inc Membership Application

Box 924 Newport Gray Road
Newport, NY 13416

*Tab to each field and type in entires
Or Print this page and hand fill in. Please Print Clearly.
Membership includes two family members. Please enter both names, if applicable.*

Member 1 Name:

Member 2 Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Telephone:

E-Mail Address:

Type ATV(s) Owned:

License Number:

Membership from April 1, 200___ to March 31, 200___ .

******* Please: *******

Sign & return membership application to above address with membership fee of \$15.00.

OR

If you would like to contribute to NYSORVA, add \$5.00

(Please watch the newsletter or our website www.upstateatv.com for further info on this)

Make sure that you have included your complete mailing address above.

New

Renewal

I have read and agree to abide by the By-Laws of the Upstate ATV Association.

Signature: _____

Upstate ATV Club Calendar

Upcoming Events					
March		April		May	
Mar 3	Club Meeting Norway	April 7	Club Meeting Norway Elections, Voting, Renewal Fee Due, Annual Treasure's Report	May 5	Club Meeting Cold Brook All Raffle Prizes Due
Mar 10	Spaghetti Dinner			May 15	Chicken BBQ Annual Raffle Starts
Mar 12	St. Patrick's Day Parade			May 22	Cemetery Cleaning

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