

July 2009 Newsletter - Flagstaff Area ATV Club

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Meeting July 15th 2009 - brought to order 10:05 a.m.; 24 members present

Don Plante, President: phone: (207) 246-5946; email: damp@tds.net

- 1.) Don reminded everyone that Thursday July 23rd the club is taking the Stratton Rec. Program kids on a ride. We need at least 20 machines with Queen seats. Meet at 9:00, Pines Market Parking Lot. Helmets are mandatory. Please make sure you are there! The only way we will cancel the event is if we have torrential downpours and (or) thundershowers.
- 2.) If you are planning to park in the Pines Market Parking Lot look for the ATV signed area at the far end near the Eustis Post Office.
- 3.) August 8th Club Ride and dinner to Tim Pond Camps. Friends and family welcome and you do not have to ride an ATV to attend. Call Don or Dick to make Reservations and choose a meal choices Turkey or Pork \$18.00, Spaghetti \$15.00, or Prime Rib \$25.00. Meet at Pines Market Parking Lot at 2:00. Group will leave at promptly 2:30.
- 4.) Lobster Raffle tickets are almost all sold. Thank You to everyone who bought a ticket. The winner will be drawn soon.
- 5.) Landowners Appreciation Dinner, September 12th Cathedral Pines Campground site #1. Please mark this on your calendar; there will be rides, games, and foods. Bring your families. We need baked beans, salads, rolls, and desserts. Please contact Sandi to tell her what you are planning to bring.

Bob Dennett, Treasurer: phone: (207) 846-3996; email: rdennett@maine.rr.com

We are still in good shape financially. We are expecting some money to come in from the raffle and trail grants.

We have spent from the trail account:

- 1.) \$500.00 to Targett Construction for Rocks on Eustis Trail
- 2.) Repairs to Excavator
- 3.) \$725.00 to Absolute Construction for 60yds of fine stone for McCarthy Ridge
- 4.) \$300.00 to the Penobscott Nation for 2 Trail Permits. One of which was Carrabassett Valley connector.

Ruthanne Smith, Membership Secretary: phone: (207) 246-3201; email: dooyer@tds.net

We have 271 paid members.

Sandi Isgro, Vice President: phone: (207) 246-2922; email: whwolf@tds.net

Concerns: Dirt Bikes are being registered as ATV's

- 1.) If you register your bike as an ATV you may not ride it on paved road.
- 2.) Our landowners have closed their trail to Dirt Bikes. Use of Dirt Bikes on our trails may close them for all of us.

Children on ATV's

Children under 16 may not cross a road without adult supervision. Nor are they allowed to drive on any paved road. You must either drive them to get to a trail or they need to walk while someone else drives the ATV.

Dick Smith, Trail Master: phone: (207) 246-3201; email: doer@tds.net

Trail Masters Report:

- June 15, 16, 17, 18 Dick did excavator on End of Lake, and Stratton Trail.
- June 20, 21, 22 Dick and Don spread three truck loads of stone on the Eustis Trail.
- July 1st Dick did excavation work on Bradbury Brook Terio connection and the Eustis Trail.
- July 2nd signed Alder Stream.
- July 3rd Dick did excavator work on the Stratton Trail between Rt. 16 and the snowmobile bridge.
- July 4th Resigned Antler Hill and Sawyer Brook.
- July 7th Dick did excavator work behind the Irving Station.
- July 8th and 9th Dick cut trail in Carrabassett.
- July 10th Dick spread rock on Eustis Trail.
- June 3rd: Don and Dick finished graveling part of Pines trail and prepared stock and excavator for Natanis trail crew.
- June 4th and 5th: Phil, Pete, Ray, and Jeff did excavator work and built box culverts.
- June 8th: Dick took excavator to the Stratton trail and did ditching, grading, and rock removal.
- June 11th: Dick took the excavator to the Mud Hole and spread a track load of gravel and graded the trail.
- June 13th: Neal, Jeff and Dick cleared trail in Alder Stream (the connection to the Natanis Trail).

New Business:

- 1.) Justin Steuber (certified mechanic) will come to your camp to work on your ATV. He may be reached at the White Wolf at (207) 246-2922 or (cell) 592-4926.
- 2.) Sandi will look into the cost of Long Sleeve Fleeces for the club.
- 3.) Don and Dick will check into the rumor that Wagner is closing the Quill Hill loop due to logging operation.

Meeting Adjourned 11:15 a.m.