

SEATV Newsletter

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Mission:

To continually develop and promote ATV riding as a safe and family oriented recreational opportunity that is friendly to the environment and other users of the resources.

Since 1998

Next Meeting:

July 9th

Future Meetings:

August 13th

September 10th

October 8th

Meeting Location:

Bedford VFW

343 Northfield Road

Bedford, OH 44146

A map can be found on the club's website.

Enter on the side of the building, it will be marked with the SEATV logo. The hall is open from 7-10 p.m. Dinner begins before the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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Meeting Highlights (A Brief Summary Only)

Our club anniversary celebration on July 9th was enjoyed by over 50 club members and friends. We all enjoyed dinner from Romito's. A special thank you to Peter Yedrzyek and all those that helped set up and clean up that evening. Our meal coordinator, Sharon Rovito, appreciates all the help.

The club needs a member to volunteer to bring a meal to our next month's meeting on August 13th. Please contact Sharon

Rovito if you can help out, her email is above or call at 440.461.9911. In addition slots are open for the months of September, October, and November so please help out and sign up.

We have two new memberships this month. Brian Barnes is reinstating and changing his membership status from single to family. Brian, his wife Beverley, and children Bradley, Samantha, and Jon live in Hagerstown Maryland. The family owns a

Yamaha Grizzly 660 and a Suzuki 250. The second membership is Peter and Bernie Rowe, and children Amanda, Ashley, and Alyssa. They live in Newbury Ohio and so far own a Honda TRX 90.



Member Interview

As promised from last month's newsletter here is the results from the interview our secretary Bill Snyder conducted with Tom Desantis.

Hometown: Maple Heights, OH

Occupation: General Contractor

Current ATV: Polaris 800 Sportsman

Hobbies: Weightlifting and Baseball

Dream ATV: Can-Am 800 Outlander

Pet Peeves: Lack of respect for elders

Nicknames: "Turbin" and "Flipper"

Favorite Food: Blackand Steak

Favorite Color: Purple

Favorite Movie: Terminator Series

Favorite Actor/Actress: Anthony Hopkins/ Julia Roberts

Favorite Musician: Smashing Pumpkins/ Beatles

Favorite Riding Area: Hatfield

Favorite Number: 74

Favorite NASCAR Driver: Jimmy Johnson

Advice to improve the club: Before making decisions which affect the future of the club, each member should evaluate their options and not vote based on the popular choice

If you could live in another state what would it be?: Florida

If you could choose a different occupation, what would it be?: Work at a product designing company

4 Sale

Aluminum enclosed V-nose 27 foot snowmobile/ ATV trailer. 2600 lbs. tandem axle w/ new electric brakes, finished interior, holds 6 quads or 4 sleds. \$5200 or best offer. Call Marty at 216.469.3271

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Ride Recaps

Allegheny National Forest

16 members and 3 guests turned out for a weekend ride at Allegheny National Forest. We stayed at the Forest Lodge which has direct trail access. Despite a few brief rain showers we rode around 75 miles in 2 groups covering both the Marienville loop and most of the Timberline loop. A club dinner was held Saturday night with grilled BBQ chicken breasts and everyone brings a dish to share. The warm fire and campfire chatter on Saturday night was

quite relaxing and enjoyable. No bears this weekend but we did see 2 bucks, 2 does, 6 rabbits total, and 5 geese. Pictures will be available on the website soon. Thanks to everyone who helped make this such a an enjoyable weekend.

Four Seasons 4th of July

Hosted by the Rovitos, the holiday weekend was enjoyed by over 60 club members and family. The

weather was picture perfect everyday we were there. All enjoyed the party hosted on the Rovito's campsite on the 4th. Dinner was grilled by Andy who made over 70 burgers, and 30 hotdogs. Side dishes were brought by everyone that joined. There was only one minor mishap while riding, Lance Rovito rolled his quad down a hill but no injuries or damage was done. Plans for next year are already in the making, same place same time.

Upcoming Rides

"Been There Broke That"

Rich Wiseman will be hosting his annual ride November 6-8th at Hatfield-McCoy. He is expecting 40-50 riders. More details will come later. You can contact Rich by phone at 440.346.2076.

Redbank Valley Poker Run

Our Vice President, Keith Wyant, who normally sponsors this ride will not be able to attend this year. The ride is Sept. 12th. If you want to go please contact Keith for details.

Little Kanawha Shrine ATV Poker Run

Larry Krempasky brought up this ride at the meeting. There are two dates for it, Sept. 5th and Oct. 3rd. For more information you can contact Larry at lcrem1@aol.com or call him at 304.275.3830.

Girl's Ride August 28-30 at Forest Lodge in Marienville PA

This will be the 3rd year the girls will be hitting the trails. Trail access to Timberline trails in Allegheny National

Forest. Lodging is available at Forest Lodge and Campground with trail access right from your room. Tell Frank you are with SEATV Club, he has rooms set aside for us. Room rate is \$74.95 per night. We'll ride Saturday and Sunday if anyone wants. Bring your drink and a dish to pass. Contact Patty Loveland at 440.413.5842 or p.loveland@windstream.net. Contact her to tell her you are going or if you have any questions.

Upcoming Rides Continued

Annual Clambake

Gianni Denigris, Pete Rowe, Jim Piskac, and Renzo Calabrese will be hosting this year's clambake on October 17 at Mines and Meadows PA. More information will be available at the next meeting.

Four Seasons

Jim Piskac is hosting a ride to Four Seasons Camping Resort in West Finley Pa August 7-9. Reservations must be made through Four Seasons, and tell them you are with SEATV Riders so that we can be grouped together. Information

can be found at www.campfourseasonsresort.com or by calling 877.660.4407. If you plan to attend please call Jim at 216.990.9901 so he can get a head count for the club meal, or answer any questions. Don't forget this weekend Four Seasons will have the mud drags down at the pond on Saturday.

Michigan/ NASCAR

We've switched gears, it's not Virginia but Michigan. It's NASCAR and ATV riding all in one weekend. We'll arrive on Friday, August 14. ATV rid-

ing Saturday, August 15. Attend the NASCAR race Sunday, August 16 (Michigan International Speedway) Mark and Debbie Dunkel have offered their motor home to take us from the campground to the racetrack.

Some people may go home on Monday but we are going to ride on Monday, August 17 and then either come home on Tuesday, August 18 or stay one more day and come home the 19th. It will be up to the group to decide how they want to do it.

Other Business

Some advise for Polaris Sportsman owners from Mark Makosky:

As some of us know, Polaris ATV's weak spot is the radiator fan. I know this first hand as I have had to replace fans in my sportsman 700 and 500. I have found a source for replacement fans and wanted to share it with the rest of the members. I found a place called Universal Parts Inc. in Iowa that sells original Spal fans for quite a bit less. For example, My Polaris 700 fan costs about \$250 from Polaris dealer. This place sells the same fan for \$100 plus \$8 shipping. Also my 500 fan sells for \$240 from Polaris and from Universal it was \$68 including shipping. These are brand new, exact replacement fans. They bolt right in. One difference on mine was that I had to wire my original plugs onto the new fans because they are older. Listed here is the name & phone # of Universal. When one calls, either have the ATV model or the Spal # from the back of the fan.

Universal Parts Inc. www.universalpartsinc.com (866) 730-7169 Any questions, let me know. Thanks, Mark Makosky

President's Corner

Greetings club members, well summer is half gone and there has been variety of rides being put on which is nice to see!

I received an email from the OMTA notifying us that as of July 1 2009, the State of Ohio has increased the fees for OHV registration. It will now cost you **\$34.50** for 3 years. The fee increase is to be used to create more trails in Ohio which is being managed though the ODNR.

I have also been asked to relay a message from the Law Enforcement Officers down at Wayne National Forest regarding Temporary OHV permits. YES, THEY ARE REQUIRED !! If you are planning on riding on public lands regardless if it is either a new or used ATV. Although not all the Ohio BMV's seemed to be up to speed with the laws there is a 30 day temporary tag available from your local BMV register.

I also learned in my conversation with the Law Enforcement Officers and contrary to what I read on the WNF website, BMV now classifies a Polaris Razor as an ATV since it has a 50" wheelbase. I have not had time to check into this, so if you own a Razor you may want give the BMV a call and find out. I would appreciate if someone does find out to let me know.

Lastly I want to thank Pete Yedrzeyek, for stepping up and getting the food, and to Sharon Rovito for coordinating everything for our anniversary party KUDO'S to both of you!!



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