### Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club April 2024 Newsletter



Hello all Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club members.

The 2024 riding season is just around the corner. I hope all of you have taken advantage of the mild winter we have been experiencing to do the necessary and sometimes required maintenance to your machines.

Watch for the **2024 membership renewal form** that was sent out recently. Please return membership form and dues ASAP. Insure that your info is correctly stated on your renewal form and that your email address is readable so we can insure you are recorded in the membership database and that you will continue to receive the clubs newsletter. You will also find this form on the website woodtickwheelers.com.

\* **April 27**<sup>th</sup> - The Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club Spring meeting -Membership drive and **Pancake Breakfast** is scheduled for Saturday April 27<sup>th</sup> 2024 9:00am. At The HUB 213 1<sup>st</sup> St. S. Hackensack, MN 56452. Short team reports, an opportunity to join or renew club membership, a discussion of upcoming rides, and club gear available for purchase.

\*\*\*\*\* The club ride schedule for the 2024 season is on our website woodtickwheelers.com

**On Saturday March 23** The Woodtick Wheelers held their Trail Ambassador Meeting . 10 Club members that are MNDNR Volunteer Trail Ambassador were in attendance. Coffee and doughnuts were consumed as the club TA program was discussed. Club DNR TA grant manager Chris Emerson led the meeting with a presentation of the guide lines for accomplishing TA rides, also a review of the Woodtick Wheelers reimbursement policy. There was much discussion on what is reimbursed to the TA's when performing trail monitoring, and what should be recorded on the trail log and reported to the conservation officers. A request was made to get your ride trails and dates submitted ASAP.

If any club member is interested in becoming a volunteer Trail Ambassador visit the DNR website for the requirements and process. Or contact Club TA Grant Manager Chris Emerson <u>b174894@gmail.com</u>, or club president Paul Vashro pavashro@gmail.com. We will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



Woodtick Wheeler Volunteer Trail Ambassadors Meeting, TA Grant manager Chris Emerson reviewing club policy's

**The Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club** will be volunteering in partnership with the Cass County Sheriff's Office to do necessary rebuilding of the ATV Safety Field Day Training obstacle's. These Wooden obstacles have been in use for many years and are in need of being replaced. The Woodtick Wheelers board has elected to use money earned from the Trail Ambassador program to fund the materials needed for this project. Safety and Education has always been a grantable expense. Also club members are volunteering to help perform this rebuilding.

# \*\*\*\*\* Attention \*\*\*\*\*

### ATV Safety field day classes.

May 4<sup>th</sup> afternoon class, June 8<sup>th</sup> am and pm classes.

Craig Wadzink has been working hard coordinating with the DNR and Cass County sheriffs department, and creating a new registration process for students and parents to register for the 3 scheduled classes the club will be holding this year. Below is the flyer for these classes. Please feel free to download and post in your business, office, community outlets, basically wherever interested parties can view. There is a web address **https://forms.gle/G1QocTD8TKdM24GVA** that will bring you to the signup registration pages, or use the QR code on your mobile device. You can scan the QR code on the flyer!

**\*\*\*\*\* Volunteers Needed for safety classes-** You do not need to be a trail ambassador to help out! There is a volunteer signup page available for club members that would like to assist in the classes, indoor or rider course outdoors. Visit <u>https://forms.gle/bWDGyKFEkaAq2cgHA</u>

We are in need of more volunteers for both the May 4<sup>th</sup> class, and the 2 classes on June 8<sup>th</sup>. Lunch will be provided for those volunteers that do both morning and afternoon classes.

**PRINT OUT** and **POST** this **Flyer** where visible to interested youth and parents, The QR code can be scanned for registration information.







Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club, in Collaboration with the Cass County Sheriff's Office – Presents

### (3) ATV Safety Field Day Classes 2024

Dates: May 4 (1 - 4 PM) class / June 8 (9 - 12 and 1 - 4 PM) classes

Lead Instructor: Craig Wadzink – MN DNR-Certified Safety Instructor No Fee charged for the Class

- Students must be a minimum age of 10 to take the Hands-On Safety class
- Students ages 10 15 must complete the ATV Safety Online Course at <u>ATVcourse.com</u> (cost \$29.95) prior to attending the Hands-On Safety class
- Classes open to ALL individuals who want to learn how to better operate an ATV
- Arrive 30 min. early for unloading ATV and Sign-in/Registration paperwork

Location: Walker Area Community Center, 105 Tower Ave, Walker, MN 56484

**Pre-Registration Required:** Copy & paste the URL below into your internet browser – or – Scan the QR code to access the online pre-registration form and fill out for a class of your preference and then submit. You will receive an email with sign-up confirmation after preregistering.

https://forms.gle/G1QocTD8TKdM24GVA



#### Pre-Requisites for achieving ATV Safety Certificate:

Must be a minimum of 12 years of age to apply for ATV Safety Certificate
Students age 16 and older, or born after July 1, 1987, must complete the ATV Safety online course to apply for MN DNR ATV Safety Certificate (Not required to attend ATV safety Hands-On class)



Discuss ATV Regulations with MN DNR CO and Sheriff Deputies



### CASS COUNTY ATV ORDINANCE

\*Information on riding ATV's class I and class II on Cass County roads.

- ATV Ordinance – A Public Hearing, 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading of Ordinance **2024-0**1 was held on March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 - during the regular Cass County Board meeting. A public hearing was held to approve the third reading with language changes proposed during the second reading that was held on March 5<sup>th</sup> 2024. A 3<sup>rd</sup> reading was performed, the board approved the changes to the ordinance, and on April 16<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am in Backus there will be a 4<sup>th</sup> reading and possible final adoption of Ordinance 2024-01.

For more information or to read the draft ordinance or complete minutes of the meeting go to the Cass County website. Search ATV Ordinance.

#### How to Become a

#### **MNDNR Volunteer Trail Ambassador!**

Visit the DNR website, or contact club grant manager Chris Emerson <u>b174894@gmail.com</u>, or Club President Paul Vashro <u>pavashro@gmail.com</u> We will try to answer all your questions

# \* Become an ATV Minnesota member! Visit the ATVMN.org website

Minnesota Wheeling Magazine is the official publication of the state ATV organization.

### \*Get Involved in the Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club

**If any Club member** in good standing is interested in committing some time to help the club thrive and grow, you can do this by becoming a board member. Or just become more involved by attending meetings. Send me an email expressing your interest so I can contact you when an opening occurs or help is needed.

The Woodtick Wheelers Board of Directors,

Paul Vashro President, Craig Wadzink Vice President/Safety Officer, Dave Shaw Treasurer/Membership, Boardmembers - Chris Emerson, Heather Emerson, Scott Agre, Brian Markley, Julie Bell, David Kane.

#### Don't forget to say thanks to all the businesses that support our club! And Please continue to support them:

American Legion Post 202 / Hackensack, Arrowhead Builders Supply / Longville, A&N Computers / St Cloud, Big Dipper Restaurant/Hackensack, First National Bank North, Hartmann Recycling / St. Cloud, Ironside Trailer Sales & Service / Harmony, Lakes Area Powersports / Walker, Loney Sales and Service / Walker, Motorheads/Longville, North Lakes Marine & Auto / Longville, Ray's Sport and Cycle / Grand Rapids Remer Motel & Campground, **Rendezvous Brewing/Hackensack**, The One Stop / Longville, Select Seamless Gutters / Cross Lake, Stomping 'Grounds / Akeley, Swanson's Bait and Tackle / Hackensack, Southside Fuel Plus,/Hackensack Trillium Boat Works/Hackensack

"Parting Challenge"

## We still need you! Volunteer signup for Safety Classes!

https://forms.gle/bWDGyKFEkaAq2cgHA

Copy and past into your browser! This address will take you to the <u>volunteer</u> sign up page

Send your interesting pictures and stories to the club at <a href="mailto:pavashro@gmail.com">pavashro@gmail.com</a>

"Come Ride With Us!"

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As always Open the Woodtick!