

Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club

Mid April 2024 Newsletter



Hello all Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club Members!

This mid month newsletter is to inform all members of the new Cass Count ATV Ordinance, and a reminder of the Club Spring Pancake Breakfast. Also to highlight the upcoming ATV Safety Classes.

ATV Ordinance

On Tuesday April 16th 2024 The Cass County Board of Commissioners held their board meeting. On the agenda was public hearing 4th reading of Ordinance 2024-01, regulating the use of All Terrain Vehicles on county highways and public right of ways. Allowing class I ATV's to operate on county roads. There was a very short comment period (2 minutes) where there was no additional comments or changes suggested. There was a motion made to approve the 4th reading and adopt Cass County Ordinance 2024-01 as written. The motion was seconded and a vote to enact the ordinance was taken. All board members voted in favor. The ordinance was adopted and will become effective after 30 days, May 16th. The Cass County ATV Ordinance can be found on the county web site. Also available is a brochure from the Cass County Sheriffs Office, " ATV Safety Follow The Rules" This PDF can be downloaded and printed out for interested parties that have questions.

Woodtick Wheelers Spring Meeting and Pancake Breakfast

Hackensack, MN – The Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club will hold its annual spring membership drive, club meeting and pancake breakfast on Saturday, April 27th 2024, 9:00 am. at the HUB, 213 1st Street S, Hackensack, next to the Post Office. Club members and guest, new members are always welcome! Free DNR Trail Atlases, OHV regulation books, ATV safety coloring books for kids will be available. Updates on ATV safety training classes, MN DNR Trail Ambassador program, club involvement in the Cass County Volunteer Response Unit (VRU) and other community programs, plus details on the 2024 club ride schedule. Club Woodtick wear will be available to purchase, also you will be able to join or renew your membership. For more information, visit the club website at woodtickwheelers.com or our Facebook page, or send an email to club president Paul Vashro at pavashro@gmail.com

Reminder – DO NOT PARK IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT ACROSS THE STREET!

ATV Safety Class

May 4th 2024 1:00 - 4:00 pm. ATV Safety Class coming up soon! This class still has openings. If you know anyone that has interested students, ages 10 -15 please have parents use the MNDNR URL <https://forms.gle/G1QocTD8TKdM24GVA>, ATV Safety Class pre-registration form.

There are also still slots available for the 2 classes on June 8th, am or pm.



**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 [ATVcourse.com](https://atvcourse.com) (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)



Obstacle Course Rebuild

In preparation of the upcoming ATV Safety Classes, members of the Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club along with the Cass County Sheriff's Office took time to evaluate the condition of the obstacle course and rebuild or replace what is needed. The Woodtick Wheelers elected to use funds that were earned thru the Minnesota DNR Trail Ambassador program, These funds are required to be used on education and safety expenses. The safety course rebuild is an appropriate expense.



Club Members L to R, Paul Vashro, Craig Wadzink, Dave Shaw, David Kane
Far Right – Jarred Paur of the Cass County Sheriff's Office.

It was a beautiful morning on April 9th 2024, where we all met at the Cass County Facility in Walker, where Jarred Paur assisted us with tools and facilities to make this happen. He had also arranged to pick up and have at the worksite the materials that the club had purchased.

Thank you so much for this. We spent approximately 4.5 hours dismantling the ramps and obstacles, then proceeded with replacing and re-assembling with new materials.

If you are interested how these ramps are used in safety training go ahead and sign up as a volunteer to assist with the classes!

Club Announcement

There is a Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club Board member position open. We would like to hear from any club member that is in good standing and is interested in committing some time to help the club thrive and grow. We also have a club officer position of Secretary open. Please let us know if you have any interest. Thank you, pavashro@gmail.com

At the Capital

The push to further restrict ATV trail development continues; Please inform yourself of the actions being taken and what individuals can do to inform the lawmakers that represent them of their views.

ATV MN has been reporting on these activities and is a great advocate and source of current information regarding the anti ATV efforts.

Become a ATVMN member to receive their newsletters, and Wheeling Magazine. Visit ATVMN.org

“Parting Request”

Please volunteer to assist with Safety Training classes

by signing up to help out!

AS Always Come ride with us! Open The Woodtick!