

Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club

June 2024 Newsletter



Hello all Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club members.

On May 18th The Woodtick Wheelers did the Adopt-A-Highway clean up on the stretch of Hwy 200 that passes the town of Whipholt and Whipholt Beach on the south side of Leech Lake. 12 Woodtick Wheelers Club members met up in Whipholt at 10:00 am, geared up with high-vis vests, gloves, yellow collection bags and trash pick up tools. Doused ourselves with bug and tic spray, and we divided into groups. Scott Agree cleanup organizer drove each group west and east to the extent of our area of responsibility. The cleanup crews then each proceeded toward the center at the town of Whipholt, picking the trash along the way. The Highway clean up took about 2 hours. All volunteers were treated to lunch at Anderson's South Shore Resort on the club. Scott Agree won the gift certificate prize for most interesting item picked up. See "parting shot"



The first Club Ride of the season was on June 1st, Paul Bunyan State Forest, Round River Trail. The weather turned out to be great! Showers the day before left the trails with lots of water and kept the dust down. We enjoyed the trails for 4 hours with stops along the way. 8 gift certificates were given out. These certificates are purchased from our Ride Command app PPOI (Premium Point of Interest) club sponsors. Be sure to check out all the new club supporters, in our newsletter or on the club website. woodtickwheelers.com. Remember to thank them for supporting the Club!



You have seen this before; this is one of the best scenic overlooks of the trails we ride, always a favorite. With CAVU conditions (clear and visibility unlimited) we could see the cell towers in Akeley, Nevis, Park Rapids and beyond.

June 8th 2024 - 2 ATV Safety Classes. Print out and post.



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

(2) ATV Safety Field Day Classes 2024

Dates: June 8 (9 – 12 pm) and (1 - 4 pm) classes

Lead Instructor: Craig Wadzink – MN DNR-Certified Safety Instructor

***** FREE HELMET & GOGGLES UPON COMPLETION *****

- ❖ Students must be a minimum age of 10 – No “Fee” charged for the 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 a Hands-On ATV Safety Training class)



******* Volunteers Needed for June 8th safety classes-** you do not need to be a trail ambassador to help out! There is a volunteer sign-up **Interested Volunteers!** Click the URL link to complete the online sign-up form.
<https://forms.gle/bWDGyKFEkaAq2cgHA>

June 15th, I will have the Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club trailer at the Longville Garage Sale. If any one wants to help talk to people about the club, let me know.

June 22nd Club ride, UPM Blandin Trail –Ride start time 9:00am, From Grand Rapids, go 7.5 miles south on Hwy 169, then east on Smith Dr. for .25 miles then north .25 miles on Wildwood Dr. to parking area. Lunch in Hill City on your own, then return to trail head parking. Ride leader Dave Shaw dshaw@arvig.net. More info to come with the ride reminder.

July 4th 2024 - Start planning on decorating your machine for the Longville parade. Details to come.

Know before you Ride! The 2024 riding season is in full swing. Most state trails are open. Some trails are still closed. As always know before you ride. Check the MN DNR website for trail closure information.
<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/ohv/closures.html>, This trail list is updated Thursday afternoons or as needed.

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

ATV MN State Convention Ride & Rally, Start planning now!
September 20 – 22 Grand Rapids, MN. Visit ATVMN.org

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

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

CASS COUNTY ATV ORDINANCE

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

- ATV Ordinance – will be going into affect May 16th.

Below is the Cass County MN ATV Safety trifold just published.

“FOLLOW THE RULES”

Cass County Ordinance 2024-01

An Ordinance Regulating the Use of All-Terrain Vehicles
on County Highways and Public Road Right of Ways
Effective May 16, 2024

Purpose

The purpose of this ordinance is to increase safety for users and lower the cost of maintenance for county-maintained highways.

Definitions

- County means Cass County, Minnesota
- County Highways means County State Aid HWYs, County Roads, and Unorganized Town Roads
- Public Road Right-of-Way means the entire right-of way of a public road including the traveled portions, banks, ditches, shoulders, and medians, that are not privately owned.

Class 1 ATV



Class 1 ATVs have a total width of 50 inches or less from outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim (conventional ATVs with handlebars)

Class 2 ATV



Class 2 ATVs have a total width greater than 50 inches but not more than 65 inches from outside of tire rim to outside of the tire rim (side by side machines)

Enforcement

- ✓ A person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor, having a fine payable up to \$300.
- ✓ A person who permits another to operate an ATV in violation of this ordinance shall be guilty of a petty misdemeanor, having a fine payable up to \$300.
- ✓ A person found guilty of violating this ordinance shall be financially liable for any damages caused to private or public property as a result of the violation.
- ✓ This ordinance may be enforced by the Cass County Sheriff and Cass County Attorney. It may also be enforced by any other law enforcement agency having a cooperative law enforcement agreement with the Cass County Sheriff.



ATV Safety

FOLLOW THE RULES



Cass County Sheriff's Office

Emergency Phone: 911

Non-Emergency Phone:

218-547-1424

Email: cass.sheriff@casscountymn.gov

Website: www.casscountymn.gov

ATV Safety

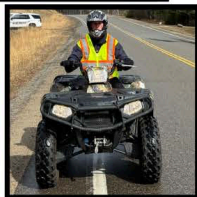
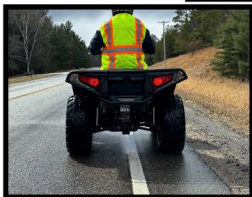
FOLLOW THE RULES

All -Terrain Vehicles include
Class 1 & Class 2 All -Terrain Vehicles.

Not included: electric assisted bicycle, golf cart, mini truck, dune buggy, go-cart, or a vehicle used specifically for lawn maintenance, agriculture, logging, and silviculture, or mining purposes.



An all-terrain vehicle (ATV) may be operated on any County Highway in the same direction of travel as other vehicular traffic. ATV's shall not be operated outside of the traveled portion of the County HWY and shall remain on the far-right side of the paved surface or gravel surface on a gravel highways.



ATVs operated on a County
HWY shall comply with
Federal, State & Local Laws
or Rules

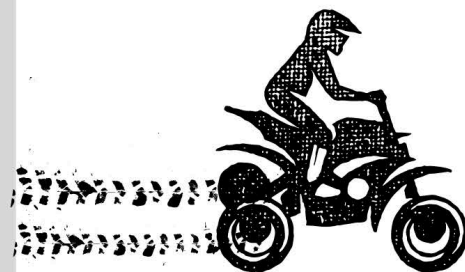
When multiple ATVs are operated on a County HWY in the same direction of travel, the ATVs shall be operated one in front of the other in a single-file manner.

SAFETY

DO: Ride Single-file



DO: Wear a **helmet**, **eye protection** and **protective gear** (boots, gloves, long pants and jacket)



Spinning of Tires

Born after July 1, 1987?

- ✓ Valid ATV Safety Certificate (issued by the Commissioner of Natural Resources) **and**
- ✓ Valid Drivers License **or**
- ✓ Accompanied by a person 18 yrs or older with a Valid Drivers License



Class 1 ATVs - 30 MPH Speed Limit

Class 2 ATVs - Posted Speed Limit on County Highways

DO NOT: Operate ATVs on a County Highway at speeds greater than reasonable under the conditions

How to Become a MNDNR Volunteer Trail Ambassador!

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

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, Board members - Chris Emerson, Heather Emerson, Scott Agre, Brian Markley, David Kane, Linda Kane.

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

New Business Members in yellow.

American Legion Post 202 / Hackensack,
Arrowhead Builders Supply / Longville,
A&N Computers / St Cloud,
Big Dipper Restaurant/Hackensack,
Cass Company Insurance / Hackensack
Daudt Construction / Longville
Docksider / Longville
First National Bank North,
Frosty's / Longville
Hartmann Recycling / St. Cloud,

Hyde-A-Way Bay Resort / Hackensack,
Ironsides Trailer Sales & Service / Harmony,
Lakes Area Powersports / Walker,
Loney Sales and Service / Walker,
Longville Bottle Shop / Longville
Motorheads / Longville,
North Lakes Marine & Auto / Longville,
Ray's Sport and Cycle / Grand Rapids
Rendezvous Brewing / Hackensack,
The One Stop / Longville,
Stompin' Grounds / Akeley,
Swanson's Bait and Tackle / Hackensack,
Southside Fuel Plus, / Hackensack
Trillium Boat Works / Hackensack
Welk Excavating / Longville
Woman Lake Lodge / Hackensack
The Woodpile / Longville

(Let us know if we forgot anyone)

Polaris Ride Command app, Club supporters.

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| Arrowhead Builders Supply / Longville | Docksider / Longville |
| Frosty's / Longville | Lakes Area Powersports / Walker |
| Motoreheads / Longville | North Lakes Marine / Hackensack |
| The One Stop / Longville | Rendezvous Brewing / Hackensack |
| Southside Fuel Plus / Hackensack | Stompin' Grounds / Akeley |
| Swanson's Bait & Tackle / Hackensack | The Woodpile / Longville |
| Woman Lake Lodge / Hackensack | |

Thank You!!!

“Parting Shot ”



**Winning a gift certificate for most interesting find!
Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup**

**Send your interesting pictures and stories to the club at
pavashro@gmail.com**

“Come Ride With Us!”

Visit WoodtickWheelers.com

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As always Open the Woodtick!