

# ATV MAINE NEWS

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Maine All-Terrain Trail System

At the most recent ATV Maine meeting, on December 9, 2017, the ATV Maine Directors voted in favor for ATV Maine to reimburse the members for the additional liability insurance premium costs incurred, including sales tax, who purchased the ATV Maine liability insurance through V&V Insurance during 2017 and 2018.

As a result of increasing the coverage to meet the aggregate limit of \$2,000,000.00, to be in compliance with a number of land owners, the yearly club premium price was increased by \$200.00, with sales tax in the amount of \$36.00 added to this policy.

***To date, (21) clubs have been reimbursed***

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V&V Insurance Agency is a full service independent agency offering Auto, Property/Homeowners, Casualty, Commercial, Life, Health, and Crop/Hail lines of insurance coverage. For the past 30 years V&V has been recognized nationwide as the leader in providing liability coverage for snowmobile clubs and associations and is licensed in 20 states. ***V&V now also offers liability coverage for ATV clubs and associations.***

Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter

Director's Meeting

2018

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Banquet

Deadline Free Stickers

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ATV Maine

ATV CLUB GRANT REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS MUST BE

POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2018

Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry

Bureau of Parks and Lands

ATV Program

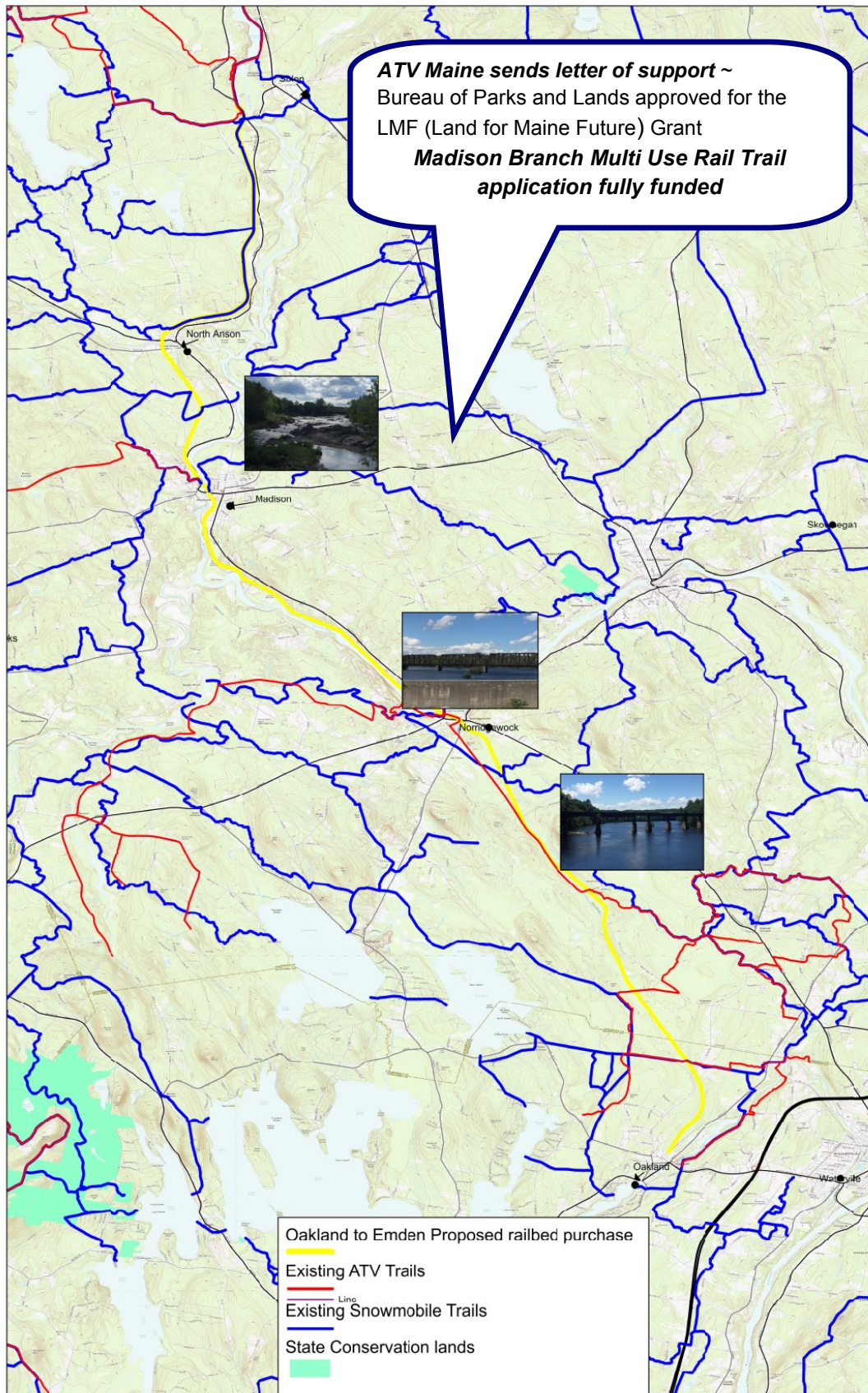
22 State House Station

Augusta, Maine 04333-0022

Tel. (207) 287-4958 or (207) 287-2751









**ATV Maine, in order to promote safety while riding, will be awarding  
a helmet or gift certificate  
at the bi-monthly meetings.**



The certificate allows the recipient to purchase a helmet, encouraging all who ride that this is a very important piece of the equation while participating in ATV'ing.



### Helmet Winners

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Club</i>	<i>Gift Certificate or Helmet</i>
8/19/17	Terry Sinclair	Airline SnackBar	KBX Tractor & Trucking
10/21/17	Anne Deschaine	Madawaska Valley ATVenture	Gary's Yamaha
12/9/17	Phil Flagg	Airline ATV Riders	Boss Power Equipment
4/21/18			
6/16/18			

**GARY'S YAMAHA**  
**SALES & SERVICE**

**BOSS**  
**POWER EQUIPMENT**



**Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**  
**\*To contact a Game Warden or Biologist in your region\***



**Gray Regional Headquarters**  
Non-emergency: 207-657-2345  
Emergency or Immediate Assistance  
Gray Dispatch: 1-800-228-0857

**Sidney Regional Headquarters**  
Non-emergency: 207-547-5305  
Emergency or Immediate Assistance  
Augusta Dispatch: 1-800-452-4664

**Bangor Regional Headquarters**  
Non-emergency: 207-941-4447  
Emergency or Immediate Assistance  
Bangor Dispatch: 1-800-432-7381

**Greenville Regional Headquarters**  
Non-emergency: 207-695-3756  
Emergency or Immediate Assistance  
Piscataquis Sheriff's Office: 207-564-3304  
Bangor Dispatch: 1-800-432-7381

**Ashland Regional Headquarters**  
Non-emergency: 207-435-3231  
Emergency or Immediate Assistance  
Houlton Dispatch: 1-800-924-2261



**Operation Game Thief**  
1-800-253-7887

**CODE OF ETHICS:**

- Respect the land and the landowner.
- Respect the law.
- Respect fish, wildlife, and the environment.
- Respect all outdoor users.
- Volunteer to assist a landowner.

***Like to recreate in Maine? Thank a Landowner!***



# Pot-Of-Gold



## Bombardier Pot-of-Gold

- Bombardier (BRP) will donate \$50 to a club at every scheduled meeting.
- The club will be chosen through a drawing during the scheduled meeting
- All clubs in good standing are eligible for the drawing.
- A Director, Alternate Director, or primary member from a club in good standing must be present in order for the club to win the monies in the pot. The membership will be verified by the business manager prior to issuing the winnings.
- If no member of the club is present, then the \$50 will be rolled over to the next scheduled meeting and another \$50 will be added to the amount.
- The pot will continue to grow until a winner is drawn and then the pot will start over again at \$50 –  
Maximum payout is \$300.00
- The club's name that is drawn will be posted on the website.

All payments will be made by check and sent to the winning club officials.

Dan Vieten

District Sales Manager

Dist. S3A - ME, NH, & MA

[www.brp.com](http://www.brp.com)

## **Pot-Of-Gold Results**

Date	Hosting Club	Club Name Drawn	Present	Amount
8/19/17	Northern Timber Cruisers	Central Maine Trail Blazers	No	\$100.00
10/21/17	Star City	Central Maine ATV Club	No	\$150.00
12/9/17	Temple Trail Riders	Endless Season Riders	No	\$200.00
4/21/18	Annual Banquet			
6/16/18				



PatraCompany LLC

Inbound Marketing Solutions

**Hosting ATV Maine's Website**



<http://www.mainewildadventures.com/home.html>

Public List

Effective 10/13/17

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WALTER E. WHITCOMB  
COMMISSIONER

December 7, 2017

Greetings ATVers!

While the ATV season is winding down outside, we are busy planning next year's season. For the past few years, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife has organized a free snowmobile weekend where any person, as long as that person's right has not been revoked, can operate a snowmobile for free without holding a current snowmobile registration. Due to a new law passed in the Legislature there will be a free ATV weekend beginning in 2018. The Commissioner of IFW has authority to set the dates.

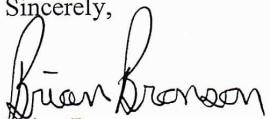
**Here is what you need to know:**

- A free ATV weekend for nonresidents will occur on **Friday, Saturday and Sunday – August 10-12, 2018.**
- During this time frame a nonresident (person from another State or Province) may operate in Maine on an ATV that is not registered in Maine as long as the nonresident's ATV has a current and valid registration from another state or a Canadian province.
- This information can be found on the IFW website located at:  
<http://www.maine.gov/ifw/atv-snowmobile/atv/laws-rules.html>
- Please note that the commissioner still has authority to grant special ATV event permits so long as the applicant provides a request in writing to the commissioner 60 days prior to the event and submits a map of the trails to be used during the special event.


If you have any questions about the Free ATV weekend, please contact IFW at (207) 287-8000.

We are looking forward to a fantastic 2018!

Sincerely,

  
Brian Bronson  
ATV Program Supervisor

&

  
Sara Barron-Nichols  
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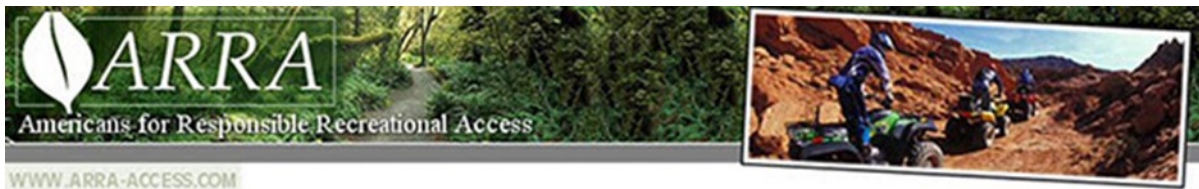
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**Southern District Rep**

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**2018 Fee Free Days on Federal Public Lands Announced!**

We wanted to give you a reminder about the 2018 fee free days offered for recreation sites under the management of the National Park Service and the U.S. Forest Service. While many parks, facilities and services associated with these agencies are free, some require a fee. Recreation fees, authorized by the Federal Lands

Recreation Enhancement Act, enable federal land management agencies to reinvest in the management of various recreation sites.

January 15 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
National Park Service/U.S. Forest Service

February 19 - Presidents Day  
U.S. Forest Service

April 21 - First Day of National Park Week  
National Park Service

June 9 - National Get Outdoors Day  
U.S. Forest Service

September 22 - National Public Lands Day  
National Park Service/U.S. Forest Service

November 11 - Veterans Day  
National Park Service  
U.S. Forest Service (11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>)

**Additional Info**

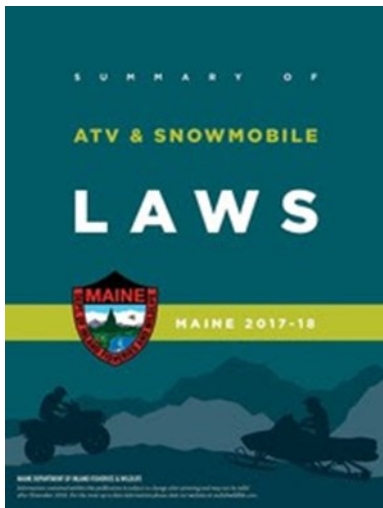
[National Park Service https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/fee-free-parks.htm](https://www.nps.gov/planyourvisit/fee-free-parks.htm)

[U.S. Forest Service https://www.fs.fed.us/visit/passes-permits](https://www.fs.fed.us/visit/passes-permits)



[www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)

## NEW! for Mobile Download - 2018 Maine ATV & Snowmobile Laws



**The 2017-2018 Summary of Maine ATV and Snowmobile Laws is now available digitally!**

**The Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is now providing the ATV & Snowmobile laws digitally. Printed copies will no longer be available. Here's why:**

**It's convenient.** Even without cell or internet service, smartphone users can access their pre-downloaded law book to check a technical rule, confirm registration fees, etc. If you always keep your phone on you (and charged) to take photos or use the GPS, this is a no-brainer.

**It's easy.** Save yourself the trip to Town Hall, and simply follow these instructions:

- From your iPhone: In Safari, go to [mefishwildlife.com](http://mefishwildlife.com). Click the link for the PDF you want to download. When it opens, tap on the first page, then tap Open in iBooks. The file is now saved in your iBooks app.
- From your Android: In Chrome, go to [mefishwildlife.com](http://mefishwildlife.com). Tap on the menu (3 dots) on the right, then tap Download. The file is now saved to your Downloads app. (some Android users will also need to download the Adobe Acrobat Reader app).
- From your Computer: Go to [mefishwildlife.com](http://mefishwildlife.com) to save a copy and/or print just the pages you need.

**It's flexible.** You can download the full law book. You can also look up specific laws or rules any time on our website.

**It helps the Maine outdoors.** Every year, we print over 125,000 ATV & Snowmobile law books. That's (a) a lot of paper, and (b) a lot of money that we think would be better spent preserving Maine's fish and wildlife and their habitats. Trusting that many of you will agree and opt for the digital version, we reduced the number of printed copies of the [hunting law book](#) a bit this year, and eliminated printing of the ATV & Snowmobile law book.

Going more digital is just one way we can work together for the Maine outdoors. Are you in?

[Yup, I'm in. Take me to the PDF!](#)

From everyone at MDIFW, we wish you a happy New Year and a safe and enjoyable season!





**YOUR  
MAINE  
MEMORIES  
BEGIN HERE!**



### **Welcome to Wild Fox Cabins!**

Pristine wilderness home to countless natural wonders and abundant wildlife are just some of the rewards awaiting you at Wild Fox Cabins and Campgrounds on 155 spectacularly beautiful acres in Lakeville, Maine. We are located on legendary Junior Lake, the premier fishing spot in the Northeast, and one of the eleven nearby "chain of lakes" connected via ancient waterways and streams. We are a paradise for sportsmen and nature lovers, and a restful retreat that is truly away from it all.





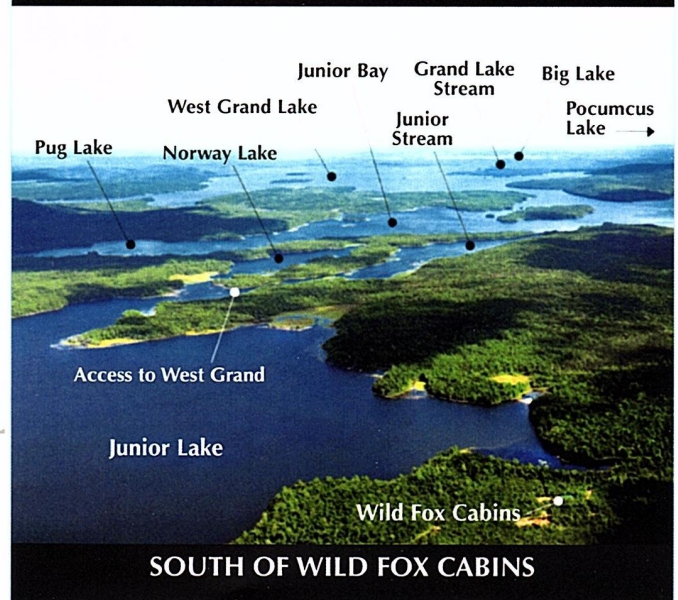
## CABINS & CAMPSITES

Our eight modern, clean, spacious, and recently constructed log cabins each sleep up to seven people and have an open floor plan and loft. Cabins are located lakeside and are tastefully decorated with a special theme. Cabins have heat, electricity, adjustable hot water heaters, and are fully furnished. Kitchens are equipped with refrigerators, gas stoves, coffee makers, and all necessary cookware, plates, bowls, utensils, and a dining room table. Cabins also feature large back porches with views of the lake, fire pits and picnic tables large enough for families. Cabins are nestled on secluded wooded lots and have plenty of room for vehicles, boats, trailers, pets, and most importantly, privacy. If you prefer a fully immersive experience, we also have ten campsites with nearby bathroom facilities. We want you to have a memorable getaway with us, so please do not hesitate to contact us so that we may better serve you. Consider us your sanctuary to decompress, rejuvenate and reconnect with family and friends. Activities abound year round in this natural wonderland.



## CHAIN OF LAKES

From Wild Fox Cabins, you will be able to explore and fish the 25,000 acres comprising the eleven lakes and waterways in the fabled Chain of Lakes.



For more information on hiring a Registered Maine Guide or our Seasonal Rates call us today!

**(207) 610-4021**



## ACTIVITIES

### FISHING

The clear, spring-fed waters of Junior Lake and the eleven other surrounding lakes of the West Grand Lake Region are teeming with over a dozen species of fish including landlocked salmon, small-mouth bass, whitefish, trout, and perch to name just a few. Junior Lake is a 3,866 acre, "two-tier" lake offering both warm and cold water fishing, and considered by anglers worldwide to be the premier fishing destination in the Northeast. We have the only boat ramp on Junior Lake and our guests have free access to it. The connected lakes are also highly rated by fishermen, and you can fish directly from the shore, rent a boat from us, or bring your own boat and discover your new favorite fishing spot. In winter months, ice fishing is also excellent on Junior Lake.



### ATV RIDING

ATV enthusiasts have been coming here for many years to take advantage of the many miles of trails and old logging roads. Explore the trails on your own, or plan a longer trek on Maine's club-maintained trails.

### HUNTING

Wild Fox Cabins is located on 155 unspoiled acres of some of the most fertile hunting grounds in the Northeast. Both large and small game hunting is permitted and abundant numbers of moose, bear, deer, coyote, and smaller game such as rabbits and grouse inhabit the area. There is also an adjacent 300,000 acres of conservation land with additional bountiful wildlife habitats.

### BOATING, CANOEING, KAYAKING

There are few places on earth as gorgeous as this part of Maine. Untamed woods, sparkling water, and distant mountains provide a majestic backdrop, and one of the best ways to enjoy it is from the water. By fishing boat, canoe or kayak you can venture into the waterways and small islands found on the lakes. Many of the islands have campsites. Explore the historic Native American canoe routes where you will be wowed by nature's perfection unchanged by time.

### HIKING

A relaxing hike along the many nature and hiking trails is one of the most popular ways to enjoy our picturesque grounds, and the scenery changes with the seasons. Don't forget your camera, you may see a moose or two, and other species like deer, pine marten, beaver, and otter. There are over 185 varieties of birds, including warblers, loons, American black ducks, Canada geese, and Bald Eagles. In the Fall, dramatic seasonal foliage explodes with colors. "Leaf Peeping" here is unrivaled anywhere in the country.



### SNOWMOBILING, SNOW-SHOEING & CROSS COUNTRY SKIING

When winter sets in, guests enjoy ice fishing and other cold weather sports. There are 133 miles of nearby snowmobile trails groomed by local clubs, and connections can be made to the legendary Maine Interconnected Trail System (ITS). Cross-country skiing and snow-shoeing are also very popular in this part of Maine.





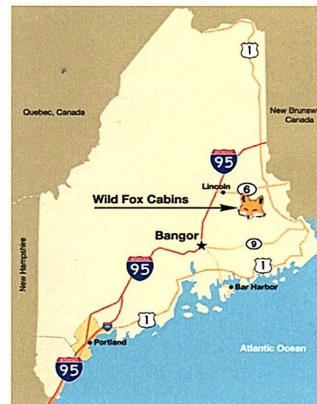
Wild Fox Cabins & Campgrounds is your passport to the rugged and unspoiled Maine wilderness and a vacation experience you will never forget. We are located just 80 miles Northeast of Bangor Airport. Our property is surrounded by 300,000 acres of picturesque conservation land that can be hunted, and there are other activities for every age, ability, and interest. We are pet-friendly and will be happy to assist you with packing lists and all of your other questions by email or telephone.



### GETTING HERE FROM BANGOR

Take I-95 north 42 miles to exit 227 Lincoln (US-2/ME-RT6/ME-116) and turn right. Go 4 miles and turn left at the light onto US-2/ME-6. Follow ME-RT 6 East for 33 miles, passing through down-town Lincoln and Lee. In Springfield, turn right onto Bottle Lake Road. Go 6 miles and turn right onto Depot Rd. Go 1.5 miles and turn left onto East Shore Rd. In 1.5 miles turn left onto Middle Rd. Go about ½ mile and you will see the first

gate for Wild Fox Cabins, continue through the gate for about 1.5 miles until you arrive at the cabins.



### GPS Coordinates

Latitude: 45.275128

Longitude: -68.00919

Altitude: 94 meters



Floatplane available from Bangor Airport upon request.



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(207) 610-4021

[www.wildfoxcabins.com](http://www.wildfoxcabins.com)

## Message Board



***Remember— ATV Maine is run by the Directors/Alternate Directors of your club, and should attend ATV Maine meetings to make the decisions for the organization.***

***No Voting takes place at a meeting without 10% of the Directors in attendance.***



ATV Maine Annual Banquet  
April 21, 2018  
Jeff's Catering, Brewer, ME



Provide landowners with your ATV club's  
contact information —  
<http://www.bulldesign.com/fridge-magnets>



Annual reports for business and nonprofit entities are due June 1, 2018  
To file online, go to [https://www10.informe.org/aro/index\\_on.html](https://www10.informe.org/aro/index_on.html)



FREE ATV WEEKEND  
FOR NONRESIDENTS WILL OCCUR ON  
FRIDAY, SATURDAY, AND SUNDAY -  
AUGUST 10 - 12, 2018



We encourage our members to join OP -  
Outdoor Partners -

[http://www.maine.gov/ifw/aboutus/commissioners\\_office/OutdoorPartnersPgrm/index.htm](http://www.maine.gov/ifw/aboutus/commissioners_office/OutdoorPartnersPgrm/index.htm)

