

# ATV MAINE NEWS

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**Cabela's**  
WORLD'S FOREMOST OUTFITTER



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### 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

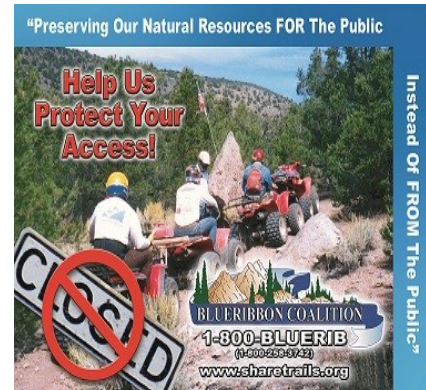
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### **Pot-Of-Gold Results**

Date	Hosting Club	Club Name Drawn	Present	Amount
2-22-14	Cambridge Cruisers	Turner Timberland ATV Club	Yes	\$200.00
4-19-14	Jeff's Catering	Borderline ATV Club	No	\$50.00
6/21/14	Northern Timber Cruisers	Breakneck Mtn. Club	Yes	\$100



### Hosting an ATV Maine meeting

- ⇒ ATV Maine pays the hosting ATV club \$200
- ⇒ Clubs usually try to get a local town building at no cost to hold the meeting.
- ⇒ Average number of people to expect is 55
- ⇒ Morning snacks and/or drinks are optional. Club provides lunch—typically the food is prepared by the members of the hosting club.
- ⇒ The hosting club provides door prizes, a 50-50, and sells club items if desired.
- ⇒ Provide ATV Maine with directions to the meeting location and accommodations in the area at least one month prior to the meeting.

**Thank You  
Northern Timber Cruisers**



**for hosting the June  
ATV Maine meeting**

**50-50 winner – Mike Lee - \$55.50**



Western Power Sports -- Supplier of Chase Toys, Unity, ME, and Sponsoring the High Mileage Club



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



The award 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>
2-22-14	Eddie Farrar		Woody's Performance
4-19-14	Pauline Hughes	Central Maine Trail Blazers	Pushard's Powersports
6-21-14	Cindy Laroux	Northern Timber Cruisers	Sled Shop , Presque Isle

(Must be present to win)

### **2014 - 2015 Membership year has begun ~**

Completed memberships include club membership form, including Officers & Directors, and your primary membership list with appropriate membership fees.

### **Update to the Officers & Directors**

Safety Officer

Doug Kane  
207-522-2120

[safetyofficer@atvmaine.org](mailto:safetyofficer@atvmaine.org)

**ATV Maine  
Calendar Raffle  
drawings start  
August 1, 2014 –  
Winners will be post-  
ed on the  
website  
[http://atvmaine.org/  
single-post.php?  
postid=25](http://atvmaine.org/single-post.php?postid=25)**

### Officers

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## ***Al Langley Memorial Scholarship***

ATV Maine honors a deserving student each year by awarding a \$1,000.00 scholarship in the memory of Al Langley. Al was one of the founding members of the Central Maine ATV Club in Fairfield, formed in 1999. Al was very active in the early years of ATV Maine, devoting himself to anything that needed to be done. Al was the Central Regional Vice President for ATV Maine and he is remembered to have had a positive attitude and a wonderful smile by all who knew him. Al passed away on March 17, 2008.

The Trustees of the scholarship committee are

Liane James - Chair \*\* Hazel Langley \*\* Francis Smith

The basic outline of the Al Langley Memorial Scholarship is as follows:

- The student and family must be a member of an ATV Maine affiliated club for at least two years.
- Letters of recommendation and support from the principal, teachers, and friends are required with the application.
- A list of present and past employment should accompany the application.
- A transcript of grades and the attendance record is required as well.
- A list of organizations and outside interests the student has been involved in is recommended.
- A typed or printed essay of 300 words covering the sport of ATV's and how it relates to one of the following topics is required:

Recreation

Conservation

ATV Safety

Economic Impact to State and local areas

The applicants will be scored on the preceding topics and the winning recipient will be notified. The \$1,000.00 bank check will be sent directly to the school after completion of the first semester and attaining a C grade or higher.

\*\* Application Deadline — April 30, 2015\*\*

Past winners of the scholarship are:

**2010/2011** First scholarship for \$500.00 - 3 applicants ... Cheyenne Hertlien from Cornville awarded for Physical Therapy at Husson College in Bangor.

**2011/2012** Second scholarship for \$500.00 - 1 applicant ... Cheyenne Hertlein.

**2012/2013** Third scholarship for \$1,000.00 - 5 applicants ... Erin Abbott from Starks awarded for Accounting at Thomas College in Waterville.

**2013/2014** Fourth scholarship for \$1000 each- 2 scholarships will be awarded in January 2014 to Darin Jandreau from Madawaska and Brett Whittemore of Dixfield once their first semester grade transcripts are received.

As a friend and co-founder/officer of the Central Maine ATV Club with Al Langley, it is an honor to be Chair of the Scholarship Committee. Please consider taking advantage of this excellent opportunity within our ATV family if you have a student going on to college.

Applications are available from ATV Maine at [www.atvmaine.org](http://www.atvmaine.org) or by writing to Liane James, 164 Six Rod Road, Fairfield, Maine 04937; or email [lianejames@roadrunner.com](mailto:lianejames@roadrunner.com). Remember, students may apply each year they are in college as long as ATV Maine membership criteria is met.



<http://www.acadiaareaatvers.com/>

***News from your friends at***

***Acadia Area ATV'ers***

***July 2014***

Members of Acadia Area ATV'ers are very busy this year trying to raise funding to purchase land for a club house. Keep an eye out for more information coming soon! We donated \$200 to the Relay for Life in memory of three family members of our Webmaster. This past Christmas one of our members coordinated a Christmas for Kids so that young people in one of the local schools had a Christmas. She made sure that they all had several gifts including something fun and a warm article of clothing. Some of these children would not otherwise have had anything under the tree.

As we all know, trail crews have been busy what with all the water, mud, trails open, trails closed, and trails re-routed. We are even looking at some bridge repairs and rebuilding in the coming trail work days. Looks like at this writing almost everything is open, unless because of the recent wind storm there may be a tree across a trail somewhere, so make certain you have up-to-date maps or GPS, first aid kit, provisions for just in case you need to make it an overnight adventure, and perhaps even a cell phone. Make certain someone knows where you were headed and your approximate time of return. As someone who learned firsthand, there are always new roads within trails that may have popped up over the winter. We went to the end of a trail to a "T" to take a left, and it was a dead end. Last year there were signs at that "T." Now you take a right and then a left and there are the signs. Phew! That was a time consuming ride believe you me.

The first Acadia Area ATV'ers ride of the season was a ride on the Down East Sunrise Trail to Machias. Those of you who have ventured to this area, know that this trail has connector trails going North, South, East, and West, and places in between. You can leave Washington Junction at 7:00 am and ride straight to Pembroke, stopping several times, especially for pie in Machias on the way back and return to the Junction just after dark. A long day but the trail is especially smooth with a lot of sights to see along the way. Did I see something that the trail was being graded and rolled? That sounds right.

The second ride was from the Airline Lodge & Snackbar to Niatous. Great trail and you can see information on this ride in our Newsletter which is on our web page at <http://www.acadiaareaatvers.com/July%202014.pdf>.

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July found us on a ride from Washington Junction to Rocky Pond. A write-up will be in our next issue of the Newsletter which will be posted early in August. Suffice it to say that a good time was had by all. As you can see there was quite a crew participating. Wasn't able to get everyone in, but almost.



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Our ride schedule upcoming is July 20<sup>th</sup>, Ranger Station to Cranberry Lake and back. The Ranger Station is just down the trail from the Airline Lodge & SnackBar. Minimal parking is available there but you could park at the top of the hill where the 18 wheelers park and ride the trail to the Ranger Station or park behind the Airline Lodge & SnackBar. August 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> is the weekend camping trip and ride from Washington Junction to Deer Lake. There were some pretty exciting happenings on one overnight trip last year. So much so that those who participated last time couldn't wait to get started on another. That trip we had to try and get some shut eye over the howls of some neighboring animals trying to "horn" in on our good times. A pretty adventuresome crew we have at Acadia Area ATV'ers. Join us some time as we always have a fun time and plenty of food, s'mores or stick pies are known to be for dessert.

Seriously though, join us on one of our rides for a good time, or see what we have been up to, by visiting our web site at <http://www.acadiaareaatvers.com/>.

M & M for Acadia Area ATV'ers

## SAVE THE DATE!

3rd Annual

# Kora Kare for Kids Ride-In

## Saturday, September 6, 2014



**3 RIDES!  
DETAILS  
ON BACK!**



Kora Shrine Kare for Kids Ride-In

[www.korashriners.org](http://www.korashriners.org)

All rides end at Twitchell's Airport in Turner for the main event.

Traditional lobster-bake, live music (including the L-A Harley Band), food, merchandise vendors, raffle prizes, fireworks, and MUCH MORE!

\*All net proceeds to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children



Please contact the Turner Timberland ATV Club  
to receive tickets for the dinner  
[turneratvclub@gmail.com](mailto:turneratvclub@gmail.com)

### Motorcycle Ride-In

Start at L-A Harley Davidson at 8:30am with breakfast and registration. Three different ride routes to choose from. All rides have ride stops along the way to stamp your ride card for raffle prizes.

*Ride #1* - 96 mile scenic ride around Sebago lake. *Ride #2* - 120 mile scenic ride to Bethel and Sunday River Brew Pub. *Ride #3* - 160 mile scenic ride to Height of the Land and Rangeley. Join our organized rides or travel with your own group. All rides end at Twitchell's Airport at approximately 4:00pm for the main event.

### Auto Cruise-In

Start at the Bill Dodge Auto Group on Saunders Way, Westbrook at 9:00am for brunch and registration along with some Shriner festivities, music and fun. The Cruise leaves at noon and follows a 75 mile scenic route around Sebago lake with ride stops along the way to stamp your ride card for raffle prizes. Join our organized ride or travel with your own group. The cruise ends at Twitchell's Airport at approximately 4:00pm for the main event.

### ATV Ride-In

Start at Twitchell's airport in Turner, plenty of free parking. Free breakfast from 8:00am to 10:00 sponsored by Central Maine Power Sports. Ride will be 15 miles of experienced trails organized by Turner Timberland ATV club with ride card stamps for raffle prizes. Ride ends at Twitchell's Airport for the main event.



Shriners Hospitals  
for Children®  
Love to the rescue.™

Pre-Register before August 29 - \$20 per person. Includes breakfast, ride with raffle prizes, traditional Maine lobster bake or steak dinner (surf & turf \$25), and a 2014 event pin.

Register online at [www.korashriners.org](http://www.korashriners.org) or call 207-782-6381.

\* ALL NET PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN \*

- ♦ Whenever possible, ask permission in person.
- ♦ The first minute of the interaction with the landowner is the most important. The immediate impression a user makes will set the tone and will have a big impact on whether the landowner grants permission or not.
- ♦ Don't act like you have a right to use the property; you don't.
- ♦ Make sure you follow any specific directions from the landowner. If the landowner limits use to a specific road, stay on that road.
- ♦ Even if the answer is no, be polite. A landowner might change their mind in the future.
- ♦ If you are using someone's property and see trash left by someone else, pick it up. Few things irritate landowners more than finding garbage, bottles, etc. left behind.  
(Tom Doak, SWOAM)
- ♦ Ask what the club and/or ATV community could do for them; i.e. bridges, brush clean up, harvest roads, etc.  
(Kelly Rogers, Coburn Mountain ATV Riders)
- ♦ Before and after pictures of trail maintenance work that the club has done on their trails. This might help landowners understand that the club intends to take care of the property.
- ♦ Express concern to the landowner for environmentally sensitive areas that might be impacted by a trail.
- ♦ Agree to size and type of any bridge that may be needed on landowner property.  
(Dave Phillips, Friends & Neighbors ATV Club)
- ♦ Give the landowner contact information for at least two club members if a problem or concern does come up. (Todd Merkle, Rockwood Blue Ridge Riders)

**ATV Maine Club Liability Insurance**

Jeff Mitchell or Deborah French

[jeffmitchell@unitedinsurance.net](mailto:jeffmitchell@unitedinsurance.net) or [deborahfrench@unitedinsurance.net](mailto:deborahfrench@unitedinsurance.net)

United Insurance

Tilton Agency

2351 North Belfast Avenue \*\* Augusta, ME 04330

(207) 620-3604

Event insurance forms are to be mailed to:

ATV Maine

PO Box 14

Jefferson, ME 04348



WESTERN MAINE AGENCY







## SIGNAGE AND SAFETY



By

Terrence D. Sinclair, RN, RNFA, CNOR

The State of Maine's ATV trail system is becoming the best in the Northeast. It continues to expand by leaps and bounds. Individual club trail systems are now being connected so that travel from point "A" to "B" is now expanding to "C", "D", and "E", interlinking one trail system into another. As an example, the Sunrise Trail System is now connected to the Aroostook County Trail System. This, in itself, is remarkable and a great improvement from several years ago, and the MATS [Maine All-terrain Trail System] is being developed, with some trails already marked and used as MATS. Still, the problem of being able to follow a trail or stay on a trail remains the same. How do I find a trail? How do I stay on a trail? Where are the signs?

Signage is an ongoing maintenance job and unless done, staying on a legal trail is not possible. Signage, as I understand it, is accomplished each spring by each club responsible for their portion of the trail system. The problem is that this does not last. The sign(s) is/are there today and gone tomorrow, for whatever reason. I will admit Mother Nature does play her part in the demise of a lot of signs. Nevertheless, every rider depends on proper well-placed, visible, legible signs to travel in a clubs' trail system. Signs with good, solid information on trail direction, destination directions, food and fuel locations, and general ATV signs telling them they have made the correct turn and are still on a legal trail are essential. The "MAINE ATV TRAIL SIGNING GUIDELINES" pamphlet is the perfect reference.

Signage is done for a very specific purpose, to mark an approved ATV trail for legal and safety purposes. Therefore, every rider has legal and safety concerns; legal, in that a rider is required to be on an approved ATV trail; safety, because riding in some systems means getting to a food and fuel stop may be a very real problem, along with being found if lost!

For the most part, every rider knows the local system they ride in and knows certain parts of that system extremely well. It's when a rider departs the local area that the challenge begins. Where are the trail signs? How far apart are they placed on the trail so that I will know I'm still on the trail? Are they visible and clearly marked? Are there directions to food and fuel locations, and how many miles is it to get there?

I'm not sure how the signing of trails is accomplished by individual clubs, but it would seem to me that more is better, especially since our trail maps do not really match a good topographical or atlas map. Every rider must rely on signs being placed along each trail and at each intersection. If these signs are not there, someone who is unfamiliar has a problem getting around the system. Then it's, "Which way do I turn or go?" "Am I still on the trail?" "How do I get out of here?" "Where am I now?". These are the questions



because signage was not maintained throughout that part of the ATV trail system and/or, someone or something has done something to the signs which were there.

Safety is a real concern to all of us and is rarely thought of until it's too late. We all know that not everyone who goes out to ride carries a reserve supply of fuel, "just in case". We also know that not everyone who goes out to ride has a GPS with them and knows how to use it. Many riders do not carry the basic equipment required to take care of a flat tire problem. Cell phone connection is unreliable unless the person can get high enough to get a signal. In some trail systems, the places to purchase fuel are few and far between. This means that sometimes a rider is arriving at a place to purchase fuel almost on fumes. If the appropriate sign was not there, then the rider may have to walk to find a place to buy fuel and possibly walking in the wrong direction is very real. Now we have a lost rider in the system and we all know that there are days when we never meet or rarely meet another person on a trail who can help us.

These problems begin to involve the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife and their search and rescue ability. Safety in this case comes at a cost. Therefore, it is very important to have each person who goes out in a system to ride to be able to know where they are and find their way back, or get to a safe location through proper signage.

Liability is the other thing most riders do not let pass through their minds until it's a close call or too late. If it's a close call, the liability thought may be very fleeting until something else happens to remind them of the incident. This is also very costly in dollars and privileges taken away. Rights and privileges are very different; yet, many look at them as the same thing. According to the American Heritage Dictionary, rights - "That which is just, morally good, legal, proper, or fitting", and privilege - "A special advantage, immunity, permission, right, or benefit granted to or enjoyed by an individual, a class, or a cast". Therefore, ATVing is a privilege, not a right. A right that can be taken away when abused or violated.

The cost of maintaining trails and signs is a big concern. This is measured in time and money, at both the state and local level. Most of us never think of that aspect of the problem or what the consequences will be when ATV'ers get lost.

The important thing here is that this is a very correctable problem. All of us who ride find a situation where the signs are not there or there are too few of them. This is reportable to the club maintaining that part of the system or to the ATV Maine Trails Committee. Our failure as individuals to report these problems for correction when we find them falls squarely on our shoulders as riders. "They", the club or ATV Maine Trails Committee, cannot resolve a problem if "They" are not informed of one.

The State of Maine wants to increase the economic impact of ATVing in all areas of the state. To accomplish this, the trail system must be clearly signed with signage that provides appropriate information, i.e., food, fuel, location, destination, and mileage. If this is done, along with an informative trail map, every rider is going to have a great time riding each and every time out. Then, the State of Maine's ATV trail system will be the

riding destination of all those non-resident ATV'ers and those recreational dollars they want to spend. Additionally, residents are going to want to expand their trail riding to other parts of the state, to enjoy the sport to the fullest, which means the better you make the trail information posted, the better the ride is for all who ride your clubs trails.

"The following are standard issued ATV signs in the state of Maine. Most of these signs are available to aid ATV clubs or landowners from the ATV program at the Bureau of Parks and Lands. Signs should be installed using the guidelines that follow:" {these come from the Maine ATV Trail Signing Guidelines}

**Trail Blazer:** This sign should be used at regular intervals along the trail to reassure the rider that they are still on the trail. A blazer immediately beyond an intersection or road crossing informs a rider whether the trail continues on the other side. This is especially important when the crossing is not direct. If the trail is further away and harder to see, you may need to use a trail identification sign since it's larger and easier to see. The more often you use a trail blazer on any trail, makes it much easier for the rider to know that he/she is on a legal ATV trail.



**Trail Identification:** This sign should be used at the beginning of a trail, such as at a club sleep house, parking lot, or place of business etc. It should be used to show the trail name, number, destination, and/or direction of travel (North, South, East, or West), etc. as well as the name of the club maintaining the trail. In some instances the sign can be used instead of a trailblazer, as it may be easier to see at the entrance from a field or other large clearing. This is also a very good sign to have approximately 50 yards down a trail from an intersection to let the rider know that they are on the correct trail they want to be on; additionally, the trail number, or trail name, should be placed on this sign in good bold print.



#### Trail Information

**Trail Information:** This sign should be used together with other signs to provide additional information that is helpful to the user. It can be used to mark town lines and geographic names as well as distance and directions to businesses or destinations, etc., to help orient the rider. If a club has a trail map they want to note reference points such as a trail name or number to match the map. We recommend you use a paint marker when writing on the signs. Regular markers tend to fade quickly in the sun and may soon be unreadable. Trail information signs should definitely be used to give information to every rider as to where food, fuel, and lodging can be found in your clubs' trail system.



**Directional Arrow:** This sign is used to show right- or left-hand turns. It is generally not used to mark the trail straight ahead; a trailblazer is used for that. The arrows should be placed far enough

in advance of a corner to allow the ATV operator ample time to slow down. The actual distance necessary will vary depending on the normal traveled speed of the trail it's located on and how sharp the corner is. The directional arrow should not be written on. The trail information sign is where you should write any information that is required.



**ATV Access Route:** This is a Department of Transportation steel sign that is available through a private sign company. This is the sign that is to be used if a public road is officially designated for use by ATVs. This has to be purchased by the club or Municipality and must be installed on authorized roads instead of the regular ATV trail signs. You may want to also post a speed limit sign under it to further regulate the use.

Remember, it is the landowner who give us permission to use their land, so it behooves us to make sure the signage for those trails to be the very best possible, to maintain a positive relationship with landowners and their land open for the trails we want to ride. Good signage is safety for everyone involved in the sport of AT-Ving. Signage is a major problem for every rider going into a club system to find food, fuel, and lodging, let alone trying to stay on a legal trail.

There are other trail signs that need to be considered in every club trail system from a safety and a consideration standpoint. If a trail or a section of trail has been closed and nobody is supposed to be going on it, then a NO ATV Blazer should be placed at the head of the trail or intersection so that every rider knows the trail is closed and they are not supposed to be on it. The addition of a date on the No ATV Blazer also helps.



The Stay on Marked trails blazer reminds riders that the trail they are on is with the permission of a landowner, and we should definitely stay on a marked trail.



Caution, STOP AHEAD, and STOP signs are warning blazers; three other signs that should be used to make your trail system safer for every rider.







Three signs that should appear in every trail system are GAS, FOOD, or GAS & FOOD, at trail intersections along with the entrance to every clubs' trail system, with mileage information to the location. Knowing where you can get gas for your ATV and food to eat in your clubs' trail system is extremely important to every ATV/UTV rider, especially in trail systems that are away from the bigger towns and cities.

Last but not least, lodging is one of those things that is important to ATV riders taking trips, especially if it is a multi-day trip. There is nothing like being caught between locations and realizing that by the time you get back to your starting point it's going to be extremely late into the night, and you need to find a place to stay out of the trail. Finding lodging in a clubs' trail system is one other point that is worth giving thought to providing on your club's website, Facebook, or trail map.



The Airline Lodge and Snack Bar has its own ATV club, the Airline Snack Bar ATV Club. The sign that is used by the club for this sponsoring business is shown here. The open white box on the sign is where the club writes the mileage to get to the business that supplies food, fuel, and lodging to ATV'ers.

Signage is an important task for every ATV club. It really makes or breaks a clubs' trail system in the eyes of the riders who come into it and will pass through it.

There is nothing more frustrating when riding in a club trail system where the signage is extremely deplorable. Poor signage leaves a very negative attitude towards the club and their trail system. This is the reason why it is strongly encouraged, and was by Bill Lombard especially, to make all club signage an A+ rating. Good visible signage is the key to a great trail system; anything less is pure frustration to any rider trying to go into, through or out of a poorly signed trail system.

Let's make sure that your clubs' trail system is a Bill Lombard A+ on every trail; one that every ATV rider is going to enjoy being in, remember, and want to return to. Therefore, it is very important that signage maintenance and upgrade be an ongoing accomplishment of every club. This will draw riders into it and through it because of the outstanding directions it gives. Make Bill Lombard proud as he looks down from his place in Heaven, for the job that your club has done with trail signage.

## Message Board



### State Safety Courses:

<http://www.maine.gov/ifw/education/safety/atv.htm>



Next ATV Maine Meeting  
August 16, 2014

9am - 2pm

Hosted by: Temple Trailriders



### DLR ATV CLUB HAS BEEN DISBANDED

As of June 19, 2014 the Down East Lakes Region ATV Club, Springfield, is no longer in existence. No permissions to ride any of the club trails have been acquired. Therefore riders will have to obtain permission on their own to ride any of the Club's former trails or be subject to a fine from local law enforcement. The new ATV club in Lee, the Mt. Jefferson Backcountry Riders, will be picking up the trails from Downeast Lakes Region ATV Club. They are working on getting landowner slips signed.

Henry, PORR



### Eastern Region

July 25, 2014 from 6pm to midnight there will be a group of 250 runners doing a marathon from Ellsworth to Eastport overnight, to arrive in Eastport by noon on Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> for a Lobster Bake.



If possible, have a  
bullhorn at your events to  
announce the  
importance of safety  
before a ride begins and all events  
are chem-free.



### Topsham Trailriders

Randy & Marcia Bickford and Roger & Ginny Bickford of Topsham Trailriders members recently Took a ATV ride from the Forks to the B-52 Crash Site of on Elephant mountain and found the trail needed a little work after the storms up that way. They say it was a great ride even with the rain. Note: DONOT REMOVE ANY THING FROM THE SITE!

**Note from them:** They stayed near the Forks in a motel that had changed ownership recently and the owners weren't as friendly to ATV riders as before. They did allow them to bring there traileed ATVs into the Motel lot but not to unload or leave from there as before. If your staying in the area you may check with who ever you stay with before hand.



Penobscot Off Road Riders lost their Trail Master and true friend of the ATV community,  
Lyndon Perry, July 2, 2014, who passed away of cancer.

The Penobscot Off Road Riders dedicated the club site to Lyndon Perry. Lyndon served over the years as club Vice President, Executive board member, and Trail Master. He was a true friend to the ATV community and will be greatly missed.



The sign was created by Terry Morse, Doug Jipson, Molly Pond, and Sue Jipson. It will hang on the outside of the club gazebo.



#### AIRLINE SNACKBAR ATV'ers

Rte 9 Beddington , Maine 638-2301



What an interesting start to the season ! First it was clean up from the ice storm this winter, now it's clean up from the hurricane water works ! Wash outs everywhere, then brutal heat to work in ....ahhh Maine weather.

Things have settled down a bit now, and trail work continues. The crews have already replanked 2 bridges and done hours of trail clearing. Plans are afoot for a weekend work party on July 19 & 20 with the excavator, and other areas that need willing bodies and strong backs. Also will be replacing culverts on some trails.

The picnic tables that the club voted to build for the Snackbar have been completed, and already seen use by atv'ers out riding.

The Airline ATV Riders and the Swamp Donkeys have been hard at work for quite some time getting together the 5<sup>th</sup> annual benefit ride for Camp CaPella on August 9. As before, the registration fee of \$5.00 and the profits from all the other activities will go directly to the camp for camperships. We are officially sponsoring Keely from Machias this year, and hope to be able to put any additional funds into a dedicated campership for another local area neighbor.

We are having a 50/50 raffle, with a handmade f/q size quilt as a second prize. Something new this year will be an appearance by Game Warden Alan Curtis and his K-9 giving a demonstration and answering any questions you may have. There will also be some live music, by Rick Carter and his group ( one of the band members plays the SAW !!! )

Registration starts at 8:30 am to 9:45 am., the ride starts at 10 am. By noon you are back at the parking lot at the snackbar where you started, and soup's on!

Please join us for a great event, helping kids and adults with disabilities have camp experiences. All funds stay here, and are not sent out of state or even out of the area. Camp CaPella is located not too far from the Lucerne Inn on Phillips Lake. The contacts for this event are Cindy-745-2128\_\_\_ Sharon-667-2052 and Maryann at 546-1179.

Volunteer workers and donation of food items for the cookout are being sought, if you can help, please call one of these ladies.

The Airline Snackbar ATV Club meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month during the season at 6 pm at the Airline Snackbar on Rte. 9 in Beddington.