

# ATV MAINE NEWS

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# ATV Maine High Mileage Club Results for 2013 At the annual ATV Maine Banquet held this past April, the results of the 2013 ATV Maine High Mileage Club

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miles put on the registered ATV count, whether it was trail riding or riding up and down the driveway to get the mail. All miles are good.

The ATV Maine High Mileage Club is really just a way to encourage all of us to get out and ride your machine.

were announced. The ATV Maine High Mileage Club riding season begins May 15 and ends November 30. All

Maybe the High Mileage Club will encourage a little friendly competition among friends, or even among clubs. Maybe it's just going down the trail to the local ice cream shop for a little indulgence on a warm summer evening. Both ways, we all enjoy getting out and riding, whether it's 30 miles or 130 miles.

The ATV Maine High Mileage Club is open to everybody who is a member of an ATV Maine ATV Club. All you need is someone in your club who is willing to collect the registrations, beginning and ending mileages of all participating machines, and submit the information. There is a little upfront work and a little end of season work, and that's it. The rest of the time is for riding. Clubs don't have to pay any money for members to participate. If two or three members, or 20 members, want to participate, all that is needed is someone in the club willing to do the paperwork. If the ATV Club wishes to participate in the Club Challenge portion of the High Mileage Club, then there is a \$20 entrance fee per club.



Entrant fees are \$10 per machine, \$3 for the second person on the machine. The fees cover the cost of the patches given to each entrant and most of the prizes awarded. For 2013, almost \$750 was collected in entrance fees, which includes the Club Challenge portion. Patches and prizes awarded came to \$656. The remaining money pays for some costs of the program (ink, paper, and postage) and the remainder will be rolled over into the 2014 ATV Maine High Mileage Club. The Club Challenge portion of the High Mileage Club collected \$20 from each of the five clubs that entered. The winning club of the Club Challenge received a gift certificate for

\$100 good towards their 2014 ATV Maine Insurance. All money received from the ATV Maine High Mileage Club goes back to the participants.

The ATV Maine High Mileage Club awards prizes to randomly drawn winners in each of the four mileage categories that have been established. These four mileage categories are for those machines that went: 1) less than 750 miles during the season; 2) between 751 and 1250 miles; 3) between 1251 and 2000 miles; and 4) over 2000 miles during the season. There is also a prize package handed to the person with the highest mileage of all entrants for the year. Every year so far, the entrant with the highest mileage has been over 3000 miles in a year. We have had eight different people achieve the 3000 miles per year category, with one entrant achieving that goal two years in a row. But the vast majority of entrants have had mileages less than 2000 miles per year.

For 2013, we had 64 registered machines with ending mileages submitted. We had more machines registered, but only 64 submitted the ending mileage. These 64 machines represented eight different ATV Maine clubs. These 64 machines rode a total of 94,036 miles during the riding season, for an average of 1,469 miles per machine. That is an increase of over 160 miles per machine from 2012. The machine mileages ranged from 15 miles to 3498 miles. All entrants received a patch for participating in the ATV Maine High Mileage Club.

Here is a table that shows the results for 2013 and 2012:

	2012	2013
# of registered entrants	66	64
Total miles	86,021	94,036
Average miles per machine	1303	1469
Range of miles per machine	69 - 4601	15 - 3498

Each year, we take the total miles ridden for each machine and put them into one of the four mileage categories listed above. Here is a table that shows the results per mileage category for 2013:

Mileage Category	# of Machines	Total Miles	Average Miles
Less than 750 miles	13	5086	391
751 to 1250 miles	18	18868	1110
1251 to 2000 miles	15	23034	1536
Over 2000 miles	18	47048	2614

During the ATV Maine Banquet, the ATV Maine High Mileage Club awards prizes and has each winner come up to receive their prizes and have their picture taken. In each mileage category, a winner was drawn at random. The prizes awarded in each category included a pair of goggles donated by Chase Toys in Unity, a \$35 gas card, and a Dry Bag for storing gear to keep the gear dry and dust free. In the Less than 750 Miles category, the winner was Bill Ward from Midcoast ATV Club in Searsmont. The winner in the 751 to 1250 Miles category was Ray Taylor from Friends and Neighbors ATV Club in Liberty. Lloyd Goodwin from Acadia Area ATVer's in Trenton was the winner in the 1251 to 2000 miles category. Vaughn Leach from Acadia Area ATVer's was the winner in the Over 2000 miles category. Congratulations to each of these winners.

This year we had four entrants with over 3000 miles ridden. The Highest Mileage for 2013 was 3498 miles, by Doug Young of Acadia Area ATVer's. Doug was awarded a framed certificate, a gas card valued at \$75, and a Dry Bag. A gift certificate for \$50 was awarded to Doug and Acadia Area ATVer's to pay for the 2014 ATV Maine club registration. Congratulations to Doug for winning the 2013 Highest Mileage Award.



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The other three entrants with over 3000 miles ridden in 2013 were brought up with Doug and all were awarded their 3000+ mileage patch. The winners this year were Doug Young, Russell Smith, Terry Sinclair, and Tom Johnston, all from Acadia Area ATVer's. Terry Sinclair has earned the 3000+ mileage patch two years in a row. Congratulations to each of these winners. That's a lot miles on an ATV in one year, and all from the same club.

The last portion of the ATV Maine High Mileage Club is the "Club Challenge" portion. Each club that enters the "Club Challenge" must have a minimum of five entrants. We had five clubs enter the "Club Challenge" this year with a \$20 entrance fee and the winning club received a gift certificate worth \$100, good towards their ATV Maine Insurance for the 2014 – 2015 season.

In 2012, we had two clubs whose average rider miles was close – about 10 miles apart on average. For 2013, the results were even closer. Acadia Area ATVer's and Airline ATV Club ended up just two miles apart on average. Acadia Area ATVer's had 18 machines entered, Airline ATV Club had 7 machines entered. One club averaged 1847 miles per machine, the other club averaged 1849 miles per machine.

The winner of the 2013 ATV Maine High Mileage Club "Club Challenge" was Acadia Area ATVer's for the second year in a row. They received a framed certificate to hang in their meeting place and the certificate for \$100 towards their upcoming ATV Maine Insurance. Congratulations to all in Acadia Area ATVer's who participated and contributed to this win.

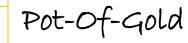


For 2014, we would like to see more members of more clubs participate in the ATV Maine High Mileage Club. Everybody can participate, anybody can win. We have clubs with two members and we have clubs with 18 members participating. Come join the fun, get out and ride your ATV, and who knows, maybe you will win one of the prizes to be awarded next April at the ATV Maine Banquet.

David & Carole Phillips

ATV Maine High Mileage Club Coordinators

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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.

2-22-14	Cambridge Cruisers	Turner Timberland ATV Club	Yes	\$200.00
4-19-14	Jeff's Catering	Borderline ATV Club	No	\$50.00

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We currently have opening in several Positions for Regional Reps in the Northern, Eastern, Western and Southern areas of the state. If you have the time and energy please contact ATV Maine to take up one of these Volunteer Position sto continue ATV Maine Growth! It will be rewarding to you and ATV Maine.

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### 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.
- $\Rightarrow$  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.



ATV Maine regrets to inform you of the passing of Nadine Stover, past ATV Maine Treasurer

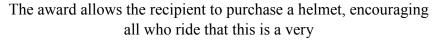
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ATV Maine, in order to promote safety while riding, will be awarding a helmet or



gift certificate at the bi-monthly meetings to be redeemed for one helmet.





important piece of the equation while participating in ATV'ing.

Helmet Winners					
Date	Name	Club	Gift Certificate or Helmet		
2-22-14	Eddie Farrar		Woody's Performance		
4-19-14	Pauline Hughes	Central Maine Trail Blazers	Pushard's Powersports		

(Must be present to win)

**Volunteering** is generally considered an <u>altruistic</u> activity and is intended to promote goodness or improve human <u>quality of life</u>. In return, this activity can produce a feeling of <u>self-worth</u> and <u>respect</u>. There is no financial gain involved for the individual. Volunteering is also renowned for skill development, socialization, and fun. It is also intended to make contacts for possible employment. Many volunteers are specifically trained in the areas they work, such as <u>medicine</u>, <u>education</u>, or <u>emergency rescue</u>. Others serve on an as-needed basis, such as in response to a natural disaster.

EDITOR; Daniel J. Parlin

Email for comments: lindan@myfairpoint.net

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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
Landowner Relations

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 30th, 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 or by writing to Liane James, 164 Six Rod Road, Fairfield, Maine 04937; or email lianejames@roadrunner.com. Remember, students may apply each year they are in college as long as ATV Maine membership criteria is met.

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Maine All-Terrain Trail System

#### **AD&D** Benefit

AD&D Beneficiary cards from American Income Life:

Only one card is being mailed to the primary member from ATV Maine's database

- ⇒ This card can be photocopied for family members
- ⇒ You can request more cards if an agent visits the home
- ⇒ An online beneficiary card is also available www.ailife.com/benefits/sgdo6

American Income Life does not mail to the businesses, so your club's business members will not receive a beneficiary card. If your business member is in good standing with ATV Maine, the payout will be authorized without question.

A payout of the AD&D benefit will go to the "Estate of" if there is no beneficiary on file with American Income Life. In some cases, this payout has been sent directly to a funeral home.

If the unfortunate happens and you have an accidental death of a club member, please have the club president notify ATV Maine to ensure all necessary paperwork is processed for the AD&D

benefit.



Your ATV

Maine membership includes \$3,500.00 Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance

Any questions or concerns about letters or phone calls from AIL agents, feel free to call Shane Knowles.

207-318-9572

## Landowner Guideline Suggestions

- 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**

James Brown or Erica Burgess

jamesbrown@unitedinsurance.net or ericaburgess@unitedinsurance.net

United Insurance

Western Maine Agency

19 Congress Street, Rumford, ME 04276

207-364-3766

Event insurance forms are to be mailed to:

ATV Maine
PO Box 14

Jefferson, ME 04348



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## Annual Chicken BBQ Ride to the Pine Tree Camp

On June 28, 2014, 10 a.m., we will be starting a completely new program and you're invited to participate!

This year will be a little different: The plan is to raise money to support the Autism program

the Pine Tree Society provides and to help the Smithfield Firemen and ladies. They will serve the BBQ Chicken with all the fixings, inside at the firehouse, plus let us use their restrooms if need be.

Ride will start at Sweet Dreams store, junction of Route 8 and 137, Smithfield to the Pine Tree Camp, then visit with the campers and directors; see the new cabin (#3), the wheelchair accessible playground, the tree house and many more of the new buildings they have constructed, all with donated money.

They are self-sufficient and very open to where our money is spent. Clara and I have been associated with them for over 30 years.

Camp will be in session hopefully. There are motels close by or you can come just for the day. We are usually finished by 3 p.m. so you have time to drive home.

This is not a long ATV ride but one you will never forget, or just come enjoy the Chicken BBQ.

The plan is to tell our friends about this in such a way as not to infringe or pressure them and give them the opportunity to decide if they would like to help us with this project.

Pine Tree Society

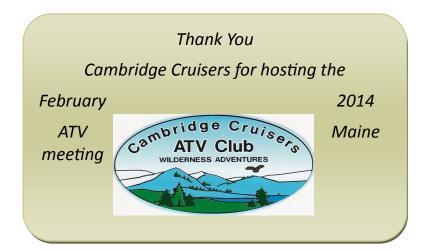
PO Box 518

149 Front Street, Bath Maine 04530.

pinetreesociety.org

I will arrange for a police escort, a port-a-potty, and a sign so you don't miss us.

FMI, contact francissmith1@myfairpoint.net or 431-7941, Francis Smith PTC Rep. and ATV Maine Charity Director.







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#### All

**Note From:** Bronson, Brian N. [mailto:<u>Brian.N.Bronson@maine.gov</u>]

**Sent:** Friday, May 30, 2014 10:29 AM

**Subject:** FW: Central Maine ATV Club & GROOM.

The e-mail below is being sent around to ATV and snowmobile clubs and we aren't exactly sure what they are suggesting but we know they are trying to raise \$50,000 in order to pre-buy license plates because they want to have a snowmobile vanity plate to help with grooming cost. The bottom line this group is not associated with us and we haven't supplied them with the mailing or e-mailing addresses they are using.

They are in Aroostook County and yet sending stuff all over the state which makes us wonder if they even know where these clubs are located?

**Brian Bronson** 

207-287-4958

#### This is a copy of the E-mail sent to the clubs:

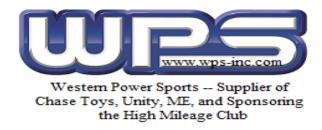
**Subject:** Central Maine ATV Club & GROOM.

Morning! Im contacting you in regards of GRooming Organization Of Maine/GROOM. We are an organization that helps with funding Maine Snowmobile Club Trail Groomers. We are starting our summer project list and would love to help out with your Club with trail clean up, maintenance, putting up/replacing/relocating signs, etc. Since a lot of the ATV trails are also Snowmobile trails we feel its a great contribution to helping out year round with the sports who love to ride the trails we do. Irving Woodlands has also committed to helping us with specific projects so if your trails need some repair or filling in Irving will provide the trees we need to fix them. Which we think is great. Please let us know what the next step is to do to help out.

Thanks for your time!

#### C.Pinkham

GRooming Organizations Of Maine





# **Message Board**



Donated \$200 to Pine Tree Camp Donated \$800 to their local Little League Association



State Safety Courses:

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

# Airline Snackbar & Airline Riders ATV Clubs



August 9, 2014

Airline Snackbar & Airline Riders ATV Clubs will be hosting the 5th Annual ATV Ride to Benefit Camp CaPella.

Sign in 8:00 am to 9:45 a.m.

Ride begins at 10 a.m. in Beddington.

FMI: 207-546-1179

# The "Army Base" area in Hollis Maine is closed to all motorized vehicle traffic including ATV

Under direction from the Maine Military Bureau DFE Environmental/Training Sites offices. the "Army Base" area in Hollis Maine is closed to all motorized vehicle traffic including ATV's. It will be closed indefinitely.

This information was received From military bureau personel

#### **Lake Region ATV Club**



06/08/2014 9:30 am

ATV Ride with Central Maine Power Sports, With a BBQ lunch. \$8.00 for the BBQ. Jug town trails.

08/09/2014 4:30 pm. BBQ Night ride Jug town trails followed by a bonfire (fire danger pending)

10/19/2014 9:00 am, Apple Orchard Ride Bridgton

#### **Penobscot Off-Road Riders**



June 21, 2014

Wind Tower Ride - Penobscot Off-Road Riders

Club ride starts at 9:00, leaving from the club site on the Folsom Pond Road.

BBQ at the Rollins Mountain Building in Lee from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

More info will be on Penobscot Off-Road Riders' Facebook page and website.

Next ATV Maine Meeting
June 21, 2014



**Hosted by: Northern Timber Cruisers** 

ATV Maine is 501(c)(3)

## RAIN OR SHINE

# ATV Charity RIDE/AUCTION



TO HONOR
OUR "DISABLED
AMERICAN
VETERAN'S"

**DATE: SAT. JUNE 21, 2014** 

TIME: Start: 8AM

Finish: approx: 1PM

LOCATION: FIRME

MOUNTAIN

**OFF 220 IN MONTVILLE** 

Sponsored by:

MID COAST ATV CLUB

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT ADAM AT: 207-323-5667

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SILENT AUCTION AT 1PM AFTER
THE RIDE!

Great items for you to BID on!!

BRING A FRIEND!

COME and SUPPORT OUR
"DISABLED AMERICAN VETERAN'S"

8 A.M. Registration (\$10 donation per rider)

9 A.M. Ride on Frye Mountain (Direction Map on Back of Flyer)

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

