



## ATVAM News - January 3, 2018

Newsletter of the ATV Association of Minnesota (Est. 1983)

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Forward this newsletter to the partners you work with at the local and state level.*

**In This e-Newsletter:**

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## **2017 Was An Exceptional Year For ATVAM Clubs & Members**



Individual & Family Memberships - UP!  
Business Memberships - UP!

Total Number of ATVAM Clubs - UP!  
Net Income & Bank Balances - UP!

Number of Regional Directors - UP!  
New Executive Board Members - UP!

Total State ATV Trail Miles - UP!  
County ATV Ordinances For Trail Access - UP!  
New Trail Projects In The Works - UP!

Volunteerism & ATVAM Energy - WAY UP!

**CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK-YOU  
TO EVERYONE WHO VOLUNTEERED  
THEIR TIME AND ENERGY IN 2017 TO  
MAKE ATVAM STRONGER THAN EVER.**

## Help Us Keep The Power On In 2018!

**Plan To Attend These Fun & Important ATVAM Events:**

### **January 20th - ATVAM Legislative Summit -- The Future Starts Here!**

This year's Summit is at the Sawmill Restaurant, Virginia MN, from 8:30am to 12pm, and is hosted by the Quad City ATV Club. All ATVAM clubs are encouraged to send representatives. No cost to attend. But space is limited, so please RSVP to George Radke at [george.radke9@gmail.com](mailto:george.radke9@gmail.com).



**This is your opportunity to give ATVAM direction and help prioritize what ATV issues will be pursued in the 2018 Legislative Session**, which starts February 20th. ATVAM provides a unified presence with our full-time lobbyist Ray Bohn leading the charge. Trail initiatives are very high on our list of priorities, but we are not just Trail Riders. ATVAM is working to support safe and responsible ATV use throughout Minnesota.

"Please read through the the Policy Development Process, recently emailed to all ATVAM clubs," said George Radke, ATVAM president. "It will help us to facilitate the work we all need to get done at the Summit. We will also continue to refine this process with your input, so even if your club does not have a resolution to present, please come and help us prioritize the resolutions that are presented. We still need your input on setting our strategic direction for the coming year." Please email resolutions back to [atvamoffice@atvam.org](mailto:atvamoffice@atvam.org) or to [george.radke9@gmail.com](mailto:george.radke9@gmail.com) .



### **March 3-4 - ATVAM Vision Conference & General Membership Meeting - location TBD**

Join ATVAM members from around the state to discuss important ATV issues, learn about new trails on the DNR's radar, brainstorm ways to bolster ATV riding opportunities and strengthen ATVAM, elect new Regional Directors...and much more. Details and registration information coming soon.

**April 26-28 - NOHVCC Great Trails Workshop** - Sponsored by ATVAM and MN DNR - One day in classroom, 2 days in field on local ATV trails. Details to come. Limited to 40 people.

**May 19th - ATVAM 35th Anniversary Celebration** - Features President's Ride and Pig Roast - McQuoids Inn, Isle, MN -- Make lodging reservations now!

**September 21-23 - 2018 ATVAM Fall Ride & Rally** - Willow River, MN. Hosted by White Pine Riders ATV Club. More details to come.

## **More OHV Organizations To Check Out**

Last month we reported on a dozen national OHV organizations that promote and protect motorized recreation. Here are two more:

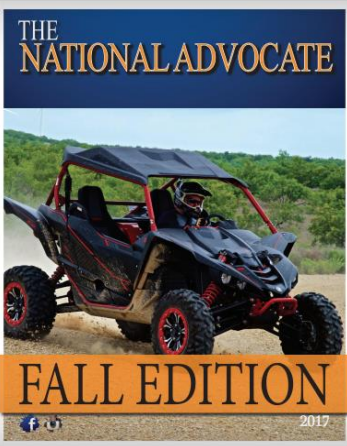


**ORBA** - Off-Road Business Association, Inc.

This is a national non-profit trade association of motorized off-road related businesses, formed to promote and preserve off-road recreation.

Its current board members are:

- Chairman: Greg Adler, Transamerican Auto Parts
- Treasurer: Mark Turner, Daystar Products International, Inc.
- Secretary: Lindsay Hubley, Family Events
- Member: Brad Franklin, Yamaha Motorsports USA
- Member: Stuart Gosswein, SEMA



- Member: Kurt Miller, The Enthusiast Network (TEN)
- Member: Jim Chick, Bestop, Inc.
- Member: J.R. Burke, Polaris Industries, Inc.

To learn more about ORBA, go to its website at [www.orba.biz](http://www.orba.biz).



more at [www.nypum.org](http://www.nypum.org).

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**NYPUM** - National Youth Program Utilizing Minibikes -- Since 1969, NYPUM has provided at-risk youth of America an opportunity to develop self-esteem, strong values and a sense of responsibility using the minibike (youth dirt bikes) as a motivational tool. Over 1500 young men and women a year are mentored by some of the most dedicated and caring adults anywhere, at locations across the country, **including in Minnesota**. YMCA of Metro MN runs a collaborative NYPUM program, involving local schools, police, probation and various other counseling services. Youth are referred to the NYPUM program from all of these sources. Learn

**Balaclava? Check!**  
**Handwarmers? Check!**


**Gear Up And Enjoy These Fun  
Winter ATV Rides**

**A.T.V. RIDE**

**SPRING ICE RIDE**

**Sat. Feb. 24**  
Ride The McGregor Area Lakes!

**UP NORTH**  
McGREGOR, MN



**RIDERS INC.**

Info: **A.T.V. CLUB** ghennen@gmail.com

www.upnorthridersinc.org 

**REGISTRATION 10 A.M.**

**Fisherman's Bay Bar & Grill**  
(North Hwy. 65 McGregor, MN) 218-426-4662



**PRIZES & DRAWINGS**

**6 P.M. 50/50 DRAWING**

**MEAT RAFFLE**  
BEFORE & AFTER PRIZES & DRAWINGS

@ Fisherman's Bay Bar & Grill

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Wiley's Marine, FLOE Intl, ATVAM, Zorbaz, Fisherman's Bay Bar, Jackson's Hole Bar, Dirty Dog Perf.  
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Bann's Bar & Restaurant, Glen's Sign DeZine, Prairie River Retreat, Willeys Sports & Sprits, Big Sandy Lodge



## 4th Annual Polar Bear ATV Ride Saturday February 24, 2018

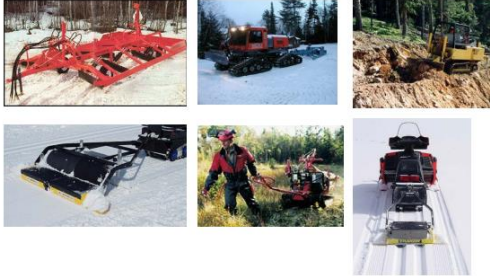
### Details:

- Meet at Granny's Bar & Grill at 10:30am  
44025 MN Highway 6, Emily, MN
- We will be leaving Granny's parking area at 10:45am and driving up to Draper Parking area on Moose River ATV Trail (approximately 15 miles north of Grannys)
- Ride for 1.5 to 2 hours (temperature dependent)
- Grilled Cheese and Chili at Granny's after ride  
-Compliments of Over the Hills Gang ATV Club
- Registration is Free; Encourage everyone to bring a non-perishable food items for the Emily Food Shelf
- Dress Warm - Some years were minus 6 degrees, but, we had fun!
- Open to all members and non-members
- Call or email Perry May to RSVP or for any additional information:  
Email: ptmdmay@comcast.net Ph. 612.919.5806

**Reminder To Trail Clubs:  
Get Your 2018 Grant Applications  
To The Minnesota DNR By Feb 28th**

**FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM  
EQUIPMENT GRANTS**

**2018 Program Manual**



In Partnership with  
Minnesota Recreational Trail  
Users Association (MRTUA)

*From a DNR press release:*

The Minnesota DNR is accepting applications for the following grant programs:

- Outdoor recreation
- Natural and scenic areas
- Regional trails
- Local trail connections
- Federal recreational trails

These grants help local governments throughout the state create partnerships with the DNR to fund projects such as local parks, regional trails and trail connections.

The application due dates are Wednesday, Feb. 28, for the Federal Recreational Trail Grant Program and Friday, March 30, for the other programs. The DNR anticipates that both federal and state funding will be available during 2018 for these programs.

For information about eligible projects and how to apply for a grant, visit the recreation grants page of the DNR website at [www.mndnr.gov](http://www.mndnr.gov).

For more information:

Contact the grants staff listed online.

Contact the DNR Information Center at [info.dnr@state.mn.us](mailto:info.dnr@state.mn.us) or 888-646-6367 (8 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday).

**Happy New Year!**  
**2018 Is ATVAM's 35th Anniversary.**  
**You Can Help Make It Our Best Year Ever!**



Photo from the Cook County ATV Club's Facebook Page. Live or have a cabin in Cook County? Join that club today!

## Invite friends and family to join ATVAM today!

### And see the mailing label on MN OFFROAD for your renewal date.

Belonging to ATVAM, you join thousands of riders throughout the state, have fun, and help ensure the future of ATV riding in MN.

### As a family or individual member for just \$20 you receive:

- A subscription to *Minnesota Off-Road* magazine (6 issues per year)
- Twice monthly newsletter by email with the latest news and information
- Membership card and bumper sticker
- Invitation to events, including our Legislative Summit and Vision Meeting in the spring, and the ATVAM Fall Ride & Rally, as well as general membership meetings
- Discounts with many of our business members
- A full-time lobbyist at the State Capitol, helping create pro-ATV legislation, and moving forward important bills that help provide funding for new trail systems

### As a business member for \$75 you receive:

All of the above, plus:

- Your business name, address, phone number, and website listed in each issue of the *MN Off-Road* and on our website
- Discounts on advertising in *MN Off-Road* magazine
- An official ATVAM membership certificate for display in your business

To join, contact [ATVAM](#) or call (800) 442-8826.



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