

2022 Spring Newsletter



Happy Spring to all Pel-Cho Mudd Nutz members,

As I write this on the first day of Spring 2022 lets all hope that our winter cold and snow is forever gone for another year and we can look forward to warming weather and green grass coming our way soon.

Membership

You will find in this newsletter the 2022 Dues Invoice and hope that all of our members will find it in them to renew your club membership. In addition, should friends, neighbors or relation have purchased a machine, please feel free to make an additional copy for them and ask them to participate in the club as well.

Membership forms can also be found on the club website <https://pelchomuddnutz.com/> as well as on our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/pelchomuddnutz/>

We ask that all renewal memberships be returned by our Annual Meeting on June 11th

Trail and Route Status

Trail Opening

With the anticipation of an early spring the Oneida County Forestry Department has informed us that they may consider opening the trails up in the early part of May. This is entirely dependent upon when the frost leaves the ground, spring rains and the trails being dry enough.

In addition, all trails must be reviewed for condition, brushing, proper signage and safety. Should you be able to assist in spring trail preparation and/or maintenance please let Jeff Herman know at <pelchomuddnutz@outlook.com>

Please watch the local news, our Facebook and Club pages or Onieda County Forestry Dept website <https://www.co.oneida.wi.us/departments/fr/atv-utv-trails/> for actual trail opening dates. Please be aware that trails throughout the county may open at different dates within Oneida County.

For adjoining county trail opening dates please refer to their website links below:

Langlade County https://www.langladecounty.org/resources/trail_reports/

Lincoln County <https://co.lincoln.wi.us/forestry-land-and-parks/page/summer-atv>

Vilas County <https://forestcountywi.com/atv%2Futv>

Monico to Forest County Trail

We have been advised by Oneida County that the contract has been let for this project, development of the trail from Monico to Forest County Line, and work will commence weather permitting. Completion of the work and opening date tentatively is the later part of the year.

Dump Road to Monico

We continue to work on the use and of this road for a trail and have made quite a bit of progress, and am optimistic that we will have something in place to connect Pelican Lake to Monico some time later this year.

Hwy K – Elcho to Post Lake

We have been notified that the Langlade County Highway Commission has voted in favor of opening up Hwy K west from Elcho to Post Lake. For any of us riding this immediate area, this is a huge benefit to all of us. I ask that each and every one of you please obey the speed limit, and be respectful of vehicular traffic on this road as it is heavily traveled and we do not want any accidents or incidents that would jeopardize the use of this road

Events and Raffles

Gun Raffle

The fall gun raffle was a great success and we appreciate all of you who participated in it. The winners are as follows:

First #176 Tristar – Troy Holzan
Second #090 Smith and Wesson – Sally Russell
Third #027 Winchester – Gerold Schmell
Fourth #242 Ruger – Ellee Joerns
Fifth #059 Savage – Don Coffman

Annual Fischer's ATV/UTV Rally and Poker Run

Our club along with the Parrish Highlanders will no longer be participating in this event. See below

\$50 Raffle-Meat Raffle

In lieu of participating in Fishers on Hwy 17 Rally we have decided along with the Parrish Highlanders to forego our club participation in the rally but still have our big \$50 Ticket Raffle.

As in the past, we will be selling \$50 raffle tickets, limited to 150 tickets sold and it pays 10 places. The ticket drawing will be held tentatively at the end of July at the Elcho Club House, and will also include a meat raffle and we may have entertainment.

Please watch the club's websites and Facebook pages for exact dates and times.

Should you wish to purchase a ticket please ask at the local businesses or drop an email to the club requesting a ticket and we will make arrangements to get you the tickets. <pelchomuddnutz@outlook.com>

2022 Annual Meeting

The 2022 Annual Meeting is scheduled for June 11th so mark the date down. We will be holding it at the Elcho Clubhouse with meeting at noon and lunch to follow.

Board of Director Elections

We will have three board positions up for election next year. If you have an interest in running for a board position please let me know, or make your intentions known at our spring meeting. These positions will run for a three-year term.

Building Fund

As mentioned in the Fall newsletter we made the decision to erect a storage building for our equipment, the building being co-shared with the Hodag Four Wheelers Club.

Last fall we were able to clear the land and do the initial prep work for the building site. We would like to extend a huge THANK YOU and APPRECIATION to Enterprise Forest Products <https://www.enterpriseforestproducts.com/>, Dennis Schoeneck and Grant Zelazoski, for donating their time and equipment to log off the building site and rough it in for finish grading work. If you see them out and about, please extend a thank you to them.

Over winter we have been soliciting bids for the actual concrete and construction of the building, Tim Wolfgram being responsible for all coordination and management of the project. We have chosen both the concrete as well as building contractor and expect to start work as soon as weather permits.

In addition, we have started a BUILDING FUND to raise the additional monies that will be required to meet the building construction expense. There is a reminder with your dues invoice and if you would like to make a specific donation towards the fund it would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be mailed to the club at our PO Box 98 address in Pelican Lake, 54463

Clothing

Just a reminder, your club has a great selection of clothing at Boiling Springs, as well as displayed at Roadside Pub. With trails opening soon why not purchase a club hoodie, sweatshirt w/no hood, hats, flags, koozies and T-shirts and show support for your club and promote the Muddnutz as you ride.

New Multi-County Website

We would like to make everyone aware of a new website focused on our sport. It is called Northwoods ATV-UTV and you'll find everything you need to know for your Northwoods ATV trip, including trail descriptions and maps, information about ATV clubs, trailside restaurants and other businesses, and ATVing rules and regulations. Here is their website link so when you get a chance check it out <https://northwoodsatv-utv.com/>

Closing

As our season is rapidly coming upon us, a reminder that now is the time to go over your machine to make sure it is trail ready for riding.

- *Reinstall the battery if you removed it for storage, and charge it fully. Be sure the battery holds a charge.
- *If you did not change the oil and oil filter before storing the ATV, do so now.
- *Check the spark plugs, and replace them if necessary.
- *Fill the fuel tank with fresh gasoline, and make sure the engine starts.
- *Check all the lights, and replace any burned-out bulbs.
- *Check the tires for damage and inflate them. Tires may wear or flatten if left on the ground for long periods of time.
- *Check for damage caused by rodents, such as blocked pipes or chewed wires and cables.
- *Check for any other damage that may occur during storage. For example, parts made of rubber or plastic may deteriorate over time.

And two of the most important items to check

- *Is your registration current?
- *Refresh your memory on Wisconsin ATV/UTV Rules and Regulations, as well as all of the courtesy hand signals. For more information please refer to the following link <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/atv/>

My appreciation goes out in advance to all of you for your continued support and participation in your club, and your renewal for 2022

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