2023 Winter Newsletter



To our membership,

Myself and your Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

We also thought that since we are nearing the ten-year anniversary of the club, we would reflect back on our history for the benefit of all our members, especially our new members. So that being said, here is a brief recap:

June 2014-Gene Dallman and myself begin the process of starting the club, with Gene having prior club experience agreeing to be President and I would be responsible for the financial management as Treasurer'

2015 - We were able to have Oneida County agree to open County Highways B, G, Q and Z for ATV/UTV use.

Landing across from Hwy B in Pelican Lake, to cross Hwy 45 is built

We obtain agreement with Oneida County Forestry to open Bass Lake and Shingle Mill Road in the Oneida County Forest

- 2016 Request submitted to the Off-Road Vehicle Council in the amount of \$415,000 to develop a 6.8-mile trail in the Oneida County Forest
- 2017 In conjunction with the Hodag Club we begin the Senior Ride Program, providing ATV/UTV rides for Oneida County Seniors which continued until the Covid Pandemic shut it down.

We expand our territory to include the Town of Pelican, extending County Hwy G to Lassig Rd and all roads in the Town of Pelican are opened as well as County Hwy P providing the first access by ATV/UTV into Rhinelander.

2018 - Our 1st Publication of Club maps is printed and distributed.

The club purchases an enclosed trailer for use during club events and to store small equipment in.

2019 - After considerable work with Oneida County Forestry we finally get them to start a Council for all of the ATV/UTV clubs to exchange information

The club begins its Adopt a Highway Program

2020 - In conjunction with the Hodag Club we reach an agreement with the Onieda County Forestry Department to open all Oneida County Forest roads for ATV/UTV use.

In addition, all County Highways are now open going into Rhinelander

The new Enterprise Trail formally opens with a final cost in excess of \$750,000

The club purchases a 60 Hp Massey Furgeson Tractor and Loader with Rhino grader blade for trail maintenance

Receive approval to develop trail from Monico to Forest County Line

Langlade County opens majority of their highways for ATV/UTV use

2021 - Brush Hog is purchased for the Massey Furgerson tractor

Approval is received from Oneida County to construct a club building off the Zimmer Rd parking lot in conjunction with the Hodag 4-Wheeler Club

Conversations begin in earnest with the Conservation Fund who now owns the 70,000 acres of property north and east of Pelican Lake to allow ATV/UTV access

2022 - Dump Rd/Old 26 easement from Wisconsin Department of Transportation conveyed to Town of Schoepke, agreement reached to develop into ATV/UTV Trail

Discussions continue with Conservation Fund to gain access and develop trails on their property

New building construction is completed

2023 - Kioti 35Hp Tractor Front End Loader purchased for trail maintenance

Monico to Forest County Line trail formerly opens

Dump Rd/Old 26 funding request for \$80,000 submitted to Off Road Vehicle Council and approved, construction to begin in 2024.

August 1st, we signed an exclusive use agreement with the Conservation Fund who owns the Pelican River Forest property east and north of Pelican Lake for ATV/UTV access on their property.

Through the graciousness of Kerry and Suzanne Romsa we secured an easement agreement to access across their property from Hwy Q to Hwy 45

Received from Yamaha Motor Corporation and their Outdoor Access Initiative Program the generous grant of \$24,500 to develop the trail on the Romsa Property and the landing on the west side of Hwy 45

Construction of Hwy 45/ McGinnis Rd crossing and Browns Rd/Hwy 8 crossing is competed

Approval is received from Department of Transportation to open Hwy 45 in Pelican Lake in the 35 MPH zone to ATV/UTV use

All aluminum 20ft trailer purchased to haul Kioti tractor as needed for trail maintenance

I hope that this brief summary of the history of your clubs' activities helps everyone understand the value of being a club member, and what it means for the continuing development of riding opportunities in our area. I sincerely hope that you see the benefit of belonging to a club, and promote its purpose, and reason to belong to those fellow riders you may run across.

<u>Closing</u>

I hope that all of our members had a safe and enjoyable year and were able to get out and get some really great riding in. And while our trails are closed, the town and county roads remain open for ATV/UTV use, however please be careful if you are riding them. Our machines are not made for snowy and icy road conditions where you could easily go into a slide or skid and lose control. And they do not react like our cars and trucks do, and are more prone for a rollover. So if you do ride over winter, please use caution and prudent speed.

Again, a big thank you goes out in advance to all of you for your continued support and participation in your club.

Gary Dominski Club President

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Welcome to our new members

Darryl Hart Rick and Danielle Krueger Paul Lehnert Paul and Gail Ness

Dan and Peggy Mueller Tim and Nancy Olson Garry Patterson Ryan and Sara Schmitt

Bick Schroeder Don and Kathy Wix Pine River Rough Riders from Merrill

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