



## **ATV Minnesota**

*"Your Voice For ATV Recreation in Minnesota"*

**Member Newsletter**

**June 23, 2026**

## **ATV MN Members Invited To Attend Campaign Events**

*From Jeff Anderson, ATV MN lobbyist*

### **Good morning:**

As a follow up to the discussion last night (on the monthly statewide board meeting June 16th), I wanted to share these campaign fundraisers with you. If folks attend any, I would encourage you to wear your ATV Minnesota apparel.

If you would like to attend these as my guest, please let me know. If you have questions about attending these, or political donations, please let me know. I have a table at Sen. Hawj's event for dinner. I will also have a team for Sen. Hoffman's golf fundraiser. Let me know if you want to join.



Also, please note that in Minnesota you can donate \$75 per person/\$150 per couple annually to any qualified House, Senate, or Gubernatorial candidate and get that money refunded to you through the **PCR Program**.

### **Representative Peter Fischer Fundraiser (DFL - House Environment Committee Co-Chair)**

June 23 - 4:30pm  
Wakefield Park Pavilion  
Maplewood, MN

### **House & Senate DFL Caucus Fundraiser**

June 24 - 3pm  
St. Paul Hotel

### **Senator Fong Hawj Fundraiser (DFL - Senate Environment Committee Chair)**

June 24 - 6pm  
Unison Restaurant & Banquet  
1800 White Bear Avenue  
Maplewood, MN

### **Senator Keri Heintzeman & Senator Rob Farnsworth Fundraiser**

Thursday, July 9 - 1pm  
St. Paul Labor Temple  
353 7th St. W.  
St. Paul, MN

### **Senator Grant Hauschild Fundraising Lunch**

August 5 - Lunch at 1:30pm  
Vermilion Club  
3191 Old Highway 77  
Tower, MN

**Fishing Fundraiser for Rep. John Burke, Leader Harry Niska, Rep. Biden Duran, and Rep. Steve Gander**

August 17-20  
Ballard's Resort  
3314 Bur Oak Road NW  
Baudette, MN

**Senator John Hoffman Golf Tournament Fundraiser**

Monday, August 24, 2026  
Edinburgh USA Golf Course  
8700 Edinbrook Crossing  
Brooklyn Park, MN

**Thank you,  
Jeff**

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## **Nominations Are Coming In For Three Board Positions (Here's how to make yours)**

The terms for three ATV Minnesota executive board positions expire this fall: President, First Vice President, and Secretary. The board positions for Second VP and Treasurer expire in 2027. All positions are two-year terms.

Ron Potter (president) and Dave Clevenger (First VP) have stated they won't be running for re-election. Thanks to both of them and to Nick Wognum (secretary) for serving many years on the executive board, working on countless programs, trail projects, funding efforts, legislation and much more, to the benefit of ATV MN members, 73 member clubs and all of our state's ATV owners.

The nominations for all three positions are now open as of June 1st. ATV MN members in good standing may nominate others who are interested in one of the three positions (it would help to make sure they are interested in serving) or nominate themselves. Nominations must be made using the official ATV MN nomination form, found at [atvmn.org](http://atvmn.org), tap the "Events & News" tab, along with the responsibilities for the open positions. Or use the QR code shown, or tap this link:

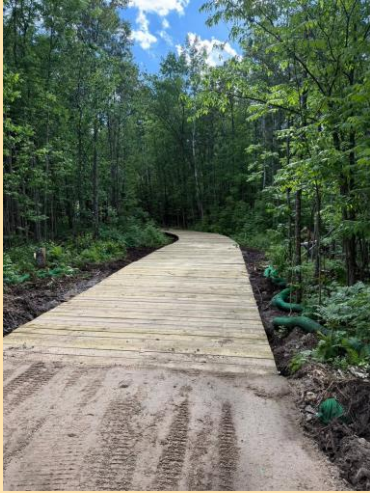
**[https://www.atvmn.org/images/ATVMN Nomination Form 2026 v2.pdf](https://www.atvmn.org/images/ATVMN%20Nomination%20Form%202026%20v2.pdf)**

**Download the form.** The nomination form must be completed. Email it to [atvmnoffice@atvmn.org](mailto:atvmnoffice@atvmn.org). You can also mail the form to ATV Minnesota, P.O. Box 300, Stacy, MN 55079. You can request a form be mailed to you by contacting the office at 1-800-442-8826. The nominees will be contacted to confirm their interest.

Elections will be held at the 2026 ATV MN State Convention/Ride & Rally, during the General Membership Meeting on September 19th. All candidates must be nominated. During the meeting, there will be no nominations accepted from the floor, and no write-in votes will be accepted or counted. Nomination forms must be received by the ATV MN office no later than 4:30 p.m. on July 31, 2026. Accompanying the nomination form is a page titled "Responsibilities and Expectations of Officers" for the three open board positions.

*(Graphic by Dean Schliek, QR code and link provided by Erv Kleinschmidt)*





## **Building Solid Bridges...And Strong Partnerships**

### ***A Testament To The Dedication And Commitment Of Minnesota's ATV Clubs And Their Members***

The Pyrite OHV campground opened June 12th, but one piece was missing: a boardwalk connecting it to Tower-Soudan and its many rider services. Unfortunately, the DNR trail-building crew was booked, as were other Parks & Trails staff members.

So members of the Prospector and Babbitt ATV clubs, and Breitung Township, stepped in to help. They got DNR permission, and spent two weeks building the

boardwalks (and swatting bugs), completing the job so the 2-mile connector trail could open on June 16th instead of later this summer.

**This is what Minnesota's ATV clubs do.** This and many other examples show cooperation and dedication at the highest level -- clubs working together, clubs partnering with local, state and federal agencies, clubs advancing our state's trail system to the benefit of riders and local communities. Thanks to all involved!

**Every ATV trail rider in Minnesota, and every State Legislator (especially those opposed to motorized recreation) should hear this story. Please share it with your ATV club, your Legislators, your land commissioners, and your ride group!**

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## **Two New Regional Directors Jump Into Action**

At the March 28th ATV Minnesota Vision Conference, two ATV MN members stepped up to be Regional Directors. And immediately went to work. Promoting our State Association, its mission and programs, as well as publicizing our State Convention/Ride & Rally in September.

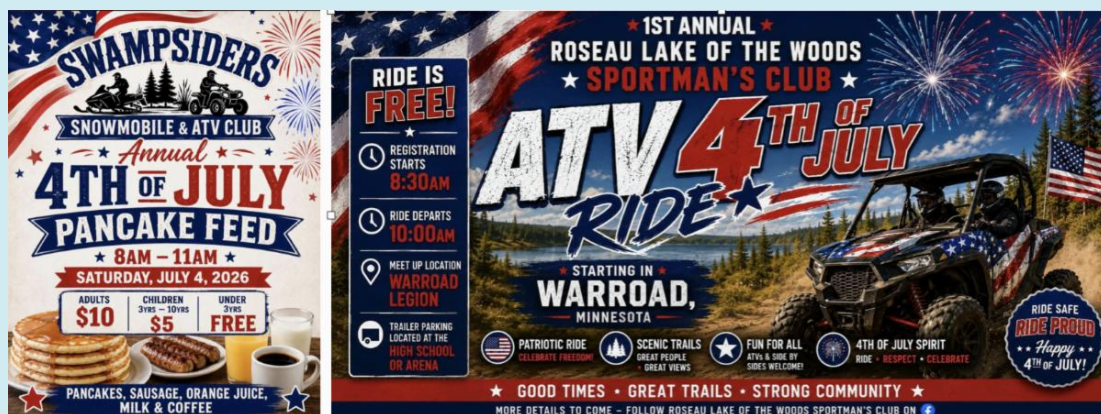
### **One or both of them attended, set up booths and visited with riders at:**

- Northern OffRoad Expo in Brainerd, April 9-10
- ATV MN Ride & Roast in Meadowlands, May 16th
- MN ATV Riders Ride & Hot Dog Roast, May 23rd
- Lids 4 Kids at Hilmerson Sports Center in Little Falls, May 30th
- Brainerd Youth Expo, June 6th
- Crow Wing County Fair, with local clubs, June 11th
- ATV Safety Classes as Instructors, and Trail Ambassador rides
- Rides, meetings and events of their respective clubs.

Thanks to Lynn, Dean, and all the active ATV MN Regional Directors who are putting their best foot forward, promoting safe, responsible riding, building and maintaining trail systems, and doing everything they can to create a positive future for ATV riding in Minnesota!

## **Celebrate July 4th With Food And Fun**

*Send In Your Ride & Event Fliers (to [d.halsey@atvmn.org](mailto:d.halsey@atvmn.org))*



## ATV MINNESOTA "Your Voice To Ride" (And Have Fun!)

Seventy-three dedicated ATV clubs and their volunteers, building and maintaining fun, sustainable ATV trails for the riding public (and bridges, boardwalks, kiosks, parking, selfie stations and more).

**Invite friends and family to join today.  
Gift memberships available!**

*Photo by Greg MacDonald: It's not too early to reserve lodging or camping, and register to attend the ATV MN Ride & Rally! There is on-site camping, vendor spaces, and sponsor opportunities. Details in the article above, and at [atvmn.org](http://atvmn.org).*

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**See the mailing label on your Minnesota Wheelin magazine for your membership renewal date.** Be sure to include your email address on the renewal form we send you to

receive our twice-monthly newsletter. Send renewals to ATV MN, PO Box 300, Stacy, MN 55079. You can also join/renew at [atvmn.org](http://atvmn.org).

Belonging to ATV Minnesota, you join thousands of riders throughout the state, have fun, and help create a positive future for ATV recreation in Minnesota.



**As a family or individual member, for \$30, you receive:**

- A subscription to Minnesota Wheelin magazine (published times 6 a year).
- Twice-monthly newsletter by email with the latest news.
- Membership card and ATV MN logo sticker for your ATV.
- Invitations to events, including our Legislative Summit, Vision Conference, and State Convention "Ride & Rally" in the fall, as well as membership meetings.
- A full-time lobbyist at the State Capitol, helping create pro-ATV legislation, and moving forward bills to provide funding for new trail systems.

**As a business member, for \$90 you receive:**

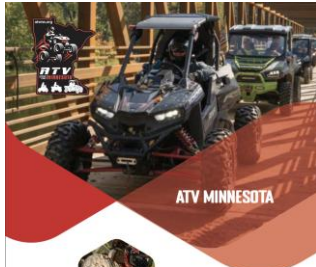
All of the above, plus:

- Your business name and contact information listed in our Minnesota Wheelin magazine and on the ATV Minnesota website.
  - Discounts on advertising in Minnesota Wheelin. For details on rates and deadlines, send an email to Creston Dorothy at Pro Print in Duluth: [cdorothy@proprintus.com](mailto:cdorothy@proprintus.com).**
  - Opportunities to reach more customers by sponsoring or donating to our events.
- To join, contact **ATVAM** or call (800) 442-8826.

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- Timber Bay Lodge & Houseboats** (\$2,500 Bronze Sponsorship) - Visit [timberbay.com](http://timberbay.com) to learn about its amazing lodges (sleep up to 15), traditional cabins and fleet of houseboats. Timber Bay Lodge & Houseboats is on the south shore of Birch Lake, near Babbitt, **with direct access by ATV to the Prospector Trail system.** Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/timberbaylodge>



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**To learn more, visit [atvmn.org](http://atvmn.org) and tap the "Sponsorships" tab.**



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