



ATV Minnesota

"Your Voice For ATV Recreation in Minnesota"

Member Newsletter

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2026 Ride & Rally Recap:

Impressive Numbers, And Some Big Thank-you's



Group Photo LtoR: Senators Paul Utke, Mark Johnson, John Jasinski, Andrew Lang, MN DNR assistant commissioner Bob Meier, Director DNR Enforcement Col. Rodmen Smith. Lower photo: Perry May (left), Dean Schliek, elected ATV MN president and First VP, respectively. Photos from Jeff Anderson, ATV MN, and club Facebook posts. Thanks to all contributors!



What a Weekend!

- 153 major sponsors and donors, a new record
- 35 RVs at the on-site camping area
- 10 vendors

displaying ATVs and other products

- 7 Class 2 ATVs provided for legislators, DNR, other guests (4 from Polaris, 3 from BRP, thanks to both!)

Friday

- 103 ATVs participated in the President's Ride
- 200+ riders, including legislators, DNR and other guests
- 95 riders attended Music Bingo, provided by Organized Chaos, Grand Rapids

Saturday

- 407 registered riders (including 89 walk-in riders registered)
- 3 guided rides in 3 State Forests, on Smoky Hills, Forest Riders and Round River Drive Trails
- 3 executive board members elected: Perry May, president; Dean Schliek, First VP; Nick Wognum re-elected secretary
- 40 Twig Area Trail Riders members at the banquet (33 during the club count) to take home the "Best In Show" traveling trophy

Announcements

- **2027 Ride & Roast** will be hosted by the North Woods Quads ATV Club, at Trails Inn Quadna Mountain Motel & RV Park, Hill City, May, 2027 date TBD

- **ATV MN is accepting applications** from clubs to host the September 2027 ATV MN State Convention/Ride & Rally, and the May 2028 ATV MN Ride & Roast

- **The 2028 ATV MN State Convention/Ride & Rally** will be hosted by Voyageur Country ATV, in Crane Lake



Thanks A Million To:

- Chief organizer Lynn Kramer (center in photo), her family members Ella and Owen, and a team of volunteers from all the host clubs, guided ride leaders, and many volunteers who set up for the event and cleaned up afterwards.

- All 153 sponsors, especially the major sponsors: **Loney Sales & Service/CFMOTO, Park Rapids CVB, Up North Power & Sports, Rainy Lake Houseboats**, plus 3 Full-Throttle Sponsors, 14 Half-Throttle Sponsors, Group Ride Sponsors and many Donor Sponsors.

- Polaris and BRP for providing SxSs for guests to ride in, and attending Ride & Rally.

- All the legislators and their family members and staff who attended, including:

Senator John Jasinski, Senator Andrew Lang, Senator Mark Johnson, Rep Cal Warwas, Senator Rob Kupec, Amy Zipko, Rep Mary Franson, Senator Paul Utke, Rep Josh Heintzeman, Rep Roger Skraba, Rep Peter Fischer, Rep Mike Wiener

- Everyone attending from the Minnesota DNR: Assistant Commissioner Bob Meier, Director of Enforcement Rodmen Smith, John Waters and many regional and St. Paul staff members.

- Erv, Jenn and Cindy for many months registering riders, managing payments, working with Lynn on countless organizing and financial details, plus managing the check-in table, gear sales and much more. Thanks to Nick, Dean and others for taking event photos.

- Everyone who bought a raffle ticket for the CFMOTO SxS and trailer, recteq grill and \$500. Your support helps fund the many projects and programs of the host clubs. Winners were announced at the banquet: Rylen G - CFMOTO SxS and trailer, Debby B - recteq grill, Riley C - \$500.

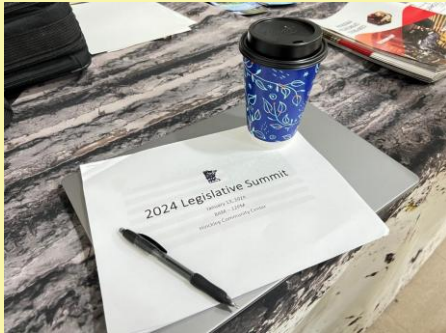
- **Ron Potter, for 8 years serving as ATV MN president, and who also helped organize Ride & Rally, with many trips to Park Rapids for meetings with the host clubs.**

Watch for more Ride & Rally details in future ATV MN newsletters and in the next issue of Minnesota Wheelin, our member magazine. You can also see many more photos and videos on the Facebook pages of ATV MN and many of the ATV clubs that attended.



Photos - Top left: Rep Roger Skraba. Top right: Rep Peter Fischer. Lower left: Twig Area Trail Riders president Pete Olson (left), and Chris Rokke, club VP and ATV MN NE regional

director, with the "Best in Show" trophy.



Save The Date!

ATV MN Legislative Summit

An important meeting, in preparation for the 2027 Legislative Session, which begins January 12th

When: Saturday, December 5, 2026

Time: 8 a.m. to 12 noon

Where: Meeting room at the Tulibee Tavern, 235 Main Street, Wahkon MN

Online registration will open soon. More details on the meeting will be sent to all ATV MN member clubs prior to the next statewide board meeting, October 20th. All club presidents or representatives are invited to attend the meeting using Zoom.

The future of ATV riding in Minnesota starts at the Legislative Summit. It's your ATV club's opportunity to submit resolutions to be prioritized and voted on, giving ATV Minnesota and its lobbyist direction and priority on what Legislative issues will be pursued during the 2027 Legislative Session. All ATV Minnesota clubs are invited to send representatives.

The owner of Tulibee Tavern, Rob Dubbs, is also president of the Mille Lacs Drift Skippers Snowmobile and ATV Club. Rob is an ATV MN member and his business is a new ATV MN business member. His club maintains trail sections

on the South Soo Line, Foxy Loop, and Red Top trails. The location of this meeting will be in Mille Lacs County and in the ATV MN Central Region.

I want to thank Drift Skippers club member Gordon Heitke for working with Rob on getting us this meeting space, and rental details, and thanks to Erv for ensuring we have a rental agreement in place. Rob is offering this meeting room space at no cost to ATV MN. We are planning to charge each attendee \$20 to cover the costs related to food, (morning breakfast snacks, lunch, coffee, juice water) and printed handout materials.

Thank you,

Perry May

ATV MN President (Elect)



FINLAND SNOWMOBILE AND ATV CLUB

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26TH, 2026

FAMILY FUN POKER RUN

Clair Nelson Center
FINLAND MINNESOTA

\$10 PER CARD
ALL AGES WELCOME TO PLAY

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DAKOTA SXS & ATV CLUB
EST. 2025

RIBFEST & RIDE

BBQ CONTEST

FOOD ★ RIDE ★ COMMUNITY
ATV RIDE LEAVES AT 10:30AM

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Northwoods Riders OHV Club
BEMIDJI, MN

ATV/UTV FALL COLOR RIDE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26TH

LEAVING AT 10:00AM
FROM SCRAMBIE'S TRAILSIDE TAVERN

FULL MENU AFTER THE RIDE
PRIME RIB & WALLEYE SPECIALS

DRAWINGS DURING THE RIDE

Saturday, September 26, 2026 at 9:30 AM
Scrambie's fall color ride
Public • Event by Bemidji Northwoods Riders OHV Club

4th ANNUAL 4-Wheelin' FOR KIDS WITH CANCER!

Saturday, September 26, 2026

- Guided Trail Rides • Lunch •
- Johnson Family Presentation •

All proceeds benefit the Zachary Johnson kids with Cancer Fund!

For questions, contact Randy or Sheila Avenson at
rsavenson@gmail.com, 218-839-1092 or 218-232-7150.

REGISTRATION: Base fee is \$25 per machine which covers registration for up to two people. Additional fee of \$5 for each additional person beyond the initial two participants. Deadline to register is Sunday, September 20th. Registration forms can be found at centrallakesatvclub.com.

LOCATION AND MORE DETAILS: Miller-Black Bear Trail System Section 6 parking area. First ride will leave approximately 10:00AM. Lunch will be ready at Noon followed by a program with updates on the Zachary Johnson Kids with Cancer Fund.

Event is sponsored by the Central Lakes ATV Club

Central Lakes ATV Club was founded in 2006 to preserve and promote responsible ATV/UTV recreation and use in our area. ATV/UTV riding is one of the fastest growing outdoor activities in Minnesota and owners are looking for areas to ride with their families and friends.

Riverwood FOUNDATION

CENTRAL LAKES ATV CLUB

Fall is the best time to ride!

Check for more fun rides and events
on the Facebook page of your club and
others where you live or ride.



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"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 (plus bridges, boardwalks, kiosks, parking, selfie stations and more).



Invite friends and family to join today.

Gift memberships available!

Photo: Many thanks to Ron Potter for 8 years of service as ATV MN president, tackling countless issues, and moving forward ATV legislation, and many ATV MN and ATV club programs and projects.

Send your personal or club messages of thanks to Ron for his positive impact on our ATV trails and our State Association, at rgpotter109@gmail.com. Thanks Ron!

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twice-monthly newsletter. Send renewals to ATV MN, PO Box 300, Stacy, MN 55079. You can also join/renew at 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, "Ride & Roast" in spring, 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.

-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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Facebook page at:

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