



March 2013

## FUN NIGHT!!

The Grand Forks ATV Club held a Fun Night at Clyde's pub on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> to show appreciation to their members and update them regarding the Club's mapping project.

The over 50 members and guests were heard to be exclaiming "what a great time they were having", "the food was great" and, "the laughs were long."

Guest speakers included two representatives from ATVBC, Boundary Weed Management, Ministry of Lands, Parks and Recreations. A special thanks to Ray Johnson for his humor and wit while doing the prize draws and a "job well done" to the emcee, Doug Zorn.

## CLUB MEETING

Club meeting was held on February 16<sup>th</sup> at the Station Pub. There were 16 members and guests, and 3 executive members present. There are funds available to complete the mapping project and also enough funds for upcoming events later this year. The mapping project was reviewed and final copies of large maps, map books and kiosk maps will be available soon.

## BOUNDARY COUNTRY TRAILS AGREEMENT

***A community solution to the conflicts of trail use.***

There will be a meeting in March to review the Boundary Country Trails Agreement. This will be an agreement of cooperation among all users.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

The Reverse Draw will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup> at the Grand Forks Seniors Center. Anyone wanting to help with this event please contact Pat Blew by e-mail ([hplew@telus.net](mailto:hplew@telus.net)) or phone (250-443-3072)

Loading/ unloading ramps will be installed in early spring at 28 Mile Bridge and the Bluejoint Staging Area. ***Everyone is hoping for an early spring so they can start riding.***

## MYSTERY PHOTO



This old piece of equipment is located approximately 14 km from 28 Mile Bridge. Send your answers to [hplew@telus.net](mailto:hplew@telus.net).

- \*What is it?
- \*What loop trail is it on?
- \*Why was it there?

The photo from last month was taken on the back trail from Roderick Duh to Jewel Lake. Ray Johnson pointed out, "it was near the Lucky Jim Mine. It was either a gas or diesel, I'm not sure, and that it was used for pumping water out of the mine and washing down hillsides". Thank you to all who sent in their answers!

## SAFETY

Spring is around the corner. We rode to Starchuk's Sawmill the other day, a 24 km round trip. You cannot get lost; just follow the two ruts in the snow after Lost Lake.

It's best to give your ATV a good look-over in the spring. Be sure to check your owner's manual for specific maintenance procedures.

- \*When was your last service?
- \*How's the oil level and condition? When, was it last changed?
- \*Is the battery in good condition? Does your machine start normally?
- \*Check your wheels and brakes. Is there play in the bearings?
- \*How are the tires? Pressure, tread and condition should be checked.

If you can, take your machine into your "man cave" and have a good look, it is the best way to make sure your first ride will be a success!! This is also a good time to check your tie downs and ramp as well.