



Newsletter

September 2013

Meeting

Most important GFATV Club meeting: September 14 at 10:00 a.m at the RDKB Building (across from curling rink). Please come!! Some of the agenda includes visitors Les Johnson and Robin Dalziel who will discuss ideas the club may be interested in pursuing; trail updates; rec site news and upcoming events.

Rides

There have been some great rides this year. There are lots of photos on the club's Facebook page, and you can post your photos there as well. Great job Cody, keep the photos coming!! It is a great place to visit. There are no rides planned as of yet for September, please feel free to suggest rides or to offer to lead a ride.

Recreation Site Maintenance

Next scheduled maintenance trip will be September 13 - the day before the club meeting. We will meet at the **28 Mile Bridge** (where the gravel meets the pavement) at **9:30 a.m.**

Wind storms hit the 28 Mile rec site as well as St. Ann's. Bluejoint has some trees down and one tree hit a picnic table. The damage and the amount of trees down needs to be documented so a report can be made to Justin at Parks and Rec Sites. We then can line up the same group that cut trees at the spring clean up at 28 Mile rec site.

If you are riding in the area please take a chain saw. The trail to St. Ann's is now cleared and most trees around 28 Mile Bridge have been cut but there are still 1 or 2 to clean up. The area at and around 8 Mile have been cleared as well. Lots of trees down around 19 km on the Burrell.



Mystery Photo: This was a hard one (taken by Cody Zorn). It is the top of Bluejoint, at the lookout. A family ride took them to the "parking lot", and then a few "younger" legs took the 45 minute hike up to the station. One comment heard was "Well, if I go... just leave me here".

Safety Tips

- Now that the nights are getting colder, the air pressure in your tires should be checked before each ride. This is very important; tire pressure can affect the handling and performance of your ATV.
- In the fall, trail conditions can change as you reach higher elevations. There may even be a snow in some areas.
- Protective gear and clothing is highly recommended. Bring a few thermal layers that can be added or removed.
- Show respect to all wildlife, vegetation and other trail users.
- When you pass another trail user, slow down to a crawl or even stop until the other user has passed. Passing at a high speed, is a regular complaint in the Grand Forks area.

Please ride safe!

A few Photos from our ATV Club ride to Edgewood



Above: The group having lunch in Edgewood. Was a beautiful day and the lake was quite low. By: Cody Zorn

Below: A panoramic picture Cody took on the Renata Forest Service Road. To the left (north) is where we came from and on the right is the road heading south to where we headed over to Deadeye.





Above: The group sitting at Johnson's landing. A few even went for a swim in the Lower Arrow.