

Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club Mid June 2023 Newsletter



The Woodtick Wheelers MN DNR Volunteer Trail Ambassador's, along with **Cass County Sheriff Department** and **MN DNR** - completed the last of 3 classes the ATV club is planned for this year.

Some numbers = Total of **69** youths, ages 10 – 15 years old.- **23** for May 6th class – **22** for June 10th am class – **24** for June 10th pm class. Also the parent or guardian for each student.



Above left– Cass County Sheriff Deputy Travis Collette, MN DNR Conservation Jacqueline Hughes, Class instructor Craig Wadzink.

Center – A full class

Right – Class instructor demonstrates proper ATV fit with volunteer student.

Letter from Woodtick Wheelers Vice President/Safety Officer Craig Wadzink

TO: DNR-CERTIFIED SAFETY INSTRUCTORS/TA's, CLUB VOLUNTEERS, LAW ENFORCEMENT

Thank you for your valuable time and support on making the youth hands-on ATV safety classes held on Saturday, June 10th most successful. It takes a “village” of helpers to set up, coordinate and execute these classes and all of you were up for the challenge! We certified 46 youths, from ages 10 – 15 years old. We continued with some new ideas this year in the classroom...

-Had a youth model ATV by CFMOTO, loaned from Loney Sales, used as a training aid (prop) for visual demonstrations.

-New seating arrangement to enhance participants front facing learning and engagement.

-Requested parents/grandparents to sit upfront with their children and participate in their learning so they can continue reinforcing this new learned behavior for future safe ATV operation.

Special thanks to Sherrie Gayken and Juile Bell as co-instructors who delivered the quizzes. Based on the number of positive comments received from the students' parents/grandparents, the classroom review as well the outside rider course were excellent and very much appreciated.

Following is a quote from an email I received this morning from a parent, Daniel Scribner:

“You guys put on a phenomenal class. I have been through one myself (some years ago) and seen other classes done and your's was a step above! Great job. Thank you for brushing me up on safety, regulations, and making it a fun experience for my son and I. Have a great day!”

Sincere thanks goes out to our law enforcement partners (Deputies Chad Emery and Travis Collette; Lieutenant Brad Rittgers; DNR CO Jacqueline Hughes) who were a significant part of helping make the safety class so successful.

Thank you, thank you for helping our youths become more educated and safer ATV operators.

Please forward this note to anyone I may have missed.

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Thank You Loney Sales



Youth model ATV by CFMOTO,
loaned from Loney Sales, for static display.



Woodtick Wheeler board member & MN DNR
Volunteer Trail Ambassador Julie Bell
Assist with the Test and answer review.
All students passed.

Thank You - Chris and Heather Emerson's donated the use of their youth ATV.

Again- Chris brought their Youth ATV, many students used this ATV to complete the rider course portion of the class.

Woodtick's Invade Paul Bunyan Forest

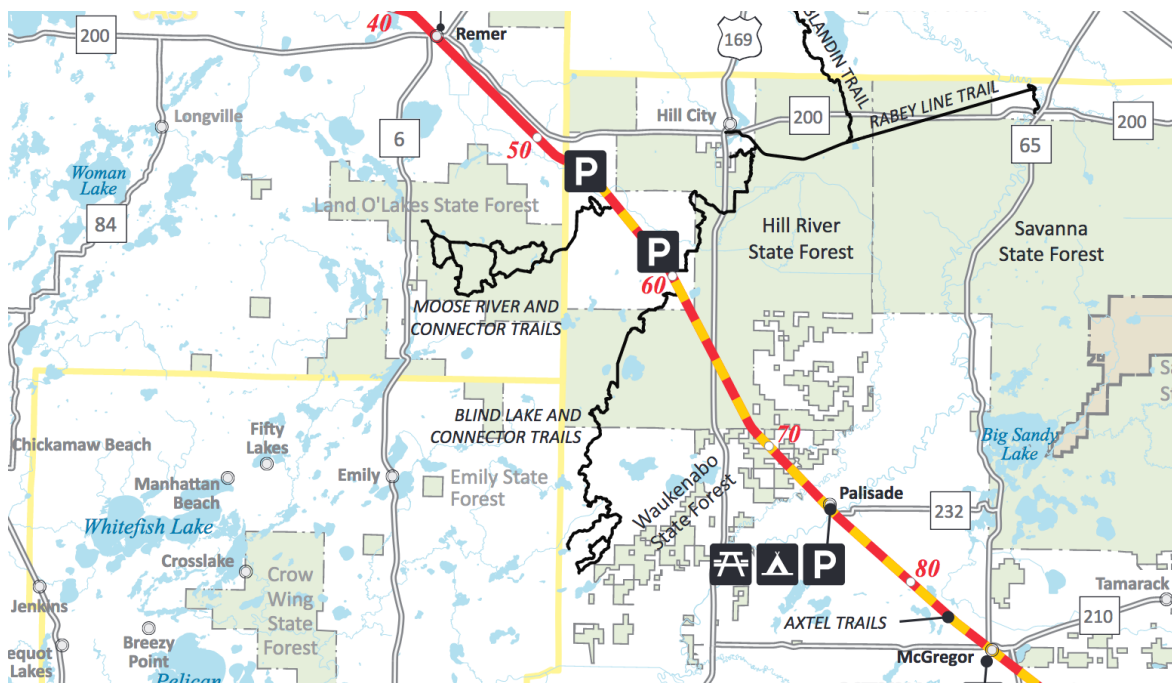
On June 3rd 2023 The Woodticks rode the Round River Drive Trail in the Paul Bunyan Forest. Perfect weather in the mid to high 70's, a little dusty. 1 class I - 8 class II – 13 members one guest rider from the Timberland Dirt Devils. We road for 4 hours with stops, ended back at Stompin Grounds where we enjoyed lunch.



Fun lunch at the STOMPIN GROUNDS

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 24 - Club Ride, Swatara MN. 900am Soo line North parking in Swatara, ride out on the Hill City and Quadna Mountain trails. Back for cookout at Swatara parking area for lunch, Paul will bring club gas grill, some hamburger and brats, hotdogs, buns and chips. Bring your own beverages. After lunch we will then ride on the Blind Lake Trail for approximately 1 hour than turn around and return to Swatara parking.



*****July 4th Longville Parade - Plan to meet in Salem church parking lot at 10 am, *****
Decorate our ATVs and SxSs in patriotic colors. Bring candy to toss to the kids. The parade starts at 11 am.

Mid Week Rides! There was interest stated by many club members for mid week rides. Lets do it! If you are looking for meeting some where. send me an email, and I can forward to the membership letting them know about it, There needs to be some coordination on where, when and who is going to show up. Keep it fun and safe!

The Club ride schedule is on the Woodtickwheelers.com website.
We will also post rides to our Facebook page

If any Club member in good standing is interested in committing some time to help the club thrive and grow, you can do this by becoming a board member. Send me an email expressing your interest so I can contact you when an opening occurs.

The Woodtick Wheelers Board of Directors, -Paul Vashro President, - Craig Wadzink Vice President/Safety Officer, - Dave Shaw Treasurer/Membership, - Scott Agree, - Chris Emerson, - Heather Emerson, - Brian Markley, - Julie Bell, - David Kane.

Send your interesting Pictures and stories to the club at pavashro@gmail.com

Don't forget to say thanks to all the businesses that support our club! And Please continue to support them:

American Legion Post 202 / Hackensack, Arrowhead Builders Supply / Longville, A&N Computers / St Cloud, Bear Pause Theater, Big Dipper Restaurant, Birchwood Char House and Bar/ Hackensack, First National Bank North, Hartmann Recycling / St. Cloud, Ironside Trailer Sales & Service / Harmony, Larson Construction, Lakes Area Powersports / Walker, Loney Sales and Service / Walker, North Lakes Marine & Auto / Longville, Ray's Sport and Cycle / Grand Rapids, Remer Motel & Campground, The One Stop / Longville, Select Seamless Gutters / Cross Lake, Trosen Electric / Hackensack, Stomping 'Grounds / Akeley, Swanson's Bait and Tackle / Hackensack, Southside Fuel Plus,
(Let us know if we forgot anyone)

"Parting Shot"



"I got bit hard"

"Come Ride With Us!"

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