

Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club December 2023 Newsletter



Greetings fellow Woodticks, not a lot of club activity or rides to report for November.

The big news for the club is that we applied for and were awarded a Polaris T.R.A.I.L.S. grant. The fall 2023 grant program from Polaris donates over \$100,000.00 to Off-Road and Snow Organizations thru its Fall 2023 TRAILS Grants. To read the full press release follow this link. (copy and past into your browser) <https://www.polaris.com/en-us/news/community/polaris-donates-more-than-100000-to-off-road-and-snow-organizations/>

Fall 2023

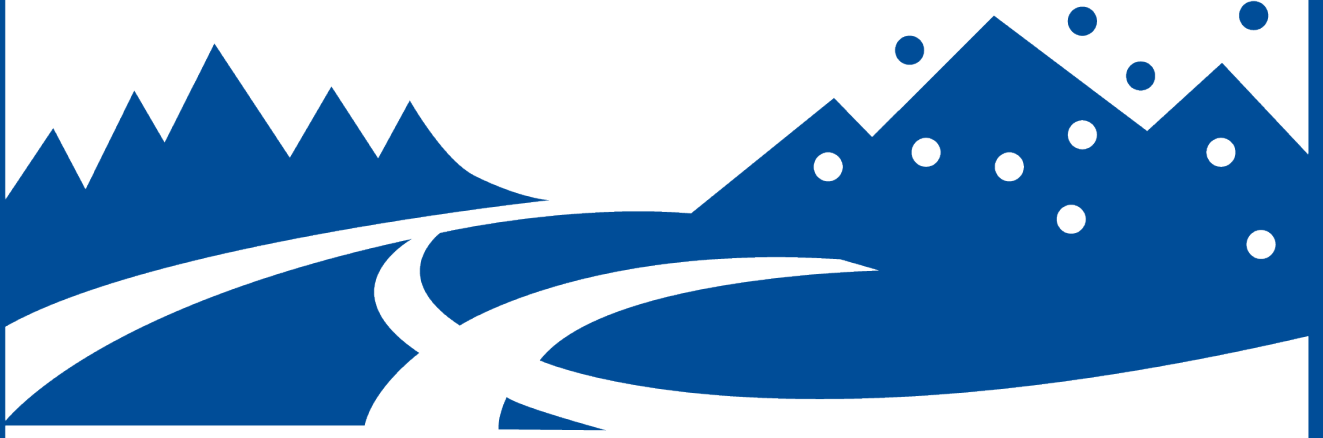
TRAILS Grant Recipients

Grand Lake Trail Grooming Inc.	• Grand Lake, Colorado
Lexington Highlanders Snowmobile Club	• Lexington Township, Maine
Mollyockett Sportsman's Club	• West Paris, Maine
Alborn Sno-Devils Inc	• Alborn, Minnesota
Woodtick Wheelers ATV/OHM Club	• Hackensack, Minnesota
Lutsen TrailBreakers Snowmobile Club	• Lutsen, Minnesota
E C Riders Snowmobile Club Inc.	• Mora, Minnesota
Great North Woods Riders ATV Club	• Pittsburg, N.H.
Sno-Bees Snowmobile Club Inc	• Barre, Vermont
Sno-Eagles Inc.	• Eagle River, Wisconsin
Thompson Valley ORV Club	• Kamloops, BC, Canada

FALL 2023 DOLLARS DONATED: Nearly \$100,000 to 11 organizations
Map of the Fall 2023 Polaris TRAILS GRANTS Recipients

In mid November The Woodtick Wheelers received a check from Polaris to help the club purchase a Youth ATV to use during safety training classes. We will source a New Polaris Sportsman 110 EFI machine, with EFI being important for ease of starting after intervals of non-use. A 2024 model year or even a new 2023 model will meet the requirements of the club.

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GRANT RECIPIENT



Report by Scott Agre

The Cass County Sheriff's Office coordinated search and rescue training on 10/28/23. Cass County Sheriff's Office (Including the **Voluntary Response Unit (VRU)** which includes several Woodtick Wheelers), Hackensack First Responders, North Memorial Ambulance, and Aircare participated in the training.

****** Winter ATV riding may be available! ******

December 16: Getting Loose on the Moose!

Visit **The Over The Hills Gang** website for more information on winter ATV Trail Riding. They will be having Bonfires hot cider and more.

ATV MN Summit Coming soon

The ATV Minnesota Legislative Summit: January 13, 2024
Hinckley Community Center, 8 a.m. to noon.
Visit the ATVMN.org website for more information.

If any club member is interested in participating in this important event, and willing to represent the club, let me know.

Become an ATV Minnesota member! Visit the ATVMN.org website

Minnesota Wheeling Magazine is the official publication of the state ATV organization.

The Minnesota DNR held a Trail Ambassador class on November 18, 2023. To find out when the next class will be held visit the DNR website.

Become a MNDNR Volunteer Trail Ambassador



It is enjoyable and rewarding to ride the many state trails by Volunteering as a MN DNR Trail Ambassador. The DNR held a class November 18th. I did not see another class scheduled at this time, keep checking the DNR website.

To be a MN DNR Trail Ambassador you must also be a Certified volunteer instructor, visit the DNR website for class schedules in your area, classes are filling up quickly.

If any club member has a interest in becoming a Volunteer Trail Ambassador, sign up for TA training!

Visit the MN DNR website for more info and pre-registration. If you have questions on being a trail ambassador please contact Chris Emerson, the club's DNR grant manager, b17489@gmail.com, or club President Paul Vashro, pavashro@gmail.com.

Note !! The below requirement is being met by the Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club, so as a club member in good standing you can participate.

*All individuals wanting to volunteer for the Trail Ambassador program must be sponsored by a local qualified organization. Qualified organizations, or sponsors, (i.e. local OHV clubs) must be willing participants in the Trail Ambassador grant program.

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. Or just become more involved by attending meetings. Send me an email expressing your interest so I can contact you when an opening occurs or help is needed.

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

Watch for upcoming Club meetings in 2024. We will be scheduling a board meeting to set the ride schedule for 2024. All club members are invited to participate in letting us know where you would like to ride, Trails – Cookouts – Restaurants to eat at – or bag lunches !

Members willing to lead club rides are encouraged to attend this board meeting. We will also be planning the Spring membership drive and Pancake Breakfast meeting.

**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,
Big Dipper Restaurant/Hackensack,
First National Bank North,
Hartmann Recycling / St. Cloud,
Ironside Trailer Sales & Service / Harmony,
Lakes Area Powersports / Walker,
Loney Sales and Service / Walker,
Motorheads/Longville,
North Lakes Marine & Auto / Longville,
Ray's Sport and Cycle / Grand Rapids,
Remer Motel & Campground,
Rendezvous Brewing/Hackensack,
The One Stop / Longville,
Select Seamless Gutters / Cross Lake,
Stomping 'Grounds / Akeley,
Swanson's Bait and Tackle / Hackensack,
Southside Fuel Plus,/Hackensack
Trillium Boat Works/Hackensack

(Let us know if we forgot anyone)

Winter is a great time to do needed maintenance on our machines.

Parting Shot

OH WHAT FUN IT IS TO RIDE



Woodtick Wheelers ATV Club wants to wish everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season.

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

“Come Ride With Us!”

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As always open the Woodtick!