

QuadNews



ATV/BC NEWS

What's new at ATV/BC?

by: Zan Boyle

ATV/BC is entering our tenth year. We have recently been advised of the long awaited registration and licensing of ATVs.

ATV/BC was involved in this process as a member of the ORV coalition. For more information on this, please visit our new web site. The new website has information on what is happening in the ATV world. It is the most efficient method to relay information to our members. We would ask that you take the time to register on the site and take advantage of the forums to express your views. We are making every effort to improve communication with our members.

Your input as to what you would like to see on the website is important to us. The site is monitored on a daily basis and information is passed on as quickly as we can. There is an events calendar where we can post your clubs events. You can sign up to have the newsletter sent to you. Ride reports, club projects, club newsletters or anything that may be of interest to other riders are welcomed. With your assistance, we can make this site the "go to place" for quading information in B.C.

ATV/BC continues to work on your behalf, together we can win the right to ride and see this magnificent province on the seat of your choice.



PHOTOS COURTESY ATV/BC

SPRING WORKSHOP: You will have an opportunity to meet with the ATV/BC directors, fellow ATV riders from across the province and educate yourself through a variety of workshops.

CHILLIWACK, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Free spring workshop

ATV/BC presents a free spring workshop at the Coast Chilliwack Hotel

ATV/CBC will be hosting a full day workshop on April 24, 2010 in Chilliwack, B.C. This is a great opportunity for ATV enthusiasts to meet people from across the province and make new friends throughout the day. The workshop is from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., doors open at 8:00 a.m. for registration.

Bridge Building 101

Host Dave Hodgins from the Powell River ATV Club will be showing how an ATV club's can be proactive by bridge building and the steps they take to complete a project. This will include some sources of information that can be found on the web, slide shows and a questions and answer period.

Beginners guide to GPSing

Host "Three Valley AI" from the Revelstoke ATV Club will take those less experienced with the off road style GPS units, explaining how to use them effectively. Bring your own GPS unit as there

will be several people there that will assist during break-out groups and to answer questions. If time allows, several laptops with the Garmin software will be available to show users how to download tracks and waypoints, as well as load them from the computer.

Free Money without the headaches

Host Robert Hergott will be discussing the ability to go after grant money and how to ensure that you do not overwhelm your already taxed volunteers. Robert will also look at one ATV Clubs JOP proposal from last year, and the finished \$235,000 they obtained from four different sources and the partnership that arrived from this endeavor.

Insurance

Host Ken Anderson from Oasis Insurance will bring us up to speed on insurance and Oasis Insurance's program. He will be available to answer any ques-

tions you may have.

ATV BC General Meeting

Interact with ATV/BC as the directors give updates on different projects they have been working on.

SWATT

Join the members of the South Western All Terrain Trail committee as they bring news of what is happening on your local trails. Listen to how this group was formed, and the projects they are working on.

Registration Details

ATV/BC would like to remind you that this is a full day workshop and those registering will be asked to be there for the day. Registrations will be accepted by email to: atvbc@telus.net. Please provide your full name, address and contact number. Registration will be open to club members of ATV/BC for four days prior to the general public. Seating is limited, so please register soon!

WHAT'S NEW AT ATV/BC

New board members

A brief update of the activities of ATV/BC since the 2009 AGM

by WAYNE DREGER

The ATV/BC AGM was held in Elkford this past August. Nine directors were elected, of which three were new: Don Frew (West Kootenay), Wayne Kells (Salmon Arm), and Lisa Bowell (Nanaimo).

Due to health and personal commitments, two of the recently elected directors of ATV/BC resigned their positions. We were very sorry to lose Wayne and Lisa. Dennis Webb was also in a position to return to the board and volunteered to do so. Dennis was a past board member and recently became the past president of the Vernon ATV club. The board looks forward to working with these dedicated new members.

Don Frew

Don was born in Trail, B.C. in 1955. He has been married for over 30 years to Linda and has married with 2 children. Don grew up in Trail and currently resides just outside of Trail in Montrose. As a young lad he did lots of outdoor activities with our parents and in his later years he trained horses for seven years for Dressage just below the level for

the Olympics. He then took an apprenticeship as a carpenter at Caribou College, completing his trade in 1979 as a carpenter. Don is employed as an operator with Teck in Trail and has 32 years service with this company.

Don rode on the back of a machine until he acquired his own ATV on his 50th birthday and became a safety instructor in 2008. To date, Don has certified 20 people through the Canada Safety Council program.

In August 2009 Don and Linda wife attended the AGM and Jamboree in Elkford and was nominated for the role of director. The rest is history now as I am a director for ATV/BC and am enjoying it. The people who are involved with this club are down to earth and are doing a lot for the province and I am happy and proud to be a part of their organization.

Robert Hergott

One of Robert's first quad experience was on his brother's 1985 (ish) Honda 185s on their farm in Rosedale, BC. It was difficult to drive as the front axle had no suspension whatsoever.

After leaving the farm, quad

riding for Robert was mostly for work until moving to Fort St John in 2002. In 2004 he started borrowing a few machines to go out and do trail maintenance with the local club, and later joined the Moose ATV Club in 2005.

Robert bought his first quad (a BRP 800cc 2up) in 2006 so he could get his wife and kids out more often and became president of the Moose Club in October, 2007. He loves to ride all over the province with people he has met through ATV/BC and the local clubs and has had the pleasure of riding such areas as the Fraser Valley, Sicamous, Kamloops, Hedley, Princeton, Northern BC and has planned trips to Elkford, Revelstoke and Vernon.

He has met so many fantastic people through ATV/BC and he looks forward to future rides and events the organization puts on.

"Our local club has been quite busy this year, but with their fantastic support I am able to enter the provincial arena to help combat those that oppose our right to enjoy this great province and the many areas it has to offer".

CLUB NEWS

Membership committee report

ATV/BC has understood the need to better support families and youth. In 2009 ATV/BC developed a new secondary class of membership with dues reduced for a spouse by \$15 vs the price of a primary membership. The membership committee also recommended that for the next year the board make the necessary bylaw changes and institute an all-inclusive family membership which would allow spouse and children in the same household to join ATV/BC at one low price. The requisite bylaw changes were completed and approved at the AGM in Elkford.

For 2010 the board has approved this new class of membership; a Family Membership which includes spouse and children living at the same address. Under this family membership each of mom and dad hold voting memberships; children at the same address under age 19 enjoy the privileges of membership except a vote.

A new form allows all family members to be entered on one page, ATV/BC decals and membership cards are issued and mailed from the office independently of the membership forms. This also allows us to obtain less expensive forms as well as give a confirmation to new members from the provincial association.

ATV/BC dues for the 3 classes of membership are:

Primary Member:

\$40 (no change)

Secondary Member:

\$25 (no change, spouse at same address)

Family Membership:

\$75 (new - includes primary + secondary + children under age 19)

ORV management framework improved

Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts addresses concerns about ORV

The following is a letter from Kevin Kruger, Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts to ATV/BC.

Thank you for your insights, hard work and support to help improve off-road vehicle (ORV) management in British Columbia. A solution has been a long time in the making, and has involved discussions with many people and organizations to identify shared interests and

workable approaches for moving forward.

I am pleased to inform you of Government's decision on an improved ORV management framework which addresses rider safety, environmental protection, vehicle registration with better identification, and the ability to cross public roads in a more convenient manner. Federal and private lands are excluded. Key improvements to

the ORV management framework include:

Registration and Licensing:

- Mandatory vehicle registration of all ORVs at sale and resale.

- A more visible licence plate or decal which will assist compliance and enforcement efforts in identifying irresponsible ORV riders and help track stolen ORVs.

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• An expanded definition of ORVs will include all-terrain vehicles and dirt bikes; this will allow local government to enact bylaws for all ORVs.

Public Road Crossings:

• All ORV riders will be able to legally cross public roads and highways or portions of the right-of-way at designated locations with an optional annual vehicle licence and basic insurance. These crossings will connect our rural communities and support a world-class trail network.

Safety:

• All ORV riders will be required to wear a helmet and use lights for low-visibility conditions. Seatbelts will be required to be worn, where installed by the manufacturer.

• Additional measures to better protect youth under 16 years of age will include adult supervision, appropriately-sized machines for age and weight of drivers, and reduced speed limits.

Environment:

• Improved muffler standards for ORVs will reduce noise disturbance to wildlife and recreationists; spark arrestors will reduce the risk of forest fires.

• British Columbia supports the Federal Government's proposed emission standards for ORVs under the Marine Spark-Ignition Engine and Off-Road

Recreational Vehicle Emission Regulations; once approved, these standards will apply in British Columbia.

Compliance & Enforcement:

• A provincial ORV compliance and enforcement strategy will be developed and will include an education component to help achieve voluntary compliance.

Registration and licensing costs will be based on a user-pay approach, comparable to other small vehicles. The Province will work closely with the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia (ICBC) to implement service delivery within two years. This time frame is needed to address matters such as ICBC's system upgrades and allow for a smooth business transition for front-line brokers.

Milestones which led to this decision include:

• In 2005, the ORV Coalition, comprised of ten key stakeholder associations, produced a report with 47 recommendations to address longstanding ORV management issues.

• In 2006, the Coroners Service of British Columbia, Child Death Review Unit, recommended an improved ORV regulatory framework to help address ORV accidents resulting in injuries to youths and deaths.

• In early 2009, during the review of the proposed Provincial Trails Strategy, there was strong overall public support for a strategy improving ORV manage-

ment. I would like to highlight that this strategy is an essential component of the ORV management framework. For more information, please refer to our web site at: www.sitesandtrails-bc.ca/about/provincial-trail-strategy.aspx.

• Over the years, the Union of British Columbia Municipalities has passed nine resolutions requesting an improved ORV management regime.

• In September 2009, the BC Chamber of Commerce recommended that government immediately institute the registration of ORVs and explore options to implement the remainder of the ORV Coalition's recommendations.

Through extensive dialogue over the years, we have learned that ORV issues are complex and achieving consensus among the range of parties is challenging. We also found that there were many aspects of shared interest and a spirit of compromise in order to make progress.

We will continue to work with our key stakeholder associations, agencies and resource ministries as we develop ORV regulations and policy.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

Kevin Krueger
Minister of Tourism,
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National trails coalition update

Coming to a trail near you

All across Canada at this very moment there are 468 projects in various states of construction. Some have already being completed! The Regional Trail Coordinators and Regional Advisory Councils for each province have been working tirelessly to bring viable projects to the National

Trails Coalition board table for approval. The diversity of the projects matches the diversity of this Country. From coast to coast our Canadian Trails are being refurbished, cleared, brushed and given new surfacing.

There are provincial snowmobile projects that will compile

GPS coordinates and map thousands of kilometers of trails. Other projects involve new bridges, boardwalks, trail heads and new signage. Our Canadian trails are places to get back to nature, learn about our Canadian history and experience firsthand an active way of life.

CLUB NEWS

Why should you join an ATV club

What are the main benefits of belonging to ATV/BC?

- Membership trail pass decal to place on your quad, plus a membership card
- Four newsletters per riding season
- Four magazines from Kooacanusa Publishing
- Large discounts on insurance policies for members
- A Provincial body acting as an advocate for quad riders and their interests
- Strength in numbers when dealing with the various government agencies and special interest groups
- All members are eligible to attend the Provincial Annual General Meeting and Jam-boree

What are the main benefits of belonging to a Club?

- Riding with friends
- Eligible for discount benefits for insurance premiums
- Monthly rides or events: 3
- Campouts: 4 or more
- Meeting new people with similar interests
- Club is insured for liability for group Club events by ATV/BC
- Protecting and insuring your right to ride in your local area

Visit our website at:
www.atvbc.ca/clubs for a listing of all clubs.
 For a listing of the board of directors go to:
www.atvbc.ca/board/



DAVE HODGINS PHOTOS

BUILDING BRIDGES: A grant from the COHV has enabled the Powell River ATV Club to build and replace two bridges to assure safe and responsible access to the backcountry for recreational users.

ATV club builds vital bridges

Grant from ATV sources provides access to the backcountry

by DAVE HODGINS

Through funding that became available in late October, 2009 the Powell River ATV Club applied for and received a grant from ATV/BC and the Canadian Off-Highway Vehicle Distributors Council (COHV). This was used to rebuild two bridges on the Blue Trail.

Interpretive Trail System

This trail was originally built by the B.C. Forest Service (1984) as an interpretive trail system for students in our local schools. Since this time nature has taken it course and the users have changed from hiking to multi-use. This was not a good idea because we had horse riders and motorized recreation going through fish bearing streams.

With the very short time frame of 2 months to complete, our Wednesday Trail crew came to

our aid. This group can be as large as 25 members who show up every week. We tackled these projects with no less than 10 members each day.

Over the next few weeks in rain, high winds and very little sunshine the two bridges were replaced. The longest bridge was a 50 ft span and the shortest bridge was 27 ft.

All of the materials had to be transported by quad or hauled by quad trailer to the locations. On completion other various trail issues were resolved to make it safer. This project was even more important as this area is very heavily used by all types of people. It raises the awareness of being a responsible club for the environment.

Our club over the last three years has built over 50 structures to protect wetlands and streams.

Our motto when working on trails is we do not drive through wetlands. We are as well blessed with a strong club membership support system, who all value the sport and the environment.

Access issues stem from environmental issues and not observing of other peoples rights of access. We can all share this wonderful resource, but we as well must respect others. Since Powell River is blessed with a large area of back country to explore it would to a major loss.

Respect the environment

The Powell River ATV Club maintains over 300 kilometers of trail, plus accessing active main logging roads. It is easy to exceed 100km in a day and not repeat the trip. The future of our sport and others is to have mutual respect for others, the wildlife and the environment.



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NEWS

Win a 2010 Polaris 500 H.O. ATV

Tickets are now on sale for the 2010 Poker Ride annual raffle draw. This year's grand prize is a 2010 Polaris 500 H.O. ATV, retail value is approximately \$7,499.

There are only 1,900 tickets printed and are reasonably priced at just \$10 each. If you would like to purchase tickets, please contact your local ATV Clubs director.

This powerful model is ideal for ATV trail riding, ATV hunting, and is the perfect Utility ATV.

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- Legendary smooth independent rear suspension (IRS)



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ATV/BC on CBC TV News

New regulations for off-road vehicles will be in place by 2011.

The Minister of Tourism, Culture and the Arts, Kevin Krueger is calling for registration, licensing, and age appropriate safety measures.

The 1st vice president for ATV/BC, Jeff Mohr was interviewed by CBC television in Prince George recently. For more information about this interview, please check-out the link to watch the video: <http://www.ckpg.com/news/7665-atv-licensevideo.html>



VERNON POKER RIDE 2009: (Top row) Overlooking high above Kalamalka Lake; hitting the trail through the grass lands; (bottom row) King Eddy Plateau; overlooking the Coldstream Valley.

2010 ATV Jamboree is shaping up

The 2010 ATV/BC AGM and Jamboree will be taking place in Vernon

by GRAHAME GO

The Okanagan has a reputation of being a spectacular four season outdoor playground. The area offers many recreation activities ranging from golfing, skiing, water sports, wine tasting, and of course ATVing.

Vernon ATV club

The Vernon ATV Club has seen its membership almost double over last year because of the increasing popularity of the sport. The north Okanagan offers thousands of miles of scenic trails throughout the region. ATVing trails are right in our backyard. With such easy access, it is no wonder that membership has grown rapidly.

AGM/Jamboree

The Vernon ATV Club is a very active club offering rides almost ever weekend through February until the next heavy snowfall. With an active club comes dedicated members who wish to contribute in promoting; safety, preservation of the environment and educating new riders. We all have the common goal of preserving our right to ride and enjoy the spectacular Okanagan outdoors. One of the activities

that the club has taken on this year is to host the annual ATV/BC AGM and Jamboree this August 18th to 21st 2010. The club will be guiding registered participants on different trails each day starting with a Wednesday ride.

The ATV/BC annual general meeting will be held on Friday August 20th, 2010 at the campsite area only a few miles from the city of Vernon.

The Vernon ATV Club will also be hosting an incredible bbq steak dinner on the Saturday night after the Saturday ride. The cost of this event that also includes the steak dinner and camping site is \$100. There will be four days of guided riding that will cater to the novice to the advanced riders. We will be dividing the riders based on their skill levels or the type of riding that they wish to adventure in to.

The Vernon ATV Club has worked and will continue to work on the ongoing task of rejuvenating trails and to make this even another memorable Vernon ATV Club event.

Poker Ride

The Vernon ATV Club also

hosts another annual Poker Ride. This is our third annual Vernon ATV Club Poker Ride that is to be held on October 3rd, 2010. I hope you plan to attend this great event.

The top prize for the best poker hand is a trip to Mexico for two. Camping is also offered at this event for \$10. We received many countless comments on how well laid out the trails were and that we offered a bit of different riding to challenge skills from the novice to the expert. We hope to make this year's annual Poker Ride even more enjoyable than the last.

The north Okanagan is truly a spectacular playground. We invite you to come to our ATV events and also maybe take in some other famous Okanagan activities while you are here such as; golfing, boating, wine tasting, fabulous beaches and of course our thousands of kilometers of trails.

For more information about these events please contact us at:

e-mail: info@VernonATVclub.ca

website: www.VernonATVclub.ca

See you in Vernon.

Grahame Go, Club President

GRAND FORKS, BRITISH COLUMBIA

West Kootenay spring fling 2010

The Grand Forks ATV club presents spring fling 2010

If you haven't already made plans for the Victoria day weekend, you may want to consider attending the spring fling in beautiful Grand Fork, BC. Here are some of the highlights.

Saturday, May 22

- Set up will take place in the morning in the Overwaitea parking lot.

- Don Frew with ATV/BC will be there with the ATV/BC promotional trailer providing information about registration, licensing, and the availability of ATV safety courses. Don will also be putting on safety demonstrations throughout the weekend.

- B&F Sales and Service will be on-hand with some equipment related to ATVing on display.

- This will be a good opportunity to meet and greet and get information about local trails, equipment and ATVing in general. Some of our members are very knowledgeable about the trail riding in this area.

- There will be a BBQ with

burgers, hotdogs and refreshments.

- Throughout the day we will be hosting rides in the area.

- Later in the evening, there will be a dance at the seniors hall which will be a great opportunity to meet some new friends and have a good time.

Sunday, May 23

- We are planning a pancake breakfast at the Overwaitea parking lot to get fuelled up for a day of riding.

- After breakfast there will be a day of riding on local trails. Details to follow depending on snowpack at the time. Somewhere along the trail we will stop for a wiener roast and lunch break.

- For those interested in trying ATVing, we hope you can hitch a ride as a passenger for the day.

Monday, May 24

- We will have another ride planned, perhaps a little shorter to allow those coming in from out of town a chance to drive

home in the late afternoon.

Camping

- Just east of Grand Forks at the edge of town is the Riviera Campground. It is situated right on the #3 highway and borders the Kettle River. It is a beautiful spot with lots of room for vehicles and trailers. The campground features new washrooms with showers, laundromat and internet.

- Campfires are allowed and there is wood available or you can bring your own.

- The cost is \$20 per day and \$27 per day for full hookup.

Volunteers

We require club members to help make this event happen. Please let us know whether or not you're available to volunteer. For more information, contact the Grand Forks ATV Club.

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CLUB NEWS

The Creston Valley Quad Squad

The Creston Valley Quad Squad was formed in April of 2002 to provide an opportunity for ATV enthusiasts in the Creston valley to come together to enjoy their sport.

Over the years the club members have devoted many hours in cleaning and maintaining trails in the Creston area, for their benefit and that of the general public. The club has offered its members activities such as day trail rides, overnight camp-outs, poker rides and safety seminars to name a few.

The Creston Valley Quad Squad welcomes new members and invites all area quaders to join and partake in the many club activities. Working together we can improve our opportunities and protect our freedom to ride!

For more information go to: www.crestonquads.webs.com

CLUB NEWS

The Prince George ATV Club

Our club was founded in 2002 by a local group of people who not only saw a need for a local club but also to provide support for our provincial body. Our club is one of three clubs that serve ATV riders in Prince George and the surrounding area.

Since its incorporation our club has educated riders on the sport and recreation of safe ATV use. We continue to work with local businesses and other groups with similar interests to better develop trail systems. We host many local rides and a couple of poker rides a year. If there is sufficient interest, guided rides to more remote areas can be organized. The Prince George ATV Club meets every third Tuesday of each month.

For more information go to: www.pgatvclub.ca

Off-road vehicle management

Encouraging safe and responsible riding across the province

The province of British Columbia intends to implement a management framework encompassing all off-road vehicles (ORVs). The regulations are expected to be in place by November, 2011.

The goal of the new ORV Management Framework is to develop regulations and policy that will encourage safe and responsible ORV riding and support a growing industry that has the opportunity to deliver lasting socioeconomic benefits to rural communities. The framework in-

cludes:

- Enhanced safety measures should result in fewer deaths or serious injuries, especially among youth.

- Improved tools to help compliance and enforcement officials identify irresponsible ORV riders and track stolen vehicles.

- Opening up the Province by connecting our rural communities and contributing to a world-class trails system through the designation of numerous ORV public road crossings.

- Environmentally-friendly muf-

fler standards will reduce noise disturbance to wildlife and recreationists; spark arrestors will reduce the risk of forest fires.

- Reasonable costs that will be based on a user-pay approach and comparable to other small vehicles.

For more information about this press release, please visit:

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QUAD RIDERS ASSOCIATION OF BC

Guiding principles and values

The Association subscribes to the following principals and values

The Quad Riders Association of British Columbia (ATV/BC) subscribes to the following guiding principles and values.

Environment

We support the principles of a sustainable environment and will not consciously carry out or support any activities that will lead to a detrimental effect on the diverse ecosystems of our province.

Commitment

We are passionate in our commitment to the sport. We will strive to improve the perceptions of the sport through advocating safe and environmentally responsible riding while working with all to the greater benefit of the sport.

Integrity

We are honest and straightforward in all that we do. We treat everyone with dignity and respect. We act responsibly with the resources entrusted to us. We are accountable and act in accordance with these values.

Accountability

Accountability is the ongoing process of assessing the effectiveness with which the Association

meets the standards and expectations that have been established by our membership. Further the board of directors and employees have a mutual responsibility for the quality and scope of the services provided to the sport and our membership as well as for honest stewardship of the resources entrusted to us.

Communication

In order to generate an environment of trust in which individuals can work together successfully, information is to be freely shared throughout our organization using multiple communications channels.

Effective communication involves stating facts and opinions clearly, listening critically, asking for necessary clarifications and providing feedback that is respectful of other's opinions and sensibilities. At all levels we have the responsibility to communicate openly and honestly as receivers and senders of information.

Diversity

We recognize and celebrate the similarities and differences in our members, clubs, communi-

ties, programs and ideas.

We value diversity because it promotes learning, enriches our relationships and sport and enhances our ability to solve problems and make decisions.

Efficient & Effective Systems

The Quad Riders Association of B.C. will strive to provide to effective and responsible stewardship and management of its responsibilities and of the Association's resources by maintaining an open decision making environment participating in collaborative action, developing mutual respect among members and employees, making decisions in a timely manner and achieving membership goals.

Participatory Governance

All members of the Association are encouraged to accept their personal obligation to participate in this process through active involvement in governance activities.

Such collaboration promotes creative problem solving, greater acceptance of decisions made and a more trusting environment as we honor differences as common ground is built.

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PRINCETON, BRITISH COLUMBIA

2010 poker ride

New date for sixth annual poker ride

by Monika Ferguson

Following on the great success and participation of previous Quad Riders (ATV/BC) Poker Rides, plans are well underway for the 6th annual Quad Riders (ATV/BC) 2010 Poker ride.

There will be camping available on site from Tuesday, July 13 through until Monday, July

19th. Once again, there will be plenty of prizes, a variety of rides to suit every level of rider and lots of fun for the entire family.

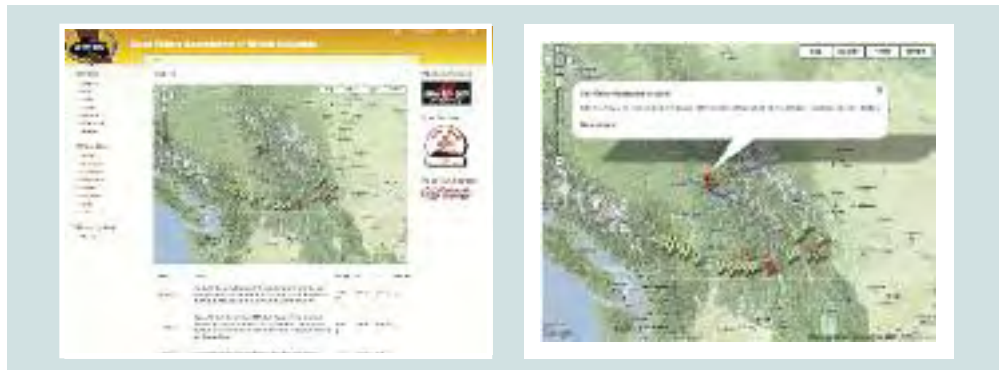
Several manufacturers will be in attendance, with demo machines on-hand.

To date, here is a list of prizes. Be sure to purchase tickets for the grand prize.

- 2010 Polaris 330 Trailboss
- 7 x 14 trailer / Kitt Trailers
- 2000 inverter/generator
- Honda Canada

• More prizes to come
We will have more details as plans are finalized.

For additional information please send us an e-mail to: pokerride2010@live.com



ACROSS THE PROVINCE: The new ATV/BC website provides a track list mapping system for up to 20 rides with a rating system from S to XL (left); click on any a flag to view the ride (right).

Where to ride this season?

An innovative approach to promoting rides across the province

by PETER CUNNINGHAM

A new feature on the ATV/BC website is called Where To Ride. It provides the name of the ride, a brief description of what you can expect regarding the terrain, the length of the ride and most importantly the rating.

Ratings are flagged and measured from small, medium, large and for those rides looking for a challenge - the extra large ride (S, M, L, and XL).

It was created for riders and

clubs the opportunity to submit GPS tracks and ride reports and share with other members. The idea was a recommendation to ATV/BC by a marketing consultant and I felt it was an ideal forum for members to look for new rides and an opportunity for potential members to get a sense as to why the province of British Columbia is the best place on earth.

Unfortunately, some of the feedback we're getting is that

riders are often reluctant to share their favorite ride, or that clubs would rather advertise these these rides on their own websites, so the success of this is unknown. Other members have suggested that maybe this feature should be available for members only.

There are some technological challenges with that, so the direction we will take will rely heavily on what what is going to benefit everyone.

ATV/BC mission statement

Ride on managed or designated trails and roads

Our Mission: As the provincial body for ATV/UTV riding, our mission is to grow participation in the sport while upholding the best standards of safety and environmental responsibility through innovation, interaction and education, thus providing a positive future for responsible ATV/UTV recreation.

Our Vision: As the recognized leader of ATV/UTV riding in BC through the establishment of high standards of safety and environmentally responsible riding practices and working with government and other stakeholders to develop and maintain province wide trail access for all.

We intend to achieve this through:

- Universal environmentally responsible ATV practices.
- A highly effective and responsive environmental stewardship program.
- An effective and universally practiced rider safety program.
- Continuing public awareness and support of the sport.
- Education of our members and the public with informative brochures, posters and reading material.
- Pro-active support for member clubs with Association events as well as rider, safety, environmental and youth programs
- Working together with government and other recreationists or user groups to protect our land base for the benefit of all trail users.
- Promotion of individual and family oriented motorized recreation opportunities in a responsible manner.
- Access of ATV's to public lands in British Columbia that maintain or enhance diverse recreational experiences.
- The clean up, maintenance and development of old and new riding areas and trails that provide a diversity of recreational experiences.
- A responsive organization that meets the changing needs of our members, the sport and the general public.
- A strong voice in support of an environmentally aware and safety conscious sport.

ATV/BC NEWS

ORV registration and licensing

by BEV FELSKKE

On behalf of ATV/BC the Quad Riders Association of British Columbia and the off road riding Associations & Federations of B.C. we want to congratulate the B.C. government for committing to update the ATV Act with some new regulations.

ATV/BC has partnered with many organizations in advocating riding in a safe and environmentally responsible manner.

We look forward to working with government in an advisory capacity to help the impediment ion of the new regulations which will benefit the Province, the rider and the non-rider in a win for everyone.

Beverley is a Felske ATV/BC Director & Co Chair of the ORV Coalition.

SAFETY WATCH

Useful safety tips from COHV

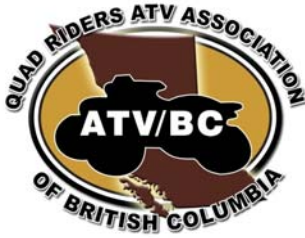
What is ATV Safetywatch?

ATV SafetyWatch is the Canadian All-Terrain Vehicle Distributors Council's national program designed to raise awareness and educate Canadians of all ages and skill levels.

It includes the key skills required to ride safely and enjoy the challenging and rewarding sport of ATV riding.

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Dear ATV/BC Members,

The 11th Annual General Meeting, AGM, of the Quad Riders ATV Association of British Columbia, ATV/BC, will take place on Friday the 20st of August, 2010, in Vernon, BC commencing at 7PM PDT

Remember that in order to vote at the AGM proof of membership will be required - do remember to bring your Membership Card with you!

The Nominating Committee would like to ask that you submit names of nominees for the position(s) of Director(s). **These nominations must be received in writing by August 6th, 2010**, at the ATV/BC office address, fax or email address below, no later than the date of August 6th.

Each nomination form **must** be accompanied by a one page bio outlining the nominee's qualifications.

Thank you,

Nominating Committee Chair: Dennis Webb
C/O #203 – 1139 12th Street, Kamloops, BC, V2B 7Z2
Toll free fax: 1-866-215-7114
Email: atvbc@telus.net

Nomination Form

We hereby nominate _____, _____,
(Print Name) (Membership No.)

for the position of **Director** of the Quad Riders ATV Association of British Columbia, ATV/BC.

The nominee has agreed to allow his or her name to stand as shown on this nomination form.

Two (2) signatures are required for each nomination:

Nominator 1: _____, _____.
(Sign name) (Print name) (Membership No.)

Nominator 2: _____, _____.
(Sign name) (Print name) (Membership No.)

I will allow my name to be submitted: _____
(Signature of Nominee)

All spaces on the nomination form must be filled out or the nomination will be considered spoiled.