



Piney Rail Riders Newsletter

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Club Membership

Currently, we have 446 members. If you still have not renewed your membership, you can do it on our website under the 2024 renewal tab with PayPal or you can download and print the application and mail it with payment.

New members can join under the membership tab with PayPal or you can download and print the application and mail it with payment.

Once payment has been received, we will mail out your membership packet with a calendar of events, trail map and buggy sticker.

Please spread the word and invite others interested in becoming a member or a sponsor to visit our website, pineyrailriders.org where they can find the necessary applications for both. Let's continue to work together and grow.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4/13 Maintenance Day

**4/18 Monthly Meeting @ Clarion Eagles
Gun Raffle Drawing**

5/4 Dale Marsh Memorial Ride

5/11 Maintenance Day

5/16 Meeting @ Clarion Eagles

5/18-19 Marienville Tour De Forest

CLUB NEWS!!

WHAT IS NEXT FOR PINEY RAIL RIDERS?

Hello everyone! As some of you know, we're in fund raising mode, reaching towards the goal of purchasing the trail. Our Grant committee has been conducting meetings with our local commissioners in both counties, our state representatives and even Senator Casey. There is a lot of interest in both the trail and the club, but we have to be the ones to step up and secure the shortfall that's expected with a positive grant outcome. With that in mind and with the philosophy that you miss 100% of the shots you don't take, I'm asking or taking that shot...as I've said before, this has always been our goal. Without the capital we are stuck in a repeating cycle of asking for grant money for other projects and being told no because we don't own the trail. This is a big ask! But we are offering a lifetime membership with our highest donation (all donations are tax deductible) a five year membership with the next level. A 2 year membership with the last level. This is not a mandatory donation, it's also not a set amount, you can donate any amount too! This donation, in no way, changes your current membership and is not going to change future memberships. We are hoping this will be a one time thing. For our brand new members, we realize that you are just getting out there, getting started on the trail and the club. This goal has been in the works for 7 years now. We have great plans for what we want to offer, this is a necessary stepping stone. We hope that you see our potential and want to help us realize those plans.

The Land Acquisition Grant Application has been submitted and accepted! Now we wait for word on approval. Thank you to all our sponsors and members who have donated toward our acquisition goal. Currently, we are at \$22,000.00

Randy and Tracy Whitmire

Amy Pfaff

John and Nora Lavelly

Ted and Diane Lowe

B Kriebel

Kevin Andrusky

Bill Birch and his wife Barbara

Brian Vecellio

Chuck Lucas and Sarah Semler Bauer

Cinnamon and Jerrod Vosburg

Greg Brocious

Bryan Huwar

Vince and Mary Ann Wolbert

Brad Gosser

Bernie Daly

Chuck Schwab @ Unique Fab

Clarion County Rod & Gun Club

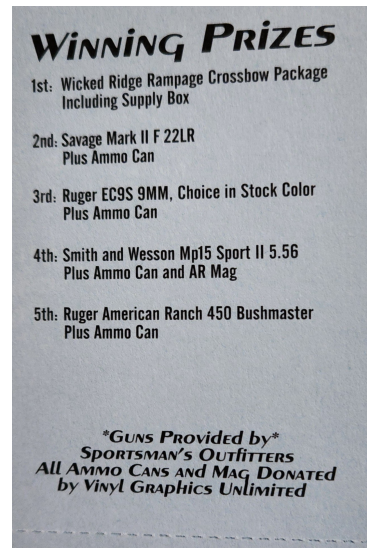
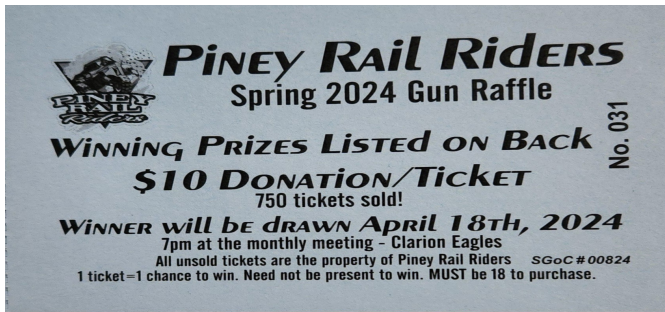
East American Motorsports

Please find attached to this newsletter, a letter of intent for anyone wanting to donate. Print the letter and mail it with payment to Cinnamon Vosburg, 63 Vosburg Lane, Strattanville, PA 16258.

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GUN RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

There are still gun raffle tickets available to purchase that will be available the night of the drawing. Tickets are \$10 each. You must be 18 years old to purchase. Outstanding ticket money and tickets are due back April 1. Contact Deb Clinger for arrangements to return them. Drawing will be held at our April 18th meeting at the Clarion Eagles @7pm. Winner does not need to be present to win.



A SPECIAL THANK YOU

We announced at our February meeting that our Treasurer, Melissa Kemmer-Daugherty, was stepping down. We appreciate everything that she has done for us, including doing our taxes every year and being instrumental in getting the clubs non-profit status. We will miss her alot.

We have asked Ginny Kodrich to step in to the position until elections in August and she has agreed. Ginny was the Millcreek Township secretary for several years, has owned her own business since 2012 and lives in Clarion. We thank Ginny for stepping in and hope that it's a good fit for her and hope she will possibly stay on.

WEBSITE UPDATES

Thank you for your patience and understading while we are completing the necessary updates to our website. If you still have questions, please email us and we will answer any questions you may have.

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Enjoy a fun-filled day of riding, chinese auction, 50/50 and good food to honor Dale.

DALE MARSH 2ND ANNUAL ATV/UTV POKER RUN SATURDAY MAY 4, 2024

Dale loved to be outdoors no matter the weather but looked forward to the spring when it got nice enough to ride his 4-wheeler in local rides and Poker Runs. 3 years ago, Dale lost his life riding his 4-wheeler. On his way home from a ride, Dale swerved to miss a dog rolled his 4-wheeler, and later succumbed to his injuries. What better way to honor Dale and give back to a cause he loved, than doing what he loved to remember him? This year a portion of everything we bring in will be donated to PINEY MEADOWS CAMPGROUND/ And a TBD family/child in need of help with medical expenses.

Poker Run Schedule

8:30 AM – 9:45 AM REGISTRATION: PINEY TRAILHEAD.

10:00 AM – Rider's return. 5 STOPS – (With ½ hr stops per location to draw cards, bathroom breaks).

GROUPS 1 & 2 WILL DEPART TRAILHEAD AT 10 AM; GROUPS 3 & 4 WILL DEPART TRAILHEAD AT 10:30 AM

GROUPS 1 & 3 WILL START AT PINEY TRAILHEAD, THE LOG ON THE TRAIL, WOODLANDS TAVERN, BLUE TOWN TAVERN, SNUG HARBOUR, AND END AT THE PINEY MEADOWS CAMPGROUND.

GROUPS 2 & 4 WILL START AT PINEY TRAILHEAD, THEN DO THE ROUTE BACKWARDS STARTING WITH SNUG HARBOUR, BLUE TOWN TAVERN, WOODLANDS TAVERN, THE LOG ON THE TRAIL, AND ENDING AT THE PINEY MEADOWS CAMPGROUNDS FOR PRIZES, CHINESE AUCTION, 50/50, & FOOD TRUCK.

***Food will be available for purchase AT BACK-ALLEY BBQ FOOD TRUCK at Piney Meadows Campground located @ 9281 Rt 66 Fairmount City, Pa 16224.

The price is \$20 for both Drivers AND Riders of the poker run. EVERYONE MUST SIGN A WAIVER TO PARTICIPATE IN RIDE.

If you do not have a 4-wheeler or Buggy or you aren't interested in going along on the poker run join us at the pavillion for Chinese Auction and 50/50 and BACK ALLEY BBQ. All vehicles pulling trailers must be parked at Limestone Trailhead or Piney Trailhead, as directed by Piney Meadows campground management. Any questions please Feel free to reach out to me at 814-648-1064 thanks, Jess.

** CAMPSITES AVAILABLE FOR RENT AT PINEY MEADOWS CAMPGROUNDS located 9281 Rt 66 Fairmount City PA 16224. BY CONTACTING THEM DIRECTLY @ 814-715-3681.

Top 3 Hands & Worst hand Win
50% of the Pot
(40% – 30% – 20% – 10%)

The remaining 50% will be split and donated to the places listed above.

In Memory of Dale Marsh.

CLUB NEWS!!

ANNOUNCING THE NEW 2024 MERCHANDISE

Available at our online store at pineyrailriders.org and our monthly meetings.

We will also have a limited amount of a special calendar with Piney Rail Riders event pictures available for purchase



Available Items

- Hoodie
- Beanie
- Crew
- Long Sleeve Shirt
- Short Sleeve Shirt
- Zip Hoodie
- Calendars

2024 SPONSORS

Blue Town Tavern
Clarion County ABATE
Clarion County Rod & Gun Club
East American Motorsports
i.e. Insurance
M&S Meats
Maria Marburger Hair Design – **20% off first service for new clients**
Piney Meadows Campground
Relevate Business Advisors LLC
Rickard Trucking LLC
Sportsmen Outfitters
Stiller Motorsports – **mention you are a member for discounts**
The Loomis Bar & Restaurant
Unique Fabrication
Unique Gas
Vinyl Graphics Unlimited Inc.
Woodlands Tavern

Visit our webpage ridethepine.org to find out how you can become a sponsor today and have your business' events listed here each month for our members to enjoy.

SPONSOR EVENTS

Every Thursday



Blue Town Tavern
KARAOKE
Thursdays
AT 7PM

Free Pool



BACK TO 80'S PARTY

DJ FAIR WARNING 8PM
FRIDAY APRIL 19TH

Blue Town Tavern
5609 Rte 66, New Bethlehem, Pa

BLUE TOWN TAVERN

TACOS & TEQUILA

Every Monday
OPEN AT NOON

5609 ROUTE 66, NEW BETHLEHEM

What's On!
Blue Town Tavern
April 2024

MON	Fresh Margs & Mules <small>add a flavor for \$2 more</small>	1ST
THU	Karaoke <small>Shannon will also play the ukulele!</small>	4TH
SAT	Matt Day <small>Easter Egg Hunts (see Facebook for info)</small>	13TH
FRI	80s Night <small>DJ Fair Warning</small>	19TH

Follow us on facebook for updates
and last minute events!

Blue Town Tavern
New Bethlehem, Pa

April 13th at 8pm



Matt Day

Great White Snake



America's Tribute to Great White & Whitesnake

Saturday April 20, 2024,
9pm 540 Main St,
Clarion, PA 16214



LOOMIS BAR
MONDAY SPECIAL



WING NIGHT

\$20

6 WHOLE JUMBO WINGS

ORDER AT
(814) 226 - 8400
OPEN EVERY MONDAY 4PM-11PM

LOOMIS BAR
WEDNESDAY SPECIAL



GRILLED OR FRIED
BUFFALO CHICKEN WRAPS

\$10

ORDER AT
(814) 226 - 4800
540 MAIN ST CLARION, PA 16214
OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 4PM - 11PM

LOOMIS BAR
19 S ST 6TH AVE, CLARION PA 16214

THURSDAY SPECIAL

\$15 LARGE BUFFALO CHICKEN RANCH PIZZA

OPEN EVERY THURSDAY 4-2AM



ADD ANY TOPPINGS FOR \$2!
(814)226 - 8400

SPONSOR EVENTS

Piney Meadows Campground: Call or text Tonya at 814-715-3681 or message on Facebook to book a pavilion for your birthday party, reunion, wedding etc.

They have 2 pavilions to choose from, both are about the same size. A contract must be signed. Price is \$100/day plus \$100 deposit that will be refunded once everything is cleaned. There are bathrooms located close to each pavilion and there is a fridge at each one. They are booking fast.

Piney Meadows Campground: 1st Annual Car Show, April 27 @ 12-4 pm. Trophies awarded at 4pm, 50/50 and food and drinks available. Make it a super fun weekend and stay at the campground.

Clarion County Rod & Gun Club: Hunter's Safety Course, July 13 @ 8am-2pm. Class fills up quickly, start watching for details at www.pgc.pa.gov.

Ben Franklin Range: Open ride, April 14 @ 9am. \$25/driver and \$20/passenger, kids under 12 free. Come ride all day on over 65 miles of trails. Mild to wild. Something for everyone.

SPONSORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

The Loomis
540 Main Street
Clarion, PA 16214
814-226-8400

When you go to the Loomis for drinks or dinner, know you're sharing in one of Clarion's oldest traditions. The corner of 6th and Main has welcomed hungry, thirsty and tired locals and travelers for many years.

Over 170 years of a Clarion tradition has seen many changes. Currently in 2023, John and Ron Pacasi are managing partners in the bar and they have a new vision for the Clarion Landmark that includes a live music venue. The rebranding comes with the recent area college decline and the need for a nicer, more adult bar. Legendary name, new concept!!

The Loomis currently offers a small menu for dine in and take out.

M-W 4pm - 11pm
T-S 4pm - 2am
Sun 4pm - 2am

Stop in today for the best pizza and wings in Clarion.



TRAIL NEWS!!



TRAIL MAINTENANCE

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USE CAUTION!!
After the last bridge
Before Lawrence Road

RADIO COMMUNICATION

Keep in touch with other riders in case of breakdowns or emergencies. Below are the most common channels that riders in the area use.

Radio Channel 2 or FRS2

Frequency 462.5875

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

Please remember that Piney Rail Riders has access to the railbed only and any side trails that are not leased or maintained by the club must have permission from the land owner to access. As respectful riders, please keep your speed and noise to a minimum when passing camps or houses, and if you see suspicious activity or items that should not be on the trail, take a picture and contact Bob Guthrie or any officer.

TRAIL NEWS!!

MAINTENANCE DAYS

Our first maintenance day for April will be held on Saturday, April 13 @ 9am at the Limestone Trailhead. We will be checking our equipment to get ready for the season and cleaning up the trail from winter. Anyone that has a chainsaw or pole saw that can bring it, it would be appreciated. Please follow our Facebook page for more details and weather updates.

REPRESENTING PINEY RAIL RIDERS

During the week of March 24-30, Piney Rail Rider members, Mel Schwentner, Vickie Nelson, Russell Davis and Aaron Lingenfelter, represented the club at the DuBois Mall 2024 Motorsports Show. The members answered questions, sold merchandise and directed membership applicants to our website during the week. We thank you all for your work for the club.



