



Piney Rail Riders Newsletter

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Club Membership

Currently, we have 361 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, ridethepine.org where they can find the necessary applications for both. Let's continue to work together and grow.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

3/16 Maintenance Day

3/21 Monthly Meeting @ Clarion Eagles

3/30 Maintenance Day

4/13 Maintenance Day

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

CLUB NEWS!!

WHAT IS NEXT FOR PINEY RAIL RIDERS?

The appraisal is in and the next step in our goal toward purchasing the trail is fundraising. The appraisal came in and it's at \$1.1 million. If we were to receive a grant in the \$500,000 range, we would still have a shortfall of \$600,000.

There is a lot going on behind the scenes to try and make this happen. We have influential people pulling for us. If we want them to take notice, we have to make a big splash. If we aren't willing to help ourselves, we can't expect them to help us either.

That is where our members and sponsors come in. We are looking to them to help by donating money or extending their memberships or sponsorships. There is no set amount you can donate and it is not mandatory. Your donation has no effect on your current membership or sponsorship or any future memberships or sponsorships. We are hoping that this ask is a one time thing.

But what happens if we don't purchase the trail? We know the owner, who is a founding member, wants us to have the club and trail. It is also his prerogative to do what he wants with it. We can't and won't make assumptions about his plans. That is not for us to decide. The bigger issue is what happens to us if we don't. We can't grow or develop. We would have to rely more on membership money to repair things instead of developing things. We can not apply for grants without showing ownership of the trail.

WEBSITE UPDATES

Recently we have been experiencing glitches to the website and have taken our online store down until the new updates have been completed. Other areas of the website are still accessible. Merchandise will be available at our meeting in March for anything you need. We hope to have the changes completed in a reasonable amount of time and we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you for your patience and understanding while we complete the necessary updates.

CLUB NEWS!!

COUNTY ATV NEWS

Clarion County has another Borough that has become open to ATVs. On February 8, 2024, Rimersburg Borough officially adopted an ordinance making it legal to operate an ATV on Borough Roads ONLY. The ordinance spells out that recreational vehicles using the streets must meet all criteria set forth by the state's All Terrain Vehicle Law and they must operate by the state's vehicle codes. Kids will not be allowed to drive on the roads and the vehicle must have state registration and insurance with the operator having a valid driver's license. The streets are not open yet until signs are posted that designate the streets are legal. Although the ordinance states it applies to all borough roadways, officials may limit access to certain streets. Vehicles may not operate at a speed greater than the minimum required to maintain forward movement within 100 feet of a dwelling between midnight and 6 am. Vehicles must also display headlights and taillights from sunset to sunrise and be equipped with a muffler in good working condition so that noise emission is not unreasonably loud. The ordinance establishes fines of up to \$300 per violation plus prosecution costs. There are no permit fees. Under regulations, recreational vehicles are defined as all-terrain vehicles, four-wheelers, motorcycles, motorbikes, dirt bikes, three-wheelers, bicycles, cars, and trucks not including snowmobiles.

New Bethlehem Borough voted in February to advertise their ATV Ordinance and it will be voted on at their March meeting.



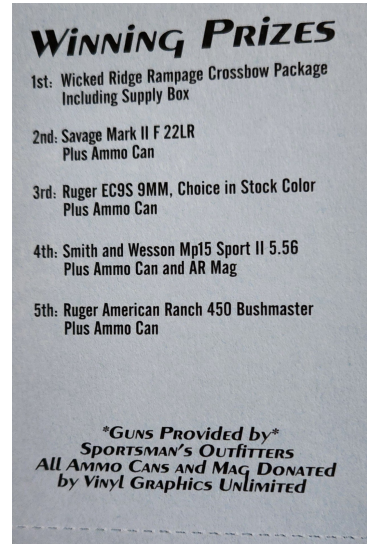
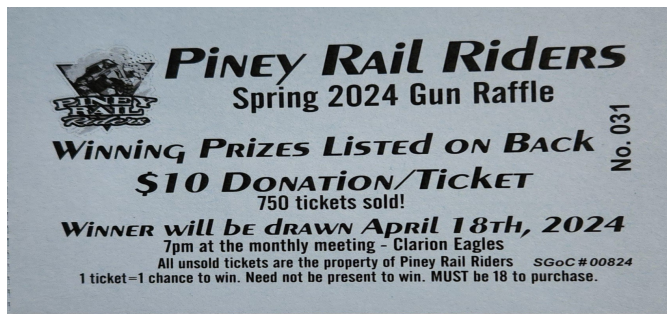
SUNDAY
MARCH 11TH

SET YOUR CLOCK
ONE HOUR FORWARD
BEFORE GOING TO
BED SATURDAY
NIGHT

CLUB NEWS!!

GUN RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

There are still gun raffle tickets available to purchase and/or sell. Tickets are \$10 each. You must be 18 years old to purchase. Contact Deb Clinger for tickets. Money and tickets are due back April 1. Drawing will be held at our April 18th meeting at the Clarion Eagles @7pm. Winner does not need to be present to win.



DALE MARSH MEMORIAL RIDE

The 2nd Annual Dale Marsh Memorial Ride will start at the Piney Trailhead on Saturday, May 4, 2024 @10am. Stops will include Woodlands Tavern, Blue Town Tavern and Snug Harbour. The ride will end at the Piney Meadows Campground for prizes and food. Follow our Facebook page for more details.

ANNOUNCING THE NEW 2024 MERCHANDISE

Available at our online store at ridethepine.org and our March monthly meeting.

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



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

**Piney Meadows
Easter Eggstravaganza**

March 23 **Rain
Or
Shine** **10am-11am**

FREE EVENT **All Ages
Welcome**



**KARAOKE
NIGHT**

Blue Town Tavern
New Bethlehem, Pa

Free pool

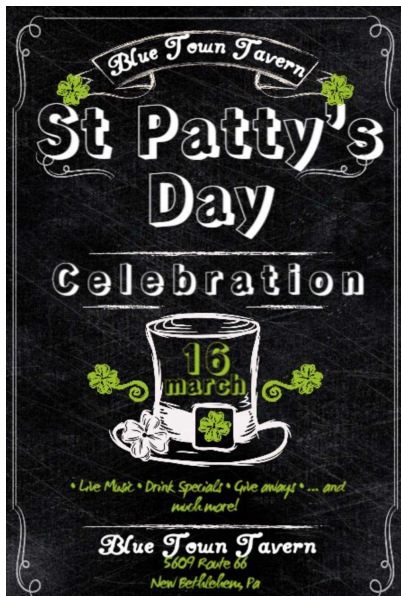
**EVERY
THURSDAY**

**\$2 Busch
Light
Pounders**

Blue Town Tavern

**St Patty's
Day**

Celebration



**16
march**

*• Live Music • Drink Specials • Give aways • ... and
much more!*

Blue Town Tavern
5609 Route 66
New Bethlehem, Pa

BLUE TOWN TAVERN

**TACOS &
TEQUILA**

Every Monday

OPEN AT NOON

5609 ROUTE 66, NEW BETHLEHEM



WOODLANDS TAVERN PRESENTS

**THE ANNUAL
CHILI
COOK-OFF!**

SATURDAY MARCH 9TH, 2024
DOORS OPEN AT 2PM
TASTE TESTING BEGINS AT 3PM
\$10 ENTRY FEE
BRING LARGE BOWL / CROCKPOT FULL OF YOUR
FAMOUS CHILI!

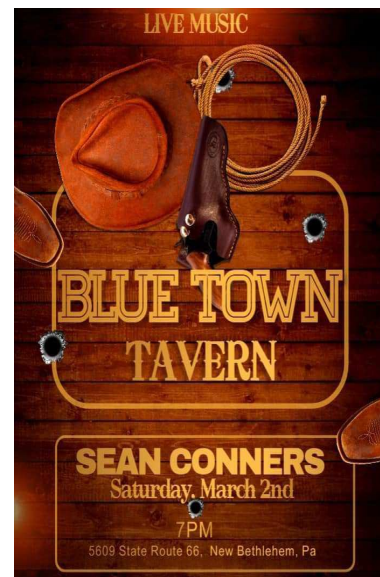
BRING YOUR APPETITE AND JOIN US FOR A DAY OF DELICIOUS
FUN AS WE FIND SHANNONDALE'S CHILI CHAMPION!!



Woodlands Tavern
Mayport, PA

FAIR WARNING
DJ

LIVE MUSIC



**BLUE TOWN
TAVERN**

SEAN CONNERS
Saturday, March 2nd

7PM

5609 State Route 66, New Bethlehem, Pa

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.

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.



SPONSORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

East American Motorsports

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Contact them today with any questions about the ir services, brands or inventory.

Hours of Operations:	Monday-Friday	8-6
	Saturday	8-5

Hours of Service:	Monday-Friday	9-5
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TRAIL NEWS!!



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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 March will be held on Saturday, March 16 @ 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.

