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# Piney Rail Riders Newsletter

**June 2024** 

#### **Club Membership**

Currently, we have 521 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 within 2 weeks.

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**

6/8 Maintenance Day

6/15 Sligo Poker Run

6/20 Meeting @ Clarion Eagles

6/29 Maintenance Day

7/4 Corsica 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade

7/13 Maintenance Day

7/18 Meeting @ Clarion Eagles

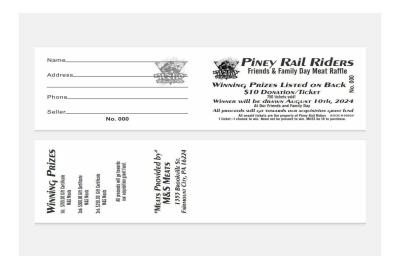
#### WHAT IS NEXT FOR PINEY RAIL RIDERS?

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.

After discussion at the May meeting and online input from club members, it has been decided that all money brought in to the club from June 1 to December 31 will go directly toward the acquiring the trail.

#### **MEAT RAFFLE**



Tickets are available for our next drawing to be held at our Friends and Family Day on August 10<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will go to our Acquisition Grant Fund. **MUST BE 18 TO PURCHASE.** All unsold tickets become property of Piney Rail Riders. 1 ticket – 1 chance. Winner does not need to be present to win.

#### **COMMITTEE HEADS**

We still need help with 2 of our committees, merchandise and sponsorship. If you are able to volunteer your time for either committee, please contact one of our officers.

#### **MERCHANDISE**

For a limited time only, we will be selling tank tops with the Piney Rail Riders blue logo, prepay online for \$15. Please follow our facebook page for more details.

#### **JULY 4TH PARADE**

July will be here before we know it and so will the Summerville 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. Make sure to save the date. Please follow our Facebook page for more details.

#### **VISITING THE TRAIL**

When planning your visit to ride piney rail, venture out and use our gracious sponsors for lodging, gas and food. Some of the places cannot be reached by machine, so you will need to drive your vehicle. Follow their website or facebook page for specials and summer hours.

#### Piney Meadows Campground

9281 PA66 Fairmont City, PA 16224 814-715-3681

#### Old Mill Park Campground

151 Old Mill Park Summerville, PA 15864 814-227-8423

#### **Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham Clarion**

121 North Point Drive Clarion, PA 16214 814-227-2223

#### **Palmer's Country Store**

10695 PA-66 Clarion, PA 16214 814-764-5930

#### **Summerville Eats & Sweets**

161 E. Penn Street Summerville, PA 15864 814-759-2104

#### **The Loomis Bar**

6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Clarion, PA 16214 814-226-5400

#### Sarah's Snack Shack

66 Kemry Road Rimersburg, PA 15248 724-664-5477

Come out to Blue Town Tavern Buggy Cruise in on Saturday, June 8. DJ Fair Warning will be playing. Please follow Blue Town Tavern Facebook page for more details.



10% of sales will be donated to Piney Rail Riders.
A great day to celebrate the trail and club.

To all our dads, grandads and great grandads, we hope you have a great day!!



#### PINEY RAIL RIDERS MERCHANDISE

Available at our monthly meetings and/or online at pineyrailriders.org.





# **Available Items**

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

# **2024 SPONSORS**

Blue Town Tavern
Clarion County ABATE
Clarion County Rod & Gun Club
Drew's Septic Pumping
East American Motorsports
Extreme Metal Products
i.e. Insurance
M&S Meats

Maria Marburger Hair Design – 20% off first service for new clients

Microtel Inn & Suites by Wyndham Clarion

Old Mill Park Campground

Palmer's Country Store

**Piney Meadows Campground** 

Relevate Business Advisors LLC

Rickard Trucking LLC

Sarah's Snack Shack

Sportsmen Outfitters

Stiller Motorsports - mention you are a member for discounts

Summerville Eats and Treats

The Loomis Bar & Restaurant

Unique Fabrication

**Unique Gas** 

Vinyl Graphics Unlimited Inc.

Woodlands Tavern

Visit our webpage pineyrailriders.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 Campground: Saturday, June 15 @ 12pm, Kids Day

School is out!!! Come celebrate down at Piney Meadows. We will have LaVita Bella Pizza food truck so come hungry. Venango Snow will be there for those who have a sweet tooth and need to cool down.

Games will be set up in the field for the kids to play and barrel rides will be given throughout the day. Brynn from Creativity Space will be set up for face painting and a magic show by Charlie the Jester.

Going to be a fun day. All ages welcome.

Donations are always welcome.

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

The Loomis Bar: Saturday, June 21 @9pm-12am, Jasmin Cain, \$10 cover charge

# **SPONSORSHIP SPOTLIGHT**

### Sarah's Snack Shack 518 Kemery Road Rimersburg, PA 16248 724-664-5477

Kelly Himes has been a long time resident of Rimersburg and she owns and operates Sarah's Snack Shack and Fox Farm Inn and Venue.

Sarah's offers take out pizza, wedgies, wings and salads. Limited outdoor seating available. Follow their facebook page for specials.

Fox Farm Inn and Venue is a beautiful restored 1806 farm house that sleeps 12 people and is surrounded by 5 acres of country side. A barn venue is also available for rent for weddings, family reunions, graduation parties etc. Follow their facebook for more information.

Stop today and order or test your order for pickup.

Summer Pizza Shop Hours: Mon – Wed Closed

Thurs 4-8pm Fri 4-9pm Sat 4-9pm Sun 1-8pm





# TRAIL MAINTENANCE

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# **TRAIL NEWS!!**

#### **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 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 orhouses, and if you see suspicious activity or items that should not be on the trail, take aphotor and contact Bob Guthrie or any officer.

#### **UPCOMING MAINTENANCE DAY**

Our next maintenance day will be held on Saturday, June 8 @ 9am at the Limestone Trailhead. We will be working on standing the up some of the old stone mile marker. We also need someone to back blade One Eye's Valley hill and Sandy Flat hills. If you are able to help, please let Bob Guthrie know. Please follow our Facebook page for more details and weather updates.

# **TRAIL NEWS!!**

#### **MAY MAINTENANCE**

Since May 11, so much has been accomplished on the trail. The wash out by bridge 7 is fixed, thank you to Andy Geibel. New sponsor banners are hung, thank you Gary Wiant and Jerrod Vosburg. The bridge on Bish Road has been redecked, thank you Andy Doverspike, Bob Graham, Mike (the wood guy), Sam and Jerrod Vosburg. Bob Guthrie, Bernie Daly, Dorothy Weckerly, Pete Wright, Eric Fox and Mr. Spence were out checking the trail as well. We also had volunteers out mowing the trail and adding some landscaping around the Limestone Trailhead sign. Thank you Bernie and Lola Daly, Kevin Andrusky, Kenny Shaffer, Cinnamon and Jerrod Vosburg. And thank you to all our members who help out by picking up trash or clearing trees.











