

Piney Rail Riders

Newsletter

July 2025

President Message

Hello all Piney Rail Riders ATV Club Members

Hello everyone, we are just past the halfway point of 2025. I hope everyone is doing as much riding as your schedule allows! I want to take a moment to thank our officers, committee heads, and all the volunteers that keep the club and the trail.

Our VP is Kenny Shaffer, the things I am not good at, he is, I feel that we are a great team. Our secretary is Gerald Fetterman, he lives in Chicora and makes the trip on the 3rd Thursday of every month to take the minutes at our meeting. He is also a great teammate when it comes to decisions we have to make. Our Treasurer, Ginny Kodrich does a job that I am definitely not good at, she makes sure we have the money we need for projects, insurance, taxes and somehow keeps all the money coming in straight!

Our committee heads, each one is great at the committee they volunteered for. Tiffany Nolan is head of membership, she is a genius when it comes to keeping all the members in the spreadsheet, prints the member cards, stuffs the envelopes with stickers, cards, maps and calendars. She is a whiz! Deb Clinger is head of fundraising and parades. If you come to meetings or have attended a ride you know her as the woman that does the 50/50, always asking if you want to buy a gun raffle ticket or sell a book. She also organizes the parades that we ride in. She is building a great network of members in each town that helps with contact info and other details. Bob Guthrie, head of maintenance, what can I say about Bob, he is one of a kind. He loves the trail, is constantly talking about what he wants to do to make it better and does his best to rally the volunteers for the maintenance days. Aaron Lingenfelter, head of our equipment committee, he did the work of getting the quotes for the skidsteer we want to purchase through a grant and he sorted through all the tractors and found a great find for us! And Dixie Christy, she is the one that creates the newsletter every month, she works the website that is magnificent and monitors the Facebook pages for the club.

Each one of these people are naturally good at the job they do, we are blessed that they stepped up to volunteer to be a constant support to the club and me. It takes all of them to make running the club and trail look easy.

The volunteers give us their time to make sure that members that come ride the trail know that we are proud of it. They show they care by cleaning up stuff that is left behind, clearing the trail of trees, bushes, and debris that is along the trail. They help at events like meetings, rides and our Friends and Family day (August 9th).

I hope that each one of you, as a member, feels how much we love what we do. And if anyone wants to help in any small way, once, twice, regularly or take a committee (we have sponsorship open lol) we appreciate it. Feel free to contact any of the people mentioned above on FB to ask how you can donate some of your time.

Teamwork makes the dream work! Cheesy but true!!

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MEMBERSHIP

We have 641 memberships and counting. Let's spread the word of our trail and club. If you know anyone that is interested in joining Piney Rail Riders:

We have a couple ways to join:

- on line at pineyrailriders.org – (ctrl left click on this link which takes you to the website and click on membership tab not arrow)
- through the mail
- at monthly meetings

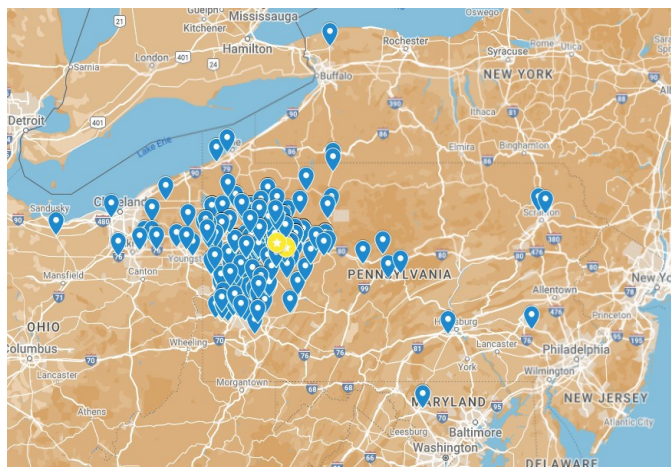
In the 2025 packet you will receive:

- membership card
- trail map
- your numbered sticker
- calendar of events that includes meeting dates and any events the club has planned
- dates of local poker runs by other organizations in the area that we do not organize, only promote

We now offer the following:

- lifetime membership for a donation of \$1,000.00
- lifetime sponsorship for a donation of \$1,000.00

OUR MEMBERSHIP LOCATIONS



MEMBERSHIP

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

When you receive your membership packet, you will receive a map of the trail that the club owns. This is the only property being a member gives you access to. Being a member does not come with perks to ride trails off of the approved route on the map. You either have to A: ride ATV approved roads or B: PERSONALLY get the land owners permission. You should carry written permission to use the adjoining property just like you would need to for hunting in PA. The club is not liable if you leave the trail at that point all liability is on you and anyone who follows you off the club designated route.

CARDS

Membership cards will be back this year. Your card will have the names of our sponsors that will offer a discount to you **ONLY WHEN YOU SHOW YOUR CARD.** We have some great businesses including East American Motorsports, i.e. Insurance, J&B Motorsports, M&S Meats, Microtel Inn & Suites, Stiller Motorsports and Country Palace II. As we add sponsors that will offer a discount, we will post them on our website and in the newsletter. **Please note that not all sponsors offer a discount.**



SPONSORSHIP

****BEEM Logistics Inc. (Lifetime Sponsor)**

Clarion Rod and Gun

****Country Palace – 5% off 1 dozen regular priced wings**

Drew's Septic Tank Pumping LLC

****East American Motorsports – 10% off parts & accessories**

Extreme Metal Products

Fox Farm Inn

****Life Insurance (Lifetime Sponsor) – Ask for qualifying discount(s)**

****J&B Motorsports – 10% off service fees**

****M&S Meats – 10% off with membership**

****Microtel Inn & Suites – 10% off**

Palmer's Country Store

Piney Meadows Campground

Rickard Trucking

Sarah's Snack Shack

Snow Shoe Rails to Trails

Sportsmen Outfitters

****Stiller Motorsports – Ask for qualifying discount(s)**

****Vinyl Graphics Unlimited LLC (Lifetime Sponsor)**

****Show your membership card and ask about the Piney Rail Riders discount at these local sponsors. Watch our website for additional sponsors that may offer discounts.**

If you or someone you know who is interested in becoming a sponsor, please go to pineyrailriders.org for more details.

SPONSORSHIP

2025 SSRTA EVENTS

Saturday, July 19th

Best Line Powersports/SSRTA Chicken BBQ - Members, ride as you please and return to Gillentown Trail head at 11:30am for meal. Meal available until all food is gone. Public welcome for meal and take out will be available.

Saturday, September 27th

Carns Equipment/SSRTA Pig Roast - Members, ride as you please and return to Gillentown Trail head for meal starting at 11:30am until all food is gone. Public welcome for meal and take out will be available.

Saturday, October 11th

2025 SSRTA Raffle - A free meal will be served around noon until all food is gone. Raffle starts at 2pm. Event held at the Gillentown Pavilion

You must be an SSRTA member to operate a
buggy

2025 PINEY MEADOWS EVENTS

Saturday, July 5-Independence Day Celebration 10am-10pm Mini Bike Race 10am-3pm Wiffle ball to follow, LIVE MUSIC, Fireworks at Dark

Saturday, July 19-Cornhole Tournament Registration 10am Games start at 11am Random Team Selection

Saturday, August 16-Mini Bike Race 10am registration \$20/rider Race at noon-5pm

Saturday, August 23-Back To School Yard Sale 10am-3pm

Saturday, September 13-Mini Bike Race 10am registration \$20/rider Race at noon-5pm

Saturday, October 25-Trunk or Treat 6pm-7p



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

7/4 Corsica 4th of July Parade

7/12 Dale Marsh Memorial Ride**

7/17 Monthly Meeting @ Clarion Eagles

7/19 Maintenance Day

7/26 Callensburg Poker Run**

8/2 Maintenance Day

8/9 Friends and Family Day/Raffle Drawing

8/21 Monthly Meeting @ Clarion Eagles

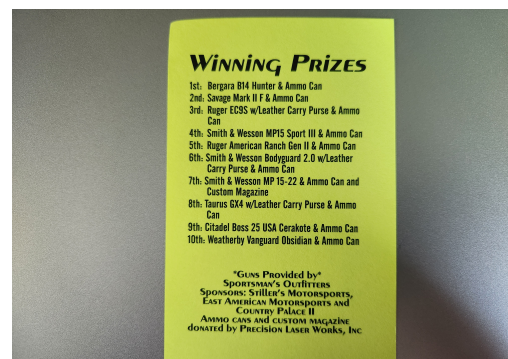
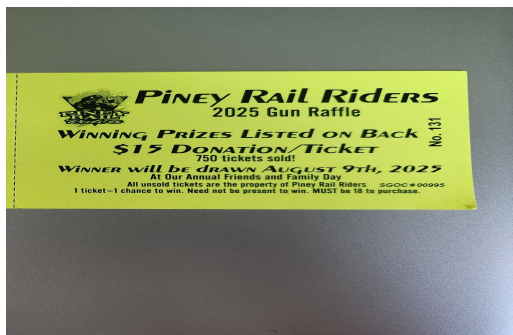
8/23 Temple Poker Run**

REMINDER:

****Highlighted** events are NOT sponsored by Piney Rail Riders, therefore, we do not have details for the event. You would need to contact the individual business.

RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

We still have some raffle tickets available. They are \$15 each and you must be 18 years old to purchase. One ticket = one chance. The winner will be drawn at our August 9 Friends and Family Day at Memorial Hill. Winner does not need to be present to win. Contact Deb Clinger through Facebook or text Cinnamon Vosburg at 814-316-5804 to purchase. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details.



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3rd Annual Dale Marsh Memorial Ride.

July 12, 2025

This year, we are doing things a little differently. The ride will be run on the Trail owned by the Piney Rail Riders. For those of you who are not familiar with them, they are a Non-Profit Organization focused on preserving places to legally and responsibly enjoy riding motorized off-road vehicles. Check them out on Facebook! Parking will be at the Piney or Limestone Trailheads. There will be no parking for Trailers at the Campground or Pavilion unless you are camping. Camping will be available by reservation. Contact Piney Meadows Campground at 814-715-3681.

Registration will begin at 8:30am, and riders will leave the campground at 10am, departing in both directions at your own pace. This year, there will be no appointed leaders, but you are welcome to come and join a group and enjoy a day of riding together.

Since the Poker Run will be run on a private trail, Prices for members and non-members will be different. Piney Rail Riders Members' Price will be \$20 per person. Anyone under 18 is not eligible to partake in the poker run but may ride free with a signed waiver. Non-Members Price will be \$20 a person and \$10 per Machine for a Day Pass for the Trail.

EVERYONE PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT MUST SIGN A WAIVER

Poker Run:

There will be 4 STOPs on the Trail and 1 at the Start of the ride. * Piney Campground Pavilion, Toward Brookville * The Log, * The Top of 949, Toward Clarion (Piney Trailhead), * Memorial Hill, * At Piney Trailhead IF THERE IS NOT A PERSON POSTED AT EACH STOP, CARDS CAN BE DRAWN WHEN RETURNING TO THE PAVILLION.

*** **BACK ALLEY BBQ** WILL BE AT THE PAVILLION FOR BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND DINNER.

Please bring **cash** to purchase food from the food truck.

There will also be a 50/50, Music, and Possible Chinese Auction (TBD).

50% of Take in for Poker Run will be paid out as followed

Winners = Best hand = 50% , 2nd Best = 25%, 3rd Best = 20%, worst hand = 5%

The remaining 50% of the take in will be donated to *the National Breast Cancer Foundation!*

Memberships for the Piney Rail Riders are also available at \$ 40 per year. Ask how you can join a fun and upcoming club!

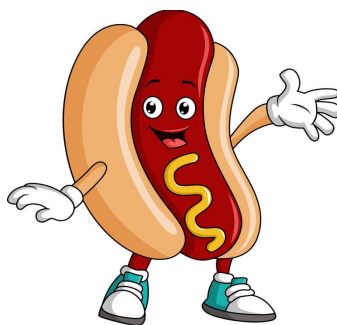
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YEARLY ELECTIONS

Yearly elections will be held at the August 21st meeting this year at the Clarion Eagles. Voting will only be for those in attendance. If you would like to run for any of the 4 positions, please contact any of the officers. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY

Saturday, August 9 will be our Friends and Family Day at Piney Rail Riders. This is a membership drive, we want you to bring your friends and family members and encourage them to join. There will be incentives. Each member will receive a ticket for a special drawing and for every person you bring that joins that day, you will get an additional ticket. In addition to that, any person that attends the event **AND** joins, **THAT DAY ONLY**, will receive the last part of 2025 PLUS all of 2026 for \$40.00. Food will be available at the top of Memorial Hill by One Eye's Valley and will start at noon until we run out. We will have sloppy joes, hot dogs, pulled pork, pasta salad, macaroni salad, hobo stew and cowboy beans. Paper products will be available. **YOU WILL NEED TO SUPPLY YOUR OWN DRINKS.** Our gun raffle and special drawings will be drawn at 3pm. If you would like to donate a prize basket, please contact Cinnamon Vosburg by July 17th. Don't miss a fun day while helping to grow the club. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details.



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BROOKVILLE LAUREL FEST PARADE

Great start to the parade season. We won 2nd place in the Parade Float Category. Thank you to everyone who came to represent the club.



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4th OF JULY PARADE

Corsica 4th of July Parade on Friday, July 4, we will be meeting at the firehall in Corsica at 8:30am to lineup. The parade will start at 10:30am. Decorate your buggy as and you can bring candy if you wish. We will have beads and freeze pops for you to hand out. Please bring a cooler to store them in until the start of the parade. If you have questions, please contact Deb Clinger. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details.



EAST BRADY RIVER FEST PARADE

We will again be attending the River Fest Parade on Friday, July 18th. We are waiting for further details. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details.

HORSE THIEF PARADE

This year's Horse Thief Parade will be held on Saturday, August 16th at 5:15pm. We are waiting for more details. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details.

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:



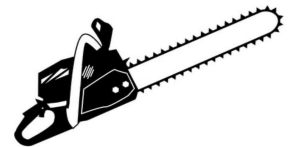
**Radio Channel 2 or FRS2
Frequency 462.5875**

TRAIL ETIQUETTE

Please remember that Piney Rail Riders has access to the railbed 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.

MAINTENANCE DAYS

June 28 was our last maintenance day before the holiday. We had 14 volunteers with 63.5 man hours. We had 3 tractors with mowers and a backhoe moving brush along with crews cutting brush. Thank you to all who came out to help. Our next day will be July 19 at the Limestone Trailhead @9 am. Please follow our members-only Facebook page for more details and for weather updates.



Maintenance
Bob Guthrie
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TRAIL NEWS

RESTRICTIONS

The creek crossing at One Eyes Valley (between East Reidsburg Road and the Allision Intersection) is blocked off. Please use the bridge for crossing. We are working with DEP to meet their requirements so we aren't fined for anything. **PLEASE DO NOT CROSS ANY CREEKS.** If there isn't a bridge, it's not a crossing.



RT 949

Heading East on the trail at mile marker 16.5 or as we have nicknamed it, the SS Minnow, there is a very dangerous area that is not ideal for entering the highway.

Please use the following detour: At around mile marker 16, make a right onto Swine Ford Road. At the next 4-way intersection, make a left onto Love Road. Run this out to the main road to make a right onto Rt. 949. Travel a short distance and take a left onto Dickey Road. This is sort of a blind turn so be careful. At the Y, stay to the left and you will intersect with the trail again. To continue heading East, make a right onto the trail.



TRAIL NEWS

BRIDGE UPDATE

The guard rails are being cleaned and getting ready for installation. We are getting quotes for materials for the the anchor system. If everything goes well, we may have a project day set for late July. A big thank you to Josh Sommer. The club appreciates the time and effort you are putting into this project.

VOLUNTEERS

Just a shout out to all the people that give their time and equipment to help us maintain the trail. You are our lifeline to be able to present a good riding experience for all our members and those who come to try our trail out. I speak on behalf of our 1200 members when I say THANK YOU!!

Don't forget about our Volunteer Merit Point System where you can earn merit points to get free merchandise or money off your yearly membership. We have attached the guidelines to this newsletter.

We are 1/2 way through the year and our top Volunteers are:

Dave Safranyos
Bernie Daly
Elmer Stewart
Josh Summers
Tim Semanco

We have several members that have achieved enough merit points for our first tier of rewards. Contact Cinnamon if you would like to cash in your points.

Jerrold Vosburg
Steve Filipowski
Gary Depalma
Pam Sommers
Brian Vecellio
Aaron Lingenfelter

John Clinger
Kim Fry
Todd Fry
Mike Stewart
Mark Doyle



RIDING THE TRAIL

When riding, 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

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

Sarah's Snack Shack

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

