

# Nation Valley ATV Club

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## MEETING Minutes

Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018

### 1. Roll Call

- Meeting began at 7:20pm with 18 members present.

### 2. Review Minutes of last meeting (AGM)

- The minutes from the last meeting (Club AGM) have not been distributed yet.
- A round of introductions took place to introduce new members to the board and executive

### 3. Treasurer's Report (Brentley)

- As of 11 June, 2018: \$16,232.23 in Chequing, \$7,272.80 in Savings - total \$23,505.03
- Last year's revenue leveling has been received.
- Expenditures for the last month included purchase for the volunteer rewards program, contract work to widen Dalmeny Trail (\$1,500), lumber, AGM food and the plough for the TBX which is now ready for next winter. The TBX had the oil changed, a new battery and was serviced.
- It was noted that the best time to look at purchasing a new Arctic Cat for the club would be next Aug.

### 4. Membership Report (Brentley)

- 2 annual and 2 day passes were sold at the fun run.

### 5. Trail Maintenance Report (Scuba)

- Projects Completed
  - Installed 3 Sponsor board on the trail System (Ball Road, Allen Road and at Ben's Pioneer Gas Station;
  - Removed many large trees from the main loop;
  - Repaired decking on Boundary and Clark Boardwalks; and
  - Conducted Pre-Fun Run Trail inspection.
- Next Projects
  - Sign rodeo for roads and trails;
  - Discing and bush-hogging;
  - Bypass for boundary waterhole;
  - Bridge to be installed at Ben's Pioneer Gas Station;
  - Remove 3 poles from Country Kitchen; and
  - Relocate Rick's trail (Mike Starr volunteered to initiate this project).
- Clark, Boundary and Nelson were all used on the safety fun run.
- Wild parsnip is out in full force so bush-hogging and extreme caution is needed.
- There is a plan to place the steel truck bed near Ben's Pioneer Gas Station to replace the bridge there

during the week of the 18<sup>th</sup> of June.

- Mr. Spirit will allow the club to cut directly across his cornfield, from the new bridge to the rear of the Ben's Pioneer Gas Station.
- The Country Kitchen has graciously permitted trailer parking in their parking lot to allow access to the trail head across the street at Ben's Pioneer Gas Station. Riders are reminded to cut across HWY 31 at a 90 degree angle and not on a diagonal between the businesses.
- There was a question on where to move the poles currently located at country kitchen. The decision was to relocate them to Mike Starr's place as he already has one there.
- The temporary shelter at Mike Starr's place needs to be repaired or removed.
- At a previous AGM, a motion was passed to spend \$300 dollars on Ecoraster tile to be used on a muddy section of trail. There was a discussion to trial them on the proposed Boundary bypass and maybe build a boardwalk over them. Steve Hemeon will investigate and initiate the order.
- Kris Gough also mentioned that he has access to plastic pallets that could be used on the Nelson Trail.

#### 6. Volunteer Report (Scuba)

- Volunteer Summary
  - 96.5 Trail Maintenance Hours, 2 Volunteer Hours and 94 Warden Hours for a total of 192.5 logged volunteer hours since the last meeting.
  - Steve Hemeon had the most hours at 46 hours since the last meeting.
- Volunteer Rewards Program
  - 4 members have earned a new tier in the Volunteer Reward Program, to be presented in the fall of 2018.
- Steve Hemeon briefly explained the Volunteer Rewards Program for the new members present.

#### 7. Chief Warden Report (Jeff)

- The OPP did a ride on the long weekend in May with nothing significant to report (the ride was on a work day)
- Next OPP ride is expected to be on 2 July, the Monday of the long weekend.

#### 8. Quarter Master Report (Dave)

- Club machines had their tracks removed, tires installed and service completed. The oil needs to be changed every 50 hours. Note that since last servicing the TBX was used 86 hours while the Can-am was only used 59 hours.
- The flat deck was safetied and is currently located at Brentley Summer's place but the spare tire and mount are at Dave Baker's.
- The enclosed trailer was rewrapped, with new logos, and the door spring was fixed.
- The Club chainsaws are go to go.
- It was proposed to purchase some premixed fuel for the chainsaw instead of mixing our own because the mixed fuel tends to sit for long periods of time and needs to be replaced. The premix can be used for saws and trimmers.
- A sign inventory was completed. An order will go out next month.
- The Bush hog had its tires repaired and is good to go also.

#### 9. Sponsorship Report (Brentley)

- The advertisements have been put on the trailer.
- \$900 has been collected in sponsorships.
- There is a possible new sponsor, "Wheel Sport" (map and trail signs) but the club hasn't received the cheque

yet.

## 10. Marketing Committee Report (Mike S.)

- Cole Solutions Jacket
  - 65\$ with logo, XS – 4XL with White Block Print Logo
  - Black and Grey, possibility of also having Red and Black.
  - They will have to be pre-ordered
  - A Website/Facebook post will be made available to facilitate the preorder
  - 10 members at the meeting indicated they would pre-order a jacket.
  - The pre-order needs to be available for 30 days to put the order in by 1 Aug so the advertisement will need to go out by 1 Jul.
- 2018 District 1 Christmas Party
  - The Christmas Party Committee has booked DJ Dave, the Joel Steel Center and Leatherworks catering for Friday, 23 November, 2018.
  - The club will have the hall from 4:00pm to decorate and set up.
  - The bar will be open from 6:30pm to 11:00pm and will be operated by the township.
  - Dinner is scheduled for 7:30pm.
  - The Hall Rental is \$197.75 which includes cash bar and insurance.
  - DJ Dave is \$350.00
  - Board needs to decide on ticket price based on cost of dinner per plate. \$35 a ticket was suggested by the committee. Decision to follow the meeting.

## 11. Trail Updates

- North Grenville Update
  - Johnstown has signed their part of the link. The club needs to sign our half.
- Ottawa Update
  - Ottawa Trail Expansion: There are 50 (2 x 6)'s on site. Another 20 are needed to build the ramps for the second bridge off cabin road. The power poles will not be dug in because it is easier to just build ramps. 400 meters of wooded area is left to be cut to connect to Snake Island Road.
  - It was identified that there was a 90 ft mud hole at near the connection to Blantchfield – It was confirmed after the meeting that this had actually already been addressed and is no longer an issue.
  - Steve Hemeon will put together a trail maintenance day for the Ottawa Trails to prepare them for the Summer Solstice Ride.
  - The City asked if we want to expand the Ottawa trails east from Springfield/Blantchfield. Kris Gough will gathering local people to form a committee to plan a new trail, possibly towards Russell and join up with ATVCEO in another location. The club needs to list specific roads to the city for approvals. This needs to be completed before pilot project ends. After pilot program ends all new trails need to go to council that will slow down the process.
- South Dundas Update
  - Needs signing on the road to complete the loop from Hell's Gate Swamp.
- North Dundas Update
  - NSTR (Nothing Significant to Report)
- North Stormont Update
  - NSTR

## 12. OFATV and District One (Mike/Dave)

- President's Call
  - OFATV leadership will be presenting to the EOTA board to try and re-establish the reciprocal pass and to discuss a bolt on pass option to bring in Halliburton and Kowartha Lake's Clubs.
- OFATV AGM Discussion (Leslie)
  - The AGM held a risk management workshop that discussed the following considerations:
    - Having a social media engagement plan;
    - Crisis response plan;
    - Ensuring your local first responders know your trail system and extraction locations;
    - Have an incident record form;
    - Document your trail conditions, sign locations, maintenance projects etc. Use photos;
    - Inspect your trails routinely;
    - Not taking action on the aforementioned activities could result in losing your insurance; and
    - Self-insuring requires \$1 Million in escrow to cover liability.
  - Backroad Mapbooks now has all OFATV trails in their GPS package. There is a discount for OFATV members. They have GPS maps, and web maps and they are available to print paper maps as well.
  - A discussion on social networking listed the following tips for clubs:
    - Manage you messages, so they are safety compliant and positive.
    - Link to each other's clubs and share events.
    - The best time to post is on Thursday between 1:00pm and 3:00pm to get the most views.
    - Always post with pictures and videos, that will get you more response.
    - Use # Hashtags to link in activities, clubs and venders
  - There is a company call Happy Trails (not to be confused with the company that provides the groomers) that designs, engineers and constructs trails. They specialize in purpose built trails, i.e. ones that can stand up to ATVing and Snowmobiling, and are sustainable. They are available to provide designs, quotes or to conduct full projects.
  - MTO Briefing
    - An MTO Officer briefed on the safety requirements for trucks and trailers. The bottom line is if your truck's Gross Vehicle Weight Rating or your Registered Gross Weight (how much you truck weights, plus your load) exceed 4500KGs or 10,000lbs you need an Annual Safety Inspection (Yellow Sticker). If your truck has a sticker than all trailers you tow (excluding RVs) need an Annual Safety Inspection (Yellow Sticker as well). If your truck + Load + Trailer + Load weights more than 4500Kg or 10,000lbs then they both need an Annual Safety Inspection (Yellow Sticker). RVs are only exempt if they are commercially constructed and the living quarters is more than half the length of the trailer. For more information see:
      - <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/trucks/commercial-vehicle-safety-requirements.shtml>
      - Also note that any vehicle or vehicle and trailer over 6.5 meters cannot use the left lane on a 400 series highway.
      - Tying down ATVs, the ideal is 4 points on the ATV to 4 points on the trailer. Break strength of strap 3 x the weight of the machine.

### 13. Events

- Recent Events:

**NVATVC Annual Safety Week Fun Run – 34 ATVs, with approximately 40 Riders.**

- Future Events:

June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – RCATV B101 or Bust

<https://www.facebook.com/events/557737394601279/>

June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – JATVC Fundraiser for Connect Youth

<https://www.facebook.com/events/253320415227566/>

**June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – NVATVC Summer Solstice Ride**

July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Mattawa Road Trip hosted by COATVC

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2052511848295845/>

July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 – Saturday Fun Ride hosted by COATVC

<https://www.facebook.com/events/556314638065454/>

July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 – Demo Daze 2018 hosted by TIATVC (Date changed from ride card)

<https://www.facebook.com/events/390147844747709/>

August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Lunch by the Lake Ride hosted by TIATVC

<https://www.facebook.com/events/197157230861741/>

### 14. New Business

- July 7<sup>th</sup> – Verona Lions Club offered booth space at their ATV Poker Run. Since it is over 3 hours away we will politely decline but will ensure ATV clubs local to Verona are aware.
- A free PSA Testing Clinic will take place on 11 August, 2018. The club is waiting to hear if they want the trailer there and people to give directions.
- Dairyfest – Free booth for Not-for-profit organizations. Leslie Rediger volunteered to “man” it so the club agreed to take one.
- The trail maintenance grant was approved, but not for the full amount.
- **Sebastien Smith announced that he will be stepping down as president. July will be his last meeting. Nominations for president are being accepted.**

**Next Meeting: July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00PM at the Country Kitchen Restaurant, in Winchester**

#### **Roll Call**

Kimberly Day

Rog Day

Steve Hemeon

Shawn Doolan

Ray Komendat

Ken Beach

Carl Liscumb

Chad Gibson  
Dave Baker  
Charity Baker  
Charlotte Coons  
Leslie Rediger  
Kris Gough  
Mike Chicoine  
Sean Donovan  
Greg Stark  
Mike Starr  
Brentely Summers