



TRAILS & TALES

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NEWS FROM OUR PRESIDENT JOHN EVANS

Our season is well under way. We have been enjoying some great weather for riding and many of us have been taking advantage of it. I have said it before but I think it is worth repeating, we live in such a great place to ride and enjoy the outdoors. We also have a great network of trails that is ever growing and changing which gives us a variety of riding. We are also connected to some great surrounding clubs that expands our territory. This is great in that it allows us to travel from our community to the surrounding communities and beyond. When you think about it, how awesome is that!



We will be taking part again this year in the Strong Parade and are looking forward to that. **"Women can do anything Men can do"** is the theme this year and that should make for some great floats in the parade. We will also be serving hamburgers, hotdogs and snacks at the club house during the lineup. This is another great opportunity to serve our landowners and put a good face to the sport we enjoy. We again thank our many landowners for the use of their land and cooperation with us. We enjoy some great help from landowners

in our area. It is not just the use of their land but often help and aid in working on the trails.

The old saying is that **"Rome wasn't built in a day"** and when it comes to our trails that holds true as well. We have a bunch of trails and they did not come into being in a day but were made over years. Likewise the constant upkeep and reroute of our trails is an ongoing process. We have been busy hauling gravel and rock to certain sections of our trails. We have replaced a culvert and fixed bridges. I want to thank Jim and Cindy Quinlan for donating some logs to the cub and Travis Marble for sawing them out for us. We now have some much needed bridge material to fix some of our bridges. All that is to say that we can always use help on our many projects. If you have time or are interested in helping, just give us a call and we can tell you the next project on the list.

It seems that this letter is all about old sayings so I will end with this one. **Carpe Diem! which means "Seize the Moment"**. Take the opportunity to get out and ride whenever you get the chance.
Your President, John Evans

Meeting Reminder

The next meeting will be held at the Strong Legion Hall on Thursday July 7th. We have a Pot Luck meal before hand at 6:00 pm with the meeting following at 7:00 pm. Why don't you bring something good to eat and join us?

Can & Bottle Drive

We are up to \$197.00 so far this year. As always- Keep Collecting and bring your cans and bottles to the meetings or call Les or e-mail Betty for local

pick up at 652-2227 or bssnell@tds.net. This gives our Equipment Fund quite a boost every year.

Our 7th Annual Scholarship

Cordell Ellis of New Vineyard, son of members Stanton & Crystal Ellis and grandson of members Les & Betty Snell was the recipient of our 7th Annual Scholarship this year. He will be attending Maine Maritime Academy this fall to study Power Engineering. He has also told me that he had received the ATV Maine Scholarship this year. Lucky boy!!!

Parade Reminder

Don't forget the Parade on Friday, July 1st in Strong. 5:00 pm lineup.



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