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## January / February / March 2014 Newsletter

### From the President

Happy New Year! It's hard to believe 2013 is in the books and '14 has begun; seems like every year goes by faster and faster! Fortunately, days are starting to get a little longer and before you know it, the Daytona 500 Barbeque will be here and riding season shortly thereafter.

I'd like to take a moment to thank two dedicated volunteers who retired from the Club at its October 2013 meeting, Barb Rieth and Harold Phillips. Both have been instrumental in helping the club achieve its goals over the last several years and always ready to lend a helping hand. Both have assured us they will still be able to help out, but wanted a break from being part of the Officer / Board corps. Thanks again for your dedication!

I would also like to welcome two new officers, assuming the roles vacated by Barb & Harold. First, Pat Marra needs no introduction to the

**Don't Forget! – Club Fundraiser Chicken BBQ at the Hannibal Legion on Feb 23rd 11AM til gone – See next page!**

members, as she has been Membership Coordinator and jack of all trades since her husband Jim founded the club several years ago. Pat graciously agreed to fill the role as Secretary for 2014. Thanks Pat!

Rick Talamo stepped forward to accept the Vice President position, a new member to the club who has an interest in ensuring our trail network is in good shape for riding season. We need more folks like Rick to help out, as new faces are the lifeblood of an organization. Rick, thanks for volunteering!

Finally, I'd like to thank all of our members for being part of the Club and supporting our fundraising events. 2013 was a challenging year due to weather, trail closures and other unforeseen issues, which means '14 should be fantastic, if you believe in cycles! PM

### It's Membership Renewal Season

If you haven't renewed your membership for '14, now is the time to do so! The forms are fairly self-explanatory, but if you have any questions, please call Pat or any of the Officers. As in prior years, we request non-participating members make a \$10 donation in lieu of work details. These funds are important to the club as they help offset amounts paid to contractors and to purchase supplies.

Also, please purchase some raffle tickets with your renewal, allowing the club to sell out the 1200 tickets early. None of us want to send out a 'mandatory' sleeve for each of you to sell, but if we can't get traction, it's probably going to happen. Although the drawing is scheduled for our fall Best Hand ride, if we can sell them out prior to the May ride, we'll draw then. Wouldn't it be great to win \$9000 towards a new machine (purchased from a club sponsor – no exceptions) or \$7500 in cash when the riding season is barely a month old???

## Important Dates

### Daytona 500 Chicken BBQ – February 23<sup>rd</sup>

Please help the club by supporting its annual fundraising BBQ, held this year at the Hannibal Legion from 11am until gone. Anyone interested in helping out with the chicken BBQ and can't make the February meeting please contact Jermey or Phil to get you on the list to help. Please be sure to leave phone number so we can call and provide details closer to the 23rd. All are welcome. More help we have the easier it makes things for everyone.

### Yea! Trails Open – April 15<sup>th</sup>

(conditions permitting) – Check Web for up-to-date information as 15<sup>th</sup> nears

#### **Next meetings**



The first **regular meeting** of the season will be held on **Wednesday, February 5th, 2014** at the Hannibal VFW beginning at **7:00pm**. Please come & share your thoughts!

The **March** club meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** at the Sand Hill IOOB Club in Martville beginning at **7:00pm**.

#### **Housekeeping Items**

If you have an e-mail address and are willing to receive the club newsletter by email, it would be greatly appreciated due to rising postage & printing costs. Please call/email Pat Marra to get set up - 564-6619 or p\_marra@yahoo.com

#### **Reminder:**

Don't forget to use your parking passes when using the parking areas.

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS!**

## Contract Renewal – Cayuga County

The Club recently signed a multi-year extension with Cayuga County, covering the 2014, 2015 & 2016 riding seasons. Having a multi-year agreement allows us to plan trail maintenance spending, trail expansion efforts and develop sponsorship along the trail network. Specifically, I'd like to thank Gary Duckett, Director of Cayuga County Parks & Recreation for his continuing support and the entire county Legislature.

We expect to announce a similar extension with Oswego County shortly.

#### 2014 Club Meetings (all at 7pm)

February 5 <sup>th</sup>	Hannibal VFW
March 5 <sup>th</sup>	IOOB Sand Hill
April 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cato Legion
<b>May 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bibbens Sales – Weedsport</b>
June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Cato Legion
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hannibal VFW
<b>August 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wheel-A-Way – Fulton</b>
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Clubhouse (Muck Rd)
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	IOOB Fairdale

We are happy to announce our meeting schedule for 2014, which includes stops at two dealer sponsors, Bibbens Sales & Service in Weedsport and Wheel-A-Way Motorsports in Fulton. Both Bill Bibbens and Mark Eagan are excited about discussing their businesses, the history and may even provide a look-see into new or exciting products. Seemed like a good time to expand our horizons, especially with the raffle coming up! I hope everyone enjoys a little different setting than we're used to.

## Fundraising Calendar

### Daytona 500 BBQ – Feb 23rd

*Help needed, call Jermey or Phil*

- *Will have new Club sweatshirts for view / order*

### ATV / Cash Raffle

- 1200 Tickets Maximum
- \$15/Ticket
- Drawn when all are sold

Winner receives \$9,000 towards purchase of ATV from Club Sponsor or \$7500 in cash! Consolation Prize \$1000 in cash! Winner responsible for all taxes & see tickets for details

*Call Pat Marra for Tickets*

### Best Hand Ride – May 17<sup>th</sup>

- *Details to Follow*
- *Help will be needed!*
- **If we sell the tix, raffle winners drawn at this ride!!!**

### Best Hand Ride – Sept 20<sup>th</sup>

- *Season Ender*
- *Anticipated drawing for Raffle (if all tix are sold)*