

GREAT PINE TRAIL RIDERS

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NEWS LETTER

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Riders,

An early spring means some great riding conditions sooner than usual. The forest opens this Thursday, and with the current forecast the upcoming weekend should be busy! If you head out, be cautious getting “back in the saddle”. Most everyone else you’ll meet out there will be in the same state as we are, shaking the cobwebs out and getting our riding wits about us!

Regular Buisness

The executive will be meeting on May 9th to update ourselves on where we stand on this seasons initiatives since our first meeting, and to plan a date for a general meeting. Let me know if you have any issues you would like me to bring up with them at that time.

Land Issues

Please take time to read the attached land usage document forwarded to me by Paul Mooney. Paul, and Warren Thaxter, were invitees to the original round of meetings to give input on trail usage in Ontario, and specifically in the Peterborough / Kawartha regions. If you have any input on the questions in this document, please feel free to address them and send them to Paul for presentation at the next meeting.

Paul’s address is ktmmooney@rogers.com

Spring Membership Drive / Club Hats

If you renewed before March 31, you will be receiving a GPTR ball cap. PLEASE contact Rome via Email and let him know what size you want, and if you will be picking it up or would like it mailed out. See Upcoming events for the first opportunity to pick up your hat. If you would like to order additional hats, please let Rome know and he will let you know the cost.

Hat sizing is as follows: The hats are Flex Fit fitted hats they come S/M or L/XL for guys. So for the ones we need to ship I will need to know the size preference. The girl's hats are S/M.

Rome’s address is rhaloftis@silversolarium.com

Membership

Our membership as of today is 21, 2 of which are family memberships. Also returning as a corporate sponsor is Yamaha Canada. Thanks to everyone that sent in their dues early!

Meetings:

Executive – as needed

General – AGM in April of 2008, General in September, another possible this spring if needed.

Upcoming Events:

On Saturday May 12th, the GPTR will be holding a spring trail clean up and mini BBQ. We will be handing out the club hats to all those who renewed their membership early.

- Meet at W1 parking lot, at the end of Boundry Road
- Arrive with enough time to be ready to ride by 9:30 AM.
- Return to W1 for 1PM for a hot dog BBQ and cold drink provided by the club
- Bring a small folding saw if you have one. We will have some to lend out.
- LET ME KNOW if you plan to attend so I can get the right amount of food.

On the same day there will be a volunteer patroller meeting at the Forest Center at 10:30 AM. The meeting will encompass the last seasons forest usage impact, this seasons goals as well as training for any new volunteer patrollers. Contact me for more information.

Following is the Ontario Trail Ride Schedule, from the OFTR site:

May 20
Northumberland Spring Trail Ride - Cobourg
Northumberland Trail Riders
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May 27
Mini Pine Trail Ride - Ganaraska Forest
[OCMC](#)

June 3
Jim Kelly Trail Ride - Midhurst
[HORRA](#)
[ENTRY FORM](#)

June 10
Timber Line Family Trail Ride - Port Colborne

[Niagara Timberline Riders](#)
[ENTRY FORM](#)

June 17 (Father's day)
6th Annual Motopark Kid's Ride - Williamsford
[Motopark](#)
(Not part of the series)

June 23 & 24
Algonquin Trail Ride - Madawaska
[OCMC](#)

July 8
Limerick Family Trail Ride - Roebuck
[BMA](#)

July 21
Crystal Lake Trail Ride - Gooderham
Haliburton Highlands Trail Riders

August 4 & 5
Northumberland 2-day Ride - Cobourg
[Northumberland Trail Riders](#)

August 12
Mid Summers Dream Trail Ride - Ganaraska Forest
[Great Pine Trail Riders](#)

September 8 & 9
Calabogie Boogie - Calabogie
[BMA](#)

September 22 & 23
MAZINAW TRAIL RIDE and DUAL SPORT TOUR
Cloyne, Ontario
Trail Ride - September 22
Dual Sport Tour - September 23
[Ontario Dual Sport Club](#)

October 7
Meg's Ride (Ladies Only) - Cobourg
[Northumberland Trail Riders](#)

October 8
Fall Trail Ride - Cobourg
[Northumberland Trail Riders](#)

Guided Rides:

Bill Kirby has offered to run some guided rides on Monday afternoons / evenings. These rides are designed to accommodate riders that are new to the forest trail system. Watch for emails from Bill when he gets this underway.

Trail Projects

Lookout hill: No change from the last newsletter

Trail Reroute near Marsh Crossing: We will be addressing this with forest staff in the next few weeks.

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