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2014 Raffle Winners

Congratulations to the winners of our 2014 Raffle.

1st Prize - \$7,000 – Linda Zeebeck – Esterhazy

2nd Prize – 2014 ATV Tub Trailer – Ron Crashley - Big River

3rd Prize – 2014 TaoTao 110cc Quad – Justin Novak - St. Walburg



Our thanks to all those who sold and bought raffle tickets this year. Also our thanks to GT Milling in Aylsham, www.gtmilling.com for their generous donation of the ATV Tub Trailer. This was much appreciated.

As the Snow Flies

Yes, the white stuff has come and for those hardy riders, riding an ATV in the winter months can be a lot of fun. Also many will use their ATV to plow snow.

However a reminder that ATV's, even equipped with tracks, are not allowed on designated snowmobile trails. This includes some highway ditches as the Saskatchewan Snowmobile Association has agreements with the Dept. of Highways where certain highway ditches comprise part of the designated snowmobile trail system.

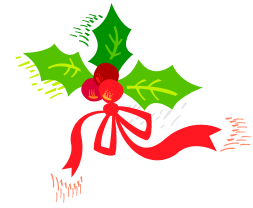
Please be respectful and don't ride your ATV on designated snowmobile trails.





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Meeting with SGI Minister


On November 18, 2014, SATVA met with Minister Don McMorris who is responsible for Crown Investments, including SGI. A number of topics were raised including ATV safety issues and ATV registration. Minister McMorris was upfront and honest that there is not sufficient support in government for ATV registration at this time. How can you help? Talk to your MLA about ATV issues like safety and registration. We need to build support for ATV usage in the province or we might lose any chance of improving conditions for ATV riding, not to mention the possibility of losing what opportunities we have now. The ATV lobby is not strong right now and MLA's need to know that ATV is an important sector for both promoting recreational activity in the province and for fostering economic opportunities.

Safety

Although 2014 isn't quite over, and with the main riding season over we are confident that we won't see any more fatalities in 2014. There were five fatalities this year, which is significantly less than the eight fatalities we saw in 2013. However five deaths, or even one death is still too many. All of these fatalities could have been avoided. Alcohol use and not wearing helmets were reoccurring themes in not just the fatalities, but also in serious injuries. ATV riding is a fantastic recreational opportunity and I can think of nothing more tragic than a ride ending in a death or serious injury.


SATVA delivered a helmet safety campaign this year and I'm comfortable that we were successful in raising awareness in the importance of not only wearing a helmet but in other safety aspects of ATV usage as well. We were able to get significant media coverage of the helmet campaign and other safety issues. SATVA still has a good supply of the Helmet Campaign poster below, so if you would like some posters please let me know at info@satva.ca.







909 INJURIES • 50 DEATHS

(in Saskatchewan since 2008-09) (in Saskatchewan since 2000)



Don't become an ATV statistic...

WEAR A HELMET

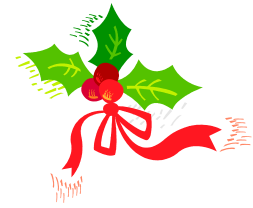


Moose Mountain Park

SATVA, along with other interested ATV clubs will be meeting with Moose Mountain Park officials in January to discuss options and opportunities to keep the ATV trails in the park open and maintained.

The ATV trails in Moose Mountain are important to those who live in the south of the province and we will work very hard to keep the trails open and maintained.





Dealer/Manufacture Members

A number of ATV dealers are members of SATVA, along with several of their dealers. Check the SATVA website for their names and locations. Their support is greatly appreciated.



CASI ATV Training



As always we'd like to remind riders that Saskatchewan has 6 certified CASI ATV instructors in the province. ATV training is required, by law, for anyone 12 to 15 years old (and anyone who doesn't have a driver's license), when operating on public property. As well this training is valuable for anyone to improve their safety and riding skills. To sign up for an ATV Safety Course, visit www.satva.ca where you'll find a link on the main page to register online.

Discounts

Don't forget as a SATVA member you are offered a 10% discount on personal ATV Insurance through OASIS insurance, and a 10% discount on purchases at Mark's Work Warehouse. We will continue to explore more opportunities to help our members with savings.



Social Media

SATVA's social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter offer ATV users a quick reference to things that are happening in the ATV world. We try to keep the sites updated with the most current information. Please take a moment to check out our sites and provide comments.

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/175643119160177/>

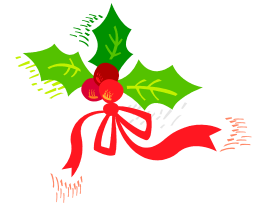


Twitter <https://twitter.com/InfoSatva>



As there won't be newsletter in December, I want to wish everyone a safe and happy **Merry Christmas** and **New Year**. Wherever you're travelling or just staying home for the holidays, please take care and be safe. I'm hoping that 2015 will see a lot of good things for ATV riders.





As always I welcome your comments, suggestions and am willing to debate the issues with you. Contact me directly by email at info@satva.ca, or comment on our Facebook group. We also follow the Saskatchewan ATV Hardcore forums so feel free to voice your opinions there as well.

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Francis Rally

***'Ride Safe. Wear your Helmet,
and Don't Drink and Quad'***



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