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### Where Do I Ride?

It's probably the most asked question by ATV riders. Current Saskatchewan law allows ATV's to operate on all unoccupied crown land, and in all ditches of provincial highways, unless there is a regulation prohibiting it. Two clubs in Saskatchewan, Timber Trials in Big River and the Esterhazy Super Sledders own multi use trails. Two provincial parks, Narrow Hills in the north



and Moose Mountain in the south have designated ATV trails. Unfortunately Moose Mountain was unable to open the trails to ATV's this year due to wet conditions, however it is hoped they will be open next year. Saskatchewan Tourism offers a web page showing some ATV trails in the province at <http://www.sasktourism.com/things-to-do/trails> and this is worth checking out. SATVA will continue to lobby government and support its members in developing ATV Trails.

### Moose Mountain Park

We've had conversations with the Park management and they did not want ATV's on the trails this year at all. Wet weather made the trails unusable. They've invited SATVA to take part in some discussions and planning for the ATV trails in the park and hopefully a solid plan for usage will be in place for the 2014 riding season.

### Manufacturer Members/Sponsors

I'm pleased to announce that both Can-Am and Polaris have become members of SATVA. They join Yamaha and Honda and we see their membership as crucial in establishing SATVA as a true representative for ATV interests in the province. Many of their dealers have joined as well. See a complete listing of dealer members on our website.



### Rallies

Here are some events that are coming up;

- Ahtahkakoop Fall Rally (Canwood) – September 14, 2013
- Aaron Boyer Third Annual Memorial Quad Rally (Chitik Lake) -September 14, 2013
- Timber Trails ATV Fall Rally (Big River)- September 28, 2013
- Vanscoy ATV Derby - October 12, 2013

(Note: There has been some chatter on the Sask Hardcore Forum about the possibility of rallies in Esterhazy and/or Macoun). For more information on any of these events check the Sask Hardcore ATV forums at <http://saskhardcoreatv.com/board/>

### 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](http://www.satva.ca) where you'll find a link on the main page to register online.

### Web Site

**SATVA has a new web site!!!!** We're going to work hard to make sure the new site meets the needs of ATV users in the province and hopefully we can use it to support the ATV community as a whole. Please check it out at [www.satva.ca](http://www.satva.ca). Comments and suggestions are welcome.

### Ride Safely

2013 has seen a record number of ATV related fatalities so far and we encourage riders to use caution and good common sense when operating ATV's. When on public property, a helmet is required by law. In 5 of 8 fatalities recorded this year, the rider was not wearing a helmet. Also alcohol and riding does not mix and can lead to poor judgement and disaster. Save the drinks for after the ride. In a few short months we'll see hunting season upon us and riders are encouraged to wear bright colours (orange or yellow) so as to not be mistaken for big game.

### 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.

### Facebook



Don't forget SATVA has its own Facebook Group at <https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/175643119160177/> Please come and join the group and the discussion.

### Twitter

Yes SATVA is on Twitter now!!!! Visit and follow us at <https://twitter.com/InfoSatva>



Summer is quickly drawing to a close but all the weather wizards tell us there will be a long warm Fall so lots of riding left to do. SATVA is dedicated to promoting safe and responsible use of ATV's in the province and providing ATV users a unified voice. As always if you have any ideas, comments or suggestions for the newsletter contact me at [info@satva.ca](mailto:info@satva.ca).

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***'Ride Safe and Don't Drink and Quad'***

