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High-Centered Summer 2012

High-Centered is a quarterly feature which assists you (the motorized recreation enthusiast) in your quest to become a more involved access advocate. If you've ever been high-centered on the trail you'll relate to this phrase. High-centered on the trail implies that you find yourself looking like a turtle perched on a rock. Try as he might, he just can't extend his legs down to the ground. If you're high-centered on the trail, you're in the same predicament. Your wheels just can't quite reach solid ground. If only you could get just one tire to bite you could free yourself and continue on your quest. All you need is a little nudge, just a small tug. Just that little bit of assistance will get you moving!

The Pipeline 4x4 Trail (Forest Road #55552) opened (after seasonal closure) on Friday, June 1st. This trail is located in the Laona/Lakewood Ranger District of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF). Located east of Lakewood, The Pipeline is subject to a seasonal closure annually between March 14th & June 1st.

For a few weeks now, we've all heard the rumblings. The complaining that more and more of The Pipeline is closed. There's finger-pointing that always finds somebody or some group to blame for the closures. All the finger-pointing in the world won't help.

Hell, we could ban large tires and large trucks that won't help. We could chase down those few individuals that violate the rules, but that won't do it either.

The one thing that will help is your involvement.

This quarter, your nudge is to contact the Forest Service. Telephone Paul Strong (715.762.2461), the Forest Supervisor of the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF). Remind Paul that you're a motorized recreation enthusiast and that you're terribly disappointed in the limited riding opportunities for Off-Highway Motorcycles and 4WD Vehicles in the Forest. Tell him you're especially concerned with the continual closures on The Pipeline (Forest Road #55552). Ask him why there doesn't appear to be a plan to address motorized, off-road, trail riding opportunities for the two aforementioned user groups. Be sure to offer your assistance in expanding opportunities and specifically ask Paul what you can do to help assure that motorized trail riding opportunities are available in the CNNF for you and your children.

As always be polite, but be sure to ask Paul exactly what you can do to help him assure that all users of the CNNF have recreational opportunities available to them.



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Pipeline Corridor Update

The Pipeline is clean! N.F.S. road 2101L is in good condition. After an 8 A.M. rendezvous and sign in at the NFS Lakewood Office with the WOHVA volunteer crew; nine volunteers headed to the north end of the Pipeline Corridor near Bucks Ranch Road and eight volunteers headed south to work to the north. The two groups met on the rock hill between the southern rock wash closure and Bucks Ranch. The Pipeline was extraordinarily clean since it did not open since June 1st. Traffic has been light. Special appreciation goes out to Michelle and Marty for feeding the crew. Brats, burgers, chips, beans, cookies, soda and water were available at lunch time. M&M go all out to keep out volunteers well fed and ready for more.

Many thanks to the NFS for allowing us to meet at their office. HUGE thanks to all of our volunteers!

The group included some new friends and members from a Milwaukee area club. It was great to have more enthusiasts giving back to their chosen form of recreation. Welcome guys; remember also to check out www.worvpi.org. We also met a large group from the local Ruffed Grouse Society at the NFS office.

They were headed out to do some habitat clearing and access work. It is nice to see other dedicated user groups working with the NFS to protect their chosen form of recreation.

VOLUNTEERS ROCK! Thank you!

Coming up September 29th 2012 WOHVA will again be leading a group of volunteers to the Pipeline Corridor for a work day. By September WOHVA hopes to see progress on the Pipeline Grant work as well as the positive effect of the actual Pipeline Company on the presently closed and damaged areas. Marty and Michelle will bring the food bus again this fall and share a hearty meal with WOHVA's great volunteer group. Note WOHVA is looking for a photographer to document our work days. Please email me if you are interested. COO@WOHVA.COM Please contact Tom DeSombre or Dan Bergin COO@WOHVA.COM for information regarding 2012 Spring, Fall or other workday information.



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WOHVA on the climb

As Fathers Day is a holiday tradition for many fathers and their families, so is WOHVA's participation in the Kettle Moraine Sport Riders (KMSR) Annual Fathers Day Motorcycle Hillclimb event. This year was no exception. On June 17th, 2012 WOHVA representation included 11 members to assist the KMSR by coordinating and facilitating parking duties.

This is an AMA sanctioned Pro-am Hillclimb event held at Sunburst Ski Hill near Kewaskum, WI. The event draws over 50 competitors from around the Midwest. Classes range from 50cc to open modified bikes, both domestic and foreign branded. Competitors attempt to scale an altered section of the hill for both time and distance. WOHVA also sponsors this event with the Open Class trophy award.

WOHVA definitely had a presence with our tent, trailer and jeep display. This year we had the opportunity to hand out Mickey Thompson Tires banners which brought over 100 spectators to our tent and gave us the chance to discuss the progress of an OHV park in the foreseeable future.

Just to add to the excitement one of our own, Cotty Barret (current WOHVA Volunteer of the Year award recipient) won the 50/50 raffle and was brought up on stage and proclaimed his allegiance for WOHVA. The proceeds from the 50/50 raffle go to the MS Society in honor of Jim Engle.

WOHVA truly appreciates all our volunteers. I am continued to be amazed at the efforts our members put forth for the organization. Thanks again and looking forward to next year. For more information visit www.wohva.com or www.kettlemorainesportriders.com



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The following is an article that was published in the XXXXX issue of United's "THE VOICE". The article was written by Bob DeVore. Bob was one of the workshop leaders at our annual convention and workshops.

WOHVA 8th Annual OHV Enthusiasts Workshops

I recently had the opportunity to attend the Wisconsin Off-Highway Vehicle Association (WOHVA), 8th Annual OHV Enthusiasts Workshops & Membership Meeting held at the Mole Lake Lodge & Conference Center located in Crandon, Wisconsin. The first word that comes to mind is, "WOW!" Okay I realize a single word is not very descriptive, I also realize it falls far short of giving credit where credit is due. WOHVA hosted an event that ought to be modeled after by other associations. Let me try to break it down.

Thursday consisted of eight hours of FI STA Chain Saw Safety Training Workshop; which Included lunch and all materials.

Friday consisted of eight hours of a Wisconsin Off-Road Vehicle Park, Inc. Development Workshop; which

Included lunch and all materials. This workshop had a tremendous wealth of information that came from a variety of sources. Jack Terrell, Senior Project Coordinator for National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council (NOHVCC) moderated the workshop. The Feasibility Study was covered by a representative from Ripon College Creative Enterprise Center. Search for Suitable Sites in Forest County was covered by a representative from North Central WI Regional planning Committee. The Legislative and Regulatory Landscape was covered by WOHVA President John Schnoor and Alex Bub Wisconsin Off-Highway Motorcycle Association (WOHMA). Planning a Successful Park was covered by Jack Terrell NOHVCC. Principles and Guidelines for Park Development was covered by Russ Ehnes Executive Director NOHVCC. Forest County Economic Development Partnership was covered by Jim Schuessler, Director, Forest County EDP. Economic Impact of OHV Recreation was covered by Jack Terrell NOHVCC. Partnership Development Opportunities was covered by Russ Ehnes NOHVCC. WI DNR Plans for ORV Trails and Parks was covered by Peter Biermeier, Chief, Recreation Planning and



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Development, WI DNR. Strategies to Obtain Land and Provide Financial Support for Park in addition to Volunteer Recruitment and Management was covered by Jack Terrell and Russ Ehnes of NOHVCC. I do not recall every one that spoke, nor do I remember all the elected officials or groups represented in the audience. WOHVA did an outstanding job putting all the players in a single room for eight hours of sharing. Friday consisted of the 7th Annual WOHVA Volunteer Appreciation Banquet for a mere \$10. Saturday started with WOHVA General Membership Meeting which was followed by UFWDA Volunteer Trail patrol Workshop. The UFWDA VTP workshop was followed by the local Sheriff, a State Senator and other elected officials. Then we received a U.S. Forest Service Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest 2012 MVUM Update. We had the opportunity to share lunch with Land Managers & Elected Representatives (what an opportunity). The afternoon consisted of a Vehicle Extraction and Winch Safety Workshop. The collimation of an absolutely outstanding weekend was the 7th Annual WOHVA Banquet.

I tip my hat to John Schnoor and WOHVA for all their efforts they have extended over the years in their pursuit of a OHV Park in Forrest County. I wish them well in their pursuits and wish to Thank You for the learning experience and the wonderful hospitality.

Respectfully,
Bob DeVore
UFWDA Treasurer



Above is Bob during the presentation of one of WOHVA's always stylish T Shirts



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5th annual

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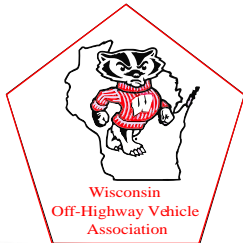
August 17-18, 2012

Mole Lake, Wisconsin

Dinner Banquet Included

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AUGUST

- 4 WOHVA Trails Day Full-Size Truck Trails; Mole Lake, WI
- 8 WOHVA BOD Meeting; Oconto Falls, WI
- 11 WOHVA Trails Day; Mole Lake, WI
- 17 & 18 5th Annual GREAT NORTHERN TRAIL RIDE; Mole Lake Casino & Conference Center, WI
- 25 WOHVA Trails Day; Mole Lake, WI

SEPTEMBER

- 1 WOHVA Trails Day; Mole Lake, WI
- 2 43RD Annual Brush Run Championship Off-Road Races; Crandon, WI (volunteer event)
- 29 WOHVA Pipeline Workday *** National Public Lands Day *** Lakewood, WI

OCTOBER

- 6 WOHVA Fall Trails Informational Meeting; Fredonia, WI
- 10 WOHVA BOD Meeting; Oshkosh, WI
- 21 Kettle Moraine Sport Riders Field & Forest Dual Sport Ride; TBA

DECEMBER

- 12 WOHVA BOD Meeting; Oshkosh, WI



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Wisconsin Off-Road Vehicle Park Individual Membership 2012 Application Form

Please complete application, attach payment for \$10 (payable to WORVPI) and mail to: WORVPI, 116 South Lake Avenue, Crandon, WI 54520

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____ Telephone _____

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Wisconsin Off-Road Vehicle Park Association/Club Annual Membership 2012 Application Form

Please complete application, attach payment for \$100 (payable to WORVPI) and mail to: WORVPI, 116 South Lake Avenue, Crandon, WI 54520

Club/Association Name _____ Name of Contact Person (also voting representative) _____

Address _____

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