

## **ATV Minnesota**

*"Your Voice For ATV Recreation in Minnesota"*

**December 30, 2021**

**Newsletter**

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*Over 900 new members this year!  
Welcome & Happy New Year!*



**Reminder To Submit Your Club's Resolutions By December 31st.**

**And To Have Your Club's Representatives Register For The January 8th Legislative Summit.**

*(Link below, please indicate whether attending in person or via Zoom)*

**Plan Now For Your Club To Be Represented**

The future of ATV riding in Minnesota starts at the Legislative Summit. It's your ATV club's opportunity to submit resolutions to be prioritized and voted on, giving ATV

Minnesota and its lobbyists direction and priority on what Legislative issues will be pursued

during the 2022 Legislative Session. All ATV Minnesota clubs are invited to send representatives.

**Resolution forms were sent to all clubs. Please complete and send your club's as a word doc to [atvamoffice@atvam.org](mailto:atvamoffice@atvam.org) by December 31st.**

**Date:** Saturday, January 8, 2022

**Location:** Treasure Island Resort & Casino  
5734 Sturgeon Lake Road, Welch, MN 55089  
Approx. 36 miles southeast of St. Paul.

**Schedule:**

Continental breakfast: 7:30am

Meeting: 8am-1pm

**Attending In Person:**

Please register today at the link below, and arrive before 8 am to sign in, and pay \$15 for the continental breakfast.

**Rooms may be booked directly with Treasure Island by visiting the [ticasino.com](http://ticasino.com) website.** Tap "Hotel & Resort". Or call and mention you are attending the ATV MN meeting. Other lodging options are available in Red Wing.

**Attending by Zoom Video Conferencing:**

Please register at the link below even if you are attending by Zoom.

Topic: ATV Minnesota Legislative Summit

Time: Jan 8, 2022 08:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

**Link to join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8:7521657019?pwd=UWdKenE4UkxrToY5Ylg1NG5hZXNodzo9>

Zoom Meeting ID: 875 2165 7019

Passcode: 897728

Optional dial-in phone number: 312-626-6799



**How To Register For The Summit:**

Please register today so we know how many will be attending. Please indicate whether attending in person or via Zoom)

**Step 1: Tap on this link:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoC4FA5AC2AAoFCC61-2022>

**Step 2: Answer yes or no in the box whether you are attending the meeting.**  
Tap “RSVP Now”

**Step 3: Fill in the form.**

In the Comment box, please type in “Attending in person” or “Attending by Zoom”. Please add the name of your ATV club. That will let us know what clubs are attending, especially helpful for the voting process. Tap “RSVP Now”

**Thanks for registering today for the 2022 ATV Minnesota Legislative Summit. We look forward to seeing you there or participating through Zoom.**

*Questions?*

*Ron Potter, ATV MN President*

*r.potter@atvam.org*



## **You Have A Voice In The Future Of ATV Recreation.**

### **How Do You Want It?**

It is important for ATV Minnesota, its members and member clubs to have a collective voice, communicated through our lobbyists to the State Legislature, to create laws that positively affect ATV recreation in Minnesota.

I attended my first Legislative Summit in 2008 as a new member of ATV MN. I found it to be a “first-step” meeting to help ATV MN members provide lobbyists Ray Bohn and Tom Hackbarth with a list of prioritized resolutions to move forward in the next Minnesota State Legislative Session. Many of us have read the DNR OHV Regulations booklet, or a particular Minnesota statute, which is a law enacted by our State

Legislature. Laws by nature are not static, but dynamic. What seemed perfectly logical and a norm at one time may very well be out of place and irrelevant today.

As an ATV MN member, you are invited to attend this meeting. **You have a voice, working through an ATV MN member club.** The club can send in a resolution to the ATV MN office to have it read, discussed, and voted on at the Summit, to move it forward as a priority resolution.

Many resolutions are read and discussed during the meeting. As a collective group, we prioritize the ones we want our lobbyists to spend the most time on during the next Legislative Session. Your club’s resolution may or may not have majority support of the larger group and make the priority cut. Your idea may be a good one but the timing may not be right, or more information may be needed, so your resolution may be “tabled” or discussed again later.

Upon adjournment of the Legislative Summit, the priority resolutions will be in the hands of our capable lobbyists, who will move them forward at the State Capitol. The bills require sponsors within the Legislature, and go through many steps in the hope of becoming law. Ray

and Tom may ask you to come to a committee hearing, where Legislators may ask you about the need for the new law or appropriation of funds.

If all goes as planned, upon passage of the ATV MN bills into law, you should feel proud that you were part of the Legislative process. You enacted change and participated in the democratic process. You helped create a positive future for ATV recreation in Minnesota...and reached the height of the Legislative Summit.

*Perry May, ATVMN State Director*  
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**Coming Events!**  
**Details at [ATVMN.org](http://ATVMN.org).**  
**Registration coming soon.**

**ATV MN PRESENTS**  
**RIDE & ROAST**  
**MAY 21<sup>ST</sup>**

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
**GUIDED ATV RIDES**  
**HOG AND TURKEY ROAST**  
**DOOR PRIZES**

**\$20**  
PER RIDER  
PREREGISTERED

**\$25**  
AT THE DOOR

**MCQUOID'S INN**  
ISLE, MN

MORE INFO AT: [ATVMN.ORG](http://ATVMN.ORG)

New this year: Friday night Welcome Party at the Wahkon Inn.



### **DNR Reminder About Using Class Photos Of Students On Internet, Media and Social Media**

#### ***From the DNR Volunteer Safety Instructor Newsletter:***

*Student photos, videos, and images are not to be shared without a Talent Release Form that has been filled out and signed by a parent or guardian. Do*

*not post pictures from a youth safety class on your club's website, Facebook page or any social media sites without the release. No personal opinions or comments related to DNR programs or policies on club websites or social media sites. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact your RTO (Regional Training Officer).*



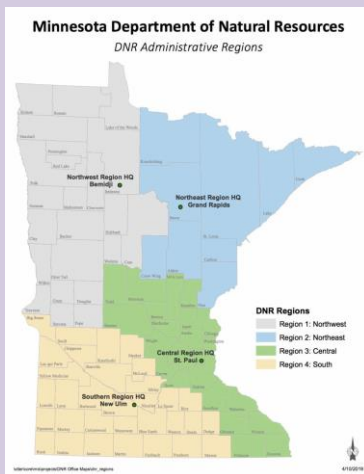
## **Congratulations to Dan Kleen on his AMA Lifetime Achievement Award**

Dan Kleen, with the Iowa OHV Association, attended the 2021 ATV Minnesota Ride & Rally in Ely, speaking at the banquet about the Iowa Association, his two decades of work as chairman of NOHVCC, his 30 years riding off-road with hand controls, and his projects working with disabled veterans.

*From the American Motorcyclist Association :*

“The AMA Board has awarded the AMA Dud Perkins Lifetime Achievement Award to Dan Kleen, who has served as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council for the last 21 years. Recipients of the award showcase the highest level of service to the AMA in an area of activity, and Kleen’s help establishing the Iowa Off-Highway Vehicle Association, efforts forming the Iowa Motorsports Coalition, and role in founding the Friends of Iowa’s Trials group, made him the perfect candidate for the honor. An avid hunter, Kleen also helped set up hunts and rides for disabled veterans in Iowa and other states.”

*From all your friends with ATV Minnesota, congratulations Dan!*



## **Karine Finken Replaces Andrew Brown In The DNR Northeast Region**

*(From Joe Unger, DNR Parks & Trails)*

Greetings all,

I would like to announce that Karine Finken will be joining DNR Parks and Trails as the Northeast Region OHV Acquisition and Development Specialist. This is the role formally held by Andrew Brown. Karine comes to DNR from a private engineering firm in North Dakota, where she worked for over 9 years as a project manager and consultant on electrical transmission and pipeline projects. She has experience leading public input/review processes, securing right of ways,

overseeing resource assessments and environmental review and GIS technical support. Karine is originally from Minnesota and enjoys spending time ATV riding in the Grand Rapids area. Karine’s first day of work is to be determined as she relocates to the Grand Rapids area, but is eager to get started.

Joe Unger 651-605-5861

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## ATV MN Gear & Clothing Is Fully Stocked Again!

Order yours today from our store at [atvmn.org](http://atvmn.org).



### FEDERAL RECREATIONAL TRAIL PROGRAM 2022 Trail Grant Application INSTRUCTIONS



Before completing this application read and study the program manual, all information on the program website, and these instructions.

APPLICATION DUE DATE: **February 25, 2022**

#### COMPLETING THE APPLICATION:

- Carefully review the Project Eligibility section of the program manual to understand the different requirements and eligible expenditures and tips in the How To Apply section.
- Type all responses within the blank boxes associated with each question. Do not type your answers in the same box as the question. For location and site maps, you may insert these as separate pages immediately following each question and follow color coding system.
- Enter county Property (Parcel) Identification Number (PIN) of parcel(s) where project is located.
- Replace the sample resolution page with the actual approved resolution.
- DO NOT change the format of this document.
- Respond to all the required questions and provide all required documents, including those outlined in the Attachment Checklist. Failure to complete the application appropriately will mean that the project will not be considered for funding.
- Please keep answers as brief and concise as possible, but thoroughly answer all parts of a question. Answers should focus on the project for which the funds will be utilized and less on future phases (if applicable) of your project.

## 2022 Federal RTP Grant Application Is Now Available On The DNR Website

Tips:

- Plan far ahead to meet Feb 25 deadline.
- Include letters of support.
- Support letters from ATV MN permitted.
- If application is for a multi-use trail, know that it is for the life of the trail.
- Read information carefully related to the "Buy American" details.

Learn more at:

[https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/recreation/trails\\_federal.html](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/grants/recreation/trails_federal.html)



Rod Wegner

## Got A Fun Story To Tell? Share it with us for publication in this newsletter or our Minnesota Wheelin magazine.

- Have you been on a memorable ride?
- Do you have a fun story about an ATV club or ride group you belong to?
- Do you know of an outstanding volunteer who should be recognized for all they do for ATV riding in Minnesota?
- Is there an important ATV issue you'd like us to cover?
- We don't have a budget to pay you, but we will give you a byline and extra copies of the magazine your article or photo appears in.
- Send your comments, stories, club news, and ideas to: [d.halsey@atvam.org](mailto:d.halsey@atvam.org).

Thanks! From the ATV MN Communications Team:  
Dave Halsey, Nick Wognum, Jeff Leese, Dean Schliek,



## ATV MINNESOTA *"Your Voice To Ride"*

Dedicated Volunteers  
Building Fun & Sustainable  
ATV Trails  
For The Riding Public

**Invite friends and  
family to join today.  
Gift memberships  
available!**

See the mailing label on your  
Minnesota Wheelin magazine

for the renewal date of your membership. Be sure to include your email address on the renewal form to receive newsletters. And send renewals to ATV MN's mailing address: PO Box 300, Stacy, MN 55079.

Belonging to ATV Minnesota, you join thousands of riders throughout the state, have fun, and help create a positive future of ATV riding in Minnesota.

### **As a family or individual member, for just \$20 you receive:**

- A subscription to Minnesota Wheelin magazine (6 issues per year)
- Twice-monthly newsletter by email with the latest news and information
- Membership card and ATV MN logo sticker for your ATV or vehicle
- Invitation to events, including our Legislative Summit in winter, Vision Meeting, Ride & Roast in the spring, and State Convention "Ride & Rally" in the fall, as well as general membership meetings
- Discounts with many of our business members
- A full-time lobbyist at the State Capitol, helping create pro-ATV legislation, and moving forward important bills that help provide funding for new trail systems

### **As a business member, for \$75 you receive:**

All of the above, plus:

- Your business name and contact information listed in Minnesota Wheelin magazine and on the ATV Minnesota website
  - Discounts on advertising in Minnesota Wheelin
  - Opportunities to reach more customers by sponsoring or donating to our events
- To join, contact [ATVAM](http://ATVAM.org) or call (800) 442-8826.

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