

Outback Riders Inc.  
Clinton County Fair Grounds

Oct. 10, 2016

1. Call to Order: Al Chapple.

2. Board members Present: Al Chapple, Dennis DelGrosso, Joli Myatt,  
Gordon Duprey, Larry Myatt, Greg Blow,  
Frank Ashline & Betty Ashline.

3. Board member Absent: Red Caron

4. Reading & Approval of Preceding Minutes: Gary Pageau - motion  
Randy Hathaway - second

5. Applications of Membership: Theodore R. Brand  
Ed Martin  
Brian Smith  
Richard & Louise Riggs  
Ron LaFountain.

Memberships are due in December.

All new members must show proof of registration and insurance by including copies of the information with the application.

Those who have shown proof of registration and insurance for 2016 need not show proof with their 2017 renewal applications unless you have a new machine.

6. Treasurers Report: Oct 10, 2016 ending balance \$13,429.68  
Keith Berg - motion  
Randy Hathaway - second

Great Job Vickie selling over 200 ATV raffle tickets !!!

Honda has welcomed us to sell ATV raffle tickets at their open house on Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. We may go back to Mooers Mountain Mart to sell more tickets up there, we did so well.

## 7. Reports of Special Committees :

Rides - Roger Robinson going for a ride Tuesday Oct 11<sup>th</sup> to Loon Lake, D Bar-walk around lodge area, Chasm Falls and Trailside for lunch. Leaving Standish Wolf Pond Rd at 9:30.

Ironman - nothing at this time

Adopt a Highway - 7 volunteers picked up about 21 bags of garbage on our 4 mile stretch. 8 members would be the perfect number for cleaning the highway. We had fun and went for a ride to Trailside for lunch afterward.

Trail - No official information as of yet.

Our lawyer Dennis Phillips has given access to Fred Monroe from Warrensburg so he can do pro bono research on our behalf.

Jerry Delaney was not able to join us this evening but he has acquired \$3000.00 from the town council review board that he is a part of. That money will go directly to the lawyer lessening the amount due at the end. Jerry has not yet gotten any money from the town councils themselves.

Looking at our state land issue we see we never had authority to ride the railbed from Condin Lodge in Lyon Mountain to the state land boundary. This is owned by Woodfield

Trail Cont. Investments managed by Huber Resources in Maine. They had previously given us permission to ride from Standish road up over the mountain ending up in the Standish village. In talking with Huber Resources about getting legal authority to ride the railbed we found out since we did not renew our lease, even though we were not told it was up, they gave that land lease to Dave Siskavich for his ATV Club to use. He opened a riding park that he charges people to ride on and that area includes our Steve McLean memorial trail. Huber Resources has no problem with us using the railbed trail but again it is up to the hunting clubs.

Jerry Delaney, town of Saranac councilman, has a good friend in Little Camp who is going to set up a 3 way meeting with these hunting camps. There should not be a problem with us using this trail except for hunting season. At Conklin's Lodge there is a gate. It is gated during hunting season. We need to establish a firm permitted right of use at that segment of trail so that when we go to the state with the lawyer on the southern half down at the village of Standish we can show it is a full connector. We will put up gate if needed.

At the Franklin County group Shawn Reynolds, State Senior Forester for this area would like to have Outbackriders input on the Chazy Highlands unit management plan which includes the trail we are fighting for.

Dennis has been emailing Shawn about what is needed and Dennis wrote a letter describing our club and snowmobile clubs use of this area and access availability for the older ATV riders who are not able to access the more intricate trails leading to

Trail  
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the beauty of the forest. This trail segment provides a connection for Franklyn and Clinton county allowing great access to the wilderness for people of all ages.

Bushloggers wants the railroad bed open to the public so they may sell a recreational lease to the state. Very strong potential that it will turn into a state conservation easement for recreation.

Steve Mclean trail no longer belongs to us. You need to belong to Dave Siskavich club to ride it. Dave called Gordon Duprey asking him to remove Steves trail from our website page.

Overall Jerry Delaney feels we are still in a very good position. Keep our fingers crossed.

8. Reading of Communications : None at this time

9. Old Business : Nothing at this time.

10. New Business : The Club would like to present Vickie with a gift card as a thank you for her great sales of the ATV raffle tickets.  
Thank you so much.

Gordon Duprey got a notice from NYSORVA for New memberships after June 1<sup>st</sup>. Should cost about \$100.00

Discuss Christmas Party next meeting.

Dennis DelGrosso, Al Chapple and Gordon Duprey cleared brush from 37 trail to Lowenberg then moved from Tanplant to old logging area. Al and Dennis working 9-23-16

New  
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thru 9-25-16. Gordon Dupree worked with them on 9.24-16. They rented a bobcat and used Dennis DelGrosso's 7' cycle bar. At times they worked into the dark with Al Chapple shining his ATV headlights so Dennis could see.

Work and cost was under the snowmobile club. We can also take credit for the work hours.

Snowmobile club cleaned up the branches the following week.

Thank you guys for your hard work.

11. Verify time and location of next meeting: Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 7:00  
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12. Motion to Adjourn: Dan Drowne - motion  
Gary Pageau - second

50/50 Randy Hathaway winner of \$50.00  
Outback Rider Club received \$50.00

Minutes submitted by: Joli Myatt, secretary