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Trail Cleanup 2006

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*It ain't ridin'
'til something
gets broken!*

The New Dirt —

Thank you to everyone who participated in the annual **trail cleanup** (Marinette & Florence Counties) on October 14th. Although it was chilly (down into the 20's, plus a bit of snow), we still had a great time. We had 8 people to clean/brush about 10-15 miles of atv and snowmobile trails. Be sure to check out the new pictures in the gallery on the C-4 website. We're still hoping to coordinate another **Root River cleanup**, depending on weather and river conditions. Keep an eye on the website or forum for the latest, or call any board member.

The **11th Annual Family Fest** held on September 9th, raised about \$13,000 for the Children Abuse Prevention Fund. Thank you to Carol and Bubba Bullard for taking care of the **C-4 ATV Show!** First place went to Eric Dittlof's MV, 2nd to Nik & Lukas Johnson's Suzuki 50, 3rd to Colleen Johnson's "Hunter" 700, and 4th went to Sue Bergeron's "Princess." Thanks to everyone who brought out their machines to show! At the last meeting, a \$250 check was presented from C-4 to Wally for this charity. Thanks to Scott & Lisa Morton for taking care of the food/drinks and Wally Beltz for hosting the meeting and ride at his home. It was rather nice that Wally took home \$30 from the 50/50 drawing!

Who wants to get in on some WATVA **raffle tickets**? The club gets to keep 50% of the money in exchange for selling tickets. Grand prize is a \$10,800 Yamaha Rhino 450 UTV with Tucker Rocky / Quadboss Accessories & an AUT 1064 Triton open trailer! Tickets are \$2 each / 3 for \$5 / 6 for \$10 / or 12 for \$20. Drawing will be held March 31st, 2007. Also, the order for **screenprinted C-4 apparel** has NOT been placed. Unfortunately, the people we were dealing with have been slow and difficult to work with, so we're choosing to go elsewhere. We apologize, but we'd rather have this done right.

We held a small board meeting to go over some issues facing our club and how we can make things work better. We discussed things such as reducing the number of meetings held per year in order to get a better percentage of attendance. It seems many people aren't comfortable voicing their opinions during the meetings, so we decided to send out a **survey** with this newsletter. Do you want more rides planned? Meeting dates don't work for you? Please voice your opinions and any suggestions on what our club is doing successfully and where we can improve. You can mail it in anonymously (or sign your name, if you choose) to our P.O. Box, or turn it in at the next meeting. We welcome any constructive criticism. Remember, this is YOUR club! Thanks!

The next meeting is going to be a **Packer Pizza Party** at **Greg's Catering**, starting at 11:30 am (before the game starts). This will be your **last chance** to make **nominations** for **Vice President & Secretary** for elections. Colleen Johnson has been nominated for Secretary; Scott Morton has been nominated for Vice President, although nominations have not been accepted yet. We also discussed having advisor positions changed to elected positions (maybe 2 per 2-year term). If you or anyone you know would be great for any of these positions, please be sure to attend the next meeting. Also, it's also time to start planning the next C-4 banquet. We hope to discuss a lot of things and vote on some positive changes, including by-law changes proposed by Del McClure a few months ago (view those on page 3 of this newsletter). Please take a few moments right now to fill out and return those surveys, and we hope to see you there... **GO! PACK! GO!**

Next C-4 Meeting & Packer Pizza Party!

Sunday, November 5th 11:30 am

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Proposed By-Law Amendments

Submitted by Del McClure

To be discussed / voted on at next meeting, Nov. 5

Prop 1 —

No structure exists for a way to create and control by-laws changes. Therefore, I propose that amendment #1 will control the way we make amendments.

To add or change a by-law, the change must be brought forth as an amendment. Amendments must be first discussed and voted on by the executive officers and Advisors. The vote of the board (No quorum accepted for by-laws changes) must be a 2/3 majority vote. From there, if passed, the amendment must be voted on at a general meeting, and passed by a 2/3 majority quorum vote of the general membership. This can only take place a regularly scheduled meeting, no specially called meeting shall count for by-law changes.

Prop 2 —

To make and pass an amendment to make a structured way to make determine club sponsored activities vs. privately sponsored activities such as trips, outings, picnics, rides or any other engagement or activity.

No activity shall be considered sponsored, coordinated, or condoned by the club, unless C-4 as a club, at a regularly scheduled meeting, states with a simple majority quorum vote of the general membership to sponsor such activity.

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Prop 3 —

There must be a way for the general membership to remove and/or sanction a board member that they feel is not representing the best interest of the club. Therefore, I propose this amendment.

An elected board member or executive officer of the club can only be removed involuntarily from office by a 2/3 majority quorum vote at 3 consecutive regularly scheduled meetings. If at the first meeting the vote of removal passes, said board member or executive officer shall refrain from all duties and activities to do with his/her position until after the second meeting. At which time, he/she shall either be removed, or resume their position.

C-4 Survey · C-4 Survey · C-4 Survey · C-4 Survey

We are considering changing the number of meetings held per year, from 11 to 6, in order to achieve a better turnout. Are the Sunday afternoon times convenient for you? Do you think the requirements for an executive board position (President, Vice Pres., Treasurer, Secretary and Chief Advisor) should be lowered to 50% meeting attendance? Do you have any other suggestions about our meetings? — If you need more room, continue to write on other side —

We are also considering changing our election format for 2007. (This would not affect the Vice Pres/Secretary elections this December.) How would you feel about establishing an election committee, mailing randomly numbered ballots (so no one could photocopy them) and returning them (in December) anonymously to our P.O. Box, then posting the election results on the website and next newsletter, then having the new officers start in January?

How do you like or dislike C-4's "The Dirt" newsletter or C-4 website? Is it too long? Don't read it? Informative? Doesn't matter to you? Colleen needs to go back to English class? Any suggestions or comments?

There haven't been any kind of trail developments in our area for some time. Would YOU be interested in working on our trail committee? This would involve speaking with land owners & coordinating with the rest of the trail committee. Do you feel trails are worth pursuing in our area, or is this a waste of time with all of the developments and farmland up for sale around here? Would our efforts be better focussed on planning trips or other events?

What do you like or dislike about Caledonia 4-Wheelers? What other suggestions do you have? Would you like more "club" trips being planned, or would you rather just coordinate your own? Where do you like to go? What aspects of being in an atv club are most important to you? Are you just mostly concerned about your club discounts?

Thank you for taking the time to add your input, help our club continue to grow and be successful!