

**FEBRUARY 2023**

**UTAH ATV NEWSLETTER**



Utah ATV Association

**Upcoming Events**

February's club ride will be at the Knolls. Come join us February 18th. Just remember to sign up at [utahatv.com](http://utahatv.com). As always, we will have a club Barbeque after the ride. Bring your favorite prepared dish to share, please.

February's club meeting will be at Edge Powersports in Draper at 14301 S. Minuteman Drive. February 13th @ 7pm. Please come join us!

**EUREKA ICE RIDE**

Sadly we had to cancel the Eureka Ice ride due to poor trail conditions. It was a difficult decision and one we never take lightly. We want everyone to enjoy our planned trail rides and have a safe, enjoyable time. If we feel that we can't deliver on those conditions, we meet as a board, and discuss all the conditions and options available to us.

So instead of the ride the board decided to hold a SXS TRAIL GEAR check up. We met at Cabela's in Lehi and covered things like tire repair/patching or plugging. We had clutch clean out to do and don't do's. We showed how to properly strap your ATV or SXS safely. We also performed safety checks to make sure we were all safe on the trails.

We also had our brand new Can-Am 1000R 4 seater for everyone to see. This will be given away at the 2023 Ride For Life this August. For those who would like a chance

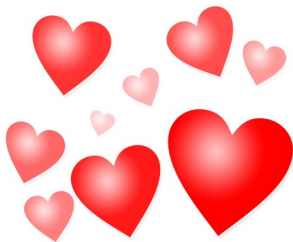
to win, it's simple. For every fifty dollar donation to Utah ATV Association you receive one entry ticket. The proceeds of the Can-Am will go to Make-A-Wish Utah. Our club has donated over \$620,000 and over 120 wishes to Make-A-wish Utah. It couldn't be done without all of you and your generous donations. Let's make 2023 one of our best years ever! Visit us at [utahatv.com](http://utahatv.com) to enter.

**Did you know?**

**One story of St. Valentines**

After Constantine had Christianized Rome, the Church tried to clamp down on pagan activities and Lupercalia, with its lurid temptations, was an obvious target. Pope Gelasius, in the 5th Century, needed to find a suitable replacement for the wolf god Luperci's and chose a bishop who had been martyred 200 years previously: Valentine.

The emperor Aurelius had imprisoned Valentine in 272 AD for continuing to marry Christian soldiers, despite royal decree (Aurelius needed them to fight his wars). In prison, the bishop cured his jailer's daughter of blindness and the pair fell head over heels in love (quite literally 'love at first sight'.) Ultimately, their desires were frustrated as the bishop was executed on February 14th the following year. On the eve of his death, the condemned man sent a passionate letter to his beloved, signed simply 'your Valentine'. Hence, Valentines is all about love...



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## MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS

## PRESIDENTS CORNER

We wanted to take a little time and explain our club membership changes to all of you. We have compiled a few questions and answers to help you better understand the changes to our club membership.

Q. Why the change to pricing?

A. We have been operating in the black for quite some time. The club has many expenses, such as, club insurance on the club trailer. The club trailer requires maintenance, tires, and wear and tear items. We have expenses of towing the trailer to our monthly rides. Repair and replacement of club flags for board members. New safety equipment, first-Aid kits, directional flags and other related items. Each monthly ride we hold a barbeque. We provide all the meat, buns, soda, condiments and more. Sometimes we feed over 80 people or more. These are just some of our expenses that the club has.

Q. Why the different levels of membership?

A. Many members have different needs or situations. Some do not come on monthly rides. Some have families while others do not. Some are single. While some our just couples. By providing the different levels we hope to be able to meet the needs of each member.

Q. Why should I join the club when the rides are free?

A. The Utah ATV Association is a non profit club. No one is paid for the work and effort that is put into all of the events each month. Membership dollars are used to pay for those related expenses. Without individuals joining the club we could not put on these events. Lower membership means less events. If you enjoy riding please join. Also, we support other organizations that help protect and preserve the trails we ride. Thread Lightly, National Forest, Utah State Parks, and the Blue Ribbon Coalition are just a few of the groups we work with each year.

Q. What don't we know about the club?

A. We have many resources to help you understand and get more information about the club. We have [utahatv.com](http://utahatv.com), we have a FaceBook page, we also have a YouTube page where you can see all the videos of past events. Take the time to get to know the club and you'll fall in love with all that we have available.

Welcome to the Presidents corner.

The board meeting in January was very fruitful. We were able to complete the remaining ride calendar. Please checkout the Club website "Events" for the rides planned. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the Board. We apologize for the cancellation of the January ride. But due to the weather we felt it was the right decision. We did not want to risk injury or machines being damaged at our first ride.

We hope those that joined us at Cabela's, had a good time and shared some knowledge.

We are still trying to identify a few people to help with the Raffle Machine project. If you are interested, please contact a member of the board. We will have a booth at the 2023 Off-Road Expo in Sandy UT. We will be looking for volunteers to help, again if you are available and would like to help, contact any member of the board.

There will be a change to the Ride for Life this year. In Years past we have had a ride leader for the Ride for Life event. We have decided that this should be a position of Honor. So, for this year we have decided that we would like the ride leader to be a "Grand Marshal". Beginning this month through the end of June we will be excepting nominations from you. If there is a person that you believe deserves this honor, please contact a member of the Board. The nominations will be discussed and voted on at the July Board meeting. If you have a question or require any clarification, please contact any member of the board.

We look forward to seeing everyone at either a meeting or on the trail.

Thank you

Bill Bagshaw

President

Utah ATV Association

## MEMBERSHIP/ DONATIONS



Come join our club! We have monthly meetings where you can learn more about your SXS, ATV and more. Learn about how and where to ride safely. Meet others just like yourself who want to learn and be a part of an awesome club. With an Ambassador membership join us each month for our club rides and barbeque. Find custom apparel from our club store, and with your Ambassador membership you'll receive 10% off.

Your generous donation helps us to operate our non profit Utah ATV Association club that was founded in 1983. The purpose of the Association is to preserve the trail rider's access to National Forest, State Parks, and BLM Lands, and to protect the resources of these lands. Membership support and participation are essential to the success of our organization and our goals. The Association is a charter member of the Blue Ribbon Coalition. We also support Tread Lightly.

