

#### 2025 APR 27

# Welcome to the CNP Quad Squad 2025 AGM PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE AGM

We started off our season last year on June 15<sup>th</sup> with our opener at Horse Paddock off the Atlas Road. It was very cold, snow and rain and a very muddy area. Our Poker Run was on the Spoon Valley Loop with about 100 units on the trail and 180 participants. All in all, it was a great turnout and a lot of fun. We closed out the year with our Season Wind Up on the Hastings/Willoughby Trails in the Castle Park/Livingston Range. 83 Units and 150 participants. Thanks to the trail committee of myself, Jerry Sebok, Gerry Kramer, Tom Pharis and Brad Swanson for getting the trails ready for the Poker Runs.

The Trail Ride committee again went overboard this year organizing 5-day rides about every two weeks during the riding season to allow our members to view and ride on new trails they may not have been previously on. The rides were very well attended and appreciated. New Rides were held in Tent Mountain, Porcupine Hills and #7 in the Castle. 12-30 units attended the rides.

Again, last year, our 2024 Raffle was very successful. Over \$30,000.00 was raised with tickets being sold at Coleman Co-op, markets, trade shows, Cornfest, all around Southern Alberta, online, and by our membership. Well done, and a big shout out to everyone that helped. These monies go towards our trail maintenance program.

Many thanks to the numerous volunteers that helped with our other Fundraising/Community Events such as the KRA Rodeo parking and Sinister 7 Cleanup. There was a total of 3,570 volunteer hours recorded last year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the present Board of Directors, our office manager, Roberta Sebok, and all the volunteers and members of the Club who have done so much volunteer work over the last year.

Unfortunately, one of the Board members, Randy Bellavance, has decided to step down from the board. Randy was a valuable member of the board, and our Treasurer. Thank you for all that you have done for the Quad Squad, Randy.

We will be looking to replace Randy on the Board. If anyone is interested in running to be a board member, please contact our office and advise Roberta of your interest.

Our direction of the Club for this year, is again to have the season openers and closures, day rides starting on May 24<sup>th</sup> at Tent Mountain, continue our trail maintenance, building and placing bridges. We appreciate all the help we can get, so look for the call outs for help during the upcoming year.

The following is a summary of the work that was performed last year. It is interesting to note that in the last four years, since we were able to purchase the Mini Hoe and Tractor, we have worked on a total of over \$278,111.32 of in-kind work for the GOA. We have also purchased a new to us 2003, 450 diesel truck with a flat deck, and trailer to haul the tractor and other items. A new backhoe attachment has also been purchased to work off the back of the tractor.

#### SUMMARY REPORT ON TRAIL AND BRIDGE WORK 2024

# **In-kind Partnership with GoA Cost's**

March 11, 2024. Using personal snowmobiles as the signs were required to be in place by the end of March 2024, three signs were installed, on a gate, and two signposts on the Dutch Creek Road and one offshoot.

• 84 Kms of trailing and sledding and return to the Atlas Staging Area. 7 Hours per man. 5 Volunteers.

Mileage: 84 X 5 = 420 kms X \$.75 per km = \$315.00

• Volunteer Hours: 35 Hours X \$25.00 = \$875.00

• Bolts: \$9.39 w/GST

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$1,199.39 SUB TOTAL YTD \$1,199.39

#### WILLOUGHBY TRAIL

June 5-7 Preparation, Erosion and Brush Cutting on 7 Kms of the North Willoughby Trail to the Park Boundary. Made repairs to the decking on Lille Creek and York Bridges

• Mileage: 123 X 4 = 492 X \$.75 = \$369.00

• Volunteer Hours: 77 X \$25 = \$1925.00

• Mini Hoe: 16 Hours X \$250.00 = \$4000.00

• Tractor: 16 Hours X \$150.00 = \$2400.00

• Fuel: 50 Liters @ \$1.75 = \$87.50

• Material, lumber etc \$120.00

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$8,901.50 SUB TOTAL YTD \$10,100.89

#### SPOON VALLEY TO ATLAS ROAD

June 10th to 14th. Erosion Control on Spoon Valley to Atlas Road, 28 Kms of trail, and install two picnic tables. Placed signage. Project completed.

Mileage: 60 X 4 = 240 X \$.75 = \$180.00

• Volunteer Hours: 142 X \$25 = \$3550.00

Mini Hoe: 40 Hours X \$250.00 = \$10,000.00

• Tractor: 40 Hours X \$150.00 = \$6,000.00

• Fuel: 171 Liters @ \$1.75 = \$299.25

• Picnic Tables 2 @ \$500.00 = \$1,000.00

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$21,029.25 SUB TOTAL YTD \$31,130.14

## CASTLE PARK, AREA 7

July 6, 10, 11, 18, 19, Aug 1, 2. Brush Cutting on designated trails in the park, area 7 trails. A total of 23.9 Kms of trails were done. One Picnic Table was placed in the park.

 Mileage: 50 Kms return X 13 (return) vehicles and trailers in total = \$650 X \$.75 = \$487.50

• Volunteer Hours: 171 X \$25.00 = \$4275.00

• Mini Hoe: 60 Hours X \$250.00 = \$15,000.00

• Fuel: 289 Liters @ \$1.75 = \$505.75

• Picnic Table: \$500.00

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$20,280.75

SUB TOTAL YTD \$51,410.89

July 12th, Spoon Valley Assessment for PTA bypass, photos and Plant identification.

• Mileage: 22 X 4 = 88 X \$.75 = \$66.00

Volunteer Hours: 32 X \$25.00 = \$800.00

TOTAL FOR PROJECT: \$866.00

SUB TOTAL YTD \$52,276.89

### WINTERING MT TO ATLAS ROAD TRAIL CONNECTOR ASSESSMENT

• Mileage: 60 Kms X 4 = \$240.00

Volunteer Hours: 35 X \$25 = \$875.00

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$1,115.00

SUB TOTAL YTD \$53,391.89

## SPOON VALLEY BYPASS (UNDER PTA SCOPE)

August 29th to September 3rd

Mileage: 200 Kms return X 4 vehicles = 800 kms X \$.75 = \$600.00

• Volunteer hours: 119 X \$25.00 = \$2975.00

• Mini Hoe: 32 Hrs X \$250.00 = \$8000.00

Tractor: 32 Hrs X \$150.00 = \$4800.00

• Fuel: 200 Liters X \$1.79 = \$350.00

• 5 Culverts Plastic 18 inches with shipping and GST costs. \$4,700.00

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$21,425.00 SUB TOTAL YTD: \$74,816.89

#### CASTLE PARK, WILLOUGHBY TRAIL

September 4-7th, 11.5 kms of brushing and erosion work.

- Mileage: 60 return X 3 vehicle = 180 km X 4 days =720 X \$.75 = \$540
- Volunteer Hrs: 151 X \$25.00 = \$3775.00
- Mini Hoe: 37 Hrs X \$250 = \$9250
  Fuel: 80 Liters X \$1.79 = \$143.20

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$13.708.20 SUB TOTAL YTD: \$88.525.09

#### HASTING'S TRAIL EROSION AND BRUSHING

September 10, 11th, 11.2 kms of trail brushing and erosion control.

- Mileage: 100 X 3 vehicles = 300 kms X \$.75 = \$225.00
- Volunteer Hrs: 88 X \$25 = \$2200
- Mini Hoe: \$250.00 X 16 hours = \$4,000.00
- Fuel: 40 liters X \$1.79 = \$71.60

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$6,496.60 SUB TOTAL YTD: \$95,021.69

#### **INDIAN GRAVES ASSESSMENT**

October 7th. Travell to Indian Graves for trail assessment

- Mileage: 246 Kms return X 4 = 984 Kms X \$.75 = \$738.00
- Volunteer Hours: 72 X \$25.00 = 1,800.00

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$2,538.00 SUB TOTAL YTD: \$97559.69

### SPOON VALLEY TRAIL WORK TO ACCOMMODATE SNOW GROOMER

October 8th, Groomer was hitting the bridge, expanded trail around bridge for the groomer.

- Mileage: 42 Kms X 2 = 84 X \$.75 = \$63.00
- Volunteer Hours 6 X 2 = 12 X \$25.00 = \$300.00
- Mini Hoe: 6 Hours X \$250.00 = \$1,500.00
- Fuel 15 liters X \$1.79 = \$26.85

TOTAL FOR THIS PROJECT: \$1889.85 SUB TOTAL YTD: \$99449.54

BREAKDOWN OF LIVINGSTONE PLUZ = \$65,280.59 BREAKDOWN OF CASTLE PARKS = \$34,168.95 TOTAL: \$99,449.54

TOTAL IN KIND SERVICES TO THE GOA SINCE 2020: \$278,111.32

# Our Proposed Projects for 2025 (3 year Plan)

2025 Feb 12

Proposed Trail Work in Priority Order

Livingstone and Porcupine PLUZ

- 1. Big Hill, Spoon Valley Bypass: Add additional culverts and trail stability in wet areas:
  - Time: Estimated 16 Hours (2 days)
  - Volunteer Time 16 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$1,280.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 2 days X \$200 = \$400.00
  - Mileage 50 X 6 X \$.70 = \$210.00 X 2 days = \$420.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$200.00
  - Culverts X 2 = \$1000.00

Estimated Total \$3300.00

- 2. Indian Graves: Erosion Control and Brushing:
  - Time: Estimated 64 Hours (6 days)
  - Volunteer Time 64 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$7680.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 6 days X \$200 = \$1,200.00
  - Mileage 250 X 6 X \$.70 = \$1050.00 X 6 = \$6300.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$600.00

Estimated Total \$15780.00

- 3. Two Bridges installed on Atlas Pipeline:
  - Time: Estimated 32 Hours (4 days)
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$400.00
  - Volunteer Time 32 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$3840.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 4 days X \$200 = \$800.00
  - Mileage 50 X 6 X \$.70 = \$210.00 x 4 = \$840.00

Estimated Total \$5880.00

- 4. Cattle Gates Leased Land Near Peaks School
  - Time: Estimated 16 Hours (2 days)
  - Volunteer Time 16 X \$20.00 X 4 = \$1,280.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 2 days X \$200 = \$400.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$200.00
  - Mileage 50 X 4 X \$.70 = \$140.00 x 2 = \$280.00

Estimated Total \$2160.00

- 5. Atlas Pipeline Erosion Control
  - Time: Estimated 32 Hours (4 days)
  - Volunteer Time 32 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$3840.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 4 days X \$200 = \$800.00
  - Mileage 50 X 6 X \$.70 = \$210.00 X 4 = \$840
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$400.00

Estimated Total \$5880.00

- 6. Trail to Corral Erosion Control:
  - Time: Estimated 8 Hours (1 day)
  - Volunteer Time 8 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$960.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 1 day X \$200 = \$200.00
  - Mileage 50 X 6 X \$.70 = \$210.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$100.00

Estimated Total \$1470.00

- 7. Deadman's North to Atlas Road Erosion Control and Wood Bridge:
  - Time: Estimated 32 Hours (4 days)
  - Volunteer Time 32 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$3840.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 4 days X \$200 = \$800.
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$400.0000
  - Mileage 50 X 6 X \$.70 = \$210.00 X 4 = \$840.00
  - Bridge Material: \$1000.00

Estimated Total \$6880.00

- 8. Wintering to Atlas Trail. On GOA plan. 8 Kms of Trail
  - Time: Estimated 48 Hours (5 days)
  - Volunteer Time 48 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$5760.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 5 days X \$200 = \$1000.00
  - Mileage 200 X 6 X \$.70 = \$840.00 X 5 = \$4200.00

• Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$500.00

- Estimated Total \$11460.00
- 9. Dutch Creek Bridge on Swamp area and erosion control:
  - Time: Estimated 32 Hours (4 days)
  - Volunteer Time 32 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$3840.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 4 days X \$200 = \$800.00
  - Mileage 200 X 6 X \$.70 = \$840.00 X 4 = \$3360.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$400.00

Estimated Total \$8400.00

- 10. Window Mountain Access Assessment and Erosion Control Connector Trail:
  - Time: Estimated 32 Hours (4 days)
  - Volunteer Time 32 X \$20.00 X 6 = \$3840.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor Time 4 days X \$200 = \$800.00
  - Mileage 50 X 6 X \$.70 = \$210.00 X 4 = \$840.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$400.00

Estimated Total \$5880.00

- 11. Porcupine Hills: Erosion Control and Brushing:
  - Time: Estimated 32 Hours (4 days)
  - Volunteer Time 32 X \$20.00 X 6 Time = \$3840.00
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor 4 days X \$200 = \$800.00
  - Mileage 120 X 6 X \$.70 = \$504.00 X 4 = \$2016.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$400.00

Estimated Total \$7056.00

- 12. Lille to McGill Assessment:
  - Estimated 16 Hours (2 days)
  - Volunteer Time 16 X \$20.00 X 6 Time = \$1920.00
  - Mileage 50 X 4 X \$.70 = \$140.00 X 2 = 240.00

Estimated Total \$2160.00

- 13. South Racehorse Trail Assessment and Erosion Control:
  - Time: Estimated 24 Hours (3 days)
  - Mini Hoe and Tractor 3 days X \$200 = \$600.00
  - Volunteer Time 24 X \$20.00 X 3 = \$1920.00
  - Mileage 100 X 4 X \$.70 = \$280.00 X 3 = \$840.00
  - Fuel: \$100.00 per day = \$300.00

Estimated Total \$3660.00

14. 3 Benches and one picnic table to be placed in conjunction with the above projects.

- 15. Put up trail number signs and junction signs showing directions to other trails.
- 16. Work with Beaver Creek Bridge Building Alliance to replace narrow bridge and minor trail re-route in South Porcupine. Costs to be added after meeting with the Beaver Creek Bridge Building Alliance.

Grand Total: \$79966.00

Moving forward in this 2025 season and year, we have several scheduled projects to complete.

- 1. Additional work is required on the Spoon Valley, Big Hill project, a few more culverts and drainage projects to be completed.
- 2. Indian Graves: Erosion Control, Brushing, etc.
- 3. Placement of bridge on Atlas Pipeline.
- 4. Cattle up and over gates, (Two) Star Creek trail to plane crash.
- 5. Trail to corral camping site to Deadman's Pass. Grading.
- 6. Atlas pipeline and north trail erosion, brushing, deadfall removal, short by-passes.
- 7. Assessment of new trail, Deadman's north trail to Atlas Road.
- 8. North Dutch Creek erosion control, assessment of reroute through swamp area.
- 9. Lille to McGill, over Northback land to new trail to McGill.
- 10. South racehorse assessment and erosion control.
- 11. Work with Freshwater Conservation (Trout Unlimited) to place a bridge and re-route in south Porcupine Hills.
- 12. Continue with brushing, erosion control in Castle Parks, and placement of 3 picnic tables supplied by Parks.

We are also working on a few proposals to try and open one of the 13 passes into BC and opening a trail from Canal Flats in BC to Blairmore.

We have also submitted a plan to the Minister of Parks and Minister of Transportation to allow shared use roads from 127<sup>th</sup> Ave in Coleman to Indian Graves up Hwy 40 and to open the present shared use roads in the Castle Park such as the Sartoris, Adanac, and Carbondale Road to allow access to all trail heads.

Our Season opener is the third weekend of June, so we look forward to seeing you there. Location will be announced soon.

Gary Clark

President, CNPQS