



QUAD NEWS

Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc. P.O.Box 0767
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June 2008 Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

We have decided to suspend regular meetings during the summer months. This time of year everyone is very busy with all of the summer activities, so regular meetings will resume in September.

We are planning a potluck picnic at J&C Motorsports later this summer but a date has not been set.

Of course we will keep you up to date with the monthly newsletters and email bulletins.

If anyone has a favorite ride or camping area you would like to invite a few of your friends to join you at we would really appreciate it. As I have said before we need some new people to step up and volunteer to help with rides. Please contact one of the Board Members.

Please check and make sure that you have a current OHV sticker?
Is your liability insurance current? Do you have proof of insurance with you when you ride?

A COWBOYS GUIDE TO LIFE

The easiest way to eat crow is while its still warm. The colder it gets the harder it is to swallow

*A very special thanks to the folks at **Action Cycles and Sleds** for a great meal. Superb Hamburgers and Hot Dogs. Thanks to all the folks at Action for staying late and helping out with our meeting. Thanks also to our special guest **Todd Wernex** with the Idaho Parks and Recreation for his very informative talk on how the Parks and Rec works in regard to motorized OHV recreation in the State of Idaho. We are very lucky here in Idaho to have this program in place. Without OHV money from the Parks and Rec many of the trail improvements you have seen would not have happened.*



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

- ★ Bob and Linda Wageman
- ★ Thomas and Joyce Moore
- ★ Curtis and Katie Dolter
- ★ Bill Hanchey
- ★ Gene Thomas/Norma Schuck
- ★ Melva Heinrich
- ★ Eldon and Jan Grosshans
- ★ Larry and Peggy Ainsworth
- ★ Dennis and Linda Cragun
- ★ Ron and Machelles Wales
- ★ Mitch Jeske
- ★ Richard Muegerl
- ★ John Odiaga
- ★ Mark and Denise Alexander



A few members of the club assisted Tina Dickard in putting on a 4-H ATV safety seminar at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds on Sat May 31st. It was a lot of fun and is something everyone should think about attending next year. Even though it is geared towards kids, there is some things even us older folks can learn.



June 1st, Buckhorn Ride. 26 machines and a whole bunch of smiles made for a great day of riding. Conditions were almost perfect for riding. Very moist green vegetation, lots of flowers, neat bunch of people. It was good to see some of our newer members on the ride.. Lots of fun even if the tow ropes had to come out a couple of times. Very scenic interesting ride. The question of the day is: **How did the snake get into the bed of the pickup?**

Just a couple of reminders. Please be very careful when entering or crossing public roads. Chances are if you tangle with a full size car you will lose. When stopping please try to get off to the side of the road or trail so you do not block passage to other users.

OHVs are powerful machines. If misused, OHV access to public land could be affected. Use your power responsibly. Stay on trails. Wear your helmet and ride safely. The future of OHV recreation is in your hands and your actions will make a difference.

As I am sure most of you are aware there is a possibility that we will lose more riding in the south hills. The question of spur road closures has not been answered only delayed. It would be most helpful if anytime you are riding in the south hills this summer, if you would check out any spur road listed on the travel plan with a number Try and document which road it is, by number, by gps, or by location in reference to other roads. Try to take pictures. Get a description. Is it navigable by full size vehicles or only by ATV? Is it suitable for camping? Does it go to a vista? Is it something worth keeping open or should it be closed. If there is a reason to keep it open we want to know. If there is no reason to keep it open we want to know so we can trade the miles for something useful. Please send info to mvatvs@msn.com

SAWTOOTH TRAVEL PLAN

The latest information I have is that the appeals have been decided and the decision has been upheld.

The travel plan should look very much like the decision maps we now have.

The way I understand it is that the travel plan will not be in effect until the new maps are printed and available to the public, probably about the 1st of July

You need to know that the travel plan maps are very difficult to find your way around the forest with. The directive from Washington DC was that the travel plans would be black and white and very basic so they can be distributed at no charge. The map basically contains lines with numbers denoting roads and trails.

The Forest Service says this map is not designed to be used to navigate around the forest, it is designed for enforcement purposes.

In order to find your way you will have to purchase a visitor map and then try and correlate that map with the travel map to figure out where you are.

The Sawtooth Forest is working on the possibility of preparing some type of in between map. The MVATVR is also working on making available some type of map with additional features to make it possible to find out where you are on the ground.

You will also notice when you get your copy of the Travel Management Map that a change has been made regarding where dispersed camping will be allowed. Roads where dispersed camping is allowed will have dots beside the road. If dispersed camping is not allowed there will be no dots. Some areas that were originally to be designated for dispersed camping will be closed to camping. The reason for this is very steep access from the road to the surrounding area. These areas would be very difficult to access and could become eroded over time.

*****UPCOMING RIDES*****

June 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th: Stan and Pat Mai are going camping and would like to invite you to come along. Camping will be at FS flats, past Porcupine Springs Campground. To get there from Hansen follow Rock Creek Road past The ski resort, past Diamond Field Jacks and past the Porcupine Springs campground Road, about a mile or so to FS flats. Watch for signs to determine which side of the road we are on. This will be a work/play long weekend. Glenn Lackey with the Minidoka Ranger District would like some help with moving some rock and doing some tread work on Third Fork and Martindale. Both of these trails are designated as ATV trails on the new travel plan. There is work that needs to be done so the trails will better accommodate ATV's. We have also considered doing some debrushing on the trails above the flats. We have volunteered to do this work and we would like to have a good turnout so the Forest Service will know we are sincere when we say we are willing to do our part to keep trails open and rideable. If you have never done any trail work come give it a try it actually is very rewarding and fun. Even if you can't come up for the weekend feel free to join us for the day. Please if possible bring shovels, Pulaski's, grub hoes and heavy gloves for moving rocks. If every thing goes according to plan we will be at the campsite on Wednesday evening. If you would like to come up early and help out maybe we can have the work done by the weekend and then play on Sat. There is a possibility we will have a potluck one night. Sure hope to see all of you there. Remember many hands make light work. Need more info call Stan: 733-5981

July 4th, 5th and 6th. Tentative ride planned by Justin Ash. Justin is going camping on Wilson Creek. To get to the camping area, from Rogerson take the Three Creek Road across Salmon Dam, past Cedar Creek Reservoir, past sign that says Gerry's Little House Creek Ranch, 1/2 mile past the sign the seventeen mile road will go the right, 1 and 1/2 miles further on you will see a sign that says Wilson Creek, Lime Creek. Turn left at that sign and follow the road south (gravel road) about 8 1/2 miles camping area is on right. Need more information call Justin Ash: 420-5545

Joe and Rose Steffens would like to invite you to go camping with them July 19th and 20th. They will be going over wells summit and camping at the bottom of the summit. Wells Summit is north of Fairfield, east of Soldier Ski area. Lots of riding including a 60 mile loop to Dollar hide Summit. More details next month.

We are also working on a trip to Silver City and Jarbidge, details will be announced later.

Application For Membership
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Name (Please Print) _____

Spouse (Print) _____

Mailing address (Please Print) _____

City / State / Zip (Please Print) _____

Home Phone _____ **Work Phone** _____ **Cell Phone** _____

E-Mail Address _____

Would you like to receive your newsletter by Email? Yes No (saves money)

What type of riding and other activities do you enjoy?

Would you be interested in committee or board member positions? _____

Type of Membership (Circle One) New Yearly Renewal (Membership Year is January to January.) New memberships received after July 31st will be half rate after November 1st will be credited for next year.

(Circle One) Individual \$20.00 per year Spouse/Family \$25.00 per year

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING: I/we fully understand that ATV activities involve risks and dangers of serious injury up to and including death. I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs and damages I may incur as a result of my participation in the Activity. I/we (to include all family members and guests) hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc. its directors, agents, officers, members, volunteers, other participants, any sponsors, advisors, and if applicable owners and lessors of premises on which the activity takes place, (each considered one of the "releasees" herein) from all liability claims, demands, losses or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of "releasees". I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim. I am 18 years of age or older, have read and understand the terms of this agreement, understand that I am giving up substantial rights, have signed it voluntarily and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law.
By signing this agreement I/we agree to abide by all club bylaws and rules

Signatures _____ **Spouse** _____ **Date** _____

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