

We are a family organization and welcome social interactions among all our members. Riders of all ages are welcome to join us. We are a growing, vibrant organization of almost 400 members.

# **MAGIC VALLEY ATV RIDERS, INC.** QUAD MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

#### **OCTOBER CLUB NEWSLETTER**

# OCTOBER CLUB MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2013 IDAHO PIZZA, 1859 KIMBERLY ROAD DINNER @ 6:00 pm / MEETING @ 7:00 pm

We are excited to see everyone at the meeting on October 9! Please come join us for dinner and come see the new remodel that Idaho Pizza has undergone. You're sure to like it! This will be a great opportunity to reunite with old friends, meet a few new ones and listen to an exciting guest speaker.

Jade Sumsion, *Law Enforcement Officer* for Minidoka Ranger District, will be our special guest speaker. Jade will be discussing issues and problems with ATV's violating the forest laws. As we know, folks operating ATV's in a reckless, illegal, and unsafe manner hurts us all. This will be a great opportunity to learn first hand the problems with improper use of ATV's.

Idaho PIZZA

**OCTOBER 1, 2013** 

EVERYONE IS WELCOME! BRING A FRIEND!

## NEW MEMBERS SECTION:

We currently do not have any new members for the month of October. Go out and invite your friends to join MVATVR. Have them come to the next meeting!

More inside!

### PAST RIDES AND ACTIVITES NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY SEPT. 28-29 SOUTH HILLS, IDAHO

The days preceding National Public Lands Day were a bit wet and gloomy, rain in the valley and snow in the hills. Friday there was still a blanket of light snow at Porcupine Springs and the surrounding hills, but by Friday afternoon sunshine was peeking through and the snow was melting. Saturday morning the 40 some members of MVATVR and members of other groups attending were greeted with frost and below freezing temperatures, but thanks to our great food committee all those attending were furnished

with hot coffee, cinnamon rolls and cookies. After a greeting and safety meeting by the Forest Service, everyone headed out to work on various projects. We did trail work, repaired a fence, did some work on the Porcupine Springs Campground, and some members of our club headed out to work on their continuing sign project. Speaking of the sign project, several members (Buck Moore, Diane Moore, Kelly Moore, Joe Steffens, Larry Roberts, Frank Stone, Lee Heinzelman, Nila Heinzelman, Ron Mothershead, Lisa Mothershead, Bill Meyer, Tom Kunkel, Ann Kunkel) were recognized and presented with a certificate of appreciation by Minidoka District Ranger, Scott Nannenga, for their many hours of volunteer work installing signs in the Minidoka Ranger District. Congratulations and thanks to all those involved for their

After spending the morning working on the various projects we were greeted with the smell of food cooking as we returned to Porcupine Springs for lunch. MVATVR again this year provided lunch for all workers, and what a lunch it was! Sloppy Joes, baked potatoes, macaroni and cheese, watermelon and 2 cobblers with ice cream. We are so

time and effort.



blessed to have such outstanding cooks in our club. A huge thank you to Brad and Linda Stimpson, Dave and Kristi Burgoyne, Dixie Best and helpers for cooking and serving breakfast and lunch. The weekend weather turned out very good, cool temperatures made for good working conditions, sunshine and moist conditions made for great riding.

On Sunday 23 members of MVATVR took advantage of the great conditions to do a 35-mile ride before heading for home.

We also had a visit from a Forest Protection Officer to remind everyone that the Forest Service was actively enforcing the vehicle open container law. She said many citations had been written and quite a few folks had been taken away in handcuffs. We explained to her that our club had a policy of no drinking and driving; she thanked us for being responsible OHV users.

All in all it was a great weekend, thanks to all the members of MVATVR who cared enough to donate their time and energy to make our forest a better place to ride ATV's.

## UPCOMING RIDES GOAT LAKE OCTOBER 12-13



Frank Stone has rescheduled the Goat Lake ride for October 12-13, 2013. Camping will be near Pine/Featherville and along the Boise River. ATV riding will be high above Baumgartner. If you like high mountain riding with breathtaking views, you won't want to miss this ride.

The primary campsite is located 7 miles north of Pine (no fees/services) on Forest Service Road 061Z (left turn off the highway).

There will be an email from Stan Mai with the FULL details of this 2-day ride and campout. Please be looking for this email!

If you would like more information, please call Frank Stone, the ride leader at



DUE TO THE EVER CHANGING IDAHO WEATHER, MVATVR CLUB RIDES WILL BE SCHEDULED LAST MINUTE AND INVITES WILL BE SENT TO THE CLUB BY STAN VIA EMAIL. PLEASE KEEP CHECKING YOUR EMAILS FOR ANY LAST MINUTE RIDES!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO LEAD A RIDE FOR THE CLUB, PLEASE CONTACT RIDE COORDINATOR, DAVE BURGESS, AND AN EMAIL WILL BE SENT TO THE CLUB. DAVE: 733-9183



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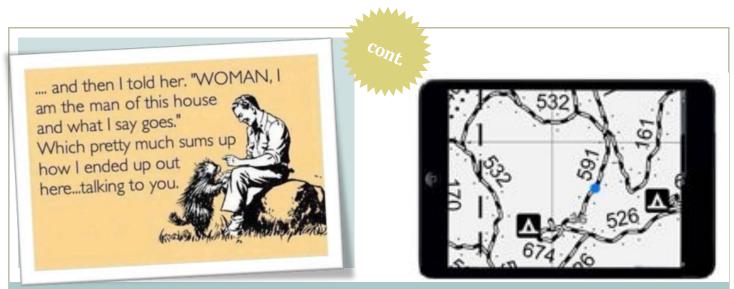
### **ANYTHING POTATO COOK-OFF**

THE MVATVR club will have an entry in the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Anything Potato cook-off food event at the Twin Falls Fairgrounds. Come by and support Dixie and Linda by voting for their potato food entry.

All proceeds will go towards the studies of building a 6000-seat multi-purpose event center in the Magic Valley.

October 5 from 6-8 pm at Merchant Building #3.

\$10/person or \$20/family. Come hungry, as there will be many food entries to sample!



### Once I Was Lost ~ But Now I'm Not

How would you like to be able to look at a Forest Service Motor Vehicle Use Map and be able to see "**exactly**" where you are on the trail? Read on......

Do you have a Garmin Montana? Neither do I. But I do have an iPad mini.

Can you see the ATV trail details from the small screen on your handheld GPS device? Neither can I!

Do you sometimes wonder where you are while on a long ATV ride? I always do. But not anymore!

Thanks to the advice of fellow MVATV riders, Aaron Larson and Buck Moore, I recently downloaded an app called Avenza (http://www.pdf-maps.com) for my iPad mini that can read the very same Forest Service **Motor Vehicle Use Maps** (MVUM) we all use on our trail rides. This app can also utilize topographic maps as well. You're thinking, so what's the big deal!

The important feature that this app offers is that if your tablet is also GPS compatible, with the click of a button, the Avenza app will show your current location on the trail (or topographic map). Depending on the screen size of your tablet, you're shown a much larger screen image then what we all have become accustomed too from a conventional handheld GPS. Plus, the screen image of the trail is scrollable. You can view, zoom and pan maps using hand gestures (pinch, drag and flick). You can also create tracks, export them and import previous tracks!

More good news! If you tablet is like my iPad mini, its GPS feature will only function if you have access to a Wi-Fi signal. As we all know, no such signal is possible while out on the trail. However, the solution has come from Garmin. A product called "**Garmin Glo**" will work through Blue Tooth technology (that means wireless) to receive GPS satellite signals and transfer them to your tablet. The end result is now you have a **fully functional GPS receiver in a large screen (scrollable) format that also reads MVUM's**.

More information about the Garmin Glo can be viewed at https://buy.garmin.com/en-US/US/oem/sensorsand-boards/glo-/prod109827.html. Unfortunately, iPads were not made to be dust/water proof, so you will need to devise a protection method of some kind. I'm currently using a large zip lock bag to keep my iPad safe from the elements.

If you would like a demonstration, talk with Frank Stone the next time you see him on a ride.

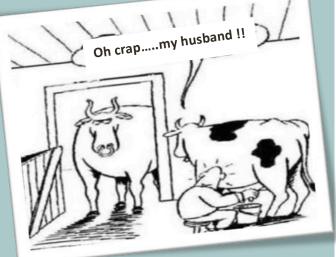
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Last spring Buck Moore attended a Jamboree in Utah where they used small orange cones to mark the turns on group rides. We have used cones twice now including last weekend in the South Hills.

They seem to work very well. Thanks to Robert Leitch for purchasing the cones and donating them to the club.



# **FOR SALE**

2006 Can Am Max 400 (2-up) Low Miles, Very Good Condition. Lots of extras: Box on back, winch, plow, windshield, heated grips, 2 helmets, 2 jackets (color coordinated in yellow and black to match ATV) \$4500.00 Phone Ann at 733-5294 or 731-9934

(Photo below is only an example- not actual ATV for sale)



Application For Membership Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc. P.O. Box 0767, Twin Falls, Id. 83303-0767
Name (Please Print)
Spouse (Print)
Mailing Address (Please Print)
City / State / Zip (Please Print)
Home Phone Cell Phone
E-Mail Address
Would you like to receive your newsletter by E-Mail? Yes No (email saves postage costs)
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)NewYearly Renewal
(Membership Year is January to January. <u>New memberships</u> received after July 31st will be half rate. If received after November 1 <sup>st</sup> it will be credited toward the next year.)
(Circle One) Individual: \$20.00 per year Spouse/Family: \$25.00 per year Make checks payable to: Magic Valley ATV Riders
<b>READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING:</b> 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 party the negligence of "releasees". I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the releases 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
Signature Spouse Date

# TRAIL DIFFICULTY GUIDE

### Level 1, Beginner:

Gravel or dirt surfaces that are relatively flat and wide. Generally wide enough for an ATV to pass a fullsized vehicle. May be dusty but are relatively smooth with no rocks or roots protruding more than three inches above the surface. Ride distance will be short, speeds very slow.

### Level 2, Advanced Beginner:

Mild ups and downs, some narrow, mild rock, mostly roads and jeep trails, minor off camber. Two-wheel drive ok.

### Level 3, Intermediate:

Loose gravel, sandy, rocky or rutty surface. May have short sections that are narrow. Can have blind turns, switchbacks, steep or roller coaster grades, some off-camber side hills, minor drop-offs, ruts and frequent changes in riding surfaces. Occasional obstacles may strike the frame. Four-wheel drive may be needed depending on conditions. Pace of ride will be a little faster, distances and length of ride will be longer.

### Level 4, Advanced Intermediate:

Rocky surfaces, sharp turns, switchbacks, steep grades, narrow passages, low overhangs, ledges and large rocks. Can be slippery and muddy when wet. May have tree stumps, limbs or other debris. Machines with low ground clearance may strike or high center on obstacles. Four-wheel drive highly recommended.

#### Level 5, Expert:

Very rocky, steep, off camber, high water crossings, large ruts. Large obstacles in trails, narrow with big drop offs. Four-wheel drive required, may need winch.



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