

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 active organization of almost 400 members!

# MAGIC VALLEY ATV RIDERS, INC Quad Monthly Newsletter

### FEBRUARY CLUB NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING

PLEASE NOTICE THE CHANGE IN WEEKDAY OF OUR FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING:

**THURSDAY**, FEB. 13, 2014 6:00 PM Buffet dinner 7:00 PM Meeting to follow

### Idaho Pizza Company

1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls

Hey ladies! Listen up! You're not going to want to miss our next club meeting. Trust me! This meeting is dedicated to you ladies that support MVATVR. We are going to have LOTS of door prizes for



you! (Sorry guys!) There will be gifts from Bath & Body Works as well as gift certificates to the mall.

MORE INSIDE!



FEB. 1, 2014

WE ARE EXCITED TO Welcome our Newest club Members to the Mvatvr:

- Jim & Judy Brown
- Joey & Kasey Kliegl
- Earl Dayley
  - John & Susan Devlin

### **MVATVR 2014 CLUB BANQUET**

On Saturday, January 18, we held our annual member appreciation banquet for MVATVR. The whole event was a huge success! We had almost 150 members in attendance with over \$2500 worth of door prizes! The 50/50 Raffle raised almost \$1200. Half of that went to one lucky winner, Doug Wilson, and the other half was donated by the club to Mountain States Tumor Institute Patient Services. There was also an anonymous \$100 cash donation made by a club member to MSTI on behalf of MVATVR. The local food drive was a HUGE success as well! There were so many canned good items donated by our awesome club members to the local food drive. Thank you so much for supporting this worthy cause.



The club would also like to thank the numerous volunteers that brought a dish to pass, helped with set up, serving, and clean up at the end of the night. We really could not have pulled off as successful event without your kindness. THANK YOU! Many thanks to the Filer School for use of their wonderful facility again! And a big thanks to all of our donors that provided items for our incredible door prize give-a-way: Xtreme, Cactus Petes, Adventure Motor Sports, Action Cycles N Sleds,

Rocky Mountain ATV, The Burgoynes, Stan & Pat, Lets Ride, Amalgamated Sugar, D&B, Robert Leitch LLC, Expedition Motor Sports, The Lantings, Jerry Kriegh, and Sportsman's Warehouse.



## **CLUB RIDES: PAST & FUTURE**

### **NEW YEARS DAY "THERAPY" RIDE** GRINDSTONE BUTTE

What could possibly be a better way to start the New Year than an ATV ride? That is exactly what MVATVR did. On January 1 we unloaded at the corrals past Bell Rapids. It was a little nippy at the start but not bad for January. By the time we got every body going we had 17 machines for our wanderabout trip to Grindstone Butte. We stopped for lunch in a sand wash behind Twin Buttes, started a fire and had some great hotdogs. It was so warm most folks had their jackets off. After lunch we headed to the top of Grindstone Butte for a great view of the area. Later in the afternoon we got to experience the wild horses up close. They ran right up to us and then crossed our pathquite a sight. There were some very beautiful horses in the herd. Stan Mai, ride host.



**DEADHORSE CAVE (BLISS)** FEB 9, 2014 10:00 AM Ride time Hosted by: Mountain Home ATV Club **Ride Location**: Bliss Exit 141, 6.2 Miles East to Staging Area

**Description**: We will depart the staging area at 10am <u>sharp</u> and head out to the Teapot Cave which is easily accessible, then we will make our way to Deadhorse Cave which is also easily accessible (concrete steps), but bring your headlamp cause this one is dark.

**Staging Location** (Parking area) located off Hwy 26/30 at N42.92433 W114.81035, can't miss it only 6.2 miles from I-84

Difficulty: EasyRide Miles: 40Nearest Town: Bliss / GoodingTrail Width: ATVs RZRs and UTVs

**Ride Leader:** Rusty Faircloth with Mountain Home ATV club. 371-1274

### Saturday, February 22,2014

### Pothole Road to Bombing Range

Ride Leader Colton Leitch and his assistant, Stan Mai are going riding and would like to invite their<br/>friends in the MVATVR to come along.Approximately 45 miles in length

#### Club rules in effect.

#### Ride will leave the unloading area at 10:00 AM sharp!

This will be a moderate ride. Mostly old two tracks, jeep trails and gravel road. Some steep terrain. Mostly level 2 with some level 3. We will leave the unloading area and head towards the boundary fence for the bombing range and then wander over to the old gunnery range. If you are a less experienced rider do not worry, we will help you, we will not leave you behind.

**Directions to ride location:** From I-84 take Exit 114, follow to downtown Hammett. In the center of Hammett turn left on Hwy 78 towards Bruneau. Follow Hwy 78 along north side of river, after the highway crosses the river go about 1 mile. Look for Pothole Road/Browns Creek on the left side . (If you go till the hwy way turns left you went too far.) Take the gravel road to the end, turn left go about one mile, that's where we will be. See ya'll there. Questions do not hesitate to call. Stan Mai 733-5981 there is always the possibility that the ride may be canceled by Mother Nature. If weather looks doubtful please call the ride host. **Please watch your email for changes.**Coordinates for starting point:N42° 53.675' W115° 32.381'

## FRANK'S TECHNOLOGY CORNER

Will A GPS Receiver Be In Your Future?

A short time ago, I was asked to review for our MVATVR members, some of the more common GPS receivers now on the market. I'm not referring to handheld GPS units, but rather to GPS receivers that transform a Wi-Fi dependent tablet (that lacks fully functional GPS technology), into a "go anywhere device" that can lock onto your coordinate. Some tablet devices can locate your location only if you have a Wi-Fi connection. However, when you're traveling in your vehicle or ATV, Wi-Fi signals will not be readily available and connecting onto satellites to determine your location will not be possible.

This is where these small hand sized GPS receivers can come to your rescue. They have the additional technology build into their housing that will allow any tablet/phone device to lock onto nearby satellites so a precise location can be determined. When this type of a GPS receiver is joined with mapping software (on your tablet/phone), a topographic map of your exact path and location can be viewed.



If your thinking of using a tablet device (in place of a conventional handheld GPS unit) to help locate your position while traveling, I've provided a brief summary of nine GPS receivers on the MVATVR website. Go to the main page and

look at the Hot Topics section. A link will be available that will open a summary page. For what its worth, my suggestion is to find a model that provides both GPS and Glonass technology, is built to accommodate your specific device (iOS or Android) and provides Bluetooth technology. One more tip, be sure to also read any reviews that may be posted for these devices.



## FOR SALE

Polaris RZR 570 EFI, 2013 with 2,500 miles, 3500 lb Xtreme Winch, Parking Brake, 1/2 Windshield (not shown in picture), Modified Air Intake System, Rip-Stop Nylon Doors, 2 - Fabric Storage Bags, Mud Flaps, Horn, Mirrors, Trailer Hitch. \$9,000 RZR can be seen at Action Cycles N Sleds Frank Stone 208-934-5491



# DID YOU WIN OR BUY AN ORANGE ATV FLAG AT THE CLUB BANQUET?

We have the o-rings that go with the flag to hold it on the pole.

Be sure to contact Robert at 539-6066 to get the o-ring the club owes you.

We will have more flags for sale at future meetings and rides.

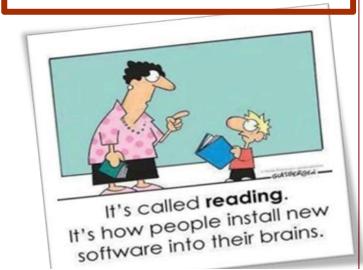
BE SURE TO GET YOUR MVATVR FLAG SOON!

Get well soon to all of our members that are sick, facing an upcoming surgery, or recovering from past surgery. We look forward to seeing you out on the trails soon! -MVATVR Board

HAVE ANY OF YOUR FRIENDS EVER ASKED YOU WHAT MVATVR CLUB IS ALL ABOUT?

WELL, FRANK STONE HAS PROVIDED AN EASY AND FUN ANSWER FOR THEM!

Go to our club website <u>www.mvatvr.org</u> and find the link "Check Us Out" on the home page in the upper right corner. Frank created and added the new video called "Why Join the MVATVR?" This will now provide our website viewers "two" different videos of just what the MVATVR is about.



### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

Happy February to all of you. Hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate so we can now look forward to ATV riding. This is going to sound like a broken record because I say the same thing every year this time of year, but I feel it is worth repeating. As we begin another riding season I feel it is a good time to revisit our polices, guidelines and rules when visiting public and private land. We have a responsibility to both the land and other users. Multiple use means shared use, cooperation, respect and tolerance are the foundations that make it possible for all users to coexist. Ranchers and grazing permittees are, for the most part, very pro multiple use. It is important that we set an example and reassure these folks that we are responsible users of our public land. Do not damage ponds, springs, water troughs or any other equipment. Do not harass their livestock. Most importantly do not cut fences or leave gates open. This is the complaint most often heard from the livestock folks. Please close all gates that you open. It would be great if the world could run without rules and guidelines, but sadly that just does not happen.

We have a set of rules and guidelines for ATV riders to follow. These were developed to help insure that when you are riding or camping you are legal, acting responsibly, and being a considerate neighbor to others. The complete list can be found on the MVATVR website. We would ask that you always follow these rules and guidelines.

Once again, the January banquet was a huge success: great crowd, fantastic potluck, lots of great door prizes, and much food for the canned food drive.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors for all their help in making this a success. Also thanks to all the members who stayed and helped us clean up. As they say, "many hands make for light work." A special thanks to Principal Matt Mahannah and the Filer School District for allowing us to use their facility.

We have a new ride coordinator, Kent Oliver. He is doing a great job of finding some new rides, but he cannot do it without your help. He needs folks to step up and agree to host a ride if we are going to have a good selection of rides this year.

To all of you who have paid your 2014 dues- Thank You. If you have not renewed, I would encourage you to renew your membership and invite a friend to join our club.

Even if you are not active we need your support in keeping our public land open to ATV use.

Stan Mai, President MVATVR

I'll pretend to give a crap about the Super Bowl if you pretend to give a crap about Valentine's Day.





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 Work 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 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
Signature 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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