



# QUAD NEWS

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Please welcome our newest members  
Russell & Loralyn Clark

## The Sawtooth National Recreation Area is beginning the Travel Planning Process for the area south of Galena Summit.

This includes many popular areas such as Boulder City, Baker Lake, Prairie Lake and other popular areas. As everyone is painfully aware ATV riding is very limited in this area. Many of the roads on the ground are not system roads so may be closed to motorized travel. It is important that you comment now on anything you would like to see open to motorized travel in the future. Maps can be viewed at:  
<http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/sawtooth/landmanagement/projects/?cid=stelprd3819615>.

When you view the maps pay close attention. Only those roads listed as system roads are currently official FS roads. Most of the roads listed are inventoried roads. That means they are on the ground but **not** official FS roads and may not be open under the new travel plan. This is an opportunity to expand motorized travel in this area and possibly convince the SNRA to build connectors and make the area into a fun worthwhile ATV recreation area. Send comments to:  
Comments-intermtn-sawtooth-nra@fs.fed.us  
Please take a few minutes and comment on this important issue.

## NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 12TH

**Idaho Pizza**

**1859 Kimberly Road**

**Twin Falls, Idaho**

**No host meal 6:00 PM**

**Great Salad Bar, All you can eat pizza buffet or order from the menu**

**Meeting will start about 7:00PM.**

**The November general meeting is when we elect our Board of Directors for 2015.**

**Our bylaws state we can have up to 11 members on the board of Directors. We have 11 candidates for the board . If anyone else wishes to be a candidate we will add them as a write in at the meeting.**

**We hope to see you all there for food, fun, and visiting time with good friends old and new**

If you would like to pay your 2015 MVATVR dues we would gladly accept them. Please remember that to be eligible for door prizes at the January banquet you must have your 2015 dues paid. Paying ahead of time shortens the wait time at the banquet.. Your membership is important to help insure we will continue to have opportunities to ride ATV'S on public land.

**Have you ever wanted to go for a ride close to home?** We have a riding area within minutes of Twin Falls. Some call it the North Rim Park, some call it Devils Corral area, Clay Cave area. The area is located just north of the Perrine Bridge. Going North cross the bridge and turn right at the first light. You are there. Find a place to park along the eastbound road and go riding. Lots of old roads and trails. Several places you can view the Snake River, Shoshone Falls and Twin Falls, plus by heading north east and going under the freeway you can visit Clay Cave. This area is a great fall, winter, and spring riding area. Be aware this is a true multiple use area open to everyone including shooters. Be alert for folks shooting and give them some space. Some folks would like to turn this area into a non- motorized park. We participate in the annual cleanup of the area every spring. We also need to show everyone that we want to keep the area open by using it.

**The Unofficial MVATVR List Of  
Acceptable Excuses For Not Going ATV riding**

Excuse's	Unofficial MVATVR Evaluation
The ATV needs repair	<b>Excellent</b> - You should never go out on the trail if you expect possible mechanical issues.
My son in-law will be in town	<b>Very Good</b> - You clearly have important family priorities in order.
I'll miss my favorite TV show	<b>Acceptable</b> - We all need to set our priorities.
I'm just not in the mood	<b>Are You Kidding</b> - A day on the trail is "always" better then a day on the couch.
The trails are seldom marked and I may get lost	<b>NOT Acceptable</b> - "see explanation shown below:

Although this may indeed be the case for some areas, it is definitely not a valid excuse for not going riding in the south hills. You have maps available, on our website : MVUM and the club developed Cassia OHV map are both available. <http://www.mvatvr.org/trails.html>. Signage is now very good in the south hills due to the efforts of some members of MVATVR ( See page 4 of this newsletter).

## PAST RIDES

**Jerry Kreigh and Friends met up at Declo on October 18th.** About 20 folks followed Jerry to South of Almo where we unloaded and headed south towards Yost and the Raft River mountains. Orange would have to be considered the dominant color of the day as there were a lot of hunters in the area. Beautiful fall day with some spectacular scenery. The view was great because of the narrow mountain range you could see in all directions. We did have an incident when one of our members had an accident, but as they say all's well that ends well. Everyone pitched in and helped get the ATV back on the trail and the injured rider on his way to the hospital.

**Granite Mountains , So of Jackpot** are a very unique and scenic area. Rock formations that are similar to the City of Rocks, Aspen groves, old mines, old cars, old cabins. All of these were on display as 18 machines traveled through the area on October 25th. Mother nature was our friend. We were greeted with sunshine warm temperatures and of course some wind, which was actually a good thing as it moved the dust off the trail. We did have a minor delay when the ride leaders tire and rim decided to separate themselves from each other. But we were back on the trail in short order thanks to all the folks with knowledge and equipment. At one point on the ride we approached some gates and a pasture. While we were opening the gates to get through I noticed the rancher watching us from a distance. I smiled and waved at him and he returned the wave. As the last members of the ride were closing the gate the rancher drove up to them, got out of his pickup, shook their hand and thanked everyone for closing the gates. Good feeling and good public relations for our club. The sun was getting low in the sky as our odometers went past the 70 mile mark and everyone pulled into the parking area. Great day.  
Stan Mai

**HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING**

# PAST RIDES

YE 1002014 YE 100 Ride – South Hills  
October 4, 2014

A cool, crisp fall morning greeted the adventurous riders as we all gathered for the first annual, year-end (YE) 100-mile ride. Ride Coordinator, Kent Oliver had worked months plotting and planning this ride to end the season with and the day had finally arrived. Fifteen machines with nineteen riders met at Porcupine Springs Campground to challenge the trails ahead, but keep reading to see how many finished the ride. After a short safety briefing, we were on our way.

With blue skies above us and golden trees around us, we began our trip on the Old Oakley – Rogerson road. Fallen leaves gave way to a golden-carpeted trail as we wound our way along Third Fork Canyon and up Telephone Canyon. Our first break came near Challenge Hill along the Trout Creek trail. Excitement was still in the air and talk of where we would be riding was abuzz amongst the riders. Back on the trail again, we journeyed on down Trout Creek Trail, winding through the canopy of trees, crossing creeks, and standoffs with some of the local cows. The scenery was stunning with the variegated fall colors on the hillsides and lush green grass along the trail. But then... the trail changed.

From easy trail riding through scenic landscapes, to more brush and rocks, came Swanty Peak into view. Some riders became concerned that we were going to have to climb "Pucker Hill". Horror stories about the experiences of "Pucker Hill" were soon being heard and many threatened to turn around if we went up it. Rest assured, the trail turned and up and over Swanty Peak we went. To some it seemed steep, for others, no competition. We continued on "ridge" hopping around Mahogany Butte and descended a steep trail into Beaver Dam Basin. Some of the riders got to see elk climbing up and down the hillsides. Hunger pains could be heard from many of the riders, so lunchtime was right around the next bend in the road.

Signature Rock provided us with the most historic, picturesque lunchroom anyone could ask for. Names of prior travelers, dating back quite a few years, along with more current names had been carved into the rock. While eating lunch, stories were shared about pioneers headed west and others who travelled this vast area. Riders were eager to get going again, so we packed up and continued on down the trail.

We continued on the trail leaving signature rock in the rearview mirror and traversing across the countryside to the old wagon road trail. Terrain proved to be difficult for some as we started up this trail. Some bottomed out on the old creek bed, and trees got in the way of others. As we topped out at the top of this trail, a short break was taken to tend to a rider after a minor mishap. Here we continued to Beaver Dam pass where more wildlife was seen. The sly coyote was keeping his eye on us and the sage grouse who was hanging out at the watering trough too full of water to fly. Trapper creek provided some of the riders with a refreshing splash of water. Here is where our group divided and some headed back to camp (and the hospital) while the remaining ones continued on, determined to reach that "100" mile mark.

A short break at Beehive rock to get re-energized then off to face the biggest challenge at South Cottonwood Creek. The hill was steep and rocky with loose gravel. All riders made it to the top safely. Well there was this one couple who took the wrong turn... We rode over to the Oakley Rogerson Road then connected onto the North Water Road. This became a challenge as no one had ridden it and we had to rely on the GPS and skills of riders to find our way across the prairie grass. The grass was higher than our machines and the grass seeds showered us as we drove through it. After driving into the sun and searching for the trail, we finally emerged out on the main road and continued on to Trapper Creek. We rounded a corner and there Mr. Moose was meandering across the meadow into the willows. We had to keep moving along, as the sun was getting lower in western horizon.

We took a short break and decided to stay on the main roads due to the time and distance we had left to travel. Along the way, some of the odometers were turning over the 100 mile mark, so camera stops were taken to record the event. As the sun was setting, our group of 10 weary riders pulled into the parking lot. Not as fresh, talkative, or jubilant, as we were when we started, we can say we came, we challenged, and we conquered the 2014 YE100!

Those who returned early rode approximately 95 miles, so all who started can feel good about conquering the planned 2014 YE100 Ride.

Thank you to all that came out and rode the YE100. I look forward to making this an annual event the first Saturday of October.

## **MVATVR VOLUNTEER TRAIL WORK**

**MVATVR IS KNOWN FOR DOING OUR PART TO HELP MAKE ATV RIDING BETTER . WE HELP WITH NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY EVERY YEAR. MANY YEARS WE ALSO DO WORK PROJECTS IN CONJUNCTION WITH VARIOUS FOREST SERVICE DISTRICTS, INCLUDING THE SOUTH HILLS, FAIRFIELD, SNRA, YANKEE FORK AND OTHERS. THIS IS IN ADDITION TO THE MANY HOURS OF UNDOCUMENTED VOLUNTEER HOURS THAT VARIOUS MEMBERS PUT IN ANYTIME THEY ARE OUT RIDING. NO ONE REALLY KNOWS THE TOTAL HOURS THAT OUR CLUB MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING OUR TRAILS SAFER AND MORE FUN FOR THE PUBLIC. IF WE WERE TO HAVE A COUNT OF THE TOTAL HOURS EVERY YEAR CONTRIBUTED BY MVATVR MEMBERS I AM SURE MOST FOLKS WOULD BE ASTOUNDED. THIS IS ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES OF HAVING A LARGE CLUB.**

**ONE GROUP OF MEMBERS LED BY BUCK MOORE HAS BEEN WORKING ON A SIGN PROJECT FOR THE LAST 2 YEARS IN THE SOUTH HILLS. THEY HAVE KEPT TRACK OF HOURS AND MILES FOR THIS PROJECT.**

Days On Trails	On Trail Hr's	Trail Miles	Tot Miles	Person Hr's	Intersections Marked	Posts Installed
26	164.75	1,047.5	4,976	1075.25	460	479

**VERY IMPRESSIVE, GREAT JOB BY ALL INVOLVED WITH THIS PROJECT,**

Buck Moore  
Lee Heinzelman  
Diane Moore  
Nila Heinzelman  
Kelly Moore  
Craig Otzenberger  
Jeanie Otzenberger  
Tom Kunkel  
Ann Kunkel  
Bill Meyer

Ron Mothershed  
Lisa Mothershed  
Frank Stone  
Kelly Lookingbill  
Aaron Larson  
Chris Larson  
Wayne Fisher  
Glenn Duggan  
Joy Duggan  
Jerry Kreigh

Joe Steffens  
Larry Roberts  
Sandy Roberts

**All the work we do on our public land does not go unnoticed by the managers of our public lands. We are in very good standing with local public land managers because of all the volunteer work of our members**



Many thanks to all our members who give freely of their valuable time every year to improve  
ATV riding .

**Fairfield Ranger District ATV Trail Report:**All of our ATV trails are open and in good shape. We borrowed an IDPR trail dozer for almost 3 months and worked on the West Fork Kelley Creek, Kelley Creek (Iron Mountain Trail), Willow Creek and the Soldier Front Trail. All of these trails had major erosion caused by multiple rain storms in areas that burned last summer. Most of the trails had to be maintained several times as each rain storm “un-did” a lot of the work that had already been done. The good news is that all of these trails have good drainage in place as we go into winter and next year’s run off. We also widened and put in a couple more pull outs on the West Fork of Kelley Creek.

We (finally) constructed the new piece of the Soldier Front Trail. Todd Wernex, IDPR, came up and helped me lay it out and his operator ran the dozer while we stayed out in front of him cutting out trees and brushing. We built approx. 1.5 miles of new construction and another 1.5 miles converting existing single track to ATV width. We are not completely done though. There is still a steep spot that we want to reroute but we need a bridge to cross a steep gully. I’ll be writing a grant to fund that bridge this winter and will seek your support for that project in the grant process. We can have the club help build it and match volunteer hours if you’re interested. I’ll follow up with you about those details in December.

The other *really great* thing happening is that IDPR is giving the Sawtooth a trade-in dozer next year. IDPRs dozer program can only do so much in one location since they need to spread the work load around the state. They are not able to support all of the dozer time that we need here in the next few years so they are graciously giving us a dozer that is in pretty good shape. And, other districts can use it on their projects too. At this point I’m planning to fund about three months of operator time for Fairfield. If you get a chance tell IDPR thanks! [Steve Frost, Fairfield Ranger District](#)

**Buhl Light Parade:** The last several years MVATVR has participated in the Buhl Light Parade. One year we were the largest entrant. One year we won best entry by a non commercial group. The last couple years the number of members participating has declined by quite a bit.

We have went from a high of about 50 atv’s compared to last year when we had 12. We are wondering whether it is time to take a break from this event.

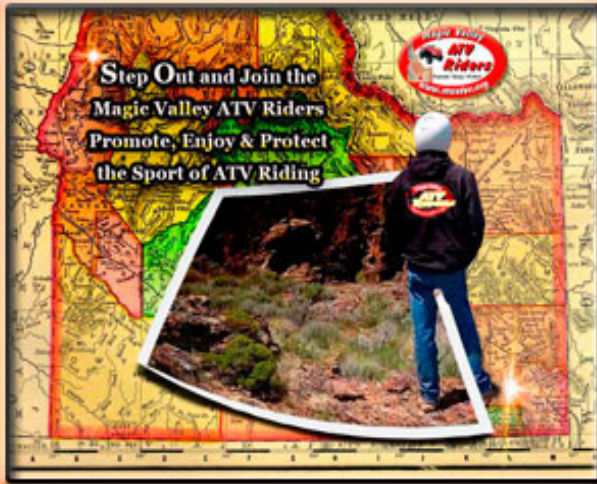
**On the trail be prepared for the unplanned. Recent events have driven home the importance of being prepared for emergency situations that may arise on the trail.**

**Here is a link to a free medical emergency wallet card. [www.medids.com](http://www.medids.com). It is important that you have your id and personal information with you in remote areas We would also suggest you consider a Personal locator beacon. Lots of information here: <http://www.mvatvr.org/GPS%20Beacons.html>**

THE LAST PAGE— A TRIP BACK THROUGH 2014











*Promote, Enjoy  
and Protect the  
Sport of ATV  
Riding*



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Spouse (Print) \_\_\_\_\_

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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

Would you be interested in committee or board member positions?    Yes                      No

What type of riding and other activities do you enjoy?

Type of Membership, Please Select One:

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

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 releases 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 releases. 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.

Signatures \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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