



Merry  
Christmas!  
and a  
Blessed New Year

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.

TWIN FALLS- QUAD MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER CLUB NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 1, 2014

### DECEMBER CLUB CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10**  
**Idaho Pizza on Kimberly Rd.**

5:00 PM – GPS vs Smartphone and  
Tablet mini discussion via Avenza PDF  
maps (Meeting Room)

6:00 PM – Social Hour & Dinner (Meeting  
Room)

This month's meeting will actually be a social gathering for all members and invited guests to mingle and celebrate the Christmas season.

Before the social begins, Frank Stone and Aaron Larson will lead a workshop on the differences between using a GPS vs. a Smartphone and Tablet mini with the Avenza map application. Please come early at 5PM to hear this informative

discussion.

More inside!

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*Please join us for dinner!*

We would like to  
welcome our newest  
club members:

- Rodney & Jamie  
Stewart

We are so glad you  
joined our club!

# MVATVR CLUB INFORMATION

[www.mvatvr.org](http://www.mvatvr.org)

## **MVATVR BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

■ Kent Oliver	President/ Ride Coordinator
■ Stan Mai	Vice President/ Public Lands Director
■ Pat Mai	Secretary
■ Linda Stimpson	Treasurer/Membership Chairman
■ Dixie Best	Event Coordinator
■ Jessica Minor	Newsletter Editor
■ Robert Leitch	Sergeant at Arms
■ Gary Aufderheide	Board Member
■ Brad Stimpson	Board Member
■ Dave Burgess	Board Member
■ Rob Hendrickson	Board Member

## **MVATVR DISCLAIMER**

All members and guests please read:

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. Rides are open to current MVATVR members and invited guests.

## **MVATVR CLUB RULES & GUIDELINES**

The Magic Valley ATV Riders (MVATVR), Inc. would appreciate you being considerate of others and observing the following rules/guidelines while participating in club activities. Obviously, any actions that are unlawful or unsafe are prohibited.

1. Pets should be kept on a leash of no longer then 6 feet during any rides, campouts or other MVATVR events. Please be a responsible pet owner and respect the rights of others.
2. Idaho State Law states that being under the influence and/or consuming alcohol or illegal drugs while operating an OHV is illegal and therefor will not be tolerated by MVATVR, Inc.
3. Generator use should be with consideration for others in camp and a recommended quiet time from 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM needs to be observed.
4. By operating your machine in a safe responsible manner, waiting at intersections and corners, you can insure that fellow riders will not be left behind and everyone will have an enjoyable ride.
5. Being a responsible member means, abiding by state motorized laws and obeying regulations for the area you are riding in, not disturbing wildlife, respecting the land and any private property that is crossed and closing any gates you open.
6. Please conduct yourself in a proper manner and strive not to be offensive to anyone, and respect the rights of others.

## PAST CLUB RIDES/ACTIVITIES

There were no club activities or club sponsored rides in the month of November.

## UPCOMING CLUB RIDES/ACTIVITIES

MVATVR Club Christmas Social is on December 10.

Currently there are no club rides scheduled in the month of December. Please watch your emails for last minute rides. Weather dependent.



When I die, I want my last words to be, "I left a million dollars under the....."

FOR SALE.....\$ 12,225.00

2013 RZR LE 50"

Electronic power steering and engine braking.

Winch. Parking brake.

Front bumper and rear bumper with upper luggage rack and spare tire rack.

Half windshield, hard top roof, rear cab canvas wall with window.

Polaris doors and a radio with speakers for tunes.

Shoulder and overhead storage bags.

Good rubber.

1600 miles with recent complete service.

Has not been wrecked or damaged in any way.

Ed Robertson

208 358-0345

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# **SAVE THE DATE!!**

**MVATVR banquet is being held  
Saturday, January 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**This will be a potluck dinner!  
There will be lots of door prizes  
& FUN, FUN, FUN!**

**We will have a Raffle with a portion of the  
proceeds going to the charity, Mountain  
State Tumor Institute, in Twin Falls.  
Make your plans to attend & bring a friend!  
More info to follow in the January  
newsletter.**



**2015 OHV STICKERS  
ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT  
THE LOCAL  
DEPARTMENT OF  
MOTOR VEHICLES. THE  
TWIN FALLS DMV IS  
LOCATED IN THE  
COUNTY WEST BUILDING  
(THE OLD HOSPITAL).  
DON'T GET CAUGHT  
WITH YOUR STICKER  
MISSING ON YOUR UTV!**



**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSED THE MVATVR CLUB'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 2014 BUHL LIGHT PARADE AND DECIDED THAT WE WOULD NOT ATTEND THE PARADE THIS YEAR.**

## **2015 CLUB DUES**

### **ARE DUE**

It is time to renew your club membership to MVATVR.

Dues are as follows:

\$25.00 for a family

\$20.00 for a single

Please mail your payment to:

PO Box 0767, Twin Falls, ID

83303 or bring your payment to the next meeting. To be eligible for the big prizes at the January banquet, you must be current on your membership dues. If you pay before the banquet, you can avoid waiting in line to pay there.

## **Free Printable Medical ID Cards**

After the November meeting, I was thinking on what Kent Oliver said about keeping a medical alert card in your ATV, home vehicle and within your wallet. The MVATVR website (Safety page) now contains a link to a FREE website service that will allow you to enter this information and using your home printer, make several copies of the card.

Once completed, the card will list any current medicine(s) you are taking, along with notification of any medical conditions and I.C.E. (In Case of Emergency) and also list contacts to notify in case of an emergency. Sure seems like a good idea to me! - Frank Stone

## Safety Topic – Article 6

Kent Oliver – MVATVR Ride Coordinator

Now that winter is just around the corner, our off-highway riding is slowing down. Over these next few months, it is a good idea to take the time and go over your machine(s) from front to back. Look for unusual wear, metal shavings, and loose parts. It is even a good idea to inspect your brakes for possible replacement. A good resource for doing these inspections would be your operator's manual and the manufacturer's website. Having these inspections done before our spring riding season begins, should have you ready to ride.

If you are riding during colder months, make sure you check with the dealer or your operator's manual to make sure you are using the proper engine oil for colder temperatures. Improper oil types or viscosity could cause engine wear and possible engine failure. This can be expensive to repair.

Another thought for riding in colder temperatures is twofold. First, you will need to dress for the colder temperatures. Depending on how you layer your clothing, it can be bulky and not allowing you to move as easily as during the summer. Second, frozen ground will make some hill climbs easier while others will not allow your machine to get traction. As the sun hits the frost on the ground, it can cause the surface to become slick.

So please, inspect your machine, clean out any areas where weeds can be trapped, and be cautious if riding during colder temperatures. In addition, remember to take extra food and water. Our weather can change quickly in the winter.

Ride Safe  
Kent Oliver



## **Letter from the President:**

About 7 years ago a few of us gathered in a back yard shop sat around in lawn chairs and discussed starting an ATV club. The US Forest was in the process of going to a closed policy unless open policy regarding roads and trails on Forest Land and the ATV community locally was not being well represented in regards to ATV access on public land. From that humble beginning the Magic Valley ATV Riders was born. I have been privileged to be the President of this organization from the beginning. The last seven years has brought many changes to the organization, but through it all we have continued to grow and become a better, more active club. Our current membership is about 390 great folks who love the sport of off-roading and care about the future of our sport. We are so blessed to have a fantastic group of folks who continue to amaze me with their willingness to help out in whatever endeavor we are involve with. From the beginning I felt that it was vitally important that this club project a positive appearance to the public. I feel that we have remained true to that, we are a family organization, that works hard to make everyone welcome and insures that the conduct of members of this club will be legal, courteous, helpful, and will do nothing while visiting our public land that would reflect badly on the sport we all love so dearly. I personally have had the opportunity to meet and get to know some amazing people. I would like to thank all those who have stepped up to serve as board members and officers. Without your time and service we would not be where we are today.

That is why it is with mixed feeling that I announce to you my term as President of MVATVR will be ending on December 31, 2014. As the old saying goes, "change is good." In this case, it is very good. Kent Oliver has agreed to take over the reins of the club as President. Kent has a great background and a desire to see the club continue on the path we have been following. Kent has done a fantastic job as Ride Coordinator and will continue with that job as well.

I have no intention of riding off into the sunset. I have been involved with issues involving OHV access to public land for 25 years, which is what I think is the most important issue facing us right now. If we have no place to ride then anything else that this club does is a moot point. We must do our part to stand up for our right to ride on public land; it is up to us to get the point across that we are a large, proper-user of public land. Many times it seems if there is an issue or a conflict the motorized community is the first to suffer loss of access.

We have long stated: We do not ask, nor do we expect, that other users reduce or curtail their activities on public land to increase or otherwise enhance our experiences (while using public land) and we would ask that other users subscribe to this same policy.

I many times wish that others would subscribe to this same policy. An example of this is the issue we are facing right now regarding Sage Grouse. The Sage Grouse is a bird and provides hunting for some, but it should not be able to shut down energy development, reduce grazing, close roads or in any other way effect what folks do on public land.

Thank you all for making the last seven years a very special time in my life.

Stan Mai, President



## **MVATVR MEMBER EMERGENCY**

One of our members, Wiley and Vonda Thomas, suffered a very serious tragedy on Saturday, November 29. Their home burned to the ground during the early morning hours. They were able to escape safely but one man living with them was life-flighted to Salt Lake City in critical condition. They have almost nothing left except the clothes they were wearing when they escaped the fire. Pat and Stan Mai are going to set up a benefit fund for them at Farmers National Bank. If you wish to contribute, they would greatly appreciate it. If you donate, please make checks payable to "Wiley and Vonda Thomas Fire Fund." You may leave contributions at any branch of Farmers National Bank. Thank you very much!

## **FOR SALE**

4 ATV/UTV Tires. Tires are the original equipment on RZR's. They are a Maxxis NHS with about 350 miles on them.

Like New.

2 tires are 8x25x12,

2 tires are 10x25x12 \$200.00 for all four tires

Contact Stan at 733-5981





**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) New Yearly Renewal**

**(Membership Year is January to January. New memberships 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**

**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**

**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 full-sized 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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