



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, 2015

DECEMBER CLUB CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9
Idaho Pizza on Kimberly Rd.

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.

Please join us for an informal get-together and get a chance to visit good friends and make a few new friends before the Christmas holiday is upon us.

We look forward to seeing you there!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



Please join us for dinner!

We would like to
welcome our newest
club members:

- Eddie & Beverly
Tucker

We are so glad you joined
our club!

More inside!

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MVATVR CLUB INFORMATION

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
■ Rob Hendrickson	Board Member
■ Roger Eldridge	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

Bruneau Canyon Ride Saturday, November 14, 2015 Ride Leader: Stan Mai

Almost summer in November was the theme for the *Bruneau Canyon ride on November 14th*. With temperatures reaching the low 60's late in the afternoon the day could not have been better. 8 RZRS and 2 ATVS wandered across the desert to the rim of the Bruneau Canyon for a great lunch with a great view. The return trip was along the boundary of the Saylor Creek Bombing range. We made a detour just before returning to the vehicles for some play-time in the sand. Great ride, thanks to all who attended.

UPCOMING CLUB ACTIVITIES

MVATVR Annual Member Appreciation Banquet

Filer Elementary School

700 Stevens Ave

Filer, Idaho

Saturday, January 9, 2016

Social Hour: 5:00 PM

Potluck: 6:00 PM

SAVE THE DATE!!

**MVATVR Annual Member Appreciation banquet
is being held**

Saturday, January 9th.

This will be a potluck dinner!

There will be lots of door prizes

& FUN, FUN, FUN!

Make your plans to attend & bring a friend!

More info to follow in the January newsletter.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DISCUSSED THE MVATVR CLUB'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 2015 BUHL LIGHT PARADE AND DECIDED THAT WE WOULD NOT ATTEND THE PARADE THIS YEAR. HOWEVER, IF ANY MEMBERS WOULD LIKE TO REPRESENT THE CLUB AT THE PARADE, THE MVATVR CLUB BANNER IS AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP THROUGH STAN MAI.

NIGHT LIGHT PARADE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2015

ASSEMBLY TIME: 6:15 PM / PARADE: 7:00 PM

COMPLETED ENTRIES NEED TO BE SUBMITTED BY DECEMBER 3.

INFORMATION: 543-6682

2016 BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S ELECTION RESULTS

Congratulations to Roger Eldridge on his new position on the MVATVR Board of Directors. We look forward to working with you over the upcoming year. Roger filled the position vacated by Dave Burgess.

Thank you Dave for years well served on the board. We enjoyed working with you and the hard work you contributed to our club. We will miss you!

FOR SALE

- **BIG BUBBA ATV trailer**
- **59 ½ inches wide**
- **14 ½ feet long**
- **2007 Radial tires**
- **\$1200**

Call Robert Leitch
for information
539-6066



2016 CLUB DUES

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.

FOR SALE

- 2002 Fleetwood Wilderness 5th wheel camper
 - 24 ½ feet long, sleeps 6 people
 - Slide out, awning, outdoor shower
 - Receiver hitch with wiring
 - Oven, microwave, booth dinette
 - A/C, new refrigerator (2013)
- Asking \$8944
Call Rob Hendrickson for information
420-9402



2016 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!

GET YOUR MVATVR FLAG !

If you would like to buy a brand new orange MVATVR flag for your ATV/UTV, there are still a few available.
Call Robert Leitch 539-6066 Price \$20 each



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Kent Oliver

Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on what you are thankful for. I have been blessed with so many things, however, I want to focus on the ATV group and all that we are blessed with. We have the largest ATV group in the state of Idaho and the most giving people I have known. We have people who step up to lead rides, groups who volunteer many hours of work to improve and maintain trails, cooks who show off their cooking skills, organizers who plan events, and great storytellers around the campfires. This group could not exist without each of you. Thank you to each and everyone of you for all you contribute to this awesome group.

Riding season has slowed down and now is the time to take a minute and read over the motor vehicle use maps to be familiar with the seasonal closures. The temperatures may be cold and some snow on the ground, however there are plenty of areas to still get out and ride. Make sure before you venture out for a ride, to check the area you are riding first for closures.

As we head into the winter season, many of our members head south to warmer climates for the winter. Please keep those traveling south in your thoughts and prayers for safe travels. For the ones of us remaining in the Magic Valley, remember with winter comes snow and ice. Please drive carefully and use caution when outdoors. Sidewalks and parking lots become very slick and dangerous. Slow down and take your time getting to your destinations. We want to see you all back on the trails in the spring.

I want to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday Season.

Kent Oliver, President
Magic Valley ATV Riders Inc.
Idaho State ATV Association, Secretary



Thinking of You.....

This section of the newsletter is dedicated to members that are going through difficult times, such as illness, surgery, medical issues, or loss. Please feel free to submit names to be included in this section (with permission of the member, or course).

We are thinking of you:

- + Bobbi Duke- upcoming knee surgery on December 22
- + Ron Mothershed- his sister, Debbie Shroeder has passed away

If you would like to submit a member's name for this section, once you have obtained their permission, please contact Jessica Minor, newsletter editor.

Email: jessica_klingener@yahoo.com

Cell: (208) 490-0626

PUBLIC LANDS UPDATE

Public Lands Director, Stan Mai

One of the goals and purposes of our organization is preserving and increasing access to our public land. Access is a continuous process. About the time we think we are making progress another roadblock rears its ugly head.

The latest issue is Sage Grouse. When the US Fish and Wildlife announced they were considering listing the Sage Grouse as an endangered species public land management in sage grouse areas was significantly changed. This little bird became the focus of management. Grazing, recreation, power, mining and all other uses of public land became secondary to ensuring that the sage grouse did not become listed as an endangered species. You have heard the saying that sometimes the cure can be worse than the disease. This was one of these times. It is amazing that our government is allowing the lives and livelihood of so many to be impacted by this little bird.

As usual some groups and land managers use this as an excuse to close or restrict access via motorized vehicle. We need to implement policies that treat all equally. People are just as important as animals and the land. Many times closures are implemented based on poor science and what ifs. Without proof of significant bad things happening based on local site-specific investigations, closures or restrictions should not be implemented. Many states and organizations have filed objections to the current regulations. There is a very good possibility the sage grouse regulations will eventually be decided by the courts. The **Blue Ribbon Coalition** is one of the many players trying to bring about a reasonable balance between the sage grouse and the other users of public land. Because of very large ramifications of the decisions being made the board of directors of MVATVR voted to donate \$500.00 to the Blue Ribbon Coalition Sage Grouse Action Fund to aid in their time of need.

MVATVR has always believed in doing our part to improve opportunities for the public to visit and enjoy their public land. Over the years we have donated many hours of volunteer time to improve the quality and quantity of trails on public land. This work benefits all users of the land. So called motorized trails are actually multi-user trails. This year we spent a weekend in June doing trail work in the south hills. We also volunteered 359 man hours of our time while camping at the Emigration campground near Montpelier. Over the years we have been involved with many projects to benefit all users of the forest. I would invite you to visit our website www.mvatvr.org for more details on our work history. We have done projects in the Custer Stanley area, the Fairfield Ranger District, The SNRA, Soda Springs area and of course the south hills (Minidoka Ranger District). We have given back to the Minidoka Ranger District in many ways from operating bulldozers, to building trail, building bridges and doing trail maintenance. When the Forest Service went to a designated, closed unless open trail policy for motorized users we lost a tremendous amount of access to forest land. In the Minidoka Ranger District alone we lost in excess of 200 miles of motorized travel opportunities. We have been working with the forest service for the last 8 years to try and improve existing trails in the area and reopening some of the lost opportunities. The local land managers have seen their recreational budgets reduced considerably the last few years. Working with volunteer groups such as ours has enabled them to make up for some of that short fall. The Magic Valley ATV riders will continue to advocate for increased opportunities on our public land. We look forward to continuing our partnership with local land managers to improve access to our public land by all.

Unlike some other users we have never advocated for exclusive use of trails. We are a true multiple use organization that believes in sharing the land.

We are currently involved in several other areas, including the Jarbidge BLM, The North Rim Canyon Park, Fairfield Ranger District, Ketchum Ranger District, Mackay, and others. We will keep you apprised of what is happening in future newsletters.

We appreciate all those that have supported us in the past and look forward to your support in the future.

Stan Mai, Public Lands Director

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW AND EXCITING CLUB RIDES FOR NEXT YEAR. PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF THE BOARD MEMBERS WITH SUGGESTIONS AND IDEAS. WE ALSO NEED RIDE LEADERS AGAIN TO ENSURE OUR CLUB HAS RIDES. PLEASE VOLUNTEER! WE NEED YOUR HELP!



**MAGIC VALLEY ATV
RIDERS, INC.**
TWIN FALLS, IDAHO

Application for Membership

Referred by: _____

Return to: 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 _____

To reduce mailing cost 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 (or) 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.

Please Select 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 leasers of premises on which the activity takes place, (each considered one of the release's 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 release's. I will indemnify, save, and hold harmless each of the Release's 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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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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"Promote, Enjoy, Protect"

