# Magic Valley ATV Riders

August 2018 Newsletter





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! – Photo: Pagari ride on May 6<sup>th,</sup> 2018 led by Jerry Kreigh.

## Abbreviated Newsletter

Well, here is our abbreviated newsletter. Good thing we went to an abbreviated one, since we didn't have a single club ride in July and we don't have much to write about. That being said, here are some things to know about.

#### Random info from Aaron

n the previous newsletter I mentioned that I would host a Albion ride. On July 10<sup>th</sup> my dad and I went on a pre-ride to check things out. We arrived at the LDS church in Albion at 8:30 in the morning with a nice breeze and 82 degrees. Good thing for the breeze because it kept getting hotter and hotter through the day.

Without spoiling it too much, we found that the trail was VERY rocky, off camber in many areas, steep and VERY overgrown through the nine miles of trail from Albion to the top of Mount Harrison. We had to trim some trees, clean logs from the trail, and I got stuck in a deep rut. I also had to use low gear all morning.

In the afternoon, we went down to Melcher Mine and explored the old gold mine a little bit, where it was a nice and comfortable 102 degrees according to my GPS temperature sensor.

Pictures are on the club website under Member Ride Photos. Oh, you are probably wondering, "When will the ride be then?" Well, I'm going to wait a bit and hope the temperatures go down a bit, so maybe in August or September. For those that come, make note that it will be a 4+ on the ride scale, and we may stop and do some trail maintenance on some of the bad spots.

Dad and I also went on a three day camping trip to the South Hills (again, photos under Member Ride Photos). We

found a dead cow on the 875\Upper Fall Creek trail, and found that the 268\Trout Creek Mountain road has a really bad



washout that made it nearly impossible for us to get through. We found that the creek by Piney Cabin is crossable where the beaver dam is and that the 257\Thoroughbred Spring No 2 road has a grave at the end (not going to spoil the rest, you will have to go see it for yourself to see what it is).

On a day trip, dad and I also explored 618\Sage Hen, and 617\Buckskin. At the end of Buckskin where the water trough is, we ate lunch with the herd of cows that was there. We also found that the beavers were still working on cutting down trees on the new Kirkham trail (see the size of the chips on the last page!)

Well, that's about it for random ramblings for this month.

Aaron Larson

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When? Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 Social Hour: 5:00 p.m. Dinner: 6:00 p.m.



Where? Kimberly City Park Intersection of Madison and Birch streets



## **Dinner:**

MVATVR will be furnishing hamburgers and hotdogs for dinner.

## What to Bring:

- 1. Please bring a salad, covered dish or dessert and a serving utensil for it. Don't forgetput your name on the utensils and dishes you bring so we can get it back to you.
- 2. Please bring a beverage of your choice (no alcohol please!). We will also have small bottles of water if you forget to bring your own beverage

3. Also, bring your favorite lawn chair!

## Prizes!

Three \$25 gift cards from each of the following dealers!



We sincerely hope all of you can attend our annual picnic. This is a great opportunity to see old friends, make new ones, and have a great meal. Invite a friend! If you have any questions or would like to donate a prize, please contact Dixie Best at 308-6418.



Please note that Kimberly does not allow pets in their park. Therefore, please leave your pet dog\cat\fish home while you attend the picnic.



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#### **Upcoming Events**

- 1. August 1<sup>st</sup> Annual picnic at the Kimberly city park.
- 2. August 9-14 Mackay camp and ride with the Pocatello Trail Machines club. They have the City Tourist Park reserved by the fairgrounds. Although there is no power available, water faucets are, as well as two cinderblock Their club is paying for the bathrooms. campground and they request that you make a donation to help cover the cost. On Saturday at 7:00 p.m. they will be serving sloppy joes for dinner and they ask that everyone bring a side\salad\dessert of your choice to go with it. They don't have any official rides planned, but once everyone gets there, they will have some folks setting up rides. I am told that they can be anywhere from a few hours long, to up to 80 miles in length and that there won't be any extreme rides.
- September the YE100 has been moved from the first weekend in October to sometime at the end of September due to hunting season. Details to follow.

#### Thinking of You

Lanny Carlisle – Health issues

#### 2019 State Meeting

Our club will be responsible for hosting the 2019 State ATV Association club meeting next year. Although details are still in the works, Dixie was volunteered to be in charge of some activities, and I was volunteered to be in charge of the rides. We are thinking it will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in August as of right now.

#### **New Machines**

Well the time comes where you must take the next step in life. In July, our President and First Lady purchased a new 2018 Polaris RZR from Action Cycles and Sleds in Twin Falls. This was their 34<sup>th</sup> anniversary gift to each other. They took their annual Anniversary trip to Pine and Featherville where they were able to ride a variety of trails and roads. Kent says it's a learning processes getting use to the longer wheelbase and wider stance. Lorrie says it's a dream to ride in and it is much easier to get on and out of. They took one ride that was 106 miles long and it felt great to be sitting in a seat and not trying to balance on an ATV. They truly love the new ride...



Earlier in July I (Aaron) I talked to both of our local Yamaha dealers and let it be known that I was interested in a new Grizzly. Nick at Let's Ride called me on July 5<sup>th</sup> and let me know they got in a new 2019. The next morning I took my old machine in and we talked numbers, after a bit, a deal was struck and I went back home to strip off my winch, Rotopax mount, GPS mount, and cargo box. After a few hours of wrenching, I hauled my old machine in and made the trade. I spent most of the rest of Friday and a good chunk of Saturday reinstalling all of the afore mentioned accessories. I have about 400 miles on it now. For other accessories, I ordered a full set of Iron Baltic skid plates for it that should be arriving in a few days.



Kathy & Marvin Barnes also bought some new goodies this month. They are off camping, so I cannot verify everything they bought, but on the way to look at a trailer for the Jeep to pull they ended up with a new 2018 Ram 2500 Bighorn quad cab short bed diesel truck AND a new Keystone Sprinter Campfire 25RK travel trailer. To get the RZR into the bed, they also went with an extension on the receiver and a cargo box on the tail end of his trailer from the looks of things for the generator and all the rest.

If anyone else buys a new ATV\etc, please let us know and we will put it in the newsletter!



# Photos from the Month







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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