

Magic Valley ATV Riders

May 2019



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 6th, 2018 led by Jerry Kriegh.



Abbreviated Newsletter

This month's newsletter is abbreviated due to Aaron's shoulder surgery/inability to type, and the additional fact that there isn't much information to get out this month anyway. ☺

May Meeting



Our next club meeting will be held at Let's Ride in Rupert on May 8th @ 6:00 PM dinner & 7:00 PM Meeting.

Address and directions: 270 S Hwy 24, Heyburn, ID 83336. Get off exit 211 and turn North. They are about 1.4 miles or so up the road on the right.

We do not know what is on the menu yet. Please bring a lawn chair.

In honor of Mother's Day, we will have our annual gift card drawing. We will have a total of five, \$20 gift cards to the mall!

Michael Robinson with the Idaho Dept of Parks and Recreation will be our first guest speaker.

Our second one will be a representative from the Forest Service talking about upcoming prescribed burns in the South Hills.

This will also be our last regularly scheduled meeting until October.

Prescribed Burns

Prescribed burns, also known as Rx burns, are controlled applications of fire to fuels confined within a predetermined area, under predefined environmental conditions, whereby fire behavior is managed to meet resource management objectives.

This promotes landscape resiliency by reducing heavy fuel loads and minimizes the potential for severe wildfires in the future. It also creates a safer environment for wildland firefighters responding to future fires in the area and helps maximize their ability to safely and efficiently suppress wildfires. There are many different types of prescribed burns including:

- Broadcast burns – burns where fire is applied generally to most or all of the predetermined project area.
- Pile burns – ignition of hand or machine piles of cut vegetation that have been allowed to dry out.
- Tree well burns – low intensity burns around the base of large trees to gradually reduce the accumulation needles, limbs and other organic debris.

[Click here for the map.](#)

Lights and Lasers

Greetings Magic Valley ATV/UTV Riders Members;

As most of you are aware, we, the Magic Valley ATV/UTV Riders, are sponsoring the Idaho State ATV/UTV Association’s annual meeting on the weekend of August 10, 2019. The committee is busy planning for the event and activities for guests from around the state.

One of the items of concern is keeping costs down for everyone, MVATVR and our guests. We have an opportunity to help in this endeavor and I am asking for a few of you volunteer an evening or two. The Southern Idaho Tourism is sponsoring the Shoshone Falls Lights and Lasers show in the evenings of May 15 through May 18, 2019.

They are asking for help with parking, disseminating information, and directing participants to the show. Volunteers can work any of the evenings and the hours are 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm or 10:30 if you stay for the show. Yes, you heard me right. If you and your family volunteer, Southern Idaho Tourism will give you entry to the show.

Family members will have to help at the venue. In addition, there will be a donation given to the MVATVR as a thank you. This donation will go towards the ISATVA Meeting budget.

If you do not want to help on the evenings for the event, volunteers are needed to help transport bleachers from Filer and Jerome to the venue site in the evening of May 14 and return them on May 19.

I am looking for 10-20 volunteers, so please consider volunteering and signing up to help.

Kent Oliver – President MVATVR Inc.

Snake River Canyons Park Cleanup

Saturday, May 18, 2018 we will be working with the Southern Idaho Off Road Association and other folks to clean up trash that has accumulated over the past year. We will be concentrating on the BLM lands leased by Jerome County and is now the Snake River Canyons Park.

Start time is 8:00 AM. It will probably take until early afternoon to finish the projects. Do not feel that you have to stay the whole time; whatever you can do will be appreciated. Pizza will be furnished for lunch at noon.

Drive north of the Perrine Bridge on US 93 to the traffic light at Golf Course Road. At the stop light, turn east towards Devil’s Corral and Shoshone Falls. We will be at the first parking area as you turn off Hwy. 93.

All participants must wear long pants, have leather gloves, no open toed shoes, and be over 16 years of age.

Things that have proven valuable during past clean ups include, but not limited to, bucket, shovel, rakes (both leaf and metal), and small tarps.

YES, there is a lot of trash! It is very important that we show the public that we care enough about this area to spend a day cleaning up. This is a very popular OHV use area and the closest riding area to Twin Falls. We will concentrate on the BLM lands, but still clean the area on Idaho Department of Lands that borders the main access road to the area. The Jerome County Commissioners and BLM personnel will be on hand to assist. The BLM will furnish garbage bags. Loaders will be on site to load trash into the big dumpsters.

There will be large loaders and dump trucks available. If you have a dump truck that you would



like to bring, that would be great. You can bring your ATV that would be helpful, but is not required. If you have a trailer to pull behind your ATV, that too would be helpful in transporting trash to the loaders. Please plan for any kind of weather. Bring water, sunscreen, and rain gear.

Bring your smile. There is a good possibility the news media will be there so let us have a good turnout. In the past, we have had the most participants and it would be great if it happened again. It is important that we participate to help make this a great OHV open use area, one that all users can enjoy.

Lake Channel Ride Report

The group of 13 machines met up at Ridley's parking lot in Rupert. We had one new couple, Ken and Donna Rodrigues and a guest of Jacob Metcalf, Mark, riding with us.

From the parking lot we caravanned to the corral area near the Minidoka Dam site. As they headed out several head of Mule Deer doe kept an eye on them. About 26 miles into the ride a friend of Jacob's had a problem with his unit and eventually Bill Medford towed him back to the load area where they departed the area for home.

The ten-remaining riders headed for the dunes at Lake Channel. At the dunes a couple folks tried to prove their golfing abilities. Some good, some should have not picked up the sand wedge. Several tried to run to the top of the dunes but the sand was loose and caused problems.

The return trip home proved uneventful except for the threat of a huge storm moving toward the group.

Jerry Kriegh - Ride Leader.

Kimama Ride Report

Saturday April 20th a club ride was held in the Kimama desert north of Paul. 12 machines and riders attended. Weather was fair, only a few drops of rain; some dust on return trip to parking lot. Ride was approx. 50 miles.

We unloaded at the Peavy corrals and headed towards Shale butte, turned towards Wild

horse butte and landing strip. We had lunch past the lava crossing 5 miles from the landing air field.

We then proceeded east to Minidoka crossing, then south across the lava trail to Cream Can road and on to the loading zone. One machine had trouble several times and finally had to be pulled back-possibly a bad battery.

It was a good ride; thanks to all of those who followed me.

Jerry Kriegh - Ride Leader.

Upcoming Rides

1. May 2-5 – Pagari Crossing (Jerry Kreigh)
2. May 11 – Thorne Creek ride (Randy Graham)
3. May 18 – Snake River Canyon Parks Cleanup
4. May 31-June 2 – Big Cottonwood (Aaron Larson)
5. June 8-9th – Work and Ride in the South Hills
6. Aug 9-11th – ISATVA rides (must register)
7. See the calendar on the website for more details, and other anticipated, but not scheduled rides and events.

Aaron Larson – Ride Coordinator

April Meeting

We would like to thank Action Cycles and Sleds for hosting last month's meeting, and Kris Dougan for speaking to us. We had roughly 70 people in attendance.

New Members

We would like to welcome Dan and Wendy Carrol, and Gregg and Cheryl Roessler as members of the club.

If you know anyone that has an ATV and enjoys the outdoors, we would love to have them as members of the club!

Linda Stimpson

Thinking of You

Rob Hendrickson – Upcoming surgery

Aaron Larson – Had shoulder surgery April 19th

Membership Dues

Dues are \$20 for a single person and \$25 for a family.

Please mail your payment to PO Box 0767, Twin Falls, ID 83303, bring your payment to the next meeting, or [pay online](#). Debit & credit cards accepted.

Linda Stimpson

Flags

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



We also have American flags printed on the same material the club flags are printed on. They are also \$20 each.

Call Brad Stimpson (208-308-8526) to purchase them or see him at the club meetings!

Dixie Best

Club Logos

If anyone wants to have the club logo printed\embroidered on a t-shirt, jacket, etc., [Quick Draw Embroidery & Screen-printing](#) has our logo on file.

You can buy the shirt\jacket\hat from them, or, bring your own. The price is reasonable and depends on how large you want the logo to be.

Pictures

If you want to see all of the pictures of past club rides and events, go to the club website and they are under "Latest News" or "Image Gallery"



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.



Club Rules

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 than 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 therefore 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.

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The Fine Print

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.



Magic Valley ATV Riders, INC. (MVATVR)

PO Box 0767, Twin Falls, ID 83301

Application for Membership



PLEASE PRINT ALL ENTRIES

Spouse 1 Name: _____ Spouse 2 First Name (and last if different): _____

Mailing Address: _____ City, State Zip Code: _____ Total Family Members: _____

Home Phone: _____ Spouse 1 Cell: _____ Spouse 2 Cell: _____

Spouse 1 Email: _____ Spouse 2 Email: _____

If you have no email address your club newsletter will be mailed to you via USPS.

Type of membership. Select One: New Yearly Renewal

Membership year is January to December. New memberships received after July 31st will be half rate and after November 1st will be credited for next year. Your email address will be taken off the mailing list as February 1st of the new year if dues are not paid current.

Please select one: Individual \$20.00 per year Spouse/Family @25.00 per year

Photo Release: I / We grant MVATVR or its representatives to take photographs of me / us in conjunction with club activities. I / we agree that MVATVR may use such photographs of me / us with or without my / our name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content. If the listing of my / our name is protected by password, my / our phone and email may also be listed with or without my / our pictures.

Please initial: _____ Yes, I agree _____ No, I don't agree

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK / HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I / We recognize that riding an ATV is a hazardous activity that can result in serious personal injury or death. I / We accept the risks inherent to riding with a group including, but not limited to, obstacles on and off the roads and trails, rapidly changing weather, limited visibility, variation of slope and steepness on and off the trails, surface or sub-surface conditions on and off the trails and roads, collisions with other ATVs including other riders, and collisions with devices used to mark the boundary of trails or roads.

In consideration of my / our participation in the events and rides of the Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc., and related club rides/events, I / we hereby release and agree to hold harmless the Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc., its volunteers, officers, directors and agents, and all club members of the Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc., and their volunteers, officers, directors and agents from all claims and demands related to my / our participation in rides and events organized, sponsored, supported and/or promoted by Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc. and/or its club members.

I / We have carefully read this agreement and the release of liability and fully understand its contents. I / We are aware that this release of liability is a contract between Magic Valley ATV Riders, Inc. (and its club members) and myself / us and I / we sign it of my / our own free will. My / our signature signifies that I / we have read and agree with this release.

The above and foregoing shall also apply to any minor child of mine accompanying me or participating in the events and activities above-described.

By signing this agreement, we agree to abide by all club bylaws and rules.

Signature: _____ Spouse: _____

Date: _____