

# Magic Valley ATV Riders

January 2021



**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: June 20, 2020, Horsethief Canyon, Arco Campout.**

## First Ladies Message

**H**appy New Year to all of you!! As 2021 is here, we can finally close the door to 2020 and maybe even put up a “Do Not Enter” sign on the door so 2020 cannot return. There are still going to be things left over from 2020 that may take a while for 2021 to gain control over. We all need to be patient and let the New Year get grounded and then we can all move on.

I hope you all had a warm cozy Christmas. Not everyone was able to spend time with loved ones, we are one of those families, however we were still blessed by phone calls, text messages, and FaceTime conversations. Santa overwhelmed me with lots of nice gifts as did our daughters and their families. Overall, it was an awesome day.

I appreciate the ones of you who have shared information of the places you have visited and explored. Kent and I took the information from Jeanette and Randy Graham and went exploring Picture Lake west of Hollister. Reading about it, it is also known as ‘The Hollister Hoax’. Stories of this lake is the Native Americans placed the rock formations to help them with directions. However, some local archaeologists examined some aerial photos of this area in 1957. No rock formations were visible. The rock formations did show in later photos. Archaeologist Gordon Tucker came across the rock formations in 1975. After he checked the

1957 photos again, he concluded they were created later, not by Indians. Tucker named this the Hollister Hoax. No one knows who created them for sure, but they are recent and have been added to substantially since 1975. There are several rock “pictures” on the lakebed, and it was fun walking around looking at them. After exploring the lake area, we went on a drive through the desert, down Lily Grade and meandered around and through Roseworth, Salmon Dam area, then home. While out exploring we were also checking out the area for a potential ride in the spring. It was a sunny crisp day and it felt good to get out in the fresh air.

COVID-19 is still going strong. My schedule has changed several times and looks like I am back in the office full time. Please remember to be safe and practice good hygiene and social distancing. We want everyone to be healthy to ride this year.

In this issue I am including a throwback article of an incident that happened on the trail. This happened prior to our joining the club, however Larry Drexler shared it with me, and I thought it was worth sharing again. Thank you, Larry!

Lorrie Oliver - MVATVR First Lady

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Why did the chicken cross the road? Because the chicken behind it didn't know how to socially distance properly.

## January Banquet

After much deliberation at the November Board of Directors meeting, we reluctantly announce that we are going to postpone the January Banquet.

We would like everyone to know that this was probably the most difficult decision we have had to make in a long time.

Our current goal is to reschedule the banquet to sometime in early spring and have our regular meeting on the second Wednesday as usual, and then the banquet on a Saturday.

As to when this will happen is up in the air at the current time.

Given that since we had the meeting to make this decision, an announcement about various companies creating a vaccine have taken place, we really hope to get back to our normal lives.

We have scheduled the 2022 banquet for Saturday, January 15, 2022, so put that on your calendar.

Board of Directors

## 2021 Ride Calendar

As of the time of this writing, I have been trying to figure out when and where we could meet to create our 2021 Ride Calendar.

Those who are interested in leading a ride, or who would otherwise like to help participate in creating the calendar, please contact Aaron Larson.

Depending on how Covid-related restrictions are, it might be possible for us to meet someplace and spread out to safely have a meeting. 208-312-4867 or [aaron@atlcomputing.com](mailto:aaron@atlcomputing.com)

Aaron Larson – Ride Coordinator

## OHV Sticker Reminder

This is a good time to get those stickers so you can go riding if a last-minute ride pops during the new year!

Registration stickers are available at some of the OHV dealerships and local DMV offices. You can also renew online through the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation website.

<https://idpr.idaho.gov/Renewal/>



**Ever wonder why everyone is waving at you in the trails? They're not waving!**

**They're using hand signals to let you know how many riders are behind them in their group!**



1 rider following



2 riders following



3 riders following



4 riders following



5 or more riders following



Last rider in group



**USE YOUR HEAD, USE YOUR HANDS!!!!**

## 2021 Banquet Postponement and Regular Meeting Update

Just a reminder that due to Covid-19, we have postponed the 2021 banquet. Our goal is to have it in either March or April once it is safe to once again meet in large groups.

At the time of this writing, most counties in our valley are still in the orange (high risk). We hope that between the numbers dropping and the vaccine becoming available that we will be able to meet in large groups over the next several months.

Watch for updates concerning the February meeting, as well as our upcoming banquet.

Board of Directors.

## The Work Must Go On

Back in March when the pandemic hit, although our regular club meetings were canceled, the board did not give up work. With modern technology we have held our regular board meetings in a virtual environment.

Aaron has been setting up Zoom meetings using his school account. Once the meeting is set up, the rest of the board joins in with their desktops, laptops, and their phones. We are able to see each other, talk to each other, and share our screens if we have something to show the group. As you can see from the screenshot below, everyone is in their comfortable chair and most are smiling.

If you have anything you want the board to discuss, please let us know. We hope to see you all in person really soon.



Board of Directors

### Tentative Club Meeting Schedule

- Feb 10 – Idaho Pizza Company\Twin
- Mar 10 – Probably at Adventure Motorsports\Twin
- Apr 14 – Probably at Action Cycles and Sleds\Twin
- May 12 – Probably at Let’s Ride\Burley

At a regular club meeting, dinner starts at 6:00 PM and the meeting starts at 7:00 PM. Meetings usually conclude at 8:00

### Upcoming Rides & Events

1. Ride Leader and Ride Calendar planning meeting sometime in January when we can once again meet together

2. Several other rides are in the works...
3. See the calendar on the website for more details, and other anticipated, but not scheduled rides and events.

Please remember, we welcome and encourage [spontaneous rides](#) if you decide to go riding. Please give us three days’ notice though. Keep in mind that we cannot guarantee that it will get on the calendar or e-mailed to the club as we may be in the mountains and unable to get to it.

Aaron Larson – Ride Coordinator

## 2021 Membership Drive

We would like to remind everyone that you may pay your 2021 dues online or by mailing a check.

An application is attached to this newsletter.

Board of Directors

### The stationary roll-over

A recent article in the MVATV news described several tactical maneuvers used by a variety of ATV riders. This presumably was to attract attention and perhaps foster sympathy or maybe admiration.

At any rate, the author left out much of the variable aspects of these carefully crafted articulations. He failed to mention whether the activities mentioned were just practice or were for a finely tuned show. Often the stunt must be practiced to enable a precisely manipulated feature. Much of the effect to the observer, or those who just hear about the feat, can be lost without a full understanding of the planning and execution of the maneuver.

The article referred to mentioned the flip, the flop and the roll-over. Truly there are several others such as the wheely slam, the topple, the tip recover, the duster, the splash, the submarine, the butterfly which is done with the elbows and many others.

Here we will only discuss the "stationary roll-over", not to be confused with the high-speed rollover which is slightly more spectacular and requires more fuel. The stationary is recommended for beginner performers who want to start slow and advance to the high speed act when their skill level is more advanced.

First, the stationary roll-over is accomplished by carefully choosing the location of the event and involves consideration of whether you are practicing or performing for an audience. Whether you are close to a road, which involves availability of ambulance pick-up, if needed, or if your membership is paid for life-flight and a more remote location can be used for a more wilderness experience.

Second, you must choose an appropriate side hill with proper slant to the trail and a correct drop off to the side. This latter is essential for the ATV to rest on its wheels at the conclusion.

Step one. Lean heavily into the angled trail as normal for a side hill slant trail, while observing what is going on down trail head and not paying attention to small dribbles of dirt accumulating in the uphill track due to water runoff. Pull slowly to a stop.

Step two: At this point it is essential to relax body angle, straighten up on the seat (passengers do likewise) thus considerably raising the center of gravity. This, if done properly will precipitate a "stationary roll-over".

As your body is catapulted into space be graceful with your belly flop onto the rocks and or gravel down the slope. The previously selected slope should be just right so the ATV clears the bodies as it rolls over the top of you. Also, at this point you have a good chance to look up at the machine over and observe the gas gage, and other instruments to see if they function properly while upside down. Engine function can also be observed in the inverted in case you always wondered if it would keep running. Carbureted machines might well stop while fuel injected engines may well continue to run. Now the machine should be on its wheels, possibly still running in the stream, waiting for you to remount, if you have chosen the correct location and exercise proper procedure.

Passengers such as wives, associates or dogs as the case may be, should now be observed for stress, shock, dismay, admiration and or injury. If no injury then a plan should be made to get the machine back up onto the trail. Bushes, rocks and other debris must be removed and a way up determined. It should be recommended at this point to have 4 wheel drive lock available on your machine for executing this part of the maneuver. Alternatives would include a buddy, a wench or a sky hook depending on the temperature and terrain.

These are the basic of the "stationary roll-over" and if done properly should result in minimum damage to the machine and produce physical injuries recoverable in less than 6 months. For the

more adventurous it can be done without helmets and in a T shirt.

Plan your stationary roll-over carefully, execute it with diligence and enjoy pride in your ability and perhaps even some amount of fame.

Look for definitions and methodologies for other ATV stunts in the future as other performers come forward.

Larry and Claire Drexler (reprint from 2008)

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## New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to the club: None this month.

Linda Stimpson

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## Thinking of You

Dorothea Larson – Mothers passing  
Amy Larson – Toe procedure

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## 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. [Click here](#) to download an application.

Linda Stimpson

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## 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!

Brad Stimpson

## 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.

They are located at 3790 N. 3386 E. in Kimberly. 208-735-8804.

## 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" Many of the photos this newsletter are hyperlinks to the image gallery the photo can be found in as well.

## 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

## Jokes to fill up space

1. Two grandmothers were bragging about their precious darlings. One of them says to the other, "Mine are so good at social distancing, they won't even call me."
2. Who's idea was it to sing "Happy Birthday" while washing your hands? Now every time I go to the bathroom, my kids expect me to walk out with a cake.
3. My husband purchased a world map and then gave me a dart and said, "Throw this and wherever it lands—that's where I'm taking you when this pandemic ends." Turns out, we're spending two weeks behind the fridge.
4. Ran out of toilet paper and started using lettuce leaves. Today was just the tip of the iceberg, tomorrow romaines to be seen.
5. My mom always told me I wouldn't accomplish anything by lying in bed all day. But look at me now, ma! I'm saving the world!

6. After years of wanting to thoroughly clean my house but lacking the time, this week I discovered that wasn't the reason.
7. If I keep stress-eating at this level, the buttons on my shirt will start socially distancing from each other.
8. Every few days try your jeans on just to make sure they fit. Pajamas will have you believe all is well in the kingdom.
9. Yesterday I ran out of soap and body wash and all I could find was dish detergent. Then it Dawned on me.
10. Being quarantined with a talkative child is like having an insane parrot glued to your shoulder
11. I never thought the comment "I wouldn't touch them with a six-foot pole" would become a national policy, but here we are!
12. The World Health Organization announced that dogs cannot contract COVID-19. Dogs previously held in quarantine can now be released. To be clear, WHO let the dogs out.
13. Since we're all in quarantine I guess we'll be making only inside jokes from now on.
14. I'm not talking to myself, I'm having a parent-teacher conference.
15. This morning I saw a neighbor talking to her cat. It was obvious she thought her cat understood her. I came into my house, told my dog—we laughed a lot.
16. Nothing like relaxing on the couch after a long day of being tense on the couch.
17. I finished Netflix today.
18. Knock knock. Who is there? Seriously, don't touch my door and get back 6 meters to social distance.
19. Day 121 at home and the dog is looking at me like, "See? This is why I chew the furniture!"
20. If there's a baby boom nine months from now, what will happen in 2033? There will be a whole bunch of quaranteens.
21. Did you hear the joke about the germ? Never mind, I don't want to spread it around.
22. What did the sick parent make their kids for lunch? Mac and sneeze.

# 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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**Magic Valley ATV Riders, INC. (MVATVR)**  
 PO Box 0767, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0767  
 Application for Membership



**PLEASE PRINT ALL ENTRIES**

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 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Family Members: \_\_\_\_  
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 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 31<sup>st</sup> will be half rate and after November 1<sup>st</sup> will be credited for next year. Your email address will be taken off the mailing list as February 1<sup>st</sup> 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 understand MVATVR cannot control who takes pictures and of what on the rides. We also understand MVATVR cannot control what is placed on social media. We understand MVATVR receives photos and video from members which is posted on the web site. We understand it is our responsibility to tell anyone who is taking pictures or video on a ride or at a function we do not want to be photographed. We do give MVATVR consent to use our picture on the website with our name and limited demographic information in the "members only" section of the website.**

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/UTV 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/UTVs 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: \_\_\_\_\_