

Magic Valley ATV Riders

Sept 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: March 27, 2021, Brigham Point ride.

President's Message

I can hardly believe we are on our way into fall. The summer of 2021 has got to be one of the hottest summers we have had. I cannot think of a time when we endured temperatures in the 100s for weeks instead of the typical few days to a week or two. And to top it all off we had to deal with smoke from the various wildland fires of the western United States, again for weeks. From watching the fire reports and weather forecasts it looks like we are heading for some reprieve.

Lorrie and I recently attended the Idaho State ATV Association meeting held near Burgdorf, Idaho, which is north of McCall, Idaho. We first attended the state meeting in August 2015 where I assumed the board of directors' position of secretary. It was nice to be back to the area and to see the changes created from the various wildland fires since first visiting. There are a few 50-inch or less trails and lots of mountain roads more suitable for OHV travel. The views, old fire lookouts, mining history, are just a few things to see. It was a great weekend meeting OHV enthusiasts from other areas.

We got the opportunity to speak with Ben Burr from the Blue Ribbon Coalition. Ben is the new Policy Director at BRC and works closely with Spencer Gilbert, the Executive Director of BRC. Ben was going to speak at the Saturday dinner; however, he had to cancel due to another matter. He made a

special trip to our campsite to introduce himself and ask about a project involving the BLM project in the City of Rocks. I am awaiting more information from Ben regarding the complete impact this would have to OHV access. Ben has been working on issues in the Pacific Northwest and is returning from Northern Idaho where he was working to help the OHV community regain access to a popular OHV trail that was closed by the forest service. We stressed to him the need for Idaho OHV Users to know what the Blue Ribbon Coalition is doing for Idahoans. We told him over the last few years we have not seen any work being done on Idaho Projects. We did acknowledge, the work being done on large access issues across the west will have an impact on how land managers in Idaho can proceed.

On Saturday, we had the opportunity to hear from Chief Susan Buxton, the newly appointed Director of the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation. Chief Buxton has a lengthy history dealing with access issues as an attorney. She was the legal counsel for the Blue Ribbon Coalition and has done legal work for the Idaho Recreation Council. She is greatly supported by Sandra Mitchell Executive Director for the Idaho Recreation Council. It was refreshing to hear from her that she will not stand for loss of public access and will fight for more access wherever possible. Chief Buxton assured us, significant changes to the online OHV Sticker

process is happening and a better experience for the users will occur.

At the ISATVA board meeting and the Saturday dinner, we heard from David Claycomb, the Recreation Bureau Chief for the Idaho Department of Recreation. David (he would hate for me to call him Chief Claycomb) started out by admitting IDPR has not done as good of a job taking care of the 50-inch/ATV users. The revenue from OHV Stickers is generated 2/3 from ATV (50-inch or less), and 1/3 from motorcycle and UTV. He said the turning point for him was riding at the 2019 ISATVA meeting hosted by the Magic Valley ATV Riders INC. He noticed that the great number of trails we have needed lots of work and signing. He decided that weekend that things would change. He began working on a legislative proposal to hire and equip two 50-inch trail rangers. This vision came to reality this last legislative season and two trail rangers have been hired, mostly trained and are on the ground working. These are fulltime employees and when the snows come to the higher elevations these rangers will work the lower areas. These rangers will also be tasked with networking with the local organized clubs to meet their members and to help mediate work projects with Public Land Managers. This means, not only will we be working with Public Land Managers regarding projects but so will IDPR. David was asked about what IDPR can do to help work on trails wider than 50-inch. He said that is something IDPR will need to look at addressing. He agreed there are several trails for all OHV sized machines and as the use continues to grow so will the need for equipment to repair and make trails safer. The current trend of users making routes around bad trail sections is a concern for everyone.

Both Chief Buxton and David told the group IDPR has, on staff, a collaborator. This person will focus on attending and working on scoping panels as well as work groups involving land access issues.

One topic both Sandra Mitchell and Chief Susan Buxton stated is, be prepared for a possible flood of public land access and trail related issues. The trends being seen currently have the potential to set us back and flood several venues. Thus, creating a situation to divide resources. It will be more important than ever, that we stand united, not

only as OHV enthusiasts, but with the variety of recreational users as a whole.

It was a great meeting and we all left with more enthusiasm about what is being done for the OHV users. We are looking forward to meeting the new trail rangers and working with them on the trails.

Kent Oliver – President

Message from First Lady

The days of summer are dwindling down. September is tiptoeing in and whispering cooler temperatures on us. It's just enough, that some mornings and evenings are now requiring a light-weight jacket.

September is now upon us. It is the first month of the autumn or fall season. September got its name from the Latin word *septem*, meaning seven. But when January and February got added it pushed September back to ninth place on the calendar. In Old England, it was called Harvest Month. Time to gather up the rest of the harvest and prepare for the winter months. Some fun facts about this month: September is National Happy cat month, according to US stats, more babies on average are born in September than any other month, Elias Howe patented his sewing machine in September, and September is the most active month for hurricanes in the Atlantic. Of course, some important dates to remember: Sept 6th-Labor Day, September 11th-Patriot Day, Sept 12th-Grandparents Day, Sept 17th-Constitution Day, Sept 19th-International Talk like a Pirate Day, and Sept 22nd- Autumnal Equinox occurs. So, grab the kids, call the grandparents and talk to them like you are a pirate. They will really enjoy it.

Kent and I recently attended the State ATV Campout in Burgdorf, Idaho. We arrived there on Thursday ready to spend a fun-filled weekend. The fires in the area had closed one of the planned rides, however, there were many trails open and ready for exploring. Friday morning, we joined a group and rode on trails with views of ponds tucked into mountain meadows, alpine lakes that were absolutely stunning with mirrored images of the mountains around them, and views that left you

speechless. We rode to California Lake, War Eagle Lookout, took a break for lunch at Cottontail Point, and then made our way to the old dredge. Some riders continued to Warren; however, Kent had a meeting we had to return to camp for.

On Saturday, we woke to a very wet morning. It had rained most of the night, so everything was rainwater fresh. That day we were going to ride to Kimberly District Mines, and Doomsday House. Kimberly Gold Mine is located just north of Marshall Mountain and sits in a beautiful lake setting. The first claim was staked in 1889 and is a combination of history and an active mining operation. Doomsday House is a stop along this trail too. An ominous name, but once you see it you will understand how it got that moniker. It was very interesting. Our group was met by the owner and were allowed to enter and tour the facility. Intriguing!!! While we were stopped at this Doomsday complex, a storm had moved in on us. As we left the complex, lightning and thunder struck at the same time, opening the sky and just dumped rain and hail stones on us. Mind you we were at the bottom of the trail, and everything was up hill from there! The trail had turned to a river coming down it. With machines in high gear and gas flooded we had to keep going. Parts of the trail were being washed away as we drove. Kent had to drive with his head out the side trying to see the road as our windshield had steamed up and we couldn't see out. I kept working the wiper, but it really wasn't keeping up with the hailstones. We all were so wet and had been pelted from the hail stones, that we were glad to see the top. I found it kind of odd that we had this storm at a place called Doomsday. Just saying... We ended the night with a dinner, raffle, and great speakers from IDPR.

On Sunday while most people were heading out, we went exploring with another couple. We rode to Carey Dome Lookout, Crystal Mountain, and the Salmon River Loop. Carey Dome Lookout is best known for its 72-foot Aermotor steel tower built in 1934. It is one of fewer than 12 remaining towers in the Pacific Northwest. Crystal Mountain sits just above Burgdorf. The mountain has been dynamited and mined for its different forms of crystal, quartz, centrite, malachite, and some amethyst. You never know, but you might find total clarity visiting the

mountain. The Salmon River loop takes you down French creek grade which is exciting with its five switchbacks. Without these, the grade is very steep. Edmondson pioneer cabin and an old freight stop sit on this stretch of the road, which once served as a shortcut from the Salmon River to Warren and McCall.

There is so much history in this area. I hope someday you all get the chance to go explore it.

So, my word for the month is "Kindness". The definition of kindness is the quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate. I received a valentine several years ago from a coworker that says, "Kindness is FIERCE." You can get so much further by being kind than by treating someone badly. Along with this goes "judgement." I saw a quote that said, "Don't judge people for choices they make when you don't know the options they had to choose from." Let's go out and be kind to everyone. Be safe and stay happy. I will see you, just around the bend.

Lorrie Oliver

Trapper Creek Road Closure

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, a portion of the Trapper Creek road washed out and was closed for repairs. Due to people going past the barriers, they have officially closed the road from the Phantom Falls hiking trail trailhead to the Trout Creek Road junction where we typically have a break in that small area where they did the logging a few years ago. Now if you get caught, you will get a ticket. The closure is in effect until November 30th, or until they get the road repaired.

New Camper

Congratulations to Jerry and Nancy Duffy for their new hunting outfit (they still have their trailer). Good thing they like each other since it is so cozy!



M V A T V R Member Appreciation

When?

Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2020
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 **ALL** of the food! We will have hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, cookies, and table service. Please fill out the [Attendance Survey](#) (click the blue words) so we can buy the correct amount of food.

What to Bring:

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. Also, bring your favorite lawn chair!

Guests:

We hope to have our new Recreation Manager and Trails Manager on hand.

Prizes!

Three \$25 gift cards from each of our four local dealers!
We would like to thank them all for their continued support!



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 please contact Dixie Best at 308-6418.



Please note that Kimberly does not allow pets in their park.



South Hills Work and Ride

We will once again do some service work in the South Hills.

Tentatively, we plan on working on Saturday September 18th, and camping from sometime earlier in the week until at least Sunday.

We are unsure what we will be doing but we may be doing some creek crossing work on Third Fork and Trout Creek trails since the same storm that damaged Trapper Creek Road also caused a lot of damage to these two trails.

Please bring hedge trimmers if you have them. Otherwise, bring the usual loppers, gloves, etc.

After we get done working, lunch will be served back at camp. We will have sloppy joes, chips, and cookies.

For those camping, lets plan on some sort of desert together. Bring or make something to share.

We do not have any "formal" rides planned on Friday and Sunday, but as usual we will go riding. Plan on leaving camp at 9:30 a.m. for rides of unknown distance, unknown skill levels, and lead by someone!

Depending on who shows up earlier in the week, there will be other rides you will be able to participate in as well.

Until then, please plan on helping because many hands make light work.

Aaron Larson

Trail Damage Report

The first week of August several club members went camping in the South Hills and although I could not go the whole time due to Amy's foot surgery, I was able to go on Thursday, August 4th.

We found a lot of water had carried debris on the lower end of the Jones Creek trail, but other than that it was in good shape.

As we went on the Trout Creek trail however, we found that, at my best guess, over 50% of the trail had water that had flowed over it enough that the trail was covered in riffles which made the trail not very smooth. Most of the trail was in good shape considering the amount of water that had

gone over it, and we only found a few spots where the trail was heavily damaged. The creek bed was in bad shape (see below).



We found one spot where the water came down the west side of the mountain had created a rut that was deep enough that both Jerry and Nancy Duffy could stand in it (see below).



Just below this, it also tore out the trail. We stopped and with a bit of shovel work, we fixed it so it was easily crossable (see below).



As we rode on, words cannot describe the creek itself. It was gone for the most part. In its

place was long sections of really wide and flat gravel flows. The trail was, and still is, straight through the following photo (see below).



In many areas, trees, branches, and other debris was piled high in the creek (see below).



When we got to the lower end, we found that the canyon just up from the water trough had a LOT of water coming down it. So much it piled the uphill side of the trough with debris and filled most of the trough with mud (see below).



The trail just at the southern end of the trough was destroyed and covered with somewhere

around 6 feet of rock and gravel. Fortunately it also tore a large rut in the debris so that we could still travel down the trail.

From reports of the riders, the 872-Swamy Peak trail was\is in fact impassable. It had huge ruts going down the middle of the trail.

They also reported that the creek crossings on Third Fork were also heavily damaged, and although passable, are in very poor shape and will require work.

It sounds like Martindale was not affected, nor were many of the other trails in the Porcupine area.

Aaron

Larson

Boulder City Sign

Recently, Susan Kranz, with the Sawtooth National Recreation Area sent out a letter asking for volunteers to assist them with an interpretive project to recognize a land donation and to educate recreational users about Boulder City's cultural and mining history in the Boulder Mountains. In 2004, the parents and family of the late Sarah Pearson Campbell—Doug and Mary Campbell, donated a 50 acre parcel of land in the heart of the Sawtooth National Recreation Area. The land is located in the heart of Boulder City—a present day ghost town that was once a promising mining town in the heart of Idaho's Boulder Mountain Range and now adjacent to, the Hemingway-Boulder Wilderness. The land donated contains the remains of the mill, four cabins and other mining structures. The gift was to pay tribute and honor the Campbell's daughter Sarah Peterson Campbell, who was killed in an avalanche in December 2000 while back country skiing in Teton County, Wyoming. In September of 2004, a dedication, and a placement of a map in the North Fork Visitor Center at Sawtooth NRA Headquarters was placed as a temporary tribute of the donation. Since that time, the Campbell's have requested acknowledgement to recognize their land contribution through a grant and an interpretive sign about Boulder City.

Our club was the ONLY club to step up and willing to donate volunteer hours to make this


project happen. On August 3, 2021, Kent Oliver, Rob Hendrickson, and Randy and Jeanette Graham met with representatives of the Forest Service to locate a site where the sign would best be placed. The interpretive sign would be best served as close to the site of the land donation itself, or close enough where it can be serviced in the future by volunteer groups. A location was selected, and the project got underway. Boulder City is a popular destination to 4Wheelers, ATV's, bicyclists, and hikers for recreational pursuits. An interpretive sign would both serve the public to explain the history and the continued value of conserving public lands and acknowledge the gracious donation of this land from the Campbells. This interpretive sign will help to communicate the dedication the Forest Service has to preserving and maintaining important historical sites and benefit the public for generations to come.

Now the time has come to go place the sign in its permanent location. On September 21, 2021, we will travel to the area of Boulder City and assist in placing this sign. Everyone is welcome to come and assist in this project.

Kent Oliver

A STEP BACK IN TIME: BOULDER CITY

Imagine stepping back in time as you walk among the ghostly ruins of a remote mining town called Boulder City. Prospectors arrived in the Wood River Valley in 1879, discovering silver, lead and gold. Despite their high mountain locations, in ten years a million dollars worth of ore was removed from mines with names like Golden Glow and Bazooka, at elevations as high as 10,000 feet.



Boulder City photographed in 1984 by Jerry Strasen. The stamp mill can be seen in the background.

Comforts in a Harsh Winter

At Boulder City's 9,000-foot elevation, it wasn't unusual to find ten feet of snow, with temperatures of 40 below. In order to soothe tired bodies after a long day of work, miners constructed a Swedish bath house. A fire built in a square room heated a large pile of rocks. After the fire burned out, ashes were removed and water was poured on the hot rocks to create steam. All that left of the bathhouse now is a pile of rocks.

Another "comfort" for miners was a makeshift whiskey distillery operation. Miners often stayed through the winter without their families, and the whiskey helped numb the loneliness.

After 1900, the mines continued to operate and produce high quantities of silver, lead and copper, including 610 ounces of gold. In its prime, Boulder City boasted a post office, hotel, general store, saloon and several homes.

"Even if you don't strike it rich, just spending the summer in the country under such a blue sky where the wind never blows, where the mountains greet you and the deer are your friends, where the sky reds fire or a lynx looks at you from the willows along the creek, and the birds are free on the wings that is enough for me."
— Boulder City Miner

A portion of the remaining privately-owned land at Boulder City was donated to the public in 2004 by Mary and Doug Campbell and others to honor their daughter, Sarah Preston Campbell, who died in an avalanche in Teton County, Wyoming in 2000.

Sarah loved the mountains in the Sawtooth National Recreation Area, and sought to protect the integrity of many of the wild areas. Please respect what's left of Boulder City by not collecting or disturbing mining ruins and by staying on designated trails and roads.

The stamp mill built in 1930 operated off and on until the 1950s, when debris caused the mine to close.
Photo by Jerry Strasen

Year round, they continued to haul ore in four pound metal buckets from the top of a double steel cable, riding up in a bucket powered by the weight of the ore coming down. Ore was hauled out via donkeys over the 11,000 foot pass north to the Challis area for the first two years, until the railroad came to Ketchum in 1883.

Sawtooth National Forest

Mackay Ride Report

The Mackay Campout and Ride was held August 19th-23rd at the Mackay Tourist Park. Seventeen RVs were camped at the park with 3 more at local RV parks.

Thursday was arrival day with fair weather until evening when we got a pretty good shower. Friday morning we split into two rides. Ron Mothershead led a ride south to Antelope Creek having lunch at the Antelope Creek Guard Station. In the afternoon, we went north over Bear Creek and Antelope Pass turning onto Burma Road then up the 50" Corral Creek Trail. After climbing up a very rocky trail for several miles, we negotiated some switchback turns over the top into Stuart Canyon. We stopped at a small lake at the top of Stuart for our last break before heading back to camp. The Thursday rain blessed us with an almost dustless day.

Jerry Kriegh led the second ride to what he called the homestead. They went up Pass Creek to visit some old cabins then to the backside of the Lost River Range.

Saturday was a free day to do whatever you wanted. Jerry took a group to Carlson Lake and Jacob lead another group to the East Fork of Navarre Creek. Others visited the museum and a car show that was being held that day. Saturday evening we had a hot dog potluck that seemed to be a big success with lots of good food.

Sunday we again had two rides with Jerry taking a group to Eye of the Needle and the Mine Hill. Ron took his group on a figure 8 ride up Mud Lake trail to Blacktail Cave over to Van Dorn Canyon then down Mike's Canyon around to Deer Creek Pass.

Sunday evening everyone went to Ron's campsite for hamburgers and leftovers from Saturday's potluck.

Monday some of our campers had to leave for work, school and other commitments. The remaining riders followed Ron up Elbow Canyon where we enjoyed some fantastic views and rock formations. We got back to camp in early afternoon, so several campers departed leaving a few to wait until the next morning.

Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and were hinting that we should do it again.

On a side note, Saturday morning Ron decided to treat everyone with donuts from the local bakery. The donuts were a big hit with donations given to have a repeat donut run Monday.

Thanks to all who attended.

Ron Mothershed



Wildflower of the Month

This month's wildflower of the month is Fleabane...not the greatest name in my opinion, but it can be a lovely flower! There are many species of Fleabane, and most have purple flowers, sometimes fading to white. Some are yellow or white as well. There are many species, so I will share some information about a few species I found. Fleabane is in the sunflower or Asteracea family of flowers, which also includes daisies. In my "Sagebrush Country" wildflower book, they simply call them asters. One teacher I had called all of the different species "aster daisies" because he figured there were way too many species to be specific. Obviously, I have also heard the name Fleabane for them as well. Whatever you want to call them, you have probably seen them while riding around. Here are a few pictures and descriptions for you to enjoy.

Amy Larson

Note: Fleabanes, or true daisies (*Erigeron* spp.), have regular bracts--the leaves that cup the flowerhead--tend to bloom early in the summer, and while many are purple, they more often are yellow or white.

The rough fleabane is a lovely little plant distinguished by its many rayed purple and yellow flowers. It blooms in summer at high elevations on rocky ground. The genus name, *Erigeron*, is an old one, derived from the Greek: *eri* meaning "early" and *geron* for "old man," evidently because many flowers have grayish hairy leaves and stems. Our plant's species name *asperugineus* means "rough" referring to brittle-feeling stems and crisped leaves.



The Bear River fleabane is larger and showier than most erigerons. It is characterized by a basal cluster of narrow lanceolate leaves, and narrow stem leaves. The stem is stout, bearing a single flowerhead. A broad yellow disk is surrounded by 100 or so purple rayflowers. The Bear River, from which the plant's name was derived, flows from Utah's Wasatch Range to Bear Lake on the Idaho-Utah border, and thence to the Great Salt Lake. The Latin species name, *ursinus*, means "bear."



The showy daisy is a common plant in our mountains where it grows in large clusters crowded with many flowerheads. These are about two inches across, with 60 to 150 narrow rays that range in color from purple to nearly white. Alternate lanceolate leaves ascend the stem. "Aspen daisy" has been suggested as a standardized common name for the plant. David Douglas introduced the showy daisy into England and it is grown there today as an ornamental.



The name *speciosus* means "splendid." The plant is common throughout the West, (although it does not occur in California).

Foothill, or long-leaf daisy, *Erigeron corymbosus* Nutt. As one of its common names suggests, the long-leaf daisy is a commonly encountered foothill plant (although it occurs as well at higher elevations). It prefers dry ground and is usually found in the company of sagebrush. The plant can be identified by its many rays (+/- 100) and long linear leaves that ascend the stem. The long-leaf daisy is found in all of the states and provinces contiguous with Idaho's borders, excepting Nevada. The species name was derived from the word "corymb" which implies a flat-topped cluster, apparently referring to this plant's disk.



Amy Larson

Upcoming Rides & Events

Here are the rides and campouts that are penciled into the calendar. Please watch the calendar on the website for up-to-date information.

1. Aug 19-23 – Mackay – Ron Mothershead
2. Sept 9-12 – Jarbidge – Jerry Kriegh
3. Sept 17-19 – Public Lands Campout
4. Oct 1-4 – YE 100 @ Pole Creek – Kent
5. TBD - Fall Color Ride

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

Tentative Club Meeting Schedule

We are working on the schedule and will meet on the following dates. The locations are based upon last year and may be adjusted based upon restaurant and dealer availability.

Oct 13 – Probably at Young Powersports

Nov 10th – Idaho Pizza Co

Dec 8 – Idaho Pizza Co (informal get together)

Jan 22 – Club banquet\Twin Falls Reformed Church

Feb 9 – Idaho Pizza Company\Twin

Mar 9 – Probably at Adventure Motorsports\Twin

Apr 13 – Probably at Action Cycles and Sleds\Twin

May 11 – 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 PM.

Thinking of You

Kris Larson – Hospital stay

Amy Larson – foot surgery

Penny and Richard Aufderheide – Ill

Lee Heinzelman – Ill

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to the club: Larry & Karalee Shaw and Ron & Annette Wales as new club members!

Linda Stimpson

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

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

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



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

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 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: _____