

Magic Valley ATV Riders

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**WE RIDE! WE CAMP! WE MEET! WE WORK! WE PROTECT!
COME RIDE WITH US!** The Magic Valley ATV Riders are excited for you to join your fellow adventurers in exploring the many great areas around the Magic Valley and beyond.

Presidents Message

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS

President Gregg Roessler

President and Newsletter Editor Aaron Larson has resigned from the Board of Directors, so we have had to make some changes on the Board. At this time I would like to welcome returning Club Member and newest addition to the Board, Robert Leitch.

Robert has been a long time member of the Club and has had a lot of past experience on the Board of Directors. He will be a valuable addition to the leadership of the Club. Thank you Robert!

Please join me in congratulating our new Vice President Randy Graham. Randy is not only a 2007 Charter Member of the Club, he is also a long time Board Member. He has been involved in every aspect of the Board during his membership over the past 15 years. We greatly appreciate the abundance of wisdom Randy will bring to the Executive Committee. Thank you Randy!

Special thanks to the Board of Directors for their help and support in making this significant transition of leadership go so smoothly. It has been my honor and a privilege to be elected your new President. I'm looking forward to working with

you to make the Magic Valley ATV Riders Club an exciting and thriving place to be.

Update

LAVA RIDGE WINDS PROJECT Reported by Ted MacNeil

I thought I would give everyone a brief description of the project as quoted from the BLM site.

"The proposed Lava Ridge Wind Project includes up to 400 wind generating turbines, up to seven new substations, approximately 198 miles of 34.5 kilovolt (kV) collector lines, 34 miles of 230 kV transmission lines, 18 miles of 500 kV transmission lines, 381 miles of access roads, 47 miles of temporary crane walk paths, a battery energy storage system, three operations and maintenance facilities, five permanent meteorological towers, and construction-related staging yards."

"The proposed projects planned 500 kV transmission line would interconnect at the Idaho Power Midpoint substation approximately seven miles South of Shoshone or at an alternative location along the permitted, but not yet constructed, Southwest Intertie Project-Northern Portion. It will include approximately 73,000 acres of federal land and 3,000 acres of state land."

It's quite a massive project, which will provide electricity to our surrounding states,

including New Mexico. However, it did not include California, but did specify the city of Los Angeles. How odd, I thought! I will be on a subcommittee headed by Scott Nicholes. We may have a video conference in March and I will keep everyone posted. Since we are an OHV club, our interests lie in preserving public access.

Over 1000 comments were submitted about the project last fall. One of the most comments were of impacts to the Minidoka National Historic Site. The non-profit Friends of Minidoka is opposed to the project, as well as the National Park Service has concerns.

Anyone who is interested, can go to BLM.gov and search Lava Ridge Wind Project. Also, if anyone has ATV'd in the desert area north of Hunt, please give me a call at 208-293-6349.

The Stimpsons

Story by Linda Stimpson

In 2004, we got a lot of snow that drifted in our driveway and so we decided to go see if we could purchase an ATV with a plow on it. We drove by Action Cycles 'N Sleds and noticed a beautiful yellow Polaris 600 with a plow up in front of the store. We went in and worked out a deal on that ATV. Brad was excited to go home and try it out in our driveway. We enjoyed riding the ATV, however we didn't enjoy riding double. We rode double for a year and then decided to go in and purchase a second machine so we could enjoy riding more, so we purchased a black and silver Polaris 700.

We rode ATV's with two other couples we worked with at Cactus Petes. In December 2008, Brad noticed an advertisement in the Scooper Ads for the Magic Valley ATV Riders. The club was having their winter banquet at the Moose Lodge in January 2009, so I and our friends decided to go and check out the event. We all joined the club that evening and have had fun ever since.

Brad and I noticed a campout was planned in the South Hills so we took a couple vacation days so we could go camping with our new club to meet more members. After the ride on Saturday there

was a potluck planned. Brad and I enjoy cooking in Dutch ovens, so we made jalapeno cheese beer bread. When we brought the two Dutch ovens over to the table, Brad flipped one over on its lid. Dixie screamed not knowing what we had in the Dutch oven and Bobbie told her that he knows what he is doing. We had never met Dixie or Bobbie until then and we became friends quickly with them. By the end of that evening there was no more beer bread left and we had gained a lot of new friends! Our life hasn't been the same since.

We joined the Board of Directors in August 2013. We have enjoyed assisting with all the events the club has held. One of the biggest events we assisted with was for a National Public Lands Day. Our club was asked to furnish a lunch for the 75-80 volunteers who participated in the event and we put on quite a feed for everyone. We prepared soup, bread, cobblers and homemade ice cream! We cooked it all in 23 Dutch ovens! It was quite a sight!

We enjoy riding and camping with all our friends from this extraordinary club! We would like to thank the founding members who worked very hard to create this wonderful club!

[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.

March 19 –Minidoka Crossing.

Day Ride with Jerry Kriegh (208-312-2535)

April 16—Black Pine/Strevell

Campout with Aaron Larson (208-312-4867)

July 11-18 – Henry's Lake State Park

Camp & Ride with Brad & Linda Stimpson.
(208-308-8526)

July 28-31 – Mackay Ron Mothershead

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. Keep in mind that we cannot guarantee that it will get on the calendar or be e-mailed to the club.

Linda Laudert: Ride Committee Coordinator

Ride Leaders Committee

February 2, 2022 Committee Meeting Report. Club members present: Gary Aufderheide, Dixie Best, Jerry and Nancy Duffy, Glen and Joy Duggan, Wayne Fischer, Randy Graham, Jerry Kriegh, Aaron and Amy Larson, Linda Laudert, Ted MacNeil, Gregg and Cheryl Roessler, Linda Stimpson.

RIDE LEADERS COMMITTEE: Gary Aufderheide, Dixie Best, Jerry and Nancy Duffy, Wayne Fischer, Randy Graham, Jerry Kriegh, Aaron Larson, Linda Laudert, Ron Mothershead, Brad and Linda Stimpson.

If anyone would like to be a ride leader or just want to have input on where to ride, you are welcome to attend the meeting.

-Linda Laudert: Ride Committee Coordinator

We ride!

A message from the Founders

We ride about 10 months a year, depending on the severity of winter. We start in the lower elevations and work our way higher as the season progresses. We visit places with all types of scenery and terrain. Our rides vary from very easy to somewhat technical. Rides are rated as to difficulty.

We usually start midmorning with a lunch stop during the day and ending in late afternoon. We have a "no rider left behind" policy. Experienced riders are always available to help the less experienced. As with any other motorized vehicle operation, we do not condone driving while intoxicated whether it be alcohol or drugs.

Have you ever seen a herd of elk or deer cross the trail between you and the rider in front of

you? We have! How about stopping by a lake at 9,000 feet for lunch? We do! How about exploring an old miner's camp and imagining how they got those huge timbers up to where you are standing? Amazing! What about the color of wildflowers in the spring and leaves in the fall? We have seen it all!

COME RIDE WITH US!

General Meeting

February 9, 2022. We had thirty-four Members present. A \$710 donation check, 80% of net proceeds from the Banquet raffle, was presented to the Valley House representative. A new Dealers Recognition Poster Board was displayed and approved by a round of applause from the membership. Sub-Committee Member Ted MacNeil gave a report on the Lava Ridge Wind Project. The PA system was repaired by Wayne Fischer.

It was the Ladies Evening Out with \$25 cash prizes won by Joy Duggan, Linda Laudert, Carol MacNeil, and Elana Steffenson. Pink "camo" hats with club logos were won by Nancy Duffy and Jeanette Graham.

Spotlight

IDAHO PIZZA is in the Spotlight again for being such great hosts for our Club Meetings. We showed our appreciation at the General Club Meeting on February 9 by calling the staff out for praise and a hearty round of applause. Thank you! We will see you in October.

Henry's Lake State Park Campout

Dixie Best and Linda Laudert are hosting a non-club campout at Henry's Lake State Park. They are inviting anyone in the club that would like to come and join them from July 11th to the 18th (come for any length you'd like).

Be aware that YOU must make your own reservations through [Idaho Parks and Recreation](#).

We are staying in the Caddis Loop. As of the time of this writing there are seven spots still available in the loop. If those are taken, you can still camp in any of the other loops (you just won't be as close to them). The camp fees are \$37 per night or \$259 per week (not counting the senior discount for those 62 and over). Water and electricity are available along with shower facilities, so you don't have to worry about filling up your tanks.

Please contact Dixie or Linda if you have any questions. Also let us know if you made reservations so we can have an idea who is coming.

Mackay Campout

Ron Mothershead has reserved the Mackay Tourist Park from July 28th through August 1st. Anyone who would like to camp will need to contact me so I can set one of the spots aside for you. The camping fee will be split between all those that attend. If all 24 spots are filled it will only be \$9 for the entire trip. Send me a text if you want me to reserve you a spot. 1-208-731-4404. Make sure you tell me who you are in case you aren't in my contact list.

Club Meeting Schedule



- Mar 9 – Adventure Motorsports\Twin
- Apr 13 – Action Cycles and Sleds\Twin
- May 11 – Tentatively, Let's Ride, Rupert

Please bring your own chair to meetings held at dealer venues. May 11 meeting will be the last meeting until fall. At a regular club meeting, dinner starts at 6:00 PM and the meeting starts at 7:00 PM or a little sooner if we finish eating. Meetings usually conclude at 8:00 PM.

OHV Sticker Reminder

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

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



State Parks Passport Stickers



If you are planning on going to Henry's Lake State Park in July, call this number **1-800-247-6332** and request a State Parks Passport for \$10 each. Make sure you get one for your ATV, Side by Side and Tow Rig.

Thinking of You

Everyone that is ill, recovering from being ill, family that is ill, lost a friend or family member, or otherwise needs extra support.

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to the club: Michael and Cheri Akers, John and Andy Graham, Robert Leitch, Harold Schroeder.

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

Remember that if your dues are not current, you will no longer receive ride notifications or copies of the monthly newsletter. Please pay your dues promptly to ensure that you do not have any disruption in your membership benefits.

-Linda Stimpson: Treasurer, Memberships

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 have American flags printed on the same material as the club flags. They are also \$20 each. Call Brad Stimpson at 208-308-8526 or see him at the club meetings to buy a flag.

Club Logos

If you would like to have the club logo printed or embroidered on a shirt, jacket, or hat, [Quick Draw Embroidery & Screen-printing](#) has our logo on file. You can buy the shirt, jacket, or 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.

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

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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 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: _____