

Magic Valley ATV Riders

June 2023



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, and active organization!

Photo: April 16, 2023 – Lake Channel Ride hosted by Jerry Kriegh.

Message from the President

What a busy month! We had a bunch of rides this month, as well a work day at the Snake River Canyon Park. Thanks to those that led rides and those that helped at the park this year.

In June we found out that Jed Friedman has moved onto another job, and our new trails person is Matt Earl, which we have not had an opportunity to have talk to you. We would like to welcome him to his new job!

I had an opportunity to go on a ride earlier this month with my dad, Bill, and Jacob in the Mike's Cabin and Buckhorn area. We found some small drifts, and some big drifts, one of which prevented us from getting to Big Cedar Road. After some prodding, and with promises of pulling me out, I attempted to see how far I could go, which wasn't more than forty feet. Fortunately it is now melted out and Ron was able to ride in this area for his Big Cottonwood ride this past holiday weekend.



Yesterday, Jacob, Bill, and Kris went exploring in the South Hills. They report that the Trout Creek Trail, North Deadline Connector, Telephone Springs, as well as the Trapper Creek Road right above the Trout Creek trail are impassable due to large snow drifts. They did not get a chance to explore Third Fork or Martindale though. Trout Creek photo as follows:



On a personal note, I am glad May is over. At work our Lagoon trip was a success, the 8th grade swimming trip was modified due to the rain, our awards assembly went well, and I am now out of school.

To make a long story short, after being offered some foster kitties by a co-worker, we have another member in the Larson household. Meet Jean, a seven month old gray female that Tigger

approved of. She is very sweet, loves to sit on your lap (and Amy's head in bed) and has a LOT of energy!

I would have been on yesterday's ride with Jacob, Bill, and Kris had it not been for her, however. She was not feeling well and after a trip to the vet, a \$160 bill, and a few shots of antibiotics, and sleeping all day, she woke me up at 5:00 a.m. with extreme zoomies (either that or she at a pound of sugar and a bunch of caffeine when I wasn't looking!)

I don't have a photo, but the MacNeil's also adopted a cute little dog to keep Carol company on camping trips that I met at the Big Cottonwood camping trip.

I just received another text from Steve Osborne. They went to Little Sahara State Park in Utah and are having a great time... Maybe a future club trip???



See you all on the trails this month!

Aaron Larson – President

ATV Safety Weekend

We would like to remind everyone that Friday, June 9th through Sunday, June 11th, will be the 12th annual Magic Mountain OHV Safety Fair.

Classes will be offered on Friday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to noon, 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., 2:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Children should bring a parent or guardian, properly sized and operational OHV with a current sticker, and a helmet, eye protection, gloves, long sleeved shirt, long pants, and over the ankle boots.

The club, and several club members, have donated enough money to provide gloves to every child in attendance.

Board of Directors

South Hills Work & Ride

Saturday, June 17th will be our annual South Hills Work & Ride. We will be camping, working, and riding in the South Hills. We hope to be at FS Flats and if anyone can travel up on Wednesday please contact me, so we can get our camping spot secured.

We want to get the Club Banners up at the site ahead of the weekend rush. Drive up the Rock Creek Road south from Hansen. Go past Diamondfield Jack Campground and parking area, watch for the MVATVR Signs.

On Saturday, we will work on various trails with personnel from the Forest Service. We will meet at the campsite at 8:30 AM for a meeting and safety briefing. We will then break out into our groups and head to the work locations. We will be brushing some trails so bring clippers and if you have a hedge trimmer, they work great. We will also be repairing some trail damage, so shovels and Pulaski are great tools to have. Please wear leather closed-toed shoes and gloves for your protection. The club will have some tools on hand to use.

Trail projects are an incredibly fun and rewarding way to spend a day in your national

forest. Please try and join us. Any time you wish to donate will be appreciated.

Lunch will be provided sometime between 1 and 2 p.m. We will have pork chili verde and some sides. We will have paper plates, etc., but please bring your own drink.

For those members that are unable to physically assist with the trail maintenance but would like to help with or provide a side, please call Dixie Best as she would love to hear from you.

For those that are staying that night, we are planning on a bring your own hotdog and dessert potluck as a group for those that would like to participate!

Informal rides will take place on Friday and on Sunday. Plan on leaving at 9:00 a.m. for those rides.

Aaron Larson - President



Remember -
our fallen heroes.
They are the reason
that we are free.

May Meeting Report

Our last Spring meeting was held at Let's Ride on May 10th. We started off the meeting with some wonderful food. Kirk Taylor, the owner of Let's Ride, once again had his mother cook us a wonderful build yourself a chicken or pulled pork burrito meal.



After eating, we introduced our guest speakers. Eric Killoy, the wildlife biologist for the Burley BLM office as well as Dennis Thompson, the recreation manager for the Burley BLM office. They

talked about their respective jobs and how NEPA works during the planning process for various things going on with BLM lands.



After they were done speaking, we introduced two new members that were in attendance, talked out the seasonal closures, the upcoming 2024 hunting season closure changes, talked about the snow, and our past and upcoming rides.

We would like to thank everyone for attending, Eric and Dennis for speaking to us, and especially Kirk Taylor for hosting our meeting at Let's Ride.

Dixie Best – Event Co-Ordinator

[Photo Gallery Link](#)

Snake River Canyon Cleanup Report

On Saturday, May 13th, members of the club met and assisted with the Snake River Canyon cleanup. Over sixty people were in attendance. Thanks to all that helped.



Dixie Best

[Photo Gallery Link](#)

Pagari Ride Report

Jerry Kriegh would like to thank the few that braved the cold, the wind, and the rain, and attended his Pagari campout this year.

Cottrell Range Ride Report

On the morning of May 20th, eight pick up trucks and ten machines met the Stokes grocery store parking lot. Before heading out, most of those in attendance went in and bought a donut or two to enjoy.

We headed out and unloaded at the base of the Cottrell range east of Declo. We started up the road and our first stop was to check out a cool rock formation. After some visiting, we continued on our journey and found that the snow drift that was blocking the route two weeks previous was gone and on we went. We made a turn and headed west down a road that gets so little use that most don't even know it was there.

At the bottom, we turned up a dead end road for a photo opportunity, and then continued on our journey back up another road to the top of the range. We were a little ahead of schedule, so we then ran up to the top where the radio towers are, and on the way we saw the Idaho Militia and their tents and trailers out on their field day.



After enjoying the sights at the towers, we headed back down to the picnic area where we ate lunch. We packed up and headed down the main road and then back up a no named road and enjoyed the creek that ran along side it as well as the basalt columns.



We then went down another dead end road, and then down another road along side the canyon where we stopped and took some pictures. We then went back up the road that doesn't get much use, and then stopped at another lookout point for some photos and another break.



After that, back to the trucks we went. Our journey ended up just shy of forty-eight miles in length, and at the end we were exhausted. The trails we rode on were very rocky and we all had sore arms.

Thanks to those that attended.

Aaron Larson – Ride leader

[Photo Gallery Link](#)

Big Cottonwood Camp Out May 26 - 29th, 2023

Friday, May 26: Just sat around and visited as members arrived and set up camp. We roasted hot dogs that evening and enjoyed the side dishes participants provided.

Saturday, May 27: Started out under partly cloudy skies as eleven machines made their way to the

Oakley/Rogerson (500) road. Turned off the 500 road to the North and made a loop re-joining the 500 road at the North Water Spring. We did have some sprinkles in this section but everyone seemed to stay dry. Followed the 500 road to Bostetter for lunch. After lunch we went back towards North Water turning off to the South and making a loop that brought us back to the 500 road. Then to camp. That evening everyone set out their leftovers along with some new dishes for a group meal.



Sunday, May 28: Sunday's ride led us up Big Cedar Road then towards BuckHorn continuing North to the dairies and then over to the Cold Springs Road where we stopped for lunch. With full bellies, we wandered back towards camp with a few side trips. Tried to go down the Cave Canyon Trail from the top but a huge snow drift turned us around. About three miles from camp we ran into a rain storm mixed with hail. We felt fortunate that camp was close by. That evening we once again enjoyed dinner as a group.



Monday, May 29 - I was ready for a break as ride leader so I handed the reins over to Aaron. I'll let him fill in the rest.

Monday morning I arrived and unloaded my machine. After some visiting with everyone, Ron asked me if I would lead the way, so off we went. We headed up Big Cedar road and jumped onto the Cave Canyon trail and then the Cave Creek Connector where we checked out the creek. The water was flowing good and after visiting we headed back up the trail. We crossed the creek and then the bridge. On our way we found everything green, and water running down the trail. We stopped and trimmed a few trees and then headed to the overlook for another short visit.



After our visit, we checked out the drift at the top of the Cave Canyon trail, and then back tracked and went up the Robber Peak trail\road and then went to the cabin for lunch.



After lunch we crossed the creek where Dixie got her feet wet and said a bad word 😊



On the way to Sawmill we found a few drifts and played in the snow before finding a really big drift on the Big Cedar Spur Road. After some more exploring, we found another impassable drift on the Horse Hollow Road. After back tracking again, we headed for camp.

We arrived just before a big downpour hit. A few folks stayed the night while I, and a few others, packed up their trailers and headed home after the storm. A few other highlights: We saw three deer, four moose, and various other critters!

[Monday Photo Gallery Link](#)

Thanks to everyone who participated and furnished food.

Ron Mothershead

Upcoming Rides & Events

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

- [Thurs, Jun 8 to Mon, June 12 – Black Pine\Juniper\Sublet campout – Aaron Larson](#)
- Fri, Jun 9 to 11 – OHV Safety Fair
- Saturday, June 1Saturday, June 17th – Work Day (campout the preceding several days though)
- [Fri, June 23 to Sun, June 25 – Little Wood Campout – Jerry Kriegh](#)

We will update the calendar on the website with more details on rides and other events as information becomes available.

Linda Laudert – Ride Coordinator

Mackay Campout and Ride

Ron Mothershead has once again volunteered take us all to Mackay this July from the 27th to August 1st.

We will be staying at the Mackay Tourist Park. Ron has reserved the entire park which consists of 24 individual sites. One RV per site. Dry camping only.

Cost will be determined by how many sites we fill. Park rent is \$200 divided by the number of sites used. You can pay Ron at the event once we have a count on the number of sites used. In past years, the cost has been \$9 to \$12 total for all five nights.

Reserve your spot by contacting Ron Mothershead - call or text (208) 731-4404 or email at ron.mothershead12@gmail.com. Reservations will be accepted for members of MVATVR in the order received.

Ron Mothershead

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.

- Linda Aufderheide

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to the club: Jim & Diane Meeks, Gary & Roseann Hultquist, James Kelly & Deborah Ogden, and Debbie Thomas. Welcome everyone!

Linda Stimpson

Membership Dues!

Dues are \$25 for a single person and \$30 for a family if paying with cash or check.

Please mail your payment to PO Box 0767, Twin Falls, ID 83303 or bring your payment to the next meeting.

You can also use Venmo – our username is @mvatvr2007 or you can use the QR code. If you use Venmo, fill out the application, take a photo of it, and email it to bboops57@yahoo.com and let her know you sent the money via Venmo.



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Linda Stimpson

Flags & Hats

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.

Hats are also available for \$17 each!



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

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.

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.



Digging Bill out. He needed more throttle, and less to the right 😊

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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 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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12th Annual - Magic Mountain OHV Safety Fair

ATV, UTV, and Motorbike training classes

These classes meet IC 49-302(11)a OHV Education for operators under the age of 16

Friday June 9th

ATV class will be offered 5:00-7 pm

Saturday June 10th

Classes will be offered 8:30-12 pm, 11:30-3 pm, and 2:30-6 pm

Sunday June 11th

Classes will be offered 8:30-12 pm



Questions? Call Rich (208) 514-2414 or (208) 866-7700
Meet at the IDPR trailer in the Magic Mountain parking lot
Register for class at www.reced.idaho.gov



WHAT TO BRING:

- A parent or legal guardian
- Properly sized and operational OHV displaying a 2023 or 2024 OHV Sticker
- DOT approved helmet, eye protection, gloves, long sleeved shirt, long pants, and over the ankle boots



Lunch will be provided only to OHV course participants



St. Luke's Children's will have DOT helmets available



2023





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 \$25.00 per year Spouse/Family @30.00 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: _____