

Magic Valley ATV Riders



October 2024



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: March 18, 2024 – Bell Rapids ride hosted by Wayne Fischer.

Presidents Messages

Public Lands Day

I would like to thank everyone that attended Public Lands Day this past weekend.

We had about thirteen campers at FS Flats for the weekend. The campground was secured on Tuesday by some folks and over the next several days lots of campers started trickling in. I arrived on Thursday night and on Friday we went on a ride. We spent some time on Deadline Ridge and then into the west side of the forest. That night we enjoyed dinner together and I prepped for the next day's work detail.



On Saturday we broke into several groups. I will provide a full report next month once I have everything finalized, but at least for now, here is a brief report.

Myself, along with four others, headed out and fixed the deep ruts on 914 just outside the Porcupine Campground. We spent about an hour and a half digging and digging and made it safe. We

then headed out to the 868 ATV trail out on the Winecup Monument Road where we spent the rest of the afternoon brushing out the trail (it has not had any maintenance for over four years now).



One group went over and brushed out the Kirkham trail and cleaned it up really nice.

Another group went over to the Electric Springs trail off the 500 road and brushed it out along with the Bear Gulch Campground trail.

Neither of these trails have had any maintenance from us as far back as I can remember.

Another group comprised of some of our older members rode all the trails in the Porcupine area and did some light brush work and cleaned up some eye pokers and other things that may have been dangerous for folks riding.

Another group arrived late, and left before I got back so I don't know exactly what they did since I have not had time to call them.

That night we had hot dogs and spent time together.

Sunday, we had a short ride. We saw some moose that were not too happy to have us on the road, so we turned around and went another way. We also did some more trail maintenance on a rut up on the 241 trail. The colors were beautiful, and I would suggest that everyone find a day and head up and check out the leaves before they fall off the trees.



After returning to camp we packed up and headed home.

As I said, I will have a full report later once I have time to get data from all the groups and put together the information for the Forest Service and Idaho Parks and Recreation.

Elections

At the November board meeting we will have our annual elections. We will have several seats available that will need to be filled.

Brad and Linda Stimpson, as well as Linda Laudert have given notice that they will be stepping down from the board in order to spend more time traveling. We will give them more credit later, but a quick thanks at this time for serving the club.

If you would like to help us run the club, by being a Board Member, please let me know. The Board usually meets on the third or fourth Tuesday of the month and our meetings take about one to two hours depending on how much we need to take care of. Our usual agenda is to pay the bills, plan for the campouts and rides, find guest speakers at the club meetings, and discuss the newsletter.

September Meeting Review

Our meeting in September was held at Idaho Pizza. Our guest speakers were Mike Lindenfelser and Mitch Kosklozki from Idaho Parks and Recreation. Mike is the trail specialist, and Mitch is an ATV trail ranger.

They talked to us about the trail maintenance jobs and how there are not enough of them for all the trails in the state. This year they only had one trail cat crew running and there are too many trails that need their work.

During their presentation, we discovered that they had a few spare ATV crossovers available, and we are in the process of getting them down here so we can install them!

Thanks to everyone that attended that evening. Oh, it dawned on me I didn't take a single photo that night. If you happened to have one, please email it to me.

Free Tire Disposal

This Saturday the Southern Idaho Waste will accept up to four tires at any of their transfer stations if you have any to get rid of for free. They must be dismounted as well.

Ride With a Cop

Dixie Best and Nancy Duffy attended Ride with a Cop last month and reported that they had a great time visiting our local law enforcement officers and the even was well attended. Thanks for representing the club!

October Meeting Notice

Our first dealer meeting after our summer hiatus will be held at Young Powersports in Burley. Please note that our meeting will NOT be on

Wednesday. **It will be on Thursday, October 10th instead.** This is to accommodate the schedule of our guest speaker.

Young Powersports address is 333 Overland Avenue in Burley. Get off the exit and head south. Cross the bridge over the Snake River and it is about half a mile down the road on your left.

We hope to see everyone there. Please bring a lawn chair. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting to start after everyone is done eating.

Ellen D Mountain Ride

Saturday, October 5th – Jacob Metcalf will lead a ride to the Ellen D Mountain south of Jackpot. Meet him at the south end of the Cactus Pete’s parking lot at 9:00 a.m. He will leave the parking lot to escort everyone to the staging area at 9:30 a.m. The ride will be 50-60 miles long and is mostly level 2 & 3 and open to all machine widths. I went with him on the pre-ride a few weeks ago and the views were awesome!



Aaron Larson - President

Maintenance

After a ride a few weeks ago, my Maverick started to make some noise in the clutch. I am pretty sure it is the one way bearing in the clutch. I had Let’s Ride Powersports order me all the parts and Bill and I are going to hopefully get it torn down and rebuilt this coming weekend. With almost 8,000 miles and constant maintenance, it has one more thing to fix.

I also replaced the heim bearings in my front shocks. The suspension has been making some horrible squeaking noises and I suspected one of the bearings was bad, so I ordered some.

During the process I discovered one of the A arm bolts was a bit loose which accounted for part of the squeak, but I also found one bearing pretty much totally destroyed. After replacing them, and having Amy be a photographer, I can report that the front end has no more squeaks!



Two weeks ago Bill also headed down to my Dad’s garage, and we replaced the brakes on our camp trailer as well as replaced the wheel bearings. I don’t have pictures, and don’t really want to remember all the problems we ran into, but what we thought was going to be a four hour job turned into an all Friday afternoon job and an all day Saturday job which kept us from going riding as planned. No pictures were taken that weekend since my hands seemed to always be covered in grease.

Aaron Larson

Meeting Schedule

- Oct 10th – Young Powersports
- Nov 13 – Idaho Pizza
- Dec 11 – Idaho Pizza

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.

New Members

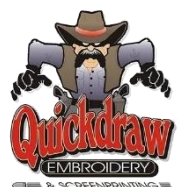
We would like to welcome Jeremy Gaddis to the club! Also a huge thanks to him for helping at Public Lands Day!

Linda 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.

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



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let her know you sent the money via Venmo. Please add \$1.50 to your membership if you use Venmo since they charge \$1.50 each time we use it, since we have a business account and not a personal account.

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!

Thank You Dealers for Supporting the Magic Valley ATV Riders



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The Fine Print

I/we fully understand that ATV activities involve risks and dangers of serious injury up to and including death. I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs and damages I may incur as a result of my participation in the activity. Rides are open to current MVATVR members and invited guests.

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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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: _____