

MVATVR Annual Member Appreciation Banquet

When?

Saturday, April 20
Social Hour: 5:00 p.m.
Dinner: 6:00 p.m.



Where?

Twin Falls Reformed Church
1631 Grandview Drive North
Twin Falls, ID 83301

Corner of Pole Line
and Grandview

Dinner

MVATVR will be furnishing sliced pork loin for dinner, as well as cake and other dessert items.

We will also provide the table service, water, and coffee to drink. Bring a non-alcoholic beverage if you'd like. We would appreciate if you could contribute a salad or other side dish for the potluck along with a serving utensil. Don't forget-put your name on the utensils and dishes you bring.

To help us make sure we have enough food, please fill out this [Registration Form](#) by Sunday, April 14th if you think you will attend. It is not mandatory, just helpful to us when buying food\supplies.

No internet? Call a board member to sign you up!

Raffles

Hey guys and gals - we have TWO raffle items this year!

- 1 – Ladies package!
- 2 – Tire package!



Door Prizes

Prizes are still being finalized, but may include:

Two, \$50 gift certificates from each of our local dealers (Action Cycles and Sleds, Adventure Motorsports, Let's Ride, and Young Powersports). Also, tons of physical prizes such as club hats and sweatshirts, oil change certificates, straps, camp chairs, tool kits, and much more! If you wish to donate a prize, let Dixie know!

Please note: You must be current on your 2024 membership and must be present to win. You can pay ahead (this will speed up the sign in) or you can pay at the banquet. Every membership that is current on their dues will receive a ticket for the door prize drawings. One ticket per membership (family). There is an updated membership form on the website, please download it, and fill it out to save time.

Giving Back to the Community

This year the raffle money proceeds will be used to support the June ATV safety training at Magic Mountain. We hope to provide 100 gift bags containing gloves, snacks, a club tumbler, and other items to the 100+ kids that will participate this year! Tickets will be \$5 each or 5 for \$20.



We are asking everyone to bring a non-perishable food item(s) to contribute towards one of the local food pantries. We understand that their shelves are pretty bare after helping many local community members get through the holiday season. Let's see if we can fill the foyer with food, which will in turn help refill their shelves! Greeters will collect your canned food donation(s) as you enter. Please note that they cannot use anything with dates that are older than the best used by or expired by dates printed on the cans.



We sincerely hope all of you can attend the banquet. This is a great opportunity to see old friends, make new ones, have a great meal, and possibly win a prize! Invite a friend!

If you have any questions or would like to donate a prize, please contact Dixie Best at 208-308-6418.

Magic Valley ATV Riders



April 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.

Message from the President

This past week was Spring Break. I spent my vacation sitting on my patio enjoying the beautiful weather, drinking Cherry Coke, having BBQ's, and going riding three days. Wait, that is what I wanted to do. In reality, I spent the week at home looking out the window at the wind, the rain, and the snow that we woke up to one morning. So, basically, my vacation was not as much fun as I had planned.

In fact, as I am writing this on Sunday, March 31st, I sit upstairs in my office looking out the window at the snow. Yes, snow. It started snowing about 10:00 am this morning, and right now at 12:49 pm, it is still snowing and it is accumulating as well. We probably have a half an inch on the ground at the moment. When will it stop? Who knows? But I think we can all agree that we are tired of the snow.

Since the snow is going to keep us from the mountains for a while, here is an update on the snow up there. Bostetter has 53 inches, Magic Mountain has 62 inches, and Howell Canyon has 84 inches of snow.

Speaking of that, yesterday, Bill Mefford, Ted MacNeil, Jacob Metcalf, Kelly Willes (not a club member), and I went on an exploratory ride to see where the snow was out of Oakley.

As you can see from the map, we parked about half a mile past the dairy on the 500 road just past the private property on BLM land. We headed

up the road and jumped onto Old North. As we headed up, we found a bare road with a few spots of snow. As we got up higher though, we rode across a few spots of hard packed snow until we came to a section that was too long and soft to try to cross so we doubled back.



We then went up Mackay Road and again found a section that was not passable, so we headed back down to the 500 road and jumped onto Birch Spring and tried the Walker Hollow road. We first had to stop and fix Kelly's Ace, and after that repair, we continued on for a few hundred yards where we had to turn back due to a long length of snow in the road. Since we were having fun, I tried to see how far I could go (within winch length obviously) and quickly got stuck. After Bill winched me out, we turned back and had lunch.



We then tried the rest of the Birch Spring Road, and again found a long section of snow that was not passable. Again we turned around and headed up the 500 road to see how far we could go. We came across two sections of the road that had hard packed snow that was crossable on an ATV, but then stopped about half a mile before we got to the Old North Cutoff and after looking at the snow on the road going uphill and around a corner, decided to not risk it and turned back. We enjoyed a 40 mile ride and even got snowed on for a few minutes.

Looking back at some old track logs, back in 2015 we made it all the way to Father and Son campground on April 10th. Based on yesterday, it will be a while before we will be seeing that neck of the woods.

As a reminder to those that go exploring, don't go off trail to bypass the snow. It will encourage others to do the same. If you try and cross a snowy section, make sure the person behind you has a winch long enough to pull you out. Also make sure that you watch the weather and don't cross a section only to find out later on your return that the section is now very soft and you are stuck on the wrong side of the snow. Also, let us know

what you find, and we will pass word along to the rest of the members.

Later this month I have several rides on the calendar. I am probably going to have to postpone the Cottrell Range ride due to snow. On the way to Pocatello last Saturday I could see lots of snow on top, and on the way to Oakley yesterday I could see that there was a ton of snow on the top where the radio towers are located. I will probably go to the Crystal Ice Caves instead. Watch the website, your email, and the private Facebook group for updates on this ride.

In other news, back in 2023, when we decided to have the banquet in April, we also decided to not have the annual picnic. Well, we had another vote, and the picnic is back on and will be held on September 11th.

The board also voted to just have a potluck on the days we work in the South Hills at dinner time. This will allow all those that have usually stayed at camp and cooked to assist with the large amount of work we anticipate doing this year on the trails.

And last but not least, don't forget to come to the banquet!

Aaron Larson - President

March Meeting Report

We held our March meeting at Action Cycles and Sleds in Twin Falls.

We would first like to thank the Gladowski's, the owners of Action Cycles and Sleds, for hosting us, especially since he was home sick and his wife, who was not feeling well herself, was still there but keeping her distance.

This year they had pizza, salad, pop and water, and treats for those in attendance.



We had Lisa Hills from the St. Lukes Children Safety program come and speak to us about what they do. One thing she stressed was how much she appreciated the club and all we do to support them.



We had about sixty people in attendance, and we were glad to see some of our southern friends returning.

On a final note, they had a really sweet 2024 Maverick Trail 1000 DPS on the floor. If you are interested in it, stop on in!



Dixie Best – Event coordinator

Pipeline Ride Report

Dark and early on Saturday, March 16th, we loaded up the trailer and set off to Hagerman. Descending into the valley was like dropping through the clouds. Once we arrived, we found that Bill had beat us to the parking lot. Shortly after we arrived Ron, Steve, and Ted arrived.

The sun was rising and the fog was rolling through. Not to be dissuaded we got the rigs staged and ready to go. We started off by dropping down into a canyon and through a fun wash. Sweeping curves and speed left us grinning. We then made

our way up several steep hills and to the radio tower. We then branched off and rode some trails that ended up being a dead end. We decided to head back to the hilly section and play around in the sand pits. After exploring for a while in the sand we decided to test our machines and abilities on several steep hills.

We then looped back and made it back to the wash. Ending back at the radio tower for lunch and views. We then made our way back to the trucks going through the wash and over several steep hills on the way. Thirty four miles in all, but a good time.

Jacob Metcalf



Bell Rapids Ride Report

On Monday, March 18, we met at a small corral next to the Bell Rapids Road, 10 miles from where highway 30 crosses the Snake River. We departed at 10 am and headed west on a variety of roads, including a few missed turns, some backtracking, etc. before arriving at the top of Grindstone Butte. From there we headed towards Twin Buttes for a relaxing lunch.

After lunch we headed south and then worked our way east towards the wind generators and then south again. The ride totaled 51 miles but could have been longer since we did get back around 3 pm in such a beautiful warm and sunny day with little wind. Also there was very little mud on the road, making it easy to clean our rigs after the ride.

We had a total of 11 rigs and 16 people.



I would like to give a special thanks to Dixie Best for organizing the ride to one of our favorite spring riding areas. It was also most enjoyable as

this was the first time for most of us got a chance to ride since last October.

For photos of our ride, please go to the photo section of our club's web site to see a bunch of photos taken by Jeanette Graham.

Wayne Fischer – Ride Leader

Indian Hot Springs Ride Report

On Friday, March 22. We met at the Balanced Rock parking lot by 9 am and then caravanned to the Crow's Nest area (17 miles). By 10 am we were heading towards Indian Hot Spring on the Clover Three Creek Road. The first 14 miles is a nice gravel road, followed by 18 miles of very rough un-maintain road. For the next 2 miles we "dropped" down 1,000 ft into the Indian Hot Springs area. Indian Hot Springs is in the Bruneau Canyon, where the very hot "spring water" flowing out of the canyon wall.



After lunch we all made it easily back to the canyon rim and then headed north towards the 1965 US Department of Energy's Test Explosion Crater for 8 miles. After a nice break, we continued north for 13 miles to Winter Camp. We were amazed to see one coral full of cattle, and enjoyed seeing all the old equipment left behind from many years of use. There are 4 gates through this area, as well as log of passage through, of which Jeannette Graham noted that the MVATVR Club passed through on Friday.

From Winter Camp we worked our way back to Crow's Nest, for a total of 72 miles.

The day turned out to be very nice with some overcast, in the mid 60s, and a little wind.

I want to give Randy Graham special thanks for leading most of the ride. Also I want to recognize a brand-new club member, Layne Price, for his first club ride. And I would like to welcome back Hoby Stangler, who has not ridden with the club for a long time. And to Dixie Best for suggesting we do another Impromptu ride this week before the weather turns cold, windy, and wet again.

For photos of our ride, please go to the photo section of our club's web site to see a bunch of photos taken by Jeanette Graham.

Wayne Fischer – Ride Leader

Meeting Schedule

Please see our flier about the April banquet.

Future Meetings

April 20th – Club banquet\Twin Falls Reformed Church

May 8th – Let's Ride\Burley

June-August – Summer hiatus

Remainder of 2024 – TBD

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.

Island Park Campout

Put this on your calendar! We will be having a campout at Henry's Lake State Park from Monday July 22 to Saturday July 27th.

We will be in the Caddis Loop. [Click here](#) to secure your spot. Once loaded, go to "Show Advanced Options" to choose the Caddis Loop.

As of right now, we have thirteen campers going. If you can't get a spot in Caddis, the Blue Dun Loop is the next closest loop.

Please email or text Linda Laudert which spot you have so we can have an idea of who will be attending so we can plan rides.

Oh, although we will be going on some 50" trails, bigger machines are welcome to attend. We will have someone with a bigger machine to lead rides for you folks.

As a reminder, you don't have to stay the entire time.

Two years ago we all had a great time, even though it rained nearly every day!

Linda Lauders – Ride Co-Ordinator

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.

- April 6-7 – UTV Expo in Nampa
- April 12th & 13th – Boise Off-Road and Outdoor Expo in Boise
- April 13 – Cottrell Range or Crystal Ice Caves?
- **April 19 – Ag Safety Day in Castleford**
- April 27 – Thorne Creek ride – Grahams
- **May 2 – Ag Safety Day in Hansen**
- June 7-9 – ATV Safety Fair in the South Hills
- July 22-27 - Henry's Lake campout
- Sept 24 – Public Lands Day (campout!)

If you wish to assist at the Ag Safety Days, please contact Dixie Best.

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

Linda Laudert – Ride Coordinator

New Machine Report

Steve and Chrissy Osborne have a new-to-them 2018 Maverick Trail 1000 DPS with a roof, Ryfab windshield, Ryfab rear storage box, and 27" Terabite tires. They bought it from Young Powersports down in Ogden.

As a result of this purchase, they are selling their 2010 RZR 800 that they have been riding for the last several years. It has 6,200 miles on it with a fresh engine rebuild with upgraded parts. They are asking \$7,200 OBO for it.

Feel free to call Steve at 253-389-5707 or email him at stephen.osborne1@gmail.com



State Parks Passport Stickers

To purchase a State Parks Passport, you will need to call [1-800-247-6332](tel:1-800-247-6332) and ask for a State Parks Passport (\$10 one) for your ATV or SxS.

Also, make sure you get one for your tow rigs as well.

You can also buy them online [at this link](#).

OHV Sticker Reminder

This is a good time to get those stickers so you can go riding if a last-minute ride pops up sometime soon.

Registration stickers are available at some of the OHV dealerships. You can also renew online through the [Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation website](#). You can also renew them for TWO years now!!!!

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.

At this time we have several members that have been having some health issues and we wish them the best.

New Members

We would like to welcome the following new members to the club: Charles Matthews and Don and Eileen Schroeder.

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!

Q: What does Punxsutawney Phil use to clean his laundry? A: Hogwash.

Q: How does Punxsutawney Phil greet his parents?
A: With hogs and kisses.

Q: What did the groundhog say when his handler grabbed his tail? A: "That's the end of me!"

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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Magic Valley ATV Riders, INC. (MVATVR)

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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: _____