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NO NEWSLETTER NEXT MONTH, ON VACATION

Just a reminder, that all dues for MAR are now due.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW MEMBERS, WELCOME ABOARD

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EDITORIAL
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As many of you already know, over the past couple of years I have professed that all of the motorized factions should start coming together and work for a single cause with a single voice. As it presently stands the ATV community is separate from each other, the snowmobile and motorcycle communities. I cannot impress upon everyone how important it is for us all to come together as of now. With the coming of the new Forest Service Travel Plan, which is presently on the web, you would understand that we are most certainly losing some riding areas, and are being put on roads. This problem does not only apply to us, but to the other two organizations also.

A week or so ago, I received a phone call to attend a meeting with the PANTRA (motorcycle club) over in Post Falls. I attended this meeting, and found out that they are also of the same mind set now. It is heartening to see that the other ATV club, at least one of them, was also in attendance. The sole purpose of this meeting was to get all of the organized clubs to start working together. It is my opinion that there is not one single club out there that can stand alone any more. If they think they can, in my opinion, they are only fooling themselves. We all need each other, if you ride a machine with a motor in it. They time has come to put

aside all of those long held ideas that “we are better then they are and who needs them”. You can be assured that the Forest Service notices this separation, and just sits back and lets it happen. If there are going to be any changes made, WE will have to get them made ourselves.

Like I said, I had attended this meeting, alone, but it is going to take more than me to handle this. This is your club, and you should all be as concerned about where you can ride and when as I am. There is going to be times that we need some help from the members, and I think that this is now the time. Remember, you only get out of life what you put into it. If there is anyone out there that thinks that they would like to be part of this project to make a difference, I ask you to please contact me and I will give you all the information about it. I need your help!

Did you know that all cats are born with blue eyes?

MAP READING

If you were not at the last meeting, you missed a good one. Andy Boggs from the Forest Service was there and showed us all how to read a map and use a compass. I think that we all learned something at this meeting. What with all the changes being made in the trails and roads out there, a map is almost a necessity. Don't forget that the map in use right now, is the 2003 version, obtainable at the Forest Service offices, I believe they are \$10.00. If you are out there, and on a road that is not on the map, you might have a problem with the guys with the badges that show up.

Did you know that cavemen first domesticated dogs?

WILD WEST SHOOTOUT

Yes, this is going to be a real kick in the pants. We are going to be having our Fun Run-membership drive in June on the 13th. We are going to be shooting targets with BB guns. So you can bring the whole family of “Annie Oaklies” to try their luck. Included will be the ride of course with chili and hot dogs at the end. As we get the plans more complete, I will be keeping you informed, so keep that date open (it's on the ride schedule too).

Only 3 dogs survived the sinking of the Titanic, a New Foundland, Pomeranian and a Pekinese

A GREAT IDEA

I had received an e-mail with the following information which I think is one good idea. If only we could get this done here in CDA, I believe our problems would be a little less than they are with the Forest Service. Anyway, here it is in a nutshell. “In an attempt to assure Idaho County is not bypassed in state and federal decisions about managing public lands, the county commissioners passed a resolution, “to make sure we are at the table.” Commission Chairman said the resolution was “a pre-emptive strike” against any entity attempting to assert legal standing over the county's 4.5 million acres of public lands. That includes any government that may try to impose rules such as state land use planning or national forest travel plans. The U.S. Forest Service is currently considering a travel plan that would affect motorized vehicle use on the 84 percent of the county that it administers. “We want to make sure we're in the driver's seat of anything that happens in the county. The

document also points up existing regulations that require state and federal governments to coordinate their actions with the county”.....That was only part of the article in the Lewiston Tribune. Just think what we could have if our county commissioners would also get involved with the control of our lands. Just something to think about, that’s all.

KIDS ATV LEAD INFO

Idaho Congressman Mike Simpson sent a letter to House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Henry Waxman requesting an oversight hearing to explore the affects of certain mandates of the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPISA) of 2008. Simpson is specifically concerned that the implementation of the bill has now banned the sales of children’s off-highway vehicles (OHV’s).

The state of Idaho has the second highest OHV participation rate in the country with over 100,000 OHV’s currently registered and 10,000 more registering every year. “I will continue to strongly support robust consumer protections on any product that comes into contact with children,” said Simpson. “However, in this case regarding OHV’s, the law overreaches. With many new laws, problems are uncovered in the implementation that were not anticipated or intended during their formation. A balance must be struck to ensure that children are protected without unfairly burdening retailers.”

WEB SITES

I strongly recommend that you check out the following web sites. All you have to do is type in the letters, and it will come up. They are free, and have the latest information concerning all of us who ride ATV’s. Check out: All Terrain Vehicle Association (ATVA), Americans for Responsible Recreation Access (ARRA) and the Blue Ribbon Coalition (BRC). ARRA might be the best one for you to get the most information from quickly. They will send you a newsletter each month telling you what is happening all over. They will even write the letter to the politicians for you, all you have to do is click on it....bang it’s done. Check them out. Also, you might want to check out our web site. We have a new Web Master, and it seems to be running great, take a look.

ATV TRAINERS

If you would be interested in becoming a certified ATV instructor taught by IDPR, please let me know. Call me at 208.683.0526 for information.

MEETING INFORMATION

The Board Meeting and the General Meeting will both be held at the IHOP on 4th St. in Coeur d’ Alene.

BOARD AND GENERAL MEETINGS: the board meeting will start at 5:30 pm just prior to the general membership meeting at 7:00 pm, on the **THIRD** Tuesday of each month.

Upon presentation of your club card:

Mays Honda of Sagle gives a 10% up front discount on all parts and accessories.

Coeur d' Alene Honda gives a 10% discount on all accessories.

Specialties Recreation and Marine give a 10% discount with your club card

Mt. Spokane Adventure Sports gives a 10% discount to referred customers, a 20% discount to club members.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS, AND RIDES

The legend below will give you the information about that particular trails characteristic. I hope they will be of some help

SUGGESTED RIDING SKILL LEVEL

EASY – Beginner riding skills: mostly flat trails, no side hills, stay on designated trails

INTERMEDIATE – Experienced riding skills **RECOMMENDED:** roads/trails, possibly some steep slopes, side hills, or loose rocks

COMBINATION – Combination of difficulties, various terrain i.e. Intermediate to Difficult abilities

DIFFICULT – Experienced riding skills **REQUIRED:** trails requiring 4WD, obstacle navigation, rocky, side hills, and slower travel

NOT KNOWN AT THIS TIME.

MILEAGE IS APPROXIMATE & IS FOR ROUND TRIP. ALL RIDES ARE A "RAIN OR SHINE" TYPE RIDE

NOTE: ANY CHANGES TO THE BELOW ITEMS WILL BE ANOTATED IN BLUE, ITALICIZED AND UNDERLINED For ride information please call 683-0526

THIS IS THE LATEST SCHEDULE THROW AWAY ANY PREVIOUS ONES YOU NOW HAVE

It would be great if we all wore helmets this year, and if you have a radio bring it along too as I am sure that there will be more road riding this year thanks to our Forest Service

BOLDER CITY RIDE, SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH. - (INTERMEDIATE)

Leave from the old K-Mart Parking lot in Ponderay at 9 am. Across the street from Wal Mart, or on your own, take Hwy 95 North to 20 Mile Rd. Turn east and the parking is at the start of the Forest Service road. Bring lunch and extra gas if you think you will need it. Approx 50 miles round trip.

HARRISON RIDE, SATURDAY, MAY 2ND. – (EASY)

Leave the 4th of July parking lot at 9:00am. Take Exit 28. Go to stop sign, turn left, cross the Hwy, and turn right at stop sign. Lunch in Harrison, or bring it. Might want to bring gas. Approx 70 miles round trip. Possibility of snow on road, if so we will improvise and try other routes. We have to try at least.

SNAKE PIT RIDE, SATURDAY, MAY 9TH. – (EASY) Leave the 4th of July parking

lot at 9:00am. Take Exit #28 Go to stop sign, turn left, cross the Hwy, and turn right at stop sign. Eat lunch there or bring it. Might want to bring gas. Approx 70 miles round trip. Possibility of snow on road, if so we will improvise and try other routes. We have to try at least.

SHRINERS POKER RUN, SATURDAY, MAY 16TH. – (INTERMEDIATE)

Annual Carbon Monoxide Commandos ride with the proceeds going to the Shriner's. Shirts, T-shirts and a raffle after the ride. Leaving from Smeltonville, registration from 8-11:30am. Donation lunch stop during the ride. Take exit #45 on Hwy 90

HAPPY HERMIT RIDE, – SATURDAY, MAY 30TH. – (EASY). Leave from the Bunco parking lot at 9:00am.

SANDPOINT TO PRIEST LAKE RIDE, SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH. – (INTERMEDIATE)

Go North on Hwy 95 through Sandpoint to Ponderay, follow Hwy 95 toward Canada. Turn right into Wal-Mart parking lot at 8:30 am. Final parking TBD, perhaps the Bonner County Fairgrounds. Ride will go up Baldy Mountain Rd, via somewhat challenging trails, to Baldy Mountain. Nice views looking down to Sandpoint and across the lake. Continue on to Cavanaugh Bay Resort on Priest Lake for lunch there or bring your own. Approx 90 miles round trip may need gas. A mix of forest service roads and trails.

FUN RUN, SATURDAY, JUNE 13TH INFORMATION STATED ABOVE

MAGEE RIDE, SATURDAY, JUNE 20TH. – (EASY)

Leave from the Bunco parking lot at 8:00am. Bring lunch AND GAS. Take the Bunco Rd. located on the south end of Silverwood Park on the east side of Hwy 95, follow the road and signs to the parking lot. Approx 85-90 miles round trip. (Very pretty ride)

OVERNIGHT RIDE TO SILVER DOLLAR BAR: June 25th. (EASY). The ride will be leaving from the Wallace parking lot at 1 pm, staying overnight at the motel and returning on June 26th. Motel has 40 rooms at \$80.00 per night, sleeps 4 to a room and they are having their kids sleep on the floor. Possibly we can get a cut rate if enough people are interested. For further information contact Carol at 208.512.1826

CLARK FORK TO HERMIT RIDE, SATURDAY, JUNE, 27TH. – (EASY)

Leave from Ruen Rd parking lot at 9:00am. Bring lunch. Take Hwy 200 east out of Sandpoint to Clark Fork. Turn right at Stephens St (Cenex Gas) cross the RR tracks and follow the rode over the river approx. to 5 miles to Ruen Rd on your right. Forest Service Rd entrance. Parking there. Bring Lunch. Approx 60 to 70 Miles round trip, you might want to bring gas.

SNAKE PIT RIDE, SATURDAY, July 11TH. – (EASY)

Leave from the Bunco parking lot. Leaving at 8:00am. Lunch at the Snake Pit, or bring your own. Bring gas or get it near the Snake Pit. Approx 125 miles round trip.

CLUB PICNIC, SATURDAY, JULY 18TH.

To be held Rathdrum City Park on Hwy 53, starting at 10:30am, bring your favorite dish, hot or cold. Also, bring your own drinks. The club will bring the hot dogs and hamburgers. Any questions call Bert at 208.683.0526

STRONG CREEK RIDE, SUNDAY, JULY 19TH. - (INTERMEDIATE)

Leave from Hope grade school parking lot off Sam Owens road at 9:00am. Take hwy 200 east of Sandpoint through Hope to Sam Owens Rd, Turn right and than immediate left turn up the hill to parking. Bring Lunch and may need gas.

AVERY RIDE, SATURDAY, JULY 25TH. – (EASY)

Leave from Wallace parking lot AT 8:30am, Exit at 61; go to the stop sign at bottom of off ramp. Turn right, and then cross the street into the big dirt parking lot on your left. Lunch in Avery or bring your won. Bring gas. Approx 80 miles round trip.

CLARK FORK, SATURDAY, AUGUST 1st. – (EASY) Leaving from Bunco

Parking lot at 8 am. Early time is due to longer distance, approx 110 miles. Bring lunch and extra gas, or get both in Clark Fork.

PACK RIVER RIDE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 8TH – (INTERMEDIATE)

From Sandpoint, go North on Hwy 95 to the upper Pack River Rd, approx 11 miles. Turn left, go approx 8--9 miles to the large parking area (both sides of road). This will be the staging area. There will be a riders meeting at 9:00, with the ride leaving immediately thereafter. There is a river crossing at the end. It will be an all day ride, so bring drinks, snacks and lunch. Plan is to have lunch on Dodge Peak.

CLUB CAMPOUT AT CATALDO CAMPGOUND, AUGUST 14TH, 15TH & 16TH.

Friday through Sunday. Eight spots to be reserved for us. Must call Bert to let her know if you are going to make it. Take Exit 40, cross the road, you are there. Bring something for pot luck, if you can. BRING FIRE WOOD. Bicycles if you want too.

ROMAN NOSE RIDE & BAR-B-Q, SUNDAY, AUGUST 16thND - (INTERMEDIATE)

From Sandpoint, take Hwy 95 north towards Bonners Ferry. Just past Mile Marker 496 See signs; Naples General Store & Refuse Disposal Area, turn left onto Deep Creek Lp . Go ½ mile past Store to sign; Idaho Granite Works, turn left & continue past the Granite Works approx 1 mile to the base of the mountain & large gravel loop parking area on the right, with a Forest Service barn style warming hut in the trees. Ride will leave at 9:30am Hamburger & dogs provided by Sandpoint Marine & Motor Sports. Bring your own sides and drinks. Bar-B-Q will be at the lake. Approx 40 Mile round trip

NIGHT RIDE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND. – (EASY)

Leave from the Bunco Parking lot at 5:00pm. Take the Bunco Rd. located on the south end of Silverwood Park on the east side of Hwy 95, follow the road and signs to the parking lot. (DESTINATION TO BE DETERMINED)

EARLS RIDE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH. – (EASY/INTERMEDIATE)

Leaving the Wallace parking lot at 9:00am. Guaranteed to be a great ride there will be lunch available at Murray, or bring your own.

SILVER DOLLAR BAR RIDE, SATURDAY, SEPT 5TH. – (EASY)

Leave from the Wallace parking lot at 8:00am. Exit at 61 go to the stop sign at bottom of off ramp. Turn right, and then cross the street into the big dirt parking lot on your left. Lunch at the Silver Dollar Bar, or bring your own. Gas available at the Bar, or bring gas if you think that you might need it on the way. Approximately 110 miles round trip.

ADVENTURE RACE IN RATHDRUM MOUNTAINS. SATURDAY, SEPT 12th.

It is the same ride that was conducted last summer. We would be road guards for the bicycle leg of the race, which is first on their agenda. After they all pass us, the rest of the day is ours to ride all around the Inland Paper property. Normally it would cost you \$10.00, but for doing this, it is a free day for us. More information will be coming out on this as the time gets closer.

ROCK CREEK MT. RIDE, SATURDAY, SEPT 19TH. - (INTERMEDIATE)

Leave from Rock Creek Parking at 9:30 am. Take Hwy 200 to Clark Fork. You can caravan from Clark Fork; will leave Clark Fork @ 8:30A.M. Or on you own continue from Clark Fork on Hwy 200 25 miles to forest service road 150(Rock Creek). It's a left turn off the highway just over the railroad Bridge about 1 mile east of Noxon, Mt. Turn off. Everyone will park at the intersection under the power lines, about ¼ mile from turn off. Lots of space to park. Should be able to ride most of the day in the area, so bring lunch and may need gas.

MULLAN RIDE, SUNDAY, SEPT 27TH. – (EASY)

Leave from Wallace parking lot, at 8:30am, Exit at 61. Go to the stop sign at bottom of off ramp. Turn right, and then cross the street into the big dirt parking lot on your left. Lunch in Mullan or bring your own. Bring gas if you think you will need it. Approx 50 miles round trip.

CHRISTMAS PARTY. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH. MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

FOR SALE

1. Hard cargo box with removable seat pad. Like new, \$300 original cost, selling for \$200. One flat pack gas can 3.5 gal, \$50, one soft cargo box made by American Trails, excellent condition lot of accessible storage, \$60. Call Harold at 208.664.2046
2. 2007 Arctic Cat 400 ATV, Automatic 4x4, winch, windshield only 570 miles, a single place trailer to haul it in. A steal at \$4,000.00. Only until April 14th. Then I'm gone. Call Ann at 208.818.0027
3. I have many colors, and designs of dust masks. They are adjustable to fit and work great in the cold, pollen and dust and washable. Only twelve dollars (\$12.00), call Bert at 683.0526
4. If you have any shirts or jackets that you would like to have the club logos put on, you can do that, it's cheaper. Just go to Rathdrum Drug and ask for Pam. We can also put the tire design on now. You can even mix and match if you want to. If you have something you want done, let Bert know, and we will get them done for you.
5. Triangle shaped safety flags with the club logo on them for a whip pole for the rear of your ATV's. \$7.00 ea. Contact Bert for information 208.683.0526.
6. We still have five left of our new green long sleeve T-shirts size large with a new message on the back. "Keep it open – Keep it free". These shirts are being given away for a \$10 donation.
7. For your information, Rathdrum Drugs, where we get the logos printed, now have in stock various colors of long sleeve t-shirts. If you want one, go get it and ask for Pam, she will put the logo on it for you. These shirts are hard to find.

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