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### **SUGGESTED RIDING SKILL LEVEL**

- EASY** – Beginning rider 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 terrains. For example intermediate to difficult abilities
- DIFFICULT** – Experienced riding skills REQUIRED, trails requiring 4WD, obstacle navigation, rocky, side hills and slower travel

**Helmets are always a good thing**



We need to have more Radios on our rides. They don't cost too much \$25 for a pair.

## **CLUB MEMBERS REMEMBER**

**THIS IS YOUR NEWSLETTER. IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE NEWSLETTER or something to sell? PLEASE CONTACT Dan Hutchins-509-483-6625 [hutchdb2@msn.com](mailto:hutchdb2@msn.com)**

## **For sale**

- 1. Dust Masks: I have many color and designs available. They are adjustable to fit and work great in the cold, pollen and dust. Machine washable. \$12 each. Call Bert at 208.683.0526**
- 2. We now have flags for sale.—They are \$10.00 ea. Frank will have them at the meetings or call 208-687-1362.**
- 3. Ken Chrisp has flag poles. Call him at 509-473-9032.**
- 4. We now have all the logos in our possession. If you want some Call Frank at 208-687-1362. You can still have them put on at Rathdrum Drug.**
- 5. For your Information: Rathdrum Drugs now have in stock various colors of long sleeve T-shirts. They also carry short sleeve T-shirts with a front pocket. If you would like one, ask at the drugstore and she will put a logo on it for you. These shirts are hard to find.**
- 6. Black and Chrome license plate frames. \$12.50 ea. See Gordon at 208-712-3068.**

## Silver Dollar Ride



*What a great ride!! Thirteen of us hopped over to the Silver Dollar Bar and back Saturday and had a great time.*

*Just under 110 miles. Animals were scarce although I saw two mule deer does just after we left the Randolph warming shed. I know they don't count because no one else saw them. There was no shortage of dust so they all said. But somehow Ken and Kathy didn't seem too dusty for being the tail draggers.*

*Dominion Peak at 6032 feet was as always a scenic spot. The smoke actually gave it a different sense of distance.*

*Silver Lake was actually rippled from the wind, but as always a beautiful spectacle. There is a brand new outhouse there. And they had worked on the road since this spring. Always seems amazing to me that Montana can do the maintenance required and we can't get Idaho to even think about it.*

*We were quit surprised when we got to the Randolph Warming Shed and there were people everywhere. It just happened to be there annual wood cutting get together. It was great to see that there were about 30 people there*

*helping out. Wish we could get half that many at our get togethers. They had hamburgers and beer for all. They are a great bunch of people as they offered us some. I was able to meet the new president of the Westend ATV club. The snowmobile club and the Westend club were working together to get this done.*

*We came back through Crow Creek and over Cooper Pass to Burke. Wow, if you have ever been over Cooper Pass or up to Glidden Lake you remember how rough the road is. Well those signs in Montana that say Wilderness Road and not maintained for travel should be on our main roads. The Montana side has been all redone. New culverts, graded and new gravel. The Idaho side is much better than it was but there are still a few places with a little roughness. Don't know whether to thank the FS or Avista. Avista replaced all their wooden poles in there with new metal ones.*

*They have blocked off the big mud pit just before Glidden Lake with large boulders. And I noticed that the power line trail was graded and smooth.*

*Well thanks to everyone that came over and joined me on this great ride. It was nice to meet so many new people and see some old friends again.*

*Hope to see you again soon.*

*Carol*





## Clark Fork Ride

Well I finally got to go on the Clark Fork Ride and what a ride it was about 110 miles of some very pretty country. We left from the Bunco parking lot early because of the miles. First stop was an over look of the lake (picture on top left) you could see for miles. Picture on the right is of Kenny our fearless leader and others along for the ride at another view point. Next stop was Whiskey Rock Campground there are several camp sites here (no hook ups) with a nice view of the lake. Some of us had a snack others washed the dust out of eyes yea it was dusty but not too bad. Next stop was Clark Fork for lunch and fuel then the return trip. This is where it got a little twist to the ride as we missed a turn off but leave it to Kenny he got out the map looked it over said ok this way and took us on one of the best rides of the year. I don't know where we went but it was some great country and the roads were not as dusty way to go Kenny. One of the rides that we have talked about for this coming year was going to Whiskey Rock and having a BBQ. But I know that the Clark Fork Ride will be around for awhile and I hope that Kenny will lead us the same way he did this year.



*Dan Hutchins*



In 2000 the Jeeping community got a rude awakening by the Forest Service when they stopped cross country travel and went to designated routes. All though most Forest incorporated Jeep Trails into their Travel Plans the Idaho Panhandle did not. They refused to look at Short Wheelbase 4WDs such as Jeeps as an ORV Trail type vehicle and felt we should only be on graded roads. The existing Two Track trails that they decided to keep were given to a relatively new user group, ATVs. In the following years we worked with other user groups and the Forest Service through Northwest Access Alliance. Trail 16 was one of the proposed trails that was approved by the other user groups and was presented to the Forest Service for consideration. None were approved. With continuing pressure, the Forest Service included approximately 32 miles of old roads as 4WD trails on the MVU map. Of these none of them provided a trail experience and about one third is over grown. When the Moose Drool project was proposed, they intended to convert roughly 5 miles of trail to road reducing us to approximately 26 miles. This would leave only about 6 miles of 4WD trail in that area. In a Forest Service meeting with leadership from the ATV community present I asked if the ATV community would have any heart burn with me proposing a designation change on a section of Trail 16. I did not get any negative feedback. My proposal was to not put up a fight on the Moose Drool project for consideration of changing the designation of a portion of Trail 16 and Trail 226. As I look back on it that was not the right way to go about it because the Moose Drool project had a negative impact on the ATV community. With the gap between Short Wheelbase 4WDs and ATVs being bridged by UTVs we need to work closer together to improve the Two Track

experience in the Idaho Panhandle.

Hans Archer

North Idaho Trail Blazers



(Back Country ATV supported the changing of a portion of trail 16 as a multi-vehicle use trail. We all need to work keeping our trails & 4 wheel drive routes open for all.)

Dan Hutchins



## **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The club is going to have a Christmas party held at the Rathdrum Grange in Rathdrum. The Grange is located on Highway 41 and Boekel rd across from zip's drive in. The date is December 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm. We would like everyone to bring a wrapped ornament or a small inexpensive gift for an exchange. Also, bring a food dish of some kind. We will have several gifts to raffle off so buy some tickets at the door when you come in. The club will furnish the drinks. We would like to have some kind of a head count so we know how many tables, chairs to setup. Please E-Mail me at [hutchdb2@msn.com](mailto:hutchdb2@msn.com) or call 509-483-6625. This party is for all members and their family and friends and to all of our **Great Business Members** and their employees. **Don't forget that you can pay your club dues for 2013 at the party.**

## **SANTA IS GOING TO BE AT THE SNAKEPIT**

On December 18<sup>th</sup> Joe Peak at the snakepit at Enaville ID. Is having a Christmas party for the less fortunate of the local area. The Employees at the snakepit have donated their time. Any volunteers to help serve the guests would be welcome. It would be nice if those that attend bring an unwrapped gift for the little ones, age's baby's to 16 years. Santa will be giving out the presents to the boys and girls. For those that cannot attend, but would still like to give for a good cause. You can bring your gift to our Christmas party on December 8<sup>th</sup> and one of our members will deliver it to the snakepit.

## **TIPS**

It's that time of the year when you put the ATV or UTV away for the winter. But before you do, you should put some stable gas treatment in the gas tank. Run the machine for a few minutes so it will get in the whole fuel system. It's also a good idea to charge the battery every month or so. Change the engine oil. Check out the whole machine for loose or worn parts. Brakes, Tie Rod Ends, Shocks, Loose Wheel Brgs Cuts in the Tires, Check air pressure, and don't forget to wash all that mud off. Put a little wax on your machine. Or sprays like Son- of - a- Gun or my favorite Pledge furniture polish. (Pilots have used this on their windshields for years.) It works great on all plastic I use it after every ride. If you have a tip you would like to share call 509-483-6625 E-Mail me at [hutchdb2@msn.com](mailto:hutchdb2@msn.com)

Well it is the end of riding season 2012 and boy what a time we had. Our first ride was canceled because of snow, but some of us fought our way to Harrison and back anyway. Our next ride was to go to Caltaldo and guess what too much snow again. However, we adapted and went down to rose lake instead and it was a good ride. We had many rides in the snow and then it seems like overnight it all turned to dust. However, you learn to cope with the dust and go riding. On our next ride to Caltaldo, we left from Bunco parking lot. We had to make a detour because of flooding on one of the roads. Then just a few miles from Caltaldo, one of our riders broke a tie rod, it is very rare for this to happen. However, we adapted again and towed his machine strapped to the back of my RZR on to caltaldo. This ride to caltaldo is an adventure all by its self and I can't wait to do it again. Then some went to the ride to Montana with Jim Monroe and said it was great. Then Dennis Smith, Don Campbell and me left on a Friday and went on a Silver Dollar ride. I led and we took a good ride to Silver Lake, and on to the Silver Dollar bar for gas. Then we went up to Lookout Pass and down into Mullan Idaho. From there we were lost most of the time, but found our way to Burke Idaho. Then on down to our trucks 122 miles later, it was a good day. Then there was the ride to Clark Fork for lunch and fuel. On the return trip, we missed a turn off. And Kenny led us on one of our better rides. Then we had the BBQ with a short ride to the warming hut and hamburgers and hotdogs. Even though it was kind of a last minute thing on short notice, we had a good turnout. We met new people like Wid & Fonda Stewart and Paul & Laura West. Who are all new members now. Welcome to the best club in Idaho.

Dan Hutchins

### **A family near Rathdrum Idaho needs your Help.**

**Below is a list of items that the children made out to one of our members. We hope that some of you can find it in your hearts to help this family to have some kind of Christmas. Bring what you can to our club Christmas party on December 8th and Wid & Fonda Stewart will take it to the family.**

**Merry Christmas and good health to all.**

**Dan Hutchins**

10 year old twin boy:  
 Size 10-12 shirts  
 Size 12 pants  
 Skate Plaza Pass including roller  
 blade rental  
 Axe body wash gift set

10 year old twin boy:  
 Size 10-12 shirts  
 Size 12 pants  
 Skate Plaza Pass including roller  
 blade rental  
 Lazer tag toy

9 year old girl:  
 Size 7-8 shirts  
 7-8 pants  
 Skate Plaza Pass including roller  
 blade rental  
 Earrings for her pierced ears

8 year old boy:  
 Size 7-8 shirts  
 Size 7-8 pants  
 Small pop up tent or fort  
 Mini gumball machine

Toddler girl:  
 Size 4T shirts  
 Size 3T pants  
 Skate Plaza Pass including roller  
 skate rental  
 Stroller for her babydoll  
 Dora the Explorer is her favorite  
 thing now

Teen boy:  
 28X30 pants  
 XL shirts  
 Basketball  
 Sacramento Kings Jersey  
 Body wash set

Teen boy:  
 L shirts  
 28X30 pants  
 Dallas Cowboys Jersey or sweater  
 Axe gift set of his own  
 Trip to all you can eat buffet

\*All of the kids love to sled but do  
 not have any sleds.

\*Trip to all you can eat buffet for  
 family?

\* Anyone have a skate board or  
 longboard?

\*Electronic games? They don't  
 have a computer and only one cell

\*The family could use anything  
 that you would like to donate.  
 Thank you!

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