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Back Country A.T.V. Meetings held at 7:00 pm the 3rd Tuesday

On August 20th at JB's Restaurant.

704 W. Appleway Street in Coeur D' Alene , Idaho

Back Country ATV would like to welcome our new members

Ralph & Sandy Christiansen

Patty Hanson & Paula Nickerson

Larry & Margy Waddell

Jack & Leeann Drapeau

Gary & Cheryl VanEsch

Welcome to the oldest and finest ATV club in CDA Idaho

At this month's club meeting raffle drawing.

The total amount was \$82.00

Jerry Siel won the drawing for \$41.00

Blown Motor was not present for the pot of \$40.00 (\$20.50 t \$19.50 rollover)

Club made \$20.50

The pot for next month will be \$40.00 and 25% of next month's raffle sales.

(Remember you have to be present to win.)

For any questions about our club insurance with American Income Life,

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Saturday June 29th was the Fernan Saddle to Cataldo ride. Despite the fact that most of us woke up to rumbles of thunder we still had 23 people with 18 machines show up for the ride. This included several of our friends from the Panhandle Riders, always nice to see them. Dan and Karen Hutchins led us in their razor. Thank you!

We only encountered some sprinkles throughout the day so it was nice that it had rained earlier for dust control. Anyway, we all met at Fernan Saddle then it was over the river and through the woods to Ann's place (Mission Inn) for lunch, maybe it was not quite in that order but we did cross a river and rode through a lot of woods.

We made a stop at the burned down warming hut for a break and to view the damage. What a mess! Then it was a nice ride to Cataldo and lunch at the Mission Inn. This time Ann knew how many of us to expect and once again, we were greeted with fast and friendly service.

By then the sun was out and it was pretty warm so we sat outside in the shade. Plenty of good menu options there but in my opinion, since I'm writing this I get an opinion, the pulled pork sandwich with Ann's own bbq sauce and potato salad is hard to beat. Ann even had time to come out and visit with us. I like these rides where we wind up at a restaurant for lunch since I am usually hungry when we start out.

After a great lunch was enjoyed by all it was, time to head on back to Fernan Saddle. We took a different route back and it was nice to see it without the 3 feet of snow that was there when I did it a few months ago.

It was another great ride with great people. See ya on the trail ! Doug Lynch bcav

Thanks, Doug I was very happy to see the turnout of people on this ride due to the storm during the night. I thought that we might be the only ones to show up. But was we surprised, to see the parking lot was full, and then I realized that several were from Panhandle Riders, and several were from North Idaho ATV. So we all talked for awhile and then we went on our ride and North Idaho went on their ride and some of Panhandle Riders went with each club It is good to see three ATV clubs working together and having fun that's what it is all about. Happy Trails . Dan Hutchins



Ann's Mission Inn





This is the river we crossed going to Ann's place



There is always a good time to be had at Ann's Mission Inn. (Sign in restroom)



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being a part of our club.**

On July 6th, Dan and Karen Hutchins and I joined the panhandle Riders in Sandpoint for the Baldy Mtn ride. Eight people and seven machines showed up on this sunny morning for this ride led by Thomas Leo. Thanks Thomas!

After a brief tour of Balsam Estates, Thomas claimed he had property for sale there; we were off to the mountains.

We rode on up to the top of Baldy Mtn where most people had their lunch. I did this ride last year and if you never have done this ride before, you can see everything from up there. Sandpoint and the long bridge and Priest Lake to name a couple.

The bear grass was abundant but not quite in full bloom but if you timed it just right I bet it's a sight to see. There was even some snow for me to play on. On the way over to Schweitzer Dan got to do some of Thomas's trail clearing with his chainsaw. Now I only heard bits and pieces of this conversation so I only know a little. But it was something about I forgot my saw in the car, the Commander needs more room than you, if you want directions back to your truck.

Anyhow, Dan cut a couple trees and we were off to Schweitzer.

When we got up to Schweitzer there was more bear grass and great views and even some joggers/speed walkers who stopped to chat with us. Watching them head up the mountain, made even my ATV tired.

From there it was back to the parking lot. I guess this was the first time Thomas has led a ride and he did a good job at it and in his words "nobody died". Great ride Thomas and everyone else there. See ya on the trail! Doug Lynch bcatv

I agree with Doug this was a pretty Ride although I was wandering about our leader when in the first 5 minutes we ended up in Balsam Estates and he was looking at his GPS. But Thomas came through with flying colors when he said that it was a extra side trip to show us some property he had for sale. After that he lead us on a good ride, and I even got a chance to use my chain saw to clear the trail?? The views were great thanks, Thomas for a great ride. Dan Hutchins



Saturday, the 13th of July was the Sundance Mtn Lookout Ride. Eighteen machines and twenty four people and one dog met at the Sundance Mtn Lodge for this ride. Chad Hutchins and his girlfriend Deb Flett led us on this ride. I was at the back but I thought I saw Deb up front. Thanks Chad and Deb for a great ride!

Several of our friends from Panhandle Riders rode over from Sandpoint to join us for this ride. Several of the local Priest Lake people also joined us

On the way to the Lookout we rode along one of the prettiest creeks (Lost Creek) that I have seen yet. It had lots of little waterfalls and inviting pools. I could spend a day hanging out along there.

Up at the Lookout the views were incredible. Priest Lake and upper Priest Lake and Chimney Rock and the Sundance Fire Memorial. A great place to spend some time. I am not sure of the name of the warming hut we stopped at after we left there but we took a nice break there. (Camels Prairie)

The return trip went smooth except for one small incident. Dan lagged too far behind in the RZR and was cut off by killer bees. In the ensuing attack, Karen was stung on her right wrist, which left her free to slap Dan upside the head with her uninjured left for lagging behind. Now, if you have ever read my stories you know I wouldn't lie to you. The truth is in there somewhere, here's some clues bee, sting and Karen. However, there is a lesson here. They knew Karen is allergic to bee stings so they carry the medicine for it. So if you're allergic or don't know if you are, BEE prepared!

Back at Sundance Mtn Lodge owner Tony Wallace and his wife Mary lee quickly served us some delicious food. I had a really good hamburger with apple pie and ice cream. The lodge has great food and service if you are in the area.

A really great ride with good friends and good food. See ya on the trail! Doug Lynch bcatv

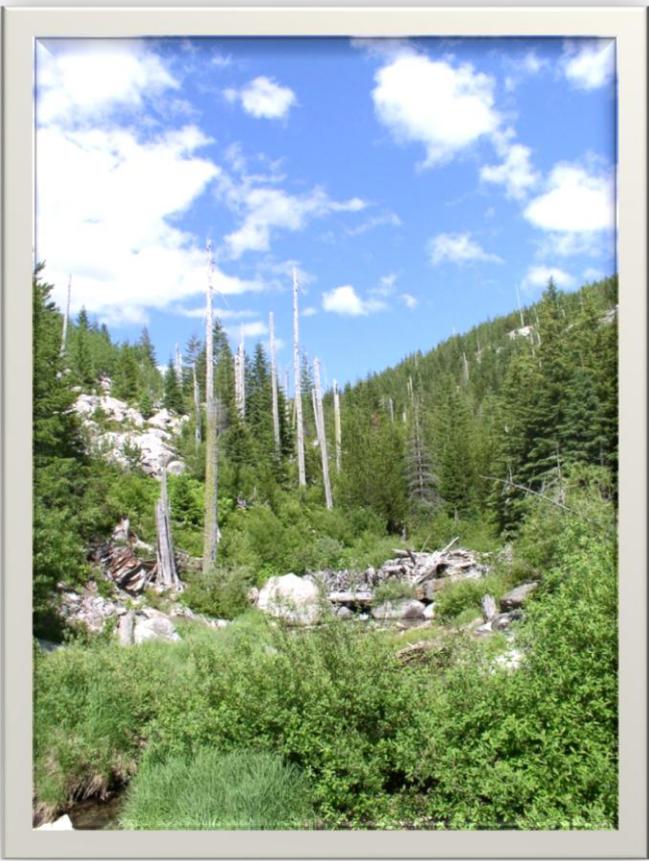
Thanks Doug and yes the swelling and bruises are almost gone after the bee sting. And Karen's arm is fine too! I want to thank Chad and Deb for leading the ride, great job. And a special thanks to



Tony Wallace for allowing us to park at his place so we could make this ride possible. Next year we will have more rides in the Priest Lake Area. Happy Trails! Dan Hutchins bcatv



More pictures of our ride



Are you to hot! just remember this is just around the corner.



Summer is slipping away, call a friend and get out there and ride it might be a little dusty, but this is what it will look like before you know it!

Happy Trails! Dan Hutchins

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