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

INTRODUCING OUR NEW MEMBERS, WELCOME ABOARD

EDITORIAL
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President

During conversations with some people about joining our club, or any club for that matter, I have heard the same response, and that is “clubs are too political and I don’t want to get involved with that kind of stuff”. To start with, to the best of my knowledge, none of the ATV clubs are politically involved with any political group, because that is just what the word “political” means. We are involved with ACCESS though, and that is what all of us club leaders try to instill into our membership. I guess what these folks are really trying to say, is they don’t really care to fight the fight to keep our forests open for all of us to use. Oh sure, they want them open ok, just as long as they don’t have to say anything to anyone about it. So the old saying comes into play, and that is.....”Oh hell, let George do it”, and that is just what all of the clubs here are doing, along with the Blue Ribbon Coalition, American Motorcycle Association, the ARRA etc. So if you are one of those that likes to go up and ride in the woods and use the trails (what’s left of them), you can thank the people that fight the fight for you.

Being in a club, means that you have some responsibility too, not just to go on the rides, but to help try and get more trails to ride on. On the other hand, you can sit back and “let George do it”, then I would suggest that you go to Craig’s list and sell your machine because sooner or later, you will have no place to ride them. I don’t know for sure, but I would assume that all three clubs up here are trying their best to make things better, but I also know for sure that we all can use a lot more help. So enough of that. I just wanted to let you know that the word “Political” is

the wrong word to use when you don't want to get involved. I would suggest that you use the word "unconcerned".

BUSINESS SUMMIT GATHERING

A while ago, I was asked if your club would like to be part of that Business Summit Gathering, sponsored by the Coeur d Alene Chamber of Commerce which was in the papers a week or so ago. I said of course, and asked what purpose it served? He said that it concerned bringing more people to Coeur d Alene. I was told that we were going to be the only ATV organization attending. I thought that was a good thing. As it turned out, Harold Morris and I attended. It was a one day affair and was held at Silverwood Park on a Wednesday, all day. There were about a hundred people there, mostly local businesses. There were a few very interesting speakers, which took up the first part of the day. After lunch, we had sort of a work shop type meeting. The group was divided up into three separate groups. Harold and I chose to sit in the group that was to discuss, various ways to attract tourists to Coeur d Alene. After a while of listening to them talk about subjects like Art on the Green, Iron Man races etc. I thought that I would add that we did have the forests up here and that there were many thousands of ATV's in Idaho, and many more in the bordering states. If we had more places to ride, we could have people here supporting the hotels, restaurants, parks etc. We just would like to have some assistance from the County Commissioners to help us try to convince the Forest Service and Fish and Game to let us have more places to ride. With that, the subject was promptly changed to the ski area up in Sandpoint. That took the rest of the time along with some suggestions that they all thought it would be great to have different types of dinners served at different restaurants. Of course there were many more suggestions, but nothing even close to our suggestions. It seemed that we disappeared right after we made our little talk. So at least, now we know where we stand with that sort of community. It was nice to be asked to a function like this, but very disappointing in the response we received.

IDAHO STATE ATV ASSOCIATION

I believe that we are getting down to the end of the by-laws changes. I think that it is in the fourth revision. I know that trying to make everyone happy with them as been a real big headache for Clark Collins. I have a feeling that this time, this organization is going to be around for a while, and not disappear like Gem State did.

BREAKFAST RIDE

This was another first for us. We had a great ride, going over to the Happy Hermit for breakfast. I only have one comment to make about the Happy Hermits breakfast. You had better be dam hungry when you go there to eat it, as there is more than you can eat, and it's great. I would like to thank Ron and his crew for taking care of us so well after we had to make so many changes in the schedule to get there. After we ate, we took off on a trail that John Fitzgerald led us on. We then went down to the air strip for a little break and some lunch, whereupon it rained on us. We headed back home after that. It turned out to be about a 60 mile

ride, and was lots of fun. I would also like to say, that if anyone has any other ideas for rides that we can do, please let us know.

BOARD MEMBERS

We will be having Board of Directors elected this month, so if you would like to be on the Board of Directors please let me know, if you can't make the meeting. If you make the meeting please make it known that you are interested.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

I know that it's early, but I just wanted to ask you all to try and keep a lookout for some donated items we can use at the Xmas party this year for our raffle. It will be a big help if we can get a lot of items this year, so please ask, early and beat the rush. This year we are going to support the general food bank. This is due to the fact that so many people are losing their jobs and homes that we thought that this would be the best thing to do. Remember, that they also have pets, so you can bring food for them too. Please bring all items to the Christmas party.

FREE WEB-SITES TO GET

I strongly recommend that you check out the following free 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.

NOTICE

As has happened in the past, there had been changes made to the ride schedule. It is virtually impossible for me to contact everyone on the phone to notify them. It would be advisable for you to check your e-mail just prior to a ride, to make sure that there have been no changes to it.

MEETING INFORMATION

The Board Meeting and the General Meeting will both be held at the PIZZA FACTORY on Appleway and Hwy 95 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:

Pizza Factory gives a 20% discount on meals

CDA Polaris gives a 10% discount on all accessories

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.

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

CHRISTMAS PARTY. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12TH.

It will be at the same place as we had it last year.

It is going to be at the Golden Spike Estates in Rathdrum. It is located on the south side of Rathdrum. Coming from the south on hwy 41, you go approximately six miles from Hwy I-90, north to W. Nagel Road. Turn left, go to the end of the street and turn left on N. Golden Spike Blvd. Go straight down Golden Spike to the end if the street. The Community Center is on your left side at the end of this street. The party will be on the 12th of December and start at 5PM until it's over. Please bring breads, desserts, salads or your favorite dish and your own drinks. If you have any questions please call 208-683-0526. Please make plans to attend, it's a great party.

FOR SALE

1. 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
2. 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.
3. Triangle shaped safety flags with the club logo on them for a whip pole for the rear of your ATV's. **\$8.00 ea.** Contact Bert for information 208.683.0526.
4. 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.
5. For your information, Rathdrum Drugs, where we get the logos printed, now have in stock various colors of long sleeve t-shirts. They also have short sleeve t-shirts with a pocket. 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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