



Boise ATV Trail Riders
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April 17, 2012 – Idaho Pizza Company

Regular Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Pauline Jones, Vice President

Doug Mason, President was not available. Pauline welcomed our new members, guests, and visiting area club officers. The Boise club officers were introduced. Leroy DeMond is in charge of training and classes. A list of training dates is available. There were 73 members in attendance. Because our guest speakers had previous commitments, they were introduced next.

Guest Speakers / Educational Topics:

- David Olson, Boise National Forest Public Affairs Officer, discussed the option of using social media such as Facebook and/or Twitter, to distribute maps available through their agency, and for emergency information. The club voiced an opinion that the BATR website was adequate.
- Mike Williamson, Boise National Forest Acting Information Manager and GIS Specialist, talked about the new maps available on their website. They will have a new “visitor to Idaho” map by end of the month. He would like to use some of our “action” photos for their pamphlets and maps. Their maps cover Mountain Home, Emmett, Lowman, Cascade, Idaho City, Donnelly, to Fairfield areas. Idaho Parks and Recreation has maps on their website that can be downloaded as a PDF file. Boise National Forest will soon have motorized trails coordinates that can plug into Garmin GPS. Mike was told that many of our club members have trails mapped on their personal GPS units. We can share by calling Mike at BNF. We will link our website to the BNF for these maps.
- Brenda Lahr, Membership Coordinator, from Air St. Luke’s presented information about their program that provides emergency medical transport throughout southern and central Idaho, eastern Oregon, and northern Nevada from bases in Boise and Twin Falls. They are offering a special discounted rate of \$45 for members of BATR. It will cover husband, wife, and dependent children. The fee waives any portion of the bill not covered by insurance. Air St. Luke’s has many partners – listed in the brochure. This service includes non-ATV situations. Dispatch number is 1-877-785-8537, but they prefer we use “911” who will then dispatch them. Bill Jones has a number of stickers that can be placed on the ATV and helmet. Use the application and agreement provided to BATR for the group rate. The rate runs for one year from date of sign up. Brenda brought two t-shirts and five hats that were later given through the club drawing.

General Business:

- Pauline announced the death of member, Adena Cook. She had been an ardent snowmobiler and member of the Blue Ribbon Coalition. Tom Glass then told the group about her memorial service.
- Secretary’s Report was given by Linda Colton. The notes were accepted as read. Full minutes are available on the website.
- Treasurer’s Report was given by Blake Burgess. He reported an ending cash balance of \$4,061. Two clubs have yet to reimburse he BATR for their share of costs related to the Sportsman Show. He has sent reminders to each club.
 - ✓ A motion was then made and seconded that we pay \$740.24 to D&B Supply for repair on chain saws and a tongue box for the trailer.
 - ✓ A motion was made and seconded that we accept the Treasurer’s report.
- Membership - Bonnie McBayer asked that members pick up their membership card and paper work if and/or when paying. Please fill out the volunteer / activity sheet so that we can see where your interest lay.
- Website Report – Pauline introduced Quinn and discussed members using the “search” box. Two new areas are the random highlight of photos and the ability to print member cards. The meeting agenda featured a Web Corner this month. In the past we had a marvelous newsletter that took an enormous

amount of time to produce. We now have the “Round-Up” offering information on the website in one place for those who do not like to surf the website. The sponsors have a dedicated area on the website called Sponsors Corner where they can use an open forum to post sales, promotion talk, and have access to upload their flyers. There are about 3,000 to 5,000 hits per month on the BATR website.

- Club Store – Pat and Bonnie said there were lots of new items to buy and to order.

Ticket Drawings:

- The first Ticket Drawing went to Clyde Phiffer (\$50) and next to Bill Chapman (\$50), and the Member Drawing was won by Don Hilton (\$50). Other prizes (two t-shirts and five hats) were donated by Air St. Luke’s to be given away using the raffle tickets.

Past/Future Rides & Events:

- Bob Sterling reported on his ride to Fossil Butte. There were about 23 people involved. They were stopped by authorities – Bob thinks because of so much illegal dumping in the area. He said that it was his habit to check stickers for the area, before the ride.
- Bill Jones reminded the club about the impromptu clean-up at Black’s Creek Reservoir on the 21st of April in conjunction with Earth Day. There are many torn up trails. Fences will be put up by the BLM due to the destruction. BLM will provide dumpsters for the clean-up. The Audubon Society will provide t-shirts to the first 40 volunteers arriving.
- Bill Jones said that there are at least three washouts at Danskin. The clean-up is scheduled for Wednesday, April 25th. Volunteers from Mountain Home area will start the clean-up from their side, and Canyon County will begin at the other to meet in the middle. It is a very dangerous culvert washout. Bring shovels. Forest Service will provide media coverage. All of the trails are in poor shape due to excess moisture this year.
- The Walmart Sports Safety Day is to be held April 28th. Volunteers who signed up to help were asked to convene after the meeting.
- Contact MJ or Scott Dickson for more information on the Silver City Endurance Run which will be held on June 23rd. They need ATV volunteers to help with streets. Contact Rick Harris, Canyon County ATV Club.
- The May 19th Jump Creek clean-up has been changed to Succor Creek.
- Haden Claiborne reminded us about the Black Butte ride, set for April 28th. The 8th Street trail needs to be worked on. Parks and Recreation will be seeing if it can get done. He also mentioned the great article by “Zimo” in the Idaho Statesman about our clean-up work.

New Business:

- The Board will take up the revision of our by-laws at their next meeting on May 3rd.
- The BATR trail maintenance trailer needed a lot of work. Bill has completed the major repairs and the rest can be done this fall. A motion was made and seconded to allow the Board to make decisions concerning when to complete the repairs, which is dependent on the budget for the rest of the year.
- Haden Claiborne reported for David Claiborne that the State meeting will be in northern Idaho on August 3, 4 and 5 this year. There will be rides all three days. All clubs are invited and encouraged to attend.

Political Updates:

- Haden mentioned the failure of HB542. The bill failed in the Senate by only a few votes. We will try again next year. Virgil Moore is the new director of Fish and Game.
- David Claiborne is willing to defend any of our club members “pro bono” if they are fined by Fish and Game for traveling on trails which F&G has deemed “no trespass.”
- The age designations for those needing a permit in Oregon were discussed. By January 1, 2014 everyone will need a permit.

Adjournment: 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: *Linda Colton, Secretary*

Next Meeting: May 15, 2012 – Idaho Pizza Company, Meridian