



**May 17, 2011 – Idaho Pizza Company**

## **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Meeting called to order by President, Doug Mason at 7:00 p.m.

- Doug welcomed all guests, including Ray Ingram, President of the Emmett Club and Tom Skogerson, President of the Kuna Club.

### **General Business:**

- **Secretary's Report** – Linda Colton read summarized minutes from the April meeting. The minutes were accepted as read.
- **Treasurer's Report** – Blake Burgess presented a Treasurer's Report indicating a cash balance of \$3,094 as of April 30, 2011.
  - **Bill Jones moved to approve payment of the Club's \$500 annual insurance premium, seconded by Leroy DeMond. Motion passed unanimously.**
- **Membership Report** – Mike Dahlmeir indicated that the membership numbers are in transition and is unable to provide a report at this time.
- **Club Store Report** – Bonnie McBrayer reported there are new hats, flags, sweat shirts etc. available for member purchase.
- **Media Report** – Bill Jones presented a note from Parks and Recreation regarding Title 49, which indicates who is exempt from license requirements. This only applies to Idaho open roads. Forest Services roads are only for licensed drivers. It is important to note which road rules apply to a driver of ATV's.
- **Website Report** – Pauline Jones has been able to fix the links on "Trail Photos by Location." After logging on to the BATR website, click on TRAIL TOPICS, then Trail Photos by Location. This section holds our ride journals from 2005 to 2009 sorted by location. Call her if you find broken links. Contact ride leaders listed on each of the journals if you have questions about the areas.

### **Past/Future Rides & Events:**

- **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hells Canyon Ride** – Sat-Mon, May 28-30. Jim Maxey briefly described the rides and reported that registration is still open. This is NOT a sanctioned club ride. There is a BBQ on Saturday night. A \$5 fee will get you tri-tip, beans and bread. Bring a side dish to share.
- **Trail Difficulty Guide** – Jim Maxey asks that all riders pay particular attention to the guide. He is concerned with youth and toddlers attending rides rated as intermediate or difficult.

- **Ride Training** – Jim Maxey and Darrel McCracken took four beginning riders to Swan Falls, and to Big Foot Bar. If you need training, please make a FIRM commitment. If you have requests, please indicate if you need to learn to deal with rocks, ruts or creek crossings, etc. Jim is working on some exploratory rides.
- **Dealer Event / Open House** – On Tuesday, June 7 at Snake River Yamaha, 2957 E Fairview, Meridian, 6-8 p.m. There will be specials on parts and machines, demos, etc.
- **Past Ride Reports** – Ray Ingram reported that a couple weeks ago a group “played around in the mud and dust.” Ray reiterated the need to pay attention to the posted ride difficulty guides.
- **Training Opportunities** – We are missing the #30 Chain Saw. It has a 16” bar. If you have information, please call Bill Jones.
  - There was a Chain Saw Safety Use class held recently. They shared the training area with “Back Country Horsemen.”
  - There will be an Adult First Aid and Safety class on May 25<sup>th</sup> 6 p.m. at SSC in Meridian. Cost is \$5.
  - Certified training - Leroy DeMond, Bill Jones, Pauline Jones, Mike Dahlmeir and Carl Bloomquist are the only “certified” ATV trainers. Leroy manages the ATV Training Requests that come through the website; Darrell McCracken is training those who want to become a ride leader; Bill teaches CPR, ATV training and GPS; and Carl teaches the ATV training. If you desire this training, fill out requests on the website.
- **Impromptu Rides** – Any BATVR member can post an impromptu ride on the website, but he/she must be logged on first.
- **Past Ride Reports** –
  - Gordon Reed discussed the Danskin Cleanup.
  - Rusty Skogerson reported that the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual OTC (Owyhee Trail Cleanup) will be May 19<sup>th</sup> at the Diamond Basin Corral. Last year there were over 75 machines. There is a chili cook-off this year with two judges. Bring a side dish to share.
  - Rusty also brought up the idea of developing a t-shirt with all the five local clubs: Boise, Emmett, Kuna, Canyon (Nampa/Caldwell) and Mountain Home logos on the t-shirt along with the Idaho State ATV Association logo. Purpose is to use unity while working on the trails and at social events.
    - **A motion was made and approved that the club allow the organizers to use the BATR logo on a t-shirt (along with other local area club logos), which will symbolize the unity of participating club group projects.**

**Ticket Drawing: Winner of the “Split Pot Raffle” is Mark Messing - \$58**

#### Old and New Business:

- Doug reported that the Board met on May 12<sup>th</sup>.
  - The Audit Report was presented by Mary Jo and Scott Dickson. Their findings and recommendations are under consideration.
  - Bylaw language and minor changes are being deliberated and will be presented at the June meeting for membership approval at the July meeting.
  - Regular meeting frameworks were discussed.

- Doug announced a Board and Committee Meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup> at SSC, 6:30 p.m.

#### Political Updates:

- Idaho State ATV Association Rep Report – David Claiborne was not available. No action at this time.

#### Membership Open Discussion:

- Newsletter editor needs stories, articles, history lessons, maintenance do's and don'ts. Info must be to Mary Jo Dickson before the end of each month, preferably a week before.
- Do NOT use Ethanol in ATV's. The club needs to find a dealer who will give us a report on the effects of ethanol. This would be a good topic for meetings.
- A person MUST be First Aid certified to be a ride leader.
- Ray Ingram announced a Potluck on Saturday night (June 4<sup>th</sup>) at the Sage Hen Cleanup.
- Rides are now listed on the back of the monthly meeting agenda. Please share with members who do not have access to computers.

#### Membership Drawing:

- The membership number drawn was "479," belonging to **David and Kathy Leisure**. They were not present, and missed out on a \$163 prize.

#### Other:

- Jim Maxey announced the following –

Our President, Doug Mason was named "Small Business Person of the Year," for the City of Meridian.

Congratulations Doug.

Next meeting is June 21, 2011 at Idaho Pizza Co. in Meridian.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by: *Linda Colton*, Secretary