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PANTRA NEWSLETTER MARCH 2010

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 Randy Nilles: Activities

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Dan Pearse Family, Scott Wisecarver Family, Jared Alme, David Stodgell,
 Tyrel Melvin Family, David Lawless and Jeanne Dubert, David Doyle Family,
 Carl and Esther Jackson

Next General Meeting February 10, 2010 at Pizza Factory

3904 E. Mullan Ave. Post Falls, ID 83854

Social Hour 6-7 pm with all you can eat pizza and pop \$7.00 General Meeting starts at 7pm

Ongoing Events Calendar

Board Meeting	March 1
Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District Building	
General Meeting	March 10
MRP Arenacross, Kalispell, MT	March 12, 13
Playday & BBQ at LLORV	March 21
Adopt-A-Street	April 3
Desert 100	April 10-11
Kids Ride	April 18
Seattle Supercross	April 24
6th Annual Ladies Ride	May 2
Memorial Day Weekend	May 29-31
MRP Endurocross, Bonners Ferry ID	June 11, 12
SWAP meet, MRP Endurocross, CdA	July 9, 10
Fathers Day Campout	June 19-20
SWAP meet, MRP Arenacross, CdA	August 6, 7
Annual Picnic	August 11
MRP Fair Arenacross, CdA	August 25, 26
Labor Day Weekend	September 3-6
MRP Endurocross, St. Maries, ID	September 4, 5
Entiat/ Mad River/ Devil's Backbone	September 22-26
24 Hour Race	Oct 30-31
2nd Annual Turkey and Mud Fling	November 25
Christmas Party	December 4

General Meeting Agenda

- > Ladies Ride
- > Canfield Cleanup
- > Adopt-a-shop

PANTRA'S Newest Member: Dylan Henry Vranich



February 2, 2010 8lb 4.5 oz 20 inches

We got to meet Dylan at the Liberty Lake Hot Dog Ride. We are looking forward to the day he can join us on the trail!

Proud parents Tyler and Christie Vranich



We've been in Post Falls almost 4 years now. Christie is a beginner on her TTR-125 while I'm enjoying my KTM 250XC. We look forward to camping with everyone and learning the riding areas. Tyler's forum user name is TV.

EVENT/RIDE REPORTS

Ladies weekend at Quinn's Hot Springs

It was another wonderful weekend of soaking and relaxing in those hot mineral pools at Quinns. Five ladies went this year and we hope some of the new members will join in next year.

Motorcycle show

We were presented with a few changes this year. After receiving notice and announcing to the members we were in the hall again, the organizers moved us inside the main room when we arrived to set the booth up. It took some calling to arrange for our booth attendants to pick up their entry credentials, but who is better at quick adaptation than dirt bikers? The PANTRA booth inside location greatly increased the traffic and interest. The videos were a hit again, with the added helmet cam footage being a favorite. We met some very nice dirt bikers and we may get to see some of them again at a meeting or a ride.



Ride at Liberty Lake ORV

Steve Bertone's post to ride at Liberty Lake ORV Feb 20 turned into a real gathering. Over 30 people showed for riding, eating and camaraderie. After a cool start to the day, the bright sun warmed us and made for a beautiful riding event. Steve led the kids for several loops of the park, Larry White met with the Ranger to plan a spring workday and Tommy White was the grill master, perfecting the sausages and dogs. Thanks to Bo and Sherri for the heater, Janet White for arranging the food and thanks to everyone for the great fun and camaraderie that makes PANTRA such a great group!



Sam and Mark Lynn



Lynns at LLORV

When is the next Ride and BBQ?

Playday and BBQ March 21 hosted by Randy Nilles

March 21st we will have a Playday at Liberty Lake ORV Park. Liberty Lake is a great place for all levels of riding so we are having it here this year. There will also be a BBQ with water and soda. So bring your bikes, appetites, and let's ride!



Bertone boys at 7-Mile

LAND USE NEWS

Subject: WOHVA donation thanks!

Dear Panhandle Trail Riders Association,

On behalf of the Washington Off Highway Vehicle Alliance, I'd like to sincerely thank you for your \$500 donation to our Legal fund. My apologies for not sending this sooner but I've not been to our PO Box for several weeks.

We're deep in the midst of a legal battle right now fighting to get back our NOVA funds and your donation will be very helpful. I also appreciate that PANTRA is a WOHVA member club.

Thanks ever so much for your support ... it means a lot to us and will help us succeed in our legal battle!

Sincerely,
Byron Stuck
OHVA President
<http://www.WOHVA.org>
nmatrust@hotmail.com

Okanogan/Colville National Forest Plan Revision

Greetings-- Please follow link to the Colville and Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forests - Forest Plan Revision Team's Winter 2009/2010 newsletter to catch up on what is happening with plan revision:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/wenatchee/forest-plan/current/documents/winter-2009-10-plan-revision-newsletter.pdf>

We're also in the process of updating the project mailing list-- so, we'd like to encourage you to confirm your interest in remaining on this e-mail list by May 14, 2010 by replying to this message or logging onto the webpage and updating your information there:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/wenatchee/forest-plan/contact/index.shtml>

Thank you for your assistance.
Debbie Kelly, Public Affairs Specialist

AMA Urges Action to Prevent Trail Funding From Being Slashed in Budget President's Budget Proposal Would Slash Trail Funding Take Action!

Write your Senators and Representatives Today!

On February 1, President Obama submitted his proposed budget for fiscal year (FY) 2011 to Congress. One proposed cut could be disastrous for motorized trail users.

Buried in the nearly 200-page document is one paragraph dealing with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Capital Improvement and Maintenance (CIM) program. The CIM program funds improvements, maintenance and the operation of U.S. Forest Service roads, trails and recreation infrastructure.

You can find contact information for your elected officials at AmericanMotorcyclist.com, click on "Rights," then "Issues & Legislation," and enter your zip code in the "Find your Officials" box. Additionally, a prewritten e-mail is available for you to send to your federal elected official immediately by following the "Take Action" option and entering your information. There is more information on the PANTRA forum

Access Fees coming to a recreation site near you

There are several reports on the PANTRA.org forums about user fees coming. Check out these subjects:

Goldmark wants to charge you for using DNR-managed lands
Fees coming to a National Forest near you

Board Meeting Minutes

February 3, 2010

~Present: Larry White, Janet White, Bo Steiner, Randy Nilles, Steve Bertone, Mike Meehan. Don Grome per tele-conference

~Condensing format on website: The forum layout has been changed in order to make the front page smaller & bring the legislative information to the top so it is more readily accessible.

~OHV Committee report – Larry White: OHV committee with IDPR plan for Hell's canyon trail work. The plan is to move the trail out of the creek and make a two way trail. OHV Park – Next step is to talk with the land owner & look at IDL/IDPR pilot project in Idaho City.

~Ladies Ride: Discussion on what the State Parks is requiring us to do in order to hold the ride at 7 Mile. ~Do we want to start carrying insurance for rides and events? Will need to take it to the membership.

~DNR Draft Strategic Plan: Board members walked to Spokane Public Library and attended DNR meeting. There was discussion about motorized recreation and the fact that it was not included in the Draft Strategic Plan., Members left written comments for the DNR stating their dissatisfaction.

February Meeting Minutes

General Meeting February 10, 2010

~Bryant Robinson from Spokane County Parks was a guest speaker. He is now the only ranger at Liberty Lake Park. The budget didn't allow for a second ranger this year. He wants help in reporting crime in parks: Crime check 457-2233 for non emergency reporting. There is also an online system for reporting to Crime Check go to the County Website to find the link. He has asked horse riders as well as MX riders to report illegal access, dumping, and harvesting trees.

~Kids ride April 18, cleanup and repairs to Liberty Lake ORV Park will be needed before that date. Look for more information in the newsletter & forums.

~Trail clearing miles please report your clearing hours & mileage on the forums or by using one of the contacts on the front of the newsletter.

~Equipment for trail Tools are available for checkout from Bo Steiner, Tom Wuest and Mike Meehan.

~Membership – Mike Meehan: Members will volunteer to Adopt-A-Shop & keep them supplied with brochures, attend special shop days, be liaison to that shop. Members can also pick up brochures at the meetings to distribute to other riders.

~Legislative Land Use – Steve Bertone: The Board attended the DNR Draft Strategic Plan meeting in Spokane on Feb 3. We voiced the need for support of motorized recreation.

~Ladies Ride Permit and Insurance: Riverside state park is requiring a permit and event insurance for the Ladies Ride. Steve and Larry have been communicating with Moose and his superiors about clarification of this issue. Larry is getting insurance quotes. At this point we will need to purchase insurance or move the Ladies Ride. Will continue to work on it at the board meeting March 1, and be able to present it at the General Meeting on March 10 for the membership to vote on what the club wants to do.



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