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PANTRA NEWSLETTER APRIL 2010

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Paul Susbauer, Jeremiah Belmont family, Gale Campbell, Ed Carlson family,
 Alan Meyers, Ben and Erica Danforth

Next Club Meeting April 14, 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/\$5.00 General Meeting starts at 7pm

Ongoing Events Calendar

Board Meeting

Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District Building TBA on forum
 Adopt-A-Street Canfield Cleanup April 3
 Desert 100 April 10-11

General Meeting

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
 24 Hour Race Oct 30-31
 2nd Annual Turkey and Mud Fling November 25
 Christmas Party December 4

General Meeting Agenda

Guest Speaker from Colville National Forest/Batey Bould
 Kid's Ride
 Ladies Ride

Odessa Bike Week starts immediately before the Desert 100. Dirt bikes, camping, ride from camping into town. April 8-10. Link on Desert 100 thread on forum.

Adopt-a-Street and Canfield Cleanup April 3

This year we are combining the road cleanup with Canfield Mountain cleanup. We are meeting for Adopt-a-Street at the intersection of Nettleton Gulch Rd and 15th Street in Coeur d'Alene at 8:00 AM Saturday April 3rd. Following that we will meet at the Nettleton Gulch Parking Lot for the Canfield Clean up at 9:00. Bring motorcycles, saws, brushcutters and pulaskis for some trail work and maybe some fun. The city supplies orange garbage bags, but bring your own gloves. Be sure to dress for the weather. Let's have a good turn out, the more the merrier!

Kid's Ride and Poker Ride April 18

The kid's ride is coming up soon. It will be on Sunday April 18 at Liberty Lake ORV Park. This is a PANTRA only event, but we welcome new member sign-ups at the ride. There will be a poker ride route marked up in the park as well as a barbecue and prizes for the poker hands. The local shops are generous to donate prizes for our kids.

Adopt-A-Shop

• Volunteers are needed to adopt a local shop. You would be the contact person for the shop, coordinate donations, and keep the shop supplied with PANTRA brochures. When the shop has a special event, the adopter would attend and promote the club. Sign up for your favorite shop on the Pantra forum or contact Mike Meehan 208-772-5138.

- New BUSINESS MEMBERSHIPS to PANTRA:
 - \$100.00 per year
 - Advertise in newsletter-one page insert, front will spotlight a shop on a rotating basis and the back will have business card ads from all the participating shops.
 - Free memberships for employees in shops
 - Newsletter – one mailed to each shop, employee members receive theirs via email
 - PANTRA sticker for the shop window

Introducing: Tyler Carlson



Tyler and his parents Ed and Molly joined PANTRA after attending the March general meeting. Ed and Tyler joined in the riding and fun at the Playday at Liberty Lake.

EVENT/RIDE REPORTS

Playday and BBQ at LLORV March 21

Despite showers and cool temperatures, many PANTRA Members attended the recent Playday and BBQ at Liberty Lake ORV Park. We got to meet and ride with some new members for the first time. Doug and Theresa Doyle, Tyrel, Luke and Sarah Melvin, Ed, Molly and Tyler Carlson all came out for their first PANTRA event. Steve Bertone led his kids and Harley Pagano on a mud puddle test session. Unfortunately, Steve injured his knee later in the day. Best wishes for a rapid return to the trails, Steve.



A little chilly, but lots of fun at the Liberty Lake playday

Many thanks to Janet White for organizing the BBQ, Austin Steiner and Janet for cooking, to all those who contributed to the snack and treat potluck and for all those members who attended and made our Playday a fun day.

LAND USE NEWS

OHV Committee Report

After a meeting with the property owner, the OHV committee had a session mapping some of the existing trails on the parcel. A meeting in the next two weeks will finalize a proposal to present to the owner for consideration of the lease.

Work Day at Liberty Lake ORV Park March 6

We had beautiful weather for riding and working. We restored several trails between the upper and lower main roads to ease use by beginners, made some fence repairs and did some general clean-up at the trail head.

Thanks to Jeremy and Andy from H and E Equipment Services of Coeur d'Alene for the use of the dozer. Also, thanks to Bryant Robinson, Spokane County Park Ranger and the Spokane County Parks Department. for transport of the machine.



Bo, Sherri, and Lindy by the parking lot

Thanks to long-time Pantra Member Doug Peery for operating the dozer. Thanks to Lindy for repairing the trail entrance and water bars around the parking lot. We were able to perform maintenance on the drainage system sedimentation ponds, water bars all over the park, and restore the treads of several of the wider easier trails between the roads so beginning riders can make loops.



Doug Peery working on a water bar at LLORV cleanup

Thanks to Bo Steiner for help in spotting areas for repair and for supervising the work in the parking lot. Thanks to all the Pantra Members for their help and support in maintaining Liberty Lake ORV Park.

WA Senate Bill SB6444, Section 924 (page 265)

The legislature finds that the appropriation of funds from the NOVA account during the 2009-2011 fiscal biennium for maintenance and operation of state parks or to improve accessibility for boaters and off-road vehicle users at state parks will benefit boaters and off-road vehicle users and others who use nonhighway and nonmotorized recreational facilities.

This is an outright lie. Offroad vehicle users have not and will not benefit from the misappropriation of NOVA funds to State Parks.

Let both of your WA House of Representatives members know today. Suggesting that they amend HB6444 to delete the false statement in section 924 would be a good thing

March General Meeting Highlights

- Grant money can be used to make equipment mounts for the PANTRA trailer. The Board presented to the membership a proposal to purchase a spool gun and materials to use with a borrowed welder to manufacture equipment mounts for the trailer as well as a build chain saw mounts for bikes. Ideas were brought up to purchase a welder or hire NIC's Welding School to build the needed mounts for the club. It was voted on to hire NIC's Welding School.

- Business memberships adopted
- Club Insurance and Ladies ride: Insurance is required by Riverside State Park for the ladies ride to be held at 7-mile. Choices for the club are: cancel the ride, move the ride, or purchase insurance, either one day event or annual. After discussion, the club voted to purchase annual insurance for up to \$999.00. The vote was 17 yes, 1 no, 6 abstain.

Larry has an estimate of about \$1000. Contessa Belmont is going to get more quotes before purchasing.

- Need to start planning for the kid's ride and start asking shops for donations. Post on forum.

Northeast Washington Sustainable Tourism and Recreation Team Background

Local economic development, tourism and public land management organizations from the tri-county area are hosting a Northeast Washington Recreation and Tourism Vision Workshop on **Saturday, April 10, 2010 from 9AM to 3PM at the Chewelah Civic Center.** The workshop will feature information sharing, dialogue, and other activities to enhance understanding of local recreation and tourism trends, needs, and opportunities. Participants will develop themes, discuss opportunities, and define roles locals can play in the delivery of a recreation and tourism vision. By working together on a common vision, communities in northeast Washington can combine efforts to maximize benefits from recreation and tourism.

This workshop is being sponsored by the Northeast Washington Sustainable Tourism and Recreation Team (NEWSTART), with representatives from Ferry, Pend Oreille and Stevens County. Over the last several months, NEWSTART has been collecting important local recreation and tourism information from stakeholders, focus groups, recreation and tourism providers, recreation enthusiasts, and others. As they continue work to create and implement a recreation and tourism vision for Northeast Washington, NEWSTART will continue draw on input and support from people and organizations that are committed to the enhancement and sustainability of recreation and tourism in the tri-county area.

The workshop is scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 2010 from 9AM to 3PM at the Civic Center in Chewelah, WA located next to the Chewelah Public Library on East Clay Avenue. Lunch will be provided, donations appreciated. Please RSVP by April 7 to Bjorn Fredrickson: 447-7322 or bfredrickson@fs.fed.us.

NeWStArt has asked PANTRA to be involved in the upcoming discussions and help answer these **Key Questions:**

- What outdoor recreation opportunities is your organization interested in and/or focused on providing and why?
- Describe what makes a quality outdoor recreation experience for your organization and what is needed to enhance this experience.
- What can your organization provide to address the interests and needs discussed above? (How can your organization assist in a community based outdoor recreation and tourism planning effort?)
- Explain the key/essential benefits to your organization from outdoor recreation and tourism in Northeast Washington. (What can a community based outdoor recreation and tourism planning effort do for your organization?)

March Board Meeting

~Grant reimbursement ~Kid's Ride
~Ladies Ride and insurance ~Adopt-a-Shop

Full board meeting minutes available at general meetings and e-mail by request to: info@pantra.org



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