

Notes from the President

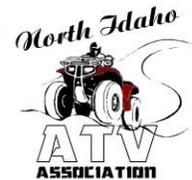
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The mission of the ISATVA is to focus on six primary areas: Participation, Education, Land Management, Lobbying, Cooperation, and Advancement.

Dear ISATVA Chapter Representatives,

Well I didn't make it very well getting out monthly updates. My last update to everyone was in April, 2016. So, this update covers our state association's events and happenings since April – so basically the summer months.

2016 ANNUAL MEETING. The 2016 annual meeting was held in Wallace, Idaho on August 19-21. It included some great rides. A special thanks to North Idaho ATV and High Mountain ATV for being our hosts. Photos can be viewed at <https://www.facebook.com/ISATVA/>. We had a great raffle with lot's of neat prizes. David Claycomb from IDPR, and Tom Crimmins from the IDPR Board joined us for the potluck. If you haven't gone to an annual meeting, you should. It is a great way to meet club members from all over the state and see some new riding areas. We had 9 of our 20 clubs represented at this year's event.



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2017 ANNUAL MEETING. There was discussion regarding where to meet in 2017. Topping the list is Mackay or Mountain Home (actually the mountains North of Mountain Home). The officers will be discussing this soon and we will let you know what is decided.

2016-2017 OFFICERS. The officers elected for the next year's term are the following:

President – David Claiborne (Boise ATV)

Vice President, Government Affairs – Frank Axtell (North Idaho ATV)

Vice President, Membership – Terry Ristow (Mountain Home ATV)

Treasurer – Rusty Faircloth (Mountain Home ATV)

Secretary – Kent Oliver (Magic Valley ATV)

CLUB VISITS . This past year I personally made visits to monthly meetings of Canyon County ATV, Boise ATV, Idaho UTV, and Eagle Rock ATV. I am planning to meet with Upper Valley ATV and Mountain Home ATV in the coming months. Of course I also spent time with North Idaho ATV and High Mountain ATV during the annual meeting. Do you want

an ISATVA officer to visit a club meeting? Please just let me know, and when you prefer, and we will get something set up so that we can visit with your members on a face-to-face visit and let them know what ISATVA is doing.

2017 LEGISLATION – NON-RESIDENT FEES. A significant topic of discussion as of late has been a proposal to add a non-resident sticker fee, much like what is already done with snowmobiles. At a recent meeting of the Idaho Recreation Council there was a unanimous vote to propose and support legislation that would impose a non-resident OHV sticker fee. Discussion has surrounded where that money should go – to the ORMV fund for grant programs, or to local/county OHV recreation programs. No consensus has been reached in this regard. What we need at this time is input from you, our local clubs, as to what you and your members would like to see.

The concept of a non-resident fee is appealing because it ensures all users pay to play, and it will generate additional revenue for our OHV trails programs. One negative would be the potential loss of reciprocity recognition of our sticker by other states – although that list is dwindling as most states are adopting a pay to play model for all users, resident and nonresident. What I need to know at this time is whether your club has a strong opposition to adopting non-resident OHV sticker fees in Idaho. All clubs at the state meeting supported the concept.

So, if your club has an objection, please let me know no later than September 18, 2016, as we need to begin working on the details.

Thank you all, and enjoy the trails!

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