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Means Dry Lake after it rained 4 inches in 18 hour period October 2018.

Editors Message:

Currently, my Black Jeep which I use for more difficult trails is still not ready for prime time. It will be soon, I have a few more modifications and adjustments. Remember functionality is always more important than cute.

I had to cancel my 2 runs this summer Dishpan because of flashflood risk and Bishop to Bridgport because the Forest Service shutdown all forest in California because of fire risk. First it is COVID then it is flooding then it is fire, what a year. I do believe that 2022 will be a nice normal boring year with lots of outdoor activities.

Webmaster Chris does a great job of keeping run information current. www.dirtdevils.org.

October 22nd is our annual running planning meeting at my home in Modjeska. Start planning for 2022.

New members are encouraged to attend run planning.

Did you know that Jeeps have been built in India since the 1960s. Did you know Jeeps often show up in their movies? The Indian film industry is based in Mumbai (formerly Bombay) and is commonly referred to as Bollywood. <https://cj3b.info/Movie/Bollywood.html>

Cal4Wheel win a 2021 Jeep Wrangler modified by Metal Cloak. www.cal4wheel.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=WIN22&Category=WIN



See you on the trail.
Ron Webber



VP Nicolle is the proud owner of the Dick Cepek Tire poster

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New members

July

Curt Champlin has a 2013 JK with 37's, coil overs, did Last Chance Canyon, and

Holcomb Creek. Rob G said Curt's jeep is very well built, Curt is a mechanic and works on JKs a lot

• **Harry Long** has 2012 JK with, 33's. Don Anderson in Big Bear has been his instructor. Ran Stoddard Wells and Heartbreak Ridge, he loves the camaraderie with the club and the assistance with spotting. He ran Heartbreak Ridge with Allan; Allan said he had no issues and Harry is friendly.

• **Carlos & Paula Bautista** have a 2021 Rubicon diesel (stock but he's ready to modify). Did Clarks Grade and Paula did the ladies run with Shawna last weekend (her first time driving off road). Shawna stated that the Bautista's are eager off roaders, and a good strong family.

September

Carlos, Paula Bautista and daughter Kathryn 2021 Rubicon Diesel

Terry Olson 2020 Gladiator after many guests appearances Terry is now a new Dirt Devil.

Edward Andrews 2016 JKU

Roger and Juanita Johnson 2012 Wrangler 2nd visit

Guest

September

Bruce and Annalene Grant 2019 JLU sport 1st visit

Travis Bair and Kerry Dang 99TJ & 2000 WJ

Ja-Hon Suh 2019 Toyota 4runner

Todd Hooper 2016 JK 1st visit

Sean Cummings 2018 JLU

July

Bruce and Annalene Grant 2019 JLU sport 1st visit

Mike and Sheri Costigan 2017 Rubicon

Russ and Donna Colby Jeep WK Cherokee

Craig Wrobel 2001 TJ

Cory Elliott 2018 JL

Roger and Juanita Johnson 2012 Wrangler 2nd visit

Terry Olson Gladiator 8+ visits

Rick Doria 2020 JLUREcon 4th visit

Todd Hooper 2016 JK 1st visit

June

Carlos and Paula Baustista 2021 Rubicon Diesel 1st visit

Bruce and Annalene Grant 2019 JLU sport 1st visit

Roger and Juanita Johnson 2012 Wrangler 1st visit

John Enverga 2005 TJ 1st visit

Rick Doria 2020 JLUREcon 3rd visit

Edward Andrews 2016 JKU 2nd visit

Scott Kahle 2004 LJ 10th visit

Tim Costello 4 Runner 2nd visit

Terry Olson Gladiator 7+ visits

Randy Hardt 2005 TJ 3 visits

HAM update/report.

Jay Van Wormer went over the club license for the new members/guests.

o If you are interesting getting your HAM license, the HAM radio testing pool questions are on the club website. There are 100 questions in the pool and they pull 35 questions for the test, you can get 9 wrong and still pass. If you study, you can pass the test. Jay encourages members to get licensed.

o Live classes are starting to come up again, testing and radio information on the HAM & CB Radio tab on the club website.

o The FCC is looking to mandate a \$50 fee for licenses (currently free) so if you want to get your license, now is the time to do it.

o There are lots of advantages of HAM over CB, you have more distance for communication, better quality.

o Handheld radios are fine for the club but are not as efficient as the mounted radio with an exterior antenna.

Trail politics



Defend your right to enjoy the great outdoors.

Stay active, support my golf

www.cal4wheel.com/

www.sierra access coalition

www.corva.org

www.sharetrails.org

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Second lawsuit filed against Coastal Commission by Friends of Oceano

<https://www.ksby.com/news/local-news/friends-of-oceano-dunes-files-another-lawsuit-against-ca-coastal-commission>

C.O.R.V.A. – Vinnie

Do we want to make a donation to CORVA this month?

Suggestion: \$500

Oceano Dunes update:

o CORVA was exploring the possibly having a ballot measure to keep Oceano Dunes open on the 2022 ballot – this would have been cost prohibitive so they scrapped that idea. Their strategy is to use their expertise to continue fighting. There is still another

lawsuit going on with the coastal commission and American Sand Association.

o If they take away this SVRA, they will start taking them all away. Carnegie was paid for with the OHV funds and now they want to take away that expansion area.

o Home construction is going in Gorman right next to Hungry Valley SVRA, you can anticipate a fight to save Hungry Valley in the future.

o Vinnie encouraged the new members to support CORVA/Cal4wheel

o Vinnie submitted the application to Ocotillo Wells for the 2022 Truckhaven Challenge and would like the Dirt Devils to run the communication center again like in 2020. Vinnie will be looking for volunteers to help run the Registration Booth and also to man a checkpoint.

o Sand Sport show will be in Ontario this year.

o Rigs & Brews event in Mid-August has invited CORVA to have a booth at that event.

o Rather than large donations, Vinnie suggested smaller monthly donations over a longer period and also suggested the club donate to Friends of Oceano Dunes who is the lead proponent in the lawsuit. There was a discussion about the clubs past donation to CORVA

o Motion to donate \$500.00 to The Friends of Oceano Dunes presented by Vinnie, seconded by Jay. 2 nays, 0 abstentions, rest ayes. Motion Passed.

San Bernardino Forest News

08/20/2021



New Forest Supervisor for San Bernardino National Forest

<https://www.sbsun.com/2021/08/20/new-manager-named-for-san-bernardino-national-forest/>

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/sbnf/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD943981>

<https://www.pe.com/2021/08/20/new-manager-named-for-san-bernardino-national-forest/>

Big Bear News – Danelle D. Harrison has been tapped to lead the San Bernardino National Forest as its new Forest Supervisor. She reported for duty yesterday morning, replacing Tom Hall, who temporarily led the Forest over the last four months and returns to his position in Washington D.C. as a legislative affairs specialist.

As Forest Supervisor for the San Bernardino National Forest, Harrison will oversee a large staff covering all aspects of the Forest, including fire and aviation management, recreation, natural resource management, partnerships and community affairs.

“I am not only excited, but am privileged to serve in this role,” Harrison said. “Community is everything, and I am delighted to roll up my sleeves with such engaged employees, partners and stakeholders.”

Harrison is continuing a long career with the U.S. Forest Service, which began in 1999 on a seasonal trail crew on the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest outside Seattle, WA. Since then, she’s enjoyed a wide variety of experience, such as conducting entomological research at the Forest Service’s Southern Research Station in Louisiana, serving as a pre-sale forester on the Green Mountain National Forest in Vermont, and leading an integrated resource restoration pilot program for the agency out of its Washington D.C. headquarters.

Harrison was later the Deputy Forest Supervisor on the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit and has served as an acting forest supervisor on the Cleveland and Modoc national forests. She most recently was the post fire recovery coordinator for the Pacific Southwest Region.

Her education includes a Bachelor of Science degree in Forest Resource Management from Tuskegee University and a Master of Science degree in Urban Forestry from Southern University and A&M College.

In her spare time, Harrison enjoys traveling, visiting museums and describes herself as a voracious reader and an adventurous eater. Harrison loves sunshine and the outdoors and is very interested in the watersheds and ecology of Southern California.

Run Reports



July holiday party in Modjeska.

We said our goodbyes to Rob & Karen who are moving to Arizona where the grass is greener.

Lockwood-Miller Jeep Trail

September 25th

Members: Ray and Karen, Bill and Donna, Mike and Nancy, Pete, Randy, Edward, Doug and Mark, Nick, Mark and Darlene, Alan and Ryan, and myself and Linda. Guests: Curt and Ryan, Bruce and Annalene, and Ryan. 14 well-equipped Jeeps.

We reached the first obstacle at the first climb of Lockwood with some trying it out and others taking the bypass. Edward was in the middle of the obstacle when his tube slider began to bend up into the vehicle body causing the need for him to winch the jeep forward. After the winch job, he noticed that the tube slider had bent into the rear tire causing the need for the tube slider to be removed. Edward mentioned afterwards that he had a new rock slider waiting at home to be installed.

We found a nice place to eat lunch just before reaching Miller Jeep Trail. During lunch Mark and Darlene discovered they had a broken mounting bracket on the shock. Mark removed the shock to reach the bracket and luckily, Ryan (guest), had a small welding machine on board and welded the bracket back together. Thank you, Ryan.

After lunch we headed on Miller Jeep Trail, our last leg of the Run. We climbed up Alamo Mountain slow and easy with no further problems. Reaching the top, there was a nice forestry road to exit to Hungry Valley State Vehicle Recreation area where we aired up and everyone was headed home by 6:00 pm.

At the beginning of the day the air was smokey from the northern fires, but as time passed the atmosphere cleared and the weather reached low 80s, making for a nice pleasant afternoon and a great Run

Thanks to all the members and guests who showed up for the Lockwood-Miller Jeep Trail Run

Danny Ward

Ham radio news

The club now has its own license

Jay announced that the FCC has issued the Dirt Devils a club license Jay applied for a vanity call sign and got the approval this morning. Our new club call sign is KK1DD. In order to use the club call sign on runs, we will need to have a ham control operator (someone with a HAM radio call sign) on every run.

the club having its own license gives us the option of having non-licensed people on our runs being able to use their ham radios with the club call sign as long as they are on a run with a licensed operator.

We strongly encourage everyone get their own license.

Please See Mike Wallace for help Programming your HAM Radios.

Run Calendar

For Run details go to DirtDevils.org then click on [2021 Run reports](#)

The forest service does require an Adventure pass <https://www.fs.fed.us/portaldata/r5/ap/r5-ap-vendors.php>

October

9th Gold Mountain Run Cancelled

16th – 17th Anza Borrego Cancelled

23rd Run Planning 2022

4:00pm

Where: Ron & Emi Webber's house Modjeska CA 92676

Ron's phone: 714 715 5692 cell

Difficulty Rating: easy drive through Santiago Canyon to Modjeska

Run Type: Day Run

RSVP: ronjp@outlook.com
Subject line: DD run planning

Program: Burgers with all the fixins' will be served
Bring chairs and a side dish
Start thinking where you want to go.
All runs will need a run leader to coordinate the event.
It is ok for there to be 2 run leaders.
Rain or shine we will be inside.
go to www.dirtdevils.org for details

30th Saddleback Mtn Halloween evening Run
Leader: Rob Gabrielson
Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

November

2nd [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange
4th – 7th Mojave Trail Leader: Chris Slaughter
Colorado River to Barstow 2 nights of the trail
12th – 14th Panamint Valley Days CAL4wheel event
20th Rattlesnake Canyon Run Leader: Jay VanWormer
Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

December

7th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange
4th Calico Run Leader: Ron Webber
18th Holiday lights Run Leader: Rob Rien
Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

➤ **Please See Mike Wallace for any Programming of HAM Radios**

Club info

The Dirt Devils are a 501(c)(7) corporation
Meeting Time and Place
First Tuesday each month, 7:00 p.m.
Zito's Pizza,
2036 Tustin Street, Orange, CA 92865
(714) 974-6191
Corner of Tustin Street and Meats Street (drive west on
Meats plenty of parking in the rear of the restaurant with
DIRECT ACCESS to the Meeting Room)
www.zitospizza.com

Club officers

President: Tim Thomas prez@dirtdevils.org
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the emergency response team makes themselves available
to help with our adopt a trail, Dish Pan.
CAL4 wheel reps: Jesse May and Keith Graham
CORVA rep: Vinnie Barbarino / 80hiluxcrawler@gmail.com

Dirt Devil Emails:

If it is necessary to make a general announcement to fellow dirt devils send an email to members@dirtdevils.org and the web master will forward.

Post office box:

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Orange, CA 92867

Club membership

Membership dues:

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| Dirt Devil annual club dues | \$36.00 |
| Spouse..... | \$12.00 |
| CORVA | \$30.00 |
| CAL4WD annual dues | \$45.00 |
| CAL4WD permanent member | \$675.00 |
| CAL4WD permanent member 12 installments of ... | \$56.25 |

<http://cal4wheel.com/>

First aid kit tracking

AED / Defibrillator

Jay Holcomb Creek
MikeW Clarks grade
Ron Webber Calico
RobR Bishop

FA #1

MikeW Clarks grade
Mike W Moab
Ron Webber Calico
RobR Bishop

FA #2 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Rick Walter (out of service)
Mike Clarks grade
James& Nick Holcomb Creek
Roger AAT

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Shauna Silverwood
Bill Schopper Red Canyon
Mike W offroad clinic
Ray & Karen North rim

FA #4 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

James Holcomb Creek
Rob returned to Rick
Craig W Miller
Rob R Anza Mud Caves
Brandon out of service
Mike W Clarks grade

DD HAM's

Dirt Devil's primary frequency aka DDprime,
146.510 simplex

Mike and John have the RT systems programmer for the following radios: Kewood 710; Yeasu 2 & 60 (handheld), 400, 8900; Baofeng handhelds BF F8, UV 5R; UV 82HP

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| 1. DD club | KK1DD |
| 2. Scott Beggins | KJ6KBG |
| 3. James Ettinger | KK6UYU |
| 4. Roy Flansburg | KJ6EVM |
| 5. Robert Gabrlson | K6RPG |
| 6. Keith Graham | KF6LZA |
| 7. Sandy Graham | KF6SBF |
| 8. Steve Hendry | KK6UYW |
| 9. Cheryl May | KF6WNG |
| 10. Al Ramsden | KF6BCJ |
| 11. Rob Rien | KM6GOT |
| 12. Karen Rien | KM6GOS |
| 13. Chris Slaughter | KK6TMR |
| 14. Mike Wallace | KK6SBC |
| 15. Rob Wallace | KK6UZA |
| 16. Rick Walter | KJ6NME |
| 17. Ron Webber | KM6ANT |
| 18. Jay VanWormer | W6JVW |
| 19. John Johnson | K6JOJ |
| 20. Bill Schopper | KM6ZME |
| 21. Richard E VanDuyn | KM6VVV |
| 22. Chris Johnson | KK6SAJ |
| 23. Pete Johnson | KM6ARI |

Now that we have the Club License I do not expect the FFC to follow up after the issuance of the License, we should continue to make sure we meet the minimum requirements.

Cow bells



From left to right cowbell 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5



#1 Mike Maneth memorial bell

Allan 4/7/21 Kane Creek
 Roger 6/30/2019 Holcomb
 RobR 4/6 Cleghorn
 Vinnie Barbarino 4/6/2018
 calico gatekeeper
 John Johnson



#4 Little Blue bell

Dave B 4/25/21 Holcomb Creek
 Chris Slaughter Last Chance Canyon
 Richard V HDR Devils Loop
 Brian Powell 8/18/18 John bull
 Nick Kovaceich 4/6/2018 Kane Creek
 Rob Rien 3/4/18 Snow run Holcomb



#2 Brown bell

Dave B 4/7/21 Kane Creek
 Raelene 6/30/2019 Holcomb
 Brandon Errickson 12/08/2018 Calico
 Danny Ward 4/6/2018 Kane Creek
 Rob Rien 2/24/18 Pinyon Mtn,



#5 Big Bertha

Mike 4/7/21 Kane Creek
 Brandon 7/13/19 John Bull night run
 RobR 4/27 AAT
 Dave Behlings 6/9/18 Grizzlycon
 Dave Behlings 4/6/2018 Kane Creek



#3 New Brown

Wes 6/7/2021 Holcomb Creek
 Nick K 4/7/21 Kane Creek
 MikeW Holcomb Creek
 Josh/ Brayden Schiller 8/18/18 John Bull
 Rob Wallace 4/6/2018 Kane Creek



The cow bell rules are: Cow bells are awarded from air down to air up. If you get stuck and are unable to move under your own power and need the help of a winch or you get strapped from one of your fellow Dirt Devils then you have earned the privilege of hanging the cow bell from your front bumper. You must leave the cow bell on the front of your rig until another Dirt Devil gets stuck. Then you help attach the cow bell to their bumper.