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<http://www.dirtdevils.org/>



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

Editors Message:

Vinnies's CORVA Truckhaven Challenge coming up January 14th. Read about it on page 3.

The purpose of the Dirt Devils is off roading from mild to difficult. Along the way we make new friends with a common interest. Members step up and lead future runs. if you have never lead a run then offer to assist a run leader and get the hang of it and then lead a run. At the November meeting we did plan next years runs. The future runs are listed on the newsletter. Go to www.dirtdevils.org for the details.

It does help everyone if Run Announcements are published at least 3 months out. almost as important as the run is the run report so our fellow Dirt Devils can know what's happening, good and bad.

Our web master Sunil Kulkarni is having a little trouble getting us into www.dirtdevil.org club docs. Run templates will be available once Sunil gets us into club docs.

The Adopt A Trail program never ended. Who knew. The Adopt A Trail program is essential to keeping trails open and it is in the Dirt Devils by laws, that members will volunteer twice a year. We do need an Adopt A Tail chairman.

The Dirt Devils have adopted 2 trails Dishpan and Polique/Gold Fever.



what happened?

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See you on the trail.
Ron Webber

New Member

November 2022

George Doukas & Laura Fisher 2019 JLRubicon

Guest

December 2022

Jeff Rhoads 3rd visit Ford F150

Scott Kettle 1st visit 2011 JK

Gary Curry 2nd visit

Jeff and Gina Stubbert 2nd visit 1997 TJ they ran Calico and did fine

Ben Regalado 2nd visit Ben ran Holcomb Creek and did fine

November 2022

Carlos & Georgine Guevara 3rd visit 2018 JLU

Josh Beneda 1st visit 2002 Toyota Tundra

Jeff Rhoads 2nd visit Ford F150

Tim Delasantos 1st visit Jeep Gladiator

Curry 2nd visit 2020 Ram

October Ron did not attend meeting

September 2022

Randy & Diane Javonillo 1st visit 2001 XJ

George Doukas & Laura Fisher 3rd visit 2019 JLRubicon

Jim Haley & Zuema Pietila 1st visit 2013 JKU

Carlos & Georgine Guevara 1st visit 2018 JLU

Lupe Serra 1st visit 2021 JL Sierra

Trail politics



Defend your right to enjoy the great outdoors.

Stay active, support my golf

www.cal4wheel.com/

www.corva.org

www.sierra access coalition

www.sharetrails.org

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[Access Issues - California Four Wheel Drive Association \(cal4wheel.com\)](http://www.cal4wheel.com)

CAL4wheel alert Don't let BLM close Moab's trail system

The Bureau of Land Management in Southern Utah is updating the Travel Management Plan for the Labyrinth Rims/Gemini Bridges area near Moab. This region is one of the most popular areas in the world for off-road recreation. The BLM reached a settlement with the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance (SUWA) over routes that SUWA felt should be closed, and the BLM is now required to re-analyze popular trails like Rusty Nail, Hey Joe Canyon, Gold Bar Rim, and 10 Mile Wash. The travel management area covers over 300,000 acres of BLM managed land in portions of Grand County, Utah and includes many highly-valued OHV trails. **Over 400 miles of OHV routes are at risk of closure.**

DON'T DELAY! Please submit comments expressing support for Alternative A or Alternative D, and opposing Alternative B of the draft travel management plan for the Labyrinth Rims / Gemini Bridges area.

https://cal4wheel.com/access-advocacy/access-issues/item/dont-let-blm-close-moabs-world-class-trail-system?mc_cid=9197aecbda&mc_eid=522cabcb50

Run Reports

Holcomb Creek 10/15/22

Run Leader – Robert Gabrielson

We met at 9:00am at the Crab Flats trailhead near green valley lake and ran the trail West to East. We had a total of 13 rigs, 7 member and 6 guests. 2 TJ, rest JK/JL.

One member discovered he had a broken rear shock mount, which he was able to relocate to the factory mount which were fortunately still installed.

After a quick driver meeting, we departed at 9:30am. Weather was a nice 60 degrees, and clear skies with a chance of rain about 2pm.

Upon starting at the West gatekeeper, VP Katy's rig wouldn't go into 4Lo. It was determined that after a recent body lift that was installed, the transfer case linkage wasn't adjusted properly. A couple wrenches resolved this issue.

The group made it through the gatekeeper with little difficulty, with only a couple rigs needing additional spotting to get around obstacles.

The rest of the trail to the middle rock garden was uneventful, with no traffic encountered.

Upon coming to the center rock garden, we came across a small group having issues getting through (coming from the

East). This group ended up being led by none other than our own President, Tim.

The Dirt Devils went to work and helped get their 2 stock JKs through the rock garden, with many rock stacking and restacking required to keep them moving. After about 45 minutes, we were able to get them through.

Our group entered the rock garden. Leader Robert decided to try a line to the far left, over two large boulders, taking the chance for a cowbell. Fortunately, it all worked out and he got through just fine.

Most of the group took an easier line to the right, without difficulty.

Two other guests also tried the optional line and made it through without issue.

We then stopped for a quick lunch just after the obstacle before moving on.

The rest of the trail was completed without issue, and the group exited to the East about 1:30pm.

It was discovered later that one guest also broke a front shock shaft at air up. He was able to get home without issue.

No cowbells to report.

Robert rundude

Calico 12/4/2022



Run leader: Ron Webber

Number of rigs: 11

Ray was really hoping to unload his cowbell, but no such luck, Ray is still the proud owner of a cowbell.

The weather was perfect.

Frank Gilliland from South Bay Truck had 12 friends and customers That fell in behind the Dirt Devils. They had a few problems, all made it home safe and sound.

Starting on Friday Randy, Dave, Trish and Ron explored the area between Fort Irwin and Calico. There may be future opportunities. I also want to find an easier trail to the top of Wall Street look over.

On Saturday morning, we assembled outside the entrance to Calico. By 9am we were hitting the trail. We went up Duran

which has lots of rocky steps up to the main water fall which has been filled in with 3 or 4 feet of rocks, which does make it easier. Ron and Dave ran Danny Delp's extra credit. Unlike Danny we made it through without breaking.

Lunch and a great view of the Rocky Mountains was enjoyed at Bismarck mine.

After lunch we headed over to Odessa. Pucker Pass now has a less scary bypass, but difficult. With good spotting we all made it through. A few had minor scratches and scrapes in the narrow slot canyon. We were making good time until we had to pull over and let 30 rigs pass us going up. The 2nd to last fella was in a newer shiny Toyota 4 runner. He had no lockers and his friend were yanking him over the difficult obstacles. The Odessa waterfall is now about 4 foot high. Going down is not as difficult as going up, but you do need to touch the throttle a bit to avoid rolling over.

Emi and my son in law Tom whipped up spaghetti, Italian sausage and salad for those that were not in a hurry to get home.

As a side note my kids and their families came up and camped in their camp trailers with their kids, they visited Calico ghost town and said it was great.

See you on the trail.

Run Calendar

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

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

January 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

3rd [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

13th - 15th, 2023 winter fun fest

[Winter Fun Festival - California Four Wheel Drive Association \(cal4wheel.com\)](http://WinterFunFestival-CaliforniaFourWheelDriveAssociation(cal4wheel.com))

14th Truckhaven Challenge CORVA fundraiser

No paid staff all volunteer, 100% of funds go to CORVA's "land use fund"

Vinnie is the CORVA organizer and he has asked for help. <https://corva.org/event-4943079>

If you can help email Ron Webber at ronjp@outlook.com in the "subject line" write "Truckhaven".

Ron will coordinate with Vinnie

February 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

7th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

4th **Last Chance Canyon M** near California City

Run Leader: Curt Champlin

2nd - 11th **King of the Hammers** Johnson Valley, California.



18th **Red Canyon M** i10 & Desert Center

Run Leader: Bill Schopper

March 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

7th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

4th **Dishpan Springs Run D**

Leader: Ron Webber

RSVP to: ronjp@outlook.com

11- 13th **Death Valley M**

run Leaders: Trish & Dave mc4fun@yahoo.com

18th **Black Canyon E** run leaders: Ray Kleinhuizen

19th – 25th **Moab E – D** or **Death Valley M**

Run Leader: Tim Thomas

19th **Stoddard Valley M** near Barstow

Run Leader: Ray & Karen Kleinhuizen

25th **AdoptA Trail E** 2N09/ 3N05

Run Leader: Greg Mudd gmudd5000@gmail.com

April 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

4th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

1st **Silverwood to Baily Canyon E**

run Leader: Harry Long

8th **Cleghorn E-D**

Run Leader: Tim Thomas

21st - 23rd **Mohave Trail M**

Run Leader: Rob Gabrielson

May 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

2nd [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

6th **Mottino Wash D / Rattlesnake Canyon M**

Run Leader: Ron Webber

20th **Corral Canyon / Bronco Peak D**

run Leader: Danny Ward

25th - 29th **HDR Slash X** Cal4wheel fundraising event

June 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

6th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

10th **Holcomb Creek D**

Run Leader: James Ettinger

July 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

11th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

15th **Heart Break Ridge M** (East of Big Bear)

Run Leader: Craig Woolbert

22nd **Gold Mountain M Holcomb Creek D optional**

Run Leader: Rob Gabrielson

27th – 30th 4 day **Jeepers Jamboree Rubicon**

28th – 30th 3 day **Jeepers Jamboree Rubicon**

<https://jeepersjamboree.com/>

August 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

1 [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

4th – 6th 3 day **Jeep Jamboree**. Jeep Jamboree is sponsored by Jeep

<https://jeepjamboreeusa.com/2023-event-schedule/>

22nd – 26th **Dirt Devils Rubicon Trail D** (waitlist)

Run Leader: Rob Gabrielson

The Rubicon Trail is an unmaintained County Road that runs from Loon Lake to Tahoma in North Lake Tahoe. This trail is

rated very difficult. There are no repair shops nearby. All vehicles must be in very good condition. Lockers are required.

September 2023

Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details

5 [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

2nd – 3rd Sherman Pass M

Run Leader: Alan Cleveland co lead: Danny Ward

30th Miller Lockwood M

Run Leader: Craig Woolbert

October 2023

3rd [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

7th Last Chance Canyon **M**

28th Saddleback Mtn **E** (great view of OC)

Run Leader: Tim Thomas

10th – 11th Cal4wheel Panamint Valley Days Near Trona

Cal4wheel fund Raiser

November 2023

7th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

11th Anza Borrego Mud Caves **M**

11th Clarks Grade **E**

17th – 19th Bradshaw Trail **M**

Run Leader: Bill Schopper

18th Holcomb Creek **D**

Run Leader: Rob Gabrielson

December 2023

5th [Club Meeting](#) Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

2nd Calico **D**

Run Leader: Ron Webber

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@dirthevils.org

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Safety:

Run Coordinator: Rob Gabrielson rundude@dirthevils.org

Emergency response team coordinator:

rundude@dirthevils.org

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@dirthevils.org and the web master will forward.

Post office box:

Dirt Devils of So Cal

960 N Tustin #120

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Club membership

Membership dues:

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

RobG

Dave B

Tim

Jay Holcomb Creek

MikeW Clarks grade

Ron Webber Calico

RobR Bishop

FA #1

Tim Thomas

MikeW Clarks grade

Mike W Moab

Ron Webber Calico

RobR Bishop

FA #2 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Doug

Chris S

Rob G Last Chance Cyn

Mike Clarks grade

James& Nick Holcomb Creek

Roger AAT

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Dave B

Nicolle C

Shauna Silverwood

Bill Schopper Red Canyon

Mike W offroad clinic

Ray & Karen North rim

FA #4 (Orange canvas bag)

Nicolle C

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 info

DD Prime 145.585,

DD 1 Simplex 146.580,

DD 2 Simplex 146.565,

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

DD club	KK1DD
Scott Beggins	KJ6KBG
James Ettinger	KK6UYU
Roy Flansburg	KJ6EVM
Robert Gabrlson	K6RPG
Keith Graham	KF6LZA
Sandy Graham	KF6SBF
Steve Hendry	KK6UYW
Cheryl May	KF6WNG
Al Ramsden	KF6BCJ
Rob Rien	KM6GOT
Karen Rien	KM6GOS
Chris Slaughter	KK6TMR
Mike Wallace	KK6SBC
Rob Wallace	KK6UZA
Rick Walter	KJ6NME
Ron Webber	KM6ANT
Jay VanWormer	W6JVW
John Johnson	K6JOJ
Bill Schopper	KM6ZME
Richard E VanDuyn	KM6VVV
Chris Johnson	KK6SAJ
Pete Johnson	KM6ARI

The club has it's HAM 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.

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. The Dirt Devils encourages members to get licensed.

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

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

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

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

Cow bells



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

#1 Mike Maneth memorial bell



Ray K Cleghorn
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



Tim T Death Valley
Bill S Mottino
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



Katy N Calico
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



Niccole C Calico
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.