



The Dirt Devils Digest

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

Editors Message:

Run Dude Rob reported on March 19th that Big Bear trails are closed. Mottino Wash Run is cancelled. Bummer.

Hopefully, Rubicon Trail is not closed this summer.

We may have to start looking at other wheelin' options.

I stumbled on to this great list of GPS mapping programs thanks to NONVCC: <https://nohvcc.org/mapping-apps/>

NOHVCC www.nohvcc.org is a lobbying group and their event page has links to BLM meetings, we need all the help we can get.

The Dirt Devils have adopted 2 trails Dishpan Springs, Polique Canyon-2N09 and Gold Fever 3N05. After this wet winter there is probably lots of work to do. All part of the fun.

I started a section called "Good Ideas". This issue I am providing links to various jacks. I have never used my high lift jack. I have used my bottle jack. Safejacks.com has extensions that I have found useful.

Remember Dirt Devil accessories are available at:

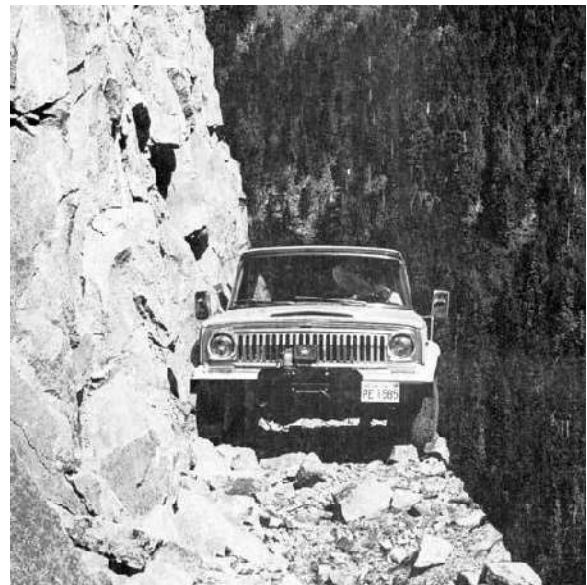
www.jeepdaddy.com/

CAL4wheel recent jeep raffle netted well over \$100k. The winner only bought one ticket and I bought many more than one. Go figure. It is money well spent.

Vinnie has reported that California wants to close down Red Rock Canyon. I have attached CORVA's comments and reasons to keep it open.



See you on the trail.
Ron Webber



Emi "Did we made a wrong turn".

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New Member March 2023

Jim Mahar & Andrea after taking a break from off-roading, they have recently purchased a 2012 Jeep Wrangler.

Dan Smith putts around in a 2014 JKU Rubicon with 35's.

Guest March 2023

John & Rachel Nelson 1st visit they are proud owners of a 2020 JL Rubicon.

Gary Curry 5th visit recently purchased a '04 TJ Rubicon is excited to begin modifying. Gary is looking for advice.

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Ben Regalado 3rd visit Ben ran Holcomb Creek and did fine

Jeff Rhoads 4th visit Ford F150

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

Gary Curry 4th visit recently purchased a '04 TJ Rubicon is excited to begin modifying. Gary is looking for advice.

Jim Mahar 2nd visit Jim has recently purchased a Jeep Wrangler looking forward to getting on the trail.

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George Meza 1st visit putts around in a Jeep Wrangler

Gary Curry 3rd visit putts around in a Ram Truck

Jim Mahar 2nd visit Jim has recently purchased a Jeep Wrangler after taking a break from off-roading.

Aaron Higley 1st visit putts around with Mike Morey and Tom Burke.

Trail politics



Defend your right to enjoy the great outdoors.

Stay active, support my golf

www.cal4wheel.com/

www.sierraaccesscoalition.com

www.corva.org

www.sharetrails.org

www.sharetrails.org

www.nohvcc.org

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

National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council

Events: <https://nohvcc.org/engagement/attend-a-nohvcc-event/>

NOHVCC is working in partnership with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), to create a California Statewide OHV Action Plan. To make this happen we need your assistance in learning how the BLM can better provide access to high quality OHV recreation experiences in the state of California.

In 2014 NOHVCC and the BLM partnered to develop a National Motorized Recreation Action Strategy designed to help the BLM develop individual state action plans for providing high quality OHV opportunities and develop partnerships to help maintain those opportunities. This process has created state specific OHV action plans in 7 other states where the BLM manages public land. The strategies will be used to help guide future travel management and resource management decisions; however, the strategies are NOT part of a specific travel management plan.

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Bureau of Land Management

Solar Energy PEIS Scoping

1849 C Street NW

Washington, DC 20240

Submitted via email: solar@blm.gov

February 28, 2023

Please accept these comments on behalf of the California Off-Road Vehicle Association (CORVA), our members, member clubs and business sponsors. For over 53 years CORVA has been dedicated to preserving, promoting, and protecting roads and trails for off-road travel and motorized recreation throughout California.

We were very pleased to receive the press release today stating that the lands included in the DRECP have now been removed from consideration for future solar installations. The DRECP represents a comprehensive stakeholder process of many years that resulted in a plan that was not litigated, but

rather has been successfully implemented in the project areas. To reopen that process would have been the ultimate of follies. Now we are left wondering what other areas in California may be considered for solar energy installations. The California desert contains areas of extraordinary beauty, that inspire people to explore and discover the abundance of wild areas. Families enjoy camping off the beaten path on public land while motorized recreationists challenge themselves with trails in difficult terrain. Solar installations in desert areas are large, disruptive, and disturb the viewshed of otherwise examples of stark beauty.

CORVA advises the BLM to limit solar installations to areas already designated in the DRECP. California already bears the brunt of the largest percentage of solar installations in the western United States. As a public agency, the agency must carefully consider designating even more areas to large and obtrusive solar installations in the California desert. Once lost, these areas of extraordinary landscape can never be recovered.

Good ideas

Jacks with large wheels, base plates, extensions & accessories

Bottle jacks with extension: <https://safejacks.com/>

Jack Stands & Base plates: <https://safejacks.com/>

UTV Air jacks: https://www.911motorsports.net/Off-Road-Floor-Jack_c_25.html

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMMoClnSfDO9gVuWlpHUICQ>

https://www.911motorsports.net/Off-Road-Floor-Jack_c_25.html

<https://www.proeagle.com>

<https://www.harborfreight.com/automotive/jacks-jack-stands/floor-jacks/3-ton-off-road-jack-59136.html>

How does the differential works skip to 1.55

<https://jeepwithkids.wordpress.com/2014/01/27/jeep-tech-101-differentials-limited-slip-and-lockers/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yYAw79386WI>

Gas can spout sucks, go to: www.gasspouts.com

Run Reports

Jawbone Canyon February 4, 2023

Run Leader: Curt Champlin

We met up at the Jawbone Canyon Store at 8:30, With 7 vehicles in all 6 Wranglers and 1 XJ. The group departed JCS at 9:AM and headed for the canyon. The weather was perfect clear skies and in the high 60s and very little dust. The group stopped off at the V notch and watched a few Jeeps go through and then followed by Rob and myself. We followed the

canyon with no issues or difficulties and stopped off and the Burro Schmitt tunnel some hiked through the 3/8 of a mile tunnel and back. Our final stop was at the Cable house It's a house on a mountain top held down with cable to prevent it from blowing away in high winds.

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>

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

27th 6pm- 9pm PST BLM

[BLM Listening Sessions – San Diego/Glendale/Imperial County – April 27, 2023 – Virtual Sessions – 6 PM- 9PM PST](#)

Refer to NOHVCC events:

<https://nohvcc.org/engagement/attend-a-nohvcc-event/>

May 2023

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

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

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

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 details1 **Club Meeting** Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange4th – 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 2023Go to <http://www.dirtdevils.org/> for current run details5 **Club Meeting** Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange**2nd – 3rd Sherman Pass M**

Run Leader: Alan Cleveland co lead: Danny Ward

29th – Oct 1st Prescott AZ Outdoor Summit<https://prescottvalleyoutdoors.com/>

Rob Rein has reserved camp space 15 for himself.

30th Miller Lockwood M

Run Leader: Craig Woolbert

October 20233rd **Club Meeting** Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange7th Last Chance Canyon M28th Saddleback Mtn E (great view of OC)

Run Leader: Tim Thomas

10th – 11th Cal4wheel Panamint Valley Days Near Trona

Cal4wheel fund Raiser

November 20237th **Club Meeting** Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange11th Anza Borrego Mud Caves M11th Clarks Grade E17th – 19th Bradshaw Trail M

Run Leader: Bill Schopper

18th Holcomb Creek D

Run Leader: Rob Gabrielson

December 20235th **Club Meeting** Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange2nd Calico D Run Leader: Ron Webber

I have reserved spaces O29, O30,

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**Immediate past president:** Rob Rien**Vice President:** Katy Nachbaur vprez@dirtdevils.org**Secretary:** Doug Francisco secretary@dirtdevils.org**Treasurer:** Trish Behlings treasurer@dirtdevils.org**Web Master:** Sunil Kulkarni webmaster@dirtdevils.org**Adopt a trail chairmans:** adoptatrail@dirtdevils.org**Newsletter:** Ron Webber: ronjp@outlook.com**Membership:** Cheryl May membership@dirtdevils.org**Accessories and Hospitality:** Harry Long merchandise@dirtdevils.org**To Order DD Merch:** www.jeepdaddy.com/collections/dirt-devils**Safety:****Run Coordinator:** Rob Gabrielson rundude@dirtdevils.org**Emergency response team coordinator:**rundude@dirtdevils.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@dirtdevils.org and the web master will forward.

Post office box:

Dirt Devils of So Cal
960 N Tustin #120
Orange, CA 92867

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

Bill
RobG
Dave B

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

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Ron W
Dave B

FA #4 (Orange canvas bag)

Ron W

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



Nicole 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.