

The Dirt Devils Digest

Award winning publication.

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Editors Message:

Elections are coming up. we will have nominations at the April & May meetings we will hold elections at the June the new officers will assume their roles on July 1st.

The April Meeting topic is GPS devices.

The Magellan TRX GPS sales rep is attending our April meeting for an informative GPS discussion Robert Rein will be selling \$5 raffle tickets for a new TRX GPS device to be raffled at the July meeting. All proceeds go back in the DD treasury.

Read all about this opportunity in the April run announcement section of this newsletter.

Cowbells, Sledge hammer is behind us, and there are many new owners of the coveted cowbells. They went back and forth 12 x's. What a day.

At the last meeting, we voted to take one first aid kit out of circulation so it can regularly be re-stocked.

In case you had not heard our friends in uniform have begun handing out tickets for not covering offroad lights. Forest Fest is coming up in June, they sell out. if you plan to attend sign up early.

The forest service does require us to have in our possession an Adventure pass for a list of vendors:

https://www.fs.fed.us/portaldata/r5/ap/r5-ap-vendors.php

Ron Webber Editor

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Stock tie rod sleeved, with high lift jack handle

Trail politics

Cal4Wheel & CORVA

http://cal4wheel.com/

http://www.corva.org/

SAC / sierra access coalition

Off-Road Restoration Act

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SACRAMENTO –<u>Assemblyman Randy Voepel</u> announced that he has introduced the Off-Road Restoration Act, which will restore funding critical funding to pay for law enforcement, safety, and environmental restoration on land used for off-road recreation.

"Several years ago, the Legislature voted to raid \$10 million from the OHV trust fund every year, and put that money into the general fund," said Voepel. "As a result, there has been less money for education, trail construction, and other services for off-roaders. This bill would end that raid and ensure the funds stay in the trust fund where they belong.

"Not only does the Off-Road Restoration Act ensure our offroad lands are maintained and protected, but this legislation will also make sure that tax dollars collected from off-road recreation are spent where they belong – off road."

So far, AB 382 has accumulated more than fifteen Co-Authors in the Senate and Assembly.

To view the legislation as introduced, <u>please click here</u>.

Cal4wheel convention Feb 19th 2017

The convention was a success. 41 clubs were in attendance. The budget is in the black. The Jeep raffle raised \$40,000. The guy who won it showed up at convention, bought one ticket and won the Jeep. He has chosen to not keep the Jeep he is selling it on e-bay and donating a portion of the proceeds to Cal4Wheel. The current bid is \$36,000. New raffle tickets are now for sale. Next year convention will be in Riverside. Steve remained president for a third term, all three VPs are new. Mike (president) won four new tires as well.



So Cal Access Issues

Run reports

Devils Loop **night** run Feb 25th

Trail Leader: Ray Kleinhuizen

Members:

Ray & Karen Kleinhuizen
Danny Ward
Mike Wallace & Laura
Rob Wallace
Randy & Donna Huddleston
Chris Slaughter
Frank Gilliland

Joe Cowie Van & Sherry Richardson Brian Powell

Guests:

Chris Borth Michael Eldon James Standard

11 Jeeps met near the Lenwood Rd. outlet malls. The weather was cloudy and cool with 18 mph wind. It was a dark night with no moon or stars, but very clear and no rain.

The first part of the run was 4 miles of soft sandy wash. Some sliding around in the soft sections of the wash made for lots of fun in 4 wheel high.

After a short drive on Stoddard Wells Rd. we arrived at the Devils Loop gate keeper: a large pile of rocks that challenges the readiness of the vehicles and drivers entering the trail. A few needed a little extra throttle, but everyone made it through without much trouble. We continued up a rocky hill, down a rocky canyon and through a rocky sandy wash.

After a few more rocky sections and some rocky drop-offs. We climbed a steep rocky hill that put the whole group on a high spot overlooking the I-15 Fwy. a mile or so away. It was awesome to see the line of off road lights. I was wondering what the people on the freeway were thinking when they saw 50,000 lumens of light in the hills.

At this point we looped back through the same rocky sections we just finished. When we got near the gate keeper we turned into a side canyon. This canyon took us toward the end of the Devils Loop trail with some fun side loops along the way. In the dark we missed the turn for a fun canyon. To get turned around, we took a short detour loop that included some trail blazing.

The side canyon loop includes a tight squeeze with a 2 foot ledge to climb at the start. The last part of the side canyon is a steep hill climb with a blind top that drops off to the right.

After the last rocky section we returned to the sandy wash and headed back to the meet location. Overall a fun night run for all in the Stoddard Valley OHV hills..

Run Calendar

Adopt a Trail meeting place

8:30am at Rocky's Roadhouse 32150 Hilltop Blvd Running Springs, CA 92382 next to the 76 gas station

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April 2017

4th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

4th DD meeting Guest Speaker

Magellan GPS reps Steve Von Seggern and John Parrot will be attending our April meeting and give a presentation of the eXporist TRX7 GPS unit.

Magellan will answer any questions as well as show us their applications that can be used on other devices, including iphones.

"The Magellan® eXplorist® TRX7 for 4x4 vehicles is the ultimate off-road GPS navigator. The TRX7 is equipped with a 7" hi-definition touchscreen protected by a ruggedized drop and shock resistant IP67 casing, and includes a genuine RAM windshield mount to fit any 4x4 vehicle"

I have been using the TRX7 application on my iPAD 3 and I can tell you, it works perfectly including some really nice ap

features for the trails and obstacles you might encounter on the trail.

Magellan is donating a TRX7 device to be raffled. at the July DD club meeting July 11th (delayed due to July 4th holiday.)

Raffle tickets are \$5. Ea all income back into the club

We would like to have as many club members attend the April meeting as possible to welcome Magellan and thank them for this donation. The TRX7 retail value is \$650.

A local reseller for Magellan will be available to offer Dirt Devils Magellan devices for sale and possibly other giveaways of their own.

Make plans to attend the April and the July meeting at Zito's Pizza in Orange, and keep coming to enter in the raffle.

7th El Mirage

RUN: El Mirage OHV Recreation Area

WHEN: April 7-9, 2017

LEAVE: On your own time or contact other members for convoy information.

RUN TYPE: Base camp - bring your motorhomes, campers and tents.

TERRAIN: Desert washes, hills, gulches to meander thru, tight canyons and rocks.

MAPS: AAA, DeLorme, Google Earth

Palmdale Blvd., exit and turn right. Going E, travel approx. 13 miles until it ends. Turn left on 240th street for approx. 1.5 miles, then turn right (East) on El Mirage Road approx. 9 miles to El Mirage Recreational Area. Turn left and continue into the Visitors Center. Let the Visitors Center know that you are with the Roughwheelers 4 Wheel Drive Club for trail maintenance. After the Visitors Center, turn right and follow the road until you see Out-House #9. Just past the Out-House, look for the wash road on the right marked by piles of rocks on both sides heading NE with blue ribbons on the bushes. Turn right and take the trail until you see our campsite at the base of the largest hill (Crow's Nest). There is plenty of room for campers, trailers and tents. NOTE: The wash road may be hard to spot, go fast and go past.

THE PLAN: Run the Roughwheelers Dedicated Trail BACKWARDS.

LAST GAS/SUPPLIES: On Palmdale Road.

RATING: 3 - 4+

BRING: Firewood, food, water and clothing for warm days and cold nights, sunscreen, and plenty of water.

CB: Always Channel 4.

WAGONMASTER: Stan, Jim and Karen Lykins 310-938-2257 or kslhome@aol.com

8 – 16th Easter Jeep Safari Moab

22nd – 23rd Corral Canyon/ Bronco Peak Run

Rating: D

Trail Boss: Danny Ward (Cell 714-651-9717)

Date: April 22, 2017

Corral Canyon OHV area -Four Corners Staging Area.

Meeting Time: 9:00 and departure 9:30 a.m.

Directions to Four Corners Staging Area: Take I-8 east from San Diego to Buckman Springs Road exit. Turn right on Buckman Springs Road. Go 3.3 miles to Corral Canyon Road (Morena Stokes Valley Rd.). Turn right and go 5.8 miles to Four Corners. You will need an Adventure Pass to park anything in this parking area. The Ranger up there will sell you a day pass.

Equipment Required: Minimum 33" tires but could have trouble. Rear locker and high ground clearance required. Front lockers highly recommended. No stock vehicles.

Trail Description: is rated most difficult. A nasty hardcore trail with steep ascents and descents over rocky terrain, tight brush and large boulders. This trail has No Bypasses. The trail is short, 1 miles long, so about 2 hours with no breakdowns.

Bronco Peak is rated most difficult. A nasty hardcore trail with very steep ascents and descents over rocky terrain, tight brush and large boulders. This trail has No Bypasses. The trail is short, 1.8 miles long, so about 3 hours with no breakdowns. Depending on time there are three exit from Bronco Peak and will choose accordingly to time and experience.

Bronco Peak Connector is rated double most difficult. A nasty hardcore trail with steep descents over rocky terrain, tight brush, loose soil and large boulders. The northern end of this trail is extremely challenging for 4WD and recommend vehicle be less than 72" wide. This trail has No Bypasses. The trail is short, 1.1 miles long, so about 2 to 3 hours with no breakdowns.

Bronco Flats is rated most difficult. A hardcore trail with descents over rocky terrain, tight brush and large boulders. This trail has No Bypasses. The trail is short, 0.9 miles long, so about 1 hour with no breakdowns.

Gun Slinger is rated more difficult. A trail with ascents and descents over rocky terrain, tight brush and large boulders. This trail has No Bypasses. The trail is 1.9 miles long, so about 2.5 hours with no breakdowns.

Campground information: Lake Morena RV Park is available. They have water and electrical hookups but no sewage hookups. There is a dump station. There are no tent sites, but they will allow a tent to be pitched on a site that is occupied by an RV (tents cannot occupy their own site). So if you tent camping and want to stay here, hook up with

someone with an RV.

Lake Morena RV Park 2330 Lake Morena Dr. Campo, CA 619-478-5677

Directions to Lake Morena RV Park: Take Interstate 8 east from San Diego to the Buckman Springs Road exit. From the I-8 & I-805 junction, it is 45 miles. Turn right on Buckman Springs Road. Go 5.3 miles and turn right on Oak Drive. Go 1.2 miles and turn left on Molchan Road. Go .2 miles and turn right onto Lake Morena Drive.

Coordinates: Latitude: 32.6768, Longitude: -116.5079.

Corral Canyon Camping: Sites are open to dry camping at either Bobcat Meadow Campground or Corral Canyon Campground but the size of sites and the road getting there is not friendly to big RVs. Tents, tent trailers or trucks with campers would be fine. (Adventure Pass Required) Use Directions to Four Corners Staging Area and to the left of the staging area it will take you to Bobcat Meadow parking area near a paved 4-way intersection called Four Campground, and straight down the hill will bring you to Corral Canyon Campground. There are some hotel accommodations available in nearby Pine Valley.

29th Heartbreak Ridge (M) Jack & Zoe

Heartbreak Ridge, Big Bear/SBNF

Run Date: Saturday April 29th Trail Organizer: Jack & Zoe

RSVP: YES, call or text 909-213-6787

Permits Required: Yes, Adventure Pass. Annual \$30 or day pass \$5, available at most local grocery/gas stations, as well as Ranger stations, big 5 stores and Big Bear Discovery Center.

Meeting Time: 8:30am. Go over rig readiness and trail plan, leave at 9:00am. Day trip only.

Meeting Location: McDonald's (Highway 38 AKA 1796 E. Lugonia Ave and Wabash Ave crossroads, Redlands, CA 92374). From there, we will drive to Big Bear (near Angelus Oaks area) to 2N01 Trailhead (near Burns Canyon) and then on to 2N61Y (Heartbreak Ridge).

Trail Description: Total apx. ~20 miles (allow 4 to 5 hours). You can expect to encounter large boulders, tippy terrain, steep shelves/roads and sharp rock on sections of the trail. The US Forest Service rates this trail a Black Diamond Most Difficult trail and it is not recommended for stock SUVs. Body damage and breakage are possible. Elevation ranges from 6,000' to over 8,000'. If there is time we will also complete 2N70Y, make a stop at Rose Mine and climb Tip Top Mountain (2N90) (allow an extra 2 hours).

Difficulty: (1=Easy, 5=Most Difficult) Rated #3 Moderate, due to boulders, sharp rocks, steep shelves/grades and deeply rutted roads on sections of the trail. The rest of the trail is

easy with a couple of moderate obstacles. Most obstacles have bypasses but some don't.

Communications: CB Channel 4 and/or HAM channel 146.550 MHz (club simplex #2)

Special Equipment Required: High ground clearance, rear lockers, skid plates and 33 inch tires or larger *required*.

Reminder to Bring: Bring lunch, snacks and extra water, chairs, tools, shovel, camera, extra weather appropriate clothing, etc.

Weather: If heavy wind or rain the trip will be canceled.

Trail Head Coordinates:

Start: Highway 38 and USFS 2N01. Lat/Lon (degrees/minutes/seconds) 34° 12' 26.32" N 116° 44' 16.62" W

Lat/Lon (decimal degrees) 34.207310 -116.737950

Finish: Same as trail head.

May 2017

2nd DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

 $4^{th} - 6^{th}$ Jeep Jamboree Big Bear non club event

12th – 14th overland Expo Flagstaff, AZ non club event,

13th adopta trail Roy (may change because of Jeep Jamboree)

14th Mothers Day

 20^{th} HDR pre run run (M) leaders Ray & Danny

26th – 29th High Desert Round Up many organized runs from E to D Slash X Café Barstow CA

http://cal4wheel.com/events/hi-desert-round-up

June

3rd Adopta Trail run leader Rick W

6th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

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10th John Bull (D) run leader Jack & Zoe

18th Father's Day

16th - 18th Big Bear, Forest Fest XX non club event

to register: http://www.ie4w.com/forest-fest-registration at the bottom of the registration form type "I want to be with the Dave Jones Dirt Devils Group" this event is always a sellout. sign up early. Dave Jones: signed up for:

- Friday: Spooky Night Run - Saturday: John Bull FT

- Sunday: Gold Mtn

24th Gold Mtn (D) run leader Mike

July

4th Holiday Run run leader Rob R

11th DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

27th -30th Bishop (M) run Leader Ray K

15th adopta trail run Leader Josh

26th – **30**th Jeeper Jamboree Rubicon Trail https://www.jeepersjamboree.com/index.html

August

1st DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

3rd - 6th Jeeper Jamboree Rubicon Trail https://www.jeepersjamboree.com/index.html

10th – 13th Sierra Trek cal4wheel event http://cal4wheel.com/sierra-trek-run-descriptions

10th – 13th Jeep Jamboree Rubicon sponsored by Chrysler https://jeepjamboreeusa.com/2017-event-schedule/

12th Little John Bull night run (M), leader Jack & Zoe

18th Friday off road clinic run leader Mike

September

5th DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

 $8^{th} - 10^{th}$ Sherman pass (M) run leader Danny W

23rd – 24th Anza Borrego mud caves (E) Rob R

October

3rd DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

6th – 8th Fun in the Desert, Johnson Valley victorvalley4wheelers.com / vv4wc@gmail.com

 7^{th} Miller Jeep Trail (M) run leader Rete

13th - 14th ODF, Operation Desert Fun http://cal4wheel.com/events/operation-desert-fun

 $19^{th} - 22^{nd}$ Death Valley (M) run leader Rick

28th, 2018 run planning

November

3rd - 4th Colosseum (E) run leader Mike

7th DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

10th – **13th** Panamint Valley days near Trona & Ballarat a cal4wheel event, many organized runs from easy to difficult. http://cal4wheel.com/events/panamint-valley-days

18th Motino Wash (D) & Rattlesnake Canyon (E) run leaders Josh & Roy

December

5th DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

8th – 10th Calico run (D) Leader Ron

16th Christmas Light Run run leader Rod & Dave

Club info

March Guest

Chris Borza '02 Wrangler 2nd visit

Shawn McDonald '15 white JKU

Vinnie Barbarino '80 Toyota (and I might add, a very capable Toyota)

Ron & Britt Escoberdo JK

Tamara Reed '94 YJ

Chris Martinez '94 YJ

Israel Mercado '17 JK

New Members for March

Brian Hewitt '13 Jeep

Ben and Momo Griffin '16 white JKU

Meeting 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 Streets (drive west on Meats and find plenty of parking in the rear of the restaurant with DIRECT ACCESS to the Meeting Room) www.zitospizza.com

Club officers

President: Mike Wallace prez@dirtdevils.org

Immediate past president:

Ray Kleinhuizen <u>kkfusedglass@roadrunner.com</u> **Vice President:** Chris Johnson <u>vprez@dirtdevils.org</u> **Secretary:** Cheryl May: secretary@dirtdevils.org

Treasurer: Dave Jones: sportsadvantage2001@yahoo.com

Web Master: Chris Slaughter: webmaster@dirtdevils.org

Adopt a trail chairmans:

Josh Bleijenberg <u>ibleijenberg@gmail.com</u>

Newsletter: Ron Webber: <u>ronjp@outlook.com</u>

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Hospitality: Emi Webber: emiwebber@hotmail.com

Safety Committee: Bill Smith:

Run Coordinator: Rick Walter rundude@dirtdevils.org

Emergency response team coordinator:

Rick Walter 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

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	
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/	

Web site news

Chris webmaster reporting last month we had 2,410 unique visitors Chris posted 256 kmz trail files on the web site

Adopt a Trail

The Dirt Devils Adopt A Trail is: Dishpan Springs Trail (3N34)

Dishpan Springs Trail can be found in the San Bernardino National Forest near Lake Arrowhead. The Dishpan Springs Trail is one of the toughest and most popular trails in the SBNF.

The West entrance:

2N26Y is N34° 16.198 W117° 08.258.

The T6 Bridge:

N34° 16.106 W117° 07.745.

The East entrance:

3N16 is N34° 15.663 W117° 05.116.

Meeting place

8:30am at Rock Road House

32150 Hilltop Blvd Running Springs, CA 92382 next to the

76 gas station

DD HAM's

1. Scott Beggins	KJ6KBG
2. Paul Coursey	KJ6NNG
3. Tim DeBolt	KK6TRM
4. James Ettinger	KK6UYU
5. Roy Flansburg	KJ6EVM
6. Keith Graham	KF6LZA
7. Sandy Graham	KF6SBF
8. Steve Hendry	KK6UYW
9. Chris Johnson	KK6SAJ
10.Pete Johnson	KM6ARI
11.Dave Jones	KK6SAH
12.Linda Jones	KK6SAI
13. Cheryl May	KF6WNG
14. Al Ramsden	KF6BCJ
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First aid kit tracking

FA #1 (red, blue backpack)

Dave Jones out of rotation, he will re-stock Ray Kleinhuizen devils loop Mike Wallace Calico

Josh Bleijenberg

Ray Kleinhuizen

Josh B

Danny Ward

FA #2 (Orange canvas bag)

Josh B Sledge Hammer

Rob R Anza, Holcomb

Mike

Rick Walter

Jack & Zoe

Roger

Danny Ward

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag)

Rick Walter AOT

Chris Johnson cleghorn

Dave Jones

Chris Johnson

Mike Wallace clinic

Ray Kleinhuizen

Mike

Rick Walter

Cowbells



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 jeepers 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 proudly hand it over. While on the trail, not on the highway to the trail.



Old logo green bell

Pete Johnson HDR 5/2016 Roy Flansburg adopta trail Mike Zeller Holcomb Creek Feb 2016 Frank Gilliland Claw Hammer Frank Gilliland Holcomb Creek 9/26/15 Josh Bleijenberg Corral Canyon 4/10/15



Brown bell

Terry Gold Mtn Aug 2016 Ray Kleinhuizen El Mirage Terry, Off Road Clinic Jack Sobelman rolled Moab Mar 2016 Rob Holcomb Valley / Gold Fever Suhag Claw Hammer Frank Gilliland Claw Hammer Bill Smith HDR May25 2015 Tim Debolt Rattlesnake Feb 2015



Little Blue bell
Suhag Matina Wash 11/2016
Frank Gilliland 7/16/16
Rick Walter Moab March 2016
Dave
Kurt Claw hammer
Frank Gilliland Holcomb Creek 9/26/15
Bill Smith HDR May25 2015 winched Bronco on to trailer
Gilbert at Corral Canyon 4/10/15



Mike Maneth memorial bell

Mark Cleghorn 1/7/2016 Kevin Davidson 4/2016 Danny W El Mirage Frank Joe at John Bull Danny Ward at El Mirage apr 2016 Ray Kleinhuizen rolled, Motino Wash Mar 2016 James Ettinger Holcomb Creek Frank Gilliland John Bull 6/27/2015 Mike Wallace Corral Canyon 4/10/15 James Ettinger Claw Hammer 1/10/15.

Dirt Devil Accessories



Dirt Devils accessories

http://www.dirtdevils.org/

Item	Price	Qty order	Extended price
Round Stickers	15.00		
Whip flags 8" x 12"	25.00		
Large flags 3' x 5'	70.00		
Caps	20.00		
Caps camo	22.00		
T shirt short sleeve	20.00		
T shirt short sleeve camo	28.00		
*Sweatshirt	35.00		
**T shirt long sleeve	24.00		
Total			

Limited edition embroidered patches \$3. and \$4. See Emi at meeting. emiwebber@hotmail.com / checks payable to Dirt Devils

File: DD accessories order form.docx

^{*} Out of stock / ** Limited inventory