

# The Dirt Devils Digest

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### **Editors Message:**

If you are the least bit interested in being a run leader now or in the future attend the run planning potluck, on October 28<sup>th</sup>. See Octobers "Run Calendar" section.

Starting next month we will be able to take a credit card for dues and such. See Cheryl May.

Karen Kleinhuizen is about to reorder shirts, you can pre order to assure availability.

Ron Webber Editor



Anaheim auto show Jeep practice ramp.

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Membership as of Sept 2017

- 66 members
- 9 associates
- 20 cal4wheel
- 9 CORVA

### **October Guest**

- 1. Nick and Judi Kovacevich putts around in a Jeep LJ
- 2. David and Trish Behlings putts around in a XJ
- 3. Scott Tredinyick putts around in a '16 JK unlimited
- 4. John and Connie Avery putt around in a '14 JK 4 dr
- 5. Bill and Donna Schopper putt around in a Rubicon
- 6. Steve and Nicole Babyak putt around in a 2014 JKunlimted
- 7. David and Julie Glidewell
- 8. Jesus Ortiz putts around in a modified 2013 Rubicon
- 9. Craig Woolbert and Nancy Kasch putt around in a 2015 highly modified Jeep sport
- 10. Jon and Gigi Hart putt around in a 2017 4dr Rubicon

### **New Member**

Jim Mahar putts around in an XJ

### **Trail politics**

### Cal4Wheel & CORVA

http://cal4wheel.com/ http://www.corva.org/

SAC / sierra access coalition

https://sharetrails.org



From: CORVA corva.org

**Ocotillo wells** Most of you are aware of the lawsuit pending regarding open riding at Ocotillo Wells. This lawsuit started in May of 2013 when PEER (Public Employees for Environmental Protection) and the DPC (Desert Protective Council) filed a lawsuit against the California State Department of Parks and Recreation claiming that trails are not being maintained, archaeological sites are not being fully protected, excessive dust is blowing in the air, vegetation is being destroyed and the park is suffering erosion damage due to off road vehicles. They are claimining "their observation and experience of these incidents diminishes their recreational use and enjoyment of the Ocotillo Wells SVRA, Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, and other nearby lands." They are asking for open riding to be discontinued and for off road vehicles to be allowed only on designated trails.

We're almost at the finish line, but we have an important hurdle to overcome to defend Ocotillo Wells! The judge allowed expert witnesses, with each side able to interview opposition experts. These interviews, or depositions, have taken days to complete, and now we need the transcripts to prepare the best brief to present to the judge to defend OW. Each transcript may cost \$1000 or more, and we need a number of transcripts, plus allow the attorney the hours needed to review the information and prepare the best defense for Ocotillo Wells.

We need the community to help with this final push. We'll need at least \$15,000 to do this right. We have to bury our opponents, and keep our park open!

Fight For Ocotillo Wells has already donated \$1,000 from funds collected selling stickers and the Fight For Ocotillo Wells Grand Prix races and now we're asking you to help us help CORVA. We're all in this together!

Donate to CORVA and specify Defend Ocotillo Wells in the comments.

We are proud to have two of the best pro-OHV attorneys representing the off-road community

We are currently waiting for a date to be set by the court for the next hearing. A conference with all the parties will be the next step, and rest assured CORVA, TDS and Ecologic Partners will be well represented.

Go to Corva's website for more on the passage

www.corva.org

Win A Jeep Raffle https://cal4wheel.com/win-a-jeep

CAL 4 wheel is looking for a membership person a treasurer and a secretary.

Operation Desert Fun in Ocotillo is a fund raiser for Paralyzed Veterans. People without the use of their legs can explore the great outdoors, with the help of their Jeeps.

You know that extremist are on a mission to close public lands.

### **Employment opportunities**



The Mojave Desert Cultural association is looking for a full time on site manager to live in beautiful Goff a small town in the Mojave Desert.

### **Run reports**

### Anza Borrego Night Run 9/23/17

Having fun getting lost in the dark.

Karen and I headed out around 1700 to meet up with the rest of the run members, all were there by the time we arrived at 1800. We had a quick meet and greet before heading south to the trailhead.

It was requested that I keep my speed to 70 MPH or below, seems I drive too fast......

We arrived at the trailhead at 2100 and met up with Debbie and her niece who came via the Temecula/Hemet area.

We had our drivers meeting at the trailhead, where I asked everyone to look up, and just see the sky, so clear out there, temps where in the mid 70's that night and at times low 70's, so basically perfect.

We talked about use of the lightbars and spots, and how others will be out on the trail all night long, that the State Park "WILL" sight you if you run in the state park with them on..... \$250 citation.

We had the lights/spots on and off all night long, calling out "Lights, Lights, Lights" over both the ham and CB whenever a car, tent, or people were spotted on the trail.

We first traveled to the Mud Caves, it was a bit humid in the caves still from the storms a week before, but those storms did help with the dust at times. We walked all of the way back to what used to be a massive cavern some years ago and now is fully exposed to the sky, and views out to the rolling hills beyond.

After scary Clown stories and the occasional "Brandon Clown" spottings, we traveled on past our "right" turn to El Diablo Drop-Off.....yes past our turn but not on purpose, it was due to technical difficulties with our map; or the lack thereof. Our map somehow disappeared from the device, I did still have my GPS but the map was gone and we started driving Blind Fun, yes Blind Fun. We knew where we needed to go, but were blinded by the amount of fun we were having on the current track, so we continued with the fun, finding lots of flexing, nice technical spots, tight turns, off-camber grades and soft sand, big rocks fun til we found a really wide turn-around spot, not so wide, just a convenient location and it was getting late, 0130

So, we got everyone turned around and headed back to our right, now left turn the lead us to El Diablo Drop-Off, we hung out there for a bit and played on the drop off, lots of articulation going on, the really step hill had been re-graded by the forest service so it was passable by Subarus and Honda Civic but mostly by Yugos.

After the drop-off everyone was ready to turn in so we headed to Fish Creek Dry Camp site for the night where everyone setup tents for the night and passed out. Karen and I chose to just sleep in the back of the Jeep, we both woke up laughing at the two Big Pups sleeping in the front seats.

We had 6 vehicles on the run, two were guests and the rest members.

Everyone but guests Larry and Teresa followed us out to the Round Up Grill at Lake Henshaw for a great breakfast. Larry and Teresa stayed in camp, had breakfast and explored more of the trails in Anza before heading home.

### **Kids of Public Lands**

Is a program that buses underprivileged kids from Anaheim to the San Bernardino Mountains for a ride in a Jeep on dirt roads. This year they also visited an old gold mine and tried their hand at gold mining.

Please consider helping as a driver next September.

### **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

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

### October

## **28<sup>th,</sup> run planning for next year** 4:30pm

Make 2018 the best run year ever, who will roll first. start thinking of where and when you want to go. Local day trips, over night trips, expeditions, extreme to easy. This is a potluck dinner when RSVP'g also include what you are bringing, it is possible Mike will ask you to change it up.

The Wallace brothers offroad shop, 12781 Western Ave #N Garden Grove CA

RSVP to Mike Wallace: proudpop80@gmail.com

### November

3rd – 4th Colosseum Mine Trail (E)

**Trail Boss:** Chris Slaughter, 714 307 4283 **RSVP:** Yes. If more than 7 vehicles or 15 persons, we need a permit

Meeting Time: 7:30 AM, Leave 8:00 AM Meeting Location: Whiskey Pete's Parking Lot Meeting Directions: N 35 36'40.35" W 115 23'27.30"

**Run type:** Overnight run, approximately 80 miles from Primm to Baker, so no extra fuel required.

**Difficulty Rating:** 2 (1-5) Mostly sand.

**Trail Description:** The Colosseum Mine trail starts at the Yates Well Road. From there we'll head West between two of the large solar collector sites, then to Mammoth Mine to hopefully see some beautiful copper ore rocks. Go to the Dinosaur Trackway ACEC to see the only fossilized dinosaur tracks in California. We will camp in that area



Widespread use of the automobile came early to the East Mojave. However, it has always been advisable to go fully prepared for any emergency.

Equipment Required: Standard equipment set, no special equipment required

Permits Required: If more than 7 vehicles or 15 persons, we need a permit. Fire permit if camping

Communications: CB Channel 12 (Heritage Trail CB Channel). HAM channel 146.550 MHz (SIMP2)

#### **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 (E)

**Run announcement:** Rattlesnake Canyon (Roy) and Motino Wash (Josh)

Date: November 18, 2017

Meeting place: Outpost Café 8685 US-395, Oak Hills, CA 92344 (Hwy 395/Hwy 15)

**Run start time:** Breakfast: 7:30 (optional), Departure: 8:30 AM (Trailhead is still 1½ hours from meeting location)

**Run Description:** Rattlesnake Canyon is a wash that is easy and most stock 4X4's should be able to complete it. It starts off near 247 and takes you to 3N02. You can either go to Pioneer Town or head up to Onyx Peak in the Big Bear area or turn around and head back the way we came. About <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the way in to Rattlesnake canyon there is a turnoff that leads to Motino Wash. Motino Wash is difficult. The first <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> mile is the most challenging including a pretty good squeeze. It also has a bunch of off-shoots for optional obstacles, should you choose to do them. Most have different line options with varying degrees of difficulty. Please plan to bring your own provisions for the day. I will be heading up to Onyx Peak off Hwy 38 near Big Bear City and come back through Mentone. I'll be eating breakfast at 7:30 at Outpost Cafe. Please be fueled up and ready to leave by 8:30 AM.

**Difficulty:** Depends on the trail you choose to take. Rattlesnake Canyon: Easy. Motino Wash: Difficult

#### Run Type: Day trip

**Directions to meeting spot:** Take 15 freeway north to exit Hwy 395. Outpost Café is on the right at the first street light you come to. Joshua St (right). Address is 8685 US-395, Oak Hills, CA 92344

**Departure time from meeting spot:** 8:30 AM, Breakfast at 7:30 AM (optional)

**Required Equipment:** 

Motino Wash: 33's Rear locker minimum, 35's or both locked recommended, Full skid plates

Rattlesnake Canyon: Stock 4x4's

Special equipment required: None

RSVP: Yes Please Permits: None CB Channel: 4, HAM: 146.550 Expected weather conditions: TBD Contact info: Joshua Bleijenberg 562-400-1305 / jbleij@gmail.com

#### December

**5<sup>th</sup> DD** meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

### **8**<sup>th</sup> – **10**<sup>th</sup> Calico run (**D**) Leader Ron run info last page of this newsletter.

16<sup>th</sup> Christmas Light Run run leader Rod & Dave

### January 2018

**2<sup>nd</sup>** DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

#### $12^{th} - 14^{th}$ Superstition 20

sponsor: San Diego 4 Wheelers Superstition OHV area near El Centro, California (Base Camp N32.55.37/W115.48.65) for our 20th annual event. We offer multiple trail options ranging from a mild SUV run to wild 4+ trails, including a BF Goodrich Outstanding Trail. We plan on another great raffle this year. www.sd4wheel.com

#### **20**<sup>th</sup> Corva Truck Haven Challenge

chairman Vinnie Barbarino / <u>80hiluxcrawler@gmail.com;</u> Vinnie is looking for volunteers. details to follow

### February 2018 2<sup>nd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> King of the Hammers

https://ultra4racing.com/race/17

The 12th annual KOH week will commence with Hammertown opening to the public on Friday February 2rd, 2018 and will continue through Saturday, February 10th, 2018. The main event, King of The Hammers race will take place on Friday, February 9th, 2018.

All races from 2017 are expected to return for 2018 including: The Every Man Challenge, KOH UTV Race, King of The Motos, and the Shootout.

#### **6<sup>th</sup> DD** meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Cal4Wheel Convention & win a Jeep raffle 3400 Market Street, Riverside, CA 92501

### Club info

The Dirt Devils are a 501(c)(7) corporation 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 kkfusedglass@roadrunner.com Vice President: Rob Rien vprez@dirtdevils.org Secretary: Karen Rien secretary@dirtdevils.org Treasurer: Emi Webber: emiwebber@hotmail.com Web Master: Chris Slaughter: webmaster@dirtdevils.org Adopt a trail chairmans: Josh Bleijenberg jbleijenberg@gmail.com Newsletter: Ron Webber: ronjp@outlook.com Hospitality: Emi Webber: emiwebber@hotmail.com Membership: Cheryl May secretary@dirtdevils.org Accessories and Hospitality: Karen Kleinhuizen Safety: 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 CORVA rep: Vinnie Barbarino / 80hiluxcrawler@gmail.com

### **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/	

### 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.Cheryl May	KF6WNG
12. Al Ramsden	KF6BCJ
13. Chris Slaughter	KK6TMR
14. Mike Wallace	KK6SBC
15.Rob Wallace	KK6UZA
16.Rick Walter	KJ6NME
17.Ron Webber	KM6ANT
18.Mel Nix	KK6SMI
19. Rob Rien	KM6GOT
20. Karen Rien	KM6GOS
21.Julie Hart	
	N2RLY
22. Mark Gay	N2RLY KM6IBP

### First aid kit tracking

Rick Walter is re-supplying the first aid kit bags

#### FA #1 (Orange canvas bag)

Rob Rien & Rick Walter Death Valley Jack & Zoe John Bull Ray & Karen Kleinhuizen Bishop Rick AAT campout Dave Jones out of rotation, will re-stock Ray Kleinhuizen devils loop Mike Wallace Calico Josh Bleijenberg Ray Kleinhuizen Josh B Danny Ward

#### FA #2 (Orange canvas bag)

Inactive Rick Walter Ray K Bishop Josh B AAT Jack & Zoe Heart Break Ridge Josh B Sledge Hammer Rob R Anza, Holcomb

#### FA #3 (Orange canvas bag)

Inactive Rick Walter Clinic Dave Jones out of rotation, will re-stock Danny Ward Corral Canyon SD, HDR Rick Walter AOT Chris Johnson cleghorn Dave Jones

#### FA #3 (Orange canvas bag)

Pete Johnson Miller Jeep trail Danny Ward Sherman Pass Rick Walter

### Cowbells

July 11th 2017 No changes



**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.



**#1 Mike Maneth memorial bell** Chris Slaughter Sledge Hammer 6 pulls Rob Rein 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.



#2 Brown bell

Brain Powell Sledge Hammer 4 pulls Rob Rein Holcomb Valley Feb 11 2017 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

#### #3 New Brown

Rick Walters 7/17 Dishpan Jack & Zoe 6/27/17 John Bull pre run



#4 Little Blue bell

James Ettinger Sledge 3 pulls 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

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Old logo green bell

#### Old logo is missing

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

### **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 Karen at the meeting.

checks payable to Dirt Devils

\* Out of stock / \*\* Limited inventory

File: DD accessories order form.docx



### Dirt Devils Calico Run / December 9th 2017

**Where camp:** Calico campground I will be camping space 35 (with my gray & black 40'

RV) on the left as you drive in the main entrance.

Waypoint: N34 56.556 W116 52.012

When: December 9<sup>th</sup> 2017

Start ride: Saturday morning 8:30am

Meeting place: Just outside the entrance to the calico campground

Lunch: plan on eating lunch out on the trail

CB: channel 4

**Difficulty:** 3+ on a scale of 5, rear lockers required

**Trail Boss:** Ron Webber ronjp@outlook.com Home 714 649 9836 / Cell 714 715 5692

RSVP appreciated: ronjp@outlook.com

**Where:** about a hundred twenty miles from Orange County. Take I-15, 8 miles past Barstow get off at Ghost Town Road and turn left or north about 3 miles.



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#### **Calico Campground**



#### Location and Reservations:

36600 Ghost Town Road Yermo, CA 92398

Telephone: 1-800-TO CALICO or 1-800-268 25426 press 0 / 1-760-254 2122

Waypoint: N34 56.556 W116 52.012

http://cms.sbcounty.gov/parks/Parks/CalicoGhostTown.aspx

#### **Camping:**

265 Sites: 56 full hookups; 58 partial hookups; 2 dump stations scattered water faucets for getting water, cabin rentals

Tents and off-road vehicles are welcome Hot showers; Restrooms; Grills; Fire rings;

#### **Barstow KOA**

35250 Outer Highway 15 Yermo, CA 92398 Information: (760) 254-2311 Reserve: (800) 562-0059 RV and Tent camping

#### Hotels in nearby Yermo:

**Oak Tree Inn Yermo** 35450 Yermo Road Yermo, CA 92398 (760) 254-1148

Of course, Barstow has many motels, too.





#### Activities:

Jeeping, in the surrounding area; Living History characters; Gunfights; hiking; The Calico Cemetery; Medicine Man Show;

Shops; tables; Maggie Mine; Calico/Odessa Railroad; Mystery Shack; Museum; Gold Panning;



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#### Ron's camp



Calico Ghost Town camping December – 9th 2017 / 8:30am

Ron is camped, left of the main entrance near Ghost Town Road meet up outside the entrance along Ghost Town Rd

