## **RUN REPORT: HDR Pre-run for the Devils Loop trail.**

Run Date May 22, 2021

Club members in attendance:

Ray and Karen Kleinhuizen Danny and Linda Ward. Bill Schopper Chris Campbell and Nicole Castellanos Roy Flansburg Jay and Shawna VanWormer Ron Weber Pete Johnson Steve Cave Randy Smith



No guests in attendance. Warm and sunny with less wind at the end of the run.

The day before the run, I found out a race was scheduled for Saturday. The good news was that it was a night race. Not a problem for us because we planned to be out of the area way before the race started at 7pm. We did see trail marking signs and some cool looking solar powered marker beacons at two places on the trail.

We had 10 vehicles at the meet spot, all Jeeps. We started for the trail after a quick drivers meeting. We took Lenwood Wash to Stoddard Wells Road, then south to the trail start.

The first stop was the gate keeper, a manmade rocky obstacle. The point of the gate-keeper is to test drivers and rigs: if you can't make through this section, don't continue.



There was some unfinished work at the gate keeper that soon turned into man vs big rocks. Man won this time with the help of manmade winches. We moved two of the biggest rocks ever moved in my memory. The result is a gate keeper that has a good visual impact to the driver and extra challenge for the vehicle. I drove the rebuilt gate keeper and had some tire slip without lockers. This is what I wanted.



This rest of the run was marking turns and other areas where participants could get off trail. Overall it was a good day on the trail. Thanks to everyone who attended the run. Your help was greatly appreciated!