

# Run Announcement

## Rattlesnake Canyon (E)

## Matino Wash (D)

**Run Date:** November 16, Saturday

**Trail Leaders:** Brandon Errickson and Ray Kleinhuizen

**RSVP:** Yes, to trail leader Branden Errickson (626-476-4597), email: [Berrickson@afgilmore.com](mailto:Berrickson@afgilmore.com), or Ray Kleinhuizen (Cell 714-300-9656) email: [raykaayy@gmail.com](mailto:raykaayy@gmail.com)

**Camping:** No, day trip

**Permits Required:** No, but it's always a good idea to have an Adventure Pass

**Meeting Location:** AMC Classic Movie theater parking lot at the corner of Bear Valley Rd. and Center St. (22311 Bear Valley Rd, Apple Valley) To get there, take the 15 Fwy north to the Bear Valley Rd. exit in Victorville. Head east on Bear Valley Rd. to Center St. The meet spot is on your right. PLEASE BE FUELED UP before you reach the meet spot.

**Meeting Time:** 8:00am. Leave for the trail at 8:30

This run is the combination of an easy trail and a difficult trail. The first part of the run is on Rattlesnake Canyon, an easy trail. Matino Wash is a difficult trail that starts from the Rattlesnake Canyon trail. Everyone will travel together until the start of the Matino Wash trail. At this point the group will split. One group will continue on Rattlesnake, the other will do Matino Wash. Both groups will meet up at the air up spot at Onyx Summit on Hwy 38.

### **Trail Description:**

#### **Rattlesnake Canyon:**

Rattlesnake is more a scenic trail than hard core 4x4 trail. The trail starts in Johnson Valley and goes up through the Bighorn Wilderness toward Pioneer Town and then toward Big Bear.

It is an easy trail that passes through a narrow canyon with soft sandy soil and some rocky sections. There are a few places where rocks can get moved around and make

getting through more challenging. At the end of Rattlesnake Canyon we will be on Burns Canyon Rd. From here we head up to Hwy 38 with an optional black diamond section.



Optional section in Rattlesnake Canyon

### **Matino Wash:**

Matino Wash is a hard core 4X4 trail. There are several rocky sections that will test the driver's skill. The trail winds through a narrow canyon with several rocky areas to navigate. The first ½ 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. At the end we will be heading up to Onyx Summit off Hwy 38 near Big Bear City



Near the start of Matino Wash

**Difficulty:** Rattlesnake Canyon Easy with some optional moderate sections. Motina Wash Difficult

**CB Channel:** 4

**Special Equipment Required:**

**Rattlesnake Canyon:** High ground clearance with limited slip or lockers, 31 inch tires recommended. Possibility of tire damage is high. A good condition spare is required.

**Matino Wash:** 33 inch tires, rear locker minimum. 35 inch tires, front and rear lockers and full skid plates are recommended. A good condition spare tire is required.

**Reminder to Bring:** Bring lunch and extra water, chairs, basic tools, shovel, camera, extra clothing, etc

**Weather:** If it is raining, the trip is canceled due to possible flash flooding.

**Trail Head Coordinates:** On Hwy 247, GPS 34 22 12.2 N, 116 38 59.6 W

At the end of the runs everyone is invited to join the trail leaders at The Gourmet Pizza Shoppe. 120 E. State St. , Redlands