



The Dirt Devils Digest

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President's Message

Rick Walter is looking to put together a Baja Trip. If your interested then contact Rick directly his email address is rick03tj@gmail.com.

At this time it is not a requirement to belong to CAL4WD. I would like to strongly encourage you to belong. If not CAL4WD then what about supporting CORVA or Blue Ribbon Coalition or all of them. It takes a lot of money and effort to keep California trails open. One of the next big efforts is Johnson Valley, cost is running about \$10,000 a month. To put this in perspective keep in mind that the Sierra Club has 1.4 million dues paying members.

High Desert Round up is one of CAL4WD's biggest fund raisers. My buddy Keith Graham and I have volunteered to put on HDR. If you can see your way to help out it would sure be appreciated. Let myself and keith know.

Thank you, Joel for volunteering to contact the California Secretary of State and start the process for creating a Dirt Devil Corporation.

We are moving, the April meeting will still be at Kenos Restaurant, starting in May we are meeting across the street at Marie Callenders. 5711 East La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92807, 714-779-0600. I do want to thank the people that did check out a few other places, but I thought it best to stay in the same area we are at now.

See you on the trail.
 Jesse May

Mike Maneth Memorial

Mike Maneth's daughter Lisa would like to invite the club on a day of laying Mike to rest on his favorite trail Gold Mountain. She would like to have everyone meet at the Big Bear Discovery Center Amphitheater at 10:30am on the 13th of April. She will provide sandwiches, vegies, fruit, lemonade, water and a dessert. We will all have something to eat and chit chat and then go on the trail around noon. Lisa has found a nice clearing approximately 3/4 of a mile up the hill that should accommodate all of the vehicles. It has an awesome view. So if you can please share this moment with the club she would really appreciate it.

Nancy Jernigan yellowjeep2850@gmail.com



Some of us will be wandering around Moab

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Run Reports

3/16/13 Anderson Dry Lake Trail Recon



Nine vehicles carrying twelve trailbreakers showed up at Anderson Dry Lake March 16th for the fourth attempt to break a "moderate" trail in the Fry Mountains for use during Hi Desert Roundup. Present were Pete Johnson, Don Young, Castulo Olivas, Randy and Donna Huddleston, Paul Coursey, Cort Phelps, Brian McGrath, Josh Bleijenberg, Romeo Rubalcava, Gilbert Vasquez, and Tail Hook Danny Ward (Sorry if I messed up the roster. CRS.) Weather was warm and sunny with little wind.



Plan for the day was to find a new canyon route to the west side of the Fry Mountains to bypass some of the power line road, check the condition of the north loop of the trail opened last year, and try to link up with the Fry Mountain part of Jesse May's Blue Moon run for passage back to the dry lake.

Two new canyon routes were attempted to the east side of the Fry's. The first dead-ended at a mine after about 800 feet. All trails upward after this point were too steep, too loose, and too off camber for "moderate" passage. We worked our way up the second for about a half a mile, over some interesting

obstacles, made it over the summit and within view of the valley below. But the way down turned gnarly, with about 100' elevation drop in 500'. We stopped at an 8' dry waterfall with a 2' ledge in the middle. A great trail for tube buggies! So we back tracked down the canyon and, under Dan's intrepid lead, skirted the west side of the Fry's to another smaller canyon which got us up to the powerline road. We boogied up the powerline road to the north loop of the trail, which was in good shape. All obstacles on this part of the trail were successfully negotiated, with a couple guys opting for bypass on some. As it was getting late, we elected to go down the wash to the valley, where we headed south and west paralleling the race course whoops, and back to the dry lake.

No boo boo's, no breakdowns, no straps, no cowbells - but we still had fun.

Run calendar

Regular Adopt a Trail meeting place

9am at Rock Road House
32150 Hilltop Blvd Running Springs, CA 92382
next to the 76 gas station

April

13th Mike Maneth Memorial Run

Gold Mountain meet at the Big Bear Discovery Center at 10:30am, hit Gold Mountain at noon.
Run Leader Nancy Jernigan

6 to 13 Moab, Utah



Trail Leader: Ray Kleinhuizen (Cell 714-300-9656)

RSVP: Yes, to trail leader (Cell 714-300-9656) email: raykleinhuizen@yahoo.com

Trail Leader Motel/Camping : Yes,
April 6 somewhere off the 15 Fwy in Utah
April 7 - Super 8 Motel on Main St in Moab

April 8 - Murphy Hogback on White Rim Rd
 April 9, 10, 11 - Dead Horse State Park Kayenta campground
 April 12 & 13 - Super 8 Motel on Main St in Moab
 FYI, Ron Webber and Chuck Chapman are camping at Archview Resort just north of the 313 turn off.

Moab has several hotel/motels and campgrounds. Most of the town campgrounds offer full RV hookups and some provide showers for tent campers. For more information on Moab go to 'www.moab-utah.gov' for camping and hotel options.

Permits Required: Yes, For White Rim Rd (Trail Leader has permits)

Meeting Location: April 8, from Moab travel north on Hwy 191 about 10 miles to Hwy 313 (this is the turn for Canyonlands National Park) turn left on 313 and continue about 20 miles toward Canyonlands. We will meet at the junction of 313 and Dead Horse State Park Rd.

On April 10th We will meet at the junction of Hwy 191 and Hwy 313

On April 11, 12, 13 (contact trail leader)

Meeting Time: April 8, 8:30am, April 10, 8:30am, April 11, 12, 13 (contact trail leader)

Trail Description: : April 8& 9 back country run on White Rim Rd in Canyonlands National Park. We have back country permits for 9 vehicles. The group will back country camp off White Rim Rd at Murphy Hogback and Candlestick camp sites (no water, no campfires and no pets) The White Rim trail is mostly easy with a few moderate sections. The journey is over 100 miles with a few side trips to visit dramatic arches, rock formations and descend to the Colorado river.

April 10, Seven mile Rim Trail, Rocky with ledges at the beginning but this section has bypasses. The second part of the trail has slick rock and sandy sections. There is an optional difficult obstacle called wipe out hill with steep ledges and big rocks. If you go down it the only way out is back up.

Difficulty: April 8 & 9 White Rim Rd is easy with some moderate sections
 April 10 Seven mile Rim is moderate to difficult with an optional difficult obstacle.

The plan is to have day trip trail runs on April 11, 12, 13

The candidate list for April 11, 12, 13 are listed from most difficult to easiest
 D-Difficult, M-Moderate, E-Easy
 - Metal Masher (D)
 - Rose Garden Hill (D)
 - Hell's Revenge (D)
 - Elephant Hill (D)

- Poison Spider Mesa (D)
- Fins & Things (D)
- Hey Joe Canyon (M)
- Hidden Canyon Overlook (M)
- Bull Canyon (M)
- Colorado River Overlook (E)
- Long Canyon (E)

Special Equipment Required: April 8 & 9 High ground clearance with limited slip or lockers, 31 inch tires minimum. April 10 High ground clearance with limited slip or lockers and skid plates.

Reminder to Bring: Gas up before getting to the meeting spot each day. Pack a lunch and plenty of water. Make sure to have a useable spare tire. See separate list for White Rim Rd

Weather: If its raining or snowing we will modify our plans keep in contact with the trail leader.

RSVP: Ray Kleinhuizen cell: 714-300-9656, Email: raykleinhuizen@yahoo.com

Because the number of vehicles on White Rim Rd. is limited, please sign up early if you want to participate in that trail run.

April 20- Adopt-a-Trail Mike/ Roger

April 27, 28 Anza Borrego

Brian McGrath

May

- 2- 5 Mojave Trail (meet Thurs evening at Avi Casino on the Colorado River) trail head is 3 miles north of Avi Jesse/Pete
- 11- Adopt-a-Trail Mike/Roger
- 18- 19 Coral Canyon Danny/ Randy
- 25- 27 - High Desert Round up

June

- 8- Holcomb Mike Ortega
- 22- 22-Jun Adopt-a-Trail Mike/ Roger

July

- 13- Adopt-a-Trail Mike Roger
 - 26- 27 Coyote Canyon/ Bishop Brian McGrath
 - 25 – 28 Jeepers Jamboree Rubicon Trail Nor Cal
- www.jeepersjamboree.com

August

- 2- 4 Jeep Jamboree Rubicon Trail Nor Cal
- www.jeepersjamboree.com
- 10- Aug- Adopt-a-Trail –Mike Roger
- 24- Aug Miller and Lockwood trails Ralph

September

- 7- Adopt-a-Trail Mike/Roger
 13- 15- Sherman Pass/Kennedy Meadows Danny Ward
 21- 22- Tentative- Kids on Public Lands
 28 Forest Service BBQ for Adopt a Trail help. Big Bear
 Discovery Center more details to follow.
 28- Gold Mountain, John Bull Mike Ortega

October

- 5- Tentative - ODF
 12- Adopt-a-Trail Mike/Roger
 25- 27 TruckHaven Brian McGrath

November

- 9- 10th Panamint Valley Days
 9- Desert Splash Jeff
 16- Adopt-a-Trail Mike/ Roger
 28-Red Rock Canyon and Last Chance Pete/Jesse

December

- 07- Cleghorn Dustin/Joel

Run template

Research and/or Pre-run the trail route.
 Create and Post a Run Announcement
 When emailing the run announcement: Please, use the words
 "Run Announcement" in the Subject line of the message,
 forward to the webmaster and newsletter editor to be copied
 and pasted.

1. Date/Time and Place for the Run
2. Description of Run
3. Difficulty Rating scale 1 to 5
4. Run Type: Base Camp, Day Run
5. Directions to Meeting Place.
6. EXACT Departure Time from Meeting Place
7. Required Equipment. Open dif? Lockers?
8. Is Special Equipment Required?
9. Is RSVP Required?
10. Are Permits Required? (Forest Adventure Pass etc.)
11. CB Channel start with channel 4, if to much traffic on channel 4 then switch to 5 and so on.
12. Camping Location/ Directions/ Details/ Facilities/ Fees. Access for motor homes? Very little ground clearance? Deep soft sand?
13. Expected Weather Conditions.
14. Contact Information (Run Leader Phone Number & email address)
15. Please, cover all the needed information in the Run Announcement rather than say "contact me for details".

Start of the Run:

1. Hold brief driver's gathering before start of run. Include special instructions.

2. Assign vehicle order if there are vehicles with open diffs. Have vehicle with locked diff in front & behind. (If possible disperse vehicles with HAM radios near the front, middle and rear of the line.
3. Encourage drivers to learn the name of the person in front and behind his/her vehicle.
4. Assign "Sweep Vehicle" (Tail Gunner Vehicle)
5. Give 5 Minute Warning before start
6. Begin Run ON TIME or notify everyone of new time.
7. Announce Departure over CB channel 4
8. Start moving slowly
9. Stop at all turns to confirm vehicle behind sees turn
10. Stop occasionally to close up ranks
11. Announce comfort stops
12. Announce Lunch Stop and Length of Stop
13. After returning home forward to the webmaster and newsletter editor to be copied and pasted a Run Report and a few photos. In the subject line write "Run Report"

Guests



Patty and Art Huerta were guest at the March meeting. Art puts around in a 2010 stock 4door Jeep



Brian Penderuis 2006 TJ Unlimited, February



Gilbert Vasquez '90 YJ, February



Sean Aquirre '86 4 runner, February, March



Larry Keller 2001 TJ with a 4" lift and 33's, February

New members



Romeo Rubalcava voted in as a member at the March meeting. Congratulations Romeo.

CB radios

The Solder Joint is now located in Signal Hills go to www.thesolderjoint.com for directions.

Mark Kennedy operates www.highdesertcb.com
mdkennedy1@verizon.net / 760 949 9917

Ham radios are also very useful and have a much longer range.

Club info

Cowbells



Dan Delp now owns 3. Can you say Calico.

Cow bells 1, 2 and 3

Dan, hang them with pride.

Cowbell 3 Randy Huddleston October
Gold Mtn, Pioneer Town run.

Cowbell 1 John Strege August 2012 adopt a trail

Cowbell 2 John Strege August 2012 adopt a trail

Cowbell 3 John Strege July 2012 earned while playing in the 4x4 area in Hungary Valley

Josh Bleijenberg Miller Jeep Trail

Roger Mauer June

Bill Smith June (he says he wasn't even playing hard.)

Jesse Strege June got a tug from Mike Ortega

John Strege June broke down on the way to the trail. (Cowbell award?)

Randy Huddleston June 2012

Jeff Jernigan June 2012

Terry Pucket March 2012

Eddie Cesena March 2012

Randy Huddleston March 2012

New brown Jesse May

Old Blue Mike Maneth Calico February 2012



3 new brown bell

The cow bell rules are: 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 a 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 can proudly hand it over.



1 Old green cow bell.



Proudly displaying the Cow Bell.

First aid kit tracking

FA #1 (red, blue backpack)

Mike Ortega August 2012
for Adopt a trail runs

FA #2 (Orange canvas bag)

Pete Johnson February 2012
John Strege October 2012
Danny Ward August 2012
Randy Huddleston June 2012
Sheldon Neal Jan 2012

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag)

Ron Webber Apr 2013 Moab, UT
Roger Mauer
Danny Ward June 2012
Ray Kleinhuizen Apr 2012 for Steel Pass run.



2 old blue cow bell aka
The Mike Maneth memorial cow bell

Banner

John Strege has it.

Accessories

Available at the regular meetings, see Emi Webber.

Dirt Devil Stickers: \$15.00.
Short sleeve shirts: \$14.00
Long sleeve shirts: \$18.00
Sweatshirts: \$30.00
Hats: \$20.00

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 Western entrance:

2N26Y is N34° 16.198 W117° 08.258.

The T6 Bridge: N34° 16.106 W117° 07.745.

The Eastern entrance: 3N16 is N34° 15.663 W117° 05.116.

Newsletter advertising

\$25 for ¼ page ad, for 3 issues

\$50 for a ½ page ad, for 3 issues

\$100 for a full page ad, for 3 issues.

A full page ad also gets a Web Link.

Club officers

President: Jesse May: jemay.xj@gmail.com

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Safety Committee: Randy Huddleston: hudd1@pacbell.net

Run Coordinator: **Needed**

Meeting Place

First Tuesday of each month,

6:30pm for Dinner & 7:30pm for the meeting at

Keno's Restaurant

5750 E. La Palma Anaheim

just east of Imperial Hwy and north of the 91 Fwy.

We are moving, the April meeting will still be at Kenos

Restaurant, starting in May we are meeting across the street at

Marie Callenders. 5711 East La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA

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