



# The Dirt Devils Digest

April 2014

A monthly publication of the Dirt Devils  
<http://www.dirtdevils.org/>

## President's Message

I will be taking nominations at the May meeting and elections will be held at the June meeting.

### Open positions:

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| President        | Newsletter editor |
| Vice president   | Safety officer    |
| Secretary        | Run coordinator   |
| Treasurer        | Hospitality       |
| Election officer | Adopt A Trail     |

HDR is coming up. Everyone that raised their hands and said they would help, now is the time to register. Keith will have the forms at the May Meeting. The price goes up onsite. Everyone will have to pass a safety inspection.

Remember, buy your CAL\$WD Jeep raffle tickets. This is a very important fund raiser for us.

<http://cal4wheel.com/ca4wdc-store/win-a-jeep-tickets>



Roy Chance has volunteered to help Roger as our new Adopt A Trail co-chairman.

Mike Wallace has to cancel the summer trip to Nor Cal. Is there any interest in another trip to Nor Cal perhaps Sierra Trek? Please, coordinate with Rick Walter our run coordinator.

At the April meeting Mike Wallace passed our new Dirt Devil Business Cards, they can be handed out to potential new members. See me if you need more.

If you have any recommendations or tech advice to pass on, email to Ron Webber for publication in the newsletter.

I have a limited number of discount coupons for Fun Track Books. If interested contact me.

I enjoy reading the run reports.

See you on the trail.

Jesse May

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Rocky Oehring in training

## Safety report

When on the trail, check for the people behind you. They should be in your rear view mirrors, especially when coming to turn and make sure they see the turn. Had a couple people get lost at Calico. When on the trail, check for the people behind you. Had a couple people get lost at Calico.

## Run calendar

### Adopt a Trail meeting place

8:30am at Rock Road House  
32150 Hilltop Blvd Running Springs, CA 92382  
next to the 76 gas station

### 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.

Date/Time and Place for the Run

Description of Run

Difficulty Rating scale 1 to 5

Run Type: Base Camp, Day Run

Directions to Meeting Place.

EXACT Departure Time from Meeting Place

Required Equipment. Open dif ? Lockers?

Is Special Equipment Required?

Is RSVP Required?

Are Permits Required? (Forest Adventure Pass etc.)

CB Channel start with channel 4, if to much traffic then switch to 5 and so on.

HAMM channel 146.440

Camping Location/ Directions/ Details/ Facilities/ Fees.

Access for motor homes? Very little ground clearance?

Deep soft sand?

Expected Weather Conditions.

Contact Information (Run Leader

Phone Number & email address)

Please, cover all the needed information in the Run Announcement rather than say "contact me for details".

### Start of the Run:

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

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.

Encourage drivers to learn the name of the person in front and behind his/her vehicle.

Assign "Sweep Vehicle" (Tail Gunner Vehicle)

Give 5 Minute Warning before start

Begin Run ON TIME or notify everyone of new time.

Announce Departure over CB channel 4

Stop at all turns to confirm vehicle behind sees turn

Stop occasionally to close up ranks

Announce Lunch Stop and Length of Stop

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"

## April

**12 - 13 Anza Borrego & Blair Valley**

**Run leader: Pete Johnson**

**12 - 20 Easter Jeep Safari**

## May

**9 - 11 Molina Ghost Run (Cal-4-Wheel)**

**17 - Adopt-a-Trail**

**17<sup>th</sup> HDR PreRun (2) "Devils Loop Trail"**

Saturday - May 17

**Trail Leader:** Ray Kleinhuizen (Cell 714-300-9656)  
raykleinhuizen@yahoo.com

**Meeting Location:** From LA/OC take the 15 Fwy North to Barstow Rd (Hwy 247). Meet at the Valero / Pizza Hut right next to the off ramp.

**Meeting Time :** 8:30 am, plan is to leave for the trail at 9:00 am

The Dirt Devils led this trail for many years when HDR was in the Stoddard Valley OHV area. The Devils Loop Trail is considered moderate but has a few difficult sections. All have by passes except one. The difficult sections are rocky with ledges that have steep drop offs or tight rocky squeezes. There is also a steep hill climb.

From the meet spot we will take Hwy 247 to the new HDR headquarters behind the Slash X Cafe. From here we will head over to the power line road, air down, and head to the start of the Devils Loop.

On Friday 4/25, Don Young, Karen and I did a pre run of the trail. Our trail marking ribbons from the February pre run held up better than expected but still required some repair. Pete's waypoints from the February run were very helpful with finding the turns.

We were finished with the trail by 12:30 that gave us a little extra time to do some exploring of other canyons and we found some nice alternate sections. We will do more exploring of these on the 17th. As we ran the trail, we spotted wild animals: horned lizard, coyote, rattlesnake, vultures, and a tortoise burrow (but no tortoise).

**Special Equipment Required:** 33 inch tires with at least one locker. I think a stock Jeep Rubicon could make it but some body damage could occur.

**Reminder to Bring:** Camera, Warm clothing, Chair, Lunch, Water, etc.

**Lunch:** We will stop for lunch

**23 - 26 Hi Desert Roundup (Cal-4-Wheel)**

Signup: <http://www.cal4wheel.com/events/hi-desert-round-up>

**31 - June 4<sup>th</sup> Grand Cyn North Rim**

Run Leader: Rick Walter [rick03tj@gmail.com](mailto:rick03tj@gmail.com)

1<sup>st</sup> night at St George

2<sup>nd</sup> night at Kelly Point

3<sup>rd</sup> night somewhere between Twin Point and

Grand gulch mine

4<sup>th</sup> night St George

300 miles loop from St George and back to St George

<http://www.nps.gov/hfc/carto/PDF/PARAMap1.pdf>

[http://www.blm.gov/az/st/en/prog/recreation/ohv/gc\\_overlook.html](http://www.blm.gov/az/st/en/prog/recreation/ohv/gc_overlook.html)

435-688-3200

<http://offroadpassport.com/forum/showthread.php?t=1521>

pictures are 3 years old

[http://www.offroaddance.de/Trails/GrandCanyon/No\\_rth/KellyPoint/KellyPoint\\_e.html](http://www.offroaddance.de/Trails/GrandCanyon/No_rth/KellyPoint/KellyPoint_e.html)

**June**

**14 - 15 Forest Fest**

**21 - Adopt-a-Trail**

**28 - John Bull/ Holcomb Josh Bleijenberg**

**July**

**4<sup>th</sup> - Gold Mtn Night run see the Big Bear Lake fireworks Rick Walter**

**26 - Adopt-a-Trail**

**24 - 27 Jeepers Jamboree 62nd annual**

Georgetown to Lake Tahoe via the Rubicon Trail

[www.jeepersjamboree.com](http://www.jeepersjamboree.com)

**August**

**1 - 3 Jeep Jamboree 36th annual**

Georgetown to Lake Tahoe via the Rubicon Trail

[www.jeepersjamboree.com](http://www.jeepersjamboree.com)

**7 - 10 Sierra Trek (Cal-4-Wheel)**

Fodyce Creek trail one of the top trails in California

**23 - Adopt-a-Trail**

**September**

**13 - 14 Sherman Pass**

**Danny Ward/ Pete Johnson**

**27 - Adopt-a-Trail**

**October**

**4 - 5 Off-Road Expo**

**17 - 19 Operation Desert Fun (Cal-4-Wheel)**

**18 - Last Chance Canyon Rick Walter**

**25 - Adopt-a-Trail**

**November**

**7 - 9 PVD (Cal-4-Wheel)**

**27 - 30 Niland- North Glamis (Thanksgiving)**

**Ron Webber**

**December**

**13<sup>th</sup> Cleghorn Joel Card**

**2015 March**

17 thru 22<sup>nd</sup>

Lake Havasu sidewinder's

The Sidewinders put on a really well organized event with trails ranging from "Easy" to "Very Challenging".

**Guests**



Kirk and Jeanne putt around in the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary Rubicon Unlimited, it is stock with a couple scratches,



Lita Cesena (Eddie's wife, yes he is married)  
Rainey Hernandez

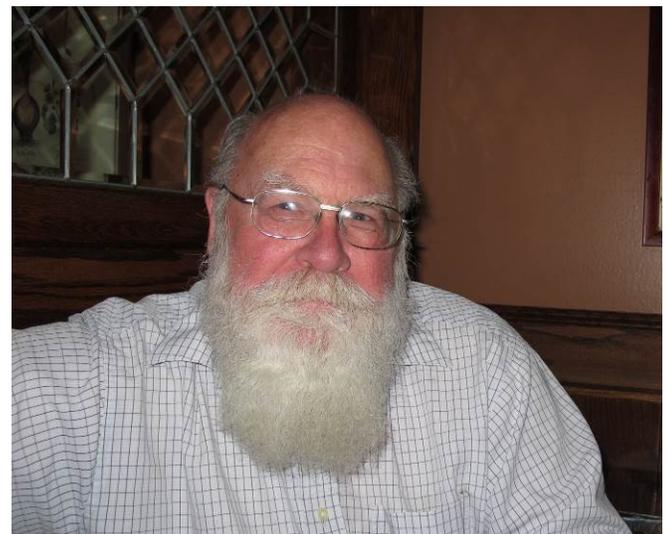


Ron and Marci Channels are the proud owners of a 2014

JK Rubicon 4-door. It is stock with a winch, skid plates and few other mods.



Chris Goodman visited us about 9 months ago when we were at Keno's Chris can be seen in a '90 modified Jeep. (4<sup>th</sup> visit)



Chris Slaughter can be seen in a '94 Cherokee and a ¾ ton GMC 35's and a 6" lift. (2<sup>nd</sup> visit)  
Chris recently visited Calcite mine in Anza Borrego

## Club info

### First aid kit tracking

#### FA #1 (red, blue backpack)

Mike Ortega Adopt a trail

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

Josh Bleijenberg April 2014  
Roger Mauer Feb 2014

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

Pete Johnson April 2014  
Ron Webber March 2014 Calico

## Awards



CAL 4 Wheel Drive, new member award

## Accessories

Available at the regular meetings, see Emi Webber.

- Dirt Devil Stickers: \$15.00.
- Short sleeve shirts: \$15.00
- 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](mailto:jemay.xj@gmail.com)

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**Run Coordinator:** Rick Walter [rick03tj@gmail.com](mailto:rick03tj@gmail.com)

## Meeting Place

First Tuesday of each month,

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

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

Marie Callenders. 5711 East La Palma Ave., Anaheim, CA 92807, 714-779-0600



Mike Maneth memorial cow bell



Old Green



little blue

### Cowbells

**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.



#### Josh Bleijenberg TDS 2/28/14

Mike Ortega supposedly has the old brown bell)

**Rick Walter Cleghorn** January 2014

High Centered and yanked with help from Josh

**Mike Wallace Cleghorn** January 2014 water pump went out Ray Kleinhuisen to give

**Ray Kleinhuisen** Coyote Flat July 2013

**Mike Ortega** Big Bear Holcomb Creek high centered and yes that is the winch controller in his hand.

June 2013

**Pete Johnson:** Corral Canyon May 2013

**Ray Kleinhuisen** Moab UT broke shock and track bar mount and rear differential supports. April 2013

**Don Young** Moab UT broke a ring and pinion on his new dana 60 but he did limp out April 2013

**Dan Delp** 3. Can you say Calico.

**Cow bells 1, 2 and 3** Dan, hang them with pride.