

# The Dirt Devils Digest

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## **Editors Message:**

Thank for your patience, I have been a little distracted. So I have combined 3 months into one news letter.

Big events are Mike's run planning meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Bring your ideas.

There are still some great runs between now and December  $31^{\text{st}}$ .

See you on the trail. Ron Webber Editor



don't leave home without it.

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## **New Members**

Bill and Donna Schopper enjoy their 2006 Rubicon Craig and Nancy Woolbert putts around in a 2015 JK

Jon and Gigi Hart look good in a 2017 JKU Rubicon

Rick Molina has attended 2 meetings, he is a ham, he ran Cleghorn & Clarks grade.

Aaron Wollbert & Corri Vega ran Moab and several other runs.

Rachel Wolbert ran Moab and several other runs.

My and Penny attended 2 meetings and ran Anza & Cleghorn

## Guest

## **September**

Alan Cleveland 2017 Ram that will soon be towing a Jeep 1<sup>st</sup> visit

Casey Silva 2008 JK 2nd visit

Jose Uceda & Kathy Mautier 2017 JKU 2<sup>nd</sup> visit

Jay & Shawna Van Wormer JKU 1st visit

Rob Mullins Toyota 4 runner 1st visit

My My & Penny 2015 JK 4th visit

Francisco Flores & Rosemary Flores 2018 JL Rubicon

Marc Noelle Nitz Toyota 4 runner 1st visit

#### August

Rob & Melissa Sara 2012 JKU 1st visit

Djerl & Anita Shultz Rubicon

Lee Wah & Linda Fong 2010 Rubicon U 1st visit

Casey & Sharla Silva 2008 JK 1st visit

Mike Goulart 2017 Rubicon 3rd visit

Rick Molina 2014 JK 2014 JK 4th visit

Cary Farrell Chevy Truck 2nd visit

Rachel Woolbert 2013 JK and 3rd visit

#### June

Rick & Kaye Molina look good in a 2014 Rubicon

Mike Goulart enjoys his 2017 JK Rubicon

Djerl & Anita Shultz enjoys his two Jeeps a '91 & 2016

Aaron Wollbert & Corri Vega enjoys his 2013 JK Rubi

Rachel Woolbert enjoys his 2013 Wrangler

Cary and Carolyn Farrell enjoy putt around in their 2017 JKU Rubicon

Mike Hewitt enjoys his Chevy truck

Amber Behling enjoyed a wonderful Tuesday evening visiting with the Dirt Devils.

Steve Smith enjoys his 1992 XJ

## **Trail politics**

http://cal4wheel.com/

http://www.corva.org/

SAC / sierra access coalition

https://sharetrails.org



Extremist are on a mission to close public lands.

Win A Jeep Raffle <a href="https://cal4wheel.com/win-a-jeep">https://cal4wheel.com/win-a-jeep</a>

CORVA dues is \$40.00 a year or \$400.00 life time membership

Don't miss out, be informed, there is so much to learn from reading

the CORVA's magazine https://www.corva.org/latest-news-magazine

And CAL4WD's magazine

https://cal4wheel.com/latest-news/in-gear-magazine

## Run reports

## Adopt-A-Trail

Travel time to/from AAT events is no longer counted towards AAT hours. Only time from the start of the event to the end of the event is eligible.

The OHV program is now permanent – The forest service is requesting pictures of work that is completed before and after each trail run. Pictures help the forest service to get grant money. No inappropriate pictures make sure all in attendance are wearing proper gear, ie work boots, long pants, long sleeves, hard hats, eye protection.

## August 11 Adopta Trail Dishpan

Run leader: Roger Weather was perfect 6 rigs and 7 people

Trail repairs were mostly minor except for a 3' Rock in the middle of the trail. The Dirt Devils were able to quickly move the large rock off the trail.

No cowbells.

## June 8 Grizzlycon Big Bear

Trail Leaders: Brandon Errickson/Rob Rien

18 rigs (wow)

we started out on Gold Mountain, then John bull and Dish Pan. Dinner was provided on the Trail by Brandon's father in law. (another wow).

The Dirt Devils assisted one fella that was stuck.

## July 13-14 Adopta trail camp out

Run leader: Rick Walter

10 rigs and 145 hours 145 hours of volunteer work, wow.

Some trash pickup, lots of tree trimming and pushing off the trail. Dug a ditch for drainage. We will need to dig more drainage ditches.

## July 21 Gold Mountain Clarks grade



Run Leader: Mike Wallace

Ran Gold Mountain, Little John Bull and the squeeze One trail repair requiring a zip tie yep that was it.

## August 18 John Bull Big Bear

Run leader: Josh B

The dirt Devils made it look easy except for Brayden he used his which at the gate keeper.

Cow bells: only one

## **August 31 Sherman Pass**

Run Leader: Rick Walter and Mike Wallace

11 rigs made there way up 9 mile canyon to the camp site. Sherman was easily conquered by the Dirt Devils.

Mike served up dinner for the poor starving Dirt Devils

Cow Bells: 0

## 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

**2<sup>nd</sup> DD meeting**g 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

## 6th Lockwood Miller Jeep

Trail Leader: Pete Johnson Meeting Time: 8:30 AM Leave at 9:00 AM

Meeting Location: Flying J Gas Station in Frazier Park.

(Frazier Mtn exit off I-5)

We will gas up at the Flying J and then drive to the trail head.

**Trail Description:** Moderate trail. The first part of the trail is steep switchbacks and has some pretty good steps going up. Erosion may have increased the difficulty of some of these since the last run. A rear locker is recommended. The trail then follows ridgelines across the hills through a burnt out area and then drops down through a series of switchbacks to Lockwood Creek. We will most likely stop for lunch at Piru Creek and then head up the hill on Miller Jeep Trail through two miles of rock garden to Dutchman Camp near the summit of Alamo Mountain. Add another 15 miles of easy fire road to descend the mountain to Hungry Valley OHVA.

**Special Equipment:** Minimum 31" tires but could have some trouble. Rear locker and high ground clearance strongly recommended.

**Adventure Pass:** Enforced. You can purchase the pass at some of the stores in Frazier for \$5 per day.

Camping: Camping is available at Hungry Valley Recreation Park. Several camping areas are available in the Hungry Valley OHVA, as well as up Alamo Mtn. Get off I-5 at Hungry Valley Road and head west about 4.5 miles. Campgrounds are on both sides of Hungry Valley Road near the jeep obstacle course, as well as right on Gold Hill Road. No reservations are necessary: camping is on a first come, first serve basis. Camping fees are moderate and are collected at the ranger kiosk at the park entrance. Water is not available anywhere in the recreation area. BYO.

**Contact:** Pete Johnson at pete.johnson@slc.ca.gov or Home (714) 894-2447 Cell (562) 577-9803.



## 13th Anza-Borrego Mud Caves Night Run

This run is contingent on good weather.

Run leaders: Robert and Karen Rien Phone: 949 351-9309

Email: RRien07@gmail.com
Ham: DD1 CB: Channel 4

**Summary:** This is a night time run, we will spend the night in a primitive campsite, no RV's, Dogs are welcome

**Difficulty:** Easy to medium, depends on the line taken.

**Recommended Equipment:** Spot lights and Rock lights. 33" tires, no other ground clearance needed.

**Required Equipment:** 4 wheel drive 1<sup>st</sup> aid kit flash light Fire Extinguisher

Some sort of Air Compressed air or compressor, (You will want to lower your tire pressure down, 18 PSI at a minimum) Sleeping bag, tent, just enough to spend the night, you don't need to pack like a boy scout this time. CB or Ham Radio

**Meeting location:** Carl's Jr, in South San Clemente, Cristianitos Rd. exit off I-5 Frwy. At 5:30PM (We should be at the Trail Head by 9:00PM).

<u>Bring Cash</u> for Last Gas off Hwy 76, it is on the reservation and their internet is spotty, so bring cash as a

## backup, we will be stopping there to fill up and bathroom break.

This is a night time run through the Anza Borrego Desert, starting at the Canyon Sin Nombre trail head off S-2 at mile marker 51.3. From there we will head out down the trail to Arroyo Wash, turn right to the old swap area (if it is open, otherwise we will just turn around) if your top is off make sure you have some bra or cover, we will be driving through mesquite trees, they have thorns and will bite, but just a little bit, if given the chance. Then we will turn around and head back through the swamp to see mud caves, so bring your flash lights; the caves are a perfect 72 degrees (but they might be humid depending on when the last rain was in the area). We will spend a little time in the caves before moving on.

Last year we missed the turn to El Diablo Drop off and found a very fun trail back into Arroyo wash, we will follow the trail back for some ways. There are lot of tight areas, lots of flexing and soft sand, extreme angles, just plain fun, then we turn around and run it all over again.

Once we get out of the canyon we will head over to El Diablo Drop off and play around on some of the hills at Diablo, then head over the edge and on to fish creek to the primitive camp site where we will make camp at about 2 AM. At dawn we head for home. Bring snacks and drinks. No firewood will be needed, it's still warm out there.

## 19 – 20<sup>th</sup> Operation Desert Fun

https://cal4wheel.com/events/operation-desert-fun

## 27<sup>th</sup> Run Planning

4:00pm at The Wallace Brothers Shop in Garden Grove potluck.

## **November**

**6th DD meeting** 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

## **9-11th Panamint Valley** Days (PVD) (Cal4Wheel) <a href="https://cal4wheel.com/phocadownload/PVD-registration-18-web.pdf">https://cal4wheel.com/phocadownload/PVD-registration-18-web.pdf</a>

This event is a fundraiser for Cal4Wheel. All funds raised go to support the daily operations of the association, as well as fund our natural resource consultants (John and Jeff), to help with conservation projects and the education of the public in the proper use of our beautiful outdoors and to keep our land open for all to enjoy.

There will be a good variety of runs to choose from, ranging from scenic, historic to hardcore four-wheeling and everything in between. There will be a run board listing all the runs and their descriptions in base camp. You make the decision as to which run to go on. The Gear Grinders from Ridgecrest are in charge of the runs and their members can help you choose the run that's right for you and your vehicle.

## 17th Black Canyon

Black Canyon Run (E) and

Stoddard Valley OHV Night Run (M)

Trail Leaders: Ray & Karen Kleinhuizen (Cell 714-300-

9656) raykaayy@gmail.com

**Meeting Location:** T/A Travel Center at the Lenwood exit off the 15 Fwy. From LA/OC, take the 15 Fwy North to Barstow. Take the Lenwood exit and turn left over the Fwy. Make a left turn into the T/A Travel Cente

**Meet Location for night run:** From LA/OC take the 15 Fwy North to Lenwood Rd. exit. Turn right on Lenwood Rd., then left on Mercantile Way by the 76 gas station. Pull into the dirt area on the right and look for the Jeeps.

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

Meeting Time: 6:30 pm, plan to leave for the trail at 7:00 pm

**Black Canyon is** a sandy wash that skirts the edge of the Black Canyon Wilderness area northwest of Barstow, home to desert sheep. The trail types in the Black Canyon area include sandy washes, some moderate rocky sections and steep hill climbs.

This is an easy trail with some mildly moderate sections. There are several points of interest in this area. This area has many Indian petroglyphs with the most at one of our stops at Inscription Canyon. Another stop will be Murphy's well, an impressive display of Indian Petroglyphs. We will also stop at Scouts Cove, a small shelter cut into the side of a hill by miners in the Fire Opal Mining Camp. We will stop at a new point of interest: the Indian caves.

The night run in the Stoddard Valley OHV area will take us through sandy washes, rocky canyons and steep hill climbs. The trail will have several rocky canyons with ledges that have steep drop-off and rocky hill climbs with small ledges.

Special Equipment Required: None. Any stock 4 wheel drive vehicle with good low range gears can run this trail. Night run: 33 inch tires and one locker are recommended. Off road lights are not required but are recommended

Reminder to Bring: Camera, Warm clothing (check weather forecast), Chair, Lunch, Water, etc.

**Lunch:** We will stop for lunch along the trail.

 ${\bf 24th\ Motino\ Wash\ } {\bf and\ } {\bf Rattlesnake\ Canyon}$ 

Josh B & James E

#### **December**

4th DD meeting 7:00 p.m.

Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

8th Calico Ron W

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## January 2019

19th CORVA Truckhaven Challenge

CORVA organizer Vinnie Barbarino 80hiluxcrawler@gmail.com

## 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 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 <u>vprez@dirtdevils.org</u>
Secretary: Karen Rien <u>secretary@dirtdevils.org</u>

Treasurer: Judi Kovaceich: Web Master: Chris Slaughter: webmaster@dirtdevils.org

Adopt a trail chairmans:

Josh Bleijenberg jbleijenberg@gmail.com

**Newsletter:** Ron Webber: <a href="mailto:ronjp@outlook.com">ronjp@outlook.com</a> **Hospitality:** Emi Webber: <a href="mailto:emiwebber@hotmail.com">emiwebber@hotmail.com</a>

Membership: Cheryl May secretary@dirtdevils.org
Accessories and Hospitality: Karen Kleinhuizen

Safety: Bill Smith:

Run Coordinator: Brandon Errickson

**Emergency response team coordinator:** 

Rick Walter <a href="mailto:rundude@dirtdevils.org">rundude@dirtdevils.org</a>

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 / <u>80hiluxcrawler@gmail.com</u>

Tips and Tricks Robert Rien RRien07@gmail.com

## **Dirt Devil 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:

Wellbership 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

## First aid kit tracking

## FA #1 out of service Rick

Pete & Chris Mohave trail Rick Walter Josh Motino Wash Rob Rien & Rick Walter Death Valley

## FA #2 (Orange canvas bag)

Rick W Sherman Pass Ray K HDR Rob R BB snow run and Pinion mtn. Roy Rattlesnake Canyon

## FA #3 (Orange canvas bag)

Mike W offroad clinic Ray & Karen North rim Dave Jones out of rotation, will re-stock Danny Ward Corral Canyon SD, HDR

## FA #4 (Orange canvas bag)

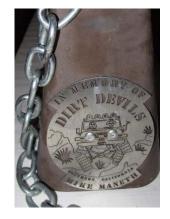
Mike Wallace Forest Fest Mike Wallace Moab Rick Walter

## 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	KM6IBP

23. Nick Kovacevich

KM6PIN



The Mike Maneth memorial bell.

Mike was a Dirt Devil legend. Loved by all, always ready to jump in and help others. He drove a modified Bronco. He did all his own design and fabricating. It didn't hurt that he was a welder by trade. He rolled on to his side a few times and we would all pitch in and get him upright and on his way.



From left to right cowbell 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5



## **#1 Mike Maneth memorial bell**

Vinnie Barbarino 4/6/2018 calico gatekeeper John Johnson Joe Cowie 2/24/18 Pinyon Mtn Josh Shiller Motino 11/18/17 Chris Slaughter Sledge Hammer 6 pulls



## **#4 Little Blue bell**

Brian Powell 8/18/18 John bull Nick Kovaceich 4/6/2018 Kane Creek Rob Rien 3/4/18 Snow run Holcomb James Ettinger Sledge 3 pulls Suhag Matina Wash 11/2016 Frank Gilliland 7/16/16 Rick Walter Moab March 2016



#### #2 Brown bell

Danny Ward 4/6/2018 Kane Creek Rob Rien 2/24/18 Pinyon Mtn, Brian Powell Sledge Hammer 4 pulls Rob Rein Holcomb Valley Feb 11 2017 Terry Gold Mtn Aug 2016



## **#5 Big Bertha**

Dave Behlings 6/9/18 Grizzlycon Dave Behlings 4/6/2018 Kane Creek



#### #3 New Brown

Josh/ Brayden Schiller 8/18/18 John Bull Rob Wallace 4/6/2018 Kane Creek Rob Rien 3/4/18 Snow run Holcomb Rick Walters 7/17 Dishpan Jack & Zoe 6/27/17 John Bull pre run



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 Dirt Devils 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 help attach the cow bell to their bumper.

## **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

File: DD accessories order form.docx

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<sup>\*</sup> Out of stock / \*\* Limited inventory



## Dirt Devils Calico Run /

December 8th 2018

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 8th 2018

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.



## 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;

## Ron's camp



Calico Ghost Town camping December – 8<sup>th</sup> 2018 / 8:30am

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

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