

The Dirt Devils Digest

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Editors Message:

HDR (Memorial Day weekend) is next week and we need volunteers. Contact Jesse May for additional info.

Amanda May is organizing the HDR kid games and would appreciate any help she can get.

Ray Kleinhuizen is leading 2 runs at HDR we need lots of help for these runs, don't be shy join us for the fun.

North Rim Grand Canyon is in September, the run announcement is on the last page.

June starts a new year for the Dirt Devils, Cheryl will be looking for the signed "Hold Harmless Agreements" and Emi will be looking for dues.

CAL 4 wheel has mailed out annual renewals. Please verify your CAL 4 wheel your address.

You can reach the CAL 4 wheel office at <u>916-381-8300</u> or send an email to Bonnie at <u>office@cal4wheel.com</u>

The Dirt Devils run to Death Valley is in the July issue of JP magazine starting on page 38. Get a copy before they sell out.

Congrats to Vinne, he ran Duran Canyon gate keeper Ron Webber Editor



Randy and Donna Huddelston The Dirt Devil Family offers their condolences to Donna and all the Huddelston family.

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Elections June Meeting

The new officers take office in July President: Mike Wallace Vice President: Rob Rein Secretary: Karen Rein Treasurer: Judi Kovacevich Run Coordinator: Brandon Erricikson

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

Guest

May

Steven Cave looks good in his 2005 LJ Rick & Kaye Molina look good in a 2014 Rubicon Fred & Kriss Mulder look good in a '76 CJ Scott & Kim Kahle enjoys his 2004 LJ Shawn Bell enjoys his 2015 JK 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 Chris & Adrianna Sulsona enjoys his 2014 JK Wrangler

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 https://cal4wheel.com/win-a-jeep

An enviro group got AQMD to reduce the size of Oceano Dunes (Pismo Beach). Is AQMD the way of the future?

Vinne is voted in as the Southern Regional Director

The Dirt Devils were named CORVA club of the Southern District

The Dirt Devils donated \$500. to HDR

California has issued new abatement orders and restrictions for state parks.

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. <u>No inappropriate pictures</u> make sure all in attendance are wearing proper gear, ie work boots, long pants, long sleeves, hard hats, eye protection.

The forest service has asked for additional excavator operators – if you have experience and are interested, contact Rick.

There are alot of trees that need to be cut down.

The forest service is offering 4wheel drive training classes.

FabTech is also a Dishpan sponsor, no word yet on what their involvement will be.

AAT badges on vehicles can only be displayed during the AAT event.

Mojave Trail Run Report

Run Date: May 4-6, 2018

Trail Leader: Chris Slaughter

Members:

Ray & Karen Kleinhuizen Scott Beggins John Johnson Bill Schopper

Guests: Armando Mena (Riding with John)



Weather:

Friday and Saturday were warm but bearable. Sunday got a bit warm $(102^{\circ}F)$ and a little humidiy made it a bit uncomfortable.

I met Scott in Yorba Linda on Thursday morning and proceeded up to Lenwood Rd, Barstow where we met with Ray and Karen, and John and Armando. We all continued to Goffs Schoolhouse, and met half of the new caretakers, Stella Lind. Her husband, Gus was not available. We looked at several of the exhibits and they unlocked the Schoolhouse for us to see. Afterwards, we made the last leg to Avi Casino where I, literally, ran into Bill exiting the elevator on my floor.

On Friday morning, we aired-down and hit the trail, stopping at Balancing Rock, then Fort Piute.

Our next leg involved traversing the Piute Mountain range. Normally, this is a moderately difficult section involving a few steeper grades and washes. Unfortunately, a bit of liquid sunshine in 2017 washed out a section of the road. BLM closed the route and recommended a 26 mile detour. The Mojave Desert Heritage and Cultural Association came up with a 10 mile detour. I had checked on YouTube about the washout and it seemed to be fine so we proceeded on. There were no signs saying the trail was closed. It turned out to be no big deal. Half of the road had been washed out, but there was enough to get by without immediate danger.

We lunched at the Piute Corral and after that stopped at the Penny Can.

The next stop was the Old Yellow School Bus. I drove right past it and then realized, it wasn't there! All the debris had been cleaned up. Take that landmark off the list.

Our way to Rock Spring required descending into Watson Wash. There is a by-pass, but everyone dared to make the descent. It's only moderate, but when you're looking down it, it looks steep. With Ray's spotting, everyone made it without mishap.

Rock Spring was dry, so we scrambled around the rocks for a bit looking for petroglyphs. Not many there, but a few. Then we pressed on to Bert Smith's cabin.

I led us back to Cedar Canyon Road instead of the road to Government Holes, so we missed that Point of Interest. Sorry folks. I seemed to miss several turns on the trip, but usually corrected within a few hundred yards.

Last stop on Friday was Mid-Hills Campground. As you may know, half of it was burned several years ago so there had the opportunity to meet some of our neighbors about 2AM. They were a pleasant enough group—from that point on.

While Friday was a bit of an extended day, Saturday was relatively short. After crossing Kelso-Cima Road, we waited a bit to see the train go by. Our next stop was at Marl Spring and then on to the Mailbox.

There are several gardens behind the Mailbox—the frogs, jeeps, gnomes, someone even trying to start a cat garden. Ray and Karen donated an autographed frog to the menagerie.

The Lava Tube in the Cima Volcanic Field was a pleasant reprieve from the warm day. We met some folks from the east coast that said friends of their's were headed east on the road and maybe we might run into them. One of the concerns I had was crossing Soda Lake. It had rained there on Wednesday which might have made the traverse slick and dangerous. A rule of the BLM Ranger's thumb is to not cross within 5 days of rain. It was only 3 days. We might need to bypass the lake via Baker if it was too bad. Onward to infinity and beyond!

We finally got to our camp destination for Saturday night, the Cul-de-Sac, about 3PM, so we had a chance to rest and get to chat with one another. Ray and Karen went for a little ride up the road above the wash. On their way back, they radioed that there was a fellow traveler pulling into a cove just down the road from our camp. It sounded like the folks we were keeping a lookout for John and I went to visit. They had met the Ranger on the west side of the lake, and, since they were pulling a trailer, she recommended against them crossing the lake, especially because the eastern-most 300 yards called 'the Narrows' were notoriously prone to deep ruts and mud. Looks like we might have to take the bypass, but I wanted to wait and see how bad the Narrows really were.

Next morning, we headed out to Seventeen Mile Camp from whence we could see Soda Lake. The Narrows turned out to be rutted from previous traverses, but dry, so over the lake we went. There were a few moist channels and some slick pools of recrystallizing salt, but we made it without incident to the Traveler's Monument. Ray and Karen brought a flat rock which we all signed, then deposited it, along with the other rocks we had picked up, on the ever-growing heap.

Following the cairns though Razor OHV, we approached Afton Canyon about 11AM. We still had some time before lunch, so we visited the Chinese Wall, the mailbox (and it's attendant mannequin), T-bone Albright's grave and the railroad car, not the one in the canyon itself, but a second one. There were no trains passing over us as we had lunch under the bridge.

We missed the railroad cars in the canyon and stopped too soon for the Spooky Cave. It looked like Spooky Cave had suffered extreme erosion until John realized that this was not the correct stop. A short trip further revealed the true Spooky Cave and we made our journey into it to explore. As we left the cave, we saw that work was being done to add K-rails on the high side of the tracks to mitigate rocks falling on the tracks. No wonder no trains had passed while we were eating lunch.

Our next adventure was the two water crossings. The first eastern crossing was inconsequential. The second crossing was a more exciting, the depth being above wheel height, about 37"-38". Bill bogged a little bit but recovered. Everyone made it through.

The last part of the trip consisted of a trek down the Mojave River to visit the Triangle Intaglios. Just as we left Afton Road, some noises from my suspension alerted me to stop. My passenger shock had pulled through the shock tower and was flapping on the wheel. Time for some trail-side maintenance. With that fixed we proceeded on. The riverbed was soft sand in places, but, with not too much effort, we reached our destination, the Triangles. Someone had done some editing to a couple of the larger triangles by adding a stem, making them into arrowheads. Very disappointing that they would damage these artifacts.

We finally exited the river via Manix Wash, passing under a bridge where Bill had to rearrange some of his topside luggage to pass. We made it to Yermo Road after going through a range gate where we aired up. It was hot. We were tired. Ice cream at Eddie's World sure tasted sweet after about 140 miles and three days on the dirt.

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

May

25-28 Memorial Day Weekend CAL4 Wheel High Desert Roundup

HTTP.//cal4wheel.com/hi-desert-round-up



Amanda May is also looking for volunteers to help with the kid's games.

California Four Wheel Drive Association (Cal 4 Wheel) runs this annual event. The event includes several trails, a raffle, Saturday BBQ dinner, games and loads of fun for all participates. The event is held at the Slash X Cafe on Hwy. 247 south of Barstow in the Stoddard Valley Off-Highway Vehicle Area.

The Dirt Devils are leading the Devils Loop trail on May 26 & 27. Jesse will be leading the Blue Moon run on May 26th. This is the Dirt Devils support for this very important Cal 4 Wheel fund raising event.

We need all hands on deck (or dirt)

The Cal 4 Wheel web site (HTTP.//cal4wheel.com/hi-desert-round-up) HDR details and registration information. You

don't have to be a member, of a club to attend. You must be registered for HDR to participate in the organized runs.



June

5th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

8-10th Grizzly Con Trail

Grizzlycon Trail Run Announcement

Trail Leaders: Brandon Errickson/ Rob Rien RSVP: must RSVP 12 vehicle limit.

Brandon Cell (626-476-4597) call or text, Email: <u>berrickson@afgilmore.com</u>

Meeting Time: Saturday June 9th 8:00 am, Hit trail at 8:30am. Be fueled up.

Meeting Location: Gold Mountain Trailhead GPS: N34°27.54' W116° 81.89'

Difficulty Rating: Black Diamond, 'Most Difficult'.

Trail Description: The "Grizzly-con Trail" links together 24 miles of black diamond trails and 33 miles of easy trails in the San Bernardino National Forest. The first trail we will hit is Gold Mountain Jeep Trail then we will head over to John Bull Trail. After John Bull we will tackle the Holcomb Creek Jeep trail and then head over to Tent Peg Group Camp.

We will set up camp and dinner will be provided. We are having Wally chicken (BBQ chicken) and a beef, bacon and beans stew. Hopefully we will have a campfire and then get a good night's rest. Sunday morning breakfast will also be provided. Pancakes, bacon, and coffee. After breakfast we will pack up camp and head down Dishpan Springs then to 2N17X (Pilot Rock). We will air up near Silverwood Lake where we will jump on the 173 to the 138. There is a place to fuel up at the 138 and the 15.

Equipment required: Minimum of 35" tires. Front and Rear lockers. Driver requirements: This is not an easy run. It's more

like a marathon, not for beginners. We will try to keep a fast pace with minimal spotting at obstacles to make it to camp for dinner at a reasonable hour.

Permits Required: You'll need an Adventure Pass. They are available at ranger stations, Big 5, sporting goods shops, and at most gas stations in the national forest. Reminder to Bring: Bring lunch for Saturday and Sunday, extra water, chairs, basic tools, shovel, camera, extra weather appropriate clothing, and camping gear.

Communications: CB Channel 4. HAM channel 146.580 MHz (DD1)

Weather: Daytime high should be between 70 and 80. Night low between 45 and 55. Thunderstorms are always a possibility in the mountains.

NOTE: I will head up Friday afternoon to Tent Peg Group Camp and setting up camp and spending the night. You are welcome to do the same. Saturday morning I will leave camp around 6:00am to be at the trailhead, fed and fueled by 8am.

15-17th Big Bear Forest Fest (IE4W)

http://ie4wbbff.com/phpBB3/BBFFregistration2018.php

Mike Wallace will be setting a Dirt Devil compound at Forest Fest. We have signed up to run John Bull Saturday morning. If John Bull is not available a 2^{nd} choice is White Mtn.

17th Fathers Day

June 29th – July 1st Adopt-a-Trail & Club Camp out

Run leader: Josh B

Map to Dishpan Springs

Where: Tent Peg Group Campground and 3N34 Dishpan Springs trail in the San Bernardino National Forest

Difficulty: Camping is rated Easy. The trail is rated as Black Diamond, 'Most Difficult'. The two waterfalls define this rating. It is moderate otherwise.

Leader: Josh B

Meeting place: Tent Peg Group Campground, 3N16, Green Valley Lake, CA (34.2620°, -117.1003°)

Activities: This trip, besides the fun of camping together, we will be modifying the bypass around the waterfall (the one by the tree) easier to navigate. We will be doing some heavy lifting, moving and breaking rocks as well as relocating large amounts of dirt and dealing with some trees. Bring your jack hammers, generators, spikes, rock picks, shovels, sledge

hammers, dynamite (just kidding), or anything you may think will assist us.

Note: Only those included on the roster submitted to the San Bernardino National Forest Adopt-a-trail program may participate in Adopt-a-trail activities. Therefore, it is imperative that you RSVP. Email or call Rick.

July

3rd DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

14th Adopt-a-Trail Ray K & Randy H

 $21^{st} \ Gold \ Mountain \ {\rm Roy} \ {\rm F} \ \& \ {\rm Mike} \ {\rm W}$

August

7th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

11th John Bull Roy F

17th Off-Road Clinic Mike W

18th Adopt-a-Trail Brandon E

25th Club BBQ TBD

30th Sept 2 Sherman Pass Rick W & Rob R

September

4th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

15-22nd Grand Canyon North Rim Ray & Karen K see last page of this newsletter.

15th Kids on Public Land (KOPL) Camp Conrad Chinnock. (Rob & Karen R)

This event takes inner-city at-risk 8-13 year-olds up to the mountains for an off-road run and camp. Men drivers are needed Saturday and women drivers are needed on Sunday. The trails are easy

October

2nd DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

6th Miller Jeep Trail Pete J

13th Anza-Borrego Mud Caves Rob & Karen R20th Run Planning TBD

November

6th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

2-5th Panamint Valley Days (PVD) (Cal4Wheel)

17th Black Canyon Ray & Karen K

24th Motino Wash/Rattlesnake Canyon Josh B & James

December

4th DD meeting 7:00 p.m. Zito's Pizza, 2036 Tustin Street, Orange

8-9th Calico Ron W

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 vprez@dirtdevils.org Secretary: Karen Rien secretary@dirtdevils.org Treasurer: Emi Webber: emiwebber@hotmail.com Web Master: Chris Slaughter: webmaster@dirtdevils.org Adopt a trail chairmans: Josh Bleijenberg jbleijenberg@gmail.com Newsletter: Ron Webber: ronjp@outlook.com Hospitality: Emi Webber: emiwebber@hotmail.com Membership: Cheryl May secretary@dirtdevils.org Accessories and Hospitality: Karen Kleinhuizen Safety: Bill Smith: Run Coordinator: Rick Walter rundude@dirtdevils.org **Emergency response team coordinator:** Rick Walter rundude@dirtdevils.org 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 / 80hiluxcrawler@gmail.com 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:	
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	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

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

First aid kit tracking

Rick Walter is re-supplying the first aid kit bags

FA #1 (Orange canvas bag)

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

FA #2 (Orange canvas bag)

Ray K HDR Rob R BB snow run and Pinion mtn. Roy Rattlesnake Canyon

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag)

Inactive Rick Walter 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



Mike earned 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 a few times and we would all pitch in and get him upright and on his way. He didn't quit, after making the necessary repairs he be back at it.



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

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 4/6/2018 Kane Creek



#3 New Brown

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/

Price	Qty order	Extended price
15.00		
25.00		
70.00		
20.00		
22.00		
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Limited edition embroidered patches \$3. and \$4. See Karen at the meeting.

checks payable to Dirt Devils

* Out of stock / ** Limited inventory

File: DD accessories order form.docx



Grand Canyon North Rim.

Buck Farm point is located northeast of the Grand Canyon national Park. What you're seeing is a section of the Colorado River gorge.

Run Dates: September 14-22, 2018

Trail Leader: Ray & Karen Kleinhuizen (714-300-9656) raykaayy@gmail.com please RSVP to trail leader.

Trail Leader camping: Yes

September 14-18 (5 nights): The trail leader will camp five nights at the DeMotte Campground. (Reservations recommended, <u>www.recreation.gov</u>) The campground is located in the Kaibab NF on Hwy 67, just north of the entrance to GC National Park north rim. The campground has tent sites and motorhome/trailer sites. The Kaibab Lodge is right next to the campground and offers rental cabins and a restaurant.(lookup Kaibab Lodge online to make reservations) A gas station and store are also found here. Open camping is allowed in the Kaibab NF.

From September 19, 20 (2 nights) we will be in Parashant NM, camping just south of Mt Trumble.

Meeting Location:

Caravan to DeMotte: The trail leader is leaving early Thursday, September 13 and will stay in a hotel in St. George, Utah on Thursday night. We will drive the next day, Friday September 14, to DeMotte campground. If you want to caravan with the trail leader, meet at the Flying J in Barstow. Exit the 15 Fwy at Lenwood Rd. Go straight across Lenwood Rd. to High Point Pkwy. Fying J is on the left.

All runs in the Kaibab NF will meet on the entry road to the De Motte campground.

Meeting Time:

Caravan to DeMotte: Meet at 9:00 am Thursday September 13

Start times for each run will be set each day at De Motte and in Parashant by the trail leader.

Run Overview:

The north rim of the Grand Canyon (GC) is located in the "Arizona Strip": the part of Arizona that is north of the Grand Canyon. The region is divided into two areas separated by Kaibab Canyon. No roads or trails go through this canyon

East of Kaibab Canyon is the forest-covered Kaibab Plateau, which includes Kaibab National Forest and GC National Park. This area is high altitude (8000 to 9000 ft.) with forest roads. Gas, water, food, ice, firewood, etc. are available.

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GC Parashant National Monument is located on the west side of Kaibab Canyon. There are no services (gas, water, gas, etc.) in Parashant. This area is mostly high desert with some elevations as high as 6000 Ft. Parashant is considered one of the most remote areas in the US lower 48.

We will have 3 day runs out of DeMotte. Each of these runs will be through the Kaibab NF. The trails run from graded dirt road to 2 track. Some hill climbs, a few steep switchbacks, they all end with a spectacular view of the Grand Canyon and/or the Colorado River. I have included a brief description of some of the trails around the DeMotte campground. A national park pass will be required to enter the Grand Canyon National Park. Passes can be obtain at the park entrance

Point Sublime: The Point Sublime overlook is considered one of the best on the GC NR, with 270 degree views of the Grand Canyon and Colorado River. The trail is 18 miles through forest with an additional view points along the way. From point Sublime, we head to Timp Point, a west facing view of the Grand Canyon.

Jumpup Point: This trail takes us out of the forest into high desert terrain with pinyon pine, juniper and sagebrush. There are a number of good view points in the area. This trail will be mostly easy with some rocky sections near Jumpup point.

Buck Farm Point; This trail winds east of De Motto around the Saddle Mountain Wilderness area. We end up at Buck Farm point, an overview of the Colorado River gorge southeast of the Grand Canyon.

Wednesday September 19: Relocate and restock: We will break camp at De Motto early, then travel to Kanab Utah for supplies. For the next 3 days and 2 nights we will be camping in Grand Canyon Parashant NM just south of Mt Trumbull. No reservations are required there are no campgrounds in the Parashant NM only open camping is available.

Each vehicle must be able to pack supplies for 4 days including food, water, and shelter for each person. Each vehicle should plan gas for 300 to 350 miles. This area has mostly easy trails with soft sand and moderate rocky sections.

Thursday September 20, Whitmore Canyon overlook, Toroweap/Lava falls: These are two spectacular view points on the north rim of the GC. In the morning we will take trail 1028/1023 through the Mt. Logan wilderness area, past the Bar 10 ranch and air strip down to Whitmore canyon overlook. A beautiful canyon view 1000 foot above the Colorado River. The trail is steep and rocky in places but overall easy. In the afternoon we will head to Toroweap view point. This is a narrow section of the GC with a 3000 foot vertical drop to the Colorado River. The trail to Toroweap is easy until the last mile. Then it becomes rocky with some soft sandy spots.

Friday September 21, Mt Trumbull Schoolhouse, Hidden Canyon: We will break camp and head west on County Route 5 to the Mt Trumbull schoolhouse. This is a rebuilt replica of the schoolhouse that served the residents in the area. Read more about the Mt. Trumbull schoolhouse on the BLM web site.

www.blm.gov/az/st/en/prog/cultural/schoolhouse.html from the schoolhouse we continue east on 1018 and 1003 through Hidden Canyon, past Grand Wash cliffs. The trail is mostly easy with some soft sandy sections. Read more about the Grand Wash cliffs at the BLM web site.

<u>www.blm.gov/az/st/en/prog/blm_special_areas/wildareas/grandwash.html.</u> At the south end of the Grand Wash cliffs, we will head west through Lime Kiln Canyon into Mesquite. We will stay the night in Mesquite or Las Vegas or Primm.

Saturday September 22: Head home

Special Equipment Required: High ground clearance. Full size trucks and SUV's are not recommended.

Reminder to Bring: Detailed camping checklist available upon request.