

The Dirt Devils Digest

April May June 2021 An award-winning publication. A monthly publication of the Dirt Devils a 501(c)(7) corporation 960 N Tustin St #120 Orange CA 92867 http://www.dirtdevils.org/



Means Dry Lake after it rained 4 inches in 18 hour period October 2018.

Editors Message:

The Dirt Devils has its own ham license KK1DD.

The Dirt Devils has a new President Tim Thomas and a new vice president Niccole Castellanos. We do need a Dirt Devil Club Secretary, if your so inclined talk with Tim and or Niccole.

In case you have not heard Rob and Karen are leaving California for Arizona. Thank you, Rob and Karen for a great 3 years, you guys are leaving the Dirt Devils better shape. Run leaders, we need run announcements, if you need the form then ask Chris or Rob. It is always good to hear about the run.

Since the Dirt Devils holiday party was cancelled, we are going to have a holiday party and swap meet on July 24th at our house in Modjeska.

Currently, my Black Jeep which I use for more difficult trails is still not ready for prime time. My brown Jeep is ready for easy to moderate trails. Since Rob and Karen are moving to Arizona I will lead Bishop or Bridgeport in September.

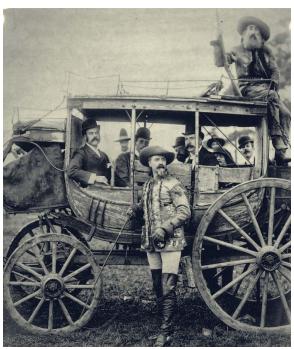
If you are thinking of using Rebel Offroad in Laguna Hills, you might want to talk with me. I can't recommend them.

Cal4Wheel win a 2021 Jeep Wrangler modified by Metal Cloak.

www.cal4wheel.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=WIN22&Category=WIN



See you on the trail. Ron Webber



Buffalo Bill Cody Stagecoach 1897 an early off road vehicle, this is when riding shot gun really meant riding shot gun.

Table of Contents

New members	.2
Guest	.2
Tricks of the trail	.3
Trail politics	.3
Satellite phones	.3
Run Reports	.3
Ham radio news	.4
Run Calendar	.4
June	.4
July	.4
August	.4
September	. 5
October	. 5
November	
December	
Adopt a Trail	
Club info	.5
Club officers	.6
Club membership	
First aid kit tracking	
DD HAM's	
Cow bells	.8

New members

December

Gail and Tom Bashaw – have been on 2 runs (onyx summit ladies run and rattlesnake canyon) they are new to Jeeping, and have a 2020 stock Rubicon. They plan to modify it. They live in Yucaipa, they wanted to join the Dirt Devils because the website and runs are organized and a lot of our runs are out in their area anyway.

<u>January</u>

Randy Smith 2005 LJ

Mark and Darlene Chadwick 2005 LJ

February

Niccole Castellanos and Chris Campbell 2014 JK

Chris has a 2015 JK 2 door, 3-inch lift, lockers front and rear, 35's, lots of scratches. Niccole bought her 2014 Jeep in Puerto Rico, loves wheeling and enjoys going out with the club. Niccole and Chris have been wheeling a lot since COVID started, they did the Rubicon Trail for the first time, 2 Moab trips, Bishop 4 times, Sedona, AZ and some other AZ spots a few times, lots of local trips.

Tom and Thu Burke 2020 Rubicon

JL with a 2-inch lif and 37's. Tom is new to wheeling and is looking forward to the adventure. No scratches yet.

David Cagel – 2012 JK, 4 ¹/₂-inch lift, 37s, lockers. Ran Sugar Pine a few times and is looking forward to finding out what his rig can do.

<u>April</u>

Randy Hardt was a member about 4 years ago and was not able to make runs and now is able to so he is re-joining.

May

Wesley Hibbs, 3-4 yrs Jeep owner, has been off roading for 2 years. Aghassi said Wesley has a rhino lined jeep and knows his stuff. Wesley ran Sugarpine/Cleghorn and Stoddard Wells.

Guest

June

Carlos and Paula Baustista 2021 Rubicon Diesel 1st visit Bruce and Annalene Grant 2019 JLU sport 1st visit Roger and Juanita Johnson 2012 Wrangler 1st visit John Enverga 2005 TJ 1st visit Rick Doria 2020 JLURecon 3rd visit Edward Andrews 2016 JKU 2nd visit Scott Kahle 2004 LJ 10th visit Tim Costello 4 Runner 2nd visit Terry Olson Gladiator 7+ visits Randy Hardt 2005 TJ 3 visits

May

Darrel and Janis Weber 2021 ZR2 Bison 2nd visit Scott Kahle 2004 LJ 9th visit Chuck Fox and Karen Perri 2006 TJR 1st visit Rick Molina 2014 Jk 6th visit Vladimir and Kimberly Drudarski 4 runner 1st visit Brian and Stacy Keown 2005 TJ 4th visit Tim Costello 4 runner 1st visit Terry Olson Gladiator 6+ visits Curt Champlin 2013 JKU 3rd visit Michael Lynch 2013 JKU 3rd visit Sunil Kulkarni 2018 JLU sport 1st visit Harry Long 2012 JK 2nd visit Edwin Arroyo 1st visit

Guest continued April

Terry Thompson Jeep Gladiator 1st visit Bryce and Cyndi Hove 2015 JK 1st visit Scott and Dena Gibbs 2008 JKU 1st visit John Joanning 2004 WJ 1st visit Tommy Olley 1st visit Darrel and Janis Weber 2021 ZR2 Bison 1st visit Tim Costello 4 runner 1st visit Vladimir and Kimberly Drudarski 4 runner 1st visit Chuck Fox and Karen Perri 2006 TJR 1st visit Sunil Kulkarni 2018 JLU sport 1st visit Edward Andrews 2016 JKU 1st visit Edwin Arroyo 1st visit Scott and Kim Kahle 2004 LJ 8th visit Rick Molina 2014 Jk 5th visit Brian and Stacy Keown 2005 TJ 4th visit Terry Olson Gladiator 5+ visits Curt Champlin 2013 JKU 3rd visit Michael Lynch 2013 JKU 2nd visit Harry Long 2012 JK 2nd visit Rick Doria 2020 JLU Rubicon 2nd visit Randy Hardt 2005 TJ 3 visits

March

Curt Champlin 2013 JKU 2nd visit Michael Lynch 2013 JKU 1st visit Tim & Tracey Rosas 2014 JKU Rubicon 5th visit Mike and Charlotte Murey 2021 Gladiator 2nd visit Rick Doria 2020 JLURecon 1st visit Steve Babyak 2014 JKUS 4th visit Harry Long 2012 JK 1st visit Mike and Christie Olson 1990 YJ 1st visit the live in beautiful Silverado Edward Bair 2004 Grand Cherokee 1st visit Ron Bair 2001 WJ 1st visit Travis Bair 2000 WJ 1st visit yes, the Bair's are brothers

Tricks of the trail

Gas & water spouts and pumps https://koolproducts.us/ https://gasspouts.com/

https://www.terapump.net/product-p/trep01.htm

takes 2 D batteries this works great for a 5g can

Trail politics



Defend your right to enjoy the great outdoors.

Stay active, support my g	golf
www.cal4wheel.com/	W
www.corva.org	W
www.sharetrails.org	

www.sierra access coalition www.sharetrails.org

Second lawsuit filed against Coastal Commission by Friends of Oceano

https://www.ksby.com/news/local-news/friends-of-oceano-dunesfiles-another-lawsuit-against-ca-coastal-commission

Satellite phones

Satellite phones a good article at <u>gearjunkie.com</u> <u>https://gearjunkie.com/best-satellite-phone</u>

Satellite Communicator Garmin inReach https://www.garmin.com/en-US/search/?query=inreach Learn more about inReach satellite subscription plans

Run Reports

Anza Borrego Run Leader Rob Rien

We had 10 vehicles on Saturday for The Squeeze and Heart Attack Hill. Tim got through the squeeze with his exoskeleton (he had a few scratches but got through). We had a few JL's on this run and JL's are about 2 inches wider than the JK's and it was tough to get them through but we got them through with minimal scratches. One guest on the run that met up and tagged along with another attendee at a gas station came along on the run, tried to spot his wife through The Squeeze while Rob was spotting and Rob had to let him spot his wife through. Allan got one small dent on his driver's side door. Everyone made it through the Frog Rock section and down Heart Attack Hill no problem. We ran into 3 teenagers (one going into the army) in an old Chevy army truck - they got it through the squeeze no problem (had plenty of scratches and dents at the end of it) but they asked for spotting help on Heart Attack Hill. Great group of teenagers.

On Sunday we went to Sandstone Canyon and found out it was closed. We decided to go across the desert and Chris and Craig led us over to Font's Point. After leaving Font's Point, we had to rescue a couple of 2 wheel drive vehicles from the soft sand on the road to Font's Point. After Font's Point, we went into the town of Borrego Springs and had dinner at the Red Ocotillo (recommended by Craig Woolbert) and had a very good meal. Stagecoach RV Resort has made a lot of enhancements to the campground in the past few years and is Rob & Karen's go-to camping spot when staying in the area.

Cleghorn Run Leader Jay Van Wormer

We had 12 vehicles on this run. This was 2 different runs, one goes over the 15 and Hwy 38 – We started off on Cleghorn with most of the usual offshoots – some of the offshoots were taken over by groups of people so we had to bypass some of the good offshoots. We found some good offshoots, had a lunch break then started Sugar pine; we got in about 7 miles and hit a lot of snow, drove into the snow a bit, did ok then Jay walked about 100 yards to see the conditions, decided to turn around but then went further and went off camber and started to slide down the hill. They made the final decision to turn around and went back down the hill by 3:00 and called it a day. 6 guests, 6 members. Had a good day.

HDR Report given by Ray K

Great event, thank you to everyone who help make this event such a success. The first vehicle that went through had to be winched out – the driver thought you had to straddle the rocks, not go over them but by the end of the trail he was doing great.

On Saturday, Danny broke his pitman arm, Ron Webber had a spare stock pitman arm and was able to get Danny off the trail. After the run, the group went to the DD campsite and shared some appetizers and Danny brought some beer for the group. Sunday, the trail was run backwards, Danny wasn't comfortable leading with his jeep in the condition it was in; Ron Webber stepped up and volunteered to lead the run on Sunday with Rob R as co-pilot. A Toyota did well on the trail but got a flat tire. There was a JL hybrid that got stuck at the gatekeeper. The group took one waterfall detour, it was a very good day.

Ham radio news

The club now has it own license

Jay announced that the FCC has issued the Dirt Devils a club license Jay applied for a vanity call sign and got the approval this morning. Our new club call sign is KK1DD. In order to use the club call sign on runs, we will need to have a ham control operator (someone with a HAM radio call sign) on every run.

the club having its own license gives us the option of having non-licensed people on our runs being able to use their ham radios with the club call sign as long as they are on a run with a licensed operator. We strongly encourage everyone get their own license. Please See Mike Wallace for help Programming your HAM Radios.

Run Calendar

For Run details go to <u>DirtDevils.org</u> then click on <u>2021 Run reports</u>

June

Go to <u>Dirtdevils.org</u> for details

26th Lady Drivers Silverwood to Arrowhead Run Leader: Shawna Van Wormer

27th Heartbreak Ridge Leader: Alan Cleveland

Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

July

Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

6th <u>Club Meeting</u> Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

10th White mountain Run Leader: Aaron

11th John Bull Leader: Rob G

16th – 18th Bishop Run Leader: Ray Kleinhuizen

24th 3:00p postponed holiday party Run Leader Ron & Emi Webber at Webber's Home in Modjeska RSVP required <u>ronjp@outlook.com</u> subject line: DD summer party

31st Dishpan Springs Run Leader: Ron Webber Go to <u>Dirtdevils.org</u> for details

August

Go to <u>Dirtdevils.org</u> for details

3rd <u>Club Meeting</u> Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

4th - 8th High Sierra Dusy Ershim cancelled

 $12^{th} - 15^{th}$ Jeep Jamboree Rubicon non club event

12th – 15th Sierra Trek Fordyce trail CAL4wheel event Near Truckee Nor Cal

14th Oriflamme Canyon Lady Drivers Run Leader: Karen Rien

21st Sugar Pine to Cleghorn Run Leader: Jay VanWormer

Go to **Dirtdevils.org** for details

September

Go to <u>Dirtdevils.org</u> for details 7th <u>Club Meeting</u> Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

3rd – 6th Sherman Pass Run Leader: Danny Ward

3rd - 6th High Sierra Poker run CAL4wheel event

10th – 12th Bishop to Bridgeport Run Leader: Ron Webber taking over for Rob

18th Pioneer town to Onyx Summit Run Leader: Jay VanWormer

25th Lockwood Miller Jeep Trail Run Leader: Danny Ward

30th – Oct 2 Death Valley Jedi Pass Run Leader: Mike Wallace

Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

October

5th <u>Club Meeting</u> Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

9th Gold Mountain Run Leader: Mike Wallace Run Leader:

16th – 17th Anza Borrego mud cave night run Run Leader: Rob Rien

23rd Run Planning Run Leader: Ron Webber

30th Saddleback Mtn Halloween evening Run Leader: Rob Gabrielson Go to <u>Dirtdevils.org</u> for details

November

2nd Club Meeting Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

4th – 7th Mojave Trail Leader: Chris Slaughter Colorado River to Barstow 2 nights of the trail

12th - 14th Panamint Valley Days CAL4wheel event

20th Rattlesnake Canyon Run Leader: Jay VanWormer

Go to Dirtdevils.org for details

December

7th Club Meeting Zito's Pizza, Tustin St, Orange

4th Calico Run Leader: Ron Webber

18th Holiday lights Run Leader: Rob Rien Go to <u>Dirtdevils.org</u> for details

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.

Meeting typical place

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

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.

The forest service does require an Adventure pass <u>https://www.fs.fed.us/portaldata/r5/ap/r5-ap-vendors.php</u>

Club info

The Dirt Devils are a 501(c)(7) corporation

Meeting Time and 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 Street (drive west on Meats plenty of parking in the rear of the restaurant with DIRECT ACCESS to the Meeting Room) www.zitospizza.com

Club officers

President: Tim Thomas prez@dirtdevils.org Immediate past president: Rob Rien Vice President: Niccole Castellanos vprez@dirtdevils.org Secretary: Looking for a volunteer secretary@dirtdevils.org Treasurer: Trish Behlings Web Master: Chris Slaughter: webmaster@dirtdevils.org Adopt a trail chairmans: Rick Walter, adoptatrail@dirtdevils.org Newsletter: Ron Webber: ronjp@outlook.com Membership: Cheryl May membership@dirtdevils.org Accessories and Hospitality: Maurice Cote mcote@meccaddesign.com Safety: Rick Walter Run Coordinator: Rob Gabrielson 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 \$56.25	
http://cal4wheel.com/	

First aid kit tracking

AED / Defibrillator

Jay Holcomb Creek MikeW Clarks grade Ron Webber Calico RobR Bishop

FA #1

MikeW Clarks grade Mike W Moab Ron Webber Calico RobR Bishop

FA #2 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Rick Walter (out of service) Mike Clarks grade James& Nick Holcomb Creek Roger AAT

FA #3 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

Shauna Silverwood Bill Schopper Red Canyon Mike W offroad clinic Ray & Karen North rim

FA #4 (Orange canvas bag) out of service

James Holcomb Creek Rob returned to Rick Craig W Miller Rob R Anza Mud Caves Brandon out of service Mike W Clarks grade

DD HAM's

Dirt Devil's primary frequency aka DDprime, 146.510 simplex

Mike and John have the RT systems programmer for the following radios: Kewood 710; Yeasu 2 & 60 (handheld), 400, 8900; Baofeng handhelds BF F8, UV 5R; UV 82HP

1. DD club	KK1DD	
2. Scott Beggins	KJ6KBG	
3. James Ettinger	KK6UYU	
4. Roy Flansburg	KJ6EVM	
5. Robert Gabrlson	K6RPG	
6. Keith Graham	KF6LZA	
7. Sandy Graham	KF6SBF	
8. Steve Hendry	KK6UYW	
9. Cheryl May	KF6WNG	
10. Al Ramsden	KF6BCJ	
11.Rob Rien	KM6GOT	
12. Karen Rien	KM6GOS	
13. Chris Slaughter	KK6TMR	
14. Mike Wallace	KK6SBC	
15.Rob Wallace	KK6UZA	
16.Rick Walter	KJ6NME	
17.Ron Webber	KM6ANT	
18. Jay VanWormer	W6JVW	
19. John Johnson	K6JOJ	
20. Bill Schopper	KM6ZME	
21. Richard E VanDuyn	KM6VVV	
22. Chris Johnson	KK6SAJ	
23.Pete Johnson	KM6ARI	
Now that we have the Club License I do not expect		

Now that we have the Club License I do not expect the FFC to follow up after the issuance of the License, we should continue to make sure we meet the minimum requirements.

Cow bells



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



#1 Mike Maneth memorial bell

Allan 4/7/21 Kane Creek Roger 6/302019 Holcomb RobR 4/6 Cleghorn Vinnie Barbarino 4/6/2018 calico gatekeeper John Johnson



#4 Little Blue bell

Dave B 4/25/21Holcomb Creek Chris Slaughter Last Chance Canyon Richard V HDR Devils Loop Brian Powell 8/18/18 John bull Nick Kovaceich 4/6/2018 Kane Creek Rob Rien 3/4/18 Snow run Holcomb



#2 Brown bell

Dave B 4/7/21 Kane Creek Raelene 6/302019 Holcomb Brandon Errickson 12/08/2018 Calico Danny Ward 4/6/2018 Kane Creek Rob Rien 2/24/18 Pinyon Mtn,



#5 Big Bertha

Mike 4/7/21 Kane Creek Brandon 7/13/19 John Bull night run RobR 4/27 AAT Dave Behlings 6/9/18 Grizzlycon Dave Behlings 4/6/2018 Kane Creek



#3 New Brown

Nick K 4/7/21 Kane Creek MikeW Holcomb Creek Josh/ Brayden Schiller 8/18/18 John Bull Rob Wallace 4/6/2018 Kane Creek



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.