

Red Canyon Jeep Trail 4/16/22 Run Report

We started out from our meeting point at the Travel America in Indio and headed to the Chiriaco summit off the I 10 to the Red Canyon jeep trail trailhead.

We had 6 vehicles, 1 cancellation and 1 no show {guest }. We aired down at the trailhead and headed out, we did a small hill climb about a mile into the trail and then headed to Red Canyon.

12 miles later! We stopped for a break at the scenic overlook to Red Canyon, we then proceeded to the Pinnacles Canyon, which is a narrow winding canyon with steep walls, then there is a steep climb out the canyon and the trail continues across the top then back down into the wash.

That's where we encounter the first obstacle, your choice of a rocky ledge on the left or boulders in the middle, a by-pass was available on the right. No one took the by-pass

More ledges and boulders were coming and everyone did a great job of making it through, we then stopped for lunch and a cool drink!

After lunch we turned around and did the same obstacles backwards. Everyone did great! except for the leader!! I smashed my rear valve stem on a rock and started losing air, instead of putting my spare on, Randy Smith had a valve repair kit that installs from the outside and we were back to wheeling in minutes!

The second part of this run is called The Patty Hearst trailer trail, a steep hilly trail that takes through some pretty cool canyons and washes, nothing too difficult!

Overall, a fun day in the desert with the Dirt Devils. No cowbells!
The wind and dust storm on the way home through Indio was not fun!

Thank you Danny and Linda (tail gunner), Ray and Karen, Mark and Darlene, Randy, and Harry!
