

## Bald Mountain Club Trip



Just how do you write a trip report where everything went smooth and we were home early? Well, that's what happened on the Bald Mountain trip. Sure there was Darwin who broke the ultra low in his transfer case and had to do the trip in high range, but he finished the trip along with the other twenty two vehicles that started the trip. Oh yeah, we stopped to air down and lock in at the trail head and did the opposite at the end of the trip. We ate lunch too.

Garfield





# A BIG THANKS TO BRIAN HAWF

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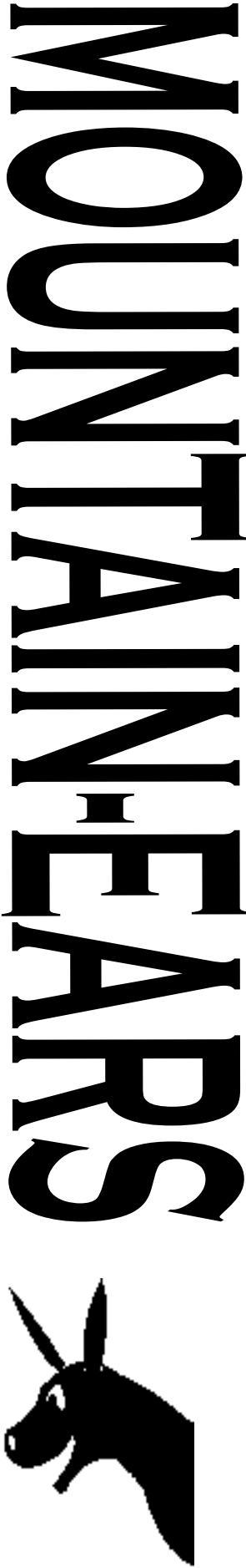
Last month Brian and his sons wanted to do some wheeling close to home in Pierson Park and saw a lot of trash left by some inconsiderate slobs. He and his boys were picking up the trash when along came some hikers. They asked Brian what he was doing and he explained that he was a Mountaineer and this is just part of what we do. They were so impressed that they wanted to make a donation to our club. Brian gave them his address and soon a \$50.00 check came in the mail.

Our sport needs more positive images out on the trails like Brian. Next time you see Brian and the boys, tell them how proud we are to have club members like his family.

# Partners Trip

We all gathered at the Partners office to pick up our riders for the day. Thirteen showed up and we only needed eleven vehicles. The kids were paired off with their adult partner and the kids picked the vehicle that they wanted to ride in. In the parking lot, the kids discovered the CB radios which they played with all the rest of the day.

We had chosen an easy trail for them, Seven Mile. At the trail head we aired down and locked in our hubs. We soon discovered that these kids were talkers and they asked a lot of questions as did their mentors. They seemed to love the creek crossings and the mud holes. Along the way we stopped to pick up some trash. At one of the upper creek crossings we stopped for lunch. While a few of the adult partners made the PB&J sandwiches, we showed the rest proper winching techniques, explained how 4WD worked and Tread Lightly. At the big meadow, a few of the kids egged on their driver to bonsai the mud puddle. Much to the kids delight, a few of them came home splattered with mud. While in the meadow, we closed off an illegal trail. A couple of Forest Service folks came along on their ATVs and were happy to see us doing it. They also started writing tickets to some people that were up on Stump Hill illegally.



Our day over, we took them all back to the office. The kids all said that they had a lot of fun as did the Mountaineers. We were all in favor of making this a yearly event. It was also suggested we make some rules about the CB radio use. A big thanks to Mike Braskich for putting this event together. Lets start working on next year.



## **Mountaineers at All-4-Fun**

The Schleppys, Gollys and Elaine arrived Friday afternoon and set about setting up Bobs outdoor fix-it shop. Their chores done, they awaited the arrival of the two Kinnison families, Craig, Darren, Clifton and the Stengaards. Saturday was getting acquainted with old friends. The first two to use the repair shop were Darwin who had to change out a u-joint and Elaine who discovered that she had a broken ARB in the rear end and had to buy a new one.

The group picked the Chinaman Gulch trail for Saturdays run. A little way into the trail, Craig broke a brake line and was lucky that Ken had an extra with him. Within a half an hour it was repaired and we were back on the trail. We eventually came to a challenge that had three ways to climb up the rock. Most of the Mountaineers choose the middle challenge but Ken had to try the hardest way up on the left. After a few grunts and groans, Ken had to stop as his tie rod looked like an S. Trail repairs were made and we were on our

# MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY



way again until a Cherokee from Utah broke the rear axle and locker. Several in our group stopped to help and we wound up taking the whole axle housing assembly from under the vehicle and loading it into George's Scrambler for the trip back to camp and to have Bob make repairs. Darwin said he found a new favorite trail, Chinaman Gulch. Ken went to town and bought new tie rod ends and borrowed Craig's new Rock Stomper tie rods and was ready for the trail the next morning

Mondays trail was Iron Chest. Our whole group made it over the boulders unscathed. When we came to a sidling that pitched your vehicle towards a large drop-off, there were a few gulps, even from Darwin. Lunch was had at the old mines above timberline. We still had to come down the same way we went up.

Tuesdays trip was Fooses Creek road which follows the power lines to the top of Monarch Pass. It was an easy trip most of the way but we still had to put it into 4WD a couple of times. Back at camp we called Darren at home to find out why he never showed up. It seems that his tow vehicles timing chain slipped a few cogs and he had to turn around and head home with the help of Dan Venrick.

Wednesday is set aside as a day of rest and vendor day. Some of our group took the axle housing back up to Chinaman Gulch and helped the folks from Utah put it back in. On Thursday, we headed for Grizzly Lake which kind of reminded us of the

# WHEELER LAKE HARSHS



Wheeler Lake trail. It was not too difficult of a trail but very beautiful. Back at camp, Darwin was changing another u-joint and Clifton busied himself welding on his battery box. Every evening we gathered at Bob's shop and did what we could to help Bob, Justin and Tyler. Mike was getting pretty good at diagnosing the problems that came in.

Fridays trip was up Left Fender Gulch. It is a fairly new trail that got its name because almost every one that goes on it will get damage to their left front or back fender. We were able to get Bob out of the shop for this run. Our trip leader had never been on the trail and didn't know that he was running the trail backwards so for us it became Right Fender Gulch. As we were running it backwards, we had to do some trail building and had to do some creative winching when a vehicle from Arizona slid off the trail. The big challenge was a waterfall from whence the trail got its name. Clifton was grateful that Scott had finished the out side protective cage on his 4 Runner or he would have sustained some body damage. He got half way up the challenge before his 4 cylinder engine lost power enough to pull him through and had to winch up the rest of the way. Elaine and Bob took a little damage. Mike and Ken showed everyone how it should be done and received no damage. And then there was Darwin, he got half way up and gassed it which propelled him into the rock smashing his windshield frame. More creative winching 101. Back at camp, other attendees were amazed that we had gone up the waterfall instead of the normal way down.

As per usual, All-4-Fun was a great time for all in attendance and is recommended for next year. The campfires at night were the usual good time. We did have to put up with some dust, but it was worth it.

Garfield



## Guests at last meeting

Dave Fuller

Mike Strickland

Brian Spoon

Richard Marolf



## Club Trip Jenny Creek,

Rocky & Tight Trees,( Full Size ?)

Aug. 19 9:00am

Meet at Park & Ride at I-25 & Del Camino

(South-east of interchange)

will be at Rollinsville about 10:30-11:00



## New Members

Dave Fuller #72

Dick Marolf #73

Del Rea #74

# 4X4 CLASSIFIEDS

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**67-72 Chevy Blazer/Truck parts.** 72 front clip, blazer drs, 4 row radiator, tilt steering, blazer top, A/C components, TH350 trans. misc... Darren. 613-8298

**AMC 304 V-8** engine approx 80,000 miles will sell complete meaning everything ALL bolt on parts brackets etc ...with headers 250.00 or will sell engine with intake manifold and carb for 175.00 engine ran excellent before replaced (it used to go to Denver on a daily basis) for more info contact Joe 970-204-4894

## FOUR WHEELING WITH STOCK 35C REAR AXLES?

You need spares on the trail. 1 passenger, 2 driver sides available. For YJ-TJ \$50 Each Elaine 663-3362

**258 6 cylinder engine** Yuell Brothers built, 4 bbl carb, cam, split headers, Mallory Ign, runs strong. Please call Rich at 970-635-0393 or 970-416-0245 Priced to sell.

**Pick Axe** Pulaskis Pick Axe combo (Rare Govt. Issue) \$39.99 shipping included. Call (970) 221-5895

**1985 Toyota 4 Runner** Chevy 305 engine, 700R4 automatic, 4 wheel disc brakes, full floater rear axle, lockers, cross-over steering, winch, lift, good body & paint. 226-0203

**YJ Stuff** Wrangler Hardtop w/ rear wiper (Tan) - \$900, Rear Seat - \$100, Stock Springs - \$50. Call Curtis (970) 217-7226 or pager (970) 416-4238

**For sale:** Fresh rebuilt 350 chev. RV Cam 9:1 compression, Performer manifold \$1200.00 Aluminum Jeep body \$250.00 obo. F&R Wagoneer axles ratio? Make offer. Whirlpool Washer & Drier \$200.00

**Wanted:** 16"X 35" Mud Tires Ross Early (970) 689-1949

## Winter is Near Get Prepared Now.

For Sale Two Professional Tire Studding Machines, about ten pounds of studs go with them. Priced at \$125.00 for both Bill Vos 970-336-9821

**For Sale:** 700-R4 4x4 70,000mi \$500.00 o.b.o. Clifton 970-586-8608

**For Sale:** Dana 44 front end for Jeep (or whatever). Hub to Hub complete. Detroit Locker, 4.88 gears, Warn premium internal hubs, knuckles modified for top mount tie rod, set up for coil/link suspension, could easily be returned to spring under/over. Most parts are less than a year old. Rod 307-635-7719

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

**Member Name:** Kevin Maher  
**Member Number:** 51  
**Make and Model:** Jeep Cherokee SE, Up Country pkg (skid plates)  
**Year:** 1995  
**Engine:** 4.0L six, stock  
**Tranny:** Stock AW-4 automatic  
**Transfer Case:** NV231, Teralow 4:1, JB Slip Yoke Eliminator  
**Front Axle:** Dana 44, 4.56, ARB, Warn hubs  
**Rear Axle:** Currie High Pinion, 4.56, ARB, Disc Brakes, Warn Full Float Conversion  
**Suspension:** Rubicon Express 5.5 inch  
**Tires and Wheels:** Goodyear Wrangler MT/R LT285/75x16 (33") on Ar767 Black Rock Crawler  
**Misc:** ARB front bumper, Warn M8000 winch, Tomken Rear Bumper, tire carrier, Rockstomper HD Tie Rod, All J Products side rock rails Hella 'DE' foglights, Warn 500 floodlights, ARB air compressor, Garvin Wilderness Roof Rack, Willwood adjustable brake proportioning valve  
**Current and Future:** More armor, beefier skid plates, more lights



**❀ August 2001 ❀**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 K&D Kinnison	2	3	4
5	6	7 Dani Smith Stephen Smith	8	9	10 Lloyd Vlcek	11 Kathryn Evans
12	13 BOARD MEETING	14 D&C Stengaard	15	16 Jerome Maes	17	18 J&S Mueller
19	20	21 Cody Kinnison Rebecca Brunner B&C Hawf	22 CLUB MEETING	23 Milly Smelker	24 Kim Schleppy	25 Brian Graves B&K Schleppy
25 CLUB TRIP	27	28	29 Shannon Dalldorf	30	31	

**❀ September 2001 ❀**

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9 Jim Miller	10 BOARD MEETING	11 Brett Newton	12 Cameron Klein N & K Allison	13	14 Cory Kinnison Craig Mueller	15 Larry Stein
16 Irene Chamberlain C & M Smelker	17	18 Scott Ellinger	19 CLUB MEETING Emily Rodriguez	20 Jonna Chilcott P & K Kapperman	21	21 Heidi Crue
23 CLUB TRIP 30	24 Nathaniel DeWitt	25	26	27	28 Nicholas Hawf	29 Bev Klein

Board Meeting: Sept. 10 7:30pm Kelly Mathers

Oct. 8 7:30pm Ben Crue

Membership Meeting: Aug. 15 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Sept. 19 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Club Trip: Aug. 19 9:00am **I-25 & Del Camino (southeast Park & Ride)**



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The Mountaineers  
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## AUGUST NEWSLETTER



The following businesses give Mountaineer Members special discounts on parts or specific services. In other words, they save us money... and we are grateful.

<b>Ft. Collins 4X4 Center</b> 1101 North College Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-5500	<b>IKON Office Solutions</b> 2531 South Shields Street #2A Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-8830	<b>CarQuest Auto Parts</b> 2716 South College Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-226-5050
<b>Action Landscape</b>  970-221-5895	<b>Fantasy's 4x4</b> 4311 Service Road Evans, Colorado 303-330-3833	<b>R &amp; S Auto Body</b> 1912 Terry Lake Rd Fort Collins, Colorado
<b>Mark Turner Off-Road</b> 2649 E. Mulberry St. #2 Ft. Collins Colorado 970-416-1234	<b>Off-Road Performance Solutions</b> 4340 Hwy 66 Longmont Colorado 970-535-9388	<b>RockStomper</b> 318 Buchanan Ave. Firestone Colorado 303-833-1431
<b>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication</b> <a href="http://www.frii.com/~frorfab">www.frii.com/~frorfab</a> cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846	<b>Loveland Powder Coating</b> 225 SW 42nd Street Loveland, Colorado 970-667-4081	<b>Vanworks</b> 900 East Lincoln Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344
<b>Colorado 4x4 Specialists</b> 4469 East Eisenhower Loveland, Colorado 970-669-2978	<b>4X4 Used Parts</b> Bob Schleppy Bob@4x4usedparts.com 970-224-4294 <a href="http://www.4x4usedparts.com">www.4x4usedparts.com</a>	<b>Colorado Iron &amp; Metal</b> 1400 E Mulberry St Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-7707