



November Trip Report

Seventeen of us met at the empty Steels Market parking lot. Now that Steels is closed, all we could get is some of that fancy Starbucks coffee. The trip up the Buckhorn was uneventful even though it was slick in a few spots due to some freshly fallen snow. At the White Pine trailhead there was a couple of inches of new snow so we were thinking that it could be an interesting day ahead of us.

Brett had been on the trail the day before to check out the trip and at that time it was dry as a bone. After airing down and locking in the hubs the group headed for higher elevation. The new snow really didn't give anyone problems, even on the steep switchbacks. It was a beautiful day to wheel and we all enjoyed the scenery along the way. At the top we took in the views to the west. The view to the East had some clouds below us, but looking out over the plains you could see forever. It was 11:15 and we decided to eat lunch. Most of the group had never been on the trail and were glad we made the trip. The second half of the day was to be spent snow bashing on the Ballard logging road.

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At the start of Ballard, Craig reported expensive noises coming from the front end of the Meadow Muffin and he headed back to Fort Collins while the rest continued up the mountain.

Everyone taking the Ballard Road trip made it back past the meadow into the uphill climbs. The Rocking Ghost was spewing clouds of steam from a possible blown head gasket, but he continued on with the pack.

Getting further up the hill the leaders finally hit a steeper section with ice underneath. The first few managed to get to the top of the hill. With the ice now uncovered Dave Fuller was only able to go up a short distance before sliding back down. Darwin inched past Dave on the tight trail and blasted forward only to make it half way up. His fast slide down the ice sent many onlookers heading for the safety of the trees. After a couple more tries Darwin pulled off the trail.

Others in the group had decided to try to find somewhere to turn around on the narrow trail. Rich Marolf had intentions of working past everyone to give this last challenge a try, but soon was looking to turn around instead.

MOUNTAIN EARS

The 5 vehicles that had cleared the steep climb did make it to the end of the trail. Even though they were considerably behind the rest of the pack coming down Ballard Road they were able to catch up when the Rocking Ghost had to replace a tire.

With snow starting to fall, we all had a wintery trip home.

Garfield & Snoopy



Christmas Party

We voted at the last meeting to have our annual Christmas Party and pot luck on Saturday, December 22nd. It will be held at the Stengaard's house and will begin any time after 3:00 PM.. Bring your own meat to cook on the grill and a side dish to share with others, plus what ever you want to drink. We promise to light the charcoal a lot earlier this year.

To get there, go out Highway 1 towards Wellington. Turn off Highway 1 at the Waverly cutoff, County Road 15. From that point, it is 4.2 miles to Indian Ridge Road. Turn right on Indian Ridge and the Stengaard's house is the first one on your right (yes, it is the "pink" one). Hope to see you there as it is always fun when the Mountaineer family gets together.



CLUB TRIP



Club Trip

Long Draw Road
Snow Bashing Trip
Meet at Steeles Market, Parking Lot
(802 w. Drake)



Election Results

At our November membership meeting, we voted for the new officers who will guide the Mountaineers in 2002. The outcome of that election is as follows:

President: Ben Crue
Vice President: Darrin Finger
Secretary: Colleen Stengaard
Treasurer: Lori Golly
Trip Planners: Brett Newton
Troy White
Scott Ellinger
Todd McCurry

Congratulations to them all. We know that they will do a great job at making the Mountaineers an even better club in the year ahead of us.



Don't Forget the Goodies

Bring your Holiday Goodies to munch on at the Club meeting.



Calendar

I am trying my best to have the calendars for sale at the club meeting. The calendars will be \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members.

CALENDAR



“Gettin’ Hitched”

Judy Heiderscheidt is walking around Fort Collins wearing some new diamond jewelry on her ring finger. Yes, club member and confirmed bachelor Bill Marquardt got down on one knee and asked Judy to be his wife. In one of her weaker moments, Judy said yes. Wedding plans are incomplete at this time but Bill and Judy say it will be someplace exotic. Congratulations to you both from all the Mountaineers.

For Sale to the highest bidder, one little black book, contact Bill M. if interested (now's your chance Mike B. !!!!)



Time To Vote

Mountaineer tradition dictates that our club members vote for the “most active man”, “most active woman” and the “most active couple” during the December meeting. We will also vote to see who the lucky and proud recipient of the dreaded “boner award” for the year 2001 will be.



2nd Annual Valve Cover Races

The Mountaineers will hold our 2nd annual Valve cover races at our March meeting. As you will recall, last years event was won by Susan Schaibly and her go fast Volkswagen cover. Second place was taken by Dave Oden with his big wheeled, powder coated cover. This years event is being sponsored by Scott at RockStomper, prizes are yet to be determined.

The basic rules are as follows:

- * 15'' maximum width - 30'' maximum length - 10'' maximum height - 10 lb. maximum weight
- * Weight will be by official scales only
- * No engines - No propulsion of any kind
- * One valve cover per chassis - No switching chassis or cover
- * Automotive valve covers only with stock gasket surface
- * Nothing can be mounted in front of either the valve cover or chassis
- * No moving or movable weight

The race will be for distance, exactly as last years. Start building your covers now for the March event.



MEMBERS RIDES

Member Name: Curtis Smelker

Member Number: 9

Make and Model: Ford Bronco

Year: 1971

Engine: 429

Tranny: C6

Transfer Case: 205

Front Axle: Dana 44

Rear Axle: 9"

Suspension: 4" lift, Rancho 9000 with KYB Gas Front and Rear

Tires and Wheels: 35 X 16 Boggers on Eagles

Brakes: Stock

Current and Future: Just to get it muddy



4X4 CLASSIFIEDS

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

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

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

Toyota 4 Runner, 125,000 miles 1991, white, 6 cyl., 5 speed, 3" susp. lift, 3" body lift, Pro comp 35", 12.5 tires CD player, recent front brakes, discs & bearing pack Power moon roof, locks & windows asking \$9200, OBO. call 663-6814, Luke or Don

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

4-Sale: Five 33X12.50X15 Super Swamper SSR mounted on 15X8 Chrome Rims, Four are used, 50% tread, slight damage to rims. Early Ford-Jeep-Scout Bolt Pattern \$70.00 each/make offer-trade Fifth tire & rim less than 800 miles, Like new \$150.00 will trade for ??? Call Brett 970-484-1948

Jeep Overdrive for sale. It is for the older Jeep. I am asking \$300.00 O.B.O. It is a Husky that was built in Longmont, Co. in the early 1970's Jim Maxwell 970-482-0412

For Sale: Front Axle: Dana 44 disc brakes 410 ratio with lockright side drive shaft. Rear Axle: 9" heavy housing 31 spline Currie axles, nodgular carrier 410 ratio, Detroit locker, heavy 9 3/8" ring gear, Timpken roller bearings, 11" brakes, Bolt pattern 5x5 1/2. Call Brad anytime on weekends & after 5 on weekdays at: 520-887-9104

For Sale: Detroit locker for a Dana #30 (front) 3.54-1 ratio \$250.00 E-Mail Richard Marolf at: mrmarolf@aol.com

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2 Andrea Ashby	3 Lyle Bowers	4 D & T Frank	5	6	7 Adina DeWitt T&L Baker	8
9	10 BOARD MEETING	11 Brian Ellinger	12 Mike Braskich	13	14 Mathew DeWitt	15
16	17 Teresa Shively	18	19 CLUB MEETING	20	21	22
23 CLUB TRIP /30	24/31 Greg Lenderink	25	26 G & M Lenderink	27	28	29

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 BOARD MEETING Aaron Brucker Bryan Hawf Eric Boydston	8	9	10	11 Ethan Stanczyk	12
13 Matthew Carlson	14	15 Micheal Prough	16 CLUB MEETING	17 B & J Vos	18	19
20 CLUB TRIP	21	22 Jeffrey Maher	23	24 Taylor Crue	25	26
27	28 Alice Mueller	29	30	31		

Board Meeting: Jan.. 7 7:30pm Ben Crue
 Feb. 11 7:30pm To be announced
 Membership Meeting: Dec. 19 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 Jan. 16 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 Club Trip: Dec. 23 9:00am **Steeles Market, Parking Lot (802 w. Drake)**



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

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