



November Trip Report

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Mountaineers were meeting all over the place and taking different routes to get to our trip destination, the Ballard Logging Road. Nineteen of us finally gathered in one place at the bottom of Moody Hill to air down and lock in the hubs. It had just snowed the night before and the Buckhorn Canyon Road was getting a little slick. Our stop at Moody gave Darwin enough time to make friends with three other four wheelers and they were invited to join our trip. By the time we hit the intersection at the Ballard Road, we were 22 strong.

With all the new snow, it was a beautiful drive through the forest to the big meadow. It kind of reminded us that Christmas was just around the corner. The climb out of the meadow was where the fun began. The first hill was a sheet of ice and as each vehicle tried their luck on the hill, it became slicker with each pass of spinning tires. Several had to winch their way over the first water bar. It was fun watching most everyone get to the water bar hump with their engines roaring and tires spinning and couldn't get any farther. They would put on their brakes and start sliding backwards out of control over a hundred feet back down the icy slope.



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Steven's Ranger had a low battery and would not start so his mom pulled her jeep up next to the truck to use some jumper cables to get it going again. Seeing this, Darwin turned around and started down into the meadow to offer his assistance. He stepped on the brake peddle and started to slide down the toboggan run, not stopping until he hit the immobile Ranger and jeep. A few decided at this point to turn around and head for the barn.

We followed Brett and Scott in the Mantis up the trail and through the woods until we were stopped again. This time it was Brett who had broken an axle on the trusty Scout. To add insult to injury, the ball joints had also popped out. We all ate lunch and watched Brett change the axle and hammer the joints back in. At this point several had had enough fun for the day and turned around because of the ice hill that Brett had broken on. A few die hards like Dan and Scott forged on until smoke started rolling out from under the hood of Dan's Toyota. It turned out to be an oil leak on the turbo and this last group also headed home. The fun wasn't over until everyone had finished sliding down the toboggan run.

It was just another spectacular day of wheeling with the Mountaineer family !!!



Garfield

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TIME TO VOTE

Ballets (one per member family) will be passed out at the December meeting. You will be asked to vote for the most active male, female and couple in our club. You will also be voting for the member that deserves the dreaded “Boner Award” which should go to the club member with the worst luck with breakage on the club trail rides or any other reason that you can think of. We will also ask why that person deserves the honor of your vote. The secret ballots will be given to our new president, Brett Newton, and he will order the ribbons along with the 2002 perfect attendance awards that will be presented during the January meeting.

To help our new trip planners, we will also be asking for your input on your two most favorite club outings.



Mountaineers Christmas Tradition

For the December meeting, we ask all the members to bring in some Christmas goodies to share with all your Mountaineer friends. Besides being able to sample all these delectable consumable baked goods, it also gives Patty Oden a well deserved break.



Club Trip

Seven Mile & Stump Hill

Lanoria said it would be open

Meet at Albertson's at 9:00 AM Sunday
Dec. 22nd



Guests at Last Meeting

Dave Gyles
Cory Deocampo
Elisa St. John
Robert Wooden

Greg & Linda Enslow
Travis Simmons
Steve Geissle
Louis Barth



New Member

Greg & Linda Enslow #84



Dues are Due

Dues are due from now until the March meeting. Dues are \$40.00 for members & \$15.00 for assoc. members.



Bear Droppings

The Colorado State Department of Fish and Wildlife is advising hikers, hunters, fisherman and golfers to take extra precautions and be on the alert for bears while in the mountainous areas around Denver, Dillon, Breckenridge and Keystone. They advise people to wear noise-producing devices, such as little bells, on their clothing to alert, but not startle the bears unexpectedly. They also advise you to carry pepper spray in case of an encounter with a bear. It is also a good idea to watch for fresh signs of bear activity. People should be able to recognize the difference between black bear and grizzly bear droppings: Black bear droppings are smaller and contain berries and possibly squirrel fur. Grizzly bear droppings have little bells in them and smell like pepper spray.

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A few days ago, I was having some work done at my local garage. A Blonde came in and asked for a “seven-hundred-ten”.

We all looked at each other and another customer asked “What is a ‘seven-hundred-ten’?”

She replied “You know, the little piece in the middle of the engine. I’ve lost it and need a new one.”

The mechanic asked what function it performed, and she didn’t know, but the piece had always been there. He gave her a piece of paper and a pen and asked her to draw what the piece looked like. She drew a circle and in the middle of it, wrote 710.

He then took her over to another car which had its hood up, and asked “Is there a seven-hundred-ten on this car?”

She pointed and said “Of course, it’s right there.”

You can find a picture of what she was pointing at under the Classifieds on page 9.



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Living on Earth is expensive, but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.

How long a minute is depends on what side of the bathroom door you're on.

Birthdays are good for you; the more you have, the longer you live.

Happiness comes through doors you didn't even know you left open.

If Walmart is lowering prices every day, how come nothing is free yet?

You may be only one person in the world, but you may also be the world to one person.

Don't cry because it's over; smile because it happened.

We could learn a lot from crayons; some are sharp, some are pretty, some are dull, some have weird names, and all are different colors...but they all exist very nicely in the same box.

A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.



Don't Forget!!!

Please bring pictures for the online calendar.

Pictures work best if they are horizontal.

Remember that we will need pictures each month.

We need at least 4 pictures each month to keep up.



4 X 4 C L A S S I F I E D S

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

Ford 9" rearend complete, full width, 3.50 gears, 31 spline shafts. \$100, call Ben (970)495-0801

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

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



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

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5 Bob Stevens	6 BOARD MEETING	7 Aaron Brucker Bryan Hawf	8	9	10	11
12	13 Matthew Carlson	14	15 CLUB MEETING	16	17 B & J Vos	18
19 CLUB TRIP	20	21	22 Jeffery Maher	23	24 Taylor Crue	25
26	27 Dominique Rhoades	28	29 Lindsey Early	30	31	

Board Meeting: Jan. 6 7:30pm Brett Newton
Feb. 10 7:30pm Lori Golly
Membership Meeting: Dec. 18 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
Jan. 15 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
Club Trip: Dec. 22 9:00am **Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox**



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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>RockHard 4x4 Parts Lewis Barth 401 Jackie Ann St. Ault, Co 80610 970-834-0767</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>RockStomper 650 Weaver Park Road, Unit G Longmont Colorado 720-652-0700</p>
<p>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication www.frii.com/~frorfab cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846</p>		<p>Vanworks 900 East Lincoln Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344</p>
<p>Loveland Powder Coating 225 SW 42nd Street Loveland, Colorado 970-679-7500</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>