



December Trip Report

It was a couple of days before Christmas when over twenty vehicles filled with Mountaineers and guests met for a trip to Crown Point. We followed our trip leader, Brett, up the Poudre to the Pingree Park turnoff. While going up the hill, our new club president (Kyle) fell behind the group as he was towing his Scout. One of the first rules on the trail is to wait for the vehicle behind you so that they will see you make the turn. The three in that last slow group missed the turn to Crown Point as this rule was broken. The main group stopped a little way into Crown Point to air down and lock in. After about a half hour of waiting, Darwin and Colleen went back to try to find the lost group. Another half hour went by before radio contact was made and we were off on another adventure in the snow. As is always the case, there was little snow on the lower part of the road but as we climbed in elevation it became evident that we were in for a good day.

By the time we got to the Black Hollow turnoff, a couple of people had slid off into the giggly weeds and had to get a tug. A couple of guests (a Daihatsu & a Suburban) were ready for the snow as they chained up all four tires and blasted the snow with the best of them. Brett, Corvette Dave, Kyle and Elaine took turns bashing the drifts on the main road, only making a foot or two at a time. Craig had a go at the first drift on the Black Hollow road but backed out when he saw the next tall and long drift in front of him. Brandon had a look and blasted the drift but wound up sideways and high centered. After getting snatched off the pinnacle, he took another couple of shots and made it all the way across. He had opened the Hollow Road and several others followed.

Up on top, Kyle was having some fuel delivery problems on his tricked out Scout. To add insult to injury, he thought he had broken some gear teeth in the transfer case and finally had to admit defeat. It was a good thing that he had a trailer as the Scout wouldn't have made it back to town under its own power. Another casualty was Corvette Dave when his Land Cruiser broke a front birfield. Dave and Elaine had to do a lot of creative winching to get the Corvette powered Cruiser turned around. What fun it was to see a Jeep pulling out a Land Cruiser, again. By the time we got Dave out of trouble, most of the people on the top road had enough fun and headed back to town.

That left the group at the bottom of Black Hollow still pounding away at the drifts, that is until Ryan, in his black Land Crusher, sheered the front drive shaft bolts leaving him with just 2 wheel drive. Brandon and Dick Jansen strapped together and then strapped themselves to Ryan's crippled Cruiser. Now they had a three car freight train that could make the grade. It took awhile, but they made back to the top where Darwin and Colleen had waited for them to make sure that they got out OK.

Every trip with the Mountaineer family is meant to be fun. The trip will be more fun if we follow some simple rules. The only equipment required by club rule is that you have tow hooks front and rear, it may save you from losing a bumper. A working CB radio is not required, but if you don't have one, we will talk about you and you have no clue about what is happening around you. Be sure that you keep in contact (either visually or by radio) with the people in front and behind you. And last but not least, if you drive a Land Cruiser, be sure that you have a friend driving a Jeep along on the trip to keep you out of trouble!!!

El Guapo





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Club Trip

This month we hope to go ice racing up by Lost Lake outside of Red Feather. We will have a fire to cook hot dogs, marshmallows or whatever you bring to eat. The trip will leave from the North College Albertsons on Sunday, January 20th, at 9:00 am. More about the trip at the club meeting.



Refreshments

We need a volunteer to bring the Refreshments for the February and March meetings. If you are willing, please talk to Kyle Eddy at the meeting.



Editor's Note

I need some Member's Rides. If you need a form to fill out Please pick one up at the Club Meeting or Download it at www.mountaineers4x4.org/membersrides.pdf. Please bring a picture of your vehicle and return the filled out form to Dave Oden or email it to 4x4@jeepndave.com.





Guest at last Meeting

Holland Hibbitt
Eric Stalzer
Ruben Arietta



Dues are Due

Dues are due from now until the March meeting.
because we didn't want to drive in it (we are four wheelers aren't
Attention: Dues are \$45.00 for members & \$15.00 for assoc.



Members Rides

Member Name Brett Newton

Member Number 35

Make & Model 1972 Scout II

Engine 93 Chevy 350

Transmission SM465

Transfer Case Dana 20

Front End Dana 44 Detroit Locker

Rear End Dana 60 Detroit Locker

Wheels & Tires 37" Swampers

Springs & Shocks Got'em

Brakes Yes

Miscellaneous Too much to list

Current & Future Projects NP205 Transfer case





4x4 Classifieds

For Sale: NV241 Transfer case from 94 GM full size blazer. \$350 Warn Trans4mer Grill guard with winch tray for 88-99 GM pickup. \$250 Darren 493-4997

Cars, Trucks, and SUV's for sale. Check out www.horsepowerauto.com to see what is available. If you don't see what you are looking for give Ben a call at 970-443-1875. I'll help you find it.

Backhoe Available: Mike Braskich has a backhoe, bobcat, and dump truck available for snow removal services or other needs of members. Call 970-224-9134

For Sale: Five Michelin LTX 30x9.50x15 tires More than 50% tread still remaining. All five for \$200.00 Great All Season Tire Call Brett 970-217-9758



January 2008						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 Ryan King	4 Ted Miller	5
6 Darla Miller Wyvonne Stengaard	7 BOARD MEETING <i>Kyle Eddy</i>	8	9	10	11	12
13 Jessica Stengaard	14	15 Julie Moen	16 CLUB MEETING	17 Michelle Jansen	18	19 Melissa Kemp
20 CLUB TRIP	21	22	23	24 Taylor Crue	25	26
27 Richard Marolf Karen Riley	28	29	30	31		

February 2008						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Chris Mercer	2
3 Jamie McQuaid	4 Erin Lenderink	5	6 Lizzie Pryzgoda	7	8	9
10	11 BOARD MEETING <i>Dave Oden</i> Kim Wheeler	12 Avery Prewett	13 Sandy Vlcek Craig Arnold DeAnna Harris	14 Steve Geissler	15	16 Nicholas Kemp
17	18	19	20 CLUB MEETING	21	22 Christopher Kapperman	23
24 CLUB TRIP	25 Colleen Stengaard	26	27	28 Gene Kapperman	29 Judy Heiderscheidt	

Board Meeting: Feb. 11 7:30pm Dave Oden
Mar. 10 7:30pm Glen Frank
Membership Meeting: Jan. 16 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
Feb. 20 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
Club Trip: Jan. 20 **9:00am** **Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox**



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January Newsletter

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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.

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<p>Bullhide Liner 4X4 & Auto Accessories 5817 South College Ave. Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288</p>	<p>Coyote Cruisers & OffRoad 417 North Hwy 287 Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-221-1833</p>	<p>Moab 4x4 Outpost 1831 S Hwy 191 Moab, Utah 435-259-0911</p>
<p>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication 24192 W. County Rd. 74E Red Feather Lakes, CO 970-881-2418 www.frontrangeoffroadfab.com</p>	<p>4X4 Used Parts / 4X4 Off Road 938 West Willox Lane, Ft. Collins 970-224-1133 www.4x4usedparts.com</p>	<p>RockStomper P.O. Box 724 Firestone, Colorado 303-833-1431</p>
<p>Fort Collins Floral 205 N. College Ave, Ft. Collins 970-482-1481 www.fortcollinsfloral.com</p>	<p>Horsepower Auto Brokers 1409 E. Olive Ct. Unit E, Ft. Collins 970-482-2579 www.horsepowerauto.com</p>	<p>Vanworks 900 East Lincoln Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344</p>
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