

Mountain - Ears

December Club Trip

Only 3 vehicles left the Albertsons parking lot at 9:00 am. As it was only a couple of days before Christmas, it wasn't surprising to have a low turnout. They picked up the southern contingent waiting in Masonville which added 7 more eager 4 wheelers to the group. There were icy spots in the Buckhorn Canyon so we

Stopped to air down and lock in the hubs at the Moody Hill trailhead parking area.

As we turned off the Buckhorn onto the Ballard Logging Road



we could see that there would be plenty of snow to play in. When we got to the spur road to the slash piles about half the group went up the steep hill. The rest of us continued on to



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the meadow, where last year we were stopped by deep drifts and blow down. Above the meadow, we encountered our



First ice flow. A few had to make a couple of runs at it as it had snuck up on them and they didn't have the needed momentum. We all made it up



To the top of the first long hill with no other problems. We

had a lot of fun running up and down the hills through the 8 to 10 inches of snow until we



Encountered several smaller up hills that were over ice flows. The real fun started when the group that went up to the slash piles caught up with the lead group.

Corvette Dave was in the lead when he came to a steep hill



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That was completely iced over. He huffed and puffed several times but had to back down or should I say slide down to the starting point each time. Dave's son, Daryl,



up the hill. Only three were able to conquer the icy obstacle, the Venrick's, the Thoen's and Don Maresh.



tried the hill several times with the same result. Even Dave's grandson, Kyle, tried it and fared no better. That ice hill had defeated three generations of the Surface clan! Several others made valiant tries on the skating rink, most were vanquished. At least it was fun to watch those four wheelers act like the chrome ball in a pin ball machine, bouncing from one side to the other on their way

The group that made the hill still didn't finish the trail. They went a little farther and then

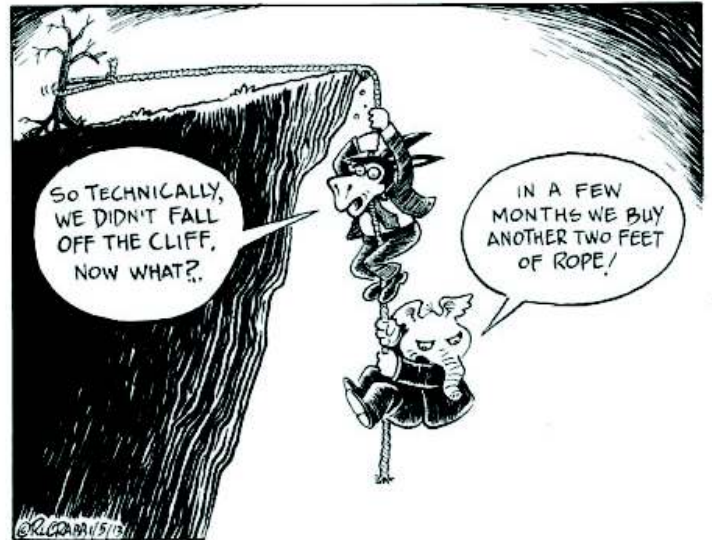


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Stopped for lunch. The lower group also had lunch and



Several went back down to town. A couple waited for the top group to return before calling it a day also. It was a wonderful day of playing in the snow and on the ice with the Mountaineer family. There were no breakdowns to speak of, although we are still wondering why Corvette Dave had to open his hood every time he stopped.



El Guapo



January Club Trip

Crown Point
Meet at Albertson's at
9:00AM Sunday Jan. 20th

Poker Run Planning Committee

John Schrader is looking for help planning and putting together a Poker Run that we will do later in the year. If you have planned or helped run a Poker Run in the past and would like to help plan our upcoming Poker Run, please talk to John Schrader.



Mountaineers in Moab week.

The date has been set for our week in Moab. The first trip will leave from the Moab City Market at 9:00 am on June 1st, 2013. We will have an organized trip every day through Friday, June 7th. More about this at the meeting. Be sure to put in for your vacation time at work for this fun time in Moab. A lot of us stay at Canyonlands Campground.



Members Rides

Member Name: Bob Paul

Member Number: 50

Ride Make & Model: 1978 Toyota LandCruiser

Engine: Stock 2F

Transmission: Stock H42

Transfer Case: Stock Asco Transfer Case - 1.99:1 Low range ratio

Front End: 4:56 Nitro Gears and ARB RD 142 Air Locker

Rear End: 4:56 Nitro Gears and ARB RD 124 Air Locker

Wheels & Tires: White Spoke Wheels with 285/75-16s

Springs & Shocks: Hell for stout 4 inch lift with BDS shocks

Brakes: 4 wheel Disk brakes

Miscellaneous: 2002 4runner SR5 seats with Tuffy box

Current & Future Projects:

- Orion 4:1 Transfer case upgrade ???
- Finish roll cage triangulation ???
- 35" tires ???

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Collecting Dues for 2013

The \$45.00 club assessment for dues is payable between January and March membership meetings. This amount not only keeps you current with the Mountaineers, but \$30.00 of it goes to the Colorado Association and the United Association to keep you in good standing with them also. If the dues are not paid by the March meeting, you will be dropped from all three rosters.



January 2013						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4 Ted Miller	5
6 Darla Miller Wyonne Stengaard	7 BOARD MEETING <i>Jim Dixon</i>	8	9	10	11	12
13 Jessica Stengaard	14	15 Julie Moen R&J Marolf	16 CLUB MEETING	17 Michelle Jansen	18	19 Melissa Kemp
20 CLUB TRIP	21	22	23 Spencer Payton	24 Taylor Crue	25	26
27 Richard Marolf Karen Riley	28 William Marvin	29	30	31		

February 2013						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Chris Mercer	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 BOARD MEETING <i>Michelle Opdyke</i>	12 R&J Marolf	13	14	15 Cara Thoen	16 Micholas Kemp Michelle Opdyke
17	18	19	20 CLUB MEETING	21	22 Christopher Kapperman	23
24 CLUB TRIP	25 Colleen Stengaard	26	27	28 Gene Kapperman	Judy Heiderscheidt	

Board Meeting: Feb. 11 7:30pm Michelle Opdyke
Mar. 11 7:30pm Dave Oden
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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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>4X4 Used Parts / 4X4 Off Road 938 West Willox Lane, Ft. Collins 970-224-1133 www.4x4usedparts.com</p>	<p>NAPA Auto Parts Ft. Collins 316 S. Link Ln. Ft. Collins, Colorado</p>	<p>CarQuest Auto Parts 2716 South College Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-226-5050</p>
<p>Bullhide Liner 4X4 & Auto Accessories 5817 South College Ave. Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288</p>	<p>Always A Deal Inc. Computer Services Johnstown, Colorado 970-310-7547 www.AlwaysaDeal.info</p>	<p>Moab 4x4 Outpost 1831 S Hwy 191 Moab, Utah 435-259-0911</p>
<p>Horsepower Auto Brokers, LLC 417 N US HWY 287, Ft. Collins 970-482-2579 www.horsepowerauto.com</p>	<p>CDR Communications, LLC Cabling Done Right Call Don Maresh @ 970-556-7276 don-cdr@live.com www.cablingdoneright.com</p>	<p>RockStomper P.O. Box 724 Firestone, Colorado 303-833-1431</p>
<p>Fry's Auto Care 210 Commerce Dr. Ft. Collins 970-310-7195</p>	<p>Wellington Toy Storage 4000 Washington Ave. Wellington, Colorado 970-498-2111 www.wellingtontoystorage.com</p>	