



## June Work Detail on Moody Hill And Crystal Mtn.



Twenty three Mountaineers and guests left Fort Collins following our trip leader, Brett, Up the Buckhorn Canyon. We didn't stop until we reached the Moody Hill trailhead to air down and lock in our hubs. It was quite an impressive group of vehicles with every level of every capability. As busy as Moody Hill was and with such a large group, we put off the trail clean-up for another day. When we reached the moguls, those in the back of the pack had to wait awhile so a few could be strapped through the tough area. There are a lot of moguls this year and they are deep, perfect for our group to play on.

The next stop was the quartz quarry. Everyone was standing around waiting for the first vehicle to make an attempt at the challenge. Darren in the Green Pickle made it up the rock face and made it look easy. Larry in his full size Bronco was next and made several attempts before having to back out. The Meadow Muffin made the trip. Matt in his TJ was the last one to try.

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After a couple of attempts, he too made it up. Mat had a smile that wouldn't quit and asked if anyone got a picture. Only four would attempt the challenge on this day. We regrouped and it was off to the Outlaw Trail up Crystal Mountain. When we reached Pollywog Rock, we stopped to take in the view. Those driving the full size vehicles were thanked for clearing the tree branches out of the way for the smaller 4X4's. Near the top, we broke into two groups with half taking the right fork to the top of the 9,949 foot mountain. The other group went to the left to the mining area where several got their flashlights to explore the old mine while others played rock hound.

On the way down, we picked up Ross in his white Suburban who was fighting vapor lock the whole trip. Someone dubbed the Suburban "The Rocking Ghost" as Ross has a tendency to show up out of nowhere. We also stopped at the crash site of the United Airlines Flight 610 which took 50 lives 50 years ago.

It was just another great day of wheeling with the Mountaineer family.

Garfield



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## MOAB 2001 Report



Kapperman's arrived early Thursday and put out chairs to hold the fort down until Friday When the Golly's, K. Kinnison and G. Kinnison arrived. The rest of the 105 degree day and night was spent settling in most of the remaining Mountaineers and guests.

On Saturday morning, 15 vehicles departed from the City Market parking lot to go to Hurrah Pass, Chicken Corners and the Cliff Hanger trails. We only had one major causality and it took two winches to pull Ben's Bronco up the last couple of challenges to the main road on Cliff Hanger

Sundays trip to Metal Masher, the Widow Maker, Gemini Bridges and Bull Canyon was a very hot trip as the temperature was nearly 100. Darwin and Dave had minor troubles as did the "Rubber Technician" (Ben) who broke a u-joint. Niko didn't like the Widow Maker and jumped (or fell) out the back of the Jeep as Darwin attempted the challenge. Craig and Mike were the only ones to make it under their own power. Farther down the trail, Darwins brother Rich, had battery failure.

Monday's trip was to Poison Spider, Golden Spike , Where Eagles Dare and the Gold Bar Rim Trails. Eighteen vehicles left from camp and we were led by the Gray Fox from the FMCA. On Poison Spider,



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several had to try an optional challenge hill. Desert racer Mark Turner took his Periwinkle TJ up for his first real experience on slickrock. When he got off the hill , he was grinning from ear to ear and said that he had the best adrenaline rush ever. The Rubber Technician's Bronco broke a u-joint and trail repairs were made. Just after the Golden Crack, Darwin sheared off a pin in the yoke of the drive shaft and had to be towed over the rest of the challenges by Gene. Jeep'n Dave broke the drive train on the last challenge on the Gold Bar Rim Trail.

Tuesdays trip was to Hells Revenge, again led by the Gray Fox. We didn't go far before the Rubber Technician was stopped to change another u-joint. We stopped for awhile at a scenic overlook and then were on our way again. Most of the group enjoyed the Gates of Hell more than anything else that day, but the Canyon, Bellybutton, Mickeys Hot Tub, Escalator, Tip Over Challenge and Rubble Trouble were about all we could handle in our four hour trip. We finished the trip by coming out farther south of the Lions Back than we were used to.

Wednesdays run was to the Pickle and Mashed Potatoes and was led again by the Gray Fox. Thirteen Vehicles left the City Market and proceeded down the river washes. Right off the bat we found the Pickle was a tight squeeze that had a tendency to put some in a pickle. Kevin said he had major transmission problems and didn't

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think he could continue. After checking, he found that it was not the vehicle. Several people went up some very steep ledges while others had to be strapped. The Party Girl (Colleen) was driving and said she could make it up but the Jeep's axle wasn't cooperating, off to town for repairs. Even our trusty leader broke. After lunch, we did Mashed Potatoes which were mesas of gray-white lumpy rocks that had some deep cracks with bushes looking like parsley growing out of them. Several people did the Gravy Bowl, which was a hole as deep as a full-size vehicle that you did a nose dive down into and then had to climb out of with some very interesting jockeying around to keep from going over a 500 foot cliff. If you were lucky enough to make it that far, you still had another couple of ledges before you were truly to safety. The Rubber Technician thought he would go down in the bowl and come up the side instead of the traditional route. The ol' Bronco had another idea. After a broken axle, he decided to winch out. He hooked up the cable and started to come up when the cable broke. Just before getting to Bashful's Crack, the Gray Fox broke a u-joint. Repairs made, we continued to Tusher Tunnel. It was just a short walk to see this very unusual geologic feature. We then started back to camp to lick our wounds. Thursday greeted us with cooler weather as 16 vehicles left the City Market for the Flat Iron Mesa Trail with features called the Tilt-o-Whirl, Easter Egg Hill and Uncle Bob's Canyon. The Gray Fox spotted us on some of the harder obstacles, the squeeze in particular. Without his expert

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guidance, some of us would have had some bad rock rash. After getting all of us around the “squeeze” safely we stopped for lunch over looking Coyote Canyon. Our bellys full and having had time to discuss the last obstacle in detail, it was on to Uncle Bob's Canyon and the Waterfall. After coming up the Waterfall, Bob Stevens was having problems turning left (with a cliff to his right). He checked out a couple of things and it seemed to be working OK, so we proceeded around a rock ledge and back to pavement.

Fridays run was Fins and Things with Craig leading. On the first loop George broke a hub and had to return to camp. Right after, Ross broke a front axle and he too had to return for repairs. We continued on until Gene's Jeep died. We stopped and decided to have a party and dance while Master Mechanic Dan diagnosed the problem. Some time later, we kicked the tires and added some windshield washer fluid so we could continue. At the end, some wanted to play and take some pictures on the Baby Lions Back

Saturday, the remaining people packed up camp and started for home. It was a week of great company, exciting challenges and great 4-wheeling. We hope to see a lot of you in Moab next year.





# Guests at last meeting

Dave Fuller  
Marc Bean

Peter Cassel  
Richard Marolf



# HWY Clean-up

It's that time of year again. We will be cleaning our section of Highway 14 in the Poudre Canyon on Saturday morning, July 21<sup>st</sup>. We will meet at mile marker 119 ( which is only a couple of miles west of Ted's Place ) at 9:00 am. This duty takes approximately one hour. It has become tradition to adjourn to the Mike Braskich abode for bacon and pancakes after we are done with the cleanup.



# Club Trip

Bald Mountain, Rocky & Tight Trees  
July 22 9:00am



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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

# MEMBERS RIDES

**Associate member name:** Gene Day

**Make and Model:** Jeep "TJ" Wrangler

**Year:** 1997

**Engine:** Stock 4.0 MPI

**Tranny:** Stock 5-speed AX-15

**T-case:** Stock NV-231 with Tera 4.0 low, 2 wd low, and tail shaft eliminator kit

**Front axle:** Stock Dana 30 with 4.56 gears and ARB

**Rear axle:** Stock Dana 44 with 4.56 gears and ARB

**Tires and wheels:** 35-12.5 Goodyear MTR on cheap aftermarket aluminum whls

**Suspension:** 4 inch Teraflex "the works" and 1 inch body lift

**Brakes:** Stock

**Miscellaneous:** Currie bumpers, Moab throttle, Milemarker hydraulic winch

**Current & Future Projects:** Full roll cage and a cassette tape of a V-8 into glass packs to play through the stereo at full volume while I climb the rocks with my 6 cyl.



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| SUNDAY               | MONDAY                                   | TUESDAY              | WEDNESDAY              | THURSDAY           | FRIDAY                | SATURDAY            |
| 1<br>Brigette Bustos | 2  | 3                    | 4<br>Jamin Florell     | 5<br>Tonia Malin   | 6<br>Kevin Maher      | 7                   |
| 8<br>Kathy Helms     | 9 <b>BOARD MEETING</b><br>Curtis Smelker | 10                   | 11                     | 12                 | 13<br>Ken Kinnsion    | 14<br>Ricky Miller  |
| 15                   | 16<br>Tori Ashby                         | 17                   | 18 <b>CLUB MEETING</b> | 19                 | 20                    | 21<br>Michael Maher |
| 22 <b>CLUB TRIP</b>  | 23                                       | 24<br>Donna Kinnsion | 25<br>Quent Stanczyk   | 26<br>Noah Allison | 27<br>George Kinnsion | 28                  |
| 29<br>B & C Stevens  | 30                                       | 31                   |                        |                    |                       |                     |

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

Board Meeting: Aug. 6 7:30pm Brett Newton  
 Sept. 10 7:30pm Kelly Mathers  
 Membership Meeting: July 18 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Aug. 15 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Club Trip: July 22 9:00am **Steeles Market, Parking Lot (802 w. Drake)**



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