



Kelly & Seven Mile Work Trip Report

On Friday afternoon, Mountaineers started gathering at the Kelly Flats Campground to set up their tents, campers and motor homes for a weekend of fun and work on our Adopt-A-Road trails. That afternoon Cotton brought up a pickup load of scrap firewood which would last us all weekend. That evening we built fires to cook our dinner despite scattered rain showers and that didn't even dampen our spirits. After dinner the showers dissipated and we all sat around the campfire and had a great time telling stories on each other.

Early Saturday morning, Craig decided to get the fire started again (little did anyone know that Craig fell asleep during Ron Kapperman's school on the fine art of fire building). No, he didn't use a cup of gas and a straw; he thought that a five gallon can would do a better job. He did get a fire going, a little bigger than it should have been and it did light up the whole camp. Around 9:00, Lenora showed up and

We passed out the tools. You should have heard all the grumbling about how the grip on the tools was wrong and how it didn't fit their hands, oh well!!

Up on Kelly Flats we broke into two groups with a few going up Heart Attack Hill. Included in that group was a new club member in a Scout. The Scout twisted off the rear drive shaft and at the same time the front shaft separated at the splines so he was without any means of propulsion. Coyote John and Corvette Dave helped to remove the rear shaft and re-install the front shaft to get him moving again. John strapped him up the bypass and they caught up with the main group who were busy picking up bunches of trash and cleaning out the water bars. Along the way, Lenora spotted a rattle snake and as expected, Travis Golly was right there to get pictures. We settled in at the "chutes" to cheer on those that wanted to try the challenge and to eat our lunch. The only "incident" at the chutes was Roger in his "new" pristine Toyota truck. He left a bunch of green paint on the rock and some of his light lenses on the ground. Our only question, was it Rogers driving or Dan's spotting? The debate will rage on for years to come.

Back on the trail, Lenora heard a fire report on the FS radio. We came to a good view point where we could see the lightning caused fire across the Poudre Canyon and below us. We stopped for about 45 minutes while Lenora directed the fire fighters to the fire from our vantage point. The FS even called in a hot shot crew and a plane for a retardant drop. With all our work done, we opened Kelly Flats

Trail for the season. The trail was the driest we had seen it in recent memory. More campers showed up on Saturday night and good times were had again around the campfire. Sunday morning we headed for the 7 Mile Trail. Again, we found a lot of trash to pick up. We also had to block off areas where 4 wheelers, ATVs and motorcycles had gone off the trail and started to make a new trail. At a couple of the creek crossings we had to stop the flow of water from the creek going down the road. Several of our club members were wading in the creek, pulling rocks to make the water flow easier. Of course that prompted a few water fights. We went up to Stump Hill and Craig sent a couple of other vehicles to check the upper meadow. Craig was alone at Stump Hill, looking at where ATVs and motorcycles were going around the closed gate when a lone ATV pulls up and asks if he had a winch. Craig said he did and asked why he needed one. The guy on the ATV said that he wanted to pull out the gate. Craig politely explained who we were and why we were closing off the route around the gate he got the message and left in a hurry. With yahoos around like him, no wonder we have to do so much work to keep our trails open.

The Mountaineer family all had a great weekend of camping and getting our Adopt-A-Trails ready for the summer.

El Guapo





June Club Trip

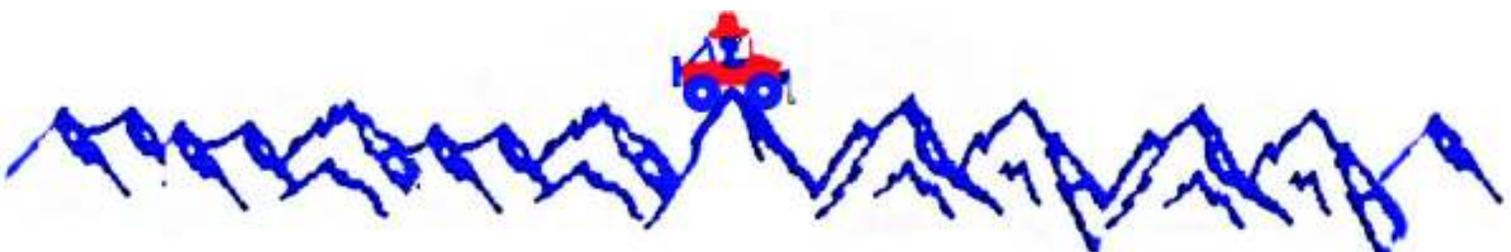
Moody Hill Cleanup
Crystal Mountain
Meet at Albertson's at
9:00 AM
Sunday June 25th



New Member

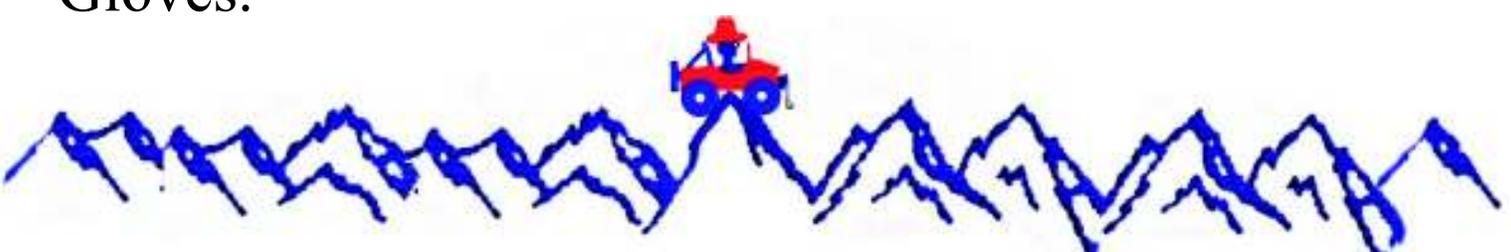
Aaron & Krista Fredrick #82





Highway Cleanup

We will be picking up trash on our two mile section of Highway 14 on Saturday, June 24th. Meet at mile marker 119 at 9:00 AM which is a couple of miles above Ted's Place in the Poudre Canyon. After the clean up, as has become the tradition, we will head up the canyon to the Mike Braskich abode for pancakes and bacon and to watch some extreme 4 wheeling videos on the big screen. The cleanup only takes about 45 minutes. Bring Gloves.



END-O-SUMMER

September 2nd, 3rd and 4th

This year's annual Colorado Association END-O-SUMMER event will be held in the Poudre River canyon west of Fort Collins. Two trips a day are planned on the Kelly Flats, Seven Mile, Crystal Mountain and Green Ridge Trails. Look for more details and the registration form in the next issue of High Trails.



4x4 Classifieds

For Sale 2000 Rockwood Pop-Up trailer. Sleeps 6, 3 way refrigerator, Sink, Indoor or outdoor 3 burner stove, heater and awning. Mountaineer price \$3700.00 firm. Call Craig at 221-5524 for a private showing.

Tires for sale: Set of 4 P255/70R16 Kelly Safari AWR 50% tread or better \$175 Set of 4 P235/70R16 Goodyear Wrangler SR-A 50% tread \$150. 1 - 35x12.50R16 BFG All Terrain for a spare approx. 33% tread \$30. Call Ben 970-443-1875

2001 Jeep Wrangler Sport 6cyl., 5speed, AC, soft top, bikini top, 88K miles, new tires, #S29906 \$11500.

2000 Jeep Wrangler Sport 6cyl., 5speed, Hard Top, 61K miles, new tires, #S38155 \$10950.

2001 Honda CR-V 4wd, 4cyl, 5speed, 106K miles, new tires #S01440, \$9995.

1995 Dodge Ram 2500, Quad Cab, 4x4, V10, 5 speed, Gear Vendors Overdrive Splitter, Long Bed, Only 81K miles #T70882 \$6950.00 **Call Ben 970-443-1875.**





Moab 2006

Saturday, June 3rd. As per tradition and just to get our hearts started, we started the week on the Fins and Things Trail. There was a small group that wanted to go up the Moab Rim Trail, so they did. Lots of grins were seen on the faces of the 1st timers when they discovered what their vehicle was capable of on the slick rock. Along the way, we picked up three vehicles who were lost and having a hard time trail finding and a fourth vehicle who just wanted to tag along. The more the merrier. We did have to pull Matt Bacon for a while due to a fuel delivery problem on his YJ. It was a good trip. The Moab Rim people didn't fare as well though. While one of our newest club members, Scout Dave, made an error of just inches coming down at the "S" turn and did an endo and then ended up on its side. They had to right the Scout and finesse it to the bottom as it wasn't drivable. Don't worry, Dave got the radiator fixed the next day and other than some new wrinkles, the ol' Scout lives to wheel another day. That evening, a 2nd group went up the Moab Rim Trail and had much better results.

Sunday, June 4th. On this day, we broke into 3 groups, broke being the magic word of the day. The main group went on Poison Spider, Golden Spike and Gold Bar Rim Trails. A smaller group went to the Rusty Nail and the third group went up Pritchett Canyon and beyond. The main group was doing great until after lunch. Roger S. was letting his nephew Scott drive the Toy when Scott was 2 inches off line and the Toyota rolled onto its top. No one was hurt in this fiasco. Roger's dog, Hoss, was the first to bail out. We righted the truck, changed the flat tire, checked the fluids and checked out the crushed top and smashed windshield. We could only find body damage and Roger drove it out. We still had some fuel problems on Matt's YJ and had to pull him part of the way out as the beast would only run occasionally. The group on Rusty Nail had problems of their own when Ken K. sheared the pinion on his Rubicon Unlimited, which locked up the rear end. Part of the main group went to help do trail repairs so that the Rubicon could be moved. Eventually, Ken was able to drive it out in front wheel drive with a strap assist over the challenges. The group in Pritchett Canyon had no damage. We had a lot to talk about around camp that night.

Monday June 5th. On this day we were joined by associate club member Kris Schattmann, who had driven over 3000 miles from Belleville, Ontario Canada to wheel with us. Also, we were joined by Kris' friend

Bob Norton, from New Mexico in his built up Cherokee. On the way to the 7 Mile Rim trailhead, Kris started having some problems with his Canadian Jeep and had to turn around to spend the rest of the day at Moab 4x4 Outpost sorting out the problem. The rest of the trip was uneventful, even at Wipe Out Hill. On the previous days we had all learned the valuable lesson of bringing enough water on the trail as the temperatures on the trips was well above 100 degrees. This trip ended at Tusher Tunnel where the temperature was at least 25 degrees cooler in the tunnel than out on the trail. On the way to Tusher Tunnel Elaine made a turn and lost Tilly out the passenger door.

Tuesday, June 6th. Metal Masher was today's choice of trails for the main group of 8 vehicles. Another small group went to Gemini Bridges. Several tried Elaine's Cheeto Challenge. Bob Norton bent his exhaust pipe so that it pointed into the dirt and Don bent his receiver hitch so that it pointed to the sky. Dan and Clifton were the only ones to make it without a strap or damage. Even the approach to Widowmaker is getting to be a nail biter. Widowmaker itself proved to be more fearsome than ever. Craig was the first in line and we used a human powered strap to get him over the obstacle. Everyone else, but Dan V. - of course, was strapped by the Jeep in front them. Dan demonstrated how to finesse Rock 9Crusher, where we enjoyed our lunch.

June 2006						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4 J&L Paben	5 BOARD MEETING <i>Moab</i> Dave Surface	6 Mike McQuaid	7 S&S Payton	8	9 D&C Surface	10
11	12 Jake Schrader G&S Kapperman	13	14 D&B Klein	15 Aaron Paben	16 Andy Shively Dan Venrick	17
18 Austin Venrick	19	20	21 CLUB MEETING Christopher McCurry	22	23	24
25 CLUB TRIP	26 Candice Paben	27 Garrett Mercer Laurie Paben	28	29	30 Hannah Eddy	

July 2006						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Roger Stengaard
2	3	4 Independence	5	6	7	8
9 Curtis Smelker	10 BOARD MEETING <i>Darren Finger</i>	11	12	13 Linda Schrader Ken Kinnison	14 Rickey Miller	15
16	17	18	19 CLUB MEETING	20	21 Aaron Fredrick	22
23/30 CLUB TRIP	24/31 Donna Kinnison J&L Duteil	25	26	27 George Kinnison	28	29 B&K Mathers

Board Meeting: July 10 7:30pm Darren Finger
 Aug. 7 7:30pm John Arnold
 Membership Meeting: June 21 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 July 19 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 Club Trip: June 25 9:00am **Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox**



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June Newsletter

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<p>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication www.frii.com/~frorfab cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846</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>
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