



**THE  
MOUNTAINEERS**  
Newsletter

## April Trip Report

We had about 12 vehicles show up for the 115 mile trip to the North Sand Hills outside of Cowdrey. The Mountaineer convoy up the Poudre River Canyon was a beautiful ride under the blue cloudless sky. We topped off the gas tanks once we got to Walden.



After airing down, we went out on to the sand hills to play. The only other 4WD vehicle we saw was Mountaineer Paul and his family in their V-8 powered FJ-60 who had camped out overnight. We had the dunes to ourselves except for 8 ATVs buzzing around.

The first timers in our group seemed to play the hardest, like kids in a candy store, just seeing how capable their vehicles were. Soon, over the CB, we heard Ken call for

a tug. He had gotten into an area that had a snow drift that had about an inch of sand covering it. It looked like a regular dune until he got into it and sunk to the frame. It soon became evident that this whole



Area was like a mine field and it became a game to try to race across it without becoming stuck. The biggest loser (or winner depending upon your prospective) of this game was Brandon in the hopped up Grand Cherokee as it took a while to pull him out. Soon we were all over at the creek bottom. Nobody wanted to go down until



Shane showed us the way. Soon everybody was going in and back out under their own power. The exception was the two 4 cylinder vehicles which Didn't have quite enough

oomph to make the last 5 feet of the hill.

We also organized some sand drags. We were all lined up and given the word, off we went for a couple of blocks at high speed. Kurt in his diesel Liberty did well and was declared a winner as was Shane.



We are not sure who won the Last race as it was real close. The weather was great until it was time to go home. The wind came up and we got a little bit of rain on the way home. It was just another fun day of wheeling with the Mountaineer family.



El Guapo





# May Trip & Campout

The May trip, May 20th and 21st, is our annual Kelly Flats and Seven Mile trail maintenance and camp out. The Forest Service has reserved the back loop (across the river) of the Kelly Flats Campground (mile marker 97) for the Mountaineers on Friday and Saturday nights. Dust off your tent, camper or motor home and be prepared for some fun around the campfires. We will be opening the Kelly Flats trail on Saturday and Seven Mile on Sunday. For those who don't want to camp, we will be leaving the campground promptly at 9:00 am, be there before 9:00 or be left behind. You don't have to bring firewood as it is being supplied by Cotton. The Forest Service will bring the tools that we will need, just bring your own gloves and lunch.

**CAMP  
OUT**



# Guests at Last Meeting

Jeff Tatum  
Daryl Surface

Kevin Flewell  
Kyle Ahlquist



## **Mountaineers in Moab, June 3rd - 9th**

The Mountaineers will be in Moab June 3rd through the 9th. We will be leaving from the City Market at 9:00am every morning. We will be running some of the favorite trails of Moab. The club has not run Lockhart Basin, Egg Ranch Fin and Death Row in over 10 years so they will be added this year. Most Mountaineers will be camped at the Canyonlands Campground, 555 South Main. To make reservations call 1-800-522-6848. See you there!!



# 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., 5 speed, Soft Top and bikini top, AC, new tires, 88K miles, #S29906 \$12500.00.

**1999 Chevy Silverado 1500 LS Z71**, Extended Cab, 4x4, 5.3L, Auto, Short Bed, 107K miles, #T69976 \$9995.00.

**1995 Jeep Wrangler Rio Grande**, 4cyl, 5speed, hard top, PS, CD, Excellent condition 112K miles # S08902 \$5995.

**2000 Dodge Durango SLT Plus**, 4.7L V8, Auto, Leather, 3 rows, new tires, 112K miles, #S40307, \$8850,

**1995 Dodge Ram 2500**, Quad Cab, 4x4, V10, 5 speed, Gear Vendors Overdrive Splitter, Long Bed, Only 81K miles #T70882 \$8500.00 **Call Ben 970-443-1875.**





## **Thanks Mike & Bianca**

Saturday, April 22nd. Nine people showed up at mile marker 119 in the Poudre Canyon to pick up trash along our two mile section of highway 14. After our work was done, we retired to The Braskich chalet in Poudre Park where Mike and Bianca cooked up a batch of yummy blueberry pancakes and bacon for us. Thanks go to the clean-up crew and to Mike and Bianca.



## **Looking to get rid of an unwanted vehicle.**

Give Ben a call at Horsepower Auto Brokers. I buy used vehicles as well as sell them. I'm interested in just about any type of vehicle provided it runs and drives, or could be made to fairly easily. 970-443-1875



# **END-O-SUMMER**

September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

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.



# **You've Got Mail**

Postage has went up again!

To help the Club please send your E-Mail address to JeepnDave (4x4@jeepndave.com) to get your newsletter by email.





## Member's Rides

**Name:** Steve Schroeder

**Unit #:** 69

**Ride Make & Model:** 1998 Jeep Wrangler TJ

**Engine:** Stock 4.0L

**Transmission:** Stock AX-15

**Transfer Case:** 231 w/TomWood's Slip Yoke Elem. & Driveshaft

**Front End:** Dana 30 3.73 Gears ARB

**Rear End:** Dana 44 3.73 Gears ARB

**Wheels & Tires:** 33x12.50x15 BFG All Terrains, American Racing AR767

**Springs:** Full Traction 4" lift & Rubicon Exp, 4.5" Springs

**Brakes:** Stock

**Other:** Warn Winch & Skid Plates (gas tank, F&R Diff, Rocksliders), Wilderness F&R Bumpers, JKS Sway Bar Links, Currie Trackbar, Skidrow Gearbox plate, Rokit oilpan skidplate & fresh air intake, Dynamax exhaust system, Onboard Air system.

**Future:** 4.56 Gears, 35" Tires, 1" Bodylift, 1" eng lift, Bellyup Skidplate, HD Axles.



May 2006						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Karlen Mueller	3	4	5	6 Jeff Mueller
7  M&L Golly	8 <b>BOARD MEETING</b> <i>Troy White</i> Bill Marquardt	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Amie Lenderink	17 <b>CLUB MEETING</b>	18 Tim Sigley	19 Susan Arnold	20 <b>CLUB TRIP</b>
21 <b>CLUB TRIP</b> Corinne Surface	22  B&H Crue C&A DeWitt	23	24	25  L&S Vlcek	26 Shane Payton	27
28  G&A Kinnison	29 Ben Crue	30 Jason Maes	31			

June 2006						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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4  J&L Paben	5 <b>BOARD MEETING</b> <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 <b>CLUB MEETING</b> Christopher McCurry	22	23	24
25 <b>CLUB TRIP</b>	26 Candice Paben	27 Garrett Mercer Laurie Paben	28	29	30 Hannah Eddy	

Board Meeting: June 5 7:30pm Moab  
 July 10 7:30pm Darren Finger  
 Membership Meeting: May 17 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 June 21 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Club Trip: May 20,21 9:00am **Kelly Flats Campground**



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## *May 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.

<p><b>Ft. Collins 4X4 Center</b>            1101 North College            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-5500</p>	<p><b>NAPA Auto Parts Ft. Collins</b>            316 S. Link Ln.            Ft. Collins, Colorado</p>	<p><b>CarQuest Auto Parts</b>            2716 South College Avenue            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-226-5050</p>
<p><b>Bullhide Liner 4X4 &amp; Auto Accessories</b>            5817 South College Ave.            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288</p>	<p><b>Coyote Cruisers &amp; OffRoad</b>            417 North Hwy 287            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-221-1833</p>	<p><b>Moab 4x4 Outpost</b>            1831 S Hwy 191            Moab, Utah 435-259-0911</p>
<p><b>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication</b>            www.frii.com/~frorfab            cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846</p>	<p><b>4X4 Used Parts / 4X4 Off Road</b>            938 West Willox Lane, Ft. Collins            970-224-1133 <a href="http://www.4x4usedparts.com">www.4x4usedparts.com</a></p>	<p><b>RockStomper</b>            P.O. Box 724            Firestone, Colorado 303-833-1431</p>
<p><b>MTO Suspension</b>            2649 E MulberrySt            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-416-1234</p>	<p><b>Horsepower Auto Brokers</b>            1409 E. Olive Ct. Unit E, Ft. Collins            970-482-2579 <a href="http://www.horsepowerauto.com">www.horsepowerauto.com</a></p>	<p><b>Vanworks</b>            900 East Lincoln Avenue            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344</p>