



## September Trip Report

Craig not being able to go 4 wheeling stopped by to check on the small group gathering at the north Albertsons. There were guests from Alabama in a Rubicon, the family from the last meeting whose son was driving a Cherokee and the familiar face of Rubicon John joining the 7 Mountaineers in the parking lot.

Darwin and Colleen in their Landcruiser lead our small band of 10 past our regular pickup spots on the way to the trail head at Storm Mountain, but surprisingly did not find any additional 4 wheelers along the way.

Kyle Eddy and his girls were trying his latest Scout acquisition. A cheaper backup maybe. The previous owner had not been happy with the Scout's

performance but it proved him wrong as it made the full trip, even to the top of Storm Mountain without problems. None that were acknowledged to the group anyway.

With only a couple of minor stops from overheating problems on the Cherokee and Dick Janzen's smoking ARB lines, it was a quick trip across the trail. Fall colors seemed sparse as we crossed the first part of the trail and were glad to see fall colors finally appear as we reached Bear Gulch with a few photos being taken.



We had a quick lunch break in Gauluche Meadows before climbing to the top of Storm Mountain for its spectacular views. A great short trip for those who were headed back home to watch football games.

Snoopy



# September Trip Report Part 2

A medium sized group of 4 wheelers gathered in the Albertsons parking lot for a trip to Storm Mountain. Hope we don't hit a deer, I don't think anyone bought a tag. Craig showed up for moral support, then left... We had a new guest with us from Alabama that joined the group and was ready to see some country.

We fired up the motors and headed out of town. Nine trucks in all had pulled out and pulled into Masonville only to roll on through with no additions. As we headed up the hill it looked to be a great day. With all the rain that came through town we thought there would be mud. We slowed for the turn onto the trail to find dry dirt. We calmly took the road to the head of the trail making sure to smile and wave to the locals. Once we hit the beginning, some airing down took place. Amongst that group, we shall say, were the soft at "the seat" and the rest, "newbies and youngens" stayed with the road worthy 30psi. The group varied between the long armed, ARB locked and

knarly tired to the open diff, sagging spring stock green scout.



We all headed up the trail and up Bobcat Hill to enjoy the new growth of pines and wild flowers that were poking up Through the remains of

the past fire. A lot of leaves were turning and the views were great. The trail was pretty easy with an occasional rock ledge or washout on the trail. There were a few hunters out on the trail but no gun shots heard.

As the convoy headed up and over the hills towards the meadow for lunch, the last three people



in the group witnessed the stop and go as the crew traversed some of these ledges. One particular ledge had Dick Jansen stopped and then as he proceeded again a large cloud of white smoke billowed out from under the hood. Our first thought was a smoked fan belt or a wire that burned all the insulation off of it. We looked and looked and poked 4

and prodded to find nothing obvious. “ fire it up and lets see what happens,” When all else fails, or might as well try to duplicate it. Nothing happens, runs fine? I then spot a severed blue ARB line that got caught up in the drive shaft and ripped apart. The smoke? I guess we will never know.

This had a chain reaction on down the hill and plagued our guest Ian in his jeep and he could not get it started. We thought vapor lock or loss of “fire”. We thought about towing and which way to go, and when it was all said and done, she just needed to cool down. He fired it up and the rest of us made it to the meadow to eat our lunch.

After that, all had decided to take the run to the top for the views. This includes more ledges and rocks but all had made it. All but one, sagging green scout did the challenge at the top. Every one got out took their pictures and then we headed back down the hill. We did have a few spots of water and mud to cross and a few other trucks and four wheelers to pass, but all in all it was a great day on the hill.

Rocky





# HIGHWAY CLEANUP

We will be picking up trash on our two mile section of Highway 14 on Saturday, October 25th. Meet at mile marker 119 at 9:00 AM which is a couple of miles above Ted's Place in the Poudre Canyon. The cleanup only takes about 45 minutes. Bring Gloves.



Private Travis Golly graduated from the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego on Friday the 3rd. Kilo Company 667 new Marines that day...the largest class in 20 years. Travis is on leave for 10 days then he will work for 2 weeks at the recruiting office in Ft Collins before returning to Camp Pendleton for 1 Month of combat training.





## **Fun Daze 2008, October 19th**

As has become tradition, instead of going into the forest during the heart of hunting season, our club holds a Fun Daze event. This is a fun gathering of our club members and guests where we still get to put the hubs in and play. This event will challenge your 4WD skills and mind.

This year, we will have a few driving games. You will have to come and see if Coyote John can make it over the whoop-T-doos and the rock pile without breaking, any bets? We hope to have the moguls bigger and better than ever. Shane Payton has procured a 1985 Oldsmobile Toronado (donated by Markley Motors) to run over. Shane has the Toronado running and we will sell chances (\$1.00 each) with your prediction of how long it will take the motor to blow up at full throttle. The person that comes closest to the time it takes will take home all the money. After the motor blows, you can have a go at getting your vehicle on

top of the old Toro and see if we can smash it flatter than last years Cady.

Around lunch time, Andy and Teresa Shively will be cooking up a bunch of hot dogs for all of us at their house which is just a couple of blocks down the road from where the event is being held. We ask that you bring a side dish to share.

We will be leaving from the North College Albertsons parking lot promptly at 9:00am. It wouldn't hurt to bring a folding chair and camera with you. Guests are welcome, the more the merrier!



## **4x4 Classifieds**

1991 Jeep Cherokee Laredo's (2) and parts \$1900/offer

Here's a chance to get into Cherokees. I've run out of time for this hobby and have assembled all of my Cherokee stuff into one package. It's an all or nothing proposition. Both of these are 1991 Laredo's. Both are titled, one is drive-able. The drive-able one is a 5 speed with factory skid plate and Rear tire mount.

The other is an automatic with electric trailer brake and some front 1/4 damage. I have all the body parts for the builder including a front clip, hood, 1/4 panels, doors, etc. plus extra tires/rims and parts I've collected over time (see pictures). If you are looking for something to play with, this would be it. Jeep@itdogs.com 970-214-3167



**For Sale:** Dana 60 rear axle complete with drum brakes. 75' chevy. Needs new ring and pinion \$250 Complete 3/4 ton Dana 61 axle from a dodge, Passenger side differential. disc brakes. forgot gear ratio. \$750 Extra ring and pinions for front dana 60. \$50 each Kyle Eddy 970-493-2127

**For Sale:** 40" Ground Hogs with Steel Rims, 5 Lug, 17" Wide good tread \$350 Roger MacDonald 970-219-5353

**For Sale:** 3/8 by 50' winch cable, it is in good shape. Call Don at 970-556-7276 \$50.00 or best offer.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Mike Golly Brian Hobbs	3	4 Clifton DeWitt
5	6 <b>BOARD MEETING</b> <i>Brandon Kapperman</i> Elaine Albrandt	7	8	9	10 Nikkolette Leahy	11
12  J&L Schrader	13	14 Alice Kinnison	15 <b>CLUB MEETING</b>  D&N Oster	16	17	18
19 <b>CLUB TRIP</b> Dustin Paben	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Mike Castell	29	30	31	

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Board Meeting:            Nov. 10    7:30pm    Roger MacDonald  
                                      Dec. 8     7:30pm    Kyle Eddy  
 Membership Meeting:   Oct. 15    7:30pm    Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
                                      Nov. 19    7:30pm    Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Club Trip:                 Oct. 19    **9:00am**    **Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox**



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