
MOUNTAIN-EARS

LARIMER COUNTY FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

April Club Trip

This month's plan is to go up to upper Cherokee Park and see if we can make it all the way to the Larimer River Road. We could try some side trails along the way. Meet at the North College Avenue King Soopers at 8:30 am (north side of the parking lot). Trip leaves promptly at 9:00 am. Be sure your gas tank is full and bring a lunch. We will see if we can peg your fun meter!



March Trip Report

Ballard Logging Road

Sunday, March 25th, 9:00 am sharp, a group of Mountaineers and guests left our meeting area and convoyed south west to Masonville. At Masonville we added three more to the group and headed for the Buckhorn Canyon. We stopped at the Moody Hill Trailhead to air down and added one more vehicle to the group. With Craig in the lead, we made our way up the Buckhorn on mostly dry roads.

New Member

Connor McFerran #110

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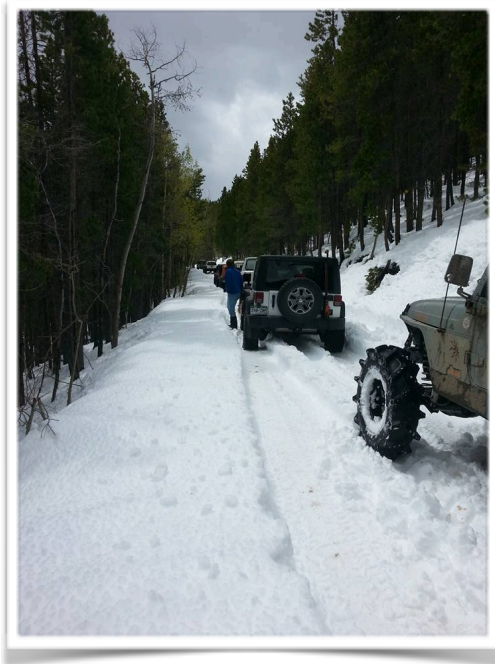
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After turning onto the Ballard Logging Road, we made another turn onto the Greer Road. We were in the snow and it was an easy trip all the way to the end of the trail which is a closed gate going into private property. We managed to get all 17 vehicles turned around and headed back to the big clearing which was dry and a perfect place to stop for lunch.

With full bellies we followed trip planner Corvette Dave to the days featured trail, the Ballard Logging Road. We got into a lot more mountainous terrain with more hill climbs



and deeper snow. Even though the snow was deeper, we were making good time, which was until guest Chris and family in a 2014 Red Ram pickup slid off the road into some trees. After pulling Chris back onto the road and surveying the tree rash, he decided that it might be a good time to put on his tire chains for the rest of the trip.

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Further up the trail, Corvette Dave came to “Toboggan Hill”. He made two attempts at the slick icy hill with the same results both times. He came sliding back down the hill, brakes locked up and finely stopping at the bottom. Dave pulled off to the side and waved on the next person in line. That person made it up as did the next one and everyone behind also made the trip up “Toboggan Hill”. Dave just scratched his head and mumbled something about his worn out tires and pushing too hard on the skinny peddle.

We were closing in on the end of the trail and it was decided to turn around where we were as there wasn’t much turn around space at the end. We were following Craig out when we

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encountered a tree that had fallen blocking the whole road. The road wasn't blocked when we went up and there was little or no wind on this day. While winching the tree out of the way, several tree conspiracy theories were discussed over the CB radio.

When the group reached Buckhorn Canyon Road, we stopped to let everyone catch up. While waiting, a very disgruntled home owner came out and voiced his displeasure at such a large group (he called us sheep) being there. We really don't know what he was upset about. Oh well, despite his tirade, the Mountaineer family had some fun and comradery on the beautiful Sunday of wheeling.

EL Guapo



Highway Cleanup

Saturday, April 21st

We will be picking up trash on our adopted two mile section of Highway 14 on Saturday, April 21st. Meet at mile marker 119 (Picnic Rock) at 8:45 AM which is a couple of miles above Ted's Place in the Poudre Canyon. The cleanup only takes about 45 minutes. Bring gloves. After the cleanup we will go to the Braskich Plantation for a yummy blueberry pancake and bacon breakfast.



April 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 R&R Robinson	2	3	4	5 Christina Eddy Seth Schooler Camiren Meyers	6 Jason Derflinger	7
8 Scott Riley	9 BOARD MEETING	10	11 Byron Noehl Randy Dacus	12	13 Bob Schleppey	14
15	16	17 Samantha Lietz	18 CLUB MEETING Rhea Tippmann Jim Dixon	19	20	21 Aaron Grubbs
22 CLUB TRIP Justin Treece	23	24	25 Rich Stengaard	26	27 Dave Oden	28
29	30 Scott stultz					

May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Karlen Mueller	3	4 Nathan Haywood	5 Brie Zamora
6 Jeff Mueller Stefan Martensson Isaac Taylor John Carter	7 BOARD MEETING M&L Golly	8 Bill Marquardt	9	10	11	12 Vincent Dyrenforth
13 Ryan Eddy	14 Midty Warner Jennifer Hansen K&J Hansen	15 S&J Claus	16 CLUB MEETING	17	18 J&C Thoen	19 CLUB TRIP Bradley Peterson
20 CLUB TRIP	21	22 B&H Crue	23	24	25	26 Shane Payton Alexis Stultz
27	28 Tonya Mercer	29 Ben Crue	30 E&B Jackson	31		

Board Meeting: May 7 7:30pm Scott Riley
 Jun. 11 7:30pm Michael Nothnagel
 Membership Meeting: Apr. 18 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 May 16 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 Club Trip: Apr. 22 **9:00am North King Soopers N.College and Willox**