

January Trip Report

Fourteen mountaineers met for a trip up Storm Mountain. Only seven came to our new meeting place at Albertsons on North College. This group met the southern contingent in Masonville where we aired down. This was the last day that the road would be open for the winter season from the Masonville side.

We made our way through the private property and on to the trail which was well packed with snow in the shady areas. We encountered ice on the hills and those without good tires or lockers had to make several attempts in a few places. We did have to stop and wait for Ross to remount a tire that had rolled off the rim on his \$100 Scout. We stopped to eat our lunch before getting to Galucci Meadows. At lunch, everyone was asking Dr. Strangelove (AKA - Scott E.) how his new creation, "The Mantis" was working. The good Doctor said that even though it was built for the rocks, the monster did well in the snow and ice.

Cassie had to drive Todd's scrambler as he was on crutches due to foot surgery. Craig wanted to stay at least three vehicles behind the Cootie Girl because of her crash and burn tendencies. We don't know who gave up first, but Todd was behind the wheel on the way down, cast and all.

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I A I N E R After lunch, our vehicles got their real workout. We found that the hill going up from the meadow was a regular bob sled run and the items we most needed were good tires, a locker and some RPM momentum. It took an hour for all of us to get a shot at it and almost half of us made it up. We did have a few problems like Mat cutting a tire on his TJ and Cornhusker Richard broke a front axle on his CJ. Tara was getting 4WD lessons from Dan. Even with that handicap, Tara made it all the way to the top in her Toyota. Those that made it to the top took a side trip down to check out Dan's uncles cabin which took us over some ice flows. The trip back down was uneventful.

It was just another beautiful sunny day of wheeling with the Mountaineer family. For 2002 we will be keeping a score card for Ross. Lets see, one trip = one flat tire.

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2nd Annual Valve Cover Races

The Mountaineers will hold our 2nd Annual Valve Cover races at our March meeting. As you will recall, last years event was won by Susan Schaibly and her go fast Volkswagen cover. Second place was taken by Dave Oden with his big wheeled, powder coated cover. This years event is being sponsored by Scott at RockStomper, prizes are yet to be determined.

The basic rules are as follows:

- * 15" maximum width 30" maximum length 10" maximum height 10 lb. maximum weight
- * Weight will be by official scales only
- * No engines No propulsion of any kind
- * One valve cover per chassis No switching chassis or cover
- * Automotive valve covers only with stock gasket surface
- * Nothing can be mounted in front of either the valve cover or chassis
- * No moving or movable weight

The race will be for distance, exactly as last years. Start building your covers now for the March event.

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Club Trip

Sledding at Happy Jack
Bring Fire Wood
Chili, HotDogs, Marshmellows
and some money for a
small parking fee.

New Trip Meeting Place

We will be meeting at the Albertsons parking lot at 1636 North College Avenue. There is a Burger King close and a McDonalds across the street as well as a couple of gas stations. See you there.

Dues are Due

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Yes, it is that time of year again. The annual dues of \$40.00 for members & \$15.00 for associate members are due by the March meeting. If they are not paid by that time, you will loose your club number and be dropped from the club roster. By paying your dues, you will remain in the Colorado Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs and United.

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The dates have been set.

June 1-8 2002

Make your plans now.

Ask your boss for time off.

A good time is always had in Moab.



Calendar

Calendars will be for sale at the club meeting. The calendars will be \$10.

Bring lots of money and buy lots of Calendars.

Guests at Last Meeting

Steve Ginespie Ron Beyer Adrian Galarza



THIS IS SERIOUS!

Urgent Federal Scrappage Alert

A bill (S1766), authored by Senators Tom Daschle (D-SD) and Jeff Bingaman (D-NM), has been introduced in the U.S. Senate containing a provision (Section 803) that would federally fund state scrappage programs for vehicles more than 15 years old. Owners who turn in vehicles for **crushing** would receive a minimal payment and a future credit toward purchasing a newer vehicle, all in a misguided attempt to improve the overall fuel economy of the country's vehicle fleet. This bill represents the most formidable Federal legislature threat to the vehicle lobby in many years, and would use U.S. taxpayer dollars to scrap collector cars. This bill:

- would give states that don't currently operate scrappage programs an extra incentive to create a program due to generous federal funding requires that federally funded state scrappage programs crush every car. It threatens enthusiasts nationwide with the loss of valuable parts and parts-cars for repair, restoration, and customization projects.
- does not require states to determine the fuel efficiency of vehicles being scrapped or ensure that scrapped vehicles are being replaced by more fuel-efficient vehicles.
- ignores the fact that cars turned in for scrappage often barely run or are rarely driven second or third vehicles that have minimal impact of overall fuel economy.

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- will diminish the availability of affordable transportation and repair parts to low-income drivers as more and more older cars are crushed.
- does not guarantee that low-income individuals will be able to afford to purchase new vehicles let alone more fuel-efficient vehicles with the money provided by scrappage programs.
- ignores more socially responsible and cost-effective policy options like the voluntary vehicle repair and upgrade programs that maximize the fuel efficiency of existing vehicles.

Contact your U.S. senators to oppose Section 803 of S1766! (reprinted from HotRod magazine, March 2002)

Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell 3500 John F. Kennedy Parkway Suite 209

Fort Collins, Colorado 80525

Phone: 970-206-1788 Fax: 970-206-1082

http://www.senate.gov/~campbell/

Senator Wayne Allard 3400 16th St., Suite 3Q Greeley, Colorado 80634-6854

Phone: 970-351-7582 Fax: 970-351-7585

http://www.senate.gov/~allard/

We will have letters from the Mountaineers to each of our senators and to the senators who authored S1766 asking that Section 803 of S1766 (Energy Policy Act of 2002) be removed or that S1766 be defeated if Section 803 is not removed. These letters will be at the February regular club meeting for all those in attendance who want to sign. Please attend and put down your "John Hancock."

If you are so inclined you can read the contents of this bill by going to http://www.senate.gov and doing a search by number for S1766. Scroll approximately halfway down the page and click on "32917. Standards for executive agency automobiles" to get to Section 803. Paragraph f(3) specifies that a light-duty truck specified in Section 803 include "four-wheel-drive general utility vehicle." Yes, they're after our older 4x4's!

We were alerted to this by a call from Steve McDonald of SEMA. Thanks SEMA!

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Member name: Richard Marolf

Member number: 73

Make and Model: Jeep CJ 7

Year: 1978

Engine: 258 | 6 ('84)

Tranny: BW. T18 W/6.32-1 Lo

T-Case: Dana 300 W/Twin Stick

Front Axle: Dana 30 W/ARB air locker

Rear Axle: Dana 20 W/lockrite, warn F.F. axels

Tires and wheels: 15X10 Baja classic spokes 33X12.50

Coopers MT

Suspension: Genuine Leaf 2.5" + 1.75" Confer shackles

Brakes: 4 wheel Disk,GM 2x diaphram booster, '82 vette

Master cyl.

Accessories: Wrangler tub, york compressor tank in rear bumper, HD tierod & draglink, MSD ignition, 2" body lift, electric fuel pump, reconfigure front shocks to eliminate swaybar.

Current & Future Projects: New engin W/EFI would like to try DMX 4.7 OHC

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4X4 CLASSIFIEDS

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

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

For Sale: 700-R4 4x4 70,000mi \$500.00 o.b.o. Clifton 970-586-8608

Toyota 4 Runner, 125,00 miles 1991, white, 6 cyl., 5 speed, 3" susp. lift, 3" body lift, Pro comp 35", 12.5 tires CD player, recent front brakes, discs & bearing pack Power moon roof, locks & windows asking \$8900, OBO. call 663-6814, Don

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

Jeep Overdrive for sale. It is for the older Jeep. I am asking \$300.00 O.B.O. It is a Husky that was built in Longmont, Co. in the early 1970's Jim Maxwell 970-482-0412

For Sale: Front Axle: Dana 44 disc brakes 410 ratio with lockright side drive shaft. Rear Axle: 9" heavy housing 31 spline Currie axles, nodgular carrier 410 ratio, Detroit locker, heavy 9 3/8" ring gear, Timpken roller bearings, 11" brakes, Bolt pattern 5x5 ½. Call Brad anytime on weekends & after 5 on weekdays at: 520-887-9104

For Sale: Detroit locker for a Dana #30 (front) 3.54-1 ratio \$250.00 E-Mail Richard Marolf at: mrmarolf@aol.com

Cobra HH28 40 channel Hand-held CB radios. 4 watt output. Use batteries (not included) for portable use, or a 6 foot DC power cord for in vehicle use. \$29.00 each, or \$55.00 for two, while supply lasts. Bill Marquardt 970-472-0002.

e-mail: wcmandjmh@aol.com

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3	4 Erin Lenderink	5	6	7	8	9	
10	11 BOARD MEETING	12 Shawna Early	13 Sandy Vlcek	14 Valentines Day A & T Shively	15	16 K & M Maher	
17	18	19	20 CLUB MEETING	21 Darrel Frank	22 Christopher Kapperman	23	
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Rosemary McCurry Steven Carlson	11 BOARD MEETING Travis Golly	12	13	14 A & T Shively	15 Darren finger	16 K & M Maher	
17 St. Patrick's Day Tami Frank	18	19 Kelly Kapperman	20 CLUB MEETING	21	22	23	
24 CLUB TRIP 31 EASTER	25	26 Lori Golly	27 Sheila Mueller	28 Todd McCurry	29 Justin Schleppy	30 Craig Stumbough	
Shelby Frank			G & M Lenderink	Q&P Stanczyk T&R McCurry			

Board Meeting: Mar. 11 7:30pm Lori Golly

7:30pm Troy White Apr. 8

Membership Meeting: Feb. 20 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox Mar. 20 7:30pm

Club Trip: Feb. 24 9:00am



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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.

Ft. Collins 4X4 Center 1101 North College Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-5500	IKON Office Solutions 2531 South Shields Street #2A Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-8830	CarQuest Auto Parts 2716 South College Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-226-5050	
RockHard 4x4 Parts Lewis Barth 401 Jackie Ann St. Ault, Co 80610 970-834-0767	Fantasy's 4x4 4311 Service Road Evans, Colorado 303-330-3833	R & S Auto Body 1912 Terry Lake Rd Fort Collins, Colorado	
Mark Turner Off-Road 2649 E. Mulberry St. #2 Ft. Collins Colorado 970-416-1234	Off-Road Performance Solutions 4340 Hwy 66 Longmont Colorado 970-535-9388	RockStomper 318 Buchanan Ave. Firestone Colorado 303-833-1431	
Front Range Off-Road Fabrication www.frii.com/~frorfab cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846	Loveland Powder Coating 225 SW 42nd Street Loveland, Colorado 970-667-4081	Vanworks 900 East Lincoln Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344	
Colorado 4x4 Specialists 4469 East Eisenhower Loveland, Colorado 970-669-2978	4X4 Used Parts Bob Schleppy Bob@4x4usedparts.com 970-224-4294 www.4x4usedparts.com	Colorado Iron & Metal 1400 E MulberrySt Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-7707	