

December Trip Report

Twas Three Days

M O U N T A Twas three days before Christmas, and all through the forest not a creature was stirring, not even a moose — whoops, I'm getting my stories mixed up. Actually, three days before Christmas, seventeen four wheelers met to run the Seven Mile Trail and try our luck on the just opened Stump Hill Winter Challenge. We followed Darwin up the Poudre Canyon, trying to keep Darwins pace as best we could. At the trail head we aired down and locked in and in general got ready to follow Kelly and Bret up Seven Mile. We even spent time watching the six or seven dogs on the trip get to know one another again.

Seven Mile had little snow on the trail but the nine creek crossings were frozen over and there were ice flows all along the trail. Our trip leader would get up on the ice and break it open for the rest of us. Once you fell into the creek, you would have to get a run to get up the lip of the ice on the other side. It was an easy trip up the trail, too easy for this time of year.

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Once we got to the Stump Hill challenge, we saw that no one had been up the trail before us except an ATV. We were happy that we were able to find some fresh snow to play in and test our vehicles. Our club would be the first one up Stump Hill since it was opened and that felt good as we were responsible for getting the grant to fix it after a two year closure. Dan and Tara were the first ones to blast the snow. About half way up, they turned the lead over to the Gollys. Everyone that tried their luck on the hill made it to the top with grins about as wide as their grills. Ron and Kelly even had a go at it in his freshly painted TJ. He said he missed the power of the 401 in his CJ but the comfort of the TJ made up for it. We went back down the hill for lunch in the meadow. All Stump Hill needed was a little more snow and ice and it would have made a great toboggan run.

After lunch, a few went home so that they could watch the Broncos play the Raiders. The rest went to the top of Seven Mile to play on the roads in that area. We found very little snow and eventually all got home in time to see the Broncos defeated. Even though the Broncos lost, everyone that wheeled with the Mountaineer family had a great day. For the first time in recent history, there were no dents or breakdowns on the trip.

Garfield

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Club Trip

To Be Announced at

Meeting

Snow Busting Trip
Meet at Albertson's at 9:00 AM Sunday

Jan. 19th

Guests at Last Meeting

Jerry Macklberg

Dues are Due

Dues are due from now until the March meeting. Dues are \$40.00 for members & \$15.00 for assoc. members.

MOAB 2003

Yes, It's that time again. It's time to start thinking about the Mountaineers annual pilgrimage to the 4 wheelers paradise, Moab. This event is scheduled for June 7th through June 14th.

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Don't Forget!!!

Please bring pictures for the online calendar.

Pictures work best if they are horizontal.

Remember that we will need pictures each month.

We need at least 4 pictures each month to keep



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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 disc brakes 410 ratio with excellent before replaced (it used to go to Denver on a daily basis) for more info contact Joe 970-204-4894

Ford 9" rearend complete, full width, 3.50 gears, 31 spline shafts. \$100, call Ben (970)495-0801

YJ Stuff Wrangler Hardtop w/ rear wiper (Tan) - \$900, 66-77 Bronco Parts. 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 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

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| 5 Bob Stevens | 6 BOARD MEETING | 7 Aaron Brucker Bryan Hawf | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | |
| 12 | 13 Matthew Carlson | 14 | 15 CLUB MEETING | 16 | 17 B & J Vos | 18 | |
| 19 CLUB TRIP | 20 | 21 | 22 Jeffery Maher | 23 | 24 Taylor Crue | 25 | |
| 26 | Dominique Rhoades | 28 | 29 Lindsey Early | 30 | 31 | | |

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| 9 | 10 BOARD MEETING | 11 | 12 Shawna Early | 13 Sandy Vlcek | 14 | 15 | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 CLUB MEETING | 20 | 21 Darrel Frank | 22 Christopher Kapperma | |
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Board Meeting: Feb. 10 7:30pm Lori Golly

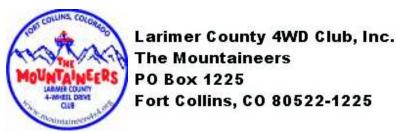
Mar. 10 7:30pm Tim Sigley & Brigette Bustos

Membership Meeting: Jan. 15 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Feb. 19 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Club Trip: Jan. 19 9:00am Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox

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| 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 | |
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| 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 | | RockStomper 650 Weaver Park Road, Unit G Longmont Colorado 720-652-0700 | |
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