

Mountain - Ears

June Trip Report

Our regular June trip was scheduled to be the adopt-a-trail Moody Hill maintenance and clean up and then on up Crystal Mountain. The devastating High Park fire changed all that as the Buckhorn Canyon Road was closed. The trip planners changed the trip to the Middle Saint Vrain and Coney Creek trails. Plans changed again at the meeting when State Association President, Kerry Beech, said that those trails were still closed and that the Trail Ridge Runners Club would be up there cutting out all the blow down. We were invited

to join them and help open their trail. We jumped at the chance to help another club and make some new friends. We now had a plan.

On this hot Sunday morning, 15 club vehicles met in Lyons ready to head to the trail and do some good work. Before we left Lyons, word came that the trail work was finished and the trail was open. Five minutes later we got a call telling us that the Forest Service had found a widow maker and had closed the trail until they could get a crew up there to remove it (deja vu, sounds just like Kelly Flats).

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Our trip planners huddled and decided to do the Pole Hill trail. Most of our group had never been on Pole Hill as it is a fairly easy trail.

Jim and Melony Dixon were



appointed trip leaders as they were familiar with the trail. Most wanted to do the trail in

2WD. Every once in a while there was a little challenge



Section next to the main trail that none in our group could resist. All along the trail we kept running into a group of 13 Land Rovers from a dealership in Boulder. Guess they were out to test the white knuckle capability of their Rovers. We could hear the air hissing from a cut sidewall as one lady passed us. Later on as we passed them again she was getting a lesson on how to change a Land Rover tire.

Not that we didn't have

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problems of our own. Ben C. had taken a Jeep in trade the day before the trip and wanted to check out its drivability. Of course he would find the weak link. The Jeep was overheating and while checking it out, it blew a pressure cap fifty feet into the air. After letting the

the cap, he let it cool down, added



Some water and we were on our way again. We did run across a couple of tours during the trip, I've never seen a nine passenger (with theater seating) Toyota FJ-40 before. The other tour was in a Hummer with theater seating also.

We ate lunch at a place that Jim called the "notch". It did have a beautiful view of Estes Park in the valley below. At the end of the trail most went home. A few diehards (namely the Opdykes, Dixons and



Steam subside and finding

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JeepnDave) continued on to



El Guapo



The Pierson Park trail. The only excitement they had on this trail was spotting a moose..

Even though the trails taken weren't technical in nature, the Mountaineer family had a lot of fun and enjoyed the day of wheeling.



Buena Vista Happenings

Breakage

Saturday Mt. Antero — None

Sunday Chinaman — Craig Front Axel U-Joint
— JeepnDave Left Rear Corner Crush

Sunday Carnage — Coyote John Drive Shaft
— Dan Venrick Front Pinon
— Chris Mercer Cross Member & Drain
Plugs on Transfer case
— Bob Opdyke Fuel return line
— Nate Broke bead & Spare didn't fit

Monday Iron Chest — Corvette Dave Birfield
— JeepnDave Valve stem
— Craig a Little rock rash

Grizzly Lake — Troy Transfer case mt. broke
— Don M. Fan pulley

Tuesday Mt. Prince — None

Wednesday Hancock Pass
— Craig In-tank fuel pump ground

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July Club Trip

This month's Club Trip is our annual cleanup for Moody Hill.
Please meet at our regular trip meeting place at the North
Albertsons College and Willox at 9:00am on Sunday July
22nd

For Sale

RAMSEY R.E.P. 8000 with mounting plate and rollers
\$400.00 Contact Roger Stengaard 970-420-3242



Thanks Firefighters

We would like to thank the Firefighters of the High Park and Waldo Canyon fires for their efforts in controlling and putting out these fires. Even though homes were lost, we know that you saved many more.



Member's Ride

Member Name: Dave & Sally Oden

Member Number: 26

Ride Make & Model: 93 Jeep Wrangler YJ

Engine: 4.0L High Output 6cyl

Transmission: 5 Speed

Transfer Case: NP231 4:1 kit and slip-yoke eliminator

Front end: Dana 30 3.55 open Dif

Rear end: Dana 44 3.55 with ARB Locker

Wheels & Tires: Alum. Mod's w/ 32X11.50 R15 BFG Mud

Springs & Shocks: Rear Rancho Front Skyjacker 2 1/2" lift,
Rancho 5000 Shocks, 3/4" shackle lift

Body Lift: 2" Proformance Accesories

Brakes: Stock

Miscellaneous: Custom front & rear bumpers, Custom
rocksliders & side steps, Ramsey 8000lb winch



July 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Roger Stengaard Alex Paul D&S Jansen	2 Jake Thoen	3	4	5	6 Kevin Castell	7
8	9 BOARD MEETING <i>Dave Piller</i> Curtis Smelker Jamie Dilgard	10	11	12	13 Linda Schrader Ken Kinnison	14
15	16	17 Troy Helgeson B&M Opdyke	18 CLUB MEETING	19 Dustie Treece	20	21 Jake Adams Allen Burch
22 CLUB TRIP	23	24 Donna Kinnison Sharon Jansen Stephanie Payton	25	26 Macy Thoen	27	28
29	30	31				

August 2012						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Judy Paul B&M Kemp	3	4
			K&D Kinnison			
5	6 BOARD MEETING <i>Darren Finger</i> M&L Castell	7	8 B&J Marquardt	9	10 Roger McDonald	11
12	13 D&C Stengaard	14	15 CLUB MEETING	16	17	18 J&S Mueller
19 CLUB TRIP	20	21 Cody Kinnison	22 Liam Riley	23 Milly Smelker	24 Kim Schleppy	25 Brian Graves B&K Schleppy
26	27 Katie Schrader	28 John Schrader	29	30	31	

Board Meeting: Aug. 9 7:30pm Darren Finger
 Sept. 10 7:30pm Dan Venrick
 Membership Meeting: Jul. 18 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 Aug. 15 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins
 Club Trip: **Jul. 22 9:00am Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox**



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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.

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<p>Bullhide Liner 4X4 & Auto Accessories 5817 South College Ave. Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288</p>	<p>Always A Deal Inc. Computer Services Johnstown, Colorado 970-310-7547 www.AlwaysaDeal.info</p>	<p>Moab 4x4 Outpost 1831 S Hwy 191 Moab, Utah 435-259-0911</p>
<p>Horsepower Auto Brokers, LLC 417 N US HWY 287, Ft. Collins 970-482-2579 www.horsepowerauto.com</p>	<p>CDR Communications, LLC Cabling Done Right Call Don Maresh @ 970-556-7276 don-cdr@live.com www.cablingdoneright.com</p>	<p>RockStomper P.O. Box 724 Firestone, Colorado 303-833-1431</p>
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