



# April Snow Bashing Trip

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A whole gaggle of 4 wheelers gathered at the Albertsons parking lot ready to go on the last snow bashing trip of the season. We followed our trip leader out of town . While going by Horsetooth Reservoir, we met Ross going the opposite direction. Brett called him on the CB to let him know he was going the wrong way. Now that we got Ross straightened out and pointed in the right direction, we continued on our way. Going up The Buckhorn Road we encountered some freshly fallen snow and when we turned onto the dirt, it was a muddy mess. By the time we reached the Ballard Logging Road all the vehicles were the same muddy brown color.

We stopped to air down and lock in. It wasn't too long before the snow got deep enough to give us some fun and challenges. The Ballard Road has a lot of long steep up-hill areas that gave some people problems.



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Ron Kapperman seemed to have the most trouble which amazed us as he had his studded Buckshot mudders being pushed by that big 401ci engine. Others with bare rubber and small engines were having an easier time on the hills than Ron was. Ron later said he thought that he was over powering the hills. We did have to leave a guest's vehicle beside the trail, as he hopped in with someone else for the rest of the day. When we neared the top of the trail, there was a lot of winching and the snatching straps were getting a workout. We got the whole group close to the end of the road, but the only one to make it all the way was Brett.

The group decided to turn around and head back down, which was no easy task as there were very few spots to turn around twenty two vehicles. With everybody heading down hill, Ross and Shane decided to see if they could make it to the end of the road. Almost to the top Ross threw a fan belt and ran down his battery.

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Luckly Shane was with him. The jumper cables were not long enough to reach from the TJ around to the front of the Suburban. They decided to try to get the Suburban turned around via Shanes winch. In doing so they flattened one of the Suburbans tires. They then took the battery out and brought it back to the TJ for charging. After fixing the flat, fixing the fan belt and charging the battery, they also called it a day.

All in all, it was just another great day of wheeling with the Mountaineer family. And for those keeping the Ross flat tire scorecard, 3 trips and two flat tires.

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# Club Trip

This month we will do our annual work on two of our adopt-a-roads. The Forest Service has reserved the back loop of the Kelly Flats Campground for the Mountaineers on Friday and Saturday nights, May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be no fees for camping for our group. All Mountaineers and guests are welcome to join us. If you can join us for only one day and don't want to camp, please be at the campground by 8:30 am to check in and be issued tools. We will leave the campground at 9:00 am on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. Please bring work gloves, marshmallows and firewood.

On Kelly Flats, we will be pouring cement on Heart Attack Hill, digging out the water bars and picking up trash in preparation for opening the trail on Sunday morning. On Sunday, we will pick up trash and make sure that Seven Mile Creek is not running down the road. The big meadow also needs some attention.

The Kelly Flats Campground is located approximately 22 miles up the Poudre Canyon (Highway 14) from Ted's Place. Tents, trailers and motor homes are welcome. See you there !!!



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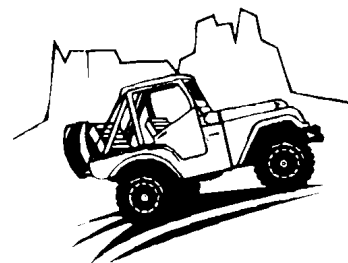
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# Moab

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 1<sup>st</sup> through June 8<sup>th</sup>. We will be camping in our normal spot by the Colorado River on the Potash Road, Highway 279, just below the Poison Spider Trailhead. Our camp will be marked by the club banner. Some people will opt for a motel in Moab, but the majority camp in their motorhomes, pop-ups, tents or just sleep in the back of their vehicle. We will have trips going out every day that are guaranteed to get your heart started and to test how well your vehicle is built. If you think you need 35" tires and lockers in both diff's, you're wrong. We had a fellow from Texas with us last year with a stock TJ with a 4cyl. and he had a blast. There are plans to have two trips each day, one for the hard core and one for the near stock crowd. Be sure to pack your camera and bring along plenty of film as there will be hundreds of Kodak moments during the week. If you can't stay the whole week, that's OK, 4 wheeling in Moab for just a day or two is worth the trip. Guests are welcome. If you have any questions, ask a board member, they have all been there.



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# Guests at Last Meeting

Glen Johnson  
Ted Miller  
Doug Julian  
Tony Hanson  
Billy Nash

Eric Briles  
Duane Rhoades  
Andy Newcomb  
Eric Benfold



# New Member

Ted Miller #79



# You've Got Mail

The Post Office has announced that the cost of stamps will be going up by 3 cents effective June 1st. We would like to ask all of our members to help us with the postage bill by giving your e-mail address to Dave Oden. To make it easy just send an e-mail to [jeepndave@netzero.net](mailto:jeepndave@netzero.net) and tell him that you want your newsletter by e-mail. Some of the benefits of getting your newsletter by e-mail are: (1) you get your newsletter earlier, (2) all pictures are in color.





# M O U N T A I N - E A R S

## Food For Thought

1. Everyone has a photographic memory. Some don't have film.
2. He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
3. A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
4. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
5. Back up my hard drive? How do I put it in reverse?
6. I just got lost in thought. It was unfamiliar territory.
7. When the chips are down, the buffalo is empty.
8. Seen it all, done it all. Can't remember most of it.
9. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
10. I feel like I'm diagonally parked in a parallel universe.
11. He's not dead, he's electroencephalographically challenged.
12. She's always late, in fact, her ancestors arrived on the Juneflower.
13. You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say will be misquoted and used against you.
14. I wonder how much deeper the ocean would be without sponges.
15. Honk if you love peace and quiet.
16. Pardon my driving, I'm reloading.
17. Despite the cost of living, have you noticed how it remains so popular?
18. Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.
19. It is hard to understand how a cemetery can raise its burial costs and blame it on the higher cost of living.
20. Just remember...if the world didn't suck, we'd all fall off.
21. The 50-50-90 rule: Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
22. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end to end, someone would be stupid enough to try and pass them.
23. You can't have everything. Where would you put it?
24. Latest survey shows that 3 out of 4 people make up 75% of the world population.
25. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
26. The things that come to those that wait may be the things left by those who got there first.
27. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.



# M E M B E R S R I D E S

**Member name:** Darren Finger

**Member number:** 28

**Make and Model:** 1970 Jimmy/Pickup

**Engine:** '93 TBI 350

**Tranny:** SM 465

**T-Case:** Dana 20

**Front Axle:** Dana 44 4.10 Detroit Locker

**Rear Axle:** GM 14 Bolt 4.10 Detroit Locker

**Tires and wheels:** 36" Swampers

**Suspension:** 4" Skyjacker

**Brakes:** Yup

**Accessories:** Warn 8274, Modified Transfer Case with Bronco 2.3:1 Gears

**Future upgrades:** Dana 60 & Rocker Gards





**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

**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

**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

**Toyota 4 Runner**, 125,000 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

**1978 Ford** Chrome Front & Rear bumpers. Good Shape Make an offer Call Ben at (970) 495-0801

**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 1/2. 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: [wcmamdjmh@aol.com](mailto:wcmamdjmh@aol.com)

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Karlen Mueller	3	4
5 Pat Schnaidt	6 <b>BOARD MEETING</b> Jeff Mueller	7  M & L Golly	8 Bill Marquardt	9  M & G Horner	10	11
12	13	14	15 <b>CLUB MEETING</b> Amber Stevens	16 Amie Lenderink	17	18 Tim Sigley
19 <b>CLUB TRIP</b>	20	21	22  B & H Crue C & A DeWitt	23	24 Kathy Schnaidt	25  L & S Vlcek
26 Shane Payton	27	28  G & A Kinnison	29  Ben Crue Karina Early	30 Jason Maes	31	

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16 Andy Shively Dan Venrick	17	18	19 <b>CLUB MEETING</b>	20	21 Chris McCurry  B & L Graves	22
23 <b>CLUB TRIP</b> 30	24	25	26 Candice Paben	27 Laurie Paben	28	29

Board Meeting: June 10 7:30pm Scott Ellinger  
 July 8 7:30pm Dave Oden  
 Membership Meeting: May 15 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 June 19 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Club Trip: May 18-19 9:00am **Kelly Flats Campground**



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**The Mountaineers**  
**PO Box 1225**  
**Fort Collins, CO 80522-1225**

## MAY NEWSLETTER

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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><b>RockHard 4x4 Parts</b>            Lewis Barth 401 Jackie Ann St.            Ault, Co 80610 970-834-0767</p>	<p><b>Fantasy's 4x4</b>            4311 Service Road            Evans, Colorado 303-330-3833</p>	<p><b>R &amp; S Auto Body</b>            1912 Terry Lake Rd            Fort Collins, Colorado</p>
<p><b>Mark Turner Off-Road</b>            2649 E. Mulberry St. #2            Ft. Collins Colorado 970-416-1234</p>	<p><b>Off-Road Performance Solutions</b>            4340 Hwy 66            Longmont Colorado 970-535-9388</p>	<p><b>RockStomper</b>            318 Buchanan Ave.            Firestone Colorado 303-833-1431</p>
<p><b>Front Range Off-Road Fabrication</b>            www.frii.com/~frorfab            cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846</p>	<p><b>Loveland Powder Coating</b>            225 SW 42nd Street            Loveland, Colorado 970-679-7500</p>	<p><b>Vanworks</b>            900 East Lincoln Avenue            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344</p>
<p><b>Colorado 4x4 Specialists</b>            4469 East Eisenhower            Loveland, Colorado 970-669-2978</p>	<p><b>4X4 Used Parts</b>            Bob Schleppey Bob@4x4usedparts.com            970-224-4294 www.4x4usedparts.com</p>	<p><b>Colorado Iron &amp; Metal</b>            1400 E MulberrySt            Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-482-7707</p>