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# MOUNTAIN-EARS

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## LARIMER COUNTY FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

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### **May Club Trip**

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This Month's Club Trip will be announced at the membership meeting. If we get approval we will run 7 Mile, if not we are planning on going south and running Slaughter House Gluch near Bailey. Please meet at our new trip meeting place. North King Soopers College & Willox. We will leave at 9:00am Sunday May 25th.



### **April Club Trip**

A group of Mountaineers and guests gathered at our normal trip starting point in the north Fort Collins King Soopers parking lot. Our group left promptly at 9:00 and convoyed north up highway 287 to County Road 80C where we met up with Darren who was waiting for us. We now had nine

## Guests at Last Meeting

Tyler Lewis

Aaron Meng

Neil Snyder

## Summer Trip to Buena Vista

This year we are going to be spending a week in Buena Vista and running the trails in the area. We will be spending the week of June 21st through 27th in Buena Vista because the altitude is higher and the trails should be open in late June. The RV park is about 1.5 miles north of Buena Vista at 30430 North Highway 24 (800) 954-8481. Just like we do in Moab we will be meeting each morning at City Market in Buena Vista to leave for our trips. City Market is on the south end of town.

vehicles, all anticipating the last snow



bashing trip of the season. For the second month in a row we were going to try our luck on the trails in the Upper Cherokee Park area. At least this month we were fighting the dusty conditions on 80C instead of mud as we did 30 days earlier. There was a lot less snow in the little canyon between lower and upper Cherokee Park. After a brief stop at a potty box, we made it to the McGrevey Trail (FSR-314).



The plan was to go in on McGrevey to the Green Mountain Trail (FSR-315), by Dead Horse Mountain and loop to Pratt Creek (FSR-182), then back out Green Mountain to 80C. As we got further back on McGrevey the snow got deeper

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and we had fresh snow on top. Jim D. was having much fun breaking the trail open as there was no sign of anyone being on the trail before us. At one point Jim called for a saw to cut a tree out of the trail but a minute later we heard him say on the CB “never mind, I just ran over it”. Everyone made it over the tree Ok but as we went up the trail and through the clear cut areas the



drifts got bigger. Every once in a while we would have to dig out a strap to give someone a tug when they got high centered or got sucked into the giggly weeds. Progress was slow.

When we got to the intersection of McGrevey and Green Mountain, we decided that it would take too long to get the whole group through the loop. We would just take the Green Mountain

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Trail back to 80C. Not very far into the Green Mountain Jim encountered



four to five foot drifts for as far as the eye could see. Darren wanted to blast the drifts but decided to try creeping over the top of the first drift. The snow had melted and frozen many times creating a hard crust on top. He made it over with no problem. Don also wanted to have a go at it and had the same results. We now had two over the first

barrier but there was still a bunch of drifts in front of them. After some discussion, it was decided



for safety's sake that we should turn around and go back the way we came.

We gathered together back at the

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intersection and  
settled in for a  
lunch break.

The way out was  
much faster and  
soon we were

back on 80C and headed west to the  
Laramie River Road in search of a few  
more drifts. Up on top we found that  
the road had been plowed all the way  
through and we had a beautiful drive all  
the way to the buffalo herds. The  
Laramie River Road had been plowed  
clear to the Poudre which was a good  
thing as we could never have made an  
attempt at the drifts near Chambers  
Lake, they were just too big.



The Mountaineer family had another  
great day of fun in the snow-----

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**When:** Saturday May 31, 2014

**Where:** Bullhide 4x4 Parking Lot/Lawn Area

**Time:** 9 am to 5 pm

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## Editor's Note

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Just a reminder, I could use some Member's Rides, Email the info and a picture to [newsletter@montainees4x4.org](mailto:newsletter@montainees4x4.org)

If you take pictures on our club trips and want to share them, please upload them on our Facebook page. (I can use them in the newsletter)

## Members Rides

**Member:** Cliff Dukes #76

**Vehicle:** 1990 Toyota 4Runner SR5

**Engine:** 3.0 liter V6

**Transmission:** A340h automatic

**Transfer Case:** Top shift gear driven case w/4.70 gears and twin sticks

**Front End:** Solid axle swap w/83 front axle

**Rear End:** Stock rear axle w/leaf conversion

**Wheels & Tires:** 35x12.50 procomp xtterrains on 15x10 steel wheels

**Springs & Shocks:** 5" trail gear leafs all the way around with 14" bilstein shocks

**Brakes:** Stock

**Miscellaneous:** Winch, chop top w/ custom canvas top, rock lights, cb

**Current & Future Projects:** Next up is to stretch the wheelbase 7 more inches with f780 width diamond axles and upgrade to 37" tires on 17s

May 2014						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2 Kaden Mueller	3
4	5 Attie Burch	6 Jeff Mueller	7	8 Bill Marquardt	9	10
11	12 BOARD MEETING Dan Venrick	13 Ryan Eddy	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 CLUB MEETING Corinne Surface	22	23	24
25 CLUB TRIP	26 Shane Payton	27	28 Tonya Mercer	29 Ben Crue	30	31

June 2014						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5 Dave Surface	6 Nicole Riley	7
			J&L Paben			S&S Payton
8	9 BOARD MEETING Craig Stumbough	10 Linda Castell	11	12 Jake Schrader	13	14
	D&C Surface			G&S Kappeman		D&B Klein
15 Aaron Paben	16 Dan Venrick	17	18 CLUB MEETING	19	20	21 Chris McCurry Heidi Kemp Ryan Castell Tyler Lewis
22 CLUB TRIP	23 Brianna Oadyke	24	25 Amy Kemp	26 Candice Paben	27 Garrett Mercer Launie Paben	28
29	30 Hannah Eddy					

Board Meeting: Jun. 9 7:30pm Craig Stumbough  
 Jul. 7 7:30pm Jake Thoen  
 Membership Meeting: May 21 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Jun. 18 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins  
 Club Trip: May 25 9:00am **King Soopers Parking Lot N. College & Wilcox**

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