
MOUNTAIN-EARS

LARIMER COUNTY FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

November Club Trip

The Club Trip will be to Old Flowers Road on November 19th. We will meet at the North King Soopers Willox and College at 8:30 am and leave at 9am.



October Trip Report

Middle St. Vrain & Coney Flats

For this month's trip we all met at the Walmart parking lot in Longmont. As we were gathering, a flaming red Jeep pulled in and most of us thought it was Carl M. but were surprised to see new Mountaineer Scott K. climb out of the Jeep and proceeded to open the hood. Scott had recently bought the Jeep from Carl and on the way down to meet us the check engine light came on and the fan belt started to squeal. Several of us looked but couldn't find the belt tension adjuster which left us

New Members

Connor Bowlin #107

scratching our heads. After looking at another Jeep of the same vintage we discovered that the tension adjuster was completely gone. The bolt must have backed out and the whole assembly fell off. Scott found a close Napa Auto Parts Store and surprisingly they had the part in stock. They loaned him a wrench and he was able to catch up with us at the trail head.

We stopped at the Middle Saint Vrain trailhead to air down and take advantage of the potty box. We all were anxious to see what our sister club, The Trail Ridge Runners, had done to improve the Guardian Rocks at the beginning of the trail and the repair of a water and mud bog on up the trail. We all made it across the Guardian Rocks unscathed and proceeded up the trail following the Middle Saint Vrain Creek. There are a lot of water holes along the way and this time of year they were already frozen over. The “ice holes” were fun as you would be pushing ice with your tires or bumper and upon reaching the other side, the ice would pile up into an ice mound to climb over. The going was slow as this trail kind of reminds you of that ice cream flavor, Rocky Road. It is one of the bumpiest trail rides that we ever take; maybe that’s why they call this the Rocky Mountains.

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We stopped at our second trailhead of the day to let everyone catch up before starting the steep climb up the mountain on the Coney Flats trail to the top. The climb is fairly easy until we reached the fun little rock garden that you had to carefully pick your correct line of attack or you could become high centered. After the rock garden, the trail flattens out and we had to go through a few more ice holes before reaching the Coney Creek clearing, our lunch spot. During lunch we got an accurate vehicle count. We had twenty Mountaineers and guests, one of the highest vehicle counts of the year! It was a cold windy day, but that didn't stop us from having a fun picnic. The kids got to throw rocks into the creek and the dogs had a chance to socialize.

After lunch, we had to cross Coney Creek which is about twenty yards across. Some couldn't resist the temptation to see how fast they could make the trip while others went at wakeless speed. It was a good thing that we didn't have anybody hydro lock their four wheeler. The trip down was anticlimactic, just a lot more ice holes and lots more rocks to shake up your innards. By the time we hit the graded road we all were ready for a smooth ride again.

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The trail ends at Beaver Reservoir and we lined up on the concrete damn to air up and rearrange things for the trip home.



This was a wonderful trip that will be remembered by the Mountaineer family for years to come!

El Guapo



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LARIMER COUNTY 4-WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

NOVEMBER 18TH @ 9AM

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Check with your local club for a meeting time & place to convoy to the toy drop



Donate an unwrapped toy for a child this holiday season.
The toys will be donated to the Santa Cops of Larimer County

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Time to Vote

Please take some time this week and think of some club members that you would like to see as our 2012 Officers. The Offices that we nominate and vote for are:

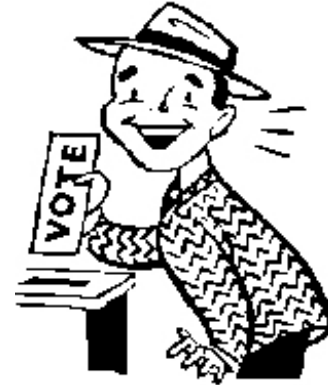
President

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Treasure

Trip Planners (4)



Christmas Tree Cutting

We are planning on doing a Christmas Tree Cutting run on Sunday December 3, we will leave our normal trip meeting place (north King Soopers) at 9:00am

Please bring hot chocolate and fun things for the kids. Permits are \$10 per tree (cash only)



November 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Tracy Loeb G&M Helgeson	2 Ron Kapperman	3	4 Andrea Paben Tyler Schleppey R&A Lietz
5	6 BOARD MEETING	7 Anna Mueller Allison Carter	8	9	10 Jason Richards Jake Warner	11 Drew Claus
12 Sam Warner	13	14	15 CLUB MEETING	16	17	18
19 CLUB TRIP	20 Jim Jansen	21 David LeDeaux Roy Robinson	22 Bob Opdyke	23 THANKSGIVING	24 Dick Jansen Kimberley Malone	25
26	27 Bridget Peterson	28 Darold Klein	29 Tom Washburn Adaline Zamora	30		

December 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Sally Oden	5 Kelly Ficarra	6 Ann Lietz	7	8	9
10 BOARD MEETING Jason Marooney	11 Scott Ficarra	12 Mike Braskich Cristal Opdyke Shelby Peterson	13	14 Matthew DeWitt	15 Steve Claus Shane Peterson	16 Jaden Dyrenforth
17 Teresa Shively	18 Bill Dyrenforth Adrian LeDeaux	19 Brandon Loeb	20 CLUB MEETING Heather Cooper	21	22 John Jansen Dave Martin	23 Bob Paul
24 CLUB TRIP 31 Michael Nothnagel Thomas Carter	25	26	27 Kyle Eddy	28 Alice Mueller	29 Carl Malone	30 Janine Bernard Troy Mynes

Board Meeting: Dec. 11 7:30pm David LeDeaux

Jan. 8 7:30pm TBA

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

Dec. 20 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Club Trip: Nov. 19 **9:00am North King Soopers N.College and Willox**