

### **August Trip Report**

There were only thirteen vehicles that showed up at the parking lot for an early start to our trip to Green Ridge. We had five guests in the group. Tie Dye Chris in his TJ had driven in from Rifle to join us and we had a couple of Toyota Pickups and a fairly new 4-Runner along with a former club member in a Scout. We did ask the folks in the 4-Runner if they really liked the

running boards
on their rig and
they replied that
they were still
attached to the
vehicle only as
rock sliders. After
an uneventful trip
up the Poudre



Canyon we reached the trailhead. By the time we had aired down and used the potty box, five more vehicles showed up.

We weren't five minutes into the trail when the "Pickle" broke a spring hanger bolt. Darren had an extra bolt with him and we were moving again in a matter of minutes. The little bogs didn't give us any trouble. The real fun began when we got to the long trough. A little more than half of the group took the bypass. The first on through was Brett and his Scout made it look easy. Ben in his full size Bronco got about

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was now stuck and Tara had to back her Toyota into the trough to retrieve the ol' Bronco. Colleen must have been taking driving

taking driving lessons from Darwin as she blasted through

in his normal manner, pedal to



the metal with mud flying everywhere. Richard saw that and decided that it was the

way to go. He blasted his way to the end but the Jeep dropped into a hole and the rear quarter panel dropped below the water line.

half way when the Bronco emitted that all too

familiar sound of an axle shaft breaking. Ben

When he got up onto dry land, he and the Jeep



were covered with that thick, smelly and gooey mud inside and out. There was about six inches of standing water and mud on the

floorboards. He pulled the floor drain plugs and had to wash the seats and windshield. One of the guest Toyotas bent his transfer case cross member which was straightened out during our lunch break.

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After all the carnage at the long trough the rest of the trail was a piece of cake. When we got to the Nunn Creek Road it started to rain and we had to scramble to put on the bikini tops, put on the doors or zip in the windows. Darwin discovered that an idler arm had frozen up and he had lost his alternator belt. Good thing he has two batteries and was able to make it home with no problem. Richard wasn't as lucky. His alternator fried and Ben had to stop and charge Richard's battery several times on the way back to town. For the most part, it was a great day of muddy 4 Wheeling with the Mountaineer family.

Garfield



### **Guests at last Meeting**

Shane Mills

Cotton Riley

Bill & Tim Budd



## Club Trip Storm Mountain

9:00am Sunday Sept. 21 Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox.

For the Southern people

9:30am Massonville

If we see threatening people with shotguns we will move on to Moody.

### A BIG THANKS

Goes out to Darwin & Colleen for hosting our vehicle work day and letting us use their shop facilities. Fewer people than expected showed up. Those that didn't come out missed a great time and some great eats.

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### **New Member**

Steve Geissler #54





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### **Highway Cleanup**

We will be cleaning up our two mile section of Highway 14 on Saturday September 20. Meet at mile marker 119 at 9:00 AM which is a couple of miles above Ted's Place in the Poudre Canyon. After the clean up, as has become the tradition, we will head up the canyon to the Mike Braskich abode for pancakes and bacon.



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### **Editor's Note**

I need more pictures for the Online Calendar.

Please contribute to our new segment "My Favorite Trail". Name of trail, why it is your favorite trail, where the trail is, and picture if you have one. Please give to Dave Oden at the meeting, or send info to jeepndave@netzero.net



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### **Raffle Tickets**

You must turn in your raffle tickets by the October Meeting so that we can turn them in to the State.

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### My Favorite Trail

Travis Golly, age 13

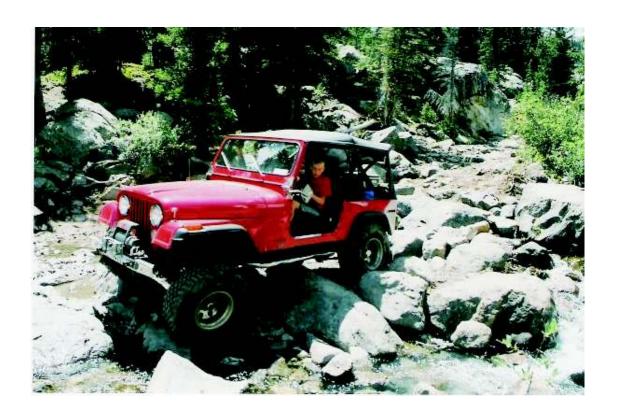
My favorite trail to drive is Holy Cross. It is near Leadville. I got to drive it this summer when we were at All 4 Fun. My Dad drove us up French Creek but I got to drive through it on the way back down. The best part is all of the tough spots. It was cool when I got over them better than some of the older drivers!

My Dad also let me drive a lot on the Chinaman trail. It is south of Buena Vista. This trail was fun too. Another fun thing about driving is that Mom has to sit in the back seat so Dad can help me up front. She doesn't complain much, she say's it's still better than riding with Craig!

My favorite trail to ride on is any in Moab, Utah. I especially like Poison Spider, Golden Spike, Gold Bar Rim trail because it is so long. I like catching lizards, throwing things off of the overlooks and the squirtgun fights.

When I am old enough I want to drive a Jeep Cherokee, probably painted red.





### Things you DON'T want to hear while

on the operating room table

Better save that. We'll need it for the autopsy.

Someone call the janitor - we're going to need a mop

Bo! Bo! Comeback with that! Bad Dog!

Wait a minute, if this is his spleen, then what's that?

Hand me that...uh...that uh.....thingie

Oh no! I just lost my Rolex.

Oops! Hey, has anyone ever survived 500ml of this stuff before?

Ya know, there's big money in kidneys. Hey, the guy's got two of 'em.

### **Top Ten Ways Things Would Be Different** if Microsoft Built Cars

A particular model year wouldn't be available until after that year, instead of before.

Every time they repainted the lines on the road, you'd have to buy a new car.

Occasionally your car would just die for no reason, you'd have to restart it, and, for some strange reason, you would just accept this.

You could only have one person at a time in your car, unless you bought a car '95 or a car NT, but then you'd have to buy more seats.

You would be constantly pressured to upgrade your car. Wait a sec, it's that way NOW!

Sun Motorsystems would make a car that was solar powered, twice as reliable, 5 times as fast, but only ran on 5% of the roads.

The oil, alternator, gas, and temperature warning lights would be replaced with a single "General Car Fault" warning light.

People would get excited about the "new" features in Microsoft cars, forgetting completely that they had been available in other brands for years.

We'd all have to switch to Microsoft Gas (tm).

Ford, General Motors and Chrysler would all be complaining because Microsoft was putting a radio (probably an A.M. radio at that) in all its models.

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

For Sale: 2 Jeep roll bars, new truck tire chains, new adjustable tow barprices negotiable Pickup toppercame off of 1988 chevy long bed.

\$300, OBO Call Mike Golly for more info, 663-3446

For Sale: Front Axle: Dana 44 described brakes 410 ratio with lockright drive shaft. Rear Axle: 9" heavy housing 31 spline Currie axles, nodgular carrier 410 ratio, Details.

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:** GPS Receiver, Magellan Trailblazer XL, handheld, 12 volt cord, external antenna and vehicle mount. \$75.00 Contact Gail Horner 970-568-7032

For sale: 1974 CJ 5 Jeep, 401, torqueflight, ARB front, Rancho RS 9000s, on board air, 4.27 gears, 4 wheel disks, Warn 8000 lb with remote, custom paint, other gadgets. Contact Gail Horner 970-568-7032

YJ Stuff Wrangler Hardtop w/ rear wiper (Tan) - \$900, 66-77 Bronco Parts. Call Curtis (970) 217-7226 or pager (970) 416-4238

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 ½. Call Brad anytime on weekends & after 5 on weekdays at: 520-887-9104

For Sale: Utility Trailer 1992 6 ft bed, tilt \$750.00 Contact: Steve @970-674-0016

For sale: 4 Buckshot Mudders, P78/15 on CJ white spokes with studs, \$300.00. Contact Gail Horner 970-568-7032

### For Sale:

1997 Wrangler For Sale \$12,950/bo This ieep has a dana 30 front axle with 4.56's with dana 44 rear with 4.56's, both have arb lockers. Superlift 4' suspension lift with 35 x 12.50 goodyear wrangler mtr's on 15 x 8 wheels. warn xd9000i winch, arb bullbar front bumper with piaa light, currie rockcrawler ii front suspension, rear bumper with swingway tire carrier and hi-lift jack & mount, 6 point custom rollcage, tomken 2x4 rock bars, 5 point harnesses with stock seat belts, tuffy cargo box, cb, cd player, new rebuilt transmission & clutch. must sell for college!!! This is the jeep of your dreams ..can climb anything. Contact Gary at gary@pacificequity.biz or at 719.667.5313 for any questions. Will assist in shipping, but buyers responsibility for all shipping costs. Located in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

September 2003						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 BOARD MEETING	9 Jim Miller	10	11 Brett Newton	12 Cameron Klein	13
14 Cory Kinnison	15	16	17 CLUB MEETING	18 Scott Ellinger	19	20
		C&M Smelker				P&K Schnaidt
21 CLUB TRIP	Heidi Crue	23	24 Nathaniel DeWitt	25	26	27
					R&K Kapperman	
28	Bev Klein	30				

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	Elaine Allbrandt					
12	13	14	15 CLUB MEETING	16	17	18
Patty Oden		Aaron Carlson Alice Kinnison		Jerre Vos		
			S&R Ellinger			
19 CLUB TRIP	20	21	22	23	24	25
Dustin Paben		Robin Kerns				
					R&K Kapperman	
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	

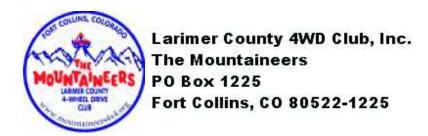
Oct. 6 Board Meeting: 7:30pm Craig Stumbough

Nov. 10 7:30pm Richard Marolf

Membership Meeting: Sept. 17 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins Albertson's Parking Lot N. College & Willox Oct. 15 7:30pm

Club Trip: Sept. 21 9:00am



### September Newsletter



The following businesses give Mountaineer Members special discounts on parts or specific services. In other words, they save us money... and we are grateful.

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	
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	<b>R &amp; S Auto Body</b> 808 E. Mulberry St. Ft. Collins, CO 970-227-1847	
Front Range Off-Road Fabrication www.frii.com/~frorfab cel (970) 481-6508 (970) 472-1846	<b>4X4 Used Parts</b> Bob Schleppy Bob@4x4usedparts.com 970-224-4294 www.4x4usedparts.com	RockStomper P.O. Box 724 Firestone, Colorado 303-833-1431	
Loveland Powder Coating 225 SW 42nd Street Loveland, Colorado 970-679-0004	Mark Turner Off-Road 2649 E MulberrySt Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-416-1234	Vanworks 900 East Lincoln Avenue Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-484-5344	
Jackson's All American Sports Grill 925 East Harmony Road Ft. Collins, Colorado	Bullhide Liner 4X4 & Auto Accessories 5817 South College Ave. Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288		