Mountain -

August Club Trip

For some Mountaineers, this trip started early. A small group decided to camp in the area of the trip for the weekend. The first to arrive on Friday afternoon were the Opdykes. They were tasked to find a good camping spot on the Bunce School Road for the rest of the group scheduled to arrive on Saturday morning. After finding the perfect spot to group camp, Bob (not listening to Michelle's advice not to do it) pulled their tow vehicle and trailer down into the site and put a tree branch into the Toyotas windshield. To add to the broken

windshield, Bob put a couple of more bruises and scrapes on Michelle's truck trying to get it out of the predicament he had driven into. Saturday Morning, the Thoens, Paytons and Dixons showed up at camp. The group wheeled up to the T-33 airplane crash site and then did the fun Iron Clads trail as well as the Bunce School Road.

Sunday morning, Mountaineers and guests gathered in Lyons for a convoy up to the Middle St. Vrain trailhead at Camp Dick. There were a couple of groups ahead of us so we took our time airing down and taking advantage of the potty

box. Before long, we were on our way - oops right at the beginning of the trail, one of our guests in a black 4 door Rubicon turtled himself on "Guardian Rock". A gentle tug with a snatching strap and we were on our way again. With all the rain we had this summer, the wild flowers were still blooming and everything was so green which meant the mud holes were filled to capacity. Along the way, we had to tug another guest in a 4 door black Rubicon off the rocks (yes, there were two 2 black 4 door Rubicons on the trip). And then there was our former illustrious club president, Shane, who had to show off and go over the largest rocks that he could find. Doesn't he know that nothing good ever happens when you do that? Bent tie rod!!!!

Just before the end of the Middle St. Vrain trail we made a sharp left on to the Coney Flats trail and started to make our climb out of the canyon. This area is a steep climb with lots of rocks all the way to the top. A few had to make a couple of attempts at some of the more technical rock climbs along the way but everyone made it unscathed to the Coney Creek water crossing where we stopped for our lunch break. The kids had a blast wading in the water which was waist high.

After lunch, it was time to ford Coney Creek. Three Mountaineers couldn't resist the temptation of blasting through the high water. Dan V. put on a good show but Jim D. created the biggest wave, getting people wet that were standing on the shoreline. Ben 2., driving his Jeep of the

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week, made a good showing but had a hard time keeping the poor ol' Jeep running afterwards. The way down the mountain was just more innards jiggling rocks. By the time we got to Beaver Reservoir, we were ready for some smooth road. We stopped on top of the dam to air up and prepare for the trip home. It was another great weekend of wheeling and camping with the Mountaineer family.

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September Club Trip

This months Club Trip will be Left Hand Canyon Meet at the Wal-Mart parking lot at HWY 66 & HWY 287 in Longmont at 10:00 am Sunday Sep. 22nd Plans may change due to recent flooding.

Club Officers

It is almost that time again. Lets all start thinking about who to nominate for our club officers for 2014. We will have to replace our club secretary because she is resigning due to the fact that she will be going back to school and won't be able to make it to the club meetings for about 9 months.



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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Cotton Riley | |
| 8 | Don Maresh | 10 | Brett Newton | Cameron Klein | 13 | Cory Kinnison | |
| 15 | Eric Treece C&M Smelker | 17 | 18 CLUB MEETING | 19 Mike Guerassio | Skylar Payton | 21 | |
| 22 CLUB TRIP Heidi Crue J&S Mueller | 23 | 24 Nathaniel DeWitt Troy White | 25 | 26 R&K Kapperman | 27 | 28 D&S Oden | |
| 29 Bev Klein | 30 | | | | | | |

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| | | | Mike Golly | Marti Helgeson | Clifton DeWitt | Patrick Riley | |
| 6 | 7 BOARD MEETING Craig Stumbough | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | |
| Elaine Allbrandt Sarah Paul | | | | | | Gary Helgeson | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 CLUB MEETING | 17 | 18 | J&L Schrader | |
| | Alice Kinnison | | | | | Dustin Paben | |
| 0 CLUB TRIP | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | |
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| 27 | 28 Mike Castell | 29 | 30 | 31 Halloween | | | |
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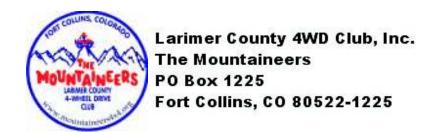
Board Meeting: Oct. 7 7:30pm Craig Stumbough

Nov. 11 7:30pm Jake Adams

Membership Meeting: Sep. 18 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Oct. 16 7:30pm Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum, Ft. Collins

Club Trip: Sep. 22 10:00am Longmont on HWY 66 & HWY 287 Wal-Mart



September Newsletter



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| Bullhide Liner 4X4 & Auto Accessories 5817 South College Ave. Ft. Collins, Colorado 970-224-2288 | Always A Deal Inc. Computer Services Johnstown, Colorado 970-310-7547 www.AlwaysaDeal.info | Moab 4x4 Outpost 1831 S Hwy 191 Moab, Utah 435-259-0911 |
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