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2nd QUARTER MEETING DETAILS

2nd Qtr Meeting, Saturday, Apr. 16, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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The Newsletter staff would like to thank everyone who sent articles, but we are always in the need for more. If we cannot fit every submitted article in the current edition, we will hold for the next edition. If you do not find it in the next issue, please contact us and let us know so that we can make sure that we have it. As always, if you have any questions or concerns about this newsletter, please feel free to contact us at: newsletter@hightrails.org.

COA4WDCI's Mission Statement:

The purpose of the Association is to represent, educate and advocate for the 4x4 clubs and promote responsible motorized recreation use and conservation of our public lands and natural resources. To promote cooperation and friendship and intercommunications among the clubs, to liaise with other motorized recreation organizations and to bring forth a united voice and effort to benefit our clubs and members.

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From the President

by Jim Dixon, President

2016 is looking like it is going to be a good year for the Colorado Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs Inc. We are in the process of forming new relationships with other organizations as well as reenlisting some old ones. We have had some position changes on the Board of Directors and some old ones stepping back up to help out. With the recent passing of our Central District VP a long time friend and supporter of the State Association has stepped up to fill the big void that was left. We would like to send a huge Thank You to Ige Gustavson, we look forward to working with you in the Central District.

While it is always nice to see memberships rise in the Local Clubs, we also welcome individuals to Join the State Association as a "Supporting Member". We realize that there are a lot of individuals out there that do not want to Join a Local Club for various reasons, but at the same time want to help in the conservation of our Public Lands. The key to being successful is through numbers. The more people that can be represented, the more of a chance there is to change the downward spiral of trail closures. If you are interested in becoming a Supporting Member of COA4WDCI Please contact our membership department at membership@hightrails.org and they will be happy to send you an application. The fee to become a Supporting Member is only \$20 per year.



Come out and join us for the day or two to help repair some of our trails in Colorado. We will be holding events around the State on the same day so feel free to locate the one closest to you and help out. For more information you can check out our Facebook Page at https://www.facebook.com/-COA4WDCI/ or our website at ww.hightrails.org as we will be updaing frequently as the planning process moves forward















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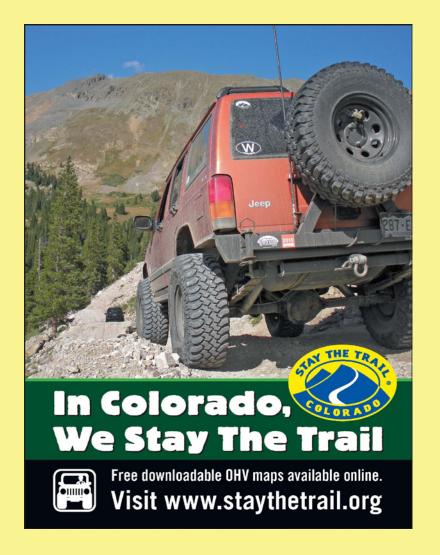
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Northern District Land Use Update by Adam Mehlberg

Canyon Lakes Ranger District:

Waiting on analysis of the 2013 flood road closures. Projects have been completed to date, and roads opened. The Supervisors Office of the Roosevelt National Forest needs to determine when, or if, the remaining closed roads from the flood will get opened.

Flood Closure Information:

www.fs.usda.gov/detail/arp/alerts-notices/?cid=stelprd3792724

Boulder Ranger District:

Middle St. Vrain FR114 - Seasonal road opening review is June 25, 9am at Middle St. Vrain parking lot.

Lefthand Canyon OHV - Lefthand will remain closed this year due to 2013 flood damage. No Forest Service activity, or funding, for the proposed Lefthand Canyon study needed to reopen the road system.

Boulder Ranger District is also part of the Supervisors Office analysis on the remaining 2013 flood closed roads to determine when, or if, these roads will open.u, and Bunce School Road have all been seasonally closed.



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UFWDA Report to COA4WDCI - Jan. 16, 2016

The "One Voice" program was launched at the SEMA Show in Las Vegas, NV, in November.

- "One Voice" is a new partnership between the United Four Wheel Drive Associations (UFWDA) and the Off Road Business Association (ORBA).
- UFWDA will be gathering local land use issues and as much information about each as can be found.
- This information will be given to the "One Voice" Advisory Committee for them to prioritize and then maybe presented to the ORBA Board of Directors for final approval (or not).
- Approved projects will be pursued at the national level by lobbying congress to change or amend the law(s).
- The focus will be to amend land use laws and land management agency rules to be much more motorized recreation friendly.
- Another focus will be to slow or stop the "preservation" movement.

- ORBA will be funding the majority of the lobbying and production of the bills to be submitted to Congress and the land management agencies.
- Some possible laws to be worked on are:
 - Antiquities Act whereby Presidents can unilaterally name large areas as National Monuments without local or State input.
 - Endangered Species Act.
 - National Historic and Preservation Act. This Act provides for protection of historic, cultural, and heritage items.
 - The definition of "Road". This could have a major impact on stopping any further Wilderness designations and could free areas already under Wilderness Study protections.
- UFWDA is working with the Kentucky Speedway of NASCAR
 to build a 4-wheel drive training and event facility. If this is
 successful, it may pave the way to other NASCAR tracks doing
 the same.

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Adopt-A-Road / Volunteer Projects, by Adam Mehlberg

Clubs have been reporting end of 2015 project hours, projects after September 2015, which will go into our annual report to the BLM and Forest Service for 2016. Now is a good time to contact the public lands managing agencies and start coordinating your Adopt-A-Road and Volunteer projects for the coming summer. Lately the Forest Service has become more interested in working with its volunteer groups to offset its shortage of resources. It can be hard to get in contact with the public lands managing agencies, so persistence is required. If you have a good working relationship with the agencies it is important to maintain the communication.

Hours reported this year are shown in the summary chart below.

** Deadline for 2016 hours is September 15 **

Any hours reported after this date will go into 2017 and will be reported to the managing agencies late, which will not help them in their annual reports.

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Adam Mehlberg, 4562 S. CR29, Loveland, CO 80537, or

call me at:

970-669-6979, and tell me the project name, public lands you worked on, date, number of volunteers and hours for each day.

Remember that the drive time to and from the project counts.

You can document hours your club members meet with the public land agencies to do planning for on the ground projects, or time spent interfacing with the public as a volunteer for the Forest Service or BLM. You may also document hours for hosting 4WD roads and running trail patrols, or doing Highway Cleanups.

Total

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| Club | Project | Hours | Total |
|------------------------|---|-------|-------|
| Adopt-A-Road Committee | Documentation | 35 | 35 |
| | | | |
| Colorado 4 Wheelers | China Wall, FR204, FR212 | 0 | |
| | Longwater Gulch, FR221 | 16 | |
| | Hackett Gulch, FR220 | 36 | 52 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Creeper Jeepers Gang | Hwy 550 Clean up | 63 | |
| Creeper Jeepers Gang | Hwy 550 Clean up Black Bear Pass, FR648, FR823 | 63 | |
| Creeper Jeepers Gang | | | |

Thank you for your volunteer efforts!

NoCo4Lo News, by Kerry Beach

Well, here I am again. With Jim Dixon getting elected as the new President, he could no longer also be the Northern District VP (thanks for taking good care of the ND Jim!). So after some discussion, a few votes, and no one else to step up for the job, I am again the NDVP. Our Past President(s) Brian O'Connors is taking over the Secretary duties and Shelly Surface has returned as our new Treasurer.

It's good to see some changes within the BOD but it still seems to be the same group of people, just different or returning positions. While they are greatly appreciated for all their hard work it would be nice to see more new faces. We also lost a very good friend and valuable person in Janice Green who recently socummed to a hard fought battle with Cancer. All of us who knew her are already missing her smiling face as the Central District VP and member of the Big Horn Jeep Club.

Ok, back to the Northern District. As most of those that have been around awhile know, I was once the NDVP for many years then became President for a few years and lately was doing Secretary duties for the COA4WDCI. I don't even know how many years I have been involved but have enjoyed them all, no matter how frustrating it can be at times.

With spring and then summer coming up fast, there will be lots happening between upcoming events, getting trails open, trail maintenance, oh and of course 4-wheeling! Some spend the winter working on their 4X4s in preparation for summer exploring and rock crawling while others enjoy playing in the snow, slush, mud or even ice depending on the weather. I love to do anything that involves my Jeep.



Some upcoming ND events include the 2nd quarterly meeting hosted by the Mountaineers that will be help April 16th in Berthoud (see ad in the newsletter) and the meet-n-greet immediately after. We are also planning the statewide Public Lands Day for the weekend of July 9th & 10th. Each district will set up their own project(s) for all of the clubs in their area as either one large event for a trail in need of a lot of maintenance or multiple events to cover many smaller projects. There will be a planning meeting soon that will decide on how we will tackle this so keep those dates available and look for more info coming on that soon.

I look forward to getting back into helping out with the ND clubs and even hope to see some new members.

Happy Trails!



In Memory of Janice Green

Janice Green passed away recently after a long and hard fought battle with Cancer. She was very involved with the COA4WDCI, most recently as the Central District VP and was a member of the Big Horn Jeep Club out of Denver. Janice loved off-roading in her Jeep named "The Warden" with her Husband Paul and their children. She was loved by all who knew her and will be deeply missed. We are sure that she is still smiling down on us from Heaven!

COA4WDCI PUBLIC LAND DAY(S)

The thought process behind organizing a Public Land Day(s) for the Colorado Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs in more than just the recognition we as the State Associate and Clubs would receive from the community. It is also about bringing each of the clubs through out the organization together in a joint effort to help maintain our trails. Through working together we all can get a better understanding of how each of the clubs are run, as no one club is just like the next, they all have their differences.

Steps

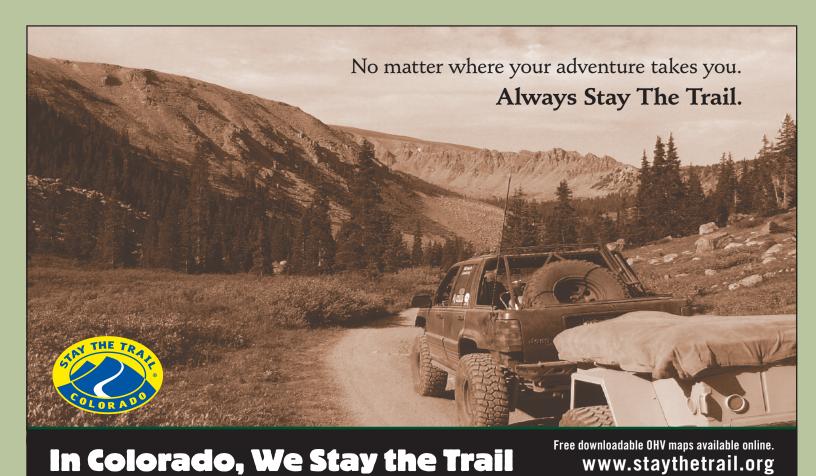
- Set date(s) for the event to take place.
 a. Possibility of July 9-10
 - b. Decided on which trails in each of the districts need attention 1-4 trails that have not been adopted in each of the four districts.
 - c. Vote on trail leader to supervise each of the trails being worked on.

- 2. Get EVERY CLUB involved with the event.
 - Every club in the State association should be involved in the planning process in their district.
 - b. Get those outside of the clubs involved as well.
- 3. Organize event with the managing land agency
 - a. Contact the managing land agency involved with the planning and promoting of the event.
- 4. Promote the event throughout the State of Colorado.
 - a. Club newsletters
 - b. Facebook pages
 - c. Twitter
 - d. Flyers

- e. Contact local vendors and shops to promote and contribute/donate towards the events in their areas
- 5. Have a successful day helping to make our trails better and cleaner.
- 6. Submit volunteer hours.
 - a. Each club will be responsible for turning in their hours volunteered for this event so each of the clubs that participate will get their hours.

(All steps outline above will be overseen by the individual district vice presidents)

It is though this event and others that we hope to bring the state association back to what it once was. An organization that brought the local clubs together through working together and helping to promote each other.





When it comes to Wheeling, most think of rocks and dirt, however here in Colorado we have a variety of wheeling. It seems as though the warmer months of the rocks and dirt are from June through mid November at the latest, which leaves the other 6 months filled with snow.

For the Larimer County Four Wheel Drive Club as well as many other we are sure, means a whole different story. We find the time to go out and explore the less traveled and easier trails and roads, as what better way to make it challenging than with a 3-4 foot deep snow drift and the occasional snow covered rock section? With the limited trails open in Northern Colorado due to seasonal closure in the winter, the Mountaineers like to explore areas such as Upper Cherokee Park, Crown Point Road, and the Lost Lake



area. While for the most part over the summer months these trails are graded two lane dirt roads, the deep snow makes them interesting.

Just recently the Mountaineers headed out to the Cherokee Park area in search of some of the deep white stuff, with hopes of making it through to Tie Siding, Wyoming via Cherokee Park and Boulder Ridge. Once they were past the maintained area of Cherokee Park it was not long until they encountered some deep snowdrifts. While the first couple were hard and iced over it was not long until some were encountered that were soft enough to



allow the first rig or two to pass over the top before the rest of the group started breaking through and the group had only made it to the turn off for Boulder Ridge.

After spending a couple hours in one area getting multiple rigs unstuck it was decided to turn around and head back. This only lead to at least another hour of getting more rigs out of the deep snow, that were trying to turn around. This is what makes winter wheeling so fun, getting stuck and laughing at those getting stuck while you are thinking that you could of made it further. Never go alone and always be prepared especially when it comes to wheeling the Colorado Back Country in the winter months. You never know what the conditions will be like or how long you will be out there.



Colorado Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs, Inc 1st QUARTER Meeting Minutes

Call to Order - Jim Dixon

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

There were 14 delegates present (representing 9 clubs) for 1st and 2nd halves. A quorum was achieved for the whole meeting.

Review and Approval of the 4th Qtr Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Jerry S. and 2nd Dwayne C. to accept the minutes as read. Motion carried.

Review and Approval of the 3rd Qtr Treasurer's Report

A motion was made by Jerry S. and 2nd Alex J. to accept the Treasurer's Report as read. Motion carried.

2016 Budget proposal & review

The 2016 budget was approved (See the attached Budget document)

Report of Officers and Clubs President – Jim D.:

President – Jim D.:

Thanks for getting the 2016 budget approved. We would like to go after the Associate Members for more donations.

Northern District VP - Kerry B &

clubs present: Mountaineers celebrated their 50th Anniversary There is a new club called the Nissan Off Road Association of Colorado (NORAC) that we are hoping will join the State Assoc..T.R.R. won the Grand Marshal's trophy for their float that was built for the Longmont Parade of Lights and had their holiday party. Big-T has been running mostly local trails lately. There is a new ranger for the Canyon Lakes F.S. district.

Central District VP: - clubs present

BHJC: There was a moment of silence for Janice Green, who passed away from Cancer the previous week. Janice was our Central District VP, service for her will be held in Arvada on Wednesday January 20 starting at 11 a.m.

Southern District VP – Jeff S. and clubs present: Jeff Stemas is the new VP and hopes to become more involved

with the clubs in the district. Rock Hoppers had a trip to Moab over Thanksgiving and have more trips planned. Big Horn 4X4s attended the CFK event and sponsored 40 kids. U.P.I.G.s attended the Christmas parade and handed out lots of coloring books for Stay-The-Trail. C.S.C.4.W. helped out with the ADAMAN event and are only having one club meeting per year.

Western District VP – Mike W. and clubs present: Mike Welch is the new VP and is working on getting to know all of the clubs in the district. Not much is happening currently in the area. G.M.J.C. just had their 54th anniversary and is planning the Rock Junction/Expo for June 1st through 4th. They also attended the G.J. and Fruita Parade of Lights events.

Committees

Adopt A Road - Adam

Need your Volunteer Hours! Not all of the clubs submitted their hours by the deadline, so they were not included.

2015 Volunteer hours awards: 1st place was GMJC with 133 hrs/member, 2nd place was CO 4-Wheelers with 58 hrs/member and 3rd place was Big-T 4-Wheelers with 34 hrs/member. Thanks to all clubs who participated.

Land Use/COHVCO – Jerry

COHVCO is dealing with issues on driving UTVs/ATVs on county or city roads. They are also thinking about raising their dues from \$15 to \$25/yr.

Club Membership - Shelly

Please be sure to attach a recent roster of club members when renewing your dues. We will also need email addresses for those who want to receive the electronic newsletter(s) starting in 2016. We are looking at 2 new clubs to possibly join soon.

Associates & Supporting Membership– Joel Vanderberg No report.

FEAT - Michael Hirschman

Gene King gave some background of the previous FEAT. Three of the previous members will help with managing the operation of the new FEAT organization. There are currently 80 active members in the Denver Metro area and they would like to be available year around for emergency services. All members will need to have a background check done prior to service at a cost of \$20 per year. Their new website "coloradofeat.org" is up and running. A motion was made by Brian O. and 2nd by Jessie S. to give the Denver FEAT organization \$2000 from the Grant fund to help with startup costs. Motion Carried. (See the attached FEAT document).

United (ORBA) 4WDA - Jerry

He went to the SEMA show and formed a new program call "1Voice", a regional look at local issues that need to be raised up to a national level. A motion was made by Alex J. and 2nd by Jessie S. to re-join United 4WDA as an association. Motion carried. (See attached report).

Stay The Trail & Tread Lightly – Mike Paris - No report.

Old Business

Website - Jim Dixon

We still need your club's events and other events for the calendar and articles on

things that your club has done. The website is back up and running with limited information. We need your club's current information along with websites and Facebook pages in order to help promote the member clubs.

Newsletter - Kerry Beach

A company called "Newslink" was brought to our attention by Jerry S.. They help to provide logistics and advertisers for newsletters. We will discuss it more at the next meeting.

Article Deadline to Kerry is the 1st of the previous month, next deadline is March 1st, 2016 for the April 2016 Electronic edition

Special Edition will be started soon. We need updated club info, contacts and logos ASAP.

Club Grants

No applications. (only 2 Grants are available for 2016).

Scholarships

No Applications: Any applications are due by March 1st to be voted on during the BOD meeting and then awarded at the April (2nd Qtr) meeting.

2015 Four Wheeler of the Year:

Perry Reed was nominated with no other nominations. He won it by default. Congratulations and thanks for all you have done Perry!

2015 Club of the Year: There were 2 clubs nominated, Larimer County 4WD Club (AKA: The Mountaineers) from Ft. Collins and the Grand Mesa Jeep Club from Grand Junction. A vote was taken and GMJC won by a few votes. Congratulations to both and thanks for your contributions.

New Business

2016 Raffle Vehicle – A 1998 Jeep Cherokee has been purchased by the Big Horn Jeep Club (Denver).

Raffle license progress: Jessie Surface is still waiting on getting the license approval due to some unsettled items from the previous raffle attempt. There may be a need to pay some fines prior to getting approval for a new license.

Purchasing Raffle tickets: Tickets cannot be purchased until a license has been approved. Scheduling places to show: Waiting until we know the license outcome.

Public Lands Day for COA4WDCI

(See attached flyer)

and where.

Possible dates: Suggestion for July 9 & 10, 2016 (2nd weekend in July). Who does the planning: The District VPs will be responsible for working with their district's clubs to plan the work to be done

Nominations for officer changes:

Northern District (to replace Jim since he has taken over President): Kerry was nominated by Brian O. and 2nd by Jessie S.. Kerry won by default.

Central District (to replace the position held by Janice G.): Ige G. agreed to fill in until a replacement can be voted on.

Secretary (to replace Kerry who is now the N.D. VP): Brian O. was nominated by Jessie S. and 2nd by Jerry S.. Brian won by default.

Future Meetings

2nd Qtr 2016 – April 16 Hosted by the Larimer County 4WD Club. Possibly at Johnson's Corner Truck Stop off from I-25 in the Northern District.

Board of Directors Meeting on April 4

3rd Qtr 2016 – July 16 Hosted by the G.M.J.C. in Grand Junction

Board of Directors Meeting on June 25

4th Qtr 2016 – October 15 Hosted by the Wild Bunch in Moab, UT

Board of Directors Meeting on October 2

1st Qtr 2017 – January 21st, 2017 Hosted by the BOD

Adjourn

A motion was made by Jessie S. and 2nd by Mike W. to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.





























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