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July 2014 Drifter's Newsletter

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Meeting Minutes

The 629th meeting of the Drifters Jeep Club was called to order at 7:25 p.m. on Thursday, July 10th, 2014 by Club President- Mark Bargman. The meeting was held at San Dimas Canyon Park.

The flag salute was by Shelby Craghead

Roll call was taken by Shawn Gilpin. There were 20 members, 1 qualifying member, and 0 guest present.

The minutes from the June meeting were read by Jocelyne Bricker corrected and approved.

Treasurer's report was read by Treasurer, Sandy Rydel. See Treasurer's report for details.

No new bills presented.

Conservation report was given Don Rybarczyk Cleghorn cleanup at 9 a.m. on Saturday July 12.

Delegates report was given by Joey Morrison July 19th meeting, HDR will be discussed, Joey want to attend and will update us later.

AAT meeting July 16th at Sizzler in Corona. Shawn Gilpin volunteered to attend.

Member Rule #??

Keep eyes on road while talking on the radio with trail boss

Picture without a Story



President

Mark Bargman

Vice President

Shawn Gilpin

Secretary

Jo Bricker

Treasurer

Sandi Rydell

State Delegate

Joey Morrison

Editor &

BlogMaster

David Meyer

South District Meeting

When Sat, October 11, 9am – 3pm

Where TBA ([map](#))

Description Quarterly CA4WDC South District meeting. All members and delegates are encouraged and invited to attend. Contact Jesse at jemay.xj@gmail.com.



Minutes Continued

Old Business:

June Trail Bosses: Danny Hankla, Fred Valdepena, Ricky Buckley, Huntley Graham, Denise Weddell

June 20-22, Saline Valley, Cross country run.

A report was given by Joey Morrisson. A lot of driving and jeeping and a lot of fun. Beautiful sightseeing. Saline Springs was great. There was a scary rescue of Shawn Gilpin and it was the highlight of the trip. It was very warm and a lot of photos were taken.

New Business:

July Trail Bosses: Norm Gerwien , Jimmy Morrison. Shelby, Anthony Loera

July 19th- One day run in Big Bear, Heartbreak ridge, meet at the Discovery Center at 9 am. Prerun was June 28th and all went well, it was a bit challenging but fun, it lasted about five hours.

September Trail Bosses: Tommy Vaughan, Doug Marshall, Mark Phelps, Norm Miller

Sept. 13th – Day run Pilot Rock- more info to follow.

October Trail Bosses: Daryl Romano, Don Rybarczyk, Greg Cunningham, Dave Gothard, Mike Rydell

No info yet

Patches

Dave Peifer found a company in San Dimas, P&J embroidery, no set up fee and we can order as little as 25 patches for \$19.62 each including tax. Delivery time is 2 weeks.

Drifter Gear

Mark brought up selling our Drifter gear to outsiders with a lot of adversity. So the subject was dropped.

Ongoing Business:

Christmas Party

The Xmas party will be on December 6th in San Diego at the Admiral Kidd Catering and conference center.

Looks like we have almost 50 for dinner already through a show of hands at the meeting.

Lodging for Xmas party:

Rooms are about \$125.00 for Marriott Courtyard Liberty Sta-

tion right across the street about ¼ mile. Block of 10 rooms have been reserved, they will hold them for us, just tell them you are with the Drifters, they are holding 5 rooms for Friday night as well. Reservations must be made within 2 weeks of the event otherwise rooms will be released. Holiday Inn \$99/night standard room, bayview room \$129.00/night. \$10.00/parking, they have a bigger bar. We have a block of 5 rooms for Friday and a block of 10 for Saturday. Reservations are also under the Drifters.

Kids are welcomed to attend.

Lodging Information:

Holiday Inn

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San Diego, CA 92106

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619-224-3621

Courtyard Marriott Liberty Station

2592 Laning Rd.

San Diego, CA 92106

888-236-2427

Past Presidents Picnic

August 15-17 Oak Glen

25 spots reserved. Mark is waiting to assign the spots as he wants to make sure that the members that need the spots at the top if they have a hard time walking get them first. There are 12 spots currently taken. Mark will be getting there Friday so he will make sure everyone gets a spot.

The club voted to spend on the raffle \$200 for children and \$600 for adults and it was approved.

The **50/50** was won by Doug Marshall for \$55.00. Congrats!

Doug donated his winnings to the general fund. The club thanks him.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

The next club meeting will be on Thursday, August 7th, at Michael Angelo's Pizza.

Ja

President's Corner

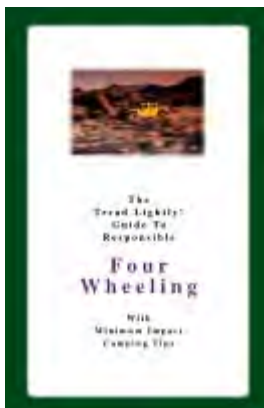
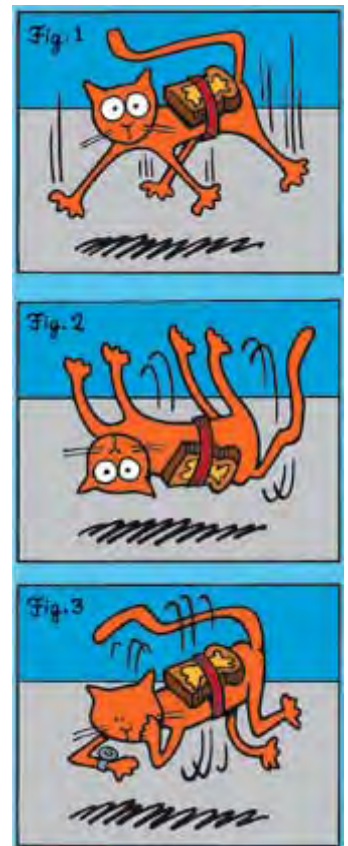


One of the things I like best about jeeping is when we are doing something particularly difficult it's hard to worry about anything else. All the other problems or concerns we have in our lives are gone if just for that one moment and all we can think about is making it over that one rock or hill. The spaces for the PPP are filling up fast, please let me know if you plan to attend. CU at MA's on the 7th

Mark Bargman

Famous quotes: "If toast always lands butter-side down, and cats always land on their feet, what happens if you strap toast on the back of a cat and drop it?"

Stephan Wright



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Treasurer's Report



Beginning Balance	\$1800.09
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Income

50/50	110.00
Sale of Drifter Plaques	70.00

Expenses

Mark Phelps - PPP	
Adult Raffle	-600.00
Kids Raffle	-200.00

Bank Service Fee	-3.00
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General Fund	\$590.91
Party Fund	\$465.31
Junior Drifters	\$120.87

Ending Balance	\$1177.09
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Sandy



June Trip Saline Valley

Ricky, Jim, Rick, Mike B., Johnny, Robert and Craig left for a preview of the run on Thursday. They camped near Cerro Gordo an old mining town that looked down on Saline Valley where we were headed the next day.

Friday morning Shawn, David, Michael and I met up on the 395 where we assembled with the group in Big Pine. We left pavement after 20 miles and headed up over the pass and to Eureka Sand Dunes. Narration was provided by Ricky of various points of interest and amazing facts along the trail for the weekend. We then headed through Dedeckara Canyon into Saline Valley and proceeded many "just 15 minutes", and then many "10 minutes more than many "it's just 5 minutes" to find camp in Warm Springs.

Warm Springs consists of 3 springs, Upper which is primitive, Middle and Lower which had undergone many upgrades. Many hours were spent in the late 60's to early 70's building the Lower and Middle springs utilizing concrete, piping from the natural wells and local rocks to form 2 great meeting places for the novice trail folk to soak and relax with palm trees and green shrub providing shade. We parked at the Middle Springs and proceeded to rinse off the trail and have a few cool ones in the pool. Rick and Mike then went and made some great chili for all of us that evening. The area is mostly desolate, we seen 1 car that day once leaving the pavement.

The next morning we awoke to having visitors in camp looking for a free meal. They were friendly, didn't beg too much and did have something to say every once in a while but we could not understand what they said, burro talk. We also realized that the head of the herd was real proud of himself, enough said. Upon leaving, we went down to Lower Springs where there is much more vegetation, palm trees, grass, library, lawnmower, and a trailer which looked to be occupied yet did not see anyone come out.

We headed up the valley as the weather was warming up. We turned off towards Lippencott Mine then Mike and Rick had trouble overheating. After cooling the radiator, they bypassed the mine trail and headed to camp in a more direct way. The rest of us took the steep climb up the trail. There is something about watching the road when traversing narrow trails, "Jeeping 101", that escaped Shawn for a brief moment and we heard his reaction over the radio on driving into a ditch at the edge of the trail and was looking at 50 feet of nothing. 2 jeeps, 4 straps, snatch block and tackle and a huge boulder for an anchor got him out of the hole he was in. When we got the vehicle out, there was no real damage to the jeep. Shawn got to hear many reminders the rest of the day from all of us about keeping an eye and jeep on the trail. It was a steep trail up by the mine and towards the end of the days run on Hunters Ridge, David started having fuel vapor lock problems. After a few stops, we made it to camp with plenty of time to cool off in the high country and have dinner. We started a fire that evening and Ricky concocted a raffle for our amusement. Again, 1 vehicle was seen.

The next morning we headed out down the mountain towards Panamint Valley for the ride back into existence. Ricky, Jimmy, Michael and I stopped at the USGS Pinnacles outside of Trona then headed home. A good time was had by all.
P.S.

We would like to thank Rudy who went on the pre-run for making "one of a kind" decal's for those that participated.

Respectfully and keep on Jeepin,

Dan

Members in attendance:

Ricky Buckley – stocked trailer with Jim Morrison- jeep
Rick Buckley - stocked trailer with Mike Brickman- jeep
Robert Smith – no jeep with Johnny Williams - jeep
Shawn Gilpin- jeep
David Meyer- jeep and trailer
Dan and Mike Hankla- jeep and trailer

Guest: Craig Rutherford – jeep



June Trip Saline Valley



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2014-2015 Trail Bosses

<p><u>January 2014</u> Arnold Toffoya Milt Rose Frank Wagner Denise Weddell</p>	<p><u>May</u> Dave Peifer Dan Calva Davin Gothard Steve Sturdevant</p>	<p><u>September</u> Mark Phelps Tom Vaughn Norm Miller Doug Marshall</p>
<p><u>February</u> Frank Cattern Patrick Fay Arnold Taffoya Mike Elliott Sean Gilpin</p>	<p><u>June</u> Dan Hankla Fred Valdepena Rick Buckley, Jr Huntley Graham Denise Weddell</p>	<p><u>October</u> Daryl Romano Don Rybarczyk Greg Cunningham Dave Gothard Steve Kennedy</p>
<p><u>March</u> Joey Morrison Vince Ruesch Dave Almon Karlan Bennett</p>	<p><u>July</u> Shelby Craghead Jim Morrison Norm Gerwin Tony Loera</p>	<p><u>November</u> Rick Buckley, Sr Jose Alverez Bob Bissell Larry Patton</p>
<p><u>April</u> David Meyer Robert Smith Mike Bricker Pete Perez Milt Rose</p>	<p><u>August</u> Mark Bargman and All Past Presidents</p>	<p><u>December</u> Frank Wagner Tom Freeman Eldon Dekkenga Randy Conway</p>
		<p><u>January 2015</u> Ray Kimpton John Williams Jason Williams John Bur Gaither Vaughn</p>

August 2014

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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3	4  Gaither Vaughn	5  Norm Gerwien	6	7  DDD Meeting	8	9
10	11	12  Eileen Cunningham	13  Rick Bucley, Jr Dennice Weddell	14  Patrick Fay	15  Past President Picnic	16  Past President Picnic
17  Past President Picnic	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25  Robert Smith	26	27	28	29	30
31  Norm Miller						

Meeting Location - Michael Angelo's Pizza, 2467 S. Euclid Ave, Ontario 909-984-5161

Club Run Location - Oak Glen RV Park

Trail Bosses - Mark Bargman and all Past Presidents

Board Meeting Location - Contact Mark Bargman (562)321-0597

August Trip Past President Picnic

Location — Oak Glen Retreat and RV Park

When — August 15, 16, 17, 2014

Who — All Drifter's and Guests Families

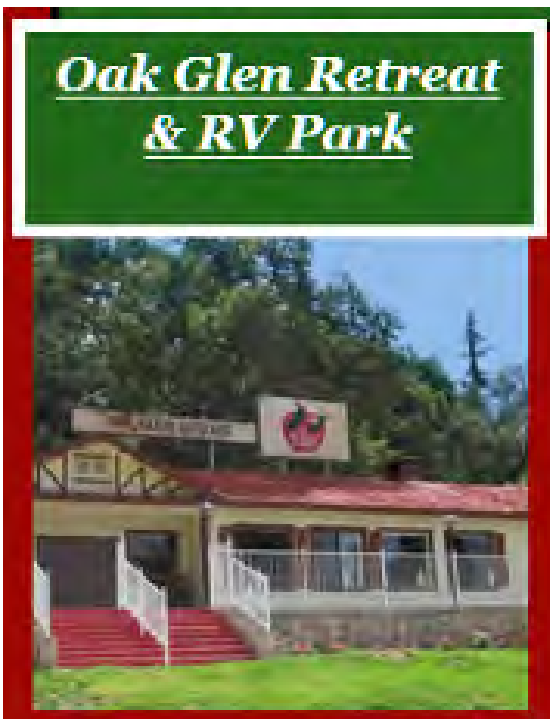
Contact Info — **Mark Bargman 562-321-0597 cell**



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Past President Picnic
August 15,16,17
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September 2014

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2	3	4  DDD Meeting	5	6
7  Connie Bur	8	9	10	11  Newsletter Stuff to Editor	12  Amber Conway	13  Club Run
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24  Kim Bennett	25  Randy Conway Tiffany Gothard	26	27
28	29  Frank Cattern	30				

Meeting Location - Michael Angelo's Pizza, 2467 S. Euclid Ave, Ontario 909-984-5161

Club Run Location - Pilot Rock. Contact a trail boss for meeting location

Trail Bosses - Mark Phelps, Tom Vaughn, Norm Miller, Doug Marshall

Board Meeting Location - Contact Mark Bargman (562)321-0597

Special Report Red Rock Canyon SP



NATURAL RESOURCES REPORTS



JOHN STEWART
NATURAL RESOURCES
CONSULTANT

THIS INCIDENT AT RED ROCK COMPROMISED A CLOSED SENSITIVE AREA AND CERTAINLY DOES NOT HELP OUR EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN OHV ACCESS TO THE AREA...

RED ROCK CANYON SP

While on patrol on June 11, State Parks law enforcement discovered a significant amount of 4X4 off-road damage at the north end of Nightmare Gulch in Red Rock Canyon State Park. It appears that a group of unknown off-roaders blazed their own path to follow the boundary fence line and find its weak spots. They were successful, and entered Nightmare Gulch during the birds of prey nesting closure. This was a large group of people in 4X4's who collectively decided to violate state law. It is estimated this happened within the previous two weeks, and there were at least eight vehicles in the group.

This incident at Red Rock compromised a closed sensitive area and certainly does not help our efforts to maintain OHV access to the area, the north end of Nightmare where it transitions out to a gate and eventually leads out into the northwestern portion of Last Chance Canyon and Nightmare Gulch.

Red Rock Canyon State Park issued an Emergency Closure of Nightmare Gulch

on October 9, 2013. The Emergency Closure was issued as a result of summer storm damage which rendered the canyon impassable to vehicles. While the closure is temporary, before any trail repair can be performed an environmental assessment is required. This whole process could take many months.

This trespass has the unintended consequence of jeopardizing the pending acquisition of Onyx Ranch property in the adjacent Jawbone/Dove Springs area.

Your help is needed to shut down the irresponsible few who are jeopardizing our recreation and resources with their illegal actions is needed.

Stay on designated trails. Stay out of closed sensitive areas. You are responsible for preserving off-road recreation. Responsible recreation preserves access.

Keep in mind, Nightmare Gulch is WITHIN the Red Rock Canyon State Park boundary and there are specific criteria for sustainable routes within State Parks.

The final agreement called for the closure of Last Chance Canyon and a con-

necter to be constructed that would make Nightmare Gulch a loop route with access to Dove Springs.

Currently, that is still the plan under an agreement between OHMVR Division, State Parks and Red Rock Canyon SP. However, the recent trespass issue has caused some angst about being able to ensure the stability of Dove Springs and the birds of prey nesting season.

The storm damage on the Nightmare Gulch section was negligible and easily corrected. The Last Chance Canyon area was significant. The "significant" is based on State Parks route criteria which is more strict than if it were an SVRA or a BLM/FS open area.

The planning efforts are in process to build the connector route. However, they are no delayed in order to fix the trespass damage.

I have exchanged emails with State Parks, OHMVR Division and Red Rock officials. They expect to have the necessary planning complete within the next month to fix the trespass dam-

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age. There are some clubs that have stepped up to volunteer assistance to correct the damage and reopen Nightmare Gulch ASAP.

Additional information will be sent out when more is known.

\$\$ For Sale \$\$
3 Months Max

For Sale 1967 CJ 6

This vehicle was diassmbeled 30 years ago and has been sitting apart since. I recently used the tub on a later model chasis so it has some minor body mods to tub. The tub is now back on the original drive train and chasis. This Jeep had very few miles prior to disassembly. Comes with roll cage built by "smitty". Also has PTO driven winch. No rust . Good project. Lots of the parts are in the crates I got them in. It looks like its all there. I have title and it is currently registered. Not really sure what the value is on this. I was thinking \$2500. I think due to its cleanliness and rarity it should be worth it?

Marc Bissell [mailto:4bissells@gmail.com]



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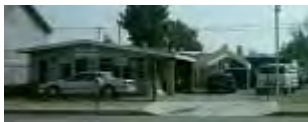
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