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The Havasu 4 Wheelers **TRAIL TALK**

YOUR MONTHLY CLUB NEWSLETTER



December 2014

A FAMILY FOUR-WHEELING CLUB DEDICATED TO THE MOTTO ----- "TREAD LIGHTLY!"



The Havasu 4 Wheelers is supporting the local Food Bank and Toys for Tots programs. Please bring an unwrapped toy and/or spare food items to the December 18th General Meeting.

Local Food Bank

GIVING IS GREAT, GIVING SMART IS BETTER
Once homeless and hungry, writer Deb Martinson tells how to donate goods that won't go to waste.

As a formerly homeless person, I'd like you to try something different this year: Give like a hungry person. If all your meals for the next week were coming from a donation box what would you put in there?.

- (1) Don't give outlandish things eg: tub of candied fruit-cake fruit.
- (2) Do give no-cook foods. eg: granola bars, crackers, Spam, Tuna, peanut butter etc.
- (3) Leave food in the original packaging.
- (4) Think simple. A box cake mix that says "just add water" is better than one that requires milk, eggs, veg. oil etc. Instant coffee is great; ground coffee less so. Also good are multitaskers, Bisquick "rocks"
- (5) Label special dietary needs, eg; if gluten free mark it **GLUTEN- FREE** in capital letters.
- (6) Make it easy to open. Aseptic or sterile packaging or pouches are better than cans. Avoid glass jars. (got to have a can opener for cans)
- (7) What is needed? If giving to a food bank they might want non-food items, like soap, toilet paper, tampons, diapers, pet food. (these can't be bought with food stamps), plastic bags.
- (8) Check your grocery store. Many have pre-assembled bags of food. (five or ten bucks).
- (9) Be nice. Like cookies, when you're poor small things take on more significance. Try to include at least one item to treat the kids.
- (10) Food Bank donations. (cash).

The important thing is to do what you can. Giving food to hungry people is awesome and appreciated, unless it's candied fruitcake fruit.

President's **Message**

Greetings Havasu 4 Wheelers. Can you believe it is December already? As I write this it is in the teens and snowing in Wisconsin. By Friday I will be in beautiful weather of Lake Havasu where we have great weather for jeeping.

November was a very busy month with 39 jeeps in our Veteran's Day Parade and 129 participants in our Turkey Roast. Thank you Jerry and Debbie Kuhnle for organizing the Veteran's Day Jeeps and Jim and Joanne Malara for organizing the Turkey Roast.

Jim Bowen presented another Silver Membership to Joe Hazlett this last month at our November membership meeting. This is a special group where we recognize age, experience in off roading, and wisdom. Steve Riley did a great job in presenting our SOP and Bi-Law changes with the help of Wanda Scholl in our Newsletter. Bob Scholl is doing a great job showing our TMP on both BLM and State land for club members. Roger Allen and Bob Scholl are working on our Trail Inventory, tracks and maps for our web for membership to use in the near future.

Adopt-A-Highway cleanup will be on December 3 led by Mike Yahrmarkt. Our Trail Bosses are working on a record year for runs from rock climbing to historic site visits.

Share some of good fortune. Don't forget that at the next meeting to bring an unwrapped gift for "Toys 4 Tots" (girl or boy up to age 10), and some canned food to share with the food bank. Our December meeting will be on December 18th.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

*Happy trails to you,
John*





Upcoming Club Runs (1-5 rating)

Check the Havasu 4 Wheelers Website for updates on runs
www.havasu4wheelers.org

Black Falls Loop (3.75)	Dec. 1st
9:00am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), Bob Drew	
Mine Shack (3.0)	Dec. 4th
9:00am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), John Strong	
Bennett Wash (3.0)	Dec. 4th
9:00am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), Willie Williams	
Tomcat Pass (4.0)	Dec. 5th
9:30am, Paseo del Oro, Andy Lucas	
Antelope, Upper Moss Flag (3.25)	Dec. 6th
8:00am, Terribles @ Hwy. 95 & I-40, John Strong	
Northwest Passage (3.25)	Dec. 8th
9:00am, Across from Havasu Heights turn, Willie Williams	
Tin Barn, Whiskey Basin (3.75)	Dec. 9th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Andy Lucas	
Rock N Roll (3.5)	Dec. 11th
8:30am, SARA Park, Tom Bunnell	
Cedar (3.0)	Dec. 13th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40	
Desert Bar, Back Way (3.0)	Dec. 14th
10:30am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), Willie Williams	
Turquoise Mine (3.25)	Dec. 16th
9:00am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), Andy Lucas	
Ram's Peak via Highline (3.25)	Dec. 17th
8:30am, Home Depot, Tom Bunnell	
Warm Springs (3.0)	Dec. 20th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, John Strong	
B & D Roulette Mine (3.0)	Dec. 22nd
9:00am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), Willie Williams	
Sleeping Princess (3.75)	Dec. 30th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Andy Lucas	

Please Note: Please be at the departure location
 20 minutes before the departure time.
 Call Trail Boss if you are unable to attend.

Other Club Happen's

Morning Coffee	Mon.—Fri.
8:00-9:00am, Kmart, Gene Hobday	
Highway Cleanup	Dec. 3rd
8:30am, Scenic Turnout (Hwy 95 South), Mike Yahrmarkt	
Ladies Luncheon	Dec. 11th
12:30pm, Javelina Cantina, 1420 McCulloch Bl N, Diana Delk	
Trail Boss Meeting	Dec. 15th
9:00am, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, Gary Wiskus	
H4W Board Meeting	Dec. 15th
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, John Strong	
Cooks Night Out	Dec. 16th
5:00pm, Place To Be, 171 Swanson Ave, Rodger & Diana Delk	
Men's Breakfast	Dec. 18th
8:00am, Bad Miguel's, 1841 Kiowa Blvd. Gary Wiskus	
H4W Membership Meeting	Dec. 18th
7:00pm, Realtor's Hall, 2293 Swanson Ave., John Strong	

Future Happen's

January 2015

Trail Boss Meeting	Jan. 19th
9:00am, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, Gary Wiskus	
H4W Board Meeting	Jan. 19th
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, John Strong	
Men's Breakfast	Jan. 22nd
8:00am, Bad Miguel's, 1841 Kiowa Blvd. Gary Wiskus	
H4W Membership Meeting	Jan. 22nd
7:00pm, Realtor's Hall, 2293 Swanson Ave., John Strong	

February 2015

Trail Boss Meeting	Feb. 23rd
9:00am, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, Gary Wiskus	
H4W Board Meeting	Feb. 23rd
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, John Strong	
Men's Breakfast	Feb. 26th
8:00am, Bad Miguel's, 1841 Kiowa Blvd. Gary Wiskus	
H4W Membership Meeting	Feb. 26th
7:00pm, Realtor's Hall, 2293 Swanson Ave., John Strong	

March 2015

Trail Boss Meeting	Mar. 23rd
9:00am, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, Gary Wiskus	
H4W Board Meeting	Mar. 23rd
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, John Strong	
Men's Breakfast	Mar. 26th
8:00am, Bad Miguel's, 1841 Kiowa Blvd. Gary Wiskus	
H4W Membership Meeting	Mar. 26th
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April 2015

H4W Board Meeting	Apr. 20th
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, John Strong	
Men's Breakfast	Apr. 23rd
8:00am, Bad Miguel's, 1841 Kiowa Blvd. Gary Wiskus	
H4W Membership Meeting	Apr. 23rd

Boriana Mine- Hualapai Mountain Lodge

Fourteen jeeps left Terrible's at 8:30am with 27 members and guests on 10/25/14. We all left our air down spot around 9:30 where our next stop was Boriana Mine and the gold fish pond. Our ride to Boriana Mine seemed a little rougher than last year but with further journey we would confirm Mother Nature changes our trails. Another change in the Boriana Mine is it is now used as a cattle area with a large new corral and cattle tracks. No cattle but a few hunters with rifles. Sorry for the interruption but the views were beautiful.

On our way to our lunch spot, Escalator and Flag mine road, there were several large rocks in different areas giving us just enough room to get by. There were some first time travelers telling me they would not scream and with my hearing could only see smiles.

After lunch we talked about the 100's of miles of trails in the Hualapais as we passed Cedar Wash, Upper Moss Wash and Antelope Wash trails. Antelope Wash and Flag Mine are kept opened for emergency exits so we will report the 1/2 buggy sized stones to the BLM. We also saw three deer near the lodge where we aired up.

Everyone was aired up by 3:30 and on their way home. All did a great job with no incidents on the 35 mile trail. A couple of members stopped at the Lodge, (under new ownership) after the run was over.

John Strong, Trail Boss



Photo By: John Strong



Photo By: Willie Williams

Cattail Cove

Even though I had indicated on my signup sheet a limit of twelve jeeps for the Cattail run, what can be said when people want to go and have a good time? This was true as fifteen jeeps with a bunch of members and one guest (a remarkable singing bear) made the trek there for a day in the desert. From the Wall of Death to Geri's Jump to the obstacles on the way to our lunch area close to the Bill Williams River, no one shied away from trying everything the run had to offer. On our way back to the air-up point, one of our members (no name will be mentioned) managed to almost lose a tire when the tire itself came away from the rim. With help from several of our group and an air bottle from another got the tire aired up and we continued on our way. At the Bowling Alley all but one went and were successful. All-in-all this was a great run and everyone enjoyed the day. A great deal of thanks goes to several people, Bill Trunk and Dick Thomas for spotting, Snake and Willie Williams for taking care of the AED and Jim and Linda Young for tail gunning. A very special thanks goes to my navigator, Bill Mitschele who kept me laughing and on the trail throughout the day...



Charles Leipart, Trail Boss



TODAY'S NEWS-HERALD

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BRIEFS

FEINSTEIN MAY ASK OBAMA TO PROTECT MOJAVE SITES

LOS ANGELES — U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein wants to create two national monuments in the Mojave Desert, and she's considering asking the White House to act without Congress' approval.

Feinstein said Monday that she wants to break an impasse that stalled two bills to create the protected zones where mountain lions, bighorn sheep, California desert tortoises, arroyo toads and rosy boa constrictors roam, the Los Angeles Times reported.

The largest of the two areas is Mojave Trails National Monument on nearly 1,440 square miles of federal land and former railroad company property along a 105-mile stretch of old Route 66, between

Ludlow and Needles. The Sand to Snow National Monument, about 45 miles east of Riverside, would span about 209 square miles of federal land between Joshua Tree National Park and the San Bernardino National Forest.

Republicans and conflicts among environmentalists, off-roaders, hunters and renewable-energy interests have stalled the bills introduced by Feinstein, the Times reported.

Feinstein said she would ask President Barack Obama to create the monuments without congressional approval "if we find that by this time next year we cannot find momentum on our bill."

— Associated Press



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Yellowstone/ Northwest Passage/ Goat's Head

October 29th, 2014

Seven jeeps enjoyed ups and downs leading into the Yellowstone. On the second climb, the Trail Boss spun out in the sandy soil near the top. When the lockers failed to engage, a suggestion was made that the jeep be put into 4 wheel drive. Problem solved.

The jeep Cherokee following got three fourths up the climb when his lockers pulled him into the soft sand and the rear end slid off the trail onto a steep incline. In trying to climb back onto the trail, the jeep slid further off. The Trail Boss backed down, hooked on and was unable to budge him. Fearing a roll over, the Tail Gunner send a jeep around to the other side, attached a 30 foot strap to the extended winch and held him securely. The Trail Boss climbed to the bench, was positioned, extended his winch to another 20 foot strap, and with the help of the Cherokee, slowly pulled him back onto the trail. The rest of the group completed the climb, except for the Tail Gunner, who couldn't make it, and decided to lower the tire pressure. Still unable to move, a suggestion that he put it into 4 wheel drive, enabled him to complete the climb.

The run finished with no further problems. We were thankful, to have no damage or injuries. Thanks to Snake and Willie for carrying the AED and John Strong for tail gunning.

Darryld Kautzmann, Trail Boss



Photo By: Willie Williams



H4W's Members picking up trash on the Maze Photo By: Jim Bowen

The Maze

October 28th, 2014

After just returning from my solo 35 day 10,300 mile motorcycle trip to the four corner states of the USA—I needed some help getting my act together in leading a Jeep run! I could not figure why no one would answer me with my CB! Thank you Ladell for having an extra microphone (mine just gave up the ghost!). As soon as the group got me squared away we were off to enjoy the different challenges and the variety of our course by mixing in some of the last part of Redline into the first part of our run. After lunch we had some excitement when one Jeep ended up perched on its side on a waterfall. The driver used his winch to right himself—with no damage—and we were on our way! The rest of the run was without incident—just some fun obstacles to enjoy. Thank you Dennis Kreuzenstein for being our tail-gunner.

Jim Bowen, Trail Boss

Automatic External Defibrillator

If you want to carry one of the club's Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's) on a run, please contact Brian Springer and make arrangements to check one out before your run.



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10/31/2014

Wobblin Gobbilin

October 31st, 2014

Since we still had a little daylight as we aired down it provided a great chance to look at the decorated jeeps. Even had an early trick or treater that got too close to a jeep door as it was being closed.

Happy Halloween



10/31/2014



As we started out on the run, the sun was just going behind the mountains turning the sky into a rosy color with the lights of the city just starting to make their appearance. What a sight to see when you look behind and see the long string of jeep headlights. With a night run you totally lose perception of where you are and the little depressions on the trail look huge but the group mastered the terrain like pros. The desert takes on a different kind of beauty at night when the headlights from the turning vehicles light up the hill side and brush making it almost appear as if the trees are moving.



10/31/2014

Photos By:
Willie Williams

After the run almost everyone stopped by the house for some refreshments and munchies and the group out-did themselves. With such a variety of goodies no one left hungry.



10/31/2014

Thank You to everyone who came on the run and for providing the munchies for later. A special Thank You to John & Donna Warren for being tail gunners.

Willie Williams, Trail Boss



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Walnut Creek Tour

On 11/1/14, eight jeeps left Terribles' at 9:00am with 16 members for the Hualapais. The destination was a survivalist area with a lot of deserted old dwellings, trash, bunker, ranch, and petroglyphs. Stories were told from a variety of experiences from previous visits going back to the 80's. Trash papers found laying around verify some of the stories. Previous stories from club members were shared by the Trail Boss. Elevation gain is gradual from 2200' to 4800' where the run changes from cactus to pine trees. Everyone did a great job. Thank you Brian Springer for being Tail Gunner.

John Strong, Trail Boss



Photo By: John Strong

Havasu 4 Wheeler's Annual Yard Sale

Feb. 6th & 7th,
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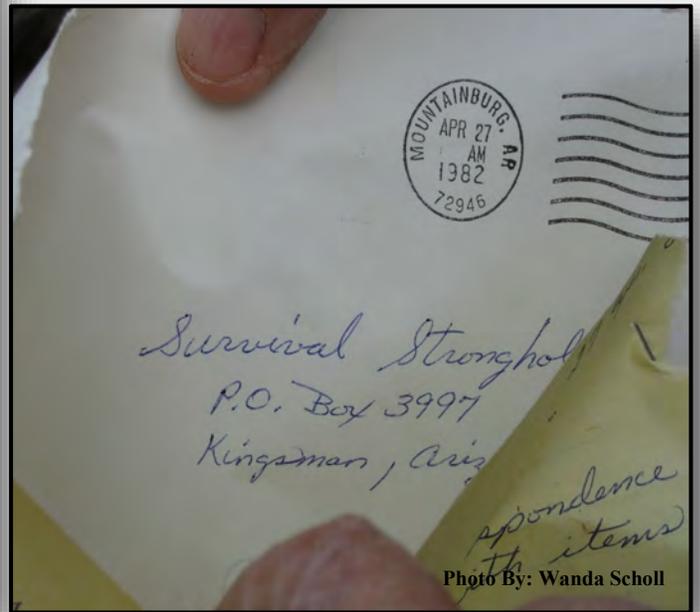


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Trail Boss of the Month

John Strong

CONGRATULATIONS!

Black Inky

Fifteen jeeps traveled north to the Hualapai's to run the Black Inky Trail. The Trail had been run only once last year. The group, about half who were first timers to the Hualapai's, left the highway at the Griffith Power plane, aired down and traveled about 15 miles on a rough ranch road. After viewing the pictographs, the run started the climb north, up to 5600 feet. The run was a challenge, over terrain that differed from the lower desert. While not heavily eroded, rain had moved small boulders and shale rock onto the trail. Steep, long climbs, separated side hill driving.

No problems were encountered and the run reached the Highway in the early afternoon. Thanks to Gary Wiskus for handling the AED and to Ladell and Judy Olson for tail gunning.

Darryld Kautzmann, Trail Boss

McGuffie Cabin & Slot Canyon

Eleven Jeeps and nineteen members left Terribles at 9:00am for McGuffie Cabin and Slot Canyon on 11/08/14. Upon arriving at McGuffie, we were greeted with a small herd of burros. The Jenny, with an injured leg and nursing young foal, never left the area. We had lunch at the cabin where we visited the water catchment and the pictographs in Mississippi Wash. The water catchment needs some repair. We exited through Slot Canyon (Rawhide Wash) which adds 2 miles to the run. The second water flow inspection concrete container is now ripped from the floor of the canyon by summer monsoons. Rawhide Wash and Mississippi Wash empty into Alamo Lake and Bill Williams River. Alamo Lake Road is a scenic road with a change in elevations that has Joshua tree forests, Pinion Pines, and Saguaro Cactus along with numerous mountains. We were done airing up by 3:15 for a great run. Thank you Steve Wirick for being our Tail Gunner. We had several inspections made in monitoring our desert (water catchment, pictographs, cabin, water flow meter, and injured jenny). Reports are going to Lake Havasu BLM, Kingman BLM, AZGF, and AZ Site Steward. The Volunteer Agreements, that help keep our trails open, will be 204 miles home to home and 8.5 hours for this run. Thanks for coming along.

John Strong, Trail Boss

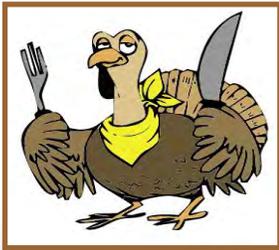


McGuffies Cabin

Photo By: Janet Lund



Photo By: John Strong



Turkey Havasu 4 Wheeler's

November 15th, 2014 Roast



50/50 Raffle was won by
Bob Scholl, \$173.00
(Wanda went shopping).

Thank you Jim & Joanne
Malara for a great Turkey Roast.



Planet Mine

November 10th, 2014

With a great group of jeepers we made our way through Parker, onto Shea Rd. and to the air-down spot which is near the CAP canal. The trip down Mineral Wash is so scenic but it even got better as we drove into a short but very scenic slot canyon. After everyone got their pictures it was time to head up the hill and circle around to where the canyon started and head down to the Bill Williams River for a lunch break.

After lunch the trail required everyone's attention as we climbed the hills toward the Planet Mine. Mother Nature had provided a few wash outs along the side and a couple in middle of the trail, but nothing the group couldn't handle, although the pick-up truck had to work twice as hard as the rest. After a short walk and we were at the upper portion of the Planet Mine which was a very productive copper mine in the 1860's till 1921. From there it was onto the only remaining building left at the town of Planet.....the post office. I was amazed to see several burros in the area. They are either new comers or had better hiding places the other times we have been in the area. From there it was a matter of traveling the dusty Planet Ranch Rd. back to the air down spot.

A special Thank you to all who came on the run and to Dave & Sandy Merrell for carrying the AED and reminding me to take it home with me. Also Thank You to the guest on the run, Dennis Sigurnjak, with the help of Jack Stalma for being tail gunners.

Willie Williams, Trail Boss

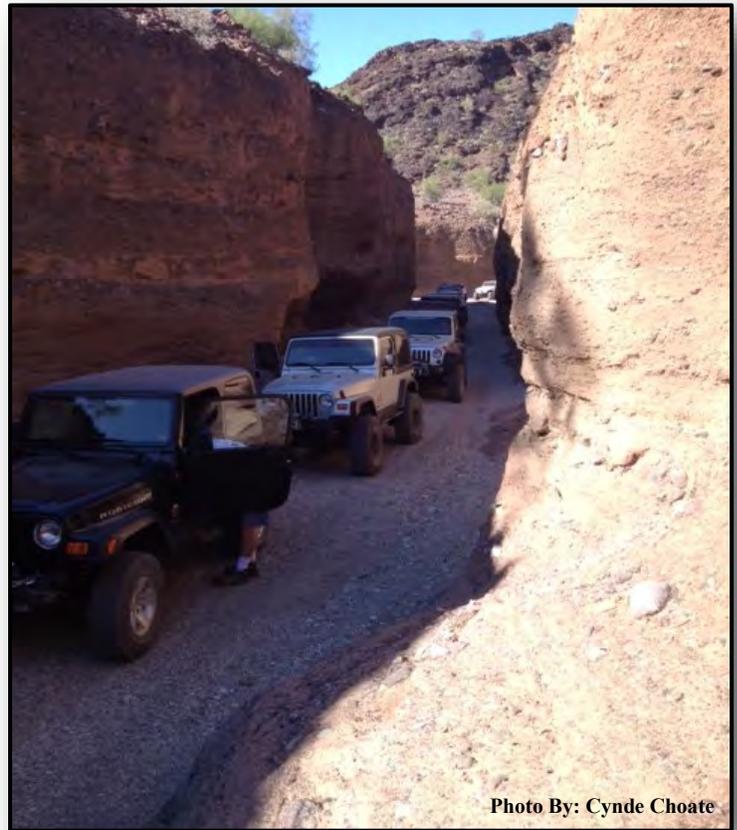
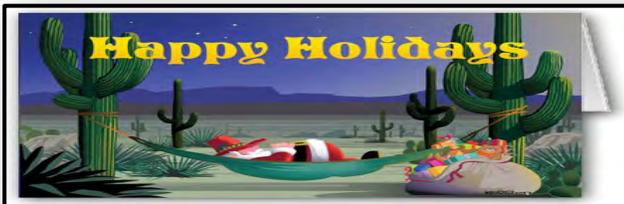


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Silver Members



Vice President, Tom Christiansen welcomes Joe Hazlett to the Silver Members Club



Members of the Silver Members Club attending the meeting, (L-R) Joe Hazlett, Early West, B.J. Buckhout (with AED, in case he needed it), and Dave Opperman

This 'n That

We started the run at the end of Bison with 15 Jeeps. We traveled south over the power line trail to a portion of the run that was an extra credit about ¼ mile of obstacles that would have a 3.75 rating. I told everyone about it and gave them the opportunity to wait for us and not do it. To my surprise everyone went on the extra credit and they all did a great job. We continued on and stopped at the squeeze and 4 Jeeps went thru and put on quite a show for everyone. It was a fun run with great bunch of people. Thanks to Ron Satterfield for tail gunning and to several others that helped with spotting during the day.

Tom Bunnell, Trail Boss



Photo By: Kathlyne Speirs



Photo By: Willie Williams



11/13/2014

Photo By: Willie Williams

Hi my name is

We have a large club with lots of new members (and old members). Help everyone out by wearing your name tags.

PALOMA WASH PETE

STANDARD WASH GOLD MINES



Well howdy there folks. This month I want to tell you about the gold workings that are just off of Dutch Flat Road as it proceeds east through Standard Wash. The Manitowoc Mine is comprised of three lode claims that were patented in 1910, but no production records exist today. The main workings were vertical shafts with intersecting horizontal adits. The open shafts were left abandoned and presented a very dangerous hazard. That is until they were fenced in by you good people - The Havasu 4 Wheelers! The interior mine workings are inaccessible and the type of mineral occurrence is uncertain, but from what I figure they was after the mineralized quartz veins that showed traces of silver, gold, lead and zinc. Eureka!

The El Campo Mine was worked as a placer gold deposit during the 1930's. No production is known, but it is rumored some gold flakes and small nuggets may have been recovered.

Several other workings in the area can be found but they are small and no record exists of their production or dates of work. I found a miners old tent camp site complete with a nice "can dump" and a small fireplace right off of the "Lost Trail" 4X4 route. Keep your eyes open!

Gold Spring, while it looks like a mine opening and is named "Gold" is actually just a natural spring that has been "improved." What I mean by that is that in the old days low flowing or intermittent springs were dug out to increase their flow. And sometimes the opening reinforced and retention ponds built to retain the water. At Gold Springs you'll notice both were done. Out here in the desert water is the real gold!

Cow Bell



Went to
Jim Bowen,
The run leader
without a working
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No Bell Award

Went to Early West,
who was the "alleged" spotter
for Jim Lund who received the
"FLOP-over" award, luckily no
damage done.

Vampire Mine & El Supremo

November 14th, 2014

We left the scenic turnout in route to Shea Rd., which leads to the turn off for the Vampire Mine trail. And shortly after we entered a very beautiful wash, which is lined with most unusual shaped red sand stone, and a bed of white sand (nice ride). The trail then exits the wash and turns into cracked granite with some ups and downs. Before long we were on the uphill portion of a narrow shelf road, which winds around the mountain. After cresting the ridge and starting down, we stopped at the Vampire Mine for a look about. We then proceeded down the trail, which had a few wash outs, but not too bad, and again entered Shay Rd., turning off onto Mineral Wash Rd., to a wide spot for lunch.

We then proceeded to a wash which is the beginning of the El Supremo Trail, which is a pretty little wash, that shortly turns into a challenging little rock garden, then a tight turn to a rocky uphill climb. From this point on it was in and out of several washes, up and over small rocky areas, and then what use to be a sand bottom wash, was now some deep rocky crevasses and tight squeezes. There were about four of these areas, and what was a 3.5 level, is now what I believe to be a level 3.75. And it may be noted that everyone did a fine job of driving through these areas, as some of the jeeps did not have lockers, and needed a little tug at times. What a great group of drivers and helpers.

Thank you, Dennis Kreuzenstein for tail gunning.

Snake Williams, Trail Boss



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Lost Trail Run

November 18th, 2014

At 8:30 am. fifteen jeeps started on an outstanding morning for a day of fun & jeeping. We started at the end of Challenger heading towards Cactus Canyon. As we ascended out of the canyon we drove through a small forest of Saguaro cactus. Continuing on the run we reached Dutch Flat road, where the terrain became very rocky. Some of the group followed Ladell Olsen through Hawks Nest where everyone used their driving skills maneuvering in the tight canyon. Entering Lost Trail from Standard Wash, some of the group climbed an extra water fall, which was exciting for all to watch. We stopped on the trail at a canyon wall for lunch which gave us shade & sun. On the trail out to the Scenic Turnout some followed Ladell Olsen over Baby Bear, a steep climb with some off chamber. We continued on to our air-up area, where the run ended. Thanks to Bruce & Kathlyne Speirs for being my tail gunner, Craig & Jean Eggerman for being my tail gunner when the group divided for extras. Thank You Ladell & Judy for helping with spotting & leading on the extra go-a-rounds.

Ron Satterfield, Trail Boss



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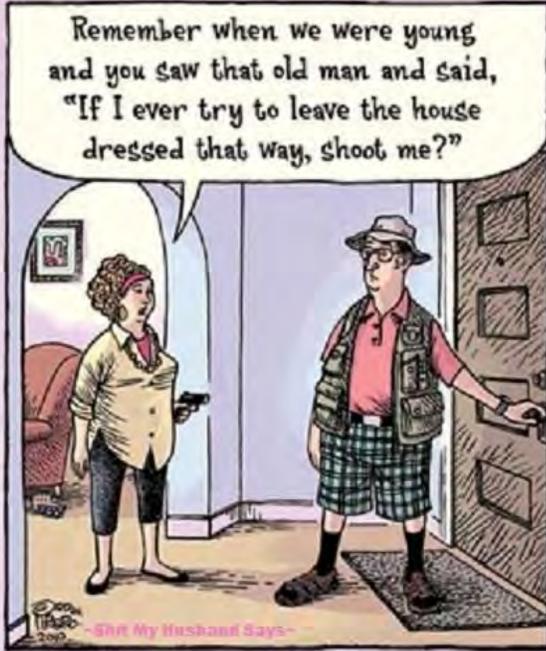
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Thanks to Bruce Speirs for the Cartoon

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- 11th Snake & Willie Williams
- 12th Paul & Sherry Hetzer
- 17th—Terry & Marilyn McGrew
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RATING	DESCRIPTION
1	EASIEST: Passable by stock vehicles. Gentle fairly wide grades.
2	EASY: Use of 2 wheel and some 4-wheel drive. Trail may have some rocks, loose road surface, and ruts but a reasonable line for driving.
3	EASIEST MODERATE: 4-wheel drive with aggressive tire treads. Expect a rough road with rocks and sand that requires lower tire pressure. Substantial sections of single lane.
3¼	MODERATE: Some 4 wheel driving experience needed. Same as above with some use of high and low range gearing. These trails have a rough, rutted surface, rocks and deep sand. Sections may be steep enough to cause traction problems, narrow shelf roads with steep drop-offs and tight clearance between rocks.
3½	HARDER MODERATE: For experienced drivers. At least a 2" lift and 33' tires with aggressive tire tread, one locked differential, high and low range gearing. Potentially dangerous, large rocks, ruts, steep slopes, loose surface and narrow clearances that need to be negotiated.
3¾	HARDEST MODERATE: Skilled experienced drivers only. Same as above with both differentials locked, some strapping/winchng. Very challenging sections, extremely steep grades, loose surfaces, large rocks, deep ruts and tight clearances.
4	DIFFICULT: Highly skilled experienced drivers only. Same as above with belly up, 4 to 1 transfer case or equivalent, skid plates, beefed up axles and suspension system. Probable strapping/winchng. Vehicle width and wheelbase should be considered. Possible body damage.
5	HARD: All of the above. Probable body damage.

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