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The Havasu 4 Wheelers TRAIL TALK

YOUR MONTHLY CLUB NEWSLETTER

Lake Havasu City Arizona

February 2015

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

President's Message

Another year starts with a reminder about our H4Ws purpose of: Providing for social, educational and recreational activities of its members. Participating in supporting civic activities for the betterment of the community. Enjoying and protecting the natural resources. Supporting and promoting the multiple uses principle as applied to Public Land.

Each week during our off road season we have hundreds of members supporting our H4W's purpose:

Desert Cleanup. Over 70 club members assisted by employees from the BLM Lake Havasu Field Office cleaned a problem area on the north side of the city.

Education continues with our own H4W Doctor, Any Lucas. AED (Automatic External Defibulator) provide the most advance treatment for Sudden Cardiac Arrest and are available for every run and event.

Winch Class led by Jim Bowen and 4-5 instructors. You will get a chance to practice using YOUR winch.

GPS class led by Bob Drew. Bring your Magellan and lap top. You will go over making and saving tracks.

Cook's Night Out providing the social event each month for our club members led by Diana and Roger Delk.

TMP signage. Marking our trails led by Jim Bowen, Darryld Kautzman and Bruce Speirs.

Intro to Off Roading by Steve Perry.

H4W's e-mail provided by Bruce Speirs.

Another Silver member Pete Monia.

Each month the H4Ws are giving back to each other and the community. At our last meeting we voted on keeping an old tradition and learned we need to be more sensitive to each other. As always the H4W's will be doing a great job. Check the web for updates.

Happy trails to you, John

2015 HAVASU 4 WHEELERS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION

Lake Havasu City Arizona

(Cut out & complete application on page 2)

Havasu 4 Wheeler's Annual Yard Sale

Feb. 6th & 7th, Bring your Treasures.

Call Paul & Joyce Stephens to arrange a drop off time.
Volunteers needed to mark merchandise and sell

Winch/Practice Class

Friday, February 20th, 8:30am, End of Challenger
Bring Gloves and a lunch, Contact Jim Bowen

2015 HAVASU 4 WHEELERS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION

To renew your 2015 H4W membership, please fill out this application form and mail it to Havasu 4 Wheelers, P.O. Box 1486, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86405, accompanied by a check in the amount of $45.00. You may also bring your application and check to the February or March 2015 club meetings.
Applications received after March 31, 2015 will be considered delinquent and the renewal amount will be $60.00.
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Upcoming Club Runs (1-5 rating)

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

McCracken Mine (3.25) …… Feb. 2nd
8:00am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Jim Bowen

Copper Basin/Earp Falls (3.0) …… Feb. 3rd
9:00am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Dave Blake

Gold Standard Mine (3.0) …… Feb. 4th
8:30am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Bruce Speirs

Gold Rice Mine (3.5) …… Feb. 9th
8:30am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Bruce Speirs

Cedar (3.25) …… Feb. 10th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy. 95 & I-40, Charles Leipart

Black Mesa (3.0) …… Feb. 12th
8:30am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Sue Guibord

Piute & Old Woman Mtns (3.0) …… Feb. 13th
8:00am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Bruce Speirs

Planet Mine (3.25) …… Feb. 16th
9:00am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Willie Williams

Signal Ghost Town (3.0) …… Feb. 18th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Bruce Speirs

Winch Practice (2.0) …… Feb. 20th
8:30am, End of Challenger, Jim Bowen

Highline (3.25) …… Feb. 20th
9:00am, End of Bison, Willie Williams

Cattail (3.25) …… Feb. 21st
9:00am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Charles Leipart

Mohave Trail (2.5) …… Feb. 21st
9:00am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Bob Carson

Boriana/Copper World Mine (3.5) …… Feb. 22nd
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Bruce Speirs

Providence Mtn/Kelso Depot (3.?) …… Feb. 25th
8:30am, Terribles @ Hwy 95 & I-40, Andy Lucas

Intro. To Off Roading (3.0) …… Feb. 27th
8:30am, Scenic Turnout, Hwy 95 South, Steve Perry

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'ns

Morning Coffee …… Mon.—Fri.
8:00-9:00am, Kmart, Gene Hobday

H4W Yard Sale …… Feb. 6th & 7th
Paul & Joyce Stephens Home

Ladies Luncheon …… Feb. 19th
12:30pm, Schlotzsky's-2144 McCulloch Blvd., Diana Delk

AED Training …… Feb. 19th
3:00pm, Mohave Co. Library, Room A, Andy Lucas

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

Cooks Night Out …… Feb. 24th
5:00pm, Chico's Tacos-1641 McCulloch, Rodger & Diana Delk

Garage Night …… Feb. 24th
6:00am, Accurate Auto, 2950 Sweetwater Ave., 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

Future Happen'ns

March 2015

Hot Dog Cookout @Mine Shack …… Mar.5th
More Information to follow, Tom Bunnell

H4W Awards Banquet …… Mar. 20th
5:00pm, Shugrue's Bridgeview Room, Rodger & Diana Delk

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5th Annual Ranch Day …… Mar. 27th
7:30am, Lowe's, Jim Bowen

April 2015

Ladies Luncheon …… Apr. 16th
12:30pm, To Be Announced, Diana Delk

H4W Board Meeting …… Apr. 20th
4:00pm, Genealogy Library, 2126 N. McCulloch, John Strong

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May 2015

Blanding, Utah …… May 1st & 2nd
Check Web Site for details, Bob & Janet Drew

Moab, Utah …… May 4th – 8th
Check Web Site for details, Mike & Cheryl MacLean

Paloma Wash Run

December 29, 2014

We had 25 jeeps on the run. Five climbed the Wall of Death. It was a sunny beautiful run. The Fall colors of just a few weeks ago were beginning to turn to winter greys and browns. Lunch at the Bill Williams Overlook provided a most scenic view. Thanks to tail and mid-gunners Bill Trunk, BJ Buckhout and Mike Kunz.

Bob Drew, Trail Boss

Photo By: B.J. Buckhout

Photo By: Janet Drew

Havasu 4 Wheeler's now has 3 AED's (Automatic External Defibrillators). Join Dr. Andy at the Mohave Co. Library to learn to use them, or as a refresher. No need to sign up, Just show up.

Scott's Well & Beyond

Eleven jeeps and twenty club members left terribles at 0900 on a cool Wednesday morning. About an hour later the jackets and sweaters were coming off as we were in for an 80 degree beautiful day. After a 20 minute stop at Scott's Well, where there was still some patches of snow, and another 20 minute stop a mile up at the end of the trail, we headed back down to a corral area where we checked out "Toms Can" and a couple of uniquely marked graves. After lunch in the warm sun we headed back down the trail and drove to Havasu Heights where we aired back up. As the first official run of 2015, the warm beautiful day was enjoyed by all. Thanks to Tom and Margie Christiansen for carrying the AED and to Charles Leipart for being the tail gunner.

Gary Wiskus, Trail Boss

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LET THE SIGNING BEGIN!

Teams of Havasu 4 Wheelers have begun the last phase of the "Travel Management Plan" of the local BLM. We spent the last several years helping inventory the trails in the area so our favorite ones would not be left out. Since the US Forest Service and the BLM have decided to sign open trails, (instead of marking closed ones--as in the past) we are now helping mark the open trails. Pounding the post in, and putting the numbers on it is the easy part! Finding the exact location of the intersection among all the trails in the Standard Wash area has been the challenging and fun part! The first phase was marking the main routes from highway # 95 to West Mohave and back to highway # 95--since this causes a lot of people to "wander around" just trying to find either one. Amanda Deeds, of the BLM, said she has already had compliments from visitors to the BLM office mentioning how helpful the few signs we have up so far have helped!

Thank you to the members that signed up to help with the signing--it always is interesting how much fun we usually have doing what some people consider work!

Jim Bowen, Chairman PLAC
(Public Lands Access Committee)

1st Picture above: Kathlyne Speirs shows guys how to pound a sign into the ground! Or--Ok, guys--this is how you get it straight!

2nd Picture: Example of sign showing way to West Mohave Wash.

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Havasu 4 Wheelers to conduct desert clean-up

STAFF REPORTS

The Havasu 4 Wheelers, a local off road organization consisting of 200 member families, will conduct a desert clean-up effort at 8:30 a.m. today at Paseo de Oro.

The group will concentrate on a popular illegal dumping & unregulated shooting area on the north side of the city near Colt and Paseo de Oro Drives. This annual effort is conducted as part of the club's conservation efforts to "give back to the desert areas we all use and enjoy" and the responsible use of our public lands.

It is expected that upwards of 75 club members will set out, collecting trash and various materials throughout the area. Discarded furniture, televisions, water heaters and other trash is either shot to pieces or burned and left to rust, the groups says. It is anticipated that a half day of work will be devoted and a 40 cubic-yard roll-off trash container is typically filled to capacity.

The clean-up will be conducted in coordination with the BLM Lake Havasu Field Office, Tread Lightly, a nonprofit organization, and the Keep Havasu Beautiful Committee.

The club's clean-up coordinator, Mike Yahrmark, surveyed the area. "I would say we have a challenge waiting for us considering the size of the area and the amount of trash scattered all over the terrain," he said.

Bruce Speirs, another member, is appalled at the condition of the area. "As an off road enthusiast and sport shooter I am dismayed at what we keep finding. It's not OK to shoot stuff to pieces and then just leave it in the desert. This gives both activities a black eye and leads to land closures. A few continue to wreck it for everyone."

The Havasu 4 Wheelers will be assisted by employees from the BLM Lake Havasu Field Office. Allied Waste Services is providing trash containers at no cost and About Time Portable Toilets is supplying a portable restroom for the day.

The club will continue its desert conservation efforts, in conjunction with the BLM by fencing dangerous mine shafts, removing junk vehicles from the desert; and it has started installing route markers on the area's numerous off-road trails.

Seventy-Five volunteers including BLM, State Land, Game & Fish reps along with our own Havasu 4 Wheelers attended. Thanks to all of them. Amanda Deeds from BLM got a new sign which we erected at the desert entrance at Paso de Oro saying " shooters--no littering--remove all targets and ammo" . The State rep installed 2 state land trust signs (not sure if this is a good thing). The Game and Fish rep said he installed hidden cameras to catch people dumping in the desert. I hope all this helps. We over filled 1-40 yard dumpster and 1/2 of another. H4W volunteers worked about 3 hours and the area looks awesome right now. We had a good lunch, a great day. Thanks to everyone, good people.

Diane Corder of the Havasu 4-Wheelers helped out at the club's annual Desert Clean-Up. "Sure wish shooters would clean up after themselves!" she said, noting that she collected enough shell casings to fill a five-gallon bucket.

Mike Yahrmarkt, Trash Master

Photos By: Mark Corder, Amanda Deeds, Rodger Melton & Mike Yahrmarkt

Ward Bond Trail Boss

♫ Roll Along Wagon Train, rollin' over prairies where there ain't no grass, rollin' over mountains where there ain't no pass, sittin' all aboard high in the weather, praying to the Lord we stay together, side by side on the wagon train….♪

Message to All You Guys

The trail bosses have a message for all you guys – Teach the little lady how to operate the Jeep! Now this came about the other day on a run in which we had to strap out a disabled Jeep 30 miles. We split the group and this necessitated several parties exchanging drivers and several passengers becoming drivers - <u>Drivers that normally don't drive Jeeps that is.</u>

Now we did OK as we drove slow and the route was fairly easy except for one long, downhill grade. When we got to the air up we had to help some get their equipment out and the compressors going. Plus they needed to know how to air up and to what pressures. Some of the ladies said they wished they would have had this instruction beforehand.

So here's your orders –

1. **Show them how to shift into 4X4 high & low range. Let them drive some to get a feel for it.**
2. **Teach them how to put a tire on a rock and drive over it.**
3. **Show them how to get your compressor going, where's the gauge, how to fill up the tires, and to what pressure.**
4. **Show them how to use the CB. Tell them please 'Speak up' if they need assistance or want to go slower.**

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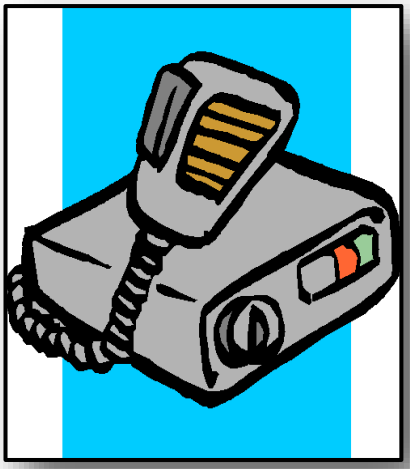

CB Radio - Tips of the Month

1. If you here a whining noise from your radio while your vehicle is running, it is probably due to "dirty power" being supplied to the radio. Under dash power may be more convenient, but the "cleanest power" comes from running your power leads directly straight to the battery.

2. Excess coax between your radio and antenna mount should never be wound into a circular coil of less than 12' in diameter. Your best option is to serpentine the cable, wire tie it in the center and tuck it away.

If you need a free SWR (Standing Wave Ratio) check call Bob Drew (760-805-5545). All systems do need to be rechecked after replacing any of the components.

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Silver Members

Pete Monia (second from left) joins the Silver Members Club. This honor is bestowed on club members over the age of 80 and who have been a member for at least 5 years. Joining in the presentation are Jim Bowen, Past President; Pete Monia,;Dave Billick; Andy Lucas and Tom Christiansen, Vice President.

Presidents Choice/True Grit

January 8th, we did these 4.0 runs and about all I can say is we had a great time. I had a lot of Jeeps and buggies all of which were set up good for doing this level of run. All the people at one time or another helped out with moving rocks, fixing Jeeps or spotting along the way. It was a pleasure taking this group as large as it was on this run. I had several different tail gunners during the day but Blue Berry Rick was my main gunner. Thanks goes out to everyone on this run for helping to make it a success.

Tom Bunnell, Trail Boss

Photo By: Tom Bunnell

K-2 Run

Ten jeeps with 15 club members and five guests left Terribles at 0900 for Franconia Road where we aired down. We stopped two times before we started up the hill. Several heavy rain related terrain changes were negotiated by all with no problems. After arriving at the summit, it was agreed that the views were well worth the run to the top. There was a cool breeze but we had a pleasant lunch in the sun. We went by the Havasu Gold Seekers c ampground on the way back to the I-40 and Franconia where we all aired back up. Thanks to Jim and Janet Lund for carrying the AED and to Roger Allen for tail gunning.

Gary Wiskus, Trail Boss

Photos By: Janet Lund

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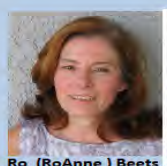

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Paloma Wash Pete

Well howdy there folks. I'm known around here as Paloma Wash Pete. This month I want to tell you about Tarantula Hawks - a scary name and a scarier reputation. Human beings needn't worry much, but if you're a spider, you'd better watch your back.

Tarantula Hawk is the variety of spider wasp that uses its arachnid namesake as a creepy nursery. The wasp is found wherever tarantulas live, which means it's common in Arizona and across the Southwest. A "nectivorous" insect, the tarantula hawk is a connoisseur of fruit. The tarantula hawk has only a few predators, including roadrunners.

Female wasps, which can measure up to 2 inches in length, seek out tarantulas by smell. Once the wasp has honed in on a suitable victim, she'll sting the spider, thus paralyzing it. If the spider puts up a fight, the tarantula hawk will flip the spider onto its back. The female wasp will drain the spider of much of its body fluid and drag it into its own burrow, where she'll lay a single egg on the stunned spider's abdomen.

Once the wasp larva grows, it begins to feed on the spider, developing rapidly until the infant wasp busts open the spider's abdomen and proceeds to eat the rest of the spider's innards. Thus, a baby tarantula hawk is born.

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 <u>before</u> your run.

Rovey's Needle

With a total of four jeeps and five members, a short run to Rovey's Needle was taken on Friday, January 9th. The first part of the run included the Wall of Death and Geri's Jump both of which have changed due to the recent rain and snowfall. The obstacles are more challenging than before, but everyone made it over each of them. After that the trail to the Needle was uneventful, but washboardy. Several of the group hiked to the entrance to the "eye", crawled thru and made it down the other side. From there we found a wide spot in the trail and stopped for a small snack before heading for the air up point and the end of the run. Thanks to my tailgunner Steve Wyrick.

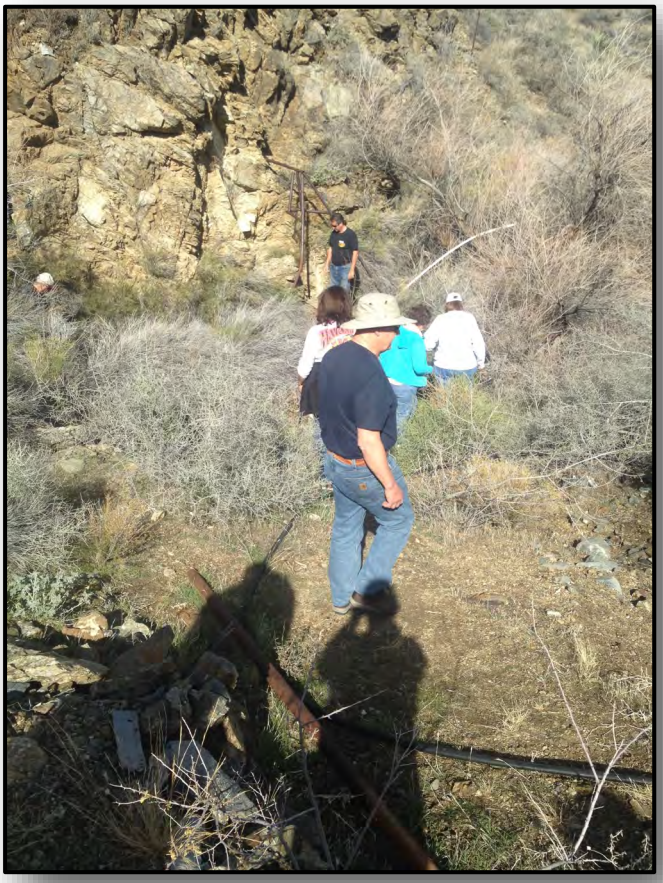
Charles Leipart, Trail Boss

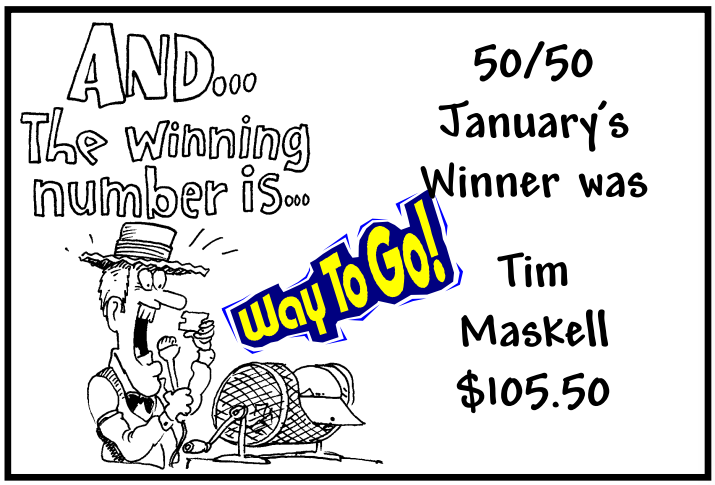
Scott's Well

At 9:00 am we started on our venture leaving from Terrible (Hwy 95 North & 1-40). We traveled east to Franconia turn off, where we air down. We continued on Franconia Rd. going by the Havasu Gold Seekers camp. We then crossed over the open desert to the start of the trail for Scott's Well. We continued on up the canyon to the corral & quarts flow. After exploring the area we continued to Scott's Well. We encountered only one area that an obstacle needed a few rocks placed for some to make the challenge. We all enjoyed looking around the ruins of Scott's Well. We started down the canyon only to find obstacles blocking our way up to Tom's Fabulous Can. We made the decision to find another lunch stop. After enjoying talking with new members at lunch we continued on down the canyon to Havasu Heights where the run ended. Thanks to Jim Lund for being my Tail Gunner. It was a great group and we all enjoyed a sunny day on the desert.

Ron Satterfield, Trail Boss

Photos By: Ron Satterfield





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Trail Boss of the Month

Tom Bunnell

CONGRATULATIONS!

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Eagle Pass

Sunday February 25th saw nine jeeps, 16 members, and 4 guests head out from Terrible's to explore Eagle Pass in the Sacramento Mountains west of Needles. First we stopped at the Topoc Maze geoglyph, a significant spiritual and cultural ground markings created by ancient Mohave Indians. It was clear blue and perfect as we then headed west from Needles and began the off road trek toward the pass. Finding several mines along the way we continued through the pass and then turned south until the lunch buzzer sounded. While at lunch Steve Riley found an expended 37mm shell fragment. It appears Patton's troops got this far south from Camp Ibis. But we struck it rich when Kathy Hjelm gave out her fresh baked cookies! After grub we proceeded east through Monumental Pass as a moderate crosswind kept the dust away. On the way to out to CA 95 we stopped and explored a mine which was part of the "Copper Gulch" mining area. A good time was had by all. A "Thanks" to Mike Yahrmarkt for tail gunning.

Bruce Speirs, Trail Boss

Photos By: Bruce & Kathlyne Speirs

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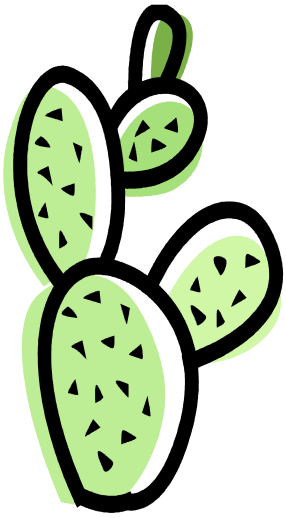

Safety Rant of the Month – "There I was, just minding my own business, checking my tire pressure, when I was attacked by a Jumping Cholla!"

As Sergeant Friday would say "Just the facts Mam, just the facts." Well the facts are it seems possible so that's how it got its name - "Jumping Cholla" cactus. This species of cactus will drop chicken egg sized heavily spiked little bombs that somehow end up sticking to tires, pant legs and boots almost magically. While they are the most "aggressive" cactus out there none of them are to be dismissed as light weights just waiting to be hugged. Always carry a small pair of needle nose pliers - and if your eyes are getting old a magnifying glass too. Not to out done is the infamous "Scorpion Weed." You'll usually see it in the spring when in bloom are quite lovely. The flower stock resembles a lupine but as the flower blooms the stock uncurls like a scorpion's tail hence the name. The flowers are a dark purple / blue color. DO NOT pick this flower or touch this plant. Even walking through a section of ground with these in bloom will result in a transfer to your clothing (or your bare skin if in shorts) of a chemical that gives most people a reaction like poison oak - A most memorable experience which includes severe pain and blistering that may require medical attention and a very strong Rx to remedy. No rolling in the clover with this one! Ouch!

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"Sunshine"

If you know of anyone in the club who might need some cheering up,
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1	2 Roger Ellis 	3 Tom Christiansen	4	5 Chuck Studler	6 Connie Hoppe	7
8 John Strong	9 Chuck Guibord Ken Morris	10 Mary Monia	11 Jo Dutton Warren Jones John Justus Sandy Merrill	12 Sue Hearn	13	14 Trish Reister
15 Terry McGrew Mike Mrozoski	16 Mike Yahrmarkt 	17	18 Lisa Bunnell	19 Pat Maskell	20 Claire Greb Ken Tarbutton	21
22	23 	24	25 Patti Gant Diana Smith	26 Joe Egilske Paul Stephens Betty Woosley	27 Patricia Billick	28 Bill French

Egilske's - H4W "Club Stuff"

February Anniversaries

4th - Bill & Sandy Palmer
4th - Leland & Linda Lott
7th - Larry & Loretta Robinson
8th - Paul & Joyce Stephens
8th - John & Judy Thuneman
10th - Peter & Trudy Lamont
12th - Jon & Judy DesMarais
12th - Jerry & Debbie Kuhnle
13th - Tom & Mary Jane Poellinger
14th - Richard & Laura Caldwell
14th - Ron & Sally Satterfield
15th - Bill & Bernice Mitschele
16th - Darryld & Trixie Kautzmann
22nd - Dave & Sandy Kern
26th - Chuck & Julie Jackson
28th - Jim & Joanne Malara
29th - Ralph & Connie Lind

Havasu 4 Wheelers

Monthly meetings are held the 4th Thursday of the month starting at 7:00pm at:

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- Mandatory Vehicle Equipment - All vehicles on *H4W* runs must be 4-wheel drive & equipped with a CB radio, fire extinguisher, first aid kit, tow straps, and front and rear tow hooks or safe hitching point ….. all in working order.

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/winching. 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/winching. Vehicle width and wheelbase should be considered. Possible body damage.**
5	**HARD: All of the above. Probable body damage.**

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Havasu 4 Wheeler's Awards Banquet

Friday, March 20th, 2015
Cocktails, Fun & Games begin at 5:00pm (no-host bar)
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1425 McCulloch Blvd. Lake Havasu City, Arizona

Theme will be Denim & Diamonds - Black and Gold
Dress Casual or Glitzy Western

Dinner selections and costs will be announced shortly,
watch for an email or check the web site

4 Wheeler of the Year

Past Winners:

1998: Gene Hobday

1999: Warren Breen and Jim & Joan Burnes

2001: Curt & Loretta Frilot

2002: Leroy Larson

2003: Don & Kitty Peterson

2004: Mike & Kay Norman

2005: Darryld Kautzmann

2006: Snake & Willie Williams

2007: Charles & Geri Leipart And Dick Thomas

2008: Jim Bowen

2009: Bruce Speirs

2010: Dennis Kreuzenstein

2011: Ladell Olson

2012: Bob & Wanda Scholl

2013: John Strong

Havasu 4 Wheeler of the Year 2014

Note: Your vote for the "Havasu 4 Wheeler of the Year" should not be influenced solely by his or her offroad driving skills. Also merit them by what they have contributed to the club during the past year. Are they active, participating members? Are they ready to lend a helping hand? Do they get involved?

Write in the name below of the member(s) voted for. You may vote for one individual member or a membership (example: husband & wife) as their name(s) appear on the active club roster. You may turn your ballot in at the February 2015 meeting or mail it to the address on the back of the newsletter, by March 7, 2015.

Member 1 Vote: _____ Member 2 Vote: _____