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The Havasu 4 Wheelers **TRAIL TALK**

YOUR MONTHLY CLUB NEWSLETTER



Arizona
March 2020

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

President's Corner

Wow, I cannot believe that it has been a year that I have been President. I will not lie, it has not been an easy job. There have been challenges, obstacles and triumphs. I have experienced good days and bad. There is a lot of day to day work that has to be done to run this club. My Presidency started with the task of balancing the clubs budget, we were in the red. A number of cuts were made, hard decisions the board did not take lightly. I believe that I am leaving the next board in pretty good shape, in the black if you can believe it. We also ran this year without a few committees filled, but survived. I would like to thank many of the club members for their support. I truly appreciate your help, wisdom and encouragement.



We will have our annual Hot Dog run March 4, 2020. Come out and help us break our record of 340+ hot dogs consumed! Come hungry. Contact Dave Bruno 928-680-5673 for more information and sign up.

At this months general membership meeting, we will be honoring all the trails bosses for their hard work throughout the year. Please join us for the festivities. Elections will be held at the general membership meeting too.

We will also have our 10th annual Cane Springs Ranch Day March 20, 2020. Please contact Jim Bowen at 928-680-4312 to sign up. Our work is always appreciated. We will also have treats after our chores are done....really yummy treats. 😊

Pete Raventos will be leading us on our annual desert clean up effort on March 26, 2020. If you have not signed up and wish to help, please call Pete at 928-412-3465.

In closing, I hope that you will be welcoming to the next group of volunteers and congratulate the incoming Board and Committee members for 2020-2021. A gentle reminder: A club is only as successful as its membership.

Julie---out



March 2020

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Happy Birthday

1	2	3 Byron Pohlman	4 Mel Peterson Oni Studler Early West	5	6	7 Paul Hakala Trice Holloway Carla Perala
8	9 Kenny Lusk	10	11	12 Ro Beets	13	14
15 Don Bender Garnett Collins Craig Dittle	16 Isla McDonald Alan Pepper	17 St Patrick's Day	18 Fred Still	19 Bruce Joy	20 David Billick Cindy Urban	21
22	23 Tom Bunnell Diane Durham Sharon Husted Frank Lopez Bob Torson Jay Wolcott	24 Jay Becker	25	26	27 Rick Holloway Peter Lamont	28 Constance Still
29 Carolyn Anderson Debbie Gleadle Joanne Malara	30	31 Jerry Kuhnle		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>If your Birthday or Anniversary is not listed or listed on the wrong date, please let us know so we can correct our records. newsletter@havasuwheelers.org Thanks, Tim & Pat Maskell</p> </div>		

*The Ray's
H4W "Club Stuff"*

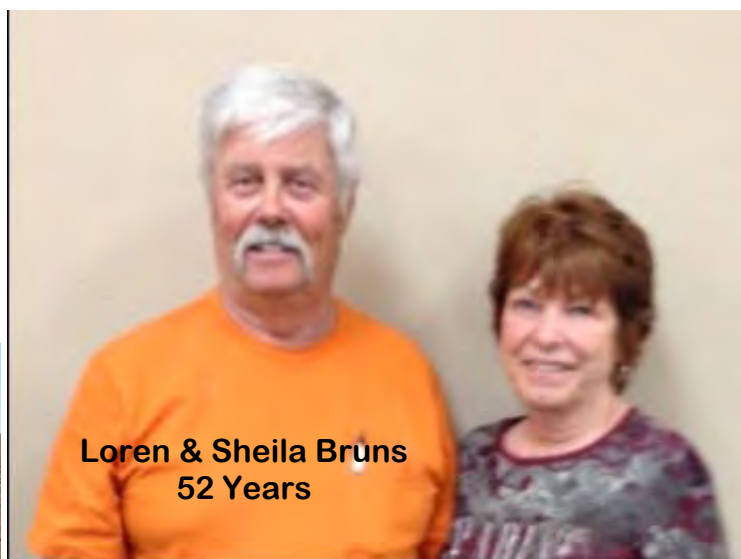
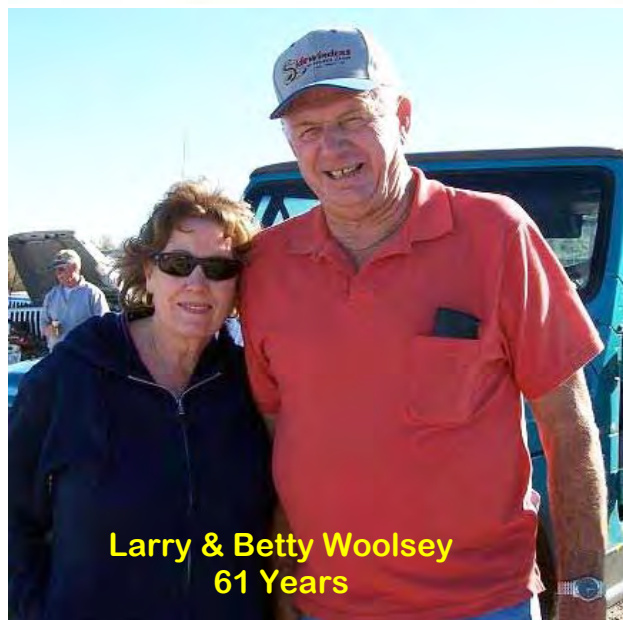


Happy Anniversary

March 1st - Joe & Pat Tenney
 March 1st - Larry & Betty Woosley
 March 2nd - Tim & Karen Becker
 March 2nd - Loren & Sheila Bruns
 March 3rd - Michael & Linda Gephardt
 March 5th - Jim & Ginny Frush
 March 11th - Paul & Peggy Hamilton
 March 12th - Steve & Diane McCue
 March 13th - Craig & Darlene Dittel
 March 19th - Mike & Cheryl MacLean
 March 28th - Tim & Pat Maskell
 March 31st - Tony & Annie Planis

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

50 Plus Years



February New Members



February New Members Needing Picture Taken

Jack & Karen Janda
Angelo & Mary Maddalena

Dave & Mary Berg
Guy & Trish de Jong

David & Lois Cohen
Guy & Trish de Jong

Please come see us after the next meeting or have a friend take a picture and email it to: newsletter@havasu4wheelers.org, thanx.....Tim & Pat Maskell



Upcoming Club Runs (1-5 rating)

Hot Dog Run.....	March 4th	Dave, Steve, & Tom Bruno
Planet Ranch / Cabin, 3.0.....	8:30am	Mel Peterson
Gold Springs / Cabin, 3.0.....	9:00am	Dave Blake
Lost Trail / Cabin, 3.25.....	9:00am	Rodger Melton
Red Line / Cabin, 3.5.....	9:00am	Mike Yahrmarkt
Paloma Wash / Cabin, 4.0.....	8:00am	Ladell Olsen
Hualapai Mtn / Serpent's Tail, 3.5.....	March 6th, 8:00am	Jim Bowen
Redline, 3.5.....	March 6th, 8:30am	Larry Sanburg
Yellowstone Technical Area, 3.5.....	March 11th, 9:00am	Bob Drew
Black Mesa, 3.0.....	March 12th, 9:00am	Larry Sanburg
Silver Creek, 3.5.....	March 14th, 8:30am	Mike Yahrmarkt
Rattler Pass, 4.0.....	March 17th, 9:00am	Bob Drew
Cattail, 3.5.....	March 19th, 9:30am	Larry Sanburg

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

**Check the Havasu 4 Wheelers Website for updates and
meet places on runs.
www.havasu4wheelers.org**

Other Club Happen's

Morning Coffee.....	Mon—Fri, 7:30-9:00am	Schlotsky's, Gene Hobday
Trail Boss Meeting.....	March 16th, 9:00am	Genealogy Library, Mike Yahrmarkt
H4W Board Meeting.....	March 16th, 10:30am	Genealogy Library, Julie Jackson
Men's Breakfast.....	March 19th, 8:00am	Bad Miguel's, 1841 Kiowa Blvd, (by Food City), Gary Wiskus
Ladies Luncheon.....	March 19th, 12:00pm	Mud Shark on Aviation, Cheri Malsed
H4W Membership Meeting.....	March 19th, 7:00pm	Realtor's Center, Julie Jackson
Annual Ranch Day.....	March 20th, 7:30am	Jim Bowen
Cook's Night Out.....	March 24th, 5:00pm	El Paraiso Mexican Restaurant, Cheri Malsed
Desert Clean Up.....	March 26th, 9:00am	Pete Raventos
Pizza in the Park.....	April 2nd, 3:30pm	Gary Wiskus
Moab 2020.....	May 3rd to 9th	Chris Storm

**Check the Havasu 4 Wheelers Website for Updates and
Locations www.havasu4wheelers.org**

**Send Event / Run Pictures to the Newsletter Editor
newsletter@havasu4wheelers.org**



Coffin Spring Run + Hike

On Friday, February 7, we had 6 vehicles with 8 members and 6 guests leave for Coffin Spring in the Turtle Mountains. We stopped at Charlie Brown's cabin, as well as the Car Corral, to explore what is left and get pictures. We continued to the trailhead for Coffin Spring where we had 11 hikers on a beautiful day. The hike to the spring was fantastic and the scenery was great to see. We had lunch near the spring, which was dry. After our return from the hike and gathering some pretty rocks, we continued back to our starting point. Thank you to Steve Wirick for tail gunning.

Steve Riley, Trail Boss



Copperhead 2/7/20

9 Jeeps made the Copperhead Run. I had 1 person signed up the day before, thanks to a friend calling around, 9 ended up going. This is a 3.75 rated run, the hardest part being a narrow canyon with a lot of obstacles. About half way through the canyon, a Jeep broke a drive shaft, broke a front axle, and cut a tire. The rest of the run was consumed with patching the Jeep up and towing him back to Parker Dam Rd. The whole crew pitched in to help. Thanks to Tom Bunnell for towing through the rock garden. Thanks to Ken Weimer for a dramatic save of a rolling Jeep. Thanks to Howard Mathe for tail-gunning and Ladel Olsen for tail-gunning and towing.

Mike Yahrmarkt



**Copper Basin / Monument Peak
2-4-2020**

The run started out with a little hick-up. One member realized he didn't have enough gas for the trip. While we were waiting for him to return from the gas station another member realized he had left his gas cap at the station. After those issues were resolved, the only other thing we had to deal with was the cold and very nasty wind.

Everyone did a great job driving and seemed to enjoy the "red rock area" making for a great run despite the weather.

A big Thank You to Steve & Shelly Stellings for being tail gunners.

Willie Williams, trail boss



More Pics from Blyth Intaglios run with Willie Williams 1/8/20, Pics by Bruce Freiman



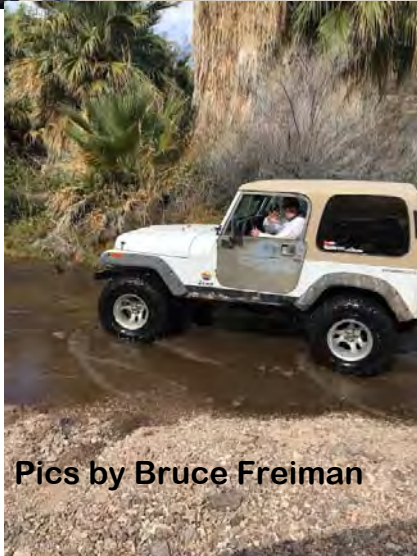
**President's Choice
2/17/20
Bob Drew**



Pics by Cindy Urban



Copper Basin / Earp Falls
Dave Blake 2/10/20



Pics by Bruce Freiman



Swansea 2/14/20



Pics by Bruce Freiman

Redline 2/25/20 Larry Sanburg



Monument Peak 2/4/20 Willie Williams



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2020 HAVASU 4 WHEELERS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION

To renew your 2020 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 2020 club meeting.

Applications received after February 29, 2020 will be considered delinquent and the renewal amount will be \$60.00. Delinquent members shall be dropped from the roster after the last day of April, 2020.

Name _____ & _____
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Please up date your personal information below for our records or circle SAME if unchanged

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Diamondback 2/10/20

9 Jeeps 1 Samurai and no rain. Bob Drew



Ridges 2/19/20

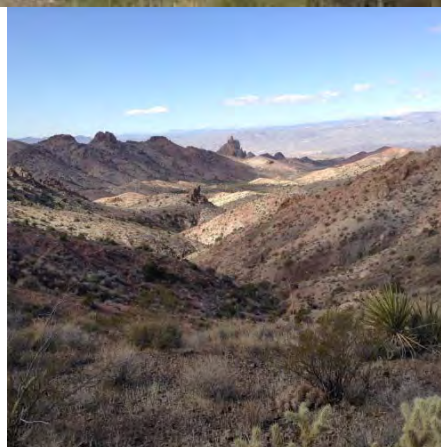
Ridges is above Bull Head City, and is one of the most scenic and colorful runs in the area.

11 jeeps managed the first half of the run without incident. The second half, not so much.

I Broke a front spring mount. As usual, my crew came through with help.

Thanks to Bill Roberds and Myron Meyers for helping me patch it together so I could drive it to Golden Valley, Jack Burns followed me out. Bill Roberds led the run to finish.

The rescue crew of Ladell Olson, Donnie Barton and Richard Gill met me in Golden Valley to tow me home. Thanks to all who helped me get home, and to Chris Winchak for tail-gunning the run. Mike Yahrmarkt





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Thanks, Mike Yahrmarkt
Run Chairman

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By-laws Change
Voted In By the Membership at February's General Meeting

ARTICLE VIII
EXPENDITURES AND FINANCE

1. All monies received from all sources shall immediately be turned over to the Treasurer to be deposited in the checking account of the Club.
2. No withdrawal from the funds shall be made without the approval of the Executive Committee. Single expenditures in excess of \$500.00 must have the approval of the general membership, with the exception of items in the annual budget. All expenditures shall be made by check. Exceptions are items paid by cash from the Petty Cash Fund, which is not to exceed \$100.00. The Petty Cash Fund is to be maintained by the Treasurer and reconciled monthly in the Treasurer's report.

Change to:

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The Ladies Luncheon
At Barley Brothers had
30 Ladies attend.



Vote for our New 2020-2021 Board Members at the March General Meeting on March 19th

Running For:

President Bill Roberds

Vice President Chris Storm

Secretary Doris Hirt

Treasurer Willie Williams

Membership Chair Cheryl MacLean

Run Chair Mike Yahrmarkt

Members at Large (3)

Cynde Choate

Dave Blake

Steve Hirt

Stephen Locantore

Or, write ins are acceptable



REMEMBER



If you have a 4 Wheeling picture, article, or a even a joke you'd like to share, please submit it to Tim & Pat Maskell, Newsletter Editors, at: newsletter@havas4wheelers.org. Please no flipped over vehicles, off-color jokes or insensitive dialog. We're always looking for good stuff.

Tim & Pat

No Bell Award

The No Bell goes this time to Jim Bowen for incorrectly locking the gate at Planet Ranch Rd locking out state geologists. He had to walk a ways to get the key and Jim got him a ride back



Lake Havasu's own County Search and Rescue team receiving a donation from Havasu 4 Wheelers. On the team are H4W Members, Mike Beets, Steve Wirick, and Fred & Connie Still.

Gas Cards for February

Dave Blake 1
Rodger Melton 1
Bill Roberds 1
Tom Bunnell 1
Jim Bowen 2
Bob Drew 2
Steve Riley 2
Mike Yahrmart 2
Larry Sanburg 2





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Other Club Happnins'

The Men's Breakfast at Bad Miguel's had 26 members attend.

"Sunshine"

If you know of anyone in the club who might need some cheering up, please contact Trish Reister at trishreister@gmail.com. She will be happy to send cards on behalf of the entire Havasu 4 Wheelers membership. ❖

Death of a Member

It saddens me to inform you that one of our members has been called home to the Creator. Don Doan passed away Friday, February 21st. Please keep Penny and the family in your thoughts and prayers.

Trish Reister

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Secretary.....Doris Hirt
Treasurer.....Chuck Laughlin

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Mike Yahrmarkt-Run Chair. At Large Tom Bunnell
and Peter Raventos

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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/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.

HAVASU 4 WHEELERS, PROUD MEMBERS

