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# The Havasu 4 Wheelers **TRAIL TALK**

**YOUR MONTHLY CLUB NEWSLETTER**



January 2021

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

## **P**resident's Corner

A hearty welcome to 2021! Here's hoping for a much calmer, productive, new year! I know I certainly don't need or want another 2020. I would like to sincerely thank our members for keeping it all together through this turbulent year.

One of the best parts of the club activities are the runs. That coordination was masterfully handled by Mike Yahrmarkt, our run chairman (and Four Wheeler of the Year). Thank you Mike!! We have had many great runs put on by a number of outstanding members, even me! I will list these fine people below so you can thank them again next time you see them.

Have you visited our web site lately? Roger Allen and Debbie Gleadle put a lot of effort in making it the best ever, Thanks! And how about a round of applause for our newsletter editors Tim and Pat Maskell Thanks! We are lucky to have these great members.

Additionally, we had the best garage sale of all time at the first of the year, and I can't thank Paul and Joyce Stephens enough for riding herd on that event. WELL done indeed! Furthermore, Cherie Malsed and company put on a well attended ladies' luncheon, and who can forget the hot dog run chaired by Dave Bruno and company! Not to forget the great job Steve Locantore did on the highway clean up!!

About that time, the pandemic hit and we cancelled many activities that we normally enjoy. I am not aware of any of our members getting sick, but if so, my condolences, and hopes that we can all keep healthy from this point forward.( Mask Up)

I'm sure I am missing a lot of folks who helped out last year to make our club great, and if so, I apologize, but personally want to thank you all.

I am not sure yet about a location for the January 28th meeting as the rodeo grounds won't be available, but I will email the membership when the Board decides.

Happy New Year and thanks again,  
Bill

Your run leaders for 2020:

Bob Drew  
Larry Sanburg  
The Infamous Willie Williams  
Charles Leipart  
Jim Bowen  
The famous, Tom Bunnell  
Steve Riley  
Roger Melton  
Four Wheeler of the Year, and the One and Only Mike Yahrmarkt  
Chris Storm  
President Bill Roberds

If I missed you, Thank you too!!!!



**HAPPY NEW  
2021  
YEAR**

# January 2021

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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3	4	5 Thomas Charton	6	7	8 P.J. McGuire Jan Parent	9
10 Zona Cranmer Richard Feuerstein Jim Sims	11	12	13	14 Yvonne Holcomb	15	16 Mitch Garton
17 Kathy Perry	18 Doug Polzin	19 Robert Brownell	20 Gary Wiskus	21	22 Todd Flesner	23 Sue Freiman Mindy Pohlman Barbara Sanburg Vivian Trudell
24	25 Patty Peterson	26 Diane Corder	27 Loren Bruns	28	29	30 Tammy Blake Kerry Brissom
31		If your Birthday or Anniversary is not listed or listed on the wrong date, please let us know so we can correct our records. Thanks, Tim & Pat Maskell; <a href="mailto:newsletter@havas4wheelers.org">newsletter@havas4wheelers.org</a>				



## Happy Anniversary

January 8th - Richard & Marcy Feuerstein  
 January 8th - Hal & Noreen Shaffer  
 January 10th - Norman & Patti Schroeder  
 January 12th - Bill & Yvonne Holcomb  
 January 15th - Rod & Marylou Rodriguez  
 January 16th - Ray & Deb Harvey  
 January 16th - Kent & Kate Higgins  
 January 17th - Rod & Lorna Moore  
 January 18th - Kevin & Cheryl Duke  
 January 20th - Dennis & Therene Lein  
 January 27th - Duane & Linda Gauthan  
 January 28th - Bruce & Sue Freiman  
 January 29th - Rick & Trice Holloway  
 January 29th - Patrick & Jane O'Brien

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

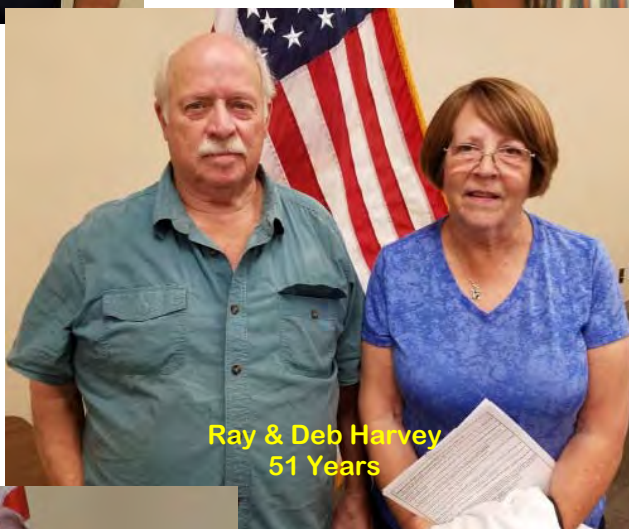
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Bill & Yvonne Holcomb  
67 Years



Duane & Linda Gauthier  
53 Years



Ray & Deb Harvey  
51 Years



Hal & Noreen Shaffer  
51 Years



Kent & Kate Higgins  
50 Years



# New Members Voted in at the December General Meeting



**Mark & Dana Adler**



**Fred & Diana Asseier**



**Ben & Linda Fekkeldy**



**Don & Angie Timmerman**



## Upcoming Club Runs (1-5 rating)

Gold Standard Mine, 3.0.....	January 4th, 9:00am Mike Yahrmarkt
Cattail to Paloma, 4.0.....	January 4th, 9:00am Tom Bunnell
Red Line, 3.25.....	January 5th, 9:00am Larry Sanburg
Northwest Passage, 3.0.....	January 6th, 8:30am Willie Williams
Copper Moab, 3.25.....	January 7th, 9:00am Larry Sanburg
Diamond Back Sidewinder, 4.0.....	January 7th, 9:00am Bob Drew
Desert Bar - Back Way, 3.25.....	January 10th, 9:30am Willie Williams
Paloma Wash to HD Cabin, 3.5+.....	January 12th, 9:00am Larry Sanburg
B & D Roulette Mine, 3.0.....	January 20th, 8:30am Willie Williams

**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](http://www.havasu4wheelers.org)

Send Event / Run Pictures to the Newsletter Editor  
[newsletter@havasu4wheelers.org](mailto:newsletter@havasu4wheelers.org)



## Other Club Happen'ns

Morning Coffee.....	Mon-Fri 7:30-9:00am Old Schlotzsky's , Gene Hobday
Ladies Luncheon.....	Dark (COVID) Cheri Malsed
Trail Boss Meeting.....	Cancelled Genealogy Library, Mike Yahrmarkt
H4W Board Meeting.....	January 25th, 10:30am Genealogy Library, Bill Roberds
Cook's Night Out.....	Dark (COVID) Cheri Malsed
Men's Breakfast.....	Dark (COVID) Gary Wiskus
H4W Membership Meeting.....	January TBA TBA Bill Roberds
Desert Clean-up.....	March 3rd, 9:00am Dave Blake
Hot Dog Run.....	March 10th, 9:00am Dave Bruno
Moab.....	May 2nd - May 8th Chris Storm



As a club we want to continue to have meeting and get out and enjoy the desert so during this Covid-19 epidemic please remember to stay 6 feet apart. If that is not possible, please wear a mask. All the members with underlying health conditions Thank You.



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## Off-Camber

Off-camber is a term that describes when a road slants to one side or the other, (technically, when the outside edge of a trail bed is lower than the inside). For some jeep drivers, they are considered to be just another fun challenge. For me, they are considered vexing. I worry about turning over. I prefer on-camber.

I once overheard a CB conversation when a nervous driver said to the trail boss that he was concerned about making a treacherous looking off-camber turn. The run leader said, "Just close your eyes. You'll be fine." I keyed my CB and said, "Really?" The run leader said, "No! For you, probably not."

I once asked an old-school, slightly off-camber, driving nimrod how he knew when he was about to flip over (flop). It seemed to me to be a fine question. He said, as sincerely as my pastor who always looks directly at me when he's preaching, "When you turn over, you'll know." I promptly took out my notepad and pencil and wrote that one down. That was a life changing observation. It reminded me of when Al Gore once said, "A zebra will never change its spots."

When I returned home, I added it to my prized lists of famous quotations.

***We have nothing to fear but fear itself.***  
(Franklin Roosevelt)

***Give me liberty or give me death.***  
(Patrick Henry)

***We will fight on the beaches, on the seas, and in the AIH. We will NEVAH SURRENDAH!*** (Winston Churchill)

***When you turn over, you'll know .*** (Slightly off-camber, old school driving nimrod)

Leland Lott (jeep driver)



# MOAB 2021

## Event Information

Event Dates

May 2<sup>nd</sup> thru May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Trail Dates

May 3,4,5,6,7

Suggested RV Park

Spanish Trail RV Park

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Suggested Motel

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With all reservations please indicate that you are with the **Havasupai 4 Wheelers** -  
**Please make your reservations as soon as possible.**

We hope to provide trail leaders every day with 3 levels of trails. At the February 2021 and March 2021 meeting, we will have event sign-up sheets that will include your requests regarding difficulty level desired so that we can assign trail leaders to the appropriate trails.

Please forward your 2021 reservation information to Chris Storm at [cstorm4x4@verizon.net](mailto:cstorm4x4@verizon.net) and he will update our attendee spreadsheet which will allow us to directly update you regarding the plans for the event.

Contact us for any additional information:

Chris Storm 951-675-1629

Jim Bowen 928-706-5048





There was not a Cow Bell Awarded this time.



There was not a No Bell Awarded this time.

At the last meeting, I had a couple people ask about how to add the 'Havas4Wheelers app' to their phone home screen. This is not really an 'app' but it is a version of the website formatted for a mobile device. Here is how to add the shortcut to the home screen on a phone or tablet:

#### **Android**

- 1 Launch "Chrome" app.
- 2 Open the **website** or web page you want to pin to your **home screen**.
- 3 Tap the menu icon (3 dots in upper right-hand corner) and tap **Add to home screen**.
- 4 You'll be able to enter a name for the **shortcut** and then Chrome will **add** it to your **home Screen**.

#### **How to Create a Website Link on Your Home Screen**

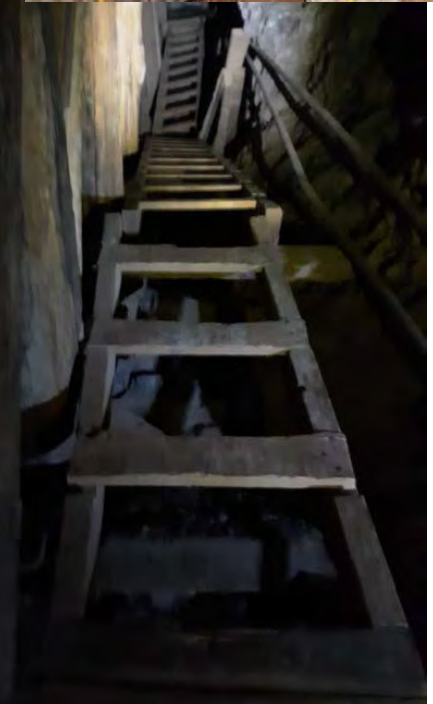
- 1 Launch Safari on your **iPhone** or **iPad**.
- 2 Navigate to the site that you want to create a **Home screen shortcut** to.
- 3 Tap the Share icon (the square with an arrow pointing out of it) at the bottom of the **screen**.
- 4 Scroll down to the list of actions and tap **Add to Home Screen**.

Roger

[webmaster@havas4wheelers.org](mailto:webmaster@havas4wheelers.org)  
[Havas4wheelers.org](http://Havas4wheelers.org)

## Intaglios & Alice Mine December 10, 2020

Great weather, great group, had fun.  
Thank you to Craig & Jean Eggerman for being tail gunners.  
Trail boss, Willie Williams



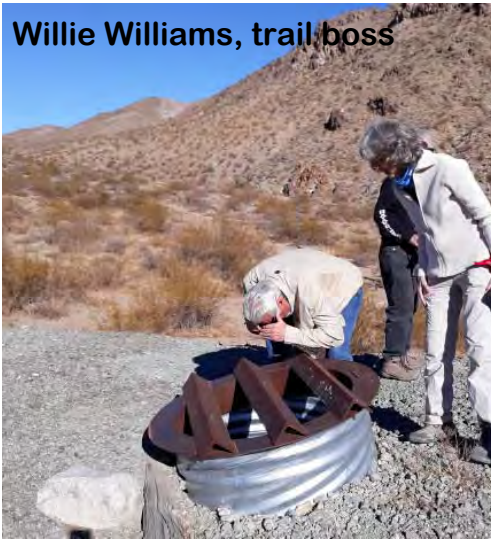


## Christmas Tree Pass December 21, 2020

Beautiful weather for a jeep ride. Did the usual stops at Camp Ibis, Camp Thurman and Roman Mine. Thanks to club member Dana, whose neighbor etched some decorations with the club logo, we had some decorations to hang on a tree. Stopped at Grapevine Canyon and took a short walk back to see the abundance of petroglyphs.

A big Thank you to the expert tail gunner, Duane Gauthun. The trail boss really relies on this person for info to judge the travel speed and make sure everyone makes the turns. It isn't always fun being the last person because of the dust but Duane added some humor....."First time he has been in a white out when the temp is 68 degrees". I'm still smiling over that comment.

Willie Williams, trail boss





## Highway Clean-Up Steve Locantore 12/8



## Black Mesa 12-29-20

The scenery on this run is spectacular, the trail not so much....rocks, rocks and more rocks. Everyone did a great job and we stopped at the 3 different overlooks with great views.

A big Thank you to Bruce Freiman for being tail gunner.  
Willie Williams, trail boss



# Congratulations to our Newest Senior Members



**Mike Russell**



**Conrad Skaggs**



**Darryld Kautzman**



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**Run Chairman**

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# El Suprimo Vampire Mine

Mike Yahrmarkt 12/5





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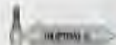
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Willie Williams - 3

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Mike Yahrmarkt-Run Chair.  
Dave Blake  
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Stephen Locantore

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50/50.....Steve & Kathy Perry  
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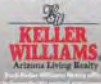
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RATING	DESCRIPTION
1	<b>EASIEST:</b> Passable by stock vehicles. Gentle fairly wide grades.
2	<b>EASY:</b> Use of 2 wheel and some 4-wheel drive. Trail may have some rocks, loose road surface, and ruts but a reasonable line for driving.
3	<b>EASIEST MODERATE:</b> 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	<b>MODERATE:</b> 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	<b>HARDER MODERATE:</b> 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	<b>HARDEST MODERATE:</b> 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	<b>DIFFICULT:</b> 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	<b>HARD:</b> All of the above. Probable body damage.

### HAVASU 4 WHEELERS, PROUD MEMBERS

