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The Havasu 4 Wheelers

TRAIL TALK

YOUR MONTHLY CLUB NEWSLETTER



February 2024

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

President's Corner

Our Club email is working again! I am very thankful for Roger Allen's time and effort into making sure we have a way to communicate with all of you.



Our people make us great. The H4W members have always amazed me with their generosity and willingness to help each other in time of need. Cheryl MacLean has asked for "Sponsors" for potential new members. She would like to have a list of current members who could be called upon to be mentors. The future of our Club depends on developing our new members to be our future leaders.

With that written, it is time to put names on ballots for the 2024/2025 seasons Board of Directors (BOD). I need your help, with all our great people, do we have members willing to take a Board position? Is that person You? This Club is only as good as the members who volunteer, 2 positions need to be filled, V.P. and Treasurer. All 9 Board positions are up for vote at March meeting, so, do you have a vision of the future for our Club and would like to be a participant? All names for the ballot will be announced at February's General Meeting.

The Holiday Dinner Party was a great success thanks to Pam Hill and the volunteer help. Chuck Laughlin put a wonderful slide show together and was kind enough to take photos of willing members, thank-you Chuck.

GMRS radios to be voted on in February General Meeting. (Change to Bylaw)

Ben Burr from Blue Ribbon Coalition will be in town to speak to us about the need to protect our use of "Public Land" by all users. Diane McCue has also invited other local off-road groups to participate. We will use the Aquatic Center on Feb. 22 at 4:30. This is before our regularly scheduled meeting at 6:00.

Mark Adler

President@havasuh4wheelers.org

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February 2024

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Happy Birthday

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4 Kris Winchak	5	6	7	8	9	10 Karen Janda
11 Marty Crowder Warren Jones	12 Diane McCue	13 Greg Ernst	14 Valentines Day Donna Langmack Trish Reister	15 Kenneth Young	16 Sandy Kunster Mike Yahrmakt	17 Yolanda Bindels Bruce Gruber Anne Knowles Chris Sherman
18 Lisa Bunnell	19 Patty Maskell	20 Larry Hansen Grammy	21 Carl Lhamon	22	23	24 Ben Fekkeldy
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February 1st - Lynn & Jill Milliken
February 4th - Bill & Sandy Palmer
February 4th - Leland & Linda Lott
February 8th - Paul & Joyce Stephens
February 14th - Richard & Laura Caldwell
February 14th - Paul & Carol Hakala
February 16th - Darryld & Trixy Kautzmann
February 21st - Tracy & DeeAnn Geisler
February 28th - Jim & JoAnne Malara



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

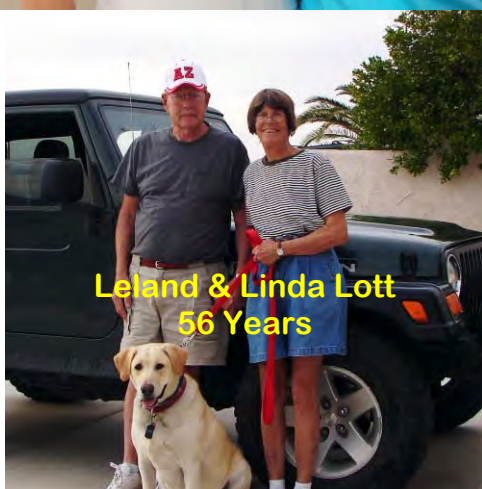
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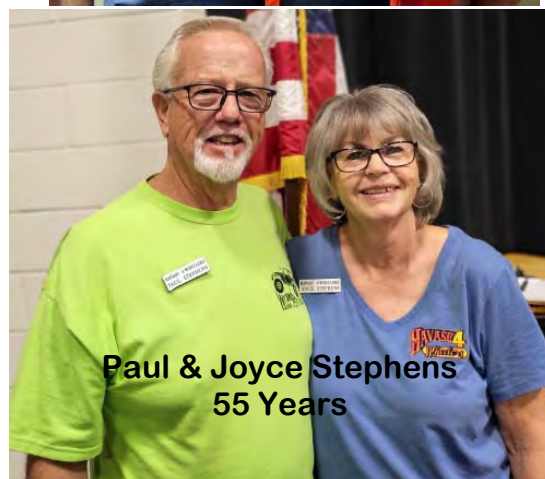
Darryld & Trixie Kautzmann
61 Years



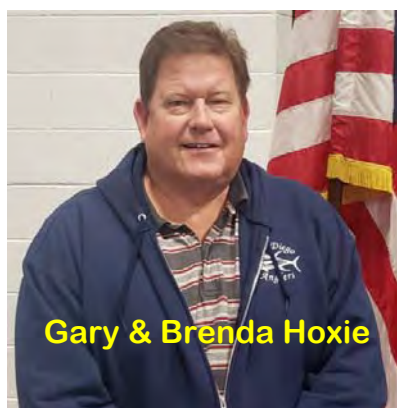
Bill & Sandy Palmer
57 Years



Leland & Linda Lott
56 Years



Paul & Joyce Stephens
55 Years



Gary & Brenda Hoxie

January New Members

Not Shown
Bob & Annabelle
Christensen
Dan & Kathleen
Westfall



Mike & Leslie Nehring



Upcoming Club Runs (1-5 rating)

Mexican Hat, run & Hike, 3.0.....February 6th, 8:00am
Steve Riley

Swansea Mine Loop Run, 3.25.....February 15th, 8:30am
Brian Springer

Chalk Hills, 3.25.....February 15th, 8:30am
Mike Yahrmarkt

Alamo Slot Canyon, 3.0.....February 16th, 9:00am
Snake & Willie Williams

The Maze, 3.5.....February 20th, 8:30am
Rob Glumack

Highway Clean-Up, 2.0.....February 29th, 9:00am
Steve Locantore

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

Send Event / Run Pictures to the Newsletter Editor
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Other Club Happen'ns

Morning Coffee.....Mon-Fri 7:30-9:00am
KAWS, Gene Hobday

Yard sale.....February 9th & 10th
Snake & Willie Williams

Cook's Night Out.....February 12th, 5:00pm
The Chair, Joanne Malara, Cheryl MacLean

Ladies Luncheon.....February 21st, 11:00am
Golden Phoenix, Doris Hirt

Trail Leader Meeting.....February 19th, 9:00am
.Genealogy Library, Steve Locantore

H4W Board Meeting.....February 19th, 10:30am
Genealogy Library, Mark Adler

Men's Breakfast.....February 22nd, 8:00am
Bad Miguel's, Gary Wiskus

H4W Membership Meeting.....February 22nd, 6:00pm
Aquatic Center, Mark Adler

Pizza in the Park.....February 27th, 3:00pm
Rotary Park, Sue Collins

Hot Dog Run.....March 14th
Dave Bruno

Ranch Days.....March 7th
Bill Roberds

Chicken In the Park.....April 3rd, 3:00pm
Rotary Park, Jim Lund

Moab, Utah.....April 28th, to May 4th
Bob Drew

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Club Happnins'

Bylaw change, for upgraded GMRS radios, to be published in Newsletter. CB radios to be removed from our requirements. See new wording for #5. To be voted at our General Meeting in February.

Bylaws

Article XVIII

Appendix B

5. A General Mobile Radio Service (GMRS) radio shall be in every vehicle effective 9.1.2024



Mark awards the Mohave County Sheriffs K-9 Foundation H4W's donation of \$250.00. Pictured are: Deputy Shawn McCleary, Gini Howardson, Beryl Winchak, and K-9 Deputy Grimm



The Hakala's H4W "Club Stuff"

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Paul & Carol Hakala



more...Club Happnins'



Havasu 4 Wheelers Yard Sale February 9th & 10th 3600 Desert Rose Drive

The Men's Breakfast had 22 men attend at Bad Miguel's with Cadillac Dave Jewell won the \$10



Pizza in the Park

2/27/2024

Sue Collins



Hot Dog Run

3/14/2024

Dave Bruno

AND...
The winning
number is...

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Paul
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A cartoon illustration of a man wearing a hat and a vest, shouting with his mouth wide open. Next to him is a slot machine.

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buy your 50/50
tickets before
the next
meeting.

Doris Hirt
won the
Flashlight

Kurt & Cheryl
Beach

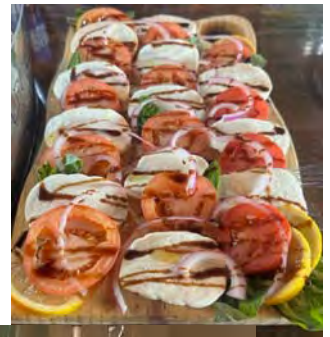


REMEMBER

If you have a 4 Wheeling picture, article, or a even a joke you'd like to share, please submit it to Tim & Patty Maskell, at: newsletter@havasu4wheelers.org. Please no flipped over vehicles, off-color jokes or insensitive dialog. We're always looking for good stuff.



Ladies Luncheon 12/17/2023
Doris Hirt, 35 ladies attended at:
Summer Ray Wine Bar, Cheryl
MacLean won the \$10, Patti
Glumack and Pam Hill Won
Wine ,and Wanda
Scholl won the Gift Basket




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ELECTIONS of BOARD MEMBERS



At the February meeting the Nominating Committee will present the new slate of officers for: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Run Chair, Membership Chair, and 3 Members at Large. We have a lot of talented members in the club, so no matter how long you have been in the club please consider volunteering for one of these positions.

If you are not ready to step into a Board position, how about a committee position. There are always people ready to help you, plus it is a great way to get to know more people in the club and how the club works.

Please contact Bill Roberds (chairperson), or Doris Hirt if you want to help out the club or if you have any questions.



The No Bell this time goes to Steve Plut for helping twice on Willie's run. First, guided a jeep back onto the trail, and second by helping a new member get his spare tire off, it had a tire lock on it. Thanks Steve, great job.



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Havasu 4 Wheeler of the Year

Every year the membership acknowledges the person, they feel has contributed the most to the club. Here are some pointers on how to make your selection for "Havasu 4 Wheeler of the Year". It is not an award for his or her off road driving skills. It should be based upon what they have contributed to the club during the past year. Are they active participating members **such as Board members, Committee members, activity chairs, run leaders, and behind the scene workers such as the webmaster and newsletter editor?** Are they ready to lend a helping hand? Do they get involved? You Can Print this Page and Vote At The February Meeting or Mail in form below to: Havasu 4 Wheelers, P O Box 1486, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86405. Extra Ballots Will be Available at the Meeting.

Havasu 4 Wheeler of the Year



Past Winners: 2009 Jim Bowen
2010 Bruce Speirs
2011 Dennis Kreuzenstein
2012 Ladell Olson
2013 Bob & Wanda Scholl
2014 John Strong
2015 Cheryl MacLean
2016 Bob & Janet Drew
2017 Willie Williams

2018 Willie Williams
2019 Tom Bunnell
2020 Mike Yahrmarkt
2021 Tim & Pat Maskell
2022 Chris & Arlene Storm
2023 Roger Allen

Havasu-4-Wheeler for the Year 2024

Note: Your vote for the "Havasu-4-Wheeler of the Year" should not be influenced solely by his or her off-road 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, a membership (example: husband & wife) as their name(s) appear on the active club roster, or members who share a committee (second to last page in the newsletter or on the website). You may turn your ballot in at the February 2024 meeting.

Member 1 Vote: _____ Member 2 Vote: _____

Holiday Dinner 1/7/2024 Pam Hill



Jeeping 101 1/24/2024 Mike Yahrmarkt

Jeeping 101 really nice day after 2 days of rain. With help from Tom Bunnell, Loco Lococantore, Dave Bruno, and Jack Burns we had an hour or so of discussion on jeeping, then took off for the first obstacle. One jeep had a shift linkage problem, so Jack took him out. Several ladies drove their jeeps for the first time off road and they did great as we did go around the wall of death and then the bowling alley.



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“Sunshine”

If you know of anyone in the club who might need some cheering up, please contact Tess Harp at harp@havasunow.com or text at 719-661-9053. She will be happy to send cards on behalf of the entire *Havasunow 4 Wheelers* membership.



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1-4-2024

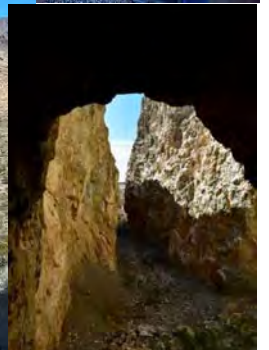
Our foggy start to the run turned into a beautiful day. We traveled thru the short slot canyon where thanks to the recent rain some of the moss was actually green instead of the black color. After lunch we headed up the hill where we got a great view of the MHM mine with it's large area of tailing. Along the way we had a jeep that ended off of the trail, stuck in loose sand but thanks to the great group of guys on the run we soon had the jeep back on the trail. Our next stop was the mine (with unknown name) that still has some rail tracks present and this time NO bats. We traveled onward to the one area of the Planet Mine complex where the entire canyon has multiple adits and shafts. Our final stop was the overlook of the Planet Ranch which is amazing considering the area was totally devoid of plants after it was flooded in 2018.

On the way back to the air up spot we did a little optional canyon with a couple challenging spots which everyone did without any problems.

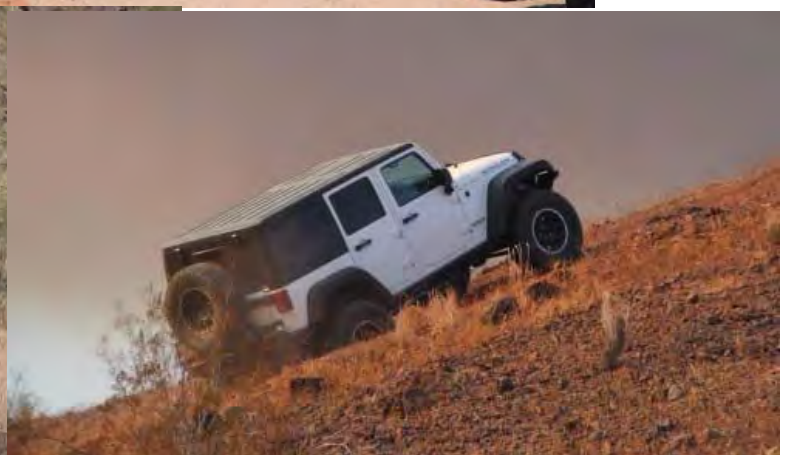
A Thank you to Hal Shaffer for being tail gunner.
Willie Williams, trail boss



Tyro Mine 1/26/2024
Snake & Willie Williams



Aubrey Loop 1/9/2024
Snake & Willie Williams



Silver Creek 1/11/2024
Mike Yahrmarkt

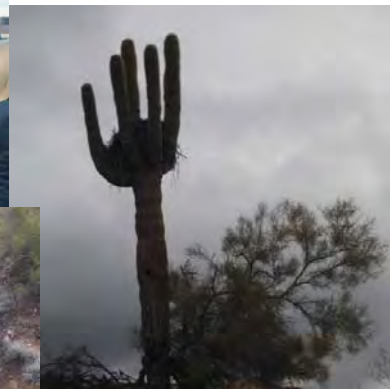


Tank Pass Plus 1/30/2024 **Rob Glumack**

Photos from a great trip in the Granite Wash Mts. crossing the Tank and Cottonwood Passes. Stopped at the old home-
 stead and the Salome Prison. Cholla, cholla and cholla!



Rob's This-N-That 1/25/2024
Rob Glumack



Chuck's Redline & Extras 1/13/2024
Chuck Pruett



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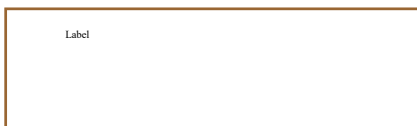


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RATING	DESCRIPTION
1	EASIEST: Passable by stock vehicles. Gentle fairly wide grades.
2	EASY: Use of 2 wheel and some 4-wheel drive. Trail may have some rocks, loose road surface, and ruts but a reasonable line for driving.
3	EASIEST MODERATE: 4-wheel 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.

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