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Havasu 4 Wheelers

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Your Monthly Club Newsletter



Sept—Oct 2025

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President's Corner

Hello H4W's,

Welcome back! I hope you had a great summer! It's time to start the 2025-2026 Jeep season. The weather has started to cool off, so it's time to get your jeep out and make sure it's in good working condition for the season. Also please look at your vehicle's safety equipment and make sure it's all in working order, specifically your fire extinguishers are in good working order and are in the green on the gauge.



We had our first round of Tail leaders, Board and General Meetings for the month of September. Thanks to everyone that attended it was great to see everyone! We also had Ladies Luncheon and Mens Breakfast this month. Keep checking the web site for runs and activities.

Our next General Meeting will be on Wednesday October 22nd, 2025, We our asking the members to bring a bag of candy to the meeting for Fright Night on Halloween to hand out to the kids on Main street.

We still need some volunteers for committees that need to be filled. All volunteers are very much appreciated. Without your help we won't have events for the club. If you are interested in helping on a committee, please contact me. We are always looking for Trail leaders if you are interested there are plenty of people to help you get started. I wish to give a special thanks to Bruce and Sue Freiman for volunteering their house for the club garage sale this season! Start saving your stuff! More details are coming soon.

Many thanks to the Board of Director's and the Committee chairpersons for their ongoing work throughout the summer. Our club survives by the work of the volunteers, and each one deserves our thanks.

Once again, I hope you had a great summer, and I am looking forward to a great 2025-2026 Jeeping season and seeing you at the next meeting this year. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to give me a call at 714-726-0322 or email me at

President@havasus4wheelers.org

Thanks

Dave Blake

September 2025

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Happy Birthday

	1 Labor Day Mike Beets	2 Dennis Burnham Warren West	3 Bob Gilpatrick	4	5 Mike Shaw	6	
7 Michael Weaver	8 Jim Lund	9 Bruce Freiman	10	11 Gene Hobday	12 Ted Groszewski	13	
14 Debra Simmons	15 Sandy Newman	16 Chardell Barton	17 Jan Santacroce Jayne Riley	18 Mike Nehring Keith Schweizer	19 Jan Duran Steve Plut Mike wolfe	20 Linda Forbes Eric Weech Suzanne Wehman Paul Wheatley	
21 Dana Adler	22	23 Susie Gonzales Mike Pitts	24 Mike Keys	25	26	27 Jim Malara Drew Voakes	
28 Diana Asseier Leanne Authier	29 Chris Urban	30 Linda Gephardt Judy Mandic	<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@havasu4wheelers.org Thanks, Tim & Pat Maskell</p>				

Happy Anniversary

September 4th, Matt & Lisa Ambrose
 September 4th, Gene & Nancy Hobday, **65 Years**
 September 10th, Jim & Susan Gentry, **58 Years**
 September 10th, Jan & Kris Parent
 September 17th, Butch & Suzanne Wehman
 September 18th, Todd & Pati Dubler
 September 21st, Mike & Donna Langmack
 September 24th, Dennis & Sandy Kunster
 September 25th, Bill & Sue Price, **54 Years**
 September 26th, Steve Savage & Leanne Authier
 September 26th, Chris & Peggy Sherman
 September 27th, Richard & Brenda Shatkosky
 September 28th, Ed & Sandra Ulmer, **55 Years**
 September 29, Greg & Christina Ernst
 September 30th, Bob & Janet Drew, **53 Years**

October 2025

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

Happy Birthday

		1	2 Chris Storm	3 Diana Flesner	4 Missy Kilpatrick	5 Cheri Malsed
6	7	8 Hal Shaffer	9 Mary West	10 Sandra Shaw	11 Rob Glumack Anita Polzin	12 Lana DelMonaco
13 Bill Roberds Larry Santacroce	14 Joe Hazlett Trixie Kautzmann	15 Deena Hazlett Butch Ortiz Steve Vogel	16 Annie Planas	17 Kathy Ray Bill Trunk Sharon Weech	18	19 Janet Drew
20 Steve Willer	21 David Davis Steve Hirt	22	23 Chuck Laughlin Jamie Varner	24 Jim Frush	25 Tom Brown	26 Gary Timm
27 John Newman	28 Lisa Dilly Jennifer Myers	29	30 Patti Jo Glumack Stephen Riley	31 Howard Little Andrew Brown		

Happy Anniversary

October 6th - Mike & Shari Ahrens
 October 7th - Dennis & Vicki Gowey
 October 7th - Mike & Leslie Nehring
 October 7th - Eric & Sharon Weech
 October 8th - Scott Bullock & Tamara Austin
 October 20th - Pat & Karol McGuire
 October 26th - Scott & Lisa Dilly
 October 28th - Bob & Yolanda Bindels



October Runs

*Cottonwood Trail to Bar IL 3.25.....October 8th, 8:15am
Rodger Melton*

*Needles to Goff's Historic Run, 3.0.....October 11th, 8:00am
Mike Ahrens*

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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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Club Happen'ns

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

***Ladies Luncheon.....October 15th, 11:00am
North Side Grill, Doris Hirt, Joyce Stephens***

***Trail Leader Meeting.....October 20th, 9:00am
Genealogy Library, Steve Locantore***

***H4W Board Meeting.....October 20th, 10:00am
Genealogy Library, Dave Blake***

***Cook's Night Out.....October 21st, 5:00pm
BlondZees, Cheryl MacLean, Joanne Malara***

***Men's Breakfast.....October 22nd, 8:00am
Bad Miguel's, Dave Bruno***

***H4W Membership Meeting.....October 22nd, 6:00pm
Aquatic Center, Dave Blake***

***Turkey Roast.....November 22nd 2:00pm
Rodeo Grounds, Doris Hirt***

Moab 2026.....May 3rd to May 9th



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Club Happnins'

News Item: We have found a replacement editor for the Newsletter. Leslie Nehring will pick up the duties in the next few months and has already proven to be very knowledgeable. Help us welcome Leslie and thank her for stepping up. Patty and I would like to thank all the members for your support over the years.

Please remember to bring candy for Halloween on Main Street and support Pete Lamont in the Havasu 4 Wheelers booth.

Don't forget to sign up for Turkey Roast.

Chris Lind won the bags to hold the Wrangler T-Tops when they are off.

The Men's Breakfast at Bad Miguel's had 23 men show up and Rodger Melton won the \$20.

Bruce and Sue Freiman have graciously offered Their garage for the club Garage Sale. Dates will come later.

If you're a veteran and have a military picture in uniform, send it to newsletter@havasu4wheelers.org and we'll add it



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2024 / 2025 Executive Officers:

President.....Dave Blake
Vice President.....Rob Glumack
Treasurer.....Cheryl Beach
Secretary.....Doris Hirt

Voting Members:

At Large, Cheryl MacLean - Membership Chair
Steve Locantore - Run Chair
Ken Barriault - At Large
Bruce Freiman - At Large
Kris Winchak - At Large

Committees:

Advertising.....Steve Hirt
By-Laws.....Steve Riley
Chicken in the Park.....Jim & Joanne Malara
Cooks Night Out Joanne Malara & Cheryl MacLean
Desert Clean-up.....Bruce Freiman
50/50.....Kurt & Cheryl Beach
Highway Clean-up.....Steve Locantore
Holiday Party.....Open
H4W Facebook.....Carl Gibbs
Hot Dog Run.....Ken Barriault
Ladies Luncheon.....Doris Hirt & Joyce Stephens
Men's Breakfast.....Dave Bruno
Merchandise.....Paul & Carol Hakala
Moab.....Dave Blake & Steve Locantore
Newsletter.....Tim & Patty Maskell
Pizza in the Park.....Susie Smith
Public Land Access.....Bill Roberds
Safety.....Mike MacLean
Sunshine.....Tess Harp
Toy Drive.....Open
Turkey Roast.....Doris Hirt
Veteran's Parade.....Open
Webmaster.....Roger Allen & Debbie Gleadle
Yard Sale.....Bruce & Sue Freiman



Celebrating the life of Judy Edwards
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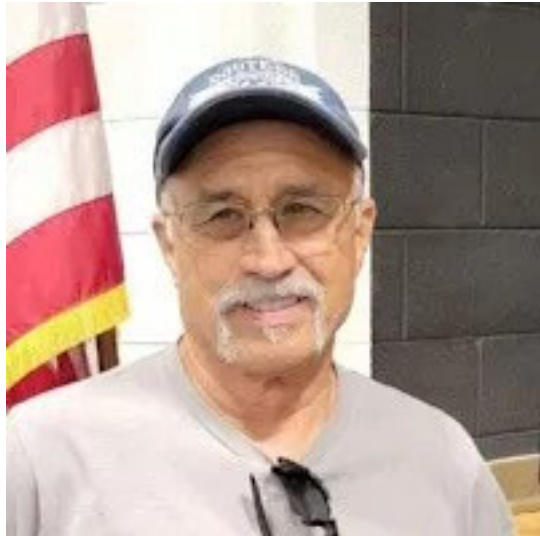
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at 11am

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Please rsvp to Christa Avila (562) 818-1350 by
October 11th



No Bell Award



Our No Bell this time to Rich Duran who got Dave Blake off of Onion Creek Trail in Moab and onto his trailer. Once again proving , we have the best members in our club.

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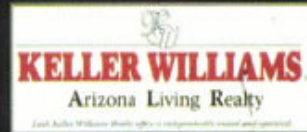
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Havasu Floaters

Havasu 4 Floaters had boat day on July 22, 2025, for the members who stayed in town over the summer. We had 6 boats and about 15 people show up for the day. We had awesome weather and a wonderful time hanging out at the beach for the day. Paul Hakala fired up his barbeque and served us all some sausages! Looking forward to doing this again next summer.

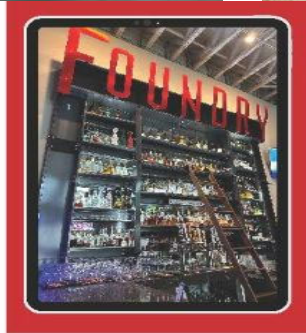


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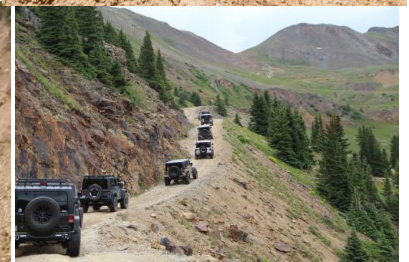
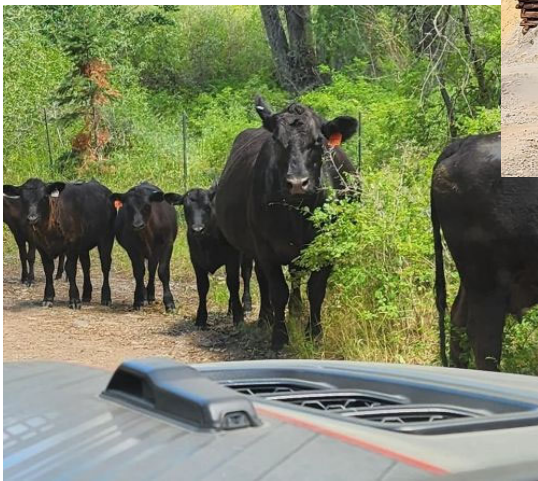
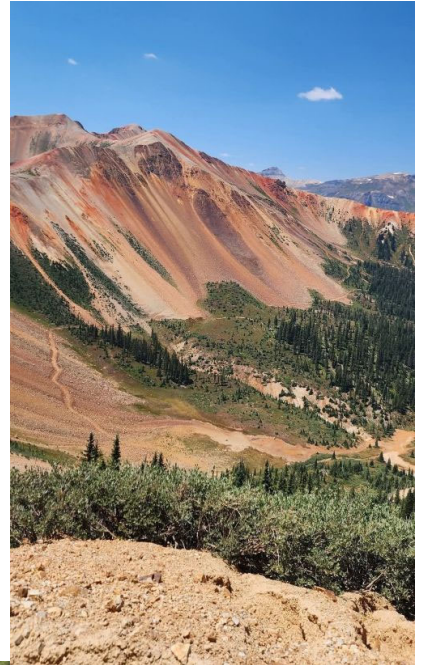
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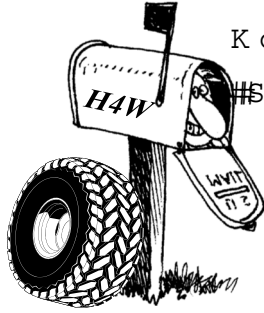
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RATING	DESCRIPTION
1	EASIEST: Passable by stock vehicles. Gentle fairly wide grades.
2	EASY: Use of 2 wheel and some 4-wheel drive. Trail may have some rocks, loose road surface, and ruts but a reasonable line for driving.
3	EASIEST MODERATE: 4-wheel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

HAVASU 4 WHEELERS, PROUD MEMBERS

