

Trail Tales

February

1995

Next Work Day

Our next work day to help out at Cuidando los Ninos is on February 11. Meet at the Union 76 Station on University and Menaul at 8.30. Let Sue know if you are coming, as they will once again serve us lunch. Bring your own hammers, saws, power tools, heavy gloves, etc.

Wear your club jackets or T shirts with the club logo. Let everyone know who is doing the good work.

January Meeting

Our Last meeting was Jan. 13. Attending the club function were Sam, Teresa, and Tommy C de Baca; Mark, Deb, and Boo Werkmeister; Michael Brown; Jim and Tammy Werkmeister; Mark Harrison; Trae Mead; Tahoe and Donna Zahn and girls; Jeremy Sommers; Pat and Sue Brady; Mark Wolf, Scott Peake; Richard Sierra; Ric Watson; Dick Yokshus; Jason Martinez and Romi Hills; and Carol Kennicott. We had 4 guests --Tom Hurt, Jacob and Veronica Colmenero, and Dave Harding.

Sue Brady said that there is \$1185.56 in the treasury. Aluminum cans that the club has been collecting brought in \$9.00.

Pat Brady, needs information from members about any points that have been earned since Aug. 12, 1994. Look at Pat's list and let him know if it is correct.

PLEASE WRITE

PROTECT YOUR 4 WHEELING INTERESTS

At our last meeting Mark Werkmeister told us that there is now a window of opportunity for those who want to be active and to work to protect our right to use public lands for our sport. Mark believes that supporting the Blue Ribbon Coalition is one way to go. You can send your

financial support to THE BLUE RIBBON COALITION P.O. Box 1427 Idaho Falls, ID 83403-1427 or phone 208-524-3946 for further information. Information coming from the coalition states the we should write to President Clinton and tell him that we want Secretary Bruce Babbitt removed due to his extreme positions on environmental issues.

Write your own letter or use one of the enclosed letters to send to President Clinton Also, call or write your Senators and Representatives. Call the Capitol switchboard (202) 224-3121 for the address and phone numbers of your congressional delegation.

Work Day at Cuidando Los Ninos

Sue Brady

Our work day with Cuidando Los Ninos was a big success!

We met at 8:30 at the Union Truck Stop and accumulated 16 bodies! Those present were Sam and Teresa C de Baca, Pat and Sue Brady, Jim and Tammy Werkmeister, Joan and Mark Wolf, Romi Hills and Jason Martinez, Mark Harrison, Scot Peak, Jack Sierra, Mark Werkmeister, Tahoe Zahn and Arlene Gardner, a co-worker of Tahoe's.

We headed out at 8:45 and were met by Peter Kirst who had coffee and donuts waiting. We then went over the list of "chores" and decided to split into groups. We hung mini blinds and curtains, repaired and painted steps and railings, enclosed all ramps, repaired baseboards in the kitchen, filled in holes in linoleum, repaired kick panels on doors, put up shelving, cleaned stains on carpet, put down the edging between carpet and linoleum, and tried to get paint off windows. They fed us lunch and did it taste good! We finished our "chores," visited a while, and left before 2 p.m. We had a great time. I hope to have an even bigger turn-out for Feb. 11th!

CALENDAR

February 10, 1995 7 PM	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Wolfs hosting.
February 11, 1995 8:30 AM	2nd Work party at Cuidando Los Ninos
February 25-26	West Texas Outlaws Sand Drags and Obstacle Course. North of Armarillo. Call Carol (281-9581) for more information.
March 3-5, 1995	SWFWDA winter quarterly meeting in Las Cruces, NM
March 10, 1995 7 PM	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Bradys hosting.
March 25-26, 1995	Possible run with the Off Route 66 Four Wheelers in Gallup, NM.
April 8-16, 1995	Moab Easter Jeep Safari, Moab, UT.
April 21, 1995 (Note: not our regular night)	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, C de Bacas hosting.
May 20, 1995	Potluck and meeting at Mark & Debbie Werkmeister's home.
May 27-29, 1995	Eighth Annual NM4W Treasure Hunt.

See the December Trail Tales for the complete calendar.

A New Member?

Congratulations to Matt and Janna Maio! They have a baby girl. Brianna Nicole was born January 27. Everyone is doing fine.

SWFWDA Meeting

The Las Cruces trip is coming up. Be sure to sign up right away if you are planning to attend. Mark Werkmeister has forms if you need one.

Hole in the Rock Reflections

Glynn Trafford

Well, it was going to be hit or miss, whether or not we were going to make it down to Southern Utah. We read about Mark leading the tour to

Hole in the Rock early in October, but we knew our funds wouldn't allow us to travel that far.

But the best laid plans often change. While we were camping up in Idaho and Montana the weather kept getting worse and the nights colder. That, coupled with the memories of the NM4w'ers last year, made us change our route and head down to Hall's Crossing. It took a lot of cajoling to convince Bart that a stock Jeep would make it.

Those three days on the trail were the high point of my trip. Although I can't speak for Bart, I think he feels a lot better, without our getting any damage to the Jeep. After all, I think it was Pat who said, "Down here the sandstone is a lot more forgiving and usually crumbles before the sheet metal."

I had often dreamt of completing trails as legendary as Hole in the Rock, but in a stock vehicle? As we sat around the fire Friday night, listening to stories of the veterans of this trail, and enjoying the company of new friends, it became apparent that tomorrow would be, challenging, if not fun.

On Saturday morning, as we readied ourselves for the journey to trail's end, the cool desert air made me think of the names: Iceberg Canyon, The Chute, Toe Tapper. What had I gotten myself into?

That evening, back at the campfire, we were spinning tales of heroic ventures on deadly sandstone, 100' drop-offs all around, and angles so steep you ended up squinting into the sun. It all seemed, dare I say it, tame? Through the expert guidance and patience of Mark and Pat, not to mention the others, we made it back to the airport, having driven and survived the Hole in the Rock trail.

More and more I look forward to getting out with all of you and tackling new trails. It really gives one a sense of safety. I'd never try this alone. Every time we venture out on the trail I learn so much: disconnecting the anti-sway bar, airing down, and going slow. How the emigrants had to build the trail by hand, over miles and miles of descent, only to use it only once! Looking after the land, respect for the trails, and for other people. The camaraderie and fun that people with so much distance between them can have by getting together and making new friendships and renewing old ones.

President Bill Clinton
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Clinton:

Please replace Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt. Secretary Babbitt's extreme environmental views and attacks on legitimate property rights and outdoor recreationists have got to STOP! His "War on the West" has threatened the way of life for many ranchers and the communities around these ranches. His total disregard for congressional authority is manifested in his "Rangeland Reform '94" proposals. Congress refused to raise grazing fees so he tried to sidestep federal law and illegally raise them through Department of Interior regulations. Ranching not only produces food that we eat, but also provides a stewardship over the land that federal employees can't even dream of providing. No business can afford a 100% increase in expenses .

Mr. Babbitt and his Department of interior (DOI) have now issued proposed regulations to establish procedures for federal recognition of R.S. 2477 rights of way on DOI public land. **What is an R.S. 2477 right-of-way?** Revised Statute 2477 was a federal law passed in 1866 that granted broad rights-of-way over unappropriated federal lands (public land) wherever roads, trails, paths or other common routes existed. The law reads: **"The right of way for the construction of highways over public lands, not reserved for public uses: is hereby granted."** The law remained in effect until its repeal in 1976 for all roads constructed after that date. Roads and trails that can be shown to have existed before 21 October, 1976, can be recognized as **public rights-of-way under the provisions of R.S. 2477.**

These proposed regulations are trying to override existing federal law and ignore numerous court cases that have established the ground rules for R.S. 2477 and far exceed DOI's authority. This is a blatant attempt to assert DOI authority over Congress and the courts. They subvert the Constitution and attack our rights and freedoms. For example, the proposed regulations:

- Establish a 2-year 'sunset' on R.S. 2477 acknowledgments. **It is illegal for a regulation to sunset a law.**
- Would illegally deny access to public lands. **These lands are the property of everyone, not the property of DOI.**
- Set up "administrative determination" to acknowledge the right-of-way. **DOI is setting itself above the law by declaring itself judge and jury, while ignoring existing courts and judges.**
- Acknowledge state law only when it is more restrictive than their proposed regulations. **This selective recognition is out right discrimination and violates states' rights.**

These proposed regulations are so illegal and un-Constitutional that they would not warrant mention if it were anyone else except Bruce Babbitt proposing them. Please tell me why you have not already fired Mr. Babbitt for his "War on the West" and his total disregard for Constitutionally protected state and private property rights.

You are getting bad advice from Mr. Babbitt and his Sierra Club cronies. Talk about trying to make sure you never serve a second term! Mr Babbitt is doing his best to make sure you never even get nominated by Your party for reelection. The purpose of the federal government used to be to protect its citizens from undue rules and regulations. Mr. Babbitt is going out of his way to inflict a tyrannical set of rules on us. THIS MUST STOP NOW.!

Mr. President, you should replace Mr. Babbitt with a Secretary who can work with natural resource users. **Please remove him immediately!**

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Mr. President, nothing could be further from the truth. We who make our living and pursue our recreation in backcountry areas are the true environmentalists. We care very deeply for our natural resources, but believe that man can live in productive harmony with nature.

Secretary Babbitt's "War on the West" and attacks on private property rights must stop. He should be replaced with an Interior Secretary who can work with natural resource users. Please remove Bruce Babbitt as Secretary of Interior prior to the seating of the 104th Congress.

Sincerely,

Plans for Moab

Mark Werkmeister

Some of you have asked about this year's trip to Moab. Here goes.....

I received a copy of this year's trail schedule from Alan Gilmore who got it from John Murdock (a Red Rock member). The trail guide/registration paper should come out during the first two weeks of February. They will not accept registrations until the papers are in the hands of the users.

Pat/Sue and Deb/I will be camping again at the Slickrock campground in Moab this year. They are already taking registrations and are filling up quickly, especially for full hook-ups. This campground has all type of accommodations including tent spaces.

Deb and I will be going up Friday, April 8th, and Pat and Sue are coming up on Saturday morning. We will be staying at the campground through Thursday night. The following is our tentative trail schedule:

- Saturday - To be Determined
- Sunday - Moab Rim (4+)
- Monday - Hell's Revenge (4+)
- Tuesday - Pritchett Canyon (4+) or Golden Spike(4+)
- Wednesday - Metal Masher (4) or Pritchett Canyon (4+)
- Thursday - Fisher Valley/Onion Creek (2+)/Relax

IMPORTANT NOTE: Only Monday's trails (Hell's Revenge) would be run as an official Moab Easter Jeep Safari trail. All the others will be just a club (and friends) run like we did last year. You are welcome to follow us any or all days or sign up for any of the Safari trails that are offered the other days.

On Friday morning, we will be leaving an increasingly crowded Moab for somewhere further south. Option 1 would be the Needles District of Canyonlands to drive Davis and Lavender Canyons (these canyons are being closed soon if not already). Option 2 would be the Arch Canyon area to drive Arch Canyon and Hotel Rock. We would head back to Albuquerque on Sunday morning.

If you have any questions, please call me at 891-0296 in the evening or 893-7775 during the day.

Happy 4 Wheeling!

Raffle Tickets

Mark Werkmeister

By now you should have tickets for the 1995 SWFWDA Annual Raffle. Please sell them to your friends, and you might want to buy some for yourself. The list of prizes this year is long and sure to put a smile on the face of a four wheeler or other outdoor enthusiast. The prizes:

A set of tires	B.F. Goodrich
A 9000# winch	Ramsey
A locking differential	Powertrax/Lock Right
A set of hubs	Milemarker
Shocks and limiting straps	Superlift
10% discount on a suspension kit	Rocky Mountain Suspension
Off road lights	Hella
A subscription to 4 Wheel Drive Sport Utility	McMullen & Yee Publishing
A towstrap	Atlas Sling
A set of seat covers	Wet Okole
\$200 Gift certificate	Tuffy Products
Nerf Bars	Smittybilt
2 sets of Rock Sliders	GDM
Driving Lights, Tie down straps, Super siphons, Jerry cans, Hi-Lift jack, and more.....	

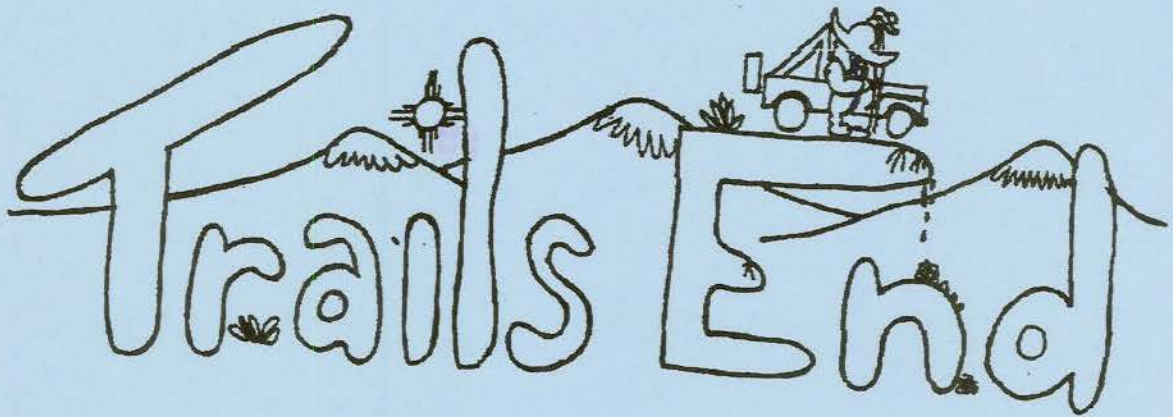
Please work hard to sell these tickets as this raffle is the major fund-raiser for the year for the Association. Without its success, SWFWDA's voice can't be heard at the United convention, land use conference, etc.

Please mail the ticket stubs for the drawings, the money, or any unsold tickets back to me by Feb. 25th. All tickets must be accounted for so please get them back to me to me so I can take them to Las Cruces. -

TWO IMPORTANT NOTES:

(1) Make sure you keep the correct half of the ticket. The large end must be sent back with the money to go into the barrel for the drawing. The buyer keeps the small end (the stapled end).

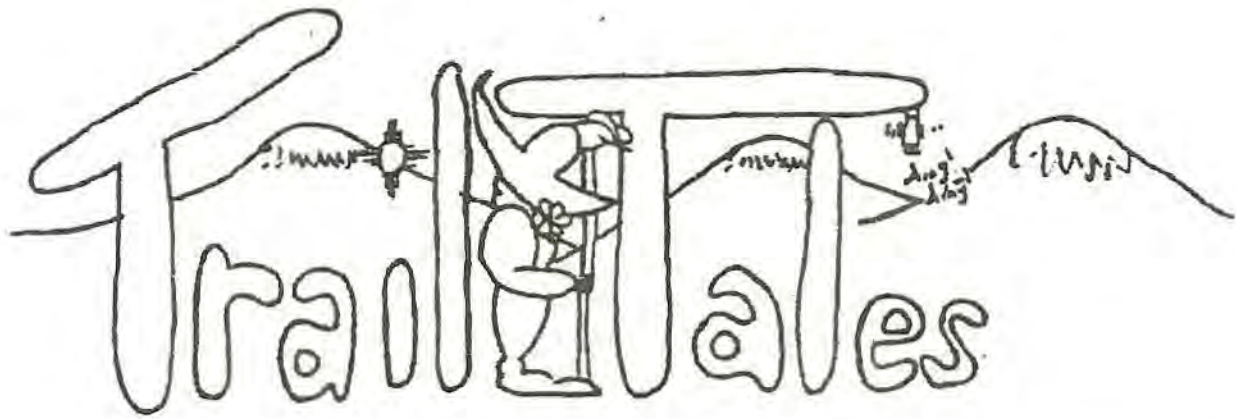
(2) If you need more tickets, please call me and I will get some to you.



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OUR LAST MEETING

The room was full at our last meeting. A big welcome to our several guests. We hope that you will come again! In fact, come often enough to earn the points needed for membership. The guests signing our list were: Alan and Betty Monsees, Rick Frick, Jim Bogess, Mary and Paul Thompson, Gary and Julie McKim, Kevin Cox, Bob Norton, and Tom Hurt. Members who attended were: Sam C de Baca, Mark and Debbie Werkmeister, Mark Harrison, Joan and Mark Wolf, Rob Ahlbrant and Kristi and Matt, Tahoe Zahn, Phil and Carol Kennicott, Sue and Pat Brady, Trae and Shay Mead, Jim Werkmeister, Nick Coleman, and Dick Yokshus.

Sue Brady gave the treasurer's report. There is \$1,027.06 in the treasury at the present time. \$26.50 of that amount came from the cans that we have collected and the patches that have been sold.

The secretary read the minutes and they were approved.

Sam C de Baca has been given a large amount of aluminum license plates which he will donate to the club.

Mark Harrison, the environmental chair, suggested that the club pick up trash at the Tent Rocks BLM area. The club decided by vote not to do so. The club did not wish to subsidize BLM.

President Mark Werkmeister gave his report. He stated that the Blue Ribbon Coalition will send a 3 month subscription to their newsletter if you are interested. Mark reminded us to turn in the stubs to the raffle tickets by March 2. The committees for our SWFWDA meeting in Silverton should be working hard by now and should get their information as to the progress being made to Mark Werkmeister

Pat Brady gave a trip report on the mystery run. See the whole story under Pat's byline.

Sue Brady gave a report on the first work day at Cuidando Los Ninos. See Sue's report on the second work day at Cuidando Los Ninos.

Sam C de Baca sold raffle tickets. Phil Kennicott won \$17 and the other \$17 went into the club treasury

OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next club meeting will be at Heights Cumberland Church at 7:30 on March March 10, 1995. Pat and Sue Brady are hosts.

DO YOU KNOW?

That Sam C de Baca has club patches for your jackets or decals for your vehicle for sale? See Sam and show your colors.

That we now have 33 voting members and 13 associate members? Our by-laws limit the voting members to 40 family units.

That our club sells raffle tickets at the meetings and that one half of the take goes to the treasury and the other half to some lucky ticket holder?

That the meeting room is donated to our club by Heights Cumberland Church?

That our club is hosting the SWFWDA summer meeting in Silverton, Colorado in July and that you can volunteer to help on the various committees?

That it takes only 5 points to become eligible for club membership?

That many road closures happen because we are lax in our letter writing campaigns?

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ALUMINUM CANS

Our club saves and recycles aluminum cans. Bring your aluminum cans to each meeting, and Michael Brown will take them to the recycling center. Money from sale of the cans goes into our club treasury.

SCRAPBOOKS

Historian Teresa C de Baca is in need of pictures taken on events sponsored or attended by the New Mexico 4-Wheelers. If you have some good pictures you can part with, please let Teresa have them for our scrapbooks.

NOTE TO NON-MEMBERS: If you've been receiving the Trail Tales but have not attended a meeting or run, you may have noticed a number beside your name on the mailing label. We send the Trail Tales to prospective members for three months, and we number them. When you see a "3" by your name, that should alert you that you'll be dropped from our mailing list unless we hear from you. Visitors are always welcome at any New Mexico 4-wheelers event or outing. So check us out!

MEETINGS

Meetings are held the second Friday at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy (East of Wyoming) at 7:00 PM. The church loans us the Senior High Room. We are reminded that this is a church and we must act accordingly (e.g., no smoking or drinking). We must remain in the Senior High Room and should not wander throughout the church. Children must stay with their parents at all times.

Articles and planned events should be submitted to Trail Tales, PO Box 633, Sandia Park, NM 87047, as far in advance as possible. This newsletter is mailed on the 1st day of each month. Information should be received by the 25th of the previous month to insure publication.

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Mail to: Trail Tales, PO Box 633, Sandia Park, NM 87047, or call Carol Kennicott at 281-9581 & give her the change over the phone.

CALENDAR

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June ??, 1995	Potluck and Meeting at the Coleman's home.
June ??, 1995	Weekend run to the Silver City area led by the Meads.
July ??, 1995	Potluck and meeting (Election of officers) at the Peake's home.
July 20-23, 1995	SWFWDA Annual (Summer) Meeting, NM4W hosting, Silverton, CO.
August ??, 1995	Potluck and Meeting at Jim and Tammy Werkmeister's home.
September ??, 1995	Potluck and Meeting at the Brady's home.
September 7-10, 1995.	Runs on Medano Pass (Gilmores) and Mt. Blanca (M. Werkmeisters), Alamosa, CO.

Best wishes to Jim Trojcak who is expected to have surgery next week.

NINE MILE HILL SAND RUN

Mark Wolf

On Saturday, February 18, thirteen vehicles (too lengthy to list here) gathered to have some fun in the "sand box" on Nine Mile Hill. Tahoe and I set up some interesting courses for a little "friendly" competition. There was an obstacle course that

included some tight turns, uphill, and of course downhill. Everyone tried the run while Carol Kennicott videotaped it. It was fun! Pat Brady nearly got beat by a stock six cylinder vehicle. Seems automatic transmissions were a benefit. I even managed to get the Jeepster on two wheels. Oh, what a feeling!

The next two courses were a reverse and blind mans (divorce) race. Everyone tried, once again, to beat the clock. Jim Werkmeister and Kevin Cox tried to get tricky and remove or open their tailgates. The trick was only partly successful. The person who came closest to a stake at the end of the course had points added. This was determined by measuring from the farthest point behind the vehicle. Jim forgot that when the tailgate is open, it sticks out pretty far! We had lunch and then ran the blind mans race. This was interesting. Have you ever tried to go straight when blind folded?

All-in-all it was a beautiful day and I think everyone enjoyed themselves. If you want to know who won the events, be at the next meeting to see who gets to experience the "sweet taste" of success.

Participants were Pat and Sue Brady (in separate vehicles), Jim and Tammy Werkmeister, Mark Werkmeister and his daughter Jennifer, Dick Yokshus, Mark Harrison, Jason Martinez, Phil and Carol Kennicott, Kevin Cox, Tom Hurt, Tahoe Zahn, Bob Norton, and Pork Chop.

Work Party

Sue Brady

Our second work day at Cuidando Los Ninos went well. The turnout wasn't as good, but we accomplished a lot. Those present were: Mark Harrison, Mark Werkmeister, Mark and Joan Wolf, Trae Mead, Tahoe Zahn, Arlene Martin (Tahoe's friend), and Pat and Sue Brady.

We were met by Bobby Bingham with the list of things to do. She pointed the way and off we went.

Mark and Joan Wolf stabilized and painted the sand box. Pat Brady and Mark Werkmeister refenced the air conditioning units; Tahoe and Arlene sanded and painted benches; Mark Harrison mended screens to be put back up; he and Trae covered gaps in the bases of the buildings and mended some fence. Arlene,

Bobby, and I helped in the nursery. The ceiling was being painted, so we helped Joe. We moved and covered furniture for half the room, then did it again for the other half.

We broke for lunch and discussions, then back to work. I learned how to put up mini blinds with the help of Ariene; Then all of us put the nursery back together and cleaned up.

Thank you all for two jobs well done.

Mystery Trip (January 28 1995)

Pat Brady

This trip started out like most of our other trips.... We left the Union 76 station at 9:10 with 11 vehicles. Off to Bernalillo to pick-up six more or so I thought. When we got to NM 44 and 528, only three were there; my wife and two visitors were not there. What to do? Well, the rules say... if you're late we'll be gone....Soooo don't be late. (This got me in trouble later....) The next stop was San Ysidro, to top off and get more coffee and other such necessities. About 2 miles out of San Ysidro there is a gate with a very friendly sign that said "PLEASE CLOSE GATE"; this would be the start of a very bad day for me and the club. We entered there and I lead the club down to the first low spot to lock in and get the names of all that were here, when the first call came from my Tail-GUNNER (he really should learn to use that thing more often) some one did not want us to use this road. After a short radio discussion we were allowed to continue. I lead the club over to WSA boundary to show them what they were missing by not being involved and protecting the roads that cross this area. As we headed back to continue our trip a call came across the radio from the "late" comers; I sent my Tail-Gunner to get them and show them the way. I lead the rest of the club over to a small hill with a road to the top to wait for the "late" ones. My wife was one of the late ones and she was NOT happy with me for "leaving" her. This discussion went on for a short while UNTIL this red and white Ford truck came bouncing up. I will not go into much detail here as this is still under investigation by the BLM, but I will note that when I went down to report this to the local office they were not able to tell me if we were on private or public land. We left the area the same way we came in. As always there is more than one way to skin a cat; we went the long way around to the lynch spot. We all talked a lot

about what went through, and hopefully this will help get us involved in protecting what is ours.

We left to go try our luck at a spot along the pipe line maintenance road that has a real good climb on it. I suggested over the radio that only "locked" vehicles should try this spot. Seven wanted to try. When we got to the bottom, one bowed out right away. Jim Boggess and his Dad aired down and went right up after some minor road work. The next to try was this white Cherokee....He started out OK but right after he got across the hard spot he seem to bog down and was not be able to move forward. More road building and he moved forward only a little bit; some more road building and still no gain on the hill. It became apparent that the only way up was to be strapped..... but one strap was not long enough. Two were put together, and it still was not long enough. The winch was brought out, and that worked to pull Jim up over the top (ding, ding, ding). I tried next, and it took some work to get up because I did not let enough air out of the tires. Tom Hurt was next and he needed some help in placing rocks to lift up the rear differential to get over the rocks in the center of the road. Bob Burns tried with "JUNK" (Jeep). He made several valiant tries to get up the hill, but without the help from a "locker" all he was able to do was to slide off the road. He had to back down. The last vehicle to try was the Toyota driven by Dave Harding who was open both front and rear; he also was not able to make it. We left to go on a scenic drive for the rest of the day (I was still in the dog house) over to another WSA boundary where guess what ... another rancher thought we were not where we were supposed to be. After showing him the WSA boundary and entrance he quietly left. The rest of the day was spent driving the pipe line road out to San Luis and then back to town. The members on this trip were: Jim Werkmeister, Dave Harding, Jeremy, Rachel and Kate Sommer, Dick and Louise Yokshus, Jack Lobdell, Bob Bums, Tom Hurt, Nick Coleman, Trae Mead, Tahoe Zahn, Mark Werkmeister and Jennifer and Pat and Sue Brady. Guests: Jim Boggess and his Dad, Nathan Cox and Family, Jim and Nadya Boone. Steven Anderson and Family, Carol Cadieux, Arlene Martin, Alan Duda and his friend Susan.

CHRISTMAS TREE RUN

Tahoe Zahn

We met at the usual meeting place on December 10, 1994 to wait for the others who would come. While we waited, Tray Mead wanted to track down a noise that he heard from the back of his Bronco. With all the experts there to lend their ears, it was decided that the noise came from his rear axle. With that information in hand, he decided to not take a chance and went home to investigate the noise.

The rest of us left with myself in the unprepared lead. We picked up more of the group outside of Bernalillo. We waited for my guests, Tye & Vicki Jones. After about 5 minutes, they pulled in behind the rest and we were off for the "snow" to play and cut trees.

We got to the area where we were supposed to start seeing some snow but it was dry. We all agreed to keep going and eventually got into some snow on the road that got deeper as we went along.

Mark Werkmeister and Mark Wolf found a place to turn off that looked promising for trees. The rest of us kept on the road to find a place to play in the snow. After 20 or so minutes we came to a spot that looked like it would work.

The group pulled off the road at a crossroads and out came the tubes and sleds. They say that we are all children at heart and that day sure proved

it. While Pat, Mark, and a few others went off to check out some roads, we let the children in us out for awhile to play. I didn't know that plastic toboggans go better backwards than forward.

After the explorers came back, out came the campstoves and hot chocolate was made. The 2 lumberjacks finally called on the radio to say that they were done and would be leaving from the tree cut area and going on back to town. The rest of us decided to leave as well. We started back out the way we came and hit the road about a half hour later.

Tye and Vicki said that they were going on the Pecos to get their tree because their permit was from that area. I went over some rules with them about when they should be back before someone went out looking for them. They said OK and went off on their own. They called that evening that they got a tree, played, and got back to their home well within the safety time frame. All in all it was a nice trip even if there was not a lot of snow.

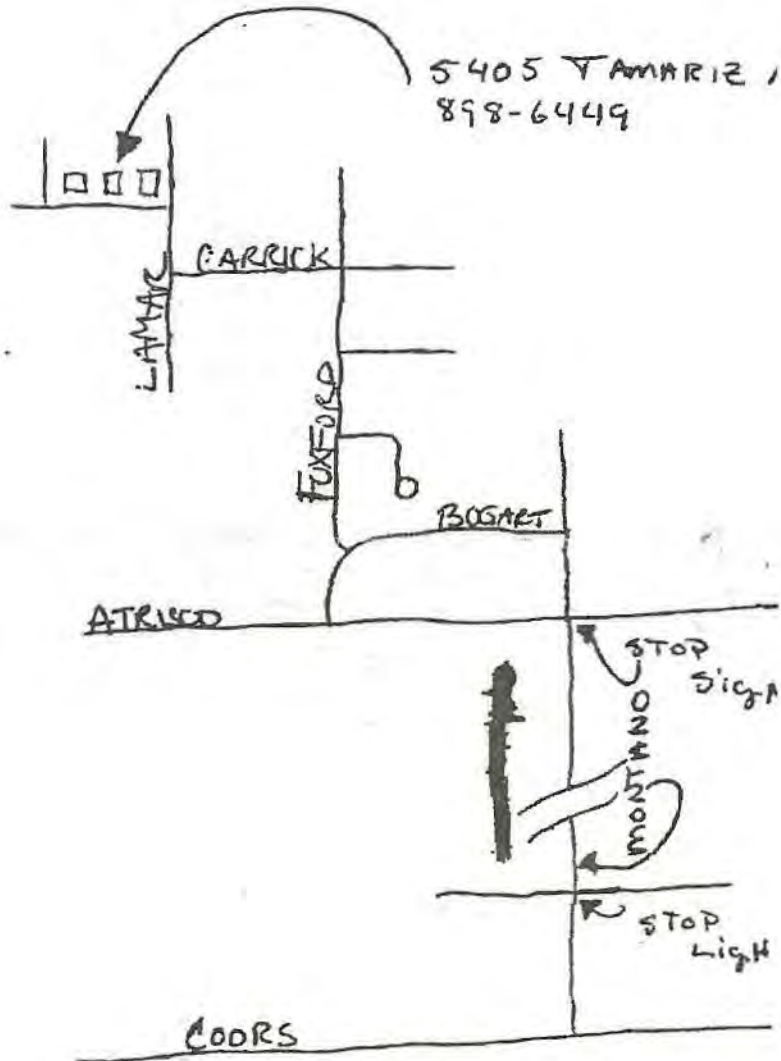
The ones that made it for the run were Tahoe & girls (leading), Pat & Sue Brady, Mark & Debra Werkmeister, Mark (Porkchop) Wolf, Mark Harrison & friend, Jack & Glinda Lobdell, Scott & Rana Peake, and Jack & Stella Sierra. Better snow next year!

COME ONE COME ALL TO THE PRE-MOAB PARTY

GREAT FOOD GREAT FOLKS AND GREAT VIDEOS.

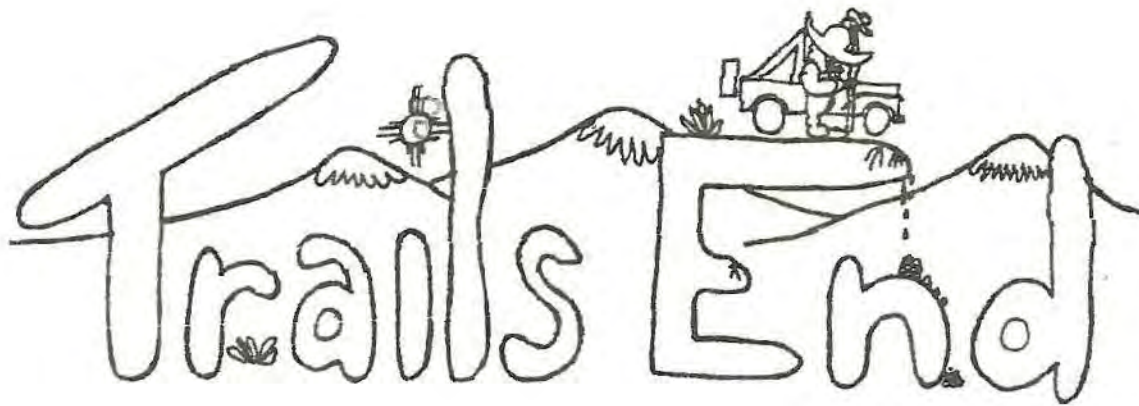
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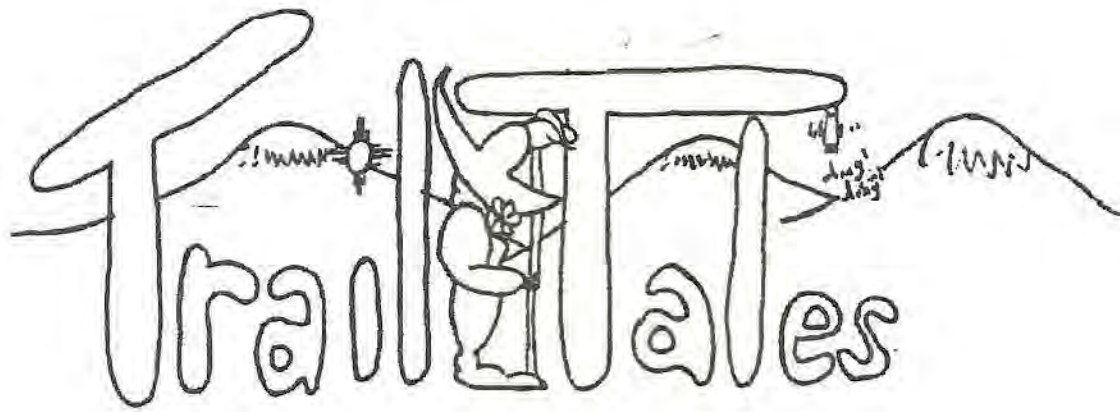
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*****NOTICE*****

At our last meeting several children were in attendance. While we love to have children attend our meetings, they must stay with their parents in the meeting room. Some of the children left the meeting room and roamed the church unescorted at our last meeting. We will lose our convenient and free spot if parents do not keep their children inside the room. Children going to the rest rooms must have a parent with them.

OUR LAST MEETING

We have a new member. Tom Hurt has the points and now is an official member. Let's all make him welcome.

We had a good turn-out at our last meeting. Those attending were Bob Ahlbrandt, Chuck and Sandy Bednarski, Mark Harrison, Wes and Cay Moore and boys, Jim Werkmeister, Trae and Shay Mead, Kevin Cox, Dick Yokshus, Sam and Teresa C de Baca, Joan and Mark Wolf, Phil and Carol Kennicott, Pat and Sue Brady, Tom Hurt, Bob and Andrea Burns, and Mark, Deb, and Jennifer Werkmeister. Guests attending were: Bob Telepak, Arne Gjerring, and Austin Armstrong

We discussed plans for the summer SWFWDA meeting; reports were given by the various chair people. Trip reports were given, the minutes were read and approved, and the treasurer said that we now have \$806.02 in the treasury. \$200 was voted as the amount to be spent on the Treasure Hunt, which is being organized by Sam C de Baca, Tahoe Zahn, and Joe Cushing. The winners were announced for the Dunes Play led by Mark Wolf. Pat Brady had the best time on the forward obstacle, Kevin Cox had the best time on the reverse, and Mark Werkmeister and

Tom Hurt had the best time on the blind man's or divorce race.

NOTICE

Please register by April 21 if you plan to participate in the Club's Annual Treasure Hunt. Let Sam, Tahoe or Joe know your plans if you are coming. Fee is \$10.

NOTICE:

There will be a run on April 29. Check the calendar for details

OUR NEXT MEETING

April 21 is the date of our next meeting which will be held at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 7 PM. The hosts will be Sam and Teresa C de Baca

Las Cruces.

by Carol Kennicott

Our club had 15 member vehicles at the SWFWDA Winter Quarterly. We had more members than any club, other than the hosting club. There were 137 vehicles in attendance, with 240 people. The runs were well organized, the weather just fine, and the food was great. I didn't hear a single complaint. This year the runs were well rated, and the people that I spoke with were pleased. A big thank you to all those hard working Los Cruces club members!

For Sale:

Dana 35 C rear axle for a Jeep Cherokee; 3.08 & 4.11 gears. Complete drum to drum. \$200.00
Jason 892-9411 ☐

CALENDAR

April 1, 1995	Pre-Moab party at Bradys. See March Trail Tales for map.
April 8-16, 1995	Moab Easter Jeep Safari, Moab, UT.
April 21, 1995 7 PM (Note: not our regular night)	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, C de Bacas hosting.
April 29, 1995 8AM	Mark Wolf is planning a run to Water Canyon. Meet at the Union 76 Station on University and Menaul.
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September ??, 1995	Potluck and Meeting at the Brady's home.
September 7-10, 1995	Runs on Medano Pass (Gilmores) and Mt. Blanca (M. Werkmeisters), Alamosa, CO.
October 13, 1995	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Kennicotts hosting.
October ??, 1995	Run in the Magdalena area led by Mark Wolf.
November 10, 1995	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Zahns hosting.
December 8, 1995	Christmas Party and Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

New Trail in the Jemez

Mark Werkmeister

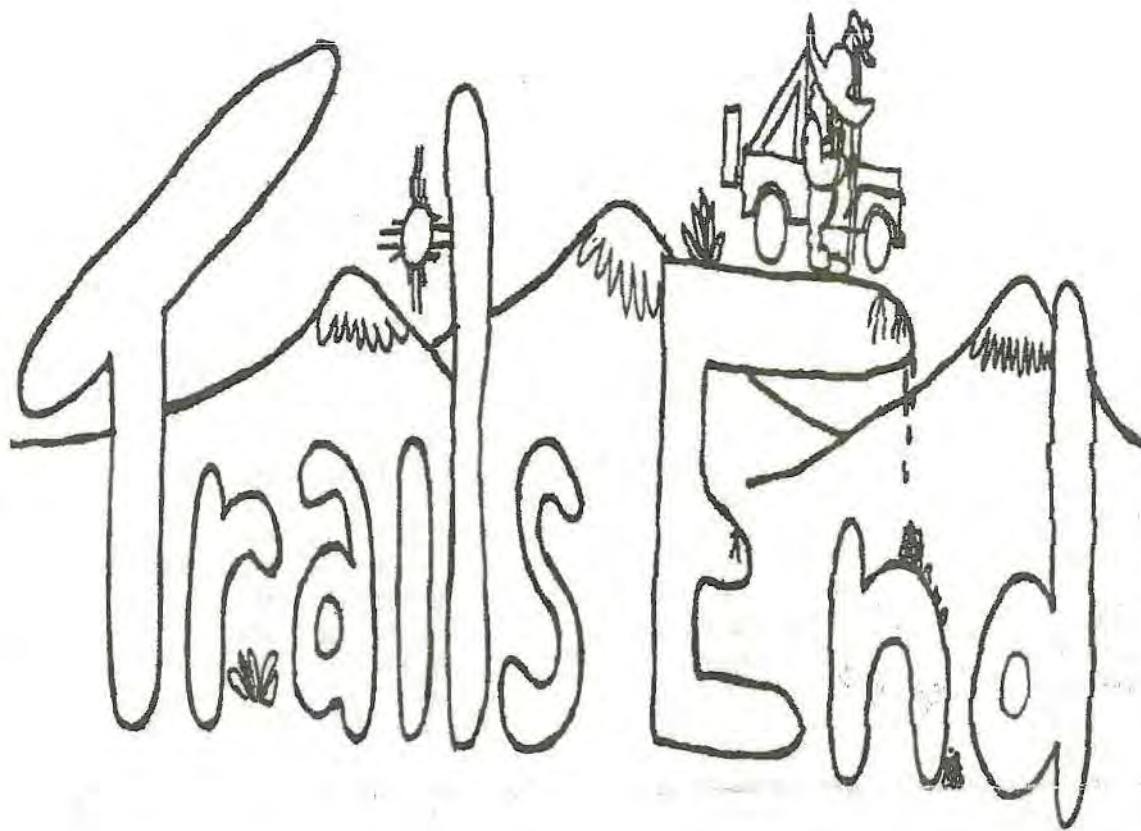
The New Mexico Four Wheelers did what we do best on Saturday, March 24. We went four wheeling! After meeting at the usual time and place, we headed north up the Interstate. This trip was planned as various things as the months have rolled by: a trip to the Gallup area, an overnight to Water Canyon, and a fossil hunting trip in the Rio Puerco. Unfortunately, all of those plans fell through for one reason or the other, so it was time to pull the backup trail out of our hip pocket and go for it! Those willing to throw unpredictable weather and prior planning aside and go for the unplanned experience were Pat and Sue, Tahoe, Trae and friends, Jason and Romi, Tom H., Carol Kennicott and daughter, the Peake family, guest Chris Spaulding, and Jennifer and me in the lead vehicle.

The backup trail was first run on December 31st by Pat and me, and, although we had wanted to check out its entire length before revealing it to the club, this seemingly trailless Saturday seemed to be the opportune time. Well, where was it? We call it the La Ventana Mesa trail, which means we headed up toward Cuba where the old highway splits off from the current route. Up the hill, the first right, and we were at the trail head. This is a scenic trail, somewhat similar in nature to areas around Arch Canyon. The trail features a combination of trees, high mesa walls, deep canyons, and great views of the Cabezon Peak area. We were able to continue past the slick downhill that caused Pat and me to turn around on our exploration trip and reached a small clearing for lunch and the first turnaround of the day. After lunch we backtracked up to the mesa top, followed the second branch as FAR as we could go, and then called it a day.

In addition to a fine day of four wheeling and exploration, our travels led us to believe that this trail probably connects to the ridge-line road in the western-most Jemez. Pat and I are planning to check and see just as soon as the spring season unlocks some gates and allows us to track the end down from the Jemez side. Another loop road would make a fine addition to our four wheeling in the western Jemez.

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The minutes were read and approved. Sue Brady stated that the treasury now has \$668.52. Sam C de Baca added \$30.00 for aluminum plates that he recycled and \$10.00 for decals which he had recently sold. Mark Werkmeister asked if anyone would like to go back to Farmington. Let him know. Sam mentioned that there are members who would like some runs planned for Sundays as they cannot attend on Saturdays. Talk to Jason about his allen head bolts that have come loose.

There was considerable good-natured ribbing about fines levied at Moab. The treasury will be a lot fatter when Mark Werkmeister, Jim Werkmeister, Wes Moorc, Mark Harrison, Bill Wallace, Jason Martinez, John Bell, and Phil Kennicott all pay their fines.

John Bell received the most fines. Listed below are just a few of his transgressions. He was fined for delay of trip, for following Phil Collard, for crushing the cow bell, for attempting to bribe the sheriff, and for breaking into his motor home. Ask him in person about the other 9 infractions.

NOTICES:

Pat Brady has flyers on the Spring SWFWDA meeting May 6, 1995. It will be in Brookeland, TX. Call Pat if you are interested.

FUTURE PLANS:

Our eighth Annual Treasure Hunt will be held Memorial Day weekend. See map and directions to camping spot. Fill in and return registration form to Sam C de Baca with your \$10.00 fee per vehicle.

SWFWDA in Silverton Colorado

July 20-23

As most of you know by now we will host the summer meeting. Plans are coming along.

Sue Brady has found a caterer who will supply the food for \$6.00 a person. This will be done by the American Legion Post in Silverton. Sue Brady needs a head count by July 1, 1995. On July 8 and 9 there will be a pre-run to Silverton to get prepared.

Our next meeting

Our meetings are going outside. Once again we are returning to our monthly program of pot lucks as we do each year when the weather warms up. The operating procedure is that each family brings a dish to share--meat, salad or desert. We bring our own plates, silver, cups, and a folding chair if possible. See map for directions to Mark and Deb Werkmeisters for the May meeting.

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Pre-Moab Party Sue Brady

The annual pre-Moab part was a pig-out success! Lots of people and lots more food. There was good conversation, good video, and great friends. After we "pot lucked," the men retired to the living room to watch 4 wheeling videos and us women folk sat in the kitchen and talked about the men... Thanks to all who came and to those who couldn't, wish you could have. AND... Moab was great!

8TH ANNUAL TREASURE HUNT Tahoe Zahn

The club's 8th Annual Treasure Hunt will be held on Memorial Day weekend, 27, 28 & 29 May. All members and guests of the New Mexico 4-Wheelers are cordially invited. Registration for this year's event will be \$10.00 per participating vehicle and registration will be taken up to the day of the event, but early registration would be very helpful due to the events that are planned.

This year's event will be held, as it was last year, in the Jemez Mountains, near the site of Porter (see attached map). The club will be camping Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. The campsite will be primitive (no services) but has plenty of room for tents, trailers and motor homes.

To get to the campsite, take I25 to Bernalillo, go left on Highway 44 to San Ysidro, and take Highway 4 north to the junction of Highway 485 (just past Canon) on the left. Highway 485 drops

down, crosses the Jemez River on a 1/2 lane bridge, then weaves its way through Gilman. Follow the highway through the Gilman Tunnels until it turns to gravel as Forest Road 376. Stay on Forest Road 376 all the way to Porter (approx. 6-7 miles). Nothing is left at Porter, but 376 makes a sharp right turn and crosses the Rio de las Vacas on a concrete bridge. Just before the bridge, take a left on Forest Road 534. We will have signs up at the turnoff from Porter directing you the rest of the way to the campsite. See the map on the last page.

For those coming up early, we can have some impromptu runs if you know where you want to go.

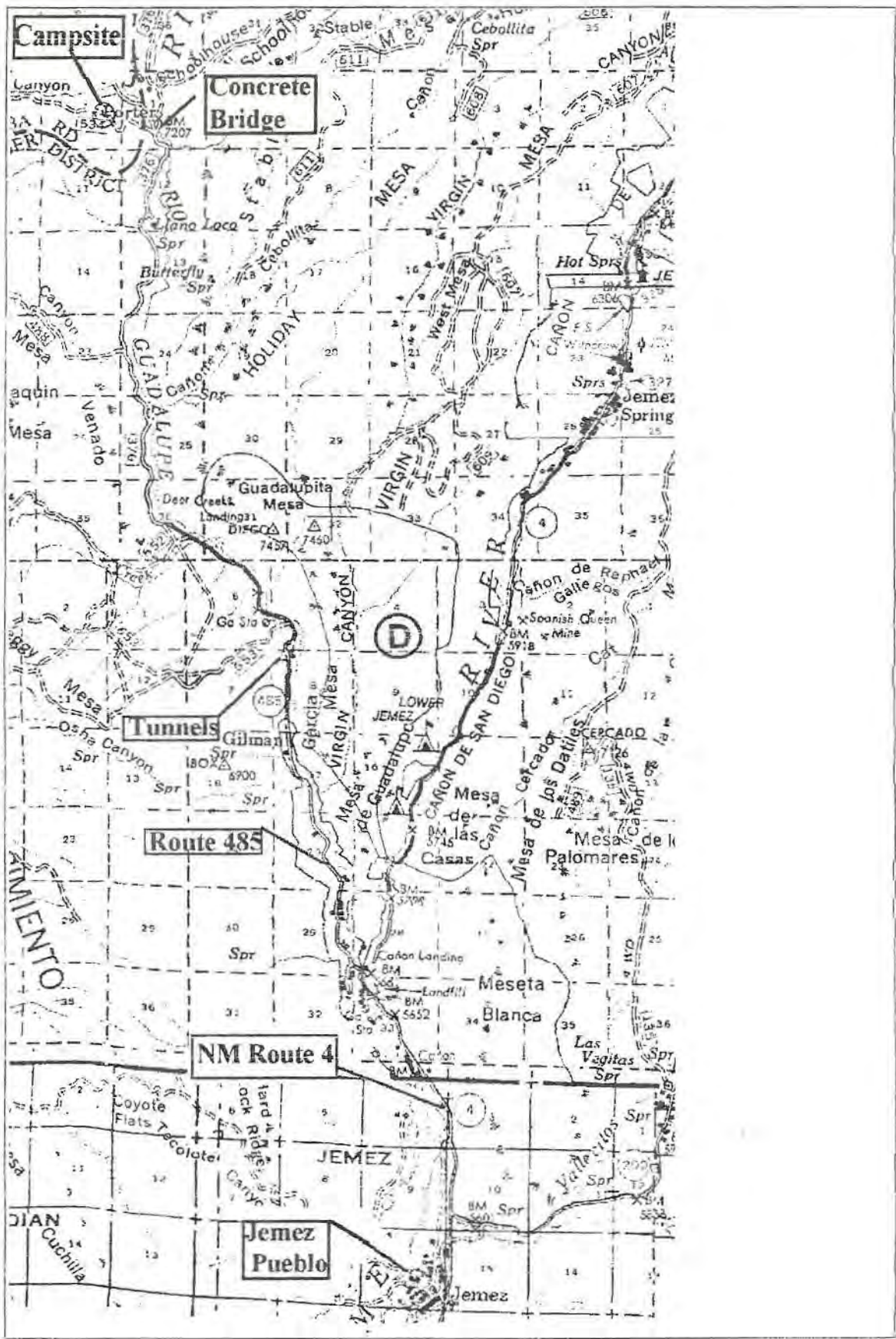
On Saturday, we will have the opportunity to go on some sightseeing runs and possibly a reflector run that night but we will have the obligatory bonfire. On Sunday, we will hold the treasure hunt. It will be a road rally type of format, but we with all participants staying in the order of registration to the sites of the treasure chests. In order to find your chest, you must have a working knowledge of how to use a compass! The compass that you will need for the hunt will be provided for your use during the hunt. The four wheeling will be easy enough for a stock vehicle.

On Sunday evening after the hunt, we will be holding a potluck dinner (similar to our summer meetings) but we will provide the meat (burgers and hot-dogs) but request the you bring side-dishes and desserts.

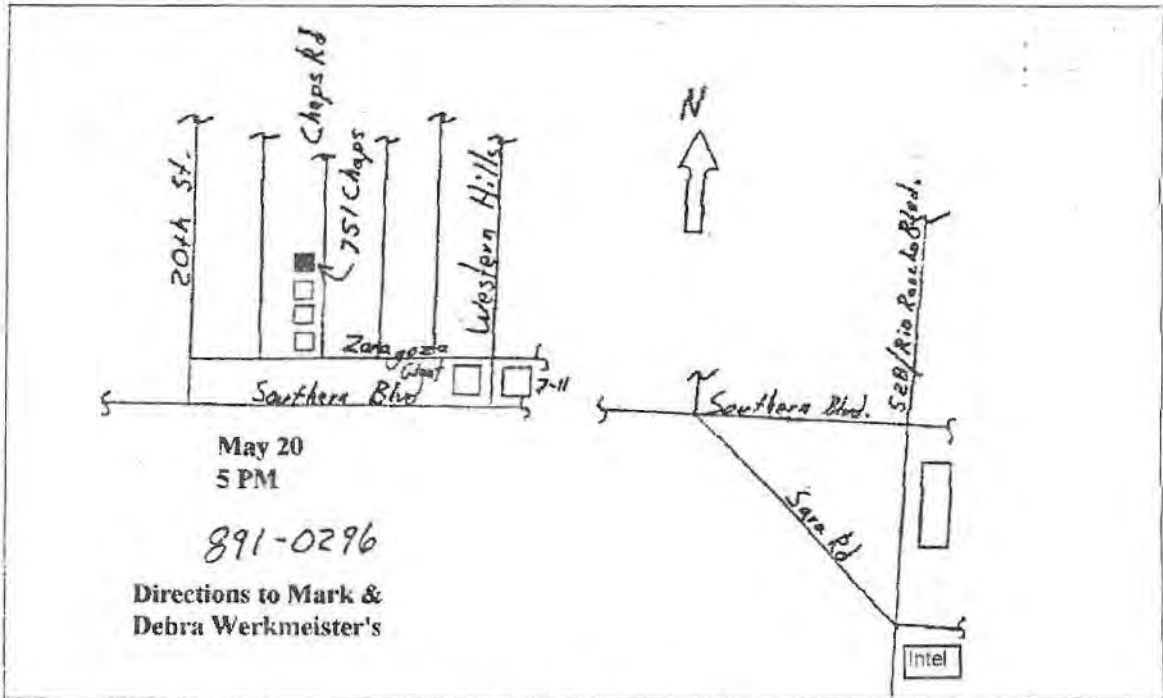
So come on out and join the club on what has traditionally been our largest event of the year and this year will prove to be no different. It will be a relaxing and laid-back fun for the entire family.

For further information, call Tahoe Zahn @ 265-2522, Joe Cushing @ 271-2973 or Sam C DeBaca @ 471-2180. Area codes are the same for all three @ 505.

Hope to see you all there.



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8th Annual Treasure Hunt

Memorial Day Weekend
May 27, 28, and 29, 1995
Jemez Mountain Area

Cost: \$10.00

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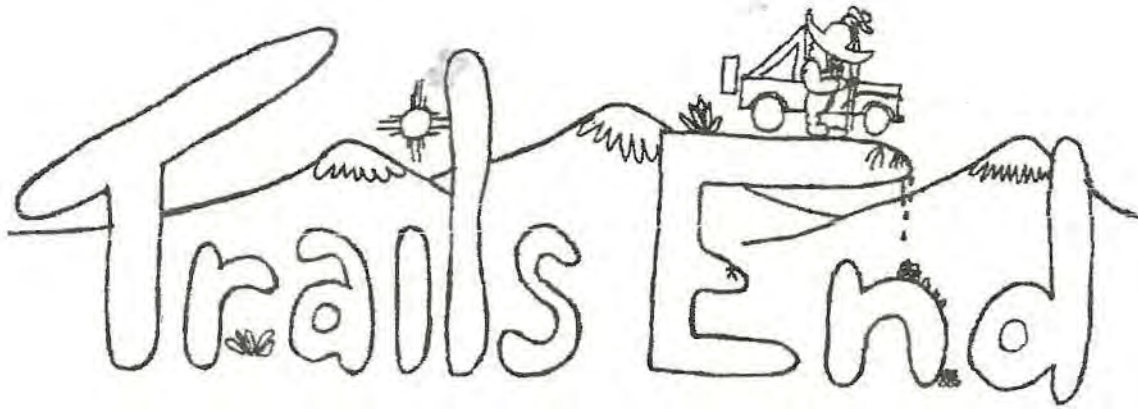
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June

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OUR LAST MEETING:

Our last meeting was held at the Werkmeisters. We had our usual sooper dooper pot luck, and the meeting was short. There was plenty of time to visit and talk 4 wheeling. People were treated to a view of Mark's new Scrambler in process of being rebuilt. It was a T-shirt night. Mark presented Pat and Sue Brady T shirts saying, "Finally a Jeep" now that they belong to the Jeep Brotherhood. Mark Werkmeister and Pat Brady recieved shirts saying " Chip and Dale" as they are now Rescue Rangers

Those members attending the fun were: Mark Wolf, Deb, Mark and Jennifer Werkmeister, Jim and Tammy Werkmeister, Kevin Cox, Wes, Cay, Dakota, and Colton Moore, Tahoe Zahn, Tray and Shay Mead, Jack and Glinda Lobdell, Pat and Sue Brady, Romi Hills and Jason Martinez, and Phil and Carol Kennicott.

We had several guests: John Monahan, Bob Norton, Arne Gjerning, Charlie and Joel Wilson, Garry Brown, Derren Owen, Bonnie Bannigan and Kasey Pavioni. Welcome one and all.

Sue Brady gave the treasurer's report. She said that the treasury now has \$770.42

Check your earned points and be ready to compare them with the list that Sheriff Pat Brady will have at our next meeting.

Run to Silver City Area.

The Meads will lead a run to the Silver City area on June 24 and 25. It will be a camp-over. A likely place to camp is Snow Lake. Trae and Shay will go down on June 23 to scout out the trails. Call Trae for more details at 291-8162

PRE-RUN TO SILVERTON, CO

There will be a pre-run to Silverton on July 8&9. Talk to Mark Werkmeister or Pat Brady for details.

OUR NEXT MEETING JUNE 10

Our next meeting will be at the Wolf's home at 5 PM on June 10 at 8617 Las Camas in Albuquerque. (See map) It will be a pot luck. Bring either main dish, salad or dessert. Bring your own plates and silver service. Bring folding chairs if you can.

THE RESCUE RANGERS:

Never think that club members are not ready and willing to do a good deed. Pat Brady received a call that Bicom O'Neil's Dodge was stuck in the Jemez Mountains. Pat and Mark Werkmeister hopped in their trucks and soon made an easy recovery. A grateful stuckee made a \$100.00 dollar donation to the Rescue Rangers, and they in turn donated this amount to our club treasury. WAY TO GO GUYS AND THANKS

THANKS SAM, JOE, AND TAHOE

All those members and guests who attended our club's 8th Annual Treasure Hunt had one great weekend. Though the weather didn't always cooperate it didn't slow us down one bit. Sam C De Baca, Joe Cushing, and Tahoe Zahn deserve a **GREAT BIG THANK YOU** for all their hard work. Tahoe says that he and Sam will have a complete trip report ready for the next Trail Tales.

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ALUMINUM CANS

Our club saves and recycles aluminum cans. Bring your aluminum cans to each meeting, and Michael Brown will take them to the recycling center. Money from sale of the cans goes into our club treasury.

SCRAPBOOKS

Historian Teresa C de Baca is in need of pictures taken on events sponsored or attended by the New Mexico 4-Wheelers. If you have some good pictures you can part with, please let Teresa have them for our scrapbooks.

NOTE TO NON-MEMBERS: If you've been receiving the Trail Tales but have not attended a meeting or run, you may have noticed a number beside your name on the mailing label. We send the Trail Tales to prospective members for three months, and we number them. When you see a "3" by your name, that should alert you that you'll be dropped from our mailing list unless we hear from you. Visitors are always welcome at any New Mexico 4-wheelers event or outing. So check us out!

MEETINGS

Meetings are held the second Friday at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy (East of Wyoming) at 7:00 PM. The church loans us the Senior High Room. We are reminded that this is a church and we must act accordingly (e.g., no smoking or drinking). We must remain in the Senior High Room and should not wander throughout the church. Children must stay with their parents at all times.

Articles and planned events should be submitted to Trail Tales, PO Box 633, Sandia Park, NM 87047, as far in advance as possible. This newsletter is mailed on the 1st day of each month. Information should be received by the 25th of the previous month to insure publication.

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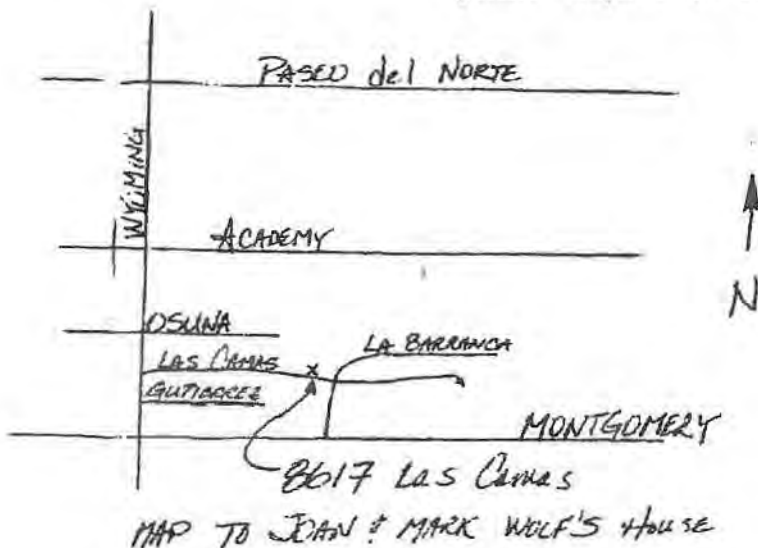
You can find a form in the latest 4 Wheel Drive Lines to register for the summer SWFWDA camp-out and meeting in Silverton, Co.

CAROL HAS INFO.

Carol has information mailed to her from other clubs which she brings to meetings. If you are interested in runs led by other clubs ask her. For example: The Cliff Hangers will have a run to Pikes Peak over the 4th of July weekend.

Jason Martinez Memorial Trail
BY MARK WOLF

Saturday, April 29th about twelve vehicles lined up at the usual meeting location on a beautiful day for four wheeling. We headed out at 8:30 A.M. and ended up in Rio Rancho with a total of fourteen vehicles (Sorry I forgot to bring an attendance sheet). We all drove out to the end of Southern and locked our hubs and aired down the tires. After some playing on the sand hill (where we found out STOCK, small-tired, open-differential vehicles faired pretty well behind a *determined driver*) we set out for the trail. The steep down hill, that caused Jason to get his name attached to this trail, caused some tightness in the seat near the bottom, but everyone made it with no trouble. It seems that no one likes off-camber, down hill slides to the left (except Jim Werkmeister, maybe!). We continued on until we reached "Windmill" hill and there we had lunch and played on the sand hill for a while. We then headed west down the wash (OK!, arroyo) and ended up on a trail that made a large loop to the north and eventually back on the leg leading up the escarpment. It was a fun day and I believe everyone had some fun. I was glad, because I had not spent enough time pre-running this trail and got turned around more than once. All-in-all it was a great day, because even a bad day "wheelin" is better than any day working!! I believe we may even have recovered a long lost cow bell and found a couple of nominees as possible recipients of the "coveted" award!



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
NEW MEXICO 4-WHEELERS, INC.

New Mexico 4-Wheelers is a non-profit club whose primary purpose is to provide social, educational, and recreational activities related to the sport of "Four Wheeling" for its members. Membership is \$30.00 per family per year, pro-rated for new members. Associate membership for our out-of-town members who cannot attend regularly is \$12.00 per year, also pro-rated.

I (WE) WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN NEW MEXICO 4-WHEELERS:

TYPE MEMBERSHIP: REGULAR (VOTING) (\$30.00)
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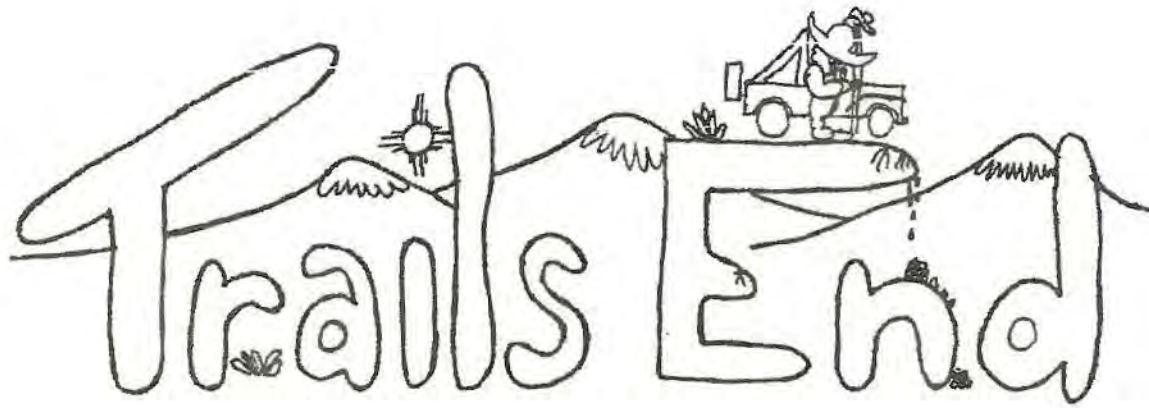
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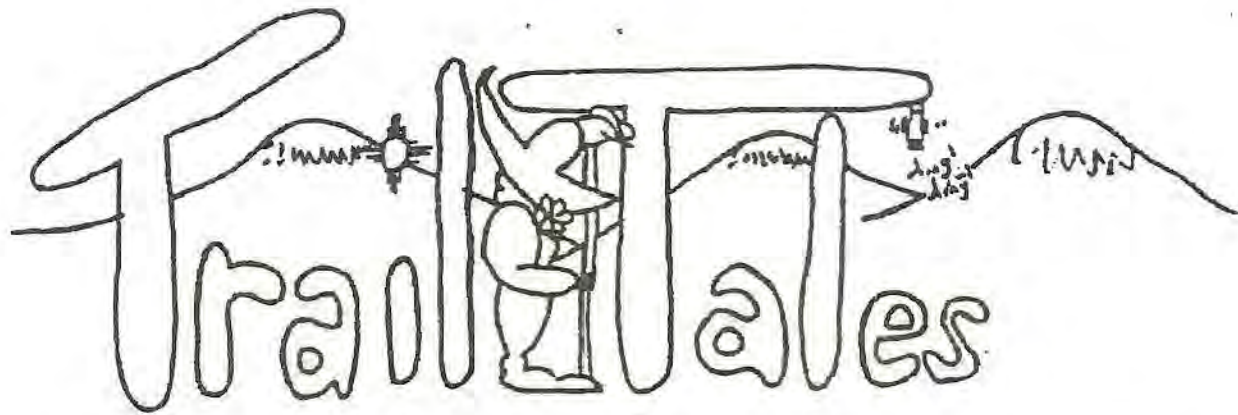
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OUR NEXT MEETING

TAKE I-40

Our next meeting will be at the Peake's home on July 15 at 5 PM. Bring a dish to share, your silver service and dishes. Also bring your lawn chairs. To get to the Peake's, use Exit 187 (Edgewood) and go North on NM 344 for about 3 miles. Turn left on Joshua Court. Their house is #4, on the left.

OUR AUGUST MEETING will be at Jim and Tammy Werkmeisters. It, too, will be a pot luck. The date is August 26 at 5 PM They live at 1620 Parsifal, which is 3 blocks west of Eubank, between Indian School and Constitution

OUR LAST MEETING

We met June 10 at the Wolf's home. We had our usual business meeting and then our usual pig out. Mark Wolf so very kindly held the meeting even though Joan had left that very day to attend her father's funeral. We send our condolences to Joan, and a **BIG THANK YOU TO MARK FOR CARRYING ON.**

In July we will vote for officers for the coming year. Those nominated were: President/ Mark Werkmeister, Vice President and Sheriff/ Mark Wolf, Environmental Chair/ Jim Werkmeister, Program Chair/ Sam C de Baca, Historian/ Teresa C de Baca, Treasurer/ Sue Brady and Tom Hurt, Secretary and Editor/ Phil and Carol Kennicott, Trip Chair/ Pat Brady. There is still time to nominate others for any of these positions. Either call Carol or do it at the next meeting.

We have our committee in place for next year's treasure hunt. Those who volunteered were Mark Harrison, Jim Trojcek, and Tom Hurt.

Sue Brady said that we now have \$570 in the Treasury.

Mark Harrison planned a last minute clean -up run to the Jemez where we saw lots of trash on at

our Treasure Hunt. This was scheduled for June 18.

We voted for 4 Wheeler of the Year, and Sue has ordered the award. Come to our next meeting and see who gets the trophy.

John Bell got the cow bell for his mistakes at Farmington. Hey John, when will it end?

DUES

Dues will be collected at our next meeting. Please be prepared with your \$30.00 check. After September those unpaid will be dropped from the mailing list. We are close to full membership, so don't get dropped.

Notice (Last Chance)

Sue Brady must know **now** if you are planning to attend the Bar B Q in Silverton. Call her by July 5 and let her know for sure and then pay by July 15. The cost is \$6.00 per person. Sue also has information on camp grounds and maps to the area.

NOTICE

Club rules prohibit drinking on any of the runs. You will be reminded of the rules and then asked to leave our club if the problem continues.

Safety Alert

From Mark Werkmeister.

Information has been received about locks on some gates in the forest that have been booby trapped. They are wired with explosives that go off when you put your hand in the lock box. Some boxes contain hypodermic needles. If you suspect a box may have been wired, do not attempt to disarm the device, but call 911.

CALENDAR

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September 7-10, 1995	Runs on Medano Pass (Gilmores) and Mt. Blanca (M. Werkmeisters), Alamosa, CO.
October 13, 1995	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Kennicotts hosting.
October ??, 1995	Run in the Magdalena area led by Mark Wolf.
November 10, 1995	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Zahns hosting.
December 8, 1995	Christmas Party and Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church.
December 9, 1995	Annual Tree Cutting Run to the Jemez Mountains.

Farmington Challenges

Mark Werkmeister

The New Mexico 4-Wheelers took a little trip on the weekend of June 3-4 to once again challenge the sandstone fun of Chokecherry Canyon outside of Farmington. A little trip? Maybe, but the challenges certainly weren't little!!! Neither was the turn-out for the weekend. The run started at 9:00 a.m. with 9 member vehicles and an additional five vehicles of prospective members. We were also joined by two additional vehicles from the Sandia Jeep Club. With the vehicles of our gracious hosts, the Cliffhangers, the number of vehicles on the run Saturday fluctuated around twenty-five.

And now the fun..... The Waterfall trail starts off with a BANG! The first obstacle, Riff-Raff, and the trail's namesake obstacle are both within the first 100 yards of the trailhead. Only seven drivers challenged those first two obstacles (our hosts had run it earlier in the week) and only two vehicles made it all the way through without resorting to winch power. John Bell made it through the obstacles in great shape, only to succumb to a broken axle climbing out of the ravine when he was finished. Time for the Scrambler, John! Speaking of Scramblers, Pat Brady's new creation acquitted itself very well on this 4+++ trail given the fact that it is still completely open in front.

After conquering the initial obstacles, the Waterfall trail winds back and forth along the canyon rim over a wide variety of ledges, sheer drops, and off-camber situations. Many of our newer comrades were treated to their first dose of extreme wheeling with the club. They seemed to thrive on it (some were even back for a second helping on Sunday) so we hope that we didn't scare anybody off.

Sunday morning brought another beautiful day (aren't they all?) for four wheeling. A slightly smaller group squeezed through Skinny Canyon, played in a funky little bowl right above Skinny Canyon, and then headed for another new Chokecherry creation called RJ's Trail. This newest trail proved to be a crowd favorite with just enough challenge and variety to keep everyone interested but not broke. We bypassed the first hundred yards of the trail due to its not being suitable for everyone in the group, but I know some of us will be back. It looked like FUN!

The bottom line was another great weekend in Farmington. Great trails, great hosts, great club fun. Oh yeah, there was John's broken axle, two tires, a couple of U-joints, and the various rock rash, I wonder where the "Bell" will end up this time?

T-Shirts

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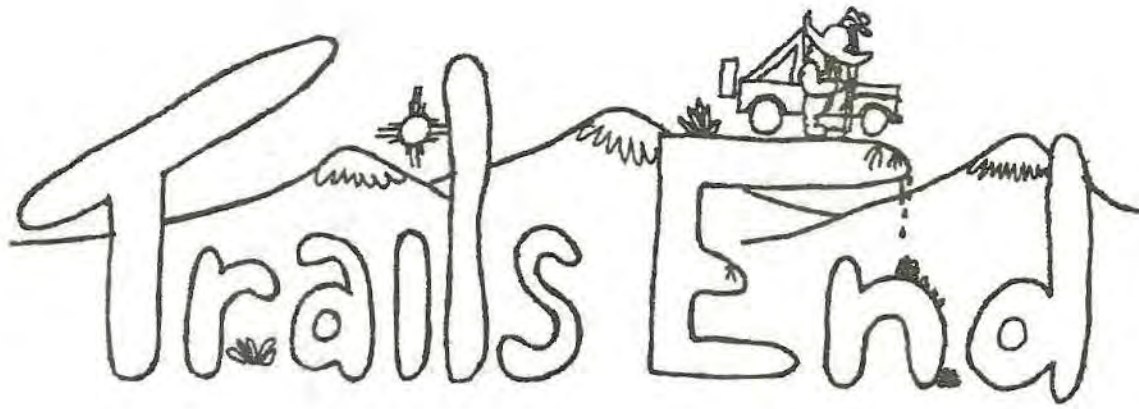
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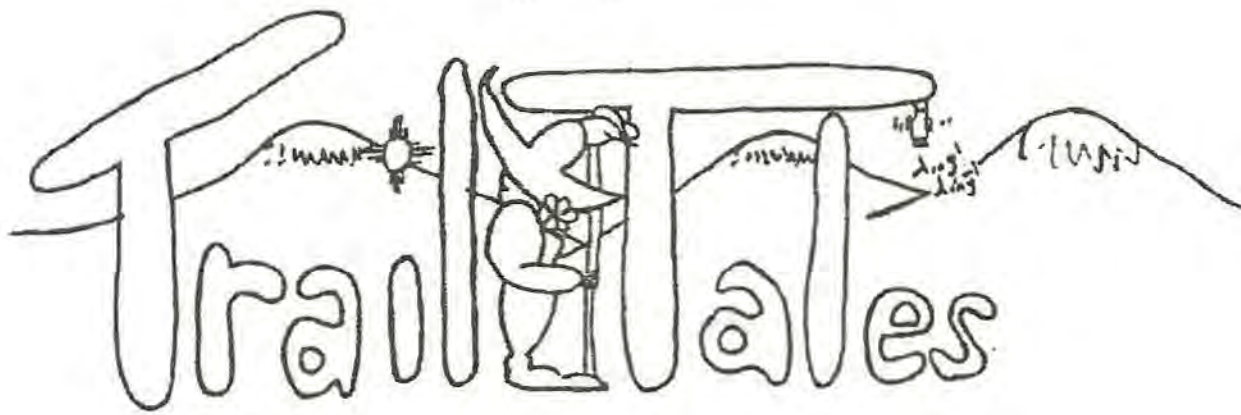
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BIG BIG BIG NOTICE

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Our August Meeting

Our August meeting will be at Jim and Tammy Werkmeister's home on August 26 at 5 PM. They live at 1620 Parsifal -which is 3 blocks west of Eubank between Indian School and Constitution. It will be a pot luck, so bring your favorite dish to share, your chairs, eating utensils, paper plates, etc.

NEW OFFICERS WERE ELECTED

We now have a slate of officers for the coming year. Those elected were: Mark Werkmeister/President, Mark Wolf/Vice-President and Sheriff, Jim Werkmeister/Environmental Chair, Sam C de Baca/Program Chair, Trae Mead/Historian, Sue Brady/Treasurer, Pat Brady/Trip Chair, and Phil and Carol Kennicott/Secretary and Editor. Jim Trojcak and Sam C de Baca were elected as our delegates to United.

Our Last Meeting

On July 15 we met at the home of Scott, Rana, and Jacob Peake. We got a tour of their lovely new home and enjoyed the beautiful views. Sue Brady said that the treasury now contains \$981.69. This includes money to pay for the Bar-B-Q in Silverton. We were all reminded that our dues for the coming year are now due.

We heard trip reports from Mark Harrison on his clean up trip to the Jemez on the trail we used for the Treasure Hunt. They carried out 7 bags of trash (not all ours). Trae Mead gave a trip report on the trip that he led in the Silver City area. Pat Brady gave a trip report on the pre-run to Silverton. He told of lots of snow that had some of the expected run sites still closed.

Mark Werkmeister received a trophy for 4 Wheeler of the year.

Deb Werkmeister wants ideas for the design of the new T shirts that she will order.

Those members attending the meeting were: Pat and Sue Brady, Phil and Carol Kennicott, Tahoe Zahn, Sam and Teresa C de Baca, Paul Thompson, Mark Harrison, John and Debbie Monahan, Bob Telepak, Tom Hurt, Bob Norton, Trae and Shay Mead, Mark and Joan Wolf, Jimmy Trojcak, Buz Johnson, Rachel and Nicholas. We had 3 guests, Bill Black, Sam Tran, and Paul Caleca.

September meeting

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Bob Bennett's first (and hopefully only) Scuba Driving Lesson

Bob Bennett

It all started with a call from Tahoe Zahn saying, "Hi Bob, are you coming to the treasure hunt this year?" Well, after I asked, "Who is this?" and some very brief consideration I said, "Sure, I'll be there; when, and where is it?" Now, ever since we moved to Wyoming, my wife has been talking about the Jemez Mountains, so when I told (Asked) her, she said we could go and the planning commenced.

We had been having rain for the three weeks prior, and we had been looking forward to some dry, if not nice weather. (Nice thought!) We had rain follow us all the way down and it was sprinkling when we pulled in and woke everybody up at about 6:30 Saturday morning.

It was cold pretty much all day on Saturday, so we looked forward to Sunday for more than one reason. Saturday brought a golf tournament and just a fun day of driving and walking through the mud to chase little white balls all over the place. Angie came up with the worst score, and one of our four-wheeling friends from Las Cruces had *the best score*. The bonfire on Saturday night provided some warm relief from the cold wind that was blowing all day, and it was great to get to talk to all of our old friends again.

Sunday we woke up to more rain and a small puddle in the tent, mainly because I forgot to zip the bottom zipper before I got into bed! (But that's part of the fun of camping isn't it? Well at least that's what I told SUZY!) Sunday we had a blast with Tahoe's daughter Amanda looking for the letters for the word scramble and watching all the others look for their treasure chests. Then it started to rain again after being fairly dry through most of the day.

Then came the fun or so Tahoe and Sam thought. We were the widest vehicle on the run with our new full-size Bronco. There was just one place they were worried about our getting stuck. Well, we made it through that spot OK but got, not just stuck, but STUCK!!! 50 feet past that point. For the first time, I had to rely on Pat Brady to get me out with his winch. (Thanks Pat, the dollar is in the mail.) We buried the Bronco to the frame in the mud. Tahoe's famous last words to me were "Stay to the right and put your tires where the person in front of you puts theirs," which, when the person in front of you is driving a Grand Cherokee (which is quite a bit NARROWER), isn't an easy task. Suzy got out for the first time without having to jump, because the bottom of the door was at ground level, and stepped in a HUGE anthill while I was busy posing for more cameras than you would find at a White House press conference. That was my scuba driving experience, and, for the fun we had, I wouldn't trade it for any thing. Thanks, Tahoe, Joe, and Sam, for a great weekend and a job well done.

I also say, thank the Lord for me letting my associate membership expire so that I didn't have to bring a cowbell back to where we really have enough of them to make Tahoe another tin jeep! The other stucks were just as bad as mine and consisted of Zip Duda SINKING in a mud hole and Sam getting stuck in the EXACT SAME place I did! So, as a result of Zip not being a

member yet and me not being a member any more, the honor went to Sam CdeBaca. So I really don't feel too bad after all. Oh, and by the way, Tahoe, when you rolled up the sleeping bags, what in the world was that lump in the bottom? could it have been the "Big Ugly?" Please let me know, because I've never seen it!

EIGHT ANNUAL NEW MEXICO 4 WHEELERS TREASURE HUNT

Tahoe Zahn

It was a dark & stormy night..... The contestants began to slink in. We had 24 vehicles arrive over the course of the weekend. It was a good turnout, in spite of the slightly wet weather. In attendance were: Kevin Cox, Lance Harkey & family, Jim Werkmeister, Mark Harrison, Nick "one can" & Rob Coleman, Lee Elmore & family, Mark Werkmeister & family, Jerry Ward & family, the Daunis family, the Moores & their guests Otis Morehead, I. P. Freely & Seemore Butts, Jeremy "submarine" Sommer & Glenn Smith, Phil & Carol Kennicott and guests, Pat & Sue Brady, Buzz Johnson & family, Marty & Alan Gilmore, Mark Brewster & Diane Webinger, Jim & Nadya Boone, Alan "Zip" Duda & Sandra Smith, Homer Van Zandt family, Bob & Sue Bennett, Charlie & Joel Wilson, Gary McKim & Angie Crider, and Tom Hurt.

We left camp at 0900 on Sunday morning, 28 vehicles in a wet train. It rained until we got to the first stop. Vehicles 1,2,3, & 4 were the first victims to search for their treasure boxes. The courses were laid out by some sick minds. The letters for the word puzzle were placed by some "childlike" people.

The rain luckily slowed or stopped at all the stops. The trail was in good condition except in a few identified spots. Bob Bennett was totally inconsiderate of the all the hard work that was put in on trail maintenance. He didn't have the ability or courage to get stuck in the designated spot. He had to go past before he decided to do the stuck thing.

The team of Pat Brady & Nick Coleman seem to be marching to the beat of a different drummer. To some witnesses, they began a chorus of "going to the chapel", at which time Pat "showed us the direction to heaven" with a finger.

Lunch proved to be very relaxing and therapeutic until Zip decided to "straighten a detour" by

attempting to cross a mud bog. He had to go through the mud to get Alan's donated winch cable, hook up, and be winched out. He became our lunch "show".

We returned to camp about 3:30. The canopies were erected, the grills fired up, & the tables began to settle under the load of the food and condiments, which were there on time I might add. The chow line began about 5:00. Joe, Sam, & Tahoe ran the grills in a vain attempt to keep up with vacuum created by all the hungry treasure hunters. The 60 burgers went at warp speed with the side dishes & desserts not far behind.

After the dust of dinner settled, we held the event that everyone was chomping (mind the pun) at the bits for. The PRIZES!! The following is a list of winners & contributors. George Daunis; \$50 gift certificate from Kitchens Automotive & a set of fog lites, Nick "one can" Coleman; \$5 gift certificate from Chilis & a Leatherman, Pat; Clock & free oil change @ Quality Jeep, Sue; mug & free oil change @ Quality Jeep, Mark H.; Tupperware dish set from Donna Zahn & a Hi-Lift Jack, Jim Werkmeister; tire gage & a free oil change @ Galles Chevrolet, Alan; \$50 gift certificate from Rich Ford & a \$50 gift certificate from Camptown RV, Phil "Banzai" Kennicott; free oil change from Galles Chevrolet, Carol Kennicott; Binoculars, Rob Ahlbrandt; \$50 gift certificate from Rich Ford & a towstrap, Gary McKim; \$50 gift certificate from Southwest 4WD, Angie Crider; free oil change @ Galles Chevrolet, Lee Elmore; \$50 discount from Karl Malone Toyota & a \$50 gift certificate from Camptown RV, Jeremy; \$50 gift certificate from Drive Train Southwest & a free oil change from Galles Chevrolet, Homer Van Zandt; 2 T-shirts from M&M Honda & a Rubbermaid storage box, Charlie Wilson; \$10 gift certificate from Kaufmans, Joel Wilson; tire gage, Mark Brewster; free oil change @ Quality Jeep & a \$50 gift certificate from McBrides Suspension & Spring, Bob Bennett; \$10 gift certificate from Kaufmans & a ratchet strap, Wes; 2 movie passes from General Cinema, Kay Moore; automatic trans. tune up from MC Transmissions, Kevin Cox; \$50 gift certificate from Rich Ford & a Tupperware cooler sleeve from Donna Z., Buzz; pair of jack stands & 2 movie passes from General Cinema, Tom, ratchet tie down straps & 2 movie passes from General Cinema, Zip; \$50 certificate from

Southwest 4WD & a free oil change @ Quality Jeep, Jim Boone; free tint w/windshield replacement from A Glass Act & 2 movie passes from General Cinema, Jerry Ward; 2 movie passes from General Cinema & a \$25 certificate from Central Trailer Supply, Lance; \$50 certificate from Southwest 4WD & a free oil change from Galles Chevrolet, Mark Werkmeister; \$50 certificate from Southwest 4WD & a \$50 gift certificate from Rich Ford.

I would like to give special thanks to Jack Lobdell & Tom Hurt for their assistance with the pre-running & trail maintenance/preparation. The wives (if so equipped) for putting up with not seeing their husbands on numerous evenings & weekends while we prepared for the event. Also, thanks to Alan Gilmore for allowing Joe, Sam, & myself to pick his brain for his experience of past treasure hunts and for his special style, which we utilized for this treasure hunt. Special thanks to the out-of-towners from Las Cruces for participating. Also, Bob & Sue Bennett for traveling the longest distance to join the old gang for one last trail before Bob ships out for Korea. I would personally like to thank everyone who participated for bearing with us and the weather. There wasn't much that we could do about it but we tried. We had, I think, as much fun putting on the treasure hunt as you who participated. I hope that everyone had a good time and don't forget to frequent the businesses who donated to us for this event. They wanted to get involved and we should keep them in mind so they might support us again. Again, Thank You one and all.

Treasure Hunt Golf Tournament

Tahoe Zahn

We started off the weekend with a 5 hole round of 4 wheel drive wilderness golf. We had 14 vehicles join in the challenge. The holes were tuff enough to make everyone work, but it was fun to see everybody's "skill."

The first hole had a water hazard in which a member of the Las Cruces team tried to drown the ball, I guess so it wouldn't fight him anymore. Alan found it so funny that he almost raised the level of the creek.

The rest of the course presented its own style of challenges, from mud bogs to threading the ball through the trees.

Angie is to be singled out for her comic relief. She was a perfect 10 on almost every hole (her score that is). She was given a prize for being such a good sport.

The winners were: 1st was Homer Van Zandt who won a car Club. 2nd was Lee Elmore for a \$25.00 gift certificate from Maurinos 4WD. 3rd was Charlie Wilson for a \$10.00 gift certificate from Kaufmans. We awarded the prize for last place to Lance Harkey; he won a halogen worklite.

I hope everyone had fun.

Recipes

Marty Gilmore

STUFFED CAMEL

1 whole camel, medium size
1 whole lamb, large size
20 whole chickens, large size
12 kilos rice
2 kilos pine nuts
2 kilos almonds
1 kilo pistachio nuts
60 eggs
110 gallons water
5 tsp. black pepper
salt to taste

Skin, trim, and clean camel, lamb, and chickens. Boil until tender. Cook rice until fluffy. Fry nuts till brown and mix with rice. Hard boil and peel eggs. Stuff chickens with eggs and rice. Stuff the lamb with 5 chickens and some rice. Stuff the camel with the lamb and more rice. Broil in a large tray, placing the remaining stuffed chickens around the camel.

ELEPHANT STEW

1 elephant, seasoned
2 rabbits
brown gravy
salt and pepper to taste

Cut elephant into small bite-sized pieces. (This usually takes about 2 months.) Add enough brown gravy to cover, approximately 500 gallons. Cook over a kerosene fire, allowing 1 week per pound of meat. This serves about 400 people. To increase recipe, add rabbits. However, most people do not like hare in their food.

The Cartoon Laws of Physics

Buz Johnson

Cartoon Law I

Any body suspended in space will remain in space until made aware of its situation.

Daffy Duck steps off a cliff, expecting further pasture land. He loiters in midair, soliloquizing flippanantly, until he chances to look down. At this point, the familiar principle of 32 feet per second per second takes over.

Cartoon Law II

Any body in motion will tend to stay in motion until solid matter intervenes suddenly. Whether shot from a cannon or in hot pursuit on foot, cartoon characters are so absolute in their momentum that only a telephone pole or an outsize boulder retards their forward motion absolutely. Sir Isaac Newton called this sudden termination of motion the stooge's surcease.

Cartoon Law III

Any body passing through solid matter will leave a perforation conforming to its perimeter.

Also called the silhouette of passage, this phenomenon is the specialty of victims of directed pressure explosions and of reckless cowards who are so eager to escape that they exit directly through the wall of a house, leaving a cookie-cutout-perfect hole. The threat of skunks or matrimony often catalyzes this reaction.

Cartoon Law IV

The time required for an object to fall twenty stories is greater than or equal to the time it takes for whoever knocked it off the ledge to spiral down twenty flights to attempt to capture it unbroken.

Such an object is inevitably priceless, the attempt to capture it inevitably unsuccessful.

Cartoon Law V

All principals of gravity are negated by fear.

Psychic forces are sufficient in most bodies for a shock to propel them directly away from the earth's surface. A spooky noise or an adversary's signature sound will induce motion upward, usually to the cradle of a chandelier, a treetop, or the crest of a flagpole. The feet of the character who is running or the wheels of a speeding auto need never touch the ground, especially when in flight.

Cartoon Law VI

As speed increases, objects can be in several places at once.

This is particularly true of tooth-and-claw fights, in which a character's head may be glimpsed emerging from the cloud of altercation at several places simultaneously. This effect is common as well among bodies that are spinning or being throttled. A 'wacky' character has the option of self-replication only at manic high speeds and may ricochet off walls to achieve the velocity required.

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I (WE) WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN NEW MEXICO 4-WHEELERS:

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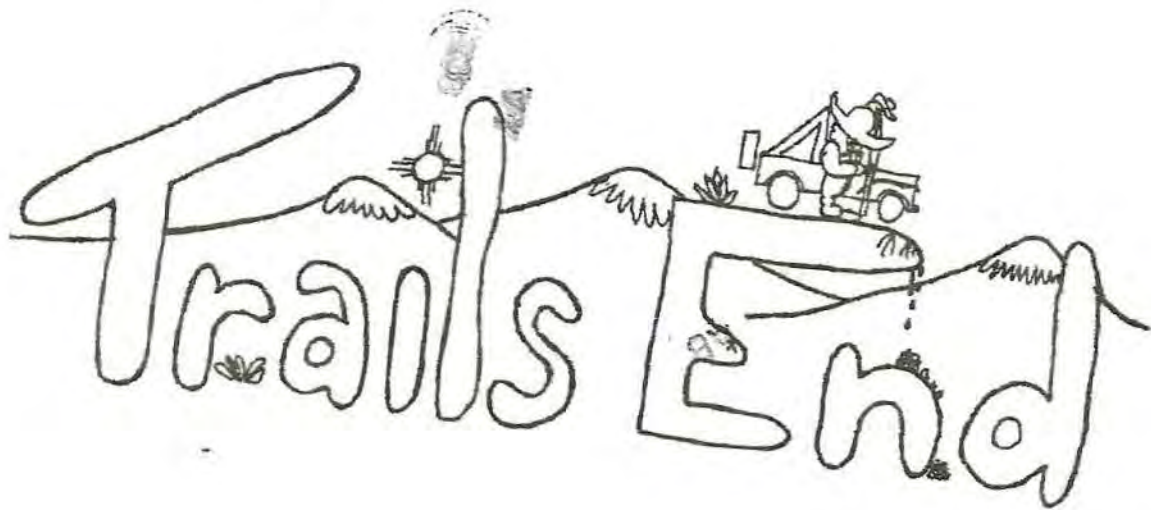
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October 4-8	Moab Trip. Call Jim Werkmeister.	For the Stay-at-Home	
Oct. 6-9, 1995	Hole in the Rock Run. Call Bob Telepak.	Tahoe Zahn will lead a run to the back side of the Sandias for those who did not go on the Great Sand Dunes trip. Meet at 9 am at the Chevron Station on Central and Tramway. Call Tahoe for more information.	
October 7, 1995	SWFWDA Club Challenge in Hinton OK. Call Mark Werkmeister.	September Meeting	
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BIG WELCOME

We now have 3 new members who were voted in at the last meeting—Chris Walters, Arne Gjerming, and Paul Caleca.

Hole-in-the-Rock

On Oct. 6-9, Bob Telepak is going to Hole-in-the-Rock, Utah. Call him if you are interested in this run. He has a video that you can look at.

Meet and camp the first night near an abandoned half-track truck on the trail. Bring tent, sleeping bags, etc. On Saturday the 7th he will drive into Hole-in-the-Rock and hike to Lake Powell. This is a strenuous hike of 3 or so miles. Then the group will camp at the end of the trail where the trucks were left.

On Sunday, return to the half-track area and on Monday return to Albuquerque. Please no stock trucks. Bob requests at least a rear locker. Lift with big tires would be great.

SWFWDA Fall Quarterly Meeting

The SWFWDA Fall quarterly meeting will be held October 21-22 in Decatur TX. Mark Werkmeister plans to attend and asked if anyone is interested in going along.

SWFWDA Club Challenge

The SWFWDA Club Challenge will be held October 7 in Hinton OK. Call Mark Werkmeister if you are interested in this event. The winning club takes the trophy home and hosts the event on the following year.

Run to the Magdalena Area

On October 28 Mark Wolf will lead a run to Water Canyon and North Baldy area near Magdalena. Stock vehicles are ok. Meet at 8 AM at the Union 76 at University and Menaul. This will be a long day, so bring lunch and plenty to drink. Mark expects to return around 6-7 PM.

Work Party

November 18 is the date for a work party in Brady Canyon, our challenge trail area. Save this day!

ORDER YOUR T SHIRTS NOW

Deb Werkmeister is ready to order the new T shirts for the club. She MUST have your \$10.00 check by the September 16 meeting, as she will place the order on Sept. 17. She needs to know your size and color for your order. Call her if you have any questions.

INSIDE WE GO

On October 13 we will begin our inside meetings for the fall and winter months. The meeting starts at 7 PM. The people at Heights Cumberland Church have graciously allowed us to use the Senior High Room once again this year. Please remember, as we are in a church building, to act accordingly. No bad manners and CHILDREN MUST REMAIN WITH PARENTS AT ALL TIMES AND NOT WANDER THE HALLS. PARENTS MUST ACCOMPANY CHILDREN TO THE LAVATORY.

View from the Other Side (Passenger, that is) Sue Brady

The Rubicon and the Sierra Trek are two awesome trails. The California Sierras are really beautiful, different from Colorado, but still beautiful. The Werkmeisters and the Bradys were hosted by Jack and Vicki and Larry and Patty of the S. Country Trail Riders and so were able to attend the Sierra Trek which is for California 4WDA members only.

We ran the Rubicon on a Sunday and Monday with Jack and Vicky, Larry and Patty and Rob and Robin Hopkin and kids who met us at the turn-off. After airing down, we took off for the obstacles. Little Sluice took about 2 hours and after that was Spyder Lake where Rob and Robin stayed. We went on to do Old Sluice and down to Buck Island Lake to spend the night. Buck Island Lake is truly beautiful and quite useful in getting off trail dust. Monday, it was on to Big Sluice, Rubicon Springs and Cadillac Hill. It was a great trail.

View from the Other Side (cont.)

Tuesday, we packed up and went to Meadow Lake above Truckee to run Sierra Trek. Sierra Trek is nice, especially after the trail is run! We did pretty good this year. We were the first 2 vehicles behind the trip leader, so there was little dust and no "waiting in line." There was good food, great company, and perfect weather. Neither Debbie or I had to cook because they feed you well! We got to hike, collect pine cones, gossip, vegetate, even got to have ladies night around the campfire cause the men were running trail the next day and camping at the trail head.

There are two draw backs to these trails, there are no "passengers." You must watch your side of the trail so "problems" don't happen and the 2 day trip each way is incredibly hot and boring. Sure makes you glad you love the one you're with"

P.S. The trail dust could just possible be considered undesirable too.

telling it like it is !!

13 Aug 95 Sandia Run

Tahoe Zahn

We met at the Chevron station at 0900, where about 12 vehicles had gathered for the day's planned run. Those attending for the run were Tahoe Zahn (leader), Bonnie Bannigan, Derrin Owen, Guy Conway, Arne Gjering, Bob "Badfinger" Norton, Paul Caleca, Armando Fernandez, Daniel Barela & guest Gretchen Kluge, Tom Hurt, Mark Harrison, guest Arlene Martin, and Kevin "Evil" Cox (explained later).

After we turned onto North 14, we got a police escort for a short while. After that, we met up with Scott Peake at the Crest turnoff, and we went on up to the trail head. Scott opted to park his "new" Cherokee at the end of the trail because of all the horror stories that someone in the club told him of how hard the trail was on long-wheelbase vehicles. So Bonnie escorted him to where he parked to bring him back while we aired down & locked in.

Kevin had problems starting his Jeep, so he had to have a jump start from Fernando's Toyota. A comment was made that Kevin's Jeep looked like a "postal" Jeep so Kevin set out to prove this assumption wrong by doing the trail in 2-wheel

drive. He went on to prove that, with enough RPM and a good run, anyone can make headway on any trail. He had to make sure that he parked his Jeep on some sort of hill to ensure that he could get it started again. He also found that roll starting in reverse was not near as easy as forward. Hence the new nickname "Evil".

We all got off the highway, grouped up, and began to move down the trail. It had not changed much since we had been there last year. The first obstacle proved to be more than Paul's Wrangler could handle, so out came the dreaded strap. Everyone else made it over with their own style of driving, Evil being the most "elevating."

The next obstacle was as much of a challenge as before. With past experiences firmly in my memory, I hesitantly tried the hill that I have never made it over under my own power. What a feeling it is making it over the first time! Mark came up second to act as a tow point for those needing assistance. The most unique ascent over the obstacle (next to Evil's) was Badfinger, doing it mostly on 3 wheels. After a few attempts, he finally found his track and tried to run over the spotters, but Mark and I were too quick for him.

The rest of the trail proved to be fun, but not too difficult until the rock pile, where we had some fun. We decided to head on out to the end so we could have lunch and visit. Mark, Arlene (who rode with Mark for this run), Daniel, and Gretchen and Fernando decided to head back to town.

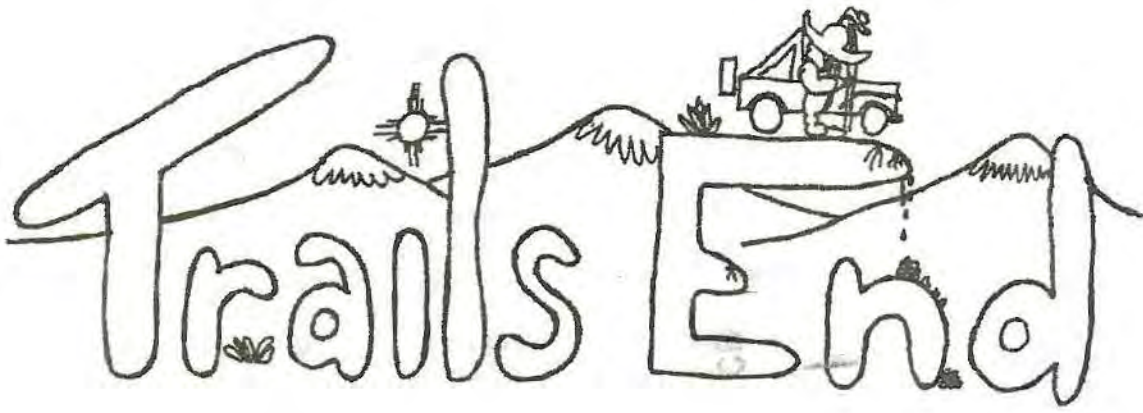
The rest of us decided to take the trail in reverse. This time, Scott drove his Cherokee. Doing the run in reverse was a lot of fun and a nice "cool down" from the morning. This is a nice little run that can be used for an impromptu, short-notice run. I hope that everyone had fun and I will lead another run there in the very near future.

FOR SALE

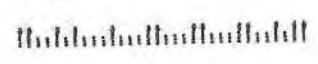
Paul Caleca has a 1979 CJ-7 for sale. It is a 6 cyl. T-18-4 speed with new BFG mud 31x10.50 tires. It has a bikini top and baja half-doors. He is asking \$4850. Call Paul at 865-4444.

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October 1995

CALENDAR

October 13, 1995; 7 PM	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Bardys hosting.
October 21-22, 1995	SWFWDA Fall Quarterly Meeting in Decatur TX.
October 28, 1995; 8 AM	Run to Water Canyon and North Baldy in the Magdalena area led by Mark Wolf. Meet at the Union 76 at University and Menaul.
November 10, 1995; 7 PM	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Zahns hosting.
November 18	Work party in Brady Canyon
Dec. 3	Run at site to be determined. Led by Trae Mead.
December 8, 1995	Christmas Party and Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church.
December 9, 1995	ANNUAL TREE CUTTING RUN to the Jemez Mountains.

OUR LAST MEETING

Our last meeting was held at the home of Buz Johnson and Rachel Garcia. We completed our summer of potlucks with a flair. Now we will once again go inside for the fall and winter. The attendance was great! Members attending were: John and Debbie Monahan, Paul Thompson, Tahoe Zahn, Pat Brady, Phil and Carol Kennicott, Charlie and Joel Wilson, Mark Harrison, Sam and Teresa C de Baca, Tom Hurt, Scott, Rana and Jacob Peake, Buz, Rachel, and Nicholas Johnson, Mark, Deb, and Jennifer Werkmeister, Mark and Joan Wolf, Trae Mead,

Gary and Anne Brown, and Chris Walters. Our guests were Bruce Williams, Berrett and Deborah Harrison, Fernando Fernandez, and the DuValts

Pat Brady gave the treasurer's report. He said that at present the treasury has \$1,311.34. Deb Werkmeister took orders for T shirts with the new logo. Carol read the names of unpaid members who have been dropped from the list and also read the list of active guests who have not asked for membership and who will also be dropped from the mailing list.

Mark Wolf asked members to check with him to see if he has your points listed correctly.

Pat Brady gave Jason a U-joint award. Talk to Jason about what happened.

Mark Werkmeister asked members to scout new areas for runs and to volunteer to lead a run. The runs can be for fun or for good scenery and do not always need to be tough. Mark also passed out letters on the Endangered Species Act that you can sign and mail on to Senator Dirk Kempthorne.

OUR NEXT MEETING

Our meetings will once again be held at Heights Cumberland Church in the Senior High Room. The church is just east of Wyoming on Academy. Our meetings will begin at 7 PM. Pat and Sue Brady are hosting this meeting.

T-SHIRTS

Deb Werkmeister has taken orders for our new T-shirts. She has ordered some extras which the club will keep for new members so they, too, can show the colors.

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ALUMINUM CANS

Our club saves and recycles aluminum cans. Bring your aluminum cans to each meeting, and Sue Brady will take them to the recycling center. Money from sale of the cans goes into our club treasury.

SCRAPBOOKS

Historian Trae Mead is in need of pictures taken on events sponsored or attended by the New Mexico 4-Wheelers. If you have some good pictures you can part with, please let Trae have them for our scrapbooks.

NOTE TO NON-MEMBERS: If you've been receiving the Trail Tales but have not attended a meeting or run, you may have noticed a number beside your name on the mailing label. We send the Trail Tales to prospective members for three months, and we number them. When you see a "3" by your name, that should alert you that you'll be dropped from our mailing list unless we hear from you. Visitors are always welcome at any New Mexico 4-wheelers event or outing. So check us out!

MEETINGS

Starting in October, meetings are held the second Friday at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy (East of Wyoming) at 7:00 PM. The church loans us the Senior High Room. We are reminded that this is a church and we must act accordingly (e.g., no smoking or drinking). We must remain in the Senior High Room and should not wander throughout the church. Children must stay with their parents at all times.

Articles and planned events should be submitted to Trail Tales, PO Box 633, Sandia Park, NM 87047, as far in advance as possible. This newsletter is mailed on the 1st day of each month. Information should be received by the 25th of the previous month to insure publication.

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STUFF OF INTEREST

Carol at times receives news letters from other clubs. Ask to see them if you are interested. Often parts and trucks for sale are advertised.

Sam C de Baca has club patches. Talk to him if you want one.

Trae Mead needs pictures, momentos, etc. for the scrap book. Let him have some goodies.

Sam C de Baca has 4 wheeling videos and a survival tape that you can borrow.

Our British Columbia member, Glyn Trafford has written about his plans for a new vehicle. Carol has the letter.

Write, Write, And Write Some More

Mark Werkmeister reminds us that our sport is in jeopardy. New road closures happen and the environmentalists are constantly thinking up ways to control our sport. Did you take time to sign and mail the letter about the re-authorization of the endangered species act? I hope that you did. Have you considered joining the Blue Ribbon Coalition? Be active! Save our sport!

Hayden, Hermit, and Medano Passes

Mark Werkmeister

On Friday, September 8th, Alan and Marty Gilmore ventured out of retirement and led a New Mexico 4-Wheelers run. With unlimited time available to scour the countryside for the very best four wheeling, you would think that Alan and Marty could come up with some mighty fine stuff. They did.

We left our campground at Great Sand Dunes National monument at 8:00 a.m. with the Gilmores in the lead. Following were Paul Thompson, Gary Brown, and Mark Werkmeister. We drove about 90 minutes of highway time north and left the pavement at Villa Grove. Our road headed directly towards the saw-toothed spine of the Sangre de Cristo mountains. Unfortunately, it also headed toward very threatening, low-hanging, clouds. As we climbed up, we were quickly engulfed by the fog and rain. We know we reached the top; the sign said so, but we saw very little in the limited visibility. The weather lifted a bit as we descended the east side

of the ridge, and we were given a clue as to what great views we had missed.

We hit the pavement again and headed south to Westcliff. We gassed up, ate our lunch in the city park, and headed due west back towards the mountains and towards very active rain clouds. After a while, the weather broke a bit and the scenery around us became more apparent. As we hit timberline, we started seeing breaks in the clouds and enthusiastically headed for the top. By the time we reached the summit at over 13,000 feet, we had sunshine and a clear view far into the valleys on both sides of the spectacular ridge. The weather kept getting better as we reluctantly headed back down.

Returning to Westcliff, we headed south again until we found the turn-off for Medano Pass. We headed up to the summit and then descended the west side back toward Great Sand Dunes. The pass was particularly lush, and the many aspens had us wishing it was about a month later. The famous mud bogs were quite dry, and we made it back down into the Park without any excitement. A quick rundown of the numbers: 170 miles, four vehicles, three passes, and one very good trip. If you want spectacular scenery on easy stock vehicle-style roads just five hours from the big I, I highly recommend this one.

BLM Road 1103 Patrol

Sue Brady

Most of us met at the 76 Truck Stop Sunday Morning Sept. 24. Those attending were Pat and Sue Brady, Tom Hurt, Scot Peake, Mark Wolf, Paul and Mary Thompson, Jim Werkmeister, and Donna, Amanda, Heather, and Tahoe Zahn with guest Arlene Martin. Guests Tom and Tommy Sandoval, Doris, Scott, Jennifer, and Mathew Brunwasser were with us. Mark Harrison and guest Mary Ann DePietro met us at 528 and 44. We left pretty much on time and had an uneventful trip to BLM Rd. 1103. The day was cool and breezy with lots of sunshine and scattered clouds. At Red Tank we started the trash patrol which, to my surprise, didn't net much trash or cans. Which is a very good thing! About the only thing Pat and I noticed was recent travel on the closed roads. All had signs, some up and some down. On our way back out we saw a truck coming out on one of these roads and got the license number. There was lots of friendly harassment, a good lunch spot, great

company, and perfect weather and scenery! Sure hope our future "patrols" are as great.

The Annual BIG ONE: Mt. Blanca

Mark Werkmeister

With one of the very best trails in Colorado less than five hours away, it is not surprising that Mt. Blanca is becoming an annual affair. After my initial introduction to the mountain, this year made the third year in a row the New Mexico 4-Wheelers have pointed their vehicles at the usually ominous and always difficult mountain. We left the campground at 8:00 a.m. with one eye on the clouds that were still hanging around from the previous day. Nine vehicles left the campground driven by Gary Brown, L.P. How, Dick Young, Bob Burns, Paul Thompson, a S10 Blazer driven by Max Sandoval, a friend of Paul's, and Mark Wolf. With only LP and I having been up the hill before, I was wondering how long the new "up and back" trip was going to be.

We were joined at the trailhead by two more vehicles driven by Jack Gilbert, Jr. and Jeff Baker of Carlsbad. We aired down...way down.... and headed up the trail. When the going got rougher, the S10 was left by the side of the road with its passengers hitting the trail via foot and thumb. When we got to the cabins below Jaws I, Paul abandoned the Pathfinder and caught a ride with Gary.

Jaws I was quickly scaled with a minimum of fuss and rock rolling. The weather was quickly deteriorating with the clouds rolling down off the peaks and a few intermittent sprinkles coming down. Jaws II was a whole lot tougher (again), and we were forced to resort to the magic strap more than once to get everyone over the rock. Upwards again. Jaws II and a half is getting harder and probably deserves a better name. Most vehicles were able to get up the left side by pivoting on the rock, but Bob collected a little love mark on his Defender. He then tried the right side and made it up, but not before collecting a matching rock wrinkle on his other rocker panel. Jaws III was next. The rain was still holding off, and it was a good thing, as Jaws III is plenty of challenge, even when it is dry. After some strategic rock stacking (and then lots of restacking), eight of the nine remaining vehicles made it up with only one driver being smart enough to take the bypass. We arrived at the lake

a little before one o'clock, and I quickly set off around the lake to check the condition of the bog protecting Jaws IV. The bog was in good shape, so the group started heading around the lake as the rain finally began to fall. I found Jaws IV to be an impassable sheet of greasy granite as the rain (and now hail) joined forces with the mountain to deny us the end of the trail.

We reluctantly headed back around the lake to eat our lunch and contemplate our descent over a mountain trail that was now being thoroughly slickened by rain. We drove and slid our way back down uneventfully to Jaws II. That rock proved to be as difficult going down as up with the strap once more making an appearance on several vehicles. By the time we reached Jaws I, the rain had made that usually easy reverse obstacle a challenge as the tires were finding little purchase on the granite. We finally cleared the hill and stopped to air up. Even there, we found little relief as the rain pounded us once again.

A great trip. Nine vehicles up and down with only two small rocker dings to show for it. The weather helped make the trip a little bit shorter and a little bit more exciting than it might have been, but didn't spoil the day.

Next year, same place, same weekend. We will be there

Nature Lovers Court Disaster

From Fun Country Four Wheelers Newsletter

Once again we are forced to ask ourselves, as a society, whether nature should be legal.

Consider a story from the June 22 Manchester (N.H.) Union Leader, written by Paul Tracy and sent in by alert Arnie Alpert. This story states that, on June 20, a Laconia, NH police officer was called to the municipal water treatment facility in response to— and, as you read this column, please bear in mind that I am not making ANY of these newspaper quotations up— "a report of a suspicious-acting woodchuck that would not let people out of the building." The officer sized up the situation and, according to the story, "determined that the animal needed to be euthanized and tried to run it over with his cruiser."

So far, so good. Law enforcement experts will tell you, after they have had a few belts, that in a situation 'where a member of the marmot family

is holding people hostage in a sewage plant (in police radio code, this is known as a "10 6"), the textbook response is to drive a police car over the alleged perpetrator, then, if necessary, advise it of its rights.

Unfortunately, things did not go exactly according to plan. The story quotes a plant employee as saying: "When he (the officer) got out after running over it (the woodchuck), I think he thought it was dead. Then the thing sprung up and attacked him."

At this point the officer--and if you have never been attacked by a woodchuck, then do not second guess this decision--pulled his 9mm pistol and commenced firing. "We think he emptied a clip" a plant employee is quoted as saying, "but we could only find eight casings on the pavement."

The story states that during the battle the officer, seeking to escape the woodchuck, jumped up on the cruiser and injured his knee. Fortunately, before anybody else could be hurt, the woodchuck went to that Big Burrow in the Sky.

I wish I could tell you that this was an isolated incident. I wish I could look you in the eyeball and say, "This was just one lone disgruntled woodchuck, possibly a former postal employee, who fortunately will never again terrorize humanity, thanks to a quick acting police officer, who, fortunately, was not carrying nuclear weapons.

But I cannot say that. For one thing, I lack the lung capacity. For another thing, I have here an article from the June 28 Gaithersburg (MD) Gazette, written by April E. Fulton and sent in by several alert readers, which states: "Nine residents of the South Village area of Montgomery Village--two adults and seven children--were playing near Docena Court on the morning of June 15 when they suddenly were charged by a band of about a dozen squirrels."

The article quotes one of the women who was bitten on the foot as saying: "We were just playing in the yard, like we do every day, and suddenly, out of nowhere, about 12 squirrels started charging us, making these high pitched, shrill noises." A neighbor is quoted as saying: "The squirrels that day went crazy."

The article states that on June 21, a representative of the Maryland Department of Natural

Resources inspected the area and "found no abnormal behavior from the squirrels."

Of course not. They might be squirrels, but they are not stupid. They're not about to go after a government official, not after what happened to the woodchuck. No, they put on a cute little Walt Disney show for the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, squeaking and scampering around with acorns in their cheeks. But you might rest assured that as soon as the coast was clear, they resumed smoking tiny cigarettes and planning their next attack. They will stop at nothing, as we can see from this headline from a Sept. 2, 1994, front-page article in the Missoula (Mont.) Missoulian, written by Michael Downs and sent in by many alert readers:

FLAMING SQUIRRELS IGNITE FIRE

The story states that, "two electrocuted squirrels fell from a power line Thursday morning, their flaming bodies igniting a small grass fire near Tarkio." A fire official is quoted as saying that it could have been a male and a female squirrel engaged in an act of "burning rodent passion." (The fire official does NOT point out that both "Rodent Passion" and "Flaming Squirrels" would be excellent names for rock bands; this was probably just an oversight.)

Labor Day Weekend Trip to Choke Cherry Canyon

John Monahan

Thursday morning my brother-in-law Dean and I loaded up my 84 CJ-7 and his 76 Bronco and drove up to Farmington for the start of an incredible 4 wheeling weekend. We met eight other vehicles (5 CJs, 1 Blazer, 1 Bronco, 1 Toyota Pickup) from Colorado Springs at the 7-11 at 30th and Butler and proceeded to a cozy camping spot near Steven's Step II. After setting up camp, the group went out and played on a few obstacles on Ball Hanger. We struggled finding all of the obstacles but still managed to have a good time. That night, the four of us went out and wheeled on Steven's Step II. By the time we got back, a few locals (Off-Again types) had stopped by the campsite to partake in adult beverages and to provide morale support and guidance for the rest of the weekend.

Friday morning we started out near camp -- enjoying obstacles around Steven's Step II. After lunch, we played in and around the

Playground. We finished out the day in Brown's Springs -- playing on the "No-Fear" obstacle. Everyone made it up "No-Fear," but just about everyone suffered some sort of body damage up on top. Saturday morning we spent 4 hours getting up Riff-Raff and the Waterfall. Five members of the group drove right up both obstacles; the other five (of us) struggled a little more. While at the Waterfall, we met a local named RJ. He offered to take us on a trail he had developed ... and so we went. "RJ's trail" (also called the Jeep Trail or Horse Trail) proved to be a fairly challenging trail -- taking out two tie rods and two axles.

Saturday night, we played with a local named Joe. Joe led us out onto a trail he had developed. It proved to be quite fun at night. The last two obstacles were called Twist-a-Whirl and Triple Whammy. No one tried either of those obstacles on our night run, but we were so impressed with the trail that we came back and ran it again the next morning. No one has ever made it up Triple Whammy, and, while we tried hard, we didn't succeed either. Sunday afternoon we drove through Skinny Canyon and finished up with a run (lots of air time) around the Skinny Canyon rim.

All in all, it was a great trip. It sure would have been better if we had had a few members from the New Mexico 4 Wheelers, but I announced the trip kind've late, so such is life. As a side note, the locals from Farmington made the trip for us -- they were extremely friendly and helpful throughout the weekend. And the group from Colorado Springs can't wait to return to Choke Cherry -- when it cools down below 100 deg!

The Cartoon Laws of Physics

Buz Johnson

(See August 95 Trail Tales for first six laws.)

Cartoon Law VII

Certain bodies can pass through solid walls painted to resemble tunnel entrances; others cannot.

This trompe l'œil inconsistency has baffled generations, but at least it is known that whoever paints an entrance on a wall's surface to trick an opponent will be unable to pursue him into this theoretical space. The painter is flattened against the wall when he attempts to follow into the

painting. This is ultimately a problem of art, not of science.

Cartoon Law VIII

Any violent rearrangement of feline matter is impermanent.

Cartoon cats possess even more deaths than the traditional nine lives might comfortably afford. They can be decimated, spliced, splayed, accordion-pleated, spindled, or disassembled, but they cannot be destroyed. After a few moments of blinking self pity, they re-inflate, elongate, snap back, or solidify.

Corollary: A cat will assume the shape of its container.

Cartoon Law IX

Everything falls faster than an anvil.

Cartoon Law X

For every vengeance there is an equal and opposite re-vengeance.

This is the one law of animated cartoon motion that also applies to the physical world at large. For that reason, we need the relief of watching it happen to a duck instead.

Cartoon Law Amendment A

A sharp object will always propel a character upward.

When poked (usually in the buttocks) with a sharp object (usually a pin), a character will defy gravity by shooting straight up, with great velocity.

Cartoon Law Amendment B

The laws of object permanence are nullified for "cool" characters.

Characters who are intended to be "cool" can make previously nonexistent objects appear from behind their backs at will. For instance, the Road Runner can materialize signs to express himself without speaking.

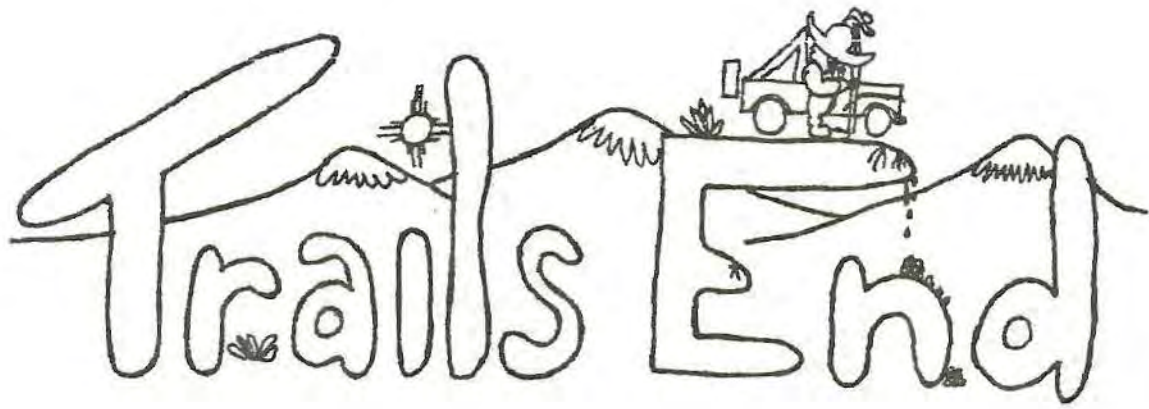
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Explosive weapons cannot cause fatal injuries.

They merely turn characters temporarily black and smoky.

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CALENDAR 1995

November 10	Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church; 7 PM. Zahns hosting.
November 18	Work party in Brady Canyon. Meet 8 AM at Union 76. Tough run; need at least 1 locker.
Dec. 3	Possible run at site to be determined. Led by Trae Mead. Call Trae for more details.
December 8	Christmas Party and Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church; 7 PM
December 9	Annual Tree Cutting Run to the Jemez Mountains.

OUR LAST MEETING

Mark Wolf, presiding for Mark Werkmeister, called the meeting to order at 7 PM. Guests were Scott Brunwasser, Tom and Rachel Hix, and Tom and Tommy Sandoval. Sue Brady gave the Treasurer's report. She said that the treasury now has \$1,442.83. Sam C de Baca sold raffle tickets, half of which went to the treasury and the other half (\$14.00) to Mark Harrison.

Mark Wolf said that the Las Cruces club is asking for help with the Winter Quarterly. If you can volunteer, call Mark Werkmeister.

Trip reports were given. Sue Brady gave a report on our BLM clean-up run and told Cathy Walters of the open gates and missing signs that were found.

Deb Werkmeister passed out the T-shirts that she had designed and ordered for us. THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL. THANKS DEB!!! We discussed whether to change the club decal to match the new design on our T-shirts. Deb will look into the cost and report back to us.

OUR NEXT MEETING NOV. 10

Our next meeting will be held as usual at Height Cumberland Presbyterian Church in the Senior High room at 7 PM The Zahn's are hosting.

New Runs

November 18 Pat Brady will lead a run to Brady Canyon This is a tough run (level 8 or 9) you will need at least 1 locker. It is a long trip. Bring food and water. Meet at 8 AM at the Union 76 on University and Menaul

December 3 Trae Mead will lead a run. You will need a CB. Call him for details.

December 9 Christmas Tree cutting and run will be led by Mark Harrison. Carol will get permits for all if she can. The run will be held even though we don't have permits. We can do some snow play.

Hosts for Future Meetings

November	Zahns
December	Christmas party
January	Zahns
February	Meads
March	Kennicotts
April	C de Bacas
May	Wolfs

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ALUMINUM CANS

Our club saves and recycles aluminum cans. Bring your aluminum cans to each meeting, and Sue Brady will take them to the recycling center. Money from sale of the cans goes into our club treasury.

SCRAPBOOKS

Historian Trae Mead is in need of pictures taken on events sponsored or attended by the New Mexico 4-Wheelers. If you have some good pictures you can part with, please let Trae have them for our scrapbooks.

NOTE TO NON-MEMBERS: If you've been receiving the Trail Tales but have not attended a meeting or run, you may have noticed a number beside your name on the mailing label. We send the Trail Tales to prospective members for three months, and we number them. When you see a "3" by your name, that should alert you that you'll be dropped from our mailing list unless we hear from you. Visitors are always welcome at any New Mexico 4-wheelers event or outing. So check us out!

MEETINGS

Starting in October, meetings are held the second Friday at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy (East of Wyoming) at 7:00 PM. The church loans us the Senior High Room. We are reminded that this is a church and we must act accordingly (e.g., no smoking or drinking). We must remain in the Senior High Room and should not wander throughout the church. Children must stay with their parents at all times.

Articles and planned events should be submitted to Trail Tales, PO Box 633, Sandia Park, NM 87047, as far in advance as possible. This newsletter is mailed on the 1st day of each month. Information should be received by the 25th of the previous month to insure publication.

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Hole in the Rock Run Bob Telepak

Three club members (Bob Telepak/CJ-5, Bob Norton/F-150, and Arne Gjerming/Cherokee) and Charles Rushing/Nissan, a friend of Bob Norton, did the Hole-in-the-Rock Trail in S.E. Utah on October 7 & 8th. Bob Telepak's son Damon and friend Kathryn came along as riders. The weather was perfect and the trail conditions very good, except for several sandy areas associated with steep rock steps being dug out by a large group of 17 mostly stock vehicles. This was a large group of Mormons (at least 50 people) who run this trail yearly around this time. Several of the people were said to be descendants of the original Mormon pioneers who made this trail in 1879/80. We were delayed over an hour getting past them since they were having lunch and hiking around with their vehicles obstructing passage through a very narrow rock canyon that the trail goes through.

Finally they moved enough for our 4 vehicles to squeeze by. We made it to the end of the trail about 2 hours before sunset. Damon & Kathryn hiked the 3+ miles down the remaining non-driveable part of the trail to Lake Powell, while the rest of us only went part way. They returned about 2 hours after sundown, having great difficulty following the rough trail in the dark.

We saw no one else coming out the trail the next day. The highlight of the trip for Bob and Arne was coming up the "alternate" chute which requires driving between very large and deep potholes (big enough to swallow one or more vehicles) and then up the steep sandstone with 2 rather tippy turns to add to the excitement. This was accomplished without incident, but with considerable spotting help. Charles did the regular chute and overall did extremely well on the trail considering his Nissan was nearly stock and he had not tried a trail of nearly this difficulty previously. He only had to be strapped up 2 difficult areas on the whole trail.

The only bad part of the trip was that the Mormon group said the "Feds" were trying to shut the trail down. (The "Feds" is probably the Park Service which controls the western half of the trail that goes onto Glen Canyon Recreation Area land.) They said that San Juan County (UT) had filed a suit against the government to prevent

the closure. Bob Telepak is looking into who we might write to in an effort to help the County.

Magdalena Run Mark Wolf

Nine vehicles assembled for a run down to Magdalena on Saturday October 28th. Those present were Alan and Marty Gilmore (surprise!), Mark Harrison, John Monahan, Tom Hurt, Paul Caleca and his wife Norah, Charlie and Joel Wilson, and guests Doris and Scott Brunwasser with their children Jennifer and Matthew and Tommy Sandoval with his friend Isaac Baca. Scott and Doris had their newly acquired 92 Wrangler out for a spin.

We left the parking lot at about 8:30 and headed for Magdalena, picking up Paul and Norah on the way. We stopped in Socorro for last minute fill-ups and what-not before heading out to the trail. We arrived in Magdalena at about 10:00 and turned south for our trek up the west side of North Baldy.

We headed up the trail and stopped when we reached the end of the road. We looked around a little, turned around, and headed back to the West to look at the Very Large Array out by Datil. By this time everyone was getting hungry, so we ate lunch. After lunch we headed on down the mountain with no mishaps. We stopped at the bottom to unlock hubs and were treated to some Halloween cookies by the leader.

Most headed home, but four of us (The Wilson's, Brunwasser's, Tom and myself) decided to head over to the mountains west of Magdalena. We drove through some forest routes and stopped to review some Anasazi Indian ruins. We kept going to finish by 5:30 P.M. When we got back to the highway, Charlie and Joel reconnected their sway bar and everyone headed back to Albuquerque.

It was a good day, though not a lot of four wheeling took place. I had pre-run the trail I had wanted to use and found it was closed. I guess this demonstrates the importance of pre-running and also that you don't want to cancel your run because your first choice was closed. I think everyone had fun. The weather was fantastic, no one broke down, and those who went didn't have to stay home and do chores!

Moab Run

Jim Werkmeister

Wednesday, Oct. 11 was the day L. P. How and I left for Moab. Our plan was to take advantage of the beautiful fall weather by spending 4 days of 4 wheeling and mountain biking the various trails in the area. We left Bernalillo at noon, arrived in Moab at 6:15 p.m., and made our camp out on the Colorado River on the way toward Castle Valley. There did not seem to be many people in the area yet at that time of the week, as there was hardly anyone else camped out along the river.

Thursday morning was spent taking on the nation's most traveled mountain bike trail, the Slickrock Trail. The thrill of experiencing sandstone's superior traction is just as great on a bike as it is in a jeep. The Slickrock Trail runs a 10+ mile loop out onto the many sandstone domes and fins just east of Moab. It crosses over the Hell's Revenge Trail in several places and catches some great views into Negro Bill Canyon, the Colorado river canyon, and the Moab Valley.

After our ride, L. P. and I decided to pay our money and ascend the famed Lion's Back on our way back to town. We easily scaled this large fin. However, getting out at the top was exciting due to the 50 mph winds blowing across the top of the fin. After descending, we drove back into Moab where we ran into Alan Gilmore. He and John Murdock were in the area pre-running trails for their upcoming FMCA four-wheeling event. Alan and John joined us for the evening's campfire.

Friday morning found us tackling Pritchett Canyon. We got started early in the day, and made good progress until we were momentarily slowed by fuel injection gremlins in L. P.'s 1983 CJ-7. L. P. quickly corrected the problem, and we moved on up the trail to the first set of ledges. After scaling these, (3 tries for me, 1 for L. P.) we moved onto the toughest section of the Pritchett Canyon Trail. This section occurs as the trail climbs out of the end of the canyon. The major obstacle, the Rockpile, was easily scaled due to the long wheelbases of our vehicles.

After a long, but very scenic, drive on the Kane Creek Canyon Rim Trail, we were back on the blacktop again. Since it was only 3:30 in the afternoon, we decided to run the first section of the Moab Rim Trail before going back out to

camp for the evening. This was done quickly, with time being taken to sit and enjoy the view of town from the top of the rim.

On Saturday L. P. and I again went biking, this time on the Porcupine Rim Trail. It being the weekend, we were amazed at the huge number of bikers out on the trail. The trail was great, with the view off into Castle Valley as grand as I had remembered. However, the best part was an exciting single-track descent into the Colorado River canyon to end the trail.

On Sunday morning we decided to try the Hell's Revenge Trail just east of Moab. This trail starts with a bang, as the obstacle called the "Dump Bump" is about 100 yards off the pavement. This obstacle is a short, but very steep sandstone ledge. The hardest part about it is getting onto the obstacle with the front wheels. Once that was accomplished, the long wheelbases of our vehicles enabled us to scramble right up. Later, we scaled Tip-Over Challenge, and went out on a couple of fins before going back to the pavement and heading home.

The trip was a big success, with perfect weather the whole time. We definitely plan on returning for a similar trip in early October next year, so mark your calendars now if you feel like partaking in some great four-wheeling and mountain biking!

Reflector Run

Scott Peake

On 21 Oct., Tahoe and Heather Zahn and I put on a reflector run in the Montessa Park area. Mark Harrison was kind enough to lead people from the Union 76 to the park, while Tahoe, Heather, and I set up the course. Ten vehicles participated in the run: Mark Harrison, Jason Martinez, Sam and Teresa C de Baca, Nick Coleman, Paul and Mary Thompson, Scott, Doris, Jennifer, and Mathew Brunwasser, Fernando Fernandez, Berrett and Deborah Harrison, David "Crush" Estrada, Scott Hegerhede, Steve Yeager, and Carlos Gutierrez.

The object was for each vehicle to find 21 stakes in the dark. Each stake, except four, had a clue attached that corresponded to a cross word puzzle. The vehicle that found the most stakes won. If there was a tie, the cross word puzzle acted as the tie breaker. Just in case there was a tie on the cross word puzzle, we added a word

scramble. The run consisted of two loop trails each taking about a half hour to complete. Because of time, only one pass was made on each loop. After paying their \$5, we split the groups up giving about a 5 minute break between vehicles.

First place winners of \$15 were Mark Harrison and Aaron. They found all 21 stakes, missed one on the cross word puzzle (what is afterday?), and figured out the word scramble. Second place winners of \$10 were Nick Coleman and Jay Paranteau. They found 19 stakes, missed one on the crossword puzzle, but just couldn't get that word scramble without lots of help. Third place winners of \$5 went to Fernando Fernandez and Jason Martinez. They found 18 stakes, did the cross word puzzle without having all the clues, and figured out the word scramble. Four other vehicles also found 18 stakes but Fernando and Jason beat them out on the tie breakers.

Everybody seemed to have a great time and utilized their own technique in finding the stakes. We had vehicles with only one flashlight trying to pass it back and forth between driver and passenger to see both sides of the road, a Jeep with someone standing in the back holding on to the roll bar Rat Patrol style, a Jeep with enough lights that airplanes coming into land had to take a second look to see where the run way was, and the best approach, using a map of the stake positions, but we have not been able to prove that yet. We did earn \$20 for the club.

One last note, Mark Harrison was awarded the cow bell. Mark had found Montessa Park numerous times in the past with no problem, so he decided, while leading the whole group, he'd take the scenic route. The group had a "which vehicle had the best turning radius" contest on the way. The contest was judged on who could make the best U-turns.

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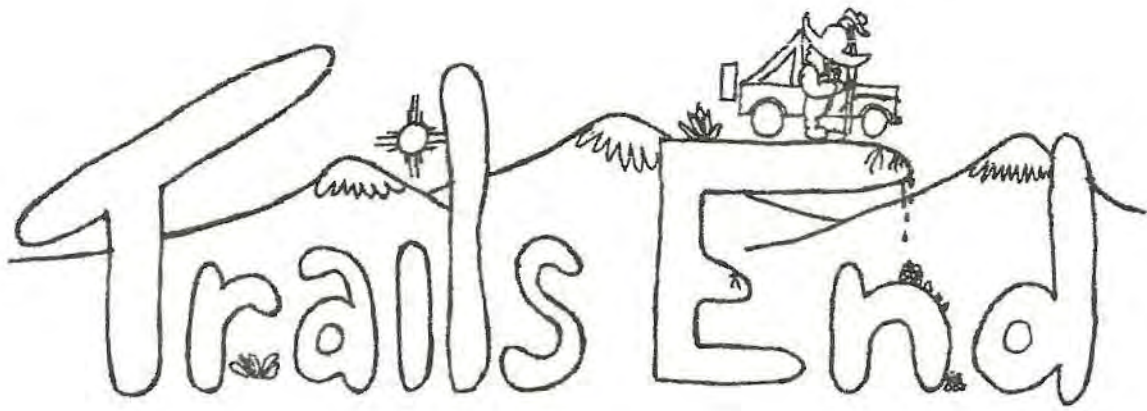
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Xmas Tree Run

Mark Harrison will lead the annual Christmas Tree cutting Run on December 9. Meet at the Union 76 station at University and Menaul at 9 AM. If you live on the West side and wish to meet at the junction of 528 and 44 be there at 9:30 AM. Bring lunch and hot drinks. Phil and Carol were in Area B last Saturday, and the trees were fine. No snow or mud either.

CALENDAR

Dec. 3	Canceled
December 8, 1995	Christmas Party and Meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church; 7 PM. See note.
December 9, 1995	Annual Tree Cutting Run to the Jemez Mountains.
Jan. 12, 1996	February meeting at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church; 7 PM. Zahns hosting.
Jan. 20	Mystery run led by Tahoe Zahn.
Jan. 27	Work party at Cuidando Los Ninos

PARTY PARTY

Our Christmas party will be held at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church at 7 PM on December 8.

Please bring finger food to share (dips, chips, wings, cookies etc.) The club will supply soft drinks and coffee. If you care to participate bring a gift marked for a man or woman which costs less than \$10 and we will have a grab bag. If your children are attending bring a gift for them or to trade.

OUR LAST MEETING

We had several guests at our last meeting: Tim and Rachel Hix, Tom and Tommy Sandoval, Scott Brunwasser, Fernando Fernandez, and Scott O'Brien. The members out in force were: Bob Norton, Paul Caleca, John and Debbie Monahan, Mark Werkmeister, Charlie and Joel Wilson, Paul Thompson, Garry Brown, Tahoe and Amanda Zahn, Jason Martinez, Scott Peake Mark Harrison, Vernon Harrison, Pat Brady, Arne and Joshua Gjerner, Bob Telepak, Jim and Tammy Werkmeister, Phil and Carol Kennicott and Michael Brown. Pat Brady gave the Treasurer's report and said that we made \$20.00 on the reflector run and now have \$1,523.84 in the kitty. Trip reports were given and Mark Werkmeister initiated a discussion on the possibility of United buying an insurance policy for its member clubs. Mark said that he still has some T-shirts available. The club decided to once again hold a work day at Cuidando Los Ninos on Jan. 27. The Pres. suggested that we sign up early for the SWFWDA meeting at Las Cruces. Your 4-Wheel Drive Lines has a form.

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ALUMINUM CANS

Our club saves and recycles aluminum cans. Bring your aluminum cans to each meeting, and Sue Brady will take them to the recycling center. Money from sale of the cans goes into our club treasury.

SCRAPBOOKS

Historian Trae Mead is in need of pictures taken on events sponsored or attended by the New Mexico 4-Wheelers. If you have some good pictures you can part with, please let Trae have them for our scrapbooks.

NOTE TO NON-MEMBERS: If you've been receiving the Trail Tales but have not attended a meeting or run, you may have noticed a number beside your name on the mailing label. We send the Trail Tales to prospective members for three months, and we number them. When you see a "3" by your name, that should alert you that you'll be dropped from our mailing list unless we hear from you. Visitors are always welcome at any New Mexico 4-wheelers event or outing. So check us out!

MEETINGS

Starting in October, meetings are held the second Friday at Heights Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 8600 Academy (East of Wyoming) at 7:00 PM. The church loans us the Senior High Room. We are reminded that this is a church and we must act accordingly (e.g., no smoking or drinking). We must remain in the Senior High Room and should not wander throughout the church. Children must stay with their parents at all times.

Articles and planned events should be submitted to Trail Tales, PO Box 633, Sandia Park, NM 87047, as far in advance as possible. This newsletter is mailed on the 1st day of each month. Information should be received by the 25th of the previous month to insure publication.

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NEW DUES PAYERS

We have 3 new members accepted to our club. Please welcome Scott Brunwasser, Fernando Fernandez and Tom and Tommy Sandoval

Brady Canyon Run Mark Werkmeister

What a trip! The club tackled the run up Brady Canyon for the first time on November 18, and I think most of the participants were quite impressed with this playground. Running vehicles up the canyon were Trip Leader Pat Brady (in the Scrambler), Mark Werkmeister (in HIS Scrambler), Mark Wolf, Dick Young, John Monahan, Tim & Rachel Hix (giving them enough points for membership), Guy Conway and son, Bob Telepak, and Bob Norton. Interest in this trip was rather high as evidenced by the large number of people who showed up just to watch the carnage: Phil and Carol Kennicott, Chris Walters (with Mark W.), John Bell (with Dick Y.), Bruce Williams (with Mark Wolf), Tom and Tommy Sandoval, and Charlie and Joel Wilson.

After the 2-1/2 hour drive and airing down, the first obstacles faced were three boulder piles in the canyon bottom. Most of the vehicles made short work of them but we did manage to high center a few and THE STRAP made its first appearance of the day. Next up was the obstacle we call The Big Rock. Everybody made it up the ramp but Bob Norton's F150 found the going just a little bit wide and left its mark on the canyon wall.

After eating lunch, we continued up the canyon. The 1st waterfall proved to be a little bit too challenging for the leader's vehicle and some road work ensued. After lengthening the ramp,

everyone made it up without incident except Bob T's CJ5 (too short) and Bob N's F150 (too everything!). A winch was employed to pull the CJ5 up and then again to hoist the full size truck through. Bob's truck doesn't have quite the same dimensions as when he started! The squeeze between New Rock and the tree was a bit too tight for the pickup so Bob finally abandoned his ride there after a valiant effort. The second and third waterfall were bested without too much difficulty until the trail leader (how does a trail leader end up at the back of the line?) tried to hold up an off camber Jeep with his arm. This footage is now available for demonstrations on what NOT to do in this situation.

The trip down was made without too much difficulty although several vehicles rearranged the location of Gary's Rock by dragging it around with various undercarriage parts. Most of the crowd headed home while Mark, Pat, and Chris enjoyed the unseasonable weather around the campfire and drove the wash all the way out to the road the next day.

Brady Canyon has proven itself to be a worthwhile addition to the club's list of available trails. In addition to the challenge of its boulders and waterfalls, the area is really worth a trip just for the scenic beauty. Brady Canyon is also a great example of using the rocks and gravel of a watercourse to provide a challenging trail without any environmental impact. The next rainfall will erase all traces of our passage and leave it ready for the next visitors.

For Sale

5 X 10 utility trailer. 15 inch wheels; 3000 lb. capacity. \$450. Call Pat Brady

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Young, Dick & Maren	708 Calle del Resplandor	Santa Fe
Zahn, Tahoe & Donna	952-B 12th Loop	Albuquerque

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
NEW MEXICO 4-WHEELERS, INC.

New Mexico 4-Wheelers is a non-profit club whose primary purpose is to provide social, educational, and recreational activities related to the sport of "Four Wheeling" for its members. Membership is \$30.00 per family per year, pro-rated for new members. Associate membership for our out-of-town members who cannot attend regularly is \$12.00 per year, also pro-rated.

I (WE) WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR MEMBERSHIP IN NEW MEXICO 4-WHEELERS:

TYPE MEMBERSHIP: REGULAR (VOTING) (\$30.00)
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NAME: _____ SPOUSE: _____

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ZIP: _____ PHONE: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ SPOUSE: _____ ANNIVERSARY DATE: _____

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THE SIGNATURE BELOW SIGNIFIES THAT I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE BY-LAWS AND STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) OF THE NEW MEXICO 4-WHEELERS:

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ITEM	PRICE	QTY	TOTAL
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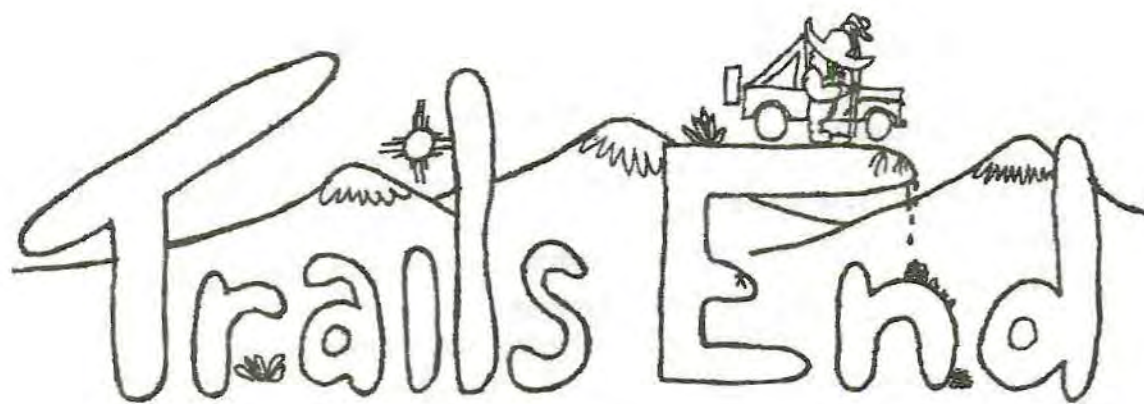
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