

LOW RANGE RAMBLIN'

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WHO IS IE4W?

Inland Empire 4 Wheelrs is a family oriented 4x4 club formed for the enjoyment and preservation of 4 wheeling. We consist mainly of short wheelbase vehicles such as Jeeps, Toyotas, Suzuki's although we do get an occasional long wheelbase vehicle. If you have one of these, expect to go some places where you could possibly



sustain body damage. We have monthly club runs that take us from the deserts to the mountains. We could easily end up in the snow, rocks, or sand. As a club, we are dedicated to the preservation of our public lands and our family sport. We welcome new members to join us!

President's Report

Hello IE4W Members and Guest,



I have been on the Board for 3 years and my time has come to an end.

We have had our ups and downs, members and guests have come and gone and some have passed, but the heart of IE4W is still the same and stronger than ever. It's all about what we put into it.

We enjoy Wheeling together near and far, social gatherings, celebrating the small things and the milestones, we come together when needed or just for fun.

I am most proud of our Forest Fest Committee this year, just about everyone was new to their positions, and they worked long and very hard to make it a success. They each deserve a HUGE Thank You.

I also want to say a "Big" Thank You to all that have supported me over these years. I'm not going to say it was always wine and roses but everything always worked out.

I am Proud to have served on the Board for the last 3 years and I could not have done it on my own. Thank You, Loren Campbell, VP; Cindy Coffin, Sec; and Dani Goldberg, Tres; for being up there with me each and every month, I could not have done it without you.

As the time of summer is coming to an end, may your memories of summer 2019 be ones filled with joy and of family and friends.

Please join me in welcoming the new Board to IE4W next month.

Thank You

Teri Patterson

IE4W President, 2017-2019

IE4W V. President, 2016-2017



Membership & Roundup Info

Come meet new friends! Bring your 4X4 !

All Four Wheelers welcome, Old Timers and New. Bring the family for dinner & enjoy it with new friends. Find out where to go Four Wheeling! Learn the newest tricks of Four Wheeling. Check out Radical videos & vehicles. Vehicle Safety advice available.

Come Play On Our RTI Ramp! The articulation ramp is a great tool for checking the effect of modifications you have made to your vehicle. For example, it can be used to check brake line length, if your shocks are the correct length for your lift, etc.



The IE4W Roundup is held the 2nd Tuesday of each month. 6:00—9:00pm

Surfer Joes' Pizza

2351 W Lugonia Ave

Redlands, CA 92374

IE4W WANTS YOU...

TO BECOME A MEMBER!!


The Inland Empire Four Wheelers welcome all guests to participate in club functions such as runs, business meetings, Roundups, and social gatherings. However, we would also like to welcome in our guests as full time members. As an IE4W member, you will enjoy certain benefits, just to name a few; you will be allowed to purchase plaques to display on your vehicle, you will be allowed full voting rights for bylaw changes and board of directors elections and look toward some new fun members benefits in the coming months as our membership committee builds new ideas.

The followings are the requirements set forth by the IE4W bylaws for membership requirement: Each prospective member must be 18 years or older, hold a valid driver's license, be the registered owner of a 4x4 vehicle, have the minimum CA insurance coverage, have their vehicle safety inspected, and attend 6 business meeting and drive his or her vehicle in at least 6 official runs (1 being an overnight run and 1 Adopt-A-Trail work trip) within a 12 month period. An official club run consists of 2 or more club members (with the exception of monthly club Runs). Each new member must sign the club's Assumption of Risk Waiver and will pay an annual \$69.00 fee which is used for land use and club events. Each year new land disputes surface and every off-highway recreationalist is beckoned to help support the fight. So, not only will your IE4W membership be a fun, fellowship filled experience, you will also be supporting your right to enjoy off-highway recreational areas for years to come.

IE4W Club Website:

[Http://www.ie4w.com](http://www.ie4w.com) Webmaster

September 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2  Labor Day	3 Heidi Kemp Larry Peterson	4	5	6 Loren Campbell and Joe Martinez	7
8 Cindy Maldonado, George Stauber	9	10	11 Jerry & Kathy Burgess , Karen Henry	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 Rachel & Bill Bem	19	20	21
22	23 Misty Rodriguez	24	25	26	27	28
29 Doug Russell	30 Amber Soliz					

Please go to IE4W forums to read trail leader messages, run descriptions, meeting places, and minimum requirements.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 6 - 11 - Dusy Ershim - Loren Campbell

Sept 20-22 - Randy's Overnighter

Sept 28th Installation Picnic

Oct 3-7 Death Valley Adventure Randy Stockberger

March 3-April 4 Moab Bob Berg

June 19-21 BBFF

July 16-19 Mammoth Mark Ogaz

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Loren Campbell and Joe Martinez

Jerry and Kathy Burgess

Rachel and Bill Bem

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Don McDonald and Jackie Sorcic '98



Safety Report

By Jerry Burgess

Current SBNF Fire Restrictions

05-12-00-19-03 Elevated Fire Restrictions

SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order No. 05-12-00-19-03

Fire Restrictions

Pursuant to 16 USC 551 and 36 CFR 261.50(a), and to provide for public safety and protect natural resources, the following acts are prohibited within the San Bernardino National Forest. This Order is effective from August 7, 2019, through December 31, 2019.

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire except within the areas listed in Exhibit A. 36 CFR 261.52(a).** (*Exhibit A = USFS Campgrounds by name*).
- 2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or in the areas listed in Exhibit A. 36 CFR 261.52(d).** (*Exhibit A = USFS Campgrounds by name*).
- 3. Welding, or operating acetylene or other torch with open flame.** 36 CFR 261.52(i).

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

1. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a permit from the Forest Service specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
3. Persons with a valid California Campfire Permit are not exempt from the prohibitions listed above, however, persons with a valid California Campfire Permit may use a portable contained-gas or liquefied-petroleum stove or lantern with a fuel shut-off valve.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

A violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. 16 USC 551, and 18 USC 3559, 3571, and 3581.

Executed in San Bernardino, California, this 6th day of August 2019

JODY NOIRON

Forest Supervisor

San Bernardino National Forest

This Order supersedes Order No. 05-12-00-19-02, signed on August 5, 2019.

Source for above information:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/sbnf/learning/safety-ethics/?cid=fseprd647709>

California Campfire Permits,

California Campfire Regulations & Restrictions (Health & Safety, Public Resources Codes):

<http://www.preventwildfireca.org/Campfires/>

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The Inland Empire Four Wheelrs regular business meeting is held the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM

The Redlands Elks Lodge

633 New York St.

Redlands, CA 92374

All are welcome

Please be considerate with noise when congregating in front of and in the club house.



Trip Reports

White Mountain 8/17/2019

Cindy Coffin

Members present:

Cindy Coffin. Trail Leader

Jeff Riley - Taill Gunner

Robin Reed, Randy Stockberger, George and Kay Stauber, Scott Atwood, Bob Berg, Mike Anderson, Mike Ewing, Mark and Peggy Ogaz, John and Ming Letzkus
Guests Present - Tony Giammonia, Jill and Joe Sorting

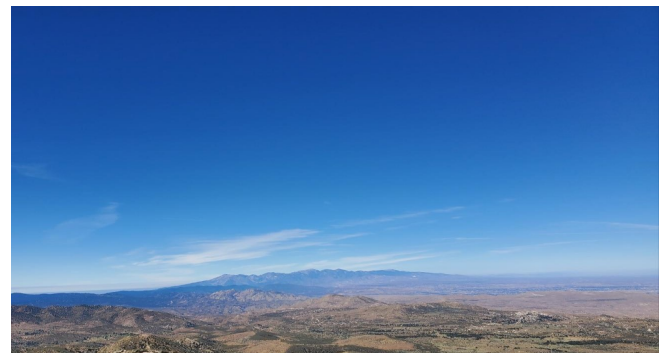
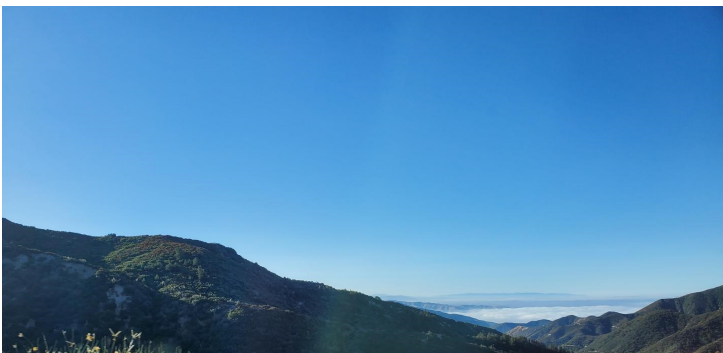
We met at 8:30 in Fawnskin to air down, have a drivers meeting and hit the trail at 9:00. The weather was absolutely wonderful. I had



previously recorded the track on GAIA and used that to find our way.

Worked great. We stopped for lunch around 12:00. There was dessert to be had. It was Scott's birthday

so he had cupcakes and as always, Robin had Little Debbie cupcakes. Tons of calories for us all. Thanks Scott and Robin. While having lunch, there were about 7 more Jeeps that arrived at our lunch spot. They were friends of Randy's and some of us knew them also. After lunch we headed out and finished our run about 2:00 or so. We aired up and said our goodbyes. Great day in the neighborhood and a successful day. No breakage or getting lost. Yay!!! Thanks to all that came out and we all had a great time.



Trip Reports

All 4 Fun, Buena Vista, CO July 27-August 3, 2019

Loren Campbell and Joe Martinez

Trip Leader: Loren Campbell and Joe Martinez

Members: Bo Parham, Matt and Sue Martel, Morgan Hertel

Guests: Troy and Mary Decker, Robert Quinn, Chris Yu, Steve Brandenburg, Ryan Landrum

Joe and I had so much fun last year at All 4 Fun that we made our reservation to attend this year the day it opened, January 1. Bo Parham also wanted to go back, so we began working on our joint plans to attend. Bo also talked 3 of his Toyota buddies to join us as well.

We got to the Rodeo Grounds in Buena Vista, CO on July 27, and claimed a great campsite very near the Big Top where we all formed a circle to shield from the winds. I was surprised to find Morgan Hertel, Matt and Sue Martel were also in attendance. The first afternoon we were there, a huge windstorm came out of nowhere with nearly 60 mph winds. The winds were so fierce that it almost toppled the Big Top, in fact it was only saved by having Jeeps all around it hook up to stretch the guy wires. Unfortunately, that created a little disruption in the plans that night, but the Mile High Jeep Club pulled everything together and began serving dinner as planned 10 minutes early...it was really impressive. We found out later that 3 other Big Tops in the Colorado area crashed to the ground from the freak windstorm (they didn't have an armada of Jeeps to hold theirs down)

All 4 Fun is a week long event, and one of the nice things is that everyone can choose the trails they want to do each day. Bo, his Toyota friends, and I started off with one of the very scenic trails, Tin Cup Pass. It starts at the Ghost town of St. Elmo, and proceeds up and over the mountain. When we stopped for lunch, Bo's Cherokee wouldn't start. We tried many ways to get it started, but ended up towing him back to St. Elmo where we could bring a trailer to pick it up.

The next day while Bo was getting his Jeep fixed, we did Chinaman Gulch, a very difficult trail that was very similar to John Bull. Awesome trail!

During the week we also repeated a trail that we had done last year, Wheeler Lake, which is one of the most beautiful trails I've done there. Pictures tell the story!

Another day we did Birdseye Gulch, which started off as a beautiful forested trail. About an hour into the trail, Joe said he couldn't steer. I thought it was a repeat of the locker problem, but it turned out to be the PSC tie rod clamp for the Ram Steer had a very poor weld and it just sheered off. We quickly removed the Ram and hoses, grateful that we had the plugs and were able to finish the trail without any issue. It is amazing how helpful other Jeepers are, one of the participants on our trail was the Distribution Manager for Napa in Colorado, and he arranged for Napa to pickup the replacement clamp from Transamerica in Denver, and delivered it to their Buena Vista store that night. I went to the local Napa the next morning when they opened, picked up the clamp, and had the Jeep running by 9:00 that morning. We enjoyed the vendor show and then went for an afternoon whitewater rafting trip through Browns Canyon, so much fun!

The last day Joe and I did the most difficult trail of the trip, Holy Cross City. Holy Cross is one of the Badge of Honor Trails, and ranks up there in difficulty with the Rubicon or Dusey. The trail was mostly going through Forest very similar to what we see in Big Bear, but that all changed when we got to some of the ledges, especially The Big Ledge. I was very pleased with JL Jack's performance, he walked right up the hardest lines with pride! French Creek is really an interesting water crossing, you drive through the creek for about 100 yards, it's difficult because the water is deep enough that you can't really see the big boulders you're driving through, you have to feel your way through them. At the end, the water gets drops off more and you have to climb this huge boulder out of the creek. Jack was like a honey badger, Jack didn't care how deep the water was or how slick the boulders were. At the end of the trail is Holy Cross City, an old mine site that had incredible vistas.

All 4 Fun is a well run event, we will definitely be going back in the future.



Yankee Boy Basin, Imogene Pass, and Corkscrew Gulch
July 23 and 25, 2019

Loren Campbell

Trip Reports

Trail Leaders: Loren Campbell and Joe Martinez

Club Members: Jeff and Kim Riley

Guest: Robert Quinn

We arranged to meet up in Ouray before All 4 Fun to visit some of the beautiful scenery around Ouray and Silverton. The Rileys and Robert Quinn met us at our campsite on July 23 and we headed off to do Yankee Boy Basin and Imogene Pass. We knew that Imogene was not open over the top, but we still wanted to drive up as far as we could. Shortly after airing down, we experienced a problem with our JL front lockers being engaged all the time and making it very difficult to turn. We tried and tried, but we could not get it to disengage. We had been told that the trail could be done in 2 wheel drive, but in an abundance of caution, and the desire to figure out what the problem was and get it fixed, Joe and I elected to head back to camp to sort out the problem and sent Jeff, Kim, and Robert ahead to enjoy the trail. They did Yankee Boy Basin, which is one of the most beautiful trails with multiple water crossings, and made it all the way up near the top of Imogene Pass where they ran into heavy equipment plowing the snow to clear the trail. They had an awesome time with no difficulty.

The next day, I took the Jeep to Rockworx in Montrose to check out the axle issue. The owner, Craig, Ross, took the diff cover off and carefully examined the interior for signs of anything wearing or broken. Fortunately, there was nothing amiss and the gear oil was pristine. We then cycled the E-Lockers 30 or 40 times without a single problem, so buttoned it back up and said a little prayer. If you're ever in the area and need a shop to work on your rig, I highly recommend Craig Ross, he worked me in while I waited, asked an abundance of questions to try to determine the problem, and patiently showed me exactly how the E-Lockers worked.

We met up on the 25th again to try another run, this time going from Ouray to Silverton via Corkscrew Gulch and returning through Red Mountain. It was an incredibly scenic run, nothing difficult, but also reassuring that our JL was operating properly. We had lunch in Silverton and then returned through Red Mountain, which is filled with old and current mining operations.

We aired up at the highway and headed back down the Million Dollar Highway back to Ouray.



NO REPORT RUNS

AS MUCH AS WE APPRECIATE OUR RUN LEADERS, FORTHCOMING NEWS-
LETTERS MAY INCLUDE SOME RIDICULE OF **"THE NON POSTERS"**

Big Bear, Johnson Valley Weekend 7/24-7/25 Randy "Epic" Stockberger



MEETING MINUTES

August 2019
Minutes

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chaun Goldberg

Introduction of Guests - Scott and Jennifer Atwood, Naomi Petratta, Mike and Jennifer Ewing, Maurice Cote and Andrew (son).

Secretary's report - Cindy Coffin - Motion by George Stauber, seconded by Ron Fleming to approve minutes as published. Motion passed

Treasurers Report - Dani Goldberg - started month with \$62,598.05 cash. No bills submitted to be paid.

Committee Chair Reports

Merchandise - Kevin Strong - all is good. No merchandise at this meeting.

Newsletter - Todd Vargason - all good

Hospitality - Kay Stauber - John Dunlap doing well. Rick Clay spoke to him and John is being moved to a rehab facility.

Forest Fest - Tim Kemp - no report. Bill Henry presented Tim with a directors chair in appreciation for his leadership at BBFF

Round-up - Darryl and Mallory Jordon - round-up and Surfer Joe's. No ramp will be there and Darryl and Mallory are unable to be there also.

Adopt - a - Trail - Ken Ehlers - nothing to report.

Historian - Karen Henry - gave report on Sept 2008 meeting. Owens, Jim Miller and Barbara Bongiorno were present as guests. Tim Kemp was president at that time.

Safety - Jerry Burgess - Report in newsletter

Break 15 -20 minutes

Report on Past Runs

July 5 - Dishpan and Holcomb - Ron Fleming - also report in newsletter

July 13 - Robin Reed - gave report also in newsletter

July 27 - Adopt - a - Trail - 8 people participated and 6 rigs - got a lot accomplished.

Future Runs - Randy Stockberger

Aug 17 - Cindy Coffin - White Mountain - meet at 8:30 Fawnskin - leave at 9

Sept 20 - 22 - Randys Overnighter - Hanna Flat

Future Event

Sept 28 - Installation Picnic - Teri and Jim Pattersons' humble abode.

New Business -

Nominations - Mark Ogaz - President, Robin Reed - Vice President, Kay Stauber - Secretary, Karen Henry - Treasurer.

Sheriffs Report - Bill Henry - numerous fines were given out for numerous infractions.

Raffle prizes provided by Jeff Riley. Bill and Karen Henry volunteered for Sept.

Closed Session -

Adjourn Meeting. Peggy moved and George Stauber 2nd to adjourn meeting.

Respectfully submitted - Cindy Coffin, le4w Secretary.



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