

LOW RANGE RAMBLIN'

DECEMBER 2020

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Meeting Location To Be Determined. We will also stream it via Zoom for those not comfortable meeting in person.

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WHO IS IE4W?

Inland Empire 4 Wheelers 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!

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The Inland Empire Four Wheelers regular business meetings are 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.



Did you forget your cash for Merch or Raffle? Visit Karen as we now take Credit Cards.



DECEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 IE4W Christmas Party
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17 Laura Gervais	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26
27	28	29 Steven Soliz	30 Todd Vargason	31 New Years Eve		

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

Upcoming Events

December 12th Joshua Tree Chaun & Dani Goldberg

Jan 15th-16th Superstition Mountain Mike & Jen
Ewing



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Tom & Cherie Thompson

Bobbie and Cindy Holley

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Mike Anderson '18

Loren Campbell & Joe Martinez '11

Larry & Cheri McRae '97

Mark & Peggy Ogaz '13

Of all the paths
you take in life



make sure a few
of them are dirt

Safety Report

By Jerry Burgess

Tight Lug Nuts?

Last month we talked about swapping out a spare tire for a flat on either your rig or your friend's rig. We'll jump back to that point to pick up on that installation. Now, assuming that you have your rig properly and safely jacked up, you found the key to the security lug and the special socket, the flat tire is off, you're ready to mount the good wheel and tire. Make sure your body and body parts are never under the supported axle or body, just in case the rig moves and comes down suddenly as dirt and sand can move under a jack. Check the hub and brake or flange before installing the wheel to ensure all are clean and free of debris, mud, plants that might get trapped behind a wheel. Remember you are on the trail and it's dirty. Check the wheel to ensure nothing is on the face of the back side to get trapped against the hub. Install the wheel and lug nuts, hand tighten the nuts as far as you can advance them onto the lugs / studs.



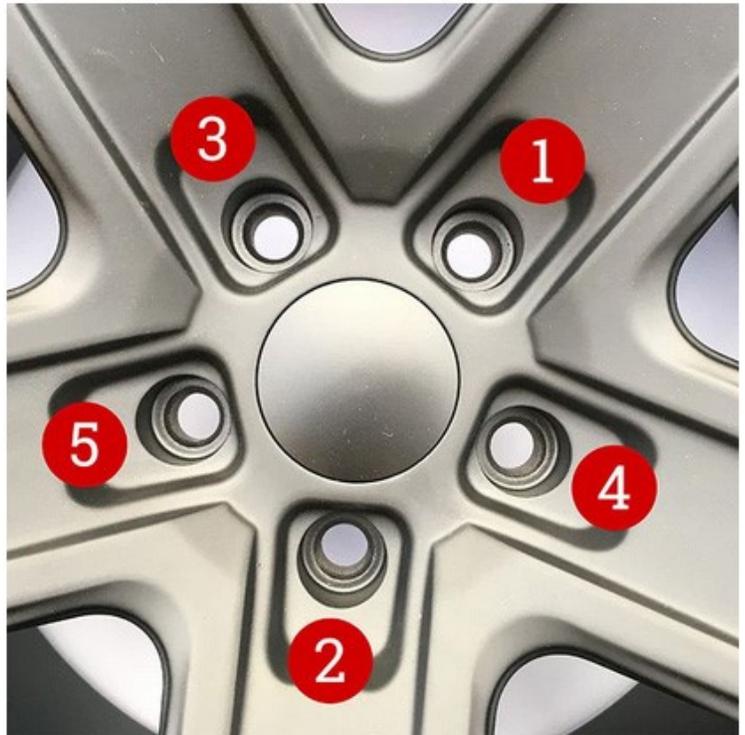
After installing your lugs, tighten the lugs in a star pattern (see image) with a hand tool while adjusting the wheel onto the nuts so they self-center into the wheel and once all lug nuts are into their centered hole, hand tighten snugly again in the star pattern. If you're certain the wheel has been properly mounted on the hub / flange with the lug nuts and the wheel is secure, lower the tire to the ground before applying the torque wrench. If you try to torque the wheel in the air, you stand a chance of just turning the wheel and also the possibility if connected to the axle through the diff, turn the wheel on the other side that is on the ground, which could bring the rig down off the jack. By lowering the tire to the ground, you can apply the proper torque safely again in the star pattern. Jeeps are typically 95 ft pounds of torque.

Vehicle/Year Ranges	OEM Wheel Size	Lug Pattern	Stud Size	Hub Center Bore
2020 Jeep Gladiator JT	17" - 18"	5 on 5	14mm x 1.50	71.5
18 - 20 Jeep Wrangler JL	17" - 18"	5 on 5	14mm x 1.50	71.5
07 - 18 Jeep Wrangler JK	17" - 18"	5 on 5	1/2 x 20	71.5
97 - 06 Jeep Wrangler TJ	15" - 16"	5 on 4.5	1/2 x 20	71.5
87 - 95 Jeep Wrangler YJ	15" - 16"	5 on 4.5	1/2 x 20	71.5
41 - 86 Jeep MB & CJ Series	15"	5 on 5.5	1/2 x 20	108
84 - 01 Jeep Cherokee XJ & Comanche MJ	15"	5 on 4.5	1/2 x 20	71.5
93 - 98 Jeep Grand Cherokee ZJ	15"	5 on 4.5	1/2 x 20	71.5
99 - 04 Jeep Grand Cherokee WJ	16" - 20"	5 on 5	1/2 x 20	71.5
05 - 10 Jeep Grand Cherokee WK	16" - 20"	5 on 5	1/2 x 20	71.5
11 - 19 Jeep Grand Cherokee WK2	16" - 20"	5 on 5	14mm x 1.50	71.5
14 - 19 Jeep Cherokee KL	17" - 18"	5 x 110(metric)	12mm x 1.25	65.1
06 - 10 Jeep Commander XK	17" - 18"	5 on 5	1/2 x 20	71.5
02 - 12 Jeep Liberty KJ/KK	16" - 18"	5 x 4.5	1/2 x 20	71.5
07 - 16 Jeep Compass, Patriot	17" - 18"	5 on 4.5	12 x 1.5	67.1
62 - 73 Jeep J Series & Full Size Wagoneer	15"	5 x 5.5	1/2 x 20	108
74 - 91 Jeep J Series & Full Size Wagoneer	15"	6 on 5.5	7/16	108

Safety Report

By Jerry Burgess

Drive about an hour on the trail, or 25 miles, stop and re-torque the lug nuts. They might turn a slight amount before the torque wrench clicks, which is a good thing. Drive another day or about 100 miles on the highway and check them again. If the lug nut budes at all, you might get 1 to move, but all should not move and the torque wrench should just click out at 95 on all 5. If it does, then you should be set. I would still check the lug nuts before any major trip or weekend out as a matter of precaution. Keep an extra lug nut, or even a spare stud in case you lose or break one. Jeep uses different threads and studs, they're not all the same. JK and TJ = $\frac{1}{2}$ x20 TPI , but now JL = 14mm x 1.5mm, and there are some 12 mm x 1.5 and 1.25mm. Be careful, Drive Safely, have FUN, and Merry Christmas!



Check for possible wheel nuts loose and large banging noise

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 Watch the forums for updates for changes or cancelations

Graziano's Pizza Restaurant

1080 E Washington St, Colton, CA 92324

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

Trip Reports

St George, UT Area 11/20-11/29

Jim & Teri Patterson

Thanksgiving in Utah

In Attendance:

Jim & Teri Patterson

Loren Campbell & Joe Martinez

Rick, Tammy Clay & Curt Carlson

Randy & Roxann Stockberger

Cindy Coffin

Debbie Coffin & Marita Aspen

Terry, Bonnie McNeil, Chris & Donna

Larry & Cheri McRae

Julio & Antonio Monroy



-Most of us arrived by the Friday before Thanksgiving to start our week off.

-Saturday was a jeeping day, we ran Plan B at Sand Mountain (rated 7/10).

-Sunday we switched over to the RZR's. Julio, Antonio, Larry and Cheri joined us that day with Antonio leading the way. Randy rented a RZR to join in on the fun.

We left Willow Wind park and drove the RZR's on the back streets to Sky Ranch, then went around Sand Hollow Reservoir and up the dunes of Sand Mountain to the Double Sammy trail.

With almost 4 hours left on Randy's rental, we decided to do The Ledges, which is an 8 rated trail. It is aptly named, being a series of ledges above 200-300' cliffs, getting down onto the ledges definitely was a pucker factor.

-Tuesday was a very cold day and we thought, "Let's take drive to Bryce Canyon", of course we needed to go the most scenic route. Once we got to Cedar City we could see snow on the ground, we followed the scenic route along the 14 through the Dixie National Forest. None of us thought about the snow and ice we might run into the higher we got or the 18 degrees, can you say "snow run". It was a little slow going till we reached highway 89 to Bryce. We had a great time looking at all the natural wonders, but we didn't stay to long out of our jeeps since the temps were so low and we wanted to start back before we lost daylight.

-Wednesday was another beautiful day so we took a drive through Zion, the tunnels and enjoyed the views.

-The rest of the days & nights were filled with fun times and laughter.

-Not too much happened the rest of the week.....



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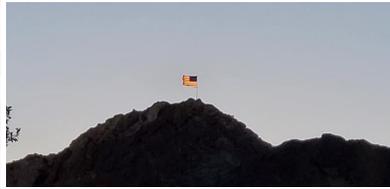
Parker, AZ 11/22-11/29

Mike Ewing

Members in attendance
Mike and Jennifer Ewing
George and Kay Stauber
Scott and Jennifer Atwood
Ming and John Letzkus
Ron Fleming and Susie
Todd Vargason

Guest in attendance
Dean and Cheryl Rist

Monday run to True Grit was short but challenging. Big ledges to drop off and also to go up. One big waterfall to go up. One of the ledges caused the tow strap to come out twice. Everything went well and after lunch a few of us went to Deliverance. After having to use two by-passes and me trying to go down a 10 foot wall and having to get strapped back up, we called it quits and went back to camp. Wednesday was a nice scenic route the back way to the Desert Bar. Stopped by a couple of mines and the desert bar was closed when we got there. Thanksgiving dinner turned out great. We worried about the wind for a bit but it didn't end up being that bad. Thank you everyone for your help and participation! Friday we went towards Lake Havasu and ran The Maze and Python. Both were fun and had challenging extra credit on The Maze and darn near body damage a couple of times on Python. Everything went great and no breakdowns.



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Parker, AZ 11/22-11/29

Mike Ewing





MEETING MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Robin Reed

Introduction of Guest: John Pedilla; Kevin Marcus & Bo Wetzel

Welcome: ALL

Welcome to New Members:

Secretary's Report: Kay Stauber – ✓ Any questions on the minutes, NONE

Motion by: George Stauber
Second by: Bobby Holley to accept Minutes as Published.
Motioned Passed: ALL

Fun Fact: "National Bittersweet Chocolate Day!"

*****Please ALL Trail Leaders, post YOUR Run reports!!!!*****

Treasurer's Report: Karen Henry – started the month with \$42,080.08

Got an okay to pay a few bills!

Motioned by: Mike Ewing
Second by: Dick Gervais
Approved by: ALL

Vice President & Land & Use Report: Robin Reed – Spoke a bit on Corva & how all are doing!

Committee Chair Reports:

Merchandise: Mike Anderson – Sold some shirts for \$10.00, and also talked about selling them for a different price, but Mark Ogaz said to keep them at \$10.00.

Newsletter: Todd Vargason – Going good, however, Todd needs someone to take over the "Newsletter" as he is stepping down from doing the Newsletter.

Membership: - Scott Atwood – Absent – Moreover, Scott will be moving to Tennessee soon, so December will be Scott's last month doing the Membership. Moreover, ***Peggy Ogaz will be taking over the Membership Chair.....***

Hospitality: Jennifer Atwood – Absent – Moreover, Jennifer will be moving to Tennessee soon, so December will be Jennifer's last month doing the Hospitality. Moreover, ***Karen Henry will be taking over the Hospitality Chair!***

Forest Fest: Cindy Coffin – Absent – **Need a Chair person for Forest Fest Chair.**

Round Up: - Bob Peterson – Round-up went well last month. It will be held at Graziano's on Tuesday, November 12th. All are welcomed!

Adopt A Trail: Ken Ehlers – Absent – **Ken is also stepping down from the AAT Chair, so we need someone to take it over....**

Historian: Peggy Ogaz – No report – **Peggy is stepping down from Historian, so she needs someone to take over....**

Website: Teri Patterson – For those who will be taking over a Chair, please send Teri their email address so she has them.

Scholarship: Tim Kemp – Absent – Mike Ewing will be taking the Scholarship for Tim....

Safety: Jerry Burgess – Spoke about having a Spare Tire Patch Kit with you at all times, as you never know when someone might need one.....

Donations to other Organizations: Chaun Goldberg - Absent

Break: Drinks for ??

See Cindy Ehlers for **Raffle Tickets 50/50 - Report on Past Runs:**

Loren Campbell spoke about the St. George/Hurricane Trip – All in All it was a great turnout around (14) Families attended.

Mark Ogaz – said his run on Halloween Day turned out with (9) Jeeps. Good run!

Future Runs: Kevin Rice - Absent

November 23rd – 28th – Hurricane, UT, Teri spoke about the upcoming trip to Hurricane and the run will be the day after “Thanksgiving” and she will be posting a list soon for all that will be attending....

November 23rd – 28th – Parker, AZ – Ron Fleming will be leading the trip to Parker this year as some were NOT able to change their schedules for Hurricane, UT.

Future Events:

IE4W Christmas Party will be held in Yucaipa on December 5th, 2020!

Old Business:

*****Elks Lodge providing dinner – Chairperson – Chaun & Dani Goldberg - Absent**

New Business: Elk’s Lodge offered to give the monies back from the IE4W not using the Elk’s Lodge in the past months. Talked about giving the monies to a Charitable Group thru the Elk’s Lodge.

Motioned by: – Teri Patterson
Second – George Stauber
Passed by: All

Sheriff’s Report: Bill Henry – No fines this month! “Thank you Bill”

Raffle Prizes: - ()

Motion by: Teri Patterson
Second by: Karen Henry
Meeting Adjourned at: 8:00 p.m.
Motioned Passed: All



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