



TOW STRAP TRIBUNE

January
2018

Copperstate 4 Wheelers Newsletter

"A Family Oriented Off Road Club"

Since 1972

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CLUB CALENDAR

February 2018

17th - Humbug Mine/Ghost Town

24th - Martinez Mine Hike

March 2018

April 2018

See the club trips [Facebook page](#) for details.

ELECTED CLUB OFFICERS

Use the hyperlinks to contact an officer.

President ~ [Chad Chaney](#)

Vice President ~ [Jim Nossett](#)

Secretary ~ [Kenny Blum](#)

Treasurer ~ [Paul Yakaitis](#)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wayne Ash/Jen Blum

Damon Orphanos

Gary Epp

Helpful Information for club members.

Permits

[Bull Dog Canyon Permit](#)

[State Land Department: Recreational Permit](#)

President's Message

Hello everybody,

There are two things I like to remember when I consider ethical use of motorized trails. They are the Official Four Wheelers Code and the Rules of the Road. You can find them on the "About," tab on our clubs website. Both of

these are good references for the appropriate behavior that should be exhibited while anyone is on the trail. It is also our responsibility to speak up when we see something that doesn't fit these guidelines. The risk of closures and restrictions are ever looming and we have to be good stewards. The Tread Lightly principles also speak to ethical behavior. Travel Responsibly, Respect Others, Educate Yourself, Avoid Sensitive Areas, and Do Your Part. We all need to do our part and be good examples.

-Chad



ADVENTURE AWAITS YOU!

Volunteer to be a CS4W trail leader.

Contact Chad or Jim for further details.

Club Run - Millsite Canyon Loop

Millsite Canyon Trail

Superior, Arizona



On December 30th, the Copperstate 4 Wheelers left civilization to take a great trail, the Millsite Canyon Loop. The trail follows forest service road 1900 and is located out near the Montana Mountain Trail. The trail was recently reported to have a washout that had claimed two vehicles recently so we thought we'd go check it out. The trail is quite overgrown in some areas and those in attendance found themselves doing some mild trimming to reduce the amount of pinestripes. We were finally able to confirm that there is in fact a dangerous washout on the trail for anything larger than a side by side, motorcycle, or ATV. This was reported to the forest service and we will be on the look out for any service projects in the area. Thank you to all who attended, it was an exciting day.

Click the link to see the trail write up on TrailsOffroad.com - [Link](#)

Club Run - Lower Ajax Mine

We met at a campsite in Florence, off of Cottonwood Canyon Rd. around 8am, to head out to tackle Lower Ajax Mine. The group seemed to cruise right through the trail, 2 obstacles and one recovery we were done and back by 2pm.

Photo album of the weekend - [Photos](#)



Club Run - Lower Ajax Mine

Here are action shots of members making quick work of the first obstacle on Lower Ajax.



Club Run - Lower Ajax Mine



There was one recovery on the trail at the second large rock garden. Noss is getting the feel for his new rig and happen to get himself pretty stuck.

Thanks to the diligent work of the guys they were able to tug him out.



ADOPT A TRAIL BULLDOG CANYON



Our club needs to run the trails in the Bulldog Canyon twice a year. During these runs we will pick up trash and inspect the trails, gates and cattle guards. We will also perform repairs on the trail and report any issues that are beyond our scope.

During these runs we will be working as a volunteer for the Tonto National Forest.

Club Archives

Camping Games Olympics

The first Camping Games Olympics was in Jan of 2015. These games are intended for team building and friendly competition. This event is a 2 night camping trip, a club run through Lower Ajax on Saturday morning and then the Olympics start upon return to the camp. The Olympic games are corn hole, washers, Jenga and usually an individual game. In the past that game was perfection. In the future this game will either be BB gun target shooting or skee ball. Each game is single elimination and played by a team of two Olympians.

Check out the 2018 medal ceremony video - [VIDEO](#)

Here are the past Camping Games Olympic Champions!



CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS



Secretary Report

January 2018

Club Meeting Notes

Club dues are due at the February club meeting. The amount is \$50. February 28th is the deadline.

I have on record that 12 members has paid their dues.

- Wayne Ash
- Gary Epp
- Roland
- Craig Gafke
- Todd Minutella
- Damon



- Kit Russell
- Blum's
- Larry Blau
- Jim Nossett
- Bruce D'Andrea



Land agencies and private property boundaries

<http://gis.azland.gov/webapps/parcel/?loc=-111.3388,33.0728,9&layers=3,2,0>

If you observe destruction of the environment or private property while in the outdoors please notify the proper authorities.

The Arizona Game and Fish Departments

24-Hour Hotline at

1-800-VANDALS – 1-(800)-826-3257