



April 1998 Newsletter for The San Luis Obispo County Four Wheel Drive Club  
 Editor Debbie K.



## Weekend After Run

The March 7, 98 weekend after run had been planned for Garcia Ridge but Hi Mountain Road was closed to us, and will remain closed until the Salinas subsides so trialboss Jesse H. made arrangements for a clean up day for Pine Mountain.

Meeting at Carrows were Jim and AveNette Z., Frank and Donna A., Joe R., and Troy and Tammy G., Meeting up with Ray M., Brian E. and Ranger Mike B. and his assistant ranger at the Pozo Ranger Station we followed the forest green Chevy to the Navajo camp area where the rangers opted for their ATVs. Continuing to Pine Mountain and meeting up with Mike Jr. and kids, and Mark B. near the trail head. The road getting to Pine was more difficult to traverse than Pine Mt. itself. No, its not sledgehammer but it did require the hubs to be locked and 4 Lo or if you have a Toy 4loX. A roll sheet and safety checks were done at this time.

The first order of business was to shovel in an eroded section of the road where run off depleted the trail to pine into a gorge 3 feet wide by 3 feet deep. Then once at the condor look out we enjoyed conversing with friends, mostly about the trip to the trailhead, and ate lunch. Most of the attention was drawn to Frank and Donna A's Vanagon, yes a Volkswagon, made the whole trail all the way to the last leg bending towards the stair steps. We cleared off 20 plus trees and one boulder about half the size of a CJ7. You should have seen the look on the rangers face, bewildered and shocked expression as he ran toward the cliff and watching the boulder roll over the side of the cliff with his mouth agape. The rock was moved by 6 guys and 2 rock bars. The trees were removed by Ray's jeep and and Jesse's Toyota towing about 5 trees off the trail. The other guys sawed and pitched logs off the trail. A condor was spotted on the way back with rumors flying about how the condors will eat a person if they ain't careful. GEEPERS! Mike B was impressed with the amount of work completed and took off while we completed the trail in reverse. We all split up at Navajo camp to go our separate ways. Ray, Mark, Brian and Jesse dropping off the tools at the ranger station and headed for home. The trip was deemed productive and everyone pitched in to to turn the chores into light work. Thanks to all who attended. Hope to see you on the trail.

Safety Chair: Jesse H.

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### **----SLO County 4WD Club Board of Directors Meeting---** **Ray M's House Thursday April 30, 1998 6:00 PM**

**SLO County 4WD Club Board of Directors**

**President Ray M. Vice President Tom C.**

**Acting Vice Pres. Mike Jr. Secretary Kathy P.**

**Treasurer Brian E Ways & Means Jannelle T.**

**Membership Dave H. Events Randy P.**

Land Use Will H. Cal 4WD Liaison Mark B.

Newsletter Debbie K

Any other general members interested should attend!

## EVENTS

- April Weekend After Run: Carissa Plains- wildflower sightseeing with friends  
Trailboss: Jim B.  
Date, Time, Meeting: **Sunday April 5, 1998** 9:00 AM Players Restaurant or  
9:30 Margarita Park
- April Club Local Run: Lopez Lake- possible cancellation due to rain and high river water  
Trailboss: Ray M.  
Date, Time, Meeting: **Saturday April 25, 1998** Call Ray M. for details
- Visiting Club: Pt. Magu Jeepers to visit Pine Mt/Garcia Ridge  
For Information call: Jesse H.  
Date: **Weekend of May 2-3, 1998**  
Plan on meeting and running with Pt. Magu Jeepers to show our hospitality to this visiting club.
- 10th Annual 4WD "Hands ON" Clinic Hollister Hills SVRA  
Sponsor: Esprit de Four  
Information: Eric 510-794-9067 or web site <http://www.netgate.net/-tc/esprit>  
Date: **May 2-3, 1998**
- **Spring Thing:** SLO 4 Wheel Drive Club BASH  
  
Trailboss: Mark B. Jeep Games: Jim B. PotLuck BBQ: Kathy P.  
Date, Time, Place: Sat through Mon **Memorial Day Weekend May 23-25, 1998**  
Camping: Fris (Freeze) Camp, Runs: Los Chiches, Pine Mt, Garcia  
Games: Navajo  
A local run to have all club members new and used get together for fun, games, food, and friendship. Easy  
beginner runs to the more challenging.  
  
MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW
- Hume Lake Hume Lake/Sequoia National Park  
Trailboss: Will H  
Date, Time: **Fri-Mon June 26-June 29, 1998**  
Miles: 175
- June Club Run Lockwood Creek  
Trailboss: Joe R.  
Date: **June 6-7, 1998**
- Dunes Fun Pismo Beach Dunes July 4 weekend
- OPENING DAY: DEER SEASON The club has been asked to be out on the trails on  
**August 8-9** to do fire patrol. Information: Will H.

### April 1, 1998 General Meeting Minutes

- **President**, Ray M opened the meeting by asking for a vote of confidence for the election of Mike A Jr as Acting Vice-President in the absence of Tom C. With that taken care of, Ray asked Mike Jr for a
- **Vice-President's report**. Mike said we'd have to wait till next month when he warms up to the job.
- **Secretary**, Kathy P circulated the minutes and agendas. Introductions and our sign in sheet revealed that we had 32 adults and 3 kids present at the meeting.
- **Treasurer**, Brian E, reviewed our balance

- **CA4WDC liaison**, Mark B signed up 3 new members this month. There is a Central District meeting this Saturday, which will be attended by Mark and Jim B. In the absence of our membership director, Mark also signed up 2 new SLO 4 Wheeler member families; Al & Judy J. and Mike & Peti G.
- **Events Director**, Randy P, arranged a wild flower run to Carrizo Plain under the direction of Jim B.. He had 4 or 5 interested members. The group will be leaving Players at 9:00 AM and will be meeting the South County faction at Santa Margarita Park at the corner of El Camino and Highway 58 at 9:30.

The potential run to Camp Roberts was denied by the authorities because of the weather conditions and there seemed to be no interest in another April overnight run, so none was designated.

May's run will be great, though. Mark B agreed to head up what Ray dubbed The Spring Thing, on May 23, 24 & 25th. The first annual Spring thing will be part Potluck BBQ (talk to Kathy if you have any suggestions for the food part) It will be part Playday (talk to Jim B and Mark B if you have more ideas about vehicle games, although they seem to have a few hairball ideas already!) Camping is tentatively to be at Friis Camp between Turkey and Navajo Flats below 5 points on the Navajo side of Black Mountain. There will be a potential night run, on Las Chichas and maybe day runs to our other trails. The idea is to introduce our area to newcomers and to get out and have some FUN!

Joe R is interested in taking a group to Lockwood Creek area on June 6th , so keep that in the back of your mind.

Joe R also gave a great run report on March's Monthly Run to Redrock Canyon, Jawbone Canyon, & Last Chance Canyon on the 21st and 22nd of March.

- **Land Use Liaison**, Will H April fooled us by saying that he didn't attend the CCOPE meeting. To the contrary, he attended the meeting and brought back lots of really good information. He reported that Mike B, our off road ranger was pleased with the Pine Mountain Road day run/trail check Jessie led last month. Garcia Ridge Adopt-a-Trail is still closed because of rain Will passed out wallet cards with the 4WD hotline Phone number on it. That 24 hour line will tell you which trails in our area are open. (805) 438-4048.  
Will read excerpts from a report by the head of the Forest Service indicating that the future of vehicular recreation on forest Service land is seriously in jeopardy and suggested that we spend 5 minutes at the next meeting drafting letters to them.
- **Newsletter editor**, Debbie K indicated that the newsletter will go out Monday and that all reports and contributions should be in to her in a timely manner
- **Ways & Means** Brian T ran the 50/50 raffle and Randy B won the \$22.50 prize.

#### **Under Committee Reports,**

- **Promotional chair**, Lynn S, took possession of the T-shirts. He indicated that he will be making a new order this month and that he will be keeping the T-shirts available for purchase at Ted Miles Jeep Eagle which is where he works.
- **Safety chair**, Jessie H brought in a sample leather glove from his work. The board will be considering adding gloves to the promotional items that we have for sale.
- **Scrapbook**, Avanelle Z brought in the . She asked for photos of the desert run and the Pine Mountain Run. Please have the date, run, trail boss, and some kind of sequence for her to put them in the book.
- **Telephone chair**, Kathy P got help from Ava Z calling people. We called sort of late and doubled up on a few calls, but it seems to be working.
- **Virtual Committee** Chairman, Mark B reported that our Web Page is up and running with the new features of music, yes music, and a guest book to sign. The e-mail is up and running. We got a new member through the website, so it's working.
- **Under For the Good of the Club** Ray reported that the board would be discussing printed trash sacks to tie on the back of our vehicles to heighten awareness of trail cleanliness.

**Board of Directors Meeting** will be at Ray & Darlene's Thursday, April 23 at 6:00 for dinner and 6:30 meeting

Mike from Point Mugu 4WD Club is working in this area and invited us to join them on a club run the 1st weekend in May in our area. Jessie and Randy will be in touch with them regarding arrangements.

#### **RAFFLE WINNER APRIL CLUB MEETING**

**Randy B won \$22.50 in the 50/50 raffle** His membership cost him \$20.00. That leaves \$2.50 for gas.

**Come to the meetings It Pays :-)**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathleen P.

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**May SLO County 4WD Club General Meeting  
WEDNESDAY MAY 6, 1998  
Players Restaruant 7:00PM**

**SLO County 4WD Club  
Tees, Sweatshirts, etc.  
contact Lynn Stokes  
or at Ted Miles Jeep/Eagle**

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**MISSION STATEMENT SLO COUNTY 4WD CLUB  
LETTER CAMPAIGN '98**

The attached letter is the first of and ongoing series by which the club members can be involved in letting the "powers that be" know that we use, maintain and appreciate the trails we have. It will be one way of communicating our concerns regarding local, regional, state, and national closures. Take a minute sign the letter and spend 1/400th of the cost of a mud tire and help keep our trails open.

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**Will H  
Land Use Liaison SLO County 4WD Club**

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***WELCOME! NEW MEMBERS!***

**Al & Judy J. 94 Jeep**

**Mike and Petti G. 71 CJ5, 93 YJ**

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**Gina T.**

**Promoted to new Adventure Pass Program**

**Thank You Gina**

**You have been a pivotal figure in our clubs successful communications with the Forest Service through**

**CCORE**

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**FOR SALE**

**Black Strapless Bikini Top With Windshield Channels- Like New \$25.00**

**1" Lift Kit for 84-98 Cherokee: Front Coils and Gas Shocks, Rear Springs & Shocks \$100.00  
Call Will H.**

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**FOR SALE**

**Soft 1/2 doors fits 87-97 Wrangler, 76-86 CJ7 Jean Black,  
Brand New- \$50.00  
Call Richard K.**

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**HAPPY EASTER**

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