



# The SLO 4-Wheeler

September 2007



SLO 4-WHEELERS

[www.slo4wheelers.org](http://www.slo4wheelers.org)

## Up coming runs

Next General meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday  
October 1st Players Pizza in Atascadero 7:00

The run after the meeting will be held Saturday Sept15th. We will meet at the Pozo Ranger station. We will be traveling to the Lapanza camp ground as that is our Adopt-a-campground. We will be doing an inspection of the fire pits and of the walls of the bathrooms. These are some of the items Loyd has asked us to repair. we will also do an impromptu trail run . We will take a quick vote on which trail to run. Bring a lunch and water drinks. It may still be somewhat warm out there Eric

## GET 'EM TO JOIN!

If you are not on the CLUBS email list visit:  
*send me an email and we'll sign you up*

## THANK YOU TO THE RELAY-ERS!•

THANK YOU to our awesome members who came out to support our Relay for Life team. It was very rewarding, although tiring at the same time. It turns out that the SLO 4-WHEELERS can also be great SLO 4-WALKERS.

Participants were: Mark and Margaret B., Patty G., Jenni & Steve B. and their beautiful daughters Erica and Valerie, Anthony S., and occasionally my daughter Melissa, son-in-law Gus, and my grandchildren Ben, Abby and Elizabeth.

Jennifer and Randy ended up being the top two online fundraisers!

Thank you to Anthony for the bringing the EZ-Up and table, to Jennifer for bringing the canvas tent, and to all of you for helping with set-up and tear down.

Thank you Gus for creating our outstanding cardboard relay race car at the last minute, which happened to be a dirty yellow Rubicon that even included doors. Jenni and I gave it a good try in the race, but ended up crashing and killing our "patient" (a water balloon) not too far from the starting line.

Thank you also to Anthony for setting up and trail bossing on the 4x4 Cruise for Cancer.

We'll be back again next year bigger and better!  
Suzy J.

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Pine Mountain:	Anthony S.
Garcia Ridge:	Jim T.

Written by John H. Stewart

John Stewart  
Natural Resources Consultant  
California Association of 4 Wheel Drive Clubs

The Forest Service is embarked on a mission to evaluate and designate routes of travel within the National Forest System. The final product will be a Motor Vehicle Use Map. The central theme of the MVUM is to designate the routes of travel open for public use. Current policy stipulates the MVUM will be subject to annual review and update.

The map will highlight the terms and definitions which are provided below. The USDA Forest Service recognizes five road maintenance levels (Source: Forest Service Handbook 7709.58.10):

Level 1: Is assigned to intermittent service roads during the time they are closed. The closure period must exceed 1 year. Basic maintenance is performed to keep damage to adjacent resources to an acceptable level and to perpetuate the road for future use. The road may be of any type or construction standard or may be managed at any other maintenance level when open. When at level 1, roads are closed to vehicular traffic, but may be open and suitable to non-motorized uses.

**"MEETING OUR MEMBERS"**

I recently received an email from Mark regarding the topic of a monthly highlighted 4wheeler. He suggested mine. So I did. But please still send in photos and information so I can prepare for future issues. In May of 2006 I proudly purchased a '06 Jeep Wrangler TJ-ALL STOCK from Chrysler Jeep in Fresno. Never had I owned a Jeep before or any 4wheeler for that matter. Clueless, this new found glory is a 4-cylinder! Nothing can be done about that but, it could be made to look "prettier". First, new rims and tires, upgraded to 31 inch. Next, something needed to be done about the limited altitude. A two-inch lift solved the minor limitation for me but now more would do nicely. At the same time during this beautification process, front and rear procomp dual d-ring bumpers were applied for the "new image". In May of this year I moved from Fresno to Atascadero. Researching 4wheel clubs on-line, I discovered SLO 4-Wheelers. Before I had even attended my first meeting our friendly Dave F. cornered me and told me all about the organization. Of course it must have been the "beautiful" Jeep that caught his attention.

There are not many accounts of wheeling for me to choose from for my favorite experiences, but it would have to be the night run up past Pozo ranger station.

**OCEANO DUNES TO GET NEW RESTROOMS**

Visitors to the Oceano Dunes off-road vehicle area will have new restrooms when they return next year.

The popular recreation site, which drew 2 million visitors this summer, will have half a dozen single-stall structures made of reinforced concrete. The buildings are low-odor and more difficult for vandals to tip over, according to the county planning department.

The restrooms will need emptying once or twice a year, the county said. The facilities will be trucked in and placed by crane.

Installation should be completed by January, according to Rey Monge, deputy superintendent for the State Parks' Oceano Dunes District. The estimated cost is \$102,000.

The proposal still must secure the approval of the county's planning department, which has scheduled a hearing for 9 a.m. Friday at the Planning and Building Department, 976 Osos St., Room 200, in San Luis Obispo.

-Bob Cuddy

<http://www.oceanodunes.org/index.php?name=PNhpBB2&file=viewtopic&t=2055>

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I was grateful to how kind everyone was and thankful for the warm welcome. My twin 10-year-old boys Roger and Strong had a wonderful time. We hope to meet many more members and make even more memories with our Jeep.

Cameo W. Newsletter Editor

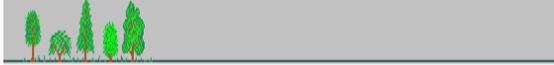


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✓ <http://www.sharetrails.org>



The United Four Wheel Drive Associations also acts as your voice to keep 4x4 roads and trails open so that we can continue enjoying four wheeling in the great outdoors. Through our united efforts, the opinions and beliefs of four wheel enthusiasts are heard by land management agencies and by our elected officials.

✓ <http://www.ufwda.org/>

The California Off Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) is a varied group of outdoor recreationists who are extremely active in promoting the positive aspects of vehicular access on public lands and protecting that right.



✓ <http://www.corva.org/>



SLO 4-Wheelers is also a member club in the **California Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs (CA4WDC)** If your not a member, check it out, <http://www.cal4wheel.com> or ask Suzy

## Eric's Sierra Trip, Aug. 23-26

(Comments by Frank S.)

I was talking to Eric one evening at the Red Rock Campsite. All of a sudden, a moth flew into his ear. He tried to get it out, but it went all the way in to his eardrum. He was in some extreme discomfort. I had no idea what to do. All I could think of was getting a coat hanger and trying to skewer it. Eric asked for a flashlight. He turned it on and held it by his ear. The warmth and light drew the moth out in short order. I was in awe. How did he know to do that? I gained a whole new level of respect for Eric.

