



The SLO 4-Wheeler January 2007

SLO 4-WHEELERS NEWSLETTER

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Happy New Year

SLO 4-Wheelers 2007 Elections/volunteer results

A **big thanks** to the 2006 out going officers of the SLO 4- Wheelers. It is the efforts of those who volunteer that keeps this club going.

We would also like thank those who stepped up to the plate (or didn't turn and shy away when nudged) to fill the 2007 office positions. Elections were held at the Jan meeting

Officers:

President: Eric F.
Vice President: Jim T.
Secretary: Chris S.
Treasurer: Florence S.

Board of Directors: (Includes officers)

Ways and Means Director: Dennis V.N.
Membership Director: Dave O.
Events Director: Anthony S.
Land Use Liaison: Anthony S.
CA4WDC Club Liaison: Suzy J.
Newsletter Editor: Mark B.

Committees:

Social Chairperson: Robin M.
Safety Chairperson: Frank S. & Dennis V.N.
Virtual committee: Mark B.
Promotion Chairperson: Suzy J.
Scrapbook: Glenda G.
Outside public relations: Jennifer Best

Adopted trails:

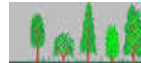
Pine Mountain: Anthony S.
Garcia Ridge: Jim T.

Up coming runs

- After meeting Club day run: Anthony Garcia Ridge sat Jan 6th
- General meeting
Feb 7th Players Pizza in Atascadero 7:00
- Presidents Birthday Run: Eric
Feb 16-19 Last Chance Canyon
Campover, Redrock/Mohave area (*see flyer*)
- Terra Del Sol Event: Anthony
March 2-4 organized event
- Adopted Trail maintenance & F/S projects
Repair picnic tables as needed
Replace 1 table, Pine Mtn
Patch outhouse La Panza c/g
Brush trimming Garcia Ridge-on going

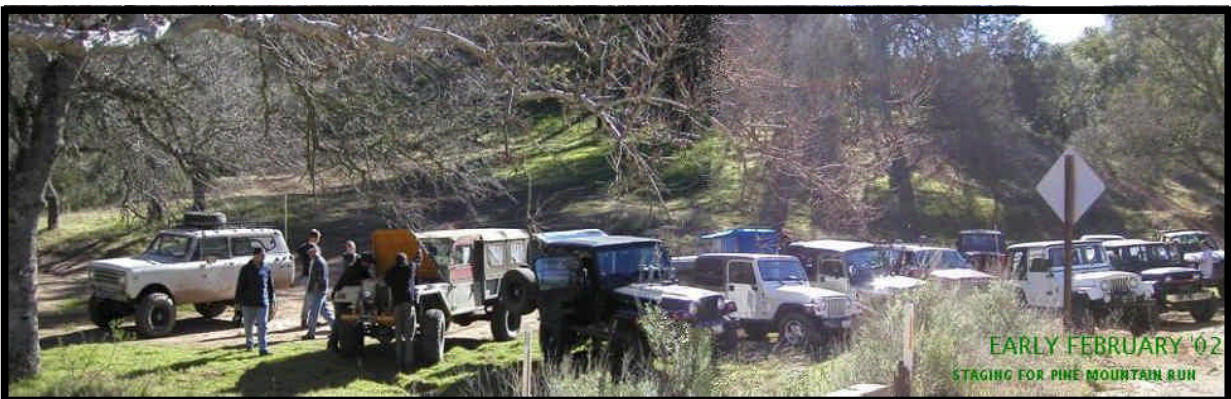
Watch your emails for spontaneous runs

Ted Miles Jeep



The GREAT place to buy a new Jeep! Great selection of pre-owned vehicles too! *Ted offers a 15% discount on all parts (& 10% off accessories like hats) to club members!*

Ted Miles Jeep
7380 El Camino Real
Atascadero CA Ph466-2411





Christmas Parade report

Nine vehicles made the run. In attendance were, Ken B. in his 04 Wrangler, Shawn and Robin M. and family in their 77 CJ7. Ira M. in his 66 Bronco. Frank and Florence S. in their 47 Willys. Jim and Pam T. in there 86 Samurai. David F. and family in their 87 Samurai. Anthony S. and sister Ginneffer in his truck. Chris S. and family in there 93 Toyota 4 runner and my family Joanne, Kendall and Me, Dennis in our 69 CJ5.

The weather was very nice. I'm happy to report there where no major brake downs of body damage reported. Shawn however burned up the wiring to his cigarette lighter and had to run the parade, lights out.

The Parade was slow getting started because someone fell off of a float and the emergency worker had to attend to them before the parade could resume. Once under way the people where happy to see us, Lots of waving and yelling at us. Or maybe they where yelling at us because of all the noise & exhaust. Everyone did a super job decorating their vehicles. Anthony wins the award

(not that we had one) for the most decorations. They include but are not limited to a 6' blow up snow scene in the back of his truck. 2,201 Christmas lights hanging on his truck and black lights under his truck that strobbled to the beat of his 10,000 watt stereo. I thought for sure he would be the one to burn up some wiring. Shawn had two strings of Christmas lights and almost catches his Jeep on fire. Go figure. That's OK Shawn, Real off road vehicles don't need cigarette lighters anyway.

After the Parade everyone headed to the Simon's house to warm up with minestrone soup, hot chocolate apple cider and lots of sweet stuff, no one left feeling empty. Thanks to Frank and Florence for opening their house and all the wonderful goodies.

About 11:00 PM Frank started getting grouchy so we decided it was time to leave. Before he threw us out. (past his bedtime you know)

Thanks to everyone who attended and did a superb job in decorating their Vehicle.

Looking forward to next year. Dennis

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SLO 4-Wheelers 2007 Dues are Due!

Please send your 20 bucks for what promises to be another great year!

We've gained some very active new members and '07 should not only offer more types of 4-wheeling runs, but more of them, plus some of our favorites.

Wheelin, wheelin & more wheelin - Trail maintenance, Conservation projects, BBQ's, campouts, day rides & Of course our continued support and participation in other clubs activities and Land Use issues

RENEW your SLO 4-Wheelers membership NOW! mail to:

Dave O/ SLO 4 Wheelers

Make checks out to: SLO 4-Wheelers

Note: members joining on/after Oct.'06 are paid thru '07

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SLO 4-Wheelers Christmas Party

Held at Player's again, the SLO 4-Wheelers celebrated our 13th Christmas w/ dinner, gift exchange and a raffle.

A huge success!-With 57 folks attending this year we had a GREAT time!

Thanks Suzy & Florence



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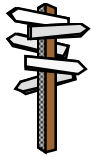
SLO 4-WHEELERS
PRESIDENTS WEEKEND
BIRTHDAY RUN

Who: SLO 4-Wheelers & Guests

Where: Last chance Canyon
(Red Rock/ Mojave area)

When: February 16th-19th

Directions from central coast



101 North to 46, East to 99, South to 58,
East to 14, 14 North.
Look for Redrock-Randsberge Road,
count 15 miles from that point

There will be 4 unlighted bill boards, 2 on each side of hiway. Make a right turn between bill boards on the right. The road has a small sign saying EP- Burro Schmidt tunnel trail. Go approx. 1 mile. Will be a large open area for camping on the right. This is a rural area. There will be some porta potties in the area. Ill be leaving from Paso Robles between 12-1:00pm Friday the 16th

We are base camping if your towing.

The California trails guide book rates last chance canyon up to 5 on a scale of 1-10. Most of this area is site seeing, mines, old mining camps etc.

This is also a great area for anyone who has ATV's. There are some other trails out there that I have not done but considering. I don't believe they are any harder than a 5.

CONTACT: Eric F.

Start planning now!

NEWSLETTER SUBMITTALS: please send before the meeting date for inclusion in that months newsletter. Planned mailing dates following weekend.
Send to AnEv942@aol.com

Garcia Ridge Run Report 01/06/07

Hi, all First I would like to thank everyone who came out for SLO4WHEELERS first run of 2007!

The day started out around 9am with me (power wagon), David F & family(samurai), Tony ? and wife(jeep CJ?), perspective member, Paul V (jeep Rubicon), Suzy J & family (jeep Rubicon) meeting at the Pozo Ranger Station, where we aired down and headed to the Trail Head. Once at the Trail head we met up with Frank S (Old Green Jeep), Jim T.(Samurai) and friend (sorry I forgot his name) (Cherokee) Perspective member. From there we headed on the trail.

The light rain the day before made for an excellent day of wheeling by keeping the dust down, though it was a little chilly and windy. We made our way up the trail with no problems and had lunch by our trucks it was to cold in the shade to use the picnic table, while the group was finishing lunch Jim's friend and I painted the table

After Lunch we headed back down the trail and made it to the small step where we stopped and played around for a little bit. I went up the step along with Jim T, Frank S, David F did it a couple of times, Jim's friend in the Cherokee gave it a valiant effort to get up but with no lockers he just couldn't quite make it up, Suzy's husband Terry took her Rubicon up, and Tony in his jeep had the most air of the day trying to take a harder line, with his short wheel base and carburetor he just kept getting to a certain point and would start to bounce and then stall, he made it up the easier route after several attempts at the harder line.

After playing at the step for awhile we all continued down the trail, we made it down with no problems.

It was a fun day of wheeling with friends, once again I would like to thank everyone who came out, I had a Great time.

Anthony S.
SLO4WHEELERS Events/Land Use Liaison

For Sale/Trade-Want

Acquired a set of paddle tires for my jeep, but **need** some used 10x15 or 12x15 wheels with a 5 on 51/2 bolt pattern. (only need two)
I am **also looking** for a set of stock Hummer wheels. Need at least four but would take five if there available.

I have a set of four chromed wheels 16.5 x 10 with a brand new set of Cooper Discover tires mounted on them. Wheels will fit late model Fords with eight lugs. They are coming of my 79 Ford F350 I have about \$1000.00 in them but will **SELL** for \$400.00

Dennis

San Luis Obispo County Four Wheel Drive Club

Phone List - January 11, 2007

X=(2007 Members)

If THERES NOT an X by your names, means you haven't renewed yet!

1	Rich & Dawn A		
2	Don & Cindy A.		
3	Frank & Donna A.		
4	Jennifer & Steve B.	<i>Outside Promotions</i>	
5	James & Cindy B.		
6	Mark & Margaret B.	<i>Virtual & Newsletter</i>	
7	Ken & Mary B.		
8	Sally B.		
9	Marcy C.		
10	xDavid D.		
11	Bob DuF.		
12	Joesph & Joanna D.		
13	xEric F.	<i>President</i>	
14	xDavid F.		
15	David & Desiree F.		
16	Mike & Sharon G.		
17	Patrick & Gretchen G.		
18	xTom & Patty G.		
19	Dan & Glenda G.	<i>Scrapbook</i>	
20	Jim H.		
21	Bruce H.		
22	John & Buzz J.		
23	xSuzy & Terry J.	<i>Cal 4wd & Promotions</i>	
24	Kyle K.		
25	Bill L.		
26	Ira M.		
27	Preston & Shari M.		
28	Shawn & Robin M.	<i>Social Chair</i>	
29	Jack M.		
30	Ray & Darlene M.		
31	David O.	<i>Membership Director</i>	
32	Steve & Debbie P.		
33	Randy & Kathy P.		
34	Joe Risser&CarolC.		
35	xAnthony S.	<i>Events, Land Use & Pine Mt.</i>	
36	xFrank & Florence S.	<i>Safety Co-chair Treasurer</i>	
37	Chris S.	<i>Secretary</i>	
38	Jim & Pam T.	<i>Vice President & Garcia Ridge</i>	
39	Brian T.		
40	xDennis & Joanne V. N.	<i>Ways & Means & Safety Co Chair</i>	
41	xPaul & Debi V.		
42	xJanice & James W.		

DON'T FORGET! IF YOU HAVEN'T RENWED YET ,CLUB DUES ARE DUE



Checking the Oil

"Margaret, I fixed the Jeep" I mumble as I drag myself to the sink to wash. "I didn't know it was broke?" she queries. "Neither did I" as the past 2 hours lingers in my head.

So its Tuesday evening after work- kinda bored, nothing to do. I wander over to the driveway, Popped the hood on the Jeep to put some tools back.

Standing there I thought to myself-probably should check the oil in the air compressor, but its a pain. The remote engine oil filter is in front of the compressor oil plug. Talking to myself I put my hand toward the plug to show myself what a pain it is and bumped the engine oil filter. Huh? the whole housing moved-what the heck?

I grab the filter and the thing is hangin by a very loose bolt, the bottom of the oil filter is sitting against the compressor!. Not good, could a wore thru and I d been in a pickle if I hadn't a noticed. So thinking "what a good save" I proceed to tighten up the bolt.

Looking down where the oil lines go- I note a shiny spot on the fenderwell. Hmmm? Maybe the housing being loose let the line rub, nooo..Oh? its the battery cable? The dang cable is down in-between the oil line and the fender, REALLY not good. How the heck it get there- its routed not to be able to do that?

So I crawl under the jeep-the hot cable from the winch goes thru an old radiator hose that's tied to the frame, the mount was broke allowing cable to drop. I gather up some stuff, proceed to rehang cable. Having a difficult time getting it back up. Why?, looking around I see shiny brake line. On a 23 year old jeep? Closer inspection reveals the front "anti chafing" mount has rotated and popped the brake line out of the clip holding it against the frame. Also the mount, having this real pointy thing is pressing against the brake line. GOOD Grief... Its a ticking time bomb! I swear I have my own private tribe of gremlins living in the glove box, just waiting for me to get out & close the door.

OK, I fixed the other mount, push the brake line back into its clip, rotate the pointy end of the mount back down, now the battery cable will go back where it supposed to. What the heck?-the battery cable was also rubbing on the shock mount plate-jeesh. I finish rehangng battery cable in disbelief (after a few jumps up an down yelling at the stupid jeep). You gotta understand-I spend a lot of time just eyeballing stuff/ tracing crap out-looking at every bolt & mount-trying to make sure things like this don't happen. And it still happens...

Hmmm ..In a few more miles & I might have wore a hole in the oil filter or had oil filter drop into the fan, or the battery cable would have wore thru against the fender and set the oil line on fire-either way, I would have panic stopped cause oil is spewing all over!. Enough force is exerted to push the pointy thing on the anti chafe mount thru the brake line while the battery cable finally wears thru the last bit of insulator against the shock mount. I t arcs against the frame, sets the brake fluid on fire! Poof ignites the engine oil.... "really Mr. Insurance adjuster-that's what happened..see its a pain to check my compressor oil"

All because its such a pain to check the compressor oil... well maybe I'll check it tomorrow. Least I got the other stuff fixed...errrr

Close the hood...step away from the Jeep.

Mark



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—

Some links to SLO 4- Wheelers club documents

√ Bi-Laws

<http://www.slo4wheelers.org/BY.HTM>

These govern the club and its activites, worth the read-you should print this out

√ Saftey Check list

<http://www.slo4wheelers.org/safety.htm>

Trail bosses are supposed to be checking rigs, getting Serious about safety benefits all.-Are you up to snuff??



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