



December Club Trip

This month's trip will be 7 Mile. Come to the meeting and hear about the trip first hand. We will leave the Kings Soopers parking lot on north College and Willox promptly at 9am.

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Photo by Nick Pisica

November Trip Report

Crown Point Road

It was Sunday morning at 8:15 when Mountaineers and guests started to gather for this month's trip to the Crown Point Road. Normally, the club goes on this trip later in the winter season but we are almost always stopped by deep snow drifts and don't get very far. Trip Planner Don held a short drivers meeting to go over the days trip plan, trail etiquette and to answer any questions. In a blink of an eye, a toot of the ooga horn and in a cloud of dust, we were off on the day's snow bashing adventure. Sixteen Jeeps and four Toyotas comprised our convoy up the Poudre Canyon. We had one obligatory stop at the Century Park Rest Area to avail ourselves of the potty box before turning off the highway onto the Pingree Park Road.

Last Meeting

Welcome our guests Matt, Lee, Kevin, and Corris .

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The snow on the Pingree Park road was found only in the shaded areas so it was an easy trip up to the Crown Point Road turnoff. After stopping to air down, up the road we went. There wasn't much snow on the bottom part of the road but as we climbed in altitude the snow got deeper. We found that this road has changed a lot because of the extensive logging (right next to the road) that had kept the road closed for a year. As a result of the logging, it opened up more beautiful views from the road. The snow got deeper and we were soon seeing that our pumpkins were pushing the snow also.

At one point we stopped to gather the group together again as we had become spread out to far. We had noticed a blue pickup truck parked next to the road. A few in our group saw that there was someone in the truck slumped over the steering wheel. We couldn't tell if the person was in trouble or just sleeping. Being good Samaritans that four wheelers are, several decided to check it out. The trucks motor was running. They knocked on the window but got no response. After several more attempts to no avail, you can guess what was running through the would be rescuers mind. One more attempt was made by Trip Planner Don's Mom, Sandy. Finally, the young man woke up. He told Sandy that he had a rough night and just decided to take a nap and that all was well. He was told that we would check on him on the way back down the mountain.

Not too much further up the road, we came to a large parking area. This was the parking area



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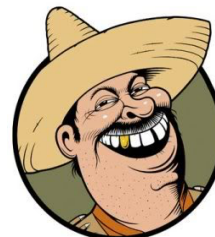
for the hiking trail down to Browns Lake and also the upper terminus of the Black Hollow Road and there was even a portable toilet there too boot. As it was about noon, it was a perfect place to stop for our lunch break. A hardy group of 4 still wanted to play and try their luck at breaking open the last three and a half miles to the end of the trail while the rest of us ate our lunch. A little over 45 minutes later a second group of 4 headed up the trail in



search of the other group. The first group has headed back down when it ran into the other folks. After some finagling they were able to pass each other. After lunch Don passed out some of his mom's delicious cookies for dessert. This is fast becoming a tradition that we all love, thank you Sandy! Eventually the second group made it back to the clearing. They had only made it as far as the 1st group did, about a mile and a half from the end of the trail.

On the way back down, we looked for the blue pickup and as we didn't see him we guessed he made it out OK. It was a great day of 4 wheeling for the Mountaineer family and some new and old friends.

El Guapo



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Please join us for a Winter Wonderland Christmas Party during our normal membership meeting. The event starts at **6:30pm** rather than the normal 7:30pm.

Many activities are planned:

- GIFT EXCHANGE (\$25 LIMIT)
- Hot Wheels Racing
- Cookie decorating
- Craft station
- Gifts for the kids

The club will provide the main dish and beverages. Please bring a side dish to share.

December 18th 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Knights of Columbus Council 1214
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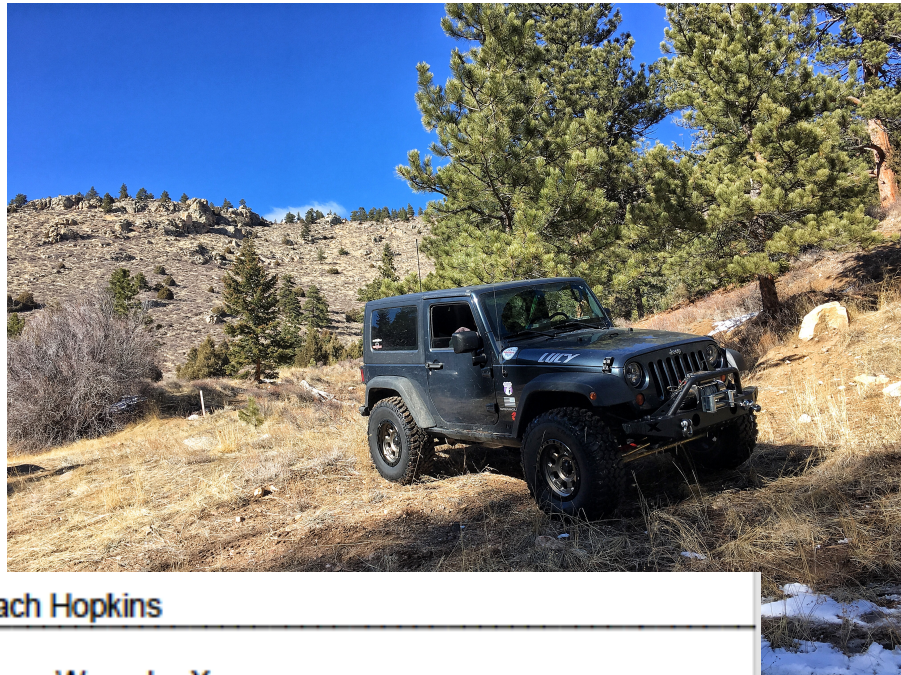
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8	9	10 Jason Marooney	11 Scott Ficarra	12 Cristal Opdyke Mike Braskich Shelby Peterson	13	14 Matthew DeWitt Suzanne Knapp
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22 e Martin n Jansen	23 Bob Paul Devan Knapp	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27 Kyle Eddy	28 Alice Mueller
29 Malone	30 Janine Bemard	31 Michael Nothnagel Thomas Carter New Year's Eve	Jan 1 New Year's Day	2	3	4



The club is still in need of a trip planner. Have the urge to lead a group of drivers over the river and through the woods. You may just be the person to be a trip planner.

CHECK OUT MY RIDE

Zach Hopkins



Members Name & Unit Number: #85 Zach Hopkins

Vehicle Year, Make and Model: 2008 Jeep Wrangler X

Engine: 3.8L V6

Transmission: NSG370 6-speed manual

Transfer Case: NP241

Front End: Dana 30, Yukon 4.88 gears

Rear End: Dana 44 w/ factory limited slip differential and 4.88 gears

Wheels and Tires: American Racing ATX 17x9 wheels, 35x12.5r17 Treadwright Claw II Tires

Spring and Socks: Metalcloak mid-travel lift kit with Rocksport long-travel shocks

Brakes: stock

Miscellaneous: Metalcloak 3.5" dual-rate lift kit, Metalcloak HD steering, EAG front bumper, Trailmaster 12k lb winch, Teraflex HD tire carrier, RedRock 4x4 rear bumper


Tuesday Car Show

2nd Tuesday of Each Month


Join us for Taco Tuesdays Car Show at the Taco Bell in Wellington 6pm.

Show off your ride.





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Craig came across five old Mountaineers License plates that were made by Jack Forney of Forney Industries. These plates are thick metal with a nice painted logo. They are estimated to be at least 40 years old, maybe 50.

We will be auctioning these plates, one per month, starting in January at the membership meetings. So come to a meeting and bring your cash!



NOTHING LEFT BUT THE END!!

