

June Club Trip

This month's trip is Moody Hill clean up.

HWY Clean Up 6/20/2020, mile marker 119 at 9am.

Club Dues are due by our next in person meeting. \$45

PayPal on the club website is set up and ready. Visit

www.mountaineers4x4.org

Click on the Members tab.

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History, Part One

While doing some cleaning, I came across an old document and thought the information might be interesting to post. The information in the document was compiled by Stanley R. Case in June of 1992 for the Arapaho/Roosevelt National Forest folks. It outlines the name history of many sites in the Cache La Poudre River canyon. It reads as follows, enjoy!

ARROWHEAD LODGE

Named by C. Marion Brofford for a point across the Cache La Poudre River to the south which was once referred to as Arrowhead Point by early settlers.

Last Meeting

This was presented by Mike on FaceBook live and an unofficial drive in/social distancing in the barn face to face meeting.

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ANSEL WATROUS CAMPGROUND

A cooperative agreement in 1918 between the city of Fort Collins and Roosevelt National Forest led to the creation of a mountain park in Poudre Canyon named for Ansel Watrous, the author of "Larimer County History- 1911".

BALDWIN TUNNEL

This tunnel was holed through in the fall of 1916 and prior to this the road ended at Thompson's Resort (Mishawaka). Travel to the upper reaches of the Poudre River was over Pingree Hill to Rustic.

BARNES MEADOW/RESERVOIR

Abraham LeFever, cattleman and homesteader of Indian Meadow Ranch, named this fro a relative, David Barnes. The reservoir was built in 1929 by the Mountain Plains Irrigation Company for July and August irrigation water for the Fort Collins-Greeley area.

BELLAIRE LAKE

In the 1880's Jocelyn Bellairs homesteaded on South Lone Pine Creek, and in 1890 Malcolm Bellairs operated a ranch in the Weast Lake Area. The transfer of "e" for "s" was a typing error.

BENNETT CREEK

I.W. and E.J. Bennett were early sheepmen, ranchers, and community leaders in the Livermore area beginning in the late 1870's.

BLUE LAKE

This Lake is located in the south end of the

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316 S. Link Ln. Ft. Collins (970) 407-0020 Rawahs, and was presumably named because of its color. The trailhead originally started on the west side of Chambers Lake, but is now located opposite the entrance of the Long Draw Reservoir Road.

BROWNS PARK and BROWNS PARK CAMPGROUND

During the mid 1920's three boys, members of the Brown family, spent several winters camped while trapping in the beautiful little park on Jinks Creek. They did not build a cabin, and no further information is available as to their next destination.

CACHE LA POUDRE RIVER

Several events attempt to qualify as the historical basis for this river's name. One concerns Major Stephen H. Long's encampment on July 3, 1820 along the South Platte River near the entering points of three streams. Another in 1835 on July 18, was recorded during Colonel Henry Dodge's march with a battalion of dragoons over Long's same trail. As they rounded the great bend of the South Platte, they passed the mouth of the first stream and recorded it as the Cache de la Poudre. The guide was Captain John Gantt, a former army officer turned leader of free trappers who knew the country and called it by the mane. It's meaning is "hide the powder". Ansel Watrous recorded the date of the naming as 1836, but his date is disputed by Colonel Dodge's record.

Several accounts related a trapper party carrying supplies to a rendezvous on the Green River in Wyoming getting caught in a snowstorm which forced them to bury (cache) supplies until they

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could return and retrieve them. There is also a story that William H. Ashley made a cache while trading in the area with the intention of retrieving the items when they resumed their journey to a rendezvous. The cache may have been left and dug up by the father of Antoine Janis mentioned by Watrous.

The date of the naming is not known, but trappers hid valuables by digging a small hole in the ground and then scooping out a chamber for storage. The hole was carefully filled in and concealed by replacing sod, disposing of excess dirt and tramping it down or even building a fire over it to hide it. The mane Cache la Poudre is probably a contracted form of "cachez la poudre" meaning "hide the powder".

CAMERON PASS

Major General Robert A. Cameron, in the service of the Union from 1861 – 1865, and organizer of the Fort Collins, Colorado Agriculture Colony in 1872, was an important factor in the settlement of the Cache La Poudre Valley. On a trip to Chambers Lake, he and Dr. Lows discovered the pass through the Medicine Bow Mountains in North Park. Later the pass was named by the Union Pacific Engineering Department in memory of General Cameron.

I found this Blog and thought I would share it. The Blog is by Ben Costello, January 2018

June 2020

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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! Thanks to Four Wheel Parts in Loveland we have four \$100 and one \$120 gift cards to raffle off. This is from their partnership program where we get a discount at the store and the club gets a percentage back from every sale. The board decided to raffle these off a little differently this year. Members can buy virtual tickets, \$1 per entry, until the end of July. At the end of the sale, all the entries will be given a random number and then five winners will be drawn using random numbers. You can purchase entries at the next two meetings or via Paypal at paypal@mountaineers4x4.org

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