

Low Range Ramblin'

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Inland Empire 4 Wheelrs



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WHO IS IE₄W?

The Inland Empire 4 Wheelers is a family oriented 4x4 club formed for the enjoyment and preservation of 4 wheeling. We consist mainly of short wheelbase vehicles such as Jeeps, Toyotas, Suzuki's although we do get an occasional long wheelbase vehicle. If you have one of these, expect to go some places where you could possibly



sustain body damage. We have monthly club runs that take us from the deserts to the mountains. We could easily end up in the snow, rocks, or sand. As a club, we are dedicated to the preservation of our public lands and our family sport. We welcome new members to join us!

IE4W ROUNDUP

Come meet new friends! Bring your 4X4 ! All Four Wheelers welcome, Old Timers and New. Bring the family for dinner & enjoy it with new friends. Find out where to go Four Wheeling! Learn the newest tricks of Four Wheeling. Check out Radical videos & vehicles. Vehicle Safety advice available.

Come Play On Our RTI Ramp! The articulation ramp is a great tool for checking the effect of modifications you have made to your vehicle. For example, it can be used to check brake line length, if your shocks are the correct length for your lift, etc.

From the North, take the Washington Street exit off the Southbound 215 freeway and turn left at the light. From the South, take the Washington Street exit and make two left turns over the freeway. Graziano's is located on the left between McDonald's and Del Taco.

The IE4W Roundup is held the 2nd Tues. of each month from 6-9 PM, at:

Graziano's Pizza Restaurant
1080 E Washington St.
Colton, CA 92324
(909) 824-2770

Odd Numbered Months are the IE4W Social Event. Locations Change. Please see the club calendar for details.



IE4W WANTS YOU... TO BECOME A MEMBER!!



The Inland Empire Four Wheelers welcome all guests to participate in club functions such as runs, business meetings, Roundups, and social gatherings. However, we would also like to welcome in our guests as full time members. As an IE4W member, you will enjoy certain benefits, just to name a few; you will be allowed to purchase plaques to display on your vehicle, you will be allowed full voting rights for bylaw changes and board of directors elections and look toward some new fun members benefits in the coming months as our membership committee builds new ideas.

The followings are the requirements set forth by the IE4W bylaws for membership requirement: Each prospective member must be 18 years or older, hold a valid driver's license, be the registered owner of a 4x4 vehicle, have the minimum CA insurance coverage, have their vehicle safety inspected, and attend 6 business meeting and drive his or her vehicle in at least 6 official runs (1 being an overnight run and 1 Adopt-A-Trail work trip) within a 12 month period. An official club run consists of 2 or more club members (with the exception of monthly club Runs). Each new member must sign the club's Assumption of Risk Waiver and will pay an annual \$69.00 fee which is used for land use and club events. Each year new land disputes surface and every off-highway recreationalist is beckoned to help support the fight. So, not only will your IE4W membership be a fun, fellowship filled experience, you will also be supporting your right to enjoy off-highway recreational areas for years to come.

IE4W Club Website:

[Http://www.ie4w.com](http://www.ie4w.com) Webmaster: Steve Owen

President's Corner by Loren Campbell

Summer has always been my favorite season, sunny skies, swimming, and long days of wonderful sunlight. June also brings with it one of our club's proudest moments of the year, Big Bear Forest Fest. We have registrations for well over 400 rigs and 900 people, and hit our limit for registrations earlier this year than ever before. People love Forest Fest, the San Bernardino Forest has some of the most diverse and scenic off road trails anywhere, and being able to camp in a relaxed weekend atmosphere at the event site is a treat. Way more important than the venue or the great weather though is you, our members and families. You put in endless hours, sometimes thankless, in making this experience the Best experience of the year. It's our opportunity to welcome other families into our family, and share with them the beauty of our mountains and feel the warmth of our friendship.



Remember, people don't care how much you know until they know how much you care. Little things really matter the most, let's all challenge ourselves to make someone's experience Magical this year.

IE4W MEMBER HAM CALL SIGNS

John Traven	KJ6ISL	Tech	Cathy Rodgers	KD6AHV	Tech
Bill Bem	KJ6WDS	Gen	Tom Thompson	KI6LHQ	Gen
Laura Hertel	KD6YFA	Gen	Steve Owen	KI6ZJQ	Tech
Morgan Hertel	KD6FQX	Tech	Wende Owen	KI6ZJR	Tech
Kevin Rice	K3JEP	Gen	Kris Yaryan	KK6PFI	Tech
Jerry Burgess	KE6YUO	Tech	Mike Moore	KJ6ZOV	Tech
Curtiss Freeman	KK6GIV	Tech	Mark Ogaz	KK6TEZ	Tech
Ken Ehlers	KJ6HYW	Tech	Loren Campbell	W6ROK	Tech
Chaun Goldberg	KJ6HSA	Gen	George Stauber	KK6TFB	Tech
Dani Goldberg	KI6TUT	Tech	Craig Hart	KK6TFC	Tech
Carl Lhamon	KI6DTU	Tech	Jim Miller	KK6TEX	Tech
Larry Peterson	KI6DUH	Tech	Tim Glider	KK6TES	Tech
Richard Rodgers	N6GBA	Gen	Todd Vargason	KK6TEW	Tech

Board of Directors

IE4W Business Meeting – May 14th, 2015

Open Meeting – Called to Order by President Loren Campbell at Grand Terrace Community Center.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mark Ogaz.

The secretary’s minutes were approved for the April 2015 meeting as published on-line, on the website and in Low Range Ramblin’.

The guests in attendance were as follows: Rob Bubacek of Alta Loma; David Carter of Yucaipa; Jamie, Kim, Mallory and Lincoln Duncanson of Riverside; Todd and Tana Eves of Oak Hills; Eric Post of Eastvale; Steve Santa of San Dimas; Travis Sloan of Highland.

Reports

Secretary - Kris Yaryan present – Please turn in your trip reports and signed waiver forms.

The sign in sheets were started around.

Treasurer - Mike Moore present – The club started April with \$49,699.52. During the past month income was \$19,146.00 and expenditures were \$5,261.48. The club ended the month of April with \$63,584.04. Income included merchandise sales \$137.00, fines \$17.00, raffle \$752.00, membership \$72.00 and Forest Fest \$18,168.00. Expenditures included Newsletter \$162.72, Forest Fest \$2,519.59, merchandise \$834.30, trailer storage \$300.00, donations \$1,200.00 and the usual bills for monthly expenses. New bills were presented.

VP – Sue Sloan present – The Azusa Canyon Off-road Park cleanup is scheduled to take place on Saturday June 13th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. There will be a BBQ and raffle prizes. The Oceano Dunes OHV will remain open.

Communications – Laura and Morgan Hertel – Ham Radio absent.

Merchandise – Peggy Ogaz present – Merchandise is available for purchase at the break. New shirts, including women’s shirts, have been ordered. The larger sizes in the order are on back-order.

Membership – Barbara Bongiorno present – she has packets for guests who are interested in becoming members.

Hospitality – Char and Craig Hart present – all is well.

President	Loren Campbell president@ie4w.com
Past President	Randy Stockberger ppresident@ie4w.com
Vice President	Sue Sloan vpresident@ie4w.com
Secretary	Kris Yaryan secretary@ie4w.com
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Public Relations	Barbara Bongiorno
Club Merchandise	Peggy Ogaz house_chair@ie4w.com
Sheriff	George Biddlecombe sheriff@ie4w.com
Trail Boss	Jim Sloan bobcatjim@yahoo.com

Forest Fest – Mike Moore present – Registration is closed. The packets will be printed.

Round-Up – Bill Henry present –The May social event will be an open house hosted by Poison Spyder at Poison Spyder in Banning on Friday May 29th beginning at 5:00 pm. Redlands Jeep will sponsor the Round-up prizes for the June Round-up.

AAT – Jim Miller present – Please remember to turn in your AAT hours. There will be a recovery class held on June 13 and 14; additional details will be posted on the Yahoo group. At the April 15th AAT meeting, a certificate of appreciation was presented to IE4W for over 250 hours of service.

Past Runs – The St George run was a success, and trails new to the club were found. A fun time was had by all on the powder puff run.

Website – Steve Owen absent. Please send trip reports, pictures and anything for the website to his personal e-mail address. kpfamilydoc@yahoo.com.

Scholarship – Mallory Jordon absent.

Historical – Tim Kemp absent. Dean Hilleman spoke about a club run held many years ago in Moab, and the carnage on Hells Revenge.

Newsletter – Teri Patterson present – Please send trip reports and any pictures to Teri, JimTeri2000@yahoo.com. Please get your reports for the printed newsletter in as soon as possible.

Safety - Jerry Burgess absent.

Break – Todd and Tana Eves provided snacks. Next month's meeting is a potluck.

Upcoming Club Runs & Events

May 16	Monthly Club Run – Gold Mountain and John Bull – Kevin Rice
May 30	Forest Fest Pre-Run
June 4	Business Meeting at IWC Motorsports, 640 W. Mill Street, San Bernardino
June 6	Forest Fest Pre-Run
June 12	Yucaipa Farmers Market off-road event
June 19-21	Forest Fest

July 18	Run with no Sun - Sloan
July 25	Big Bear Offroad Racing event – Ortega
August 13-16	Pismo Beach-Biddlecombe
September 19-20	Randy's overnigh ter - Stockberger
September 26	Installation Picnic

Old Business – None.

New Business – The June business meeting, potluck dinner, will be held at IWC Motorsports 640 Mill Street San Bernardino @ 6:00 pm on June 4th.

Randy Stockberger spoke about the Cal 4 Wheel High Desert Round-up that will be held on Memorial weekend. The club agreed to donate a winch for their raffle, not to exceed \$900.00.

The forest service is looking into purchasing the John Bull area property that is currently for sale.

Sheriff's Report – George Biddlecombe absent.

Raffle – The raffle prizes were provided by Mike Vercurse. There will be no raffle at the June meeting.



Closed Session – Jamie and Kimberly Duncanson of Riverside were voted into the club. Congratulations!

Submitted by Kris Yaryan, IE4W Secretary

Raffle - \$265
Merchandise - \$122

38 Memberships represented
11 Guests

JUNE 2015

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	2 Don McDonald	3	4 Club Meeting	5	6 Preruns for FF	7
8 Ron & Amber Lynn	9 Round-up	10 Morgan Hertel	11	12 Yucaipa Off Road Event Craig Hart Bill Bem Russ & Karen Deer	13 John & Cindy Maldonado	14
15	16 Ming Letzkus	17 Dick & Laura Gervais	18	19 IE4W Alex & Misty Rodriguez	20 Big Bear	21 Forest Fest Fathers' Day
22	23 Tony & Cindy Nunnally	24 Shyann Traven Craig & Char Hart	25 Kevin & Chailyn Strong	26	27	28 Peggy Ogaz Tyler LaBusch
29	30 Bob & Karen Peterson					

Upcoming Events

June 12 Yucaipa Off Road Event

June 19-21 Forest Fest

July 18th Run w/No Sun

July 25th Big Bear Off Road Event

August 13-16 Pismo

Sept 18-19 Randy's Overnighter

Sept 26th Installation Picnic

****NOTE FROM EDITOR:** Please send any information, trail reports and pictures to the editor @ clubnewsletter@ie4w.com or your can send directly to me @ jimteri2000@yahoo.com . This is the only way to make your Newsletters thrive.

Practice “Safety” at BBFF 2015

by Jerry Burgess



BBFF 2015 will provide an opportunity for IE4W to demonstrate and promote safety with our guests in order to encourage responsible and safe off-roading. Starting with a safety inspection of the equipment, we'll ensure the equipment is fit for the appropriate trail. The drivers however are not as easy to inspect, and will range from inexperienced to experienced which may lead to a challenge during a trail run. Therefore, during your line-up meeting at the event site, please remind all participants to travel to the start of the run with headlights on, yield to the public who wish to pass, and stay in communication as to not miss any turns.

During the driver's meeting at the onset of the trail run, please remind participants to watch the driver behind to see if they are in need of assistance, to ask for assistance when needed on the CB, and offer spotting assistance when it appears there is a difficult or tricky obstacle that may lead to potential hazardous results if not traversed properly. Ensure participants and spectators are located in a safe location when using a winch or pull strap. Make sure your trail crew has a first aid kit in each of their vehicles, know the location and route to the closest hospital or emergency care center relative to your location, and carry communications equipment to summon assistance if needed.

Remind participants to be watchful of their children and pets relative to the dangers associated with poison oak, poodle dog bush, snakes, cactus, and possible dangers when moving rocks which might hide scorpions or centipedes. If trail repairs are made, ensure stability of any raised vehicles and that any parts installed will be sufficient to safely operate the vehicle on a public highway when returning to the event site. If the vehicle is questionable, arrange for assistance to meet the participants at the trail's end to assist them back to the event site. Over all, this is your opportunity to demonstrate your safety to others who might otherwise overlook better judgment during an exciting run.

The responsibilities of the Hospitality position is to post Club Member birthday wishes and anniversary wishes to the Yahoo Group. Also, in the event of an illness, surgery or loss of a loved one, the Hospitality person or persons, sends a greeting card or flowers.

Please help to keep our Hospitality Representative in the loop- if you know of a Club Member who is ill, hospitalized, having surgery, or has suffered a loss- pass the word on. Email or call:

Char Hart- cchart624@yahoo.com

[951 415-0118](tel:9514150118)

Life is tough, let's support our fellow club members through the bumps.

May Club Run 5/17/15 by Kevin Rice

Meeting up at Gold Mountain start at 9.00

Members; Kevin Rice, Russ Deer, Ron Fleming, Richard and Annette Mordoff, Todd Vargasen, Derek Rist.

Guests; Melanie Hindes, Bridget Cole

Leader; Kevin Rice

Tailgunner Derek Rist

After airing down and a quick meeting, we headed up Gold Mountain. The first step up was a little harder than I had seen. With a little help we all made it past it. Stopped the Jerry Rodgers memorial. The next rock step was as normal. on to John Bull. After turning onto 3n02 I saw something dragging from Russ's Jeep. We



stopped and removed the rear shock. (broken rear upper mount) Made it over to the JB gate for lunch. The Mordoff rig was having brake problems, so they went home. The gate was a little rough. A little strapping and winching and off to the middle waterfall. It has changed. A different line and a little help



we get up to the top for a quick break. Went down the back side and the alt ending. Skipped the White Mountain for the day. Aired up at hwy. 38 done at 3:30 Sunny turned to cloudy, a great day!

John Bull Trek 5/24/15

Leaders - Jim and Sue Sloan

Tail Gunner - Kevin Rice

Kevin Strong

Joe Martinez and Loren Campbell

Tony Nunnally

Mike Moore

Guests

Greg Beresford

Todd and Tana Eves

Joe and Joey Holt

Randy Eves and Joyce Flores (our cookie maker)

On another gloomy day in May, the flatlanders met at Arthur's in Mentone in hopes of a sunny day in the mountains. We met the High Desert folks at the intersection of the 18 and Holcomb Valley Rd. at 9:30, and the sun was shining. We conquered the eastern gatekeeper and the next obstacle and had a nice lunch with awesome homemade cookies at the top. It was a great run!

Jim and Sue Sloan

AAT Liasion / VP

Prerun Report - May 30, 2015 #1

18 of us met at Kay's Café at 7:00 for breakfast and to get a lesson from Morgan Hertel on using our Ham Radios, especially on how to use repeaters to stay in contact with various groups on different trails. He put together a list of suggested repeaters in our area, and helped us learn the basics of how to use our radios. It was pretty impressive seeing so many handheld ham radios on the tables.

At 8:30, Randy Stockberger went over trail guide tips for Forest Fest, and divided up the group according to what runs each leader needed to do. Since 3 of the trail leaders are running Dishpan, Chaun and Dani Goldberg, Kevin Rice, Cindy and Debbie Coffin, Alex Rodriguez and I pulled out of the Kay's Parking lot at 9:00.

We made quick time getting up the mountain and airing down by Green Valley Lake, and were on the trail at 9:40. Soon we were at the waterfall, and we got out to discuss the various routes to take people down. We decided the preferred way to get our large groups down quickly and safely was to take most people down the middle notch, and tried 5 different ways to take people down, all of them successful. We hustled on down the trail, going past Deep Creek to the Fisherman's stop for lunch.

After lunch, tragedies struck. First, a tree had fallen across the main road, and the Forest Service blocked the exit while it was being removed, so we turned around and started out Squint's Ranch.

Tragedy 2, we got an urgent Ham radio call from Mark and Peggy at least 5 miles away. They were with George and Kay Stauber, and were in dire trouble- they had finished their trail and were on the way to Lake Arrowhead when they developed an uncontrollable urge to have someone meet them for Margaritas. The Dishpan Group immediately heard the trumpets of the Infantry, so we quickly told them we'd be right there to assist them, and hustled down across the Dam and into Arrowhead Village for another lunch at Papagayo's.

It was a great day, beautiful weather, wonderful friends, a heaping breakfast and 2 lunches, and the Cavalry got another opportunity to ride to a rescue! How could it get any better than this?

Loren
President, IE4W

Prerun Report - May 30, 2015 #2

Our group broke off from Kay's Cafe and headed up Hwy 18 to find a way to get to Devil's hole. Mark and Peggy Ogaz, George and Kay Stauber, and Tim Glider drove up and tried to find the start of the trails in the neighborhood above east bay. Failing that we headed to The Pinnacles Staging Area, aired down and headed across 3N34. We quickly reached the start of Devil's Hole Trail Trail 3N34D and headed down. We had lunch at Deep Creek and headed back. We found 3N29Y and found our way out back to the East Bay neighborhoods.

We tested the mobile HAM radio in the Jeep and frequently were able to contact Loren over on Dishpan. On our way out we realized we all had a bad thirst for MARGARITA's. Using our new HAM radios to send out the alert, we headed to Papagayo's to finish off a great day.

Thanks
Mark Ogaz

ORGANIZATIONS DEPEND ON VOLUNTEERS

Why Volunteer?

First it helps build Organizational strength. The strength comes from not only growing and retaining members and enhancing programs, but also in the sense of ownership you gain when you become a visible advocate for that association.

Second, as a member volunteer you have credibility you can promote the organization because you believe in it. Volunteer where you're passionate about. You are working with your peers. Never underestimate the power of peer to peer communication.

Third, using volunteers extends the resources of the organization. Volunteers also provide valuable input to the organizations leadership staff.

What do I get out of it?

- You have a sense of giving back
- You can express your values in activities that are meaningful.
- You will increase your knowledge and learn new skills through networking with other knowledgeable peers
- You gain an inside knowledge of the organizations values
- You can actually enhance you career and life by building relationships with new contacts and old friends.



But most of all, volunteering makes you a better, well rounded person. Giving back doesn't take a tremendous amount of time or energy, but it can be one of the best things you do. So next time, raise your hand and volunteer.



May 2015 IE4W Social Event with Poison Spyder

Our popular IE4W Social Event was hosted by our Honorary Club Members, Larry and Cheri MacRae at Poison Spyder. About 75 members and guests showed up for the event, which started out with Burgers and Beer prepared and served by Randy Stockberger, Jim Patterson, and Don McDonald. Larry and Cheri told us the story of how they purchased a near failing company in the depths of the recession in 2008, and grew it into the thriving company it is today.



Larry also discussed how much their use of sophisticated technologies such as 3D Modeling, Lasers, and the Press Brake have dramatically improved their quality and production by bringing all phases of the manufacturing process in house.

After a short break for people to try Randy's Dutch Oven Pineapple Upside Down Cake, Larry took us on a tour through Poison Spyder. Some of the highlights of the tour were the Test Mules of new products, how the laser cuts parts perfectly, use of the press brake to form precise bends, the artful welds to assemble the components into a completed part, and the important role that the grinders had in making the parts perfect in fit and finish.

Like all successful entrepreneurs, Larry and Cheri had a powerful vision of what they wanted to create when they purchased Poison Spyder, and were determined in realizing that dream. They are very proud of the powerful brand Poison Spyder has become, but every IE4W member is equally proud of their accomplishments.

Thank You Larry and Cheri and the entire Poison Spyder Team!

Loren Campbell
IE4W President



Big Bear Forest Fest Platinum Sponsors

We Thank You for Your Support!



The Inland Empire Four Wheelers meet the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Grand Terrace Community Center on the corner of Barton Road and Vivienda, Grand Terrace, CA.
From the north on 215, get off at Barton Road (south of I-10) and make a left on Barton. The Community Center will be on the left side of the road as you approach Vivienda.
From the south (north of Hwy 60) on 215, get off at Barton Road exit to the right and turn left on Vivienda after the signal light.