

December 2015

Inside: Sasquatch Sightings, Caribou Creek, Lyons Parade of Lights, Christmas Caravan for Kids



SASQUATCH SIGHTINGS EVERYWHERE IN NOVEMBER!



Patrol 16 was an extremely busy group of wheelers during the month of November, with 6 days on the trail: Traversing the rocks on Penrose twice, battling the snow on Rainbow Road, Chinn's Lake, Bill Moore Lake, Hall Valley, Slaughterhouse Gulch, and still managing to lead the Greenhorn Run almost all the way through Caribou Creek.

Keep your eyes and ears open this winter, because you might just see or hear a Squatch out there in them woods.





November Parent Club Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance – Cory Moul, Commander. Called meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Roll Call – David Boening

00 - Present, 1 – Present, 2 – Present, 3 – Present,

4 – Present, 5 – Present, 6 – Present, 7 – Present,

8 - Present, 9 - Present, 10 - Present, 11 - Present,

12 – Present, 13 – Present, 14 – Present, 15 – Not Present,

16 - Present, 17 – Present, 21 - Present

<u> Treasure's Report – Patty Grosmick</u>

Detailed treasurer's report discussed at each Board meeting, please see Patrol Leaders with any questions.

Public Relations - Jordan White/Cory Moul

- Public Relations needs someone to step into this position. See Cory or any Patrol leader for more information about this position.
- Christmas Caravan will be December 5th and is the largest in the Rocky Mountain Region, said Tom Hester. More info on our website. We have flyers and posters that we would like members to help hand out around town.

<u> All-4-Fun – Jerry Ross</u>

Ken Moul spoke about this one is very special being the 50th All 4
 Fun! Next meeting is 2nd Thursday of the Month at Westminster
 Elks.

<u> Land Use – Matt Hiller</u>

- Next year BLM looking at adding ¼ mile trail on Carnage for early out on this extreme trail. Please email BLM and ask for more trails.
- •Committee is putting together goals and plans for next year.

<u> Entertainment – Guen Hiller</u>

- Patrol 16 has refreshments this month. Birds of Prev presented.
- Any questions or suggestions, email entertainment@mhjc.org

<u> Newsletter – Becky Vander Hoeven</u>

• Please get newsletter submission to her by December 11. newsletter@mhjc.org.

New Member Committee - Kevin Compton

- At every Parent Club meeting for guest and new members who have questions, come hang out and visit and ask questions.
- Email newmembers@mhjc.com if you have any questions.

Trip Planner –Bryan Hamilton

- The list of runs is posted on the website. Email tripplanner@mhjc.org with trips to get added.
- Please email Bryan at tripplanner@mhjc.org with all of your trips

Membership - Craig Carpenter

• Tonight attendance is 143.

Historian – Grant Landsbach

• You can help our club, by sending pictures of MHJC events, trips, etc to historian@mhjc.org.

Christmas Party - Kristi Moul

• The Christmas Dinner will be held at Lakewood Holiday Inn on December 12, 6pm start time. The theme is 80's.

New Business

- FEAT presented. Please sign up at coloradofeat.org to volunteer.
- .Elections were held and run by Jerry Cronk. Each nominee spoke about they wanted to do the work. Nominations for Commander were: Joe Zipp, Jeff Miller, Ryan Boudreau. Nominations for Treasurer were: Gina Van Horn and Chad Wilson. Nomination for Secretary was Guen Hiller. The elected officers for 2016 are: Commander Joe Zipp, Treasurer Gina Van Horn, Secretary Guen Hiller

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jerry Cronk, seconded by Ken Moul, approved unanimously; meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM Jeep time

s/David Boening Secretary



November Greenhorn Run up Caríbou Creek







Patrol 16 led the Greenhorn Run this past month and we hit up Caribou Creek. Started on the very north end of CR116 and worked our way south down 505 towards Caribou Rd. That section of Caribou Creek was no issue. There had been a lot of vehicle traffic on the trail and the snow wasn't more than 6" deep. We ran into a stock FJ Cruiser that tagged along with us and had some trouble at first, but once we took his tires down from the 45lbs in them, to 10lbs, he made easy work of the trail. We also ran into a local from Nederland in a stock family 4Runner that had wandered down from Caribou Rd and couldn't get back up the hill. We also helped air her down and again, she had no issues after that. It was nice to show the new guys how big of a difference air pressure makes.

After a quick lunch and helping the locals get aired back up, we continued down the second section of Caribou Creek (505) towards Eldora Ski Area. The snow was much deeper on this section and as we got up to tree line, we were now cutting fresh tracks through 2'-3' drifts. The drifts were short at first so they weren't a big problem. Little bit of bashing, little bit of pulling back out, but no winching yet.

We finally reached the top of Eldorado Mt, where we could see Eldora Ski Resort across the valley, but we had now hit a 4'-5' snow field that didn't appear to end. This would be the end of the line for us. We turned around and headed back to Caribou Rd where we aired up and headed home.

December Anniversaries

Barry & Mancy Shiplds

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Charles & Beth Dwyer

Chuck & Pam Wilcox

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Ohuck & Jeff Anderson

Pianna & Jeff Anderson

Goeff & Trish Webb

Jed & Diane McClellan

Jed & Diane

John & Esther Davenport
Mark Melson & Melissa Baynes
Mark Woodworth
Remko Boot
Richardson

Do you own your own business? MHJC members can show off their hard work by placing an ad for their business in the January edition of the MHJC Newsletter, Jeepers in the News! This is your chance to drum up more business and share your passion with fellow jeepers!

Ads can be in color or black and white and should be no more than half a page - landscape orientation is preferred. Submit the ads (and send any questions) to newsletter@mhjc.org by Friday January 8.

HaPPY Birthbay 13313

Amy Hilliard
Beth Hester
Bob Goble
Butch Fassler
Carl Lea
Carle Malone
Chris Hanson
Chris Westerhoff
David Burke
Doug Fast
Drew Ammann
Eleanor Lincoln
Ernie Ebbs
Gary Rood

Gil Folsom
Gregory Evans
Itzia Romero
Janet Cronk
Jason Nye
Jeff Anderson
Jennifer Teague
Joe de Kehoe
Joyce Cavanaugh
Kathleen Erickson
Kimberly Evans
Linda Carpenter
Loren Miller
Michele Horn
Mike Bowden

Mike DeLooney
Nate Partain
Patty Grosmick
Paul Becker
Paul Vastola
Samantha Richardson
Sasha Shaulsky
Shane Allen
Steve Jackson
Steven Zimmerman
Trudy Boudreau
Tyler Pyles
Xyriel Law



St. Nick and Jeeps . . .

The trail picked at breakfast was #1 on the map leading into the Cameo Cliffs area many miles South of Moab Utah.

Our dirt road quickly ran up and down some sandy washes and lots of rock.

Our friends, ex Mile Hi-Jeepers, Mark and Jennifer joined up, to do this trail.

The first left turn was not for jeeps. Horse, cat, dogs and ATV's were OK for this trail.

The next left turn, was what we were looking for. A 'Most Difficult' sign made us wonder what they thought was Most difficult. Hubs locked in at the parking lot and tires aired down to a nice 10 PSI and 2 stayed up at 12 PSI. Got to move faster if going to catch those few pounds next time.

We started up the trail and found a huge rock standing right in the middle of the trail. We walked up to the top to see what our options were. It was very steep!

Not that I was scared. I was not taking any chances on this steep a trail with a huge head cold.

Mark drove pass me to the top. Hooked up my winch cable, to his hooks. Going up!

Steep is not the word I was thinking. Sky!

Yup Sky! That was all I could see.

Saw something moving outside, the driver's window. I stopped winching and shut off the engine.

It was an old beat up sleigh, with 8 small reindeer resting and a very old man, in the shadow of my Jeep.

St Nick introduce himself, as he approached and asked for our help.

St Nick said that they were out on a practice run, when the sun had cleaned off the snow, from the rock. This left the sleigh, stuck on the dry surface.

I told him we would try to move his reindeer and sleigh, with our two Jeeps.

We hooked up the front reindeer with a strap to the back of my Jeep. Mark was my anchor at the very top. No go, reindeer still unable to pull the heavy sleigh.

We then duct tape some spare chain links from our tool boxes, onto the bottom hoofs of all the reindeer. Traction, with spark and a nice clicking sound!

Up, up and away, we went with the Jeep, using the winch, 1st gear and the reindeer huffing, with St Nick pushing on the back of that sleigh, up the steep climb to the top.

St Nick, Mark, Jennifer, Julie, the reindeer and myself started to laugh at such a sight! (note: there is no proof that reindeer can laugh at this time) Typo error.

As we helped unhooked those reindeer, St Nick asked about our Mile Hi-Jeep Plates on the back of the my CJ5 jeep.

We explained we were members of a wonderful club for over 25 years, Mile Hi-Jeep Club.

We talked about Mile Hi-Jeep Club mission, all the different Patrols and our new to us, Patrol 5.

St Nick wanted to join our Club right away after hearing our stories. We told him that to be a member, he must have a four wheel drive rig. We looked up on line with my Galaxy, the South Pole Craig's List and found a truck, real cheap. It is a Ford Ranger.

We made St Nick an Associate Member that very night! Our first member who lives at the North Pole!

So if you see one of the Patrol 5 members smiling and laughing, they are hiding a sleigh, 8 small reindeers and a jolly old man, called St Nick in their garage!

Jeep, Jeep, Merry Christmas my friends!

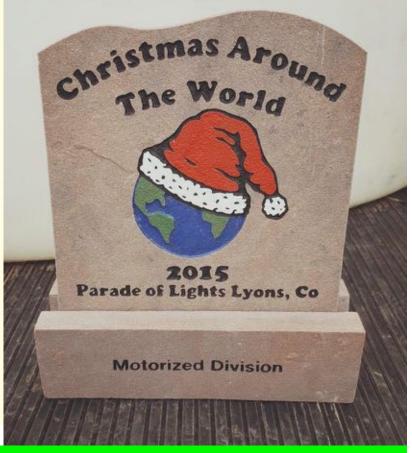
Pictures from the Lyons Parade of Lights





Congrats to Stay the Trail and Patrols 8 & 10

Lyons Parade of Lights Top Motorized Vehicle Entry





important part of the Toys
for Tots Christmas Caravan for
Kids every year is all of the people
that caravan to this great event and
bring thousands of toys. This year we
had just under 500 vehicles participate and
without them this event would not happen.
Thanks again to everyone that brought toys.
Here are some pictures of some of the
vehilces that participated in this years
event!!!

We look forward to seing all of you and more next year at the 14th Annual Tiys for Tots Christmas Caravan for Kids hosted by Mile-Hi Jeep Club at the Lincoln College of Technology on Saturday, December 3rd, 2016!!!!!



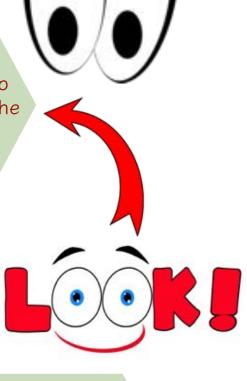


Have you logged in and updated your account on the new MHJC website, with Club Express?

Update you account today to make sure you get all the latest and greatest news from the club, are able to sign up for the awesome events the club and patrols put on, and to make sure your membership information is up to date! Did you know We use the information from Club Express to make the birthday and anniversary announcements in the newsletter as well? (Yes, that is this very publication you are reading now!)

Log in today to make sure you are in the know!

Not sure how to get there or how to update your info? Contact your Patrol Leader - and if you don't know who that is, then flip the page (again this amazing publication lists them all - with a way to contact them!).



Upcoming Event:

Winter Wheeling with Patrol 2

December 29, 9:00 am
Meet at Cut Thoat Cafe for breakfast,
Start heading for the trails at 10am
157 Main St
Bailey, CO 80421

2016 MHJC Parent Club		
Meeting Schedule		
(3rd Thursday)		
1/21	7/21	
2/18	8/18	
3/17	9/15	
4/21	10/20	
5/19	11/17	
6/16	12/15	

2016 MHJC Board		
Meeting Schedule		
(1st Monday, some exceptions)		
1	/4	7/11
2	2/1	8/1
3	3/7	9/6
4	1/4	10/3
5	5/2	11/7
ϵ	5/6	12/5

Mile Hi Jeep Club Officers & Committee Chairs

Commander: Cory Moul commander@mhjc.org

Deputy Commander: Jerry Ross deputycommander@mhjc.org

Treasurer: Patty Grosmick treasurer@mhjc.org Secretary: David Boening secretary@mhjc.org

Membership: Craig Carpenter membership@mhjc.org

Land Use: Matt Hiller landuse@mhjc.org

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Sales: Glenn Gibson sales@mhjc.org

Historian: Grant Landsbach historian@mhjc.org

Entertainment: Guen Hiller entertainment@mhjc.org

Website: Web Team webmaster@mhjc.org

Please do not hesitate to contact us!

Patrol 00 - The Misfits

Patrol Leader - Chris Roell patrol00@mhjc.org

A small patrol that isn't looking to grow. We enjoy wheeling together, and spending time with our "family".



Patrol 1 - HoboJeepers

Patrol Leader - Bill Hallinan patrol1@mhjc.org

The spirit of a "Hobo" and the fun of Jeeping are the ideals of our name. As Hobos ride the rails, we instead drive the trails in that same traveling spirit. We like to run from the scenic Jeeping routes to the rugged

adventure trips. The Hobos of Patrol 1 have mainly modified Jeeps, as lifts and lockers are recommended for most trips. The Hobos also enjoy all the MHJC has to offer, hold our Annual Hobo Run, and "Tread Lightly". We get together every month at various members houses around Denver.

Patrol 2 - Rat Patrol

Patrol Leader - Joe McDonough patrol2@mhjc.org

Our patrol is dedicated to having a blast doing the Jeep thing. We welcome all those that come along on our trail rides. We like to do all types of trails, from very difficult to moderate. We hold monthly patrol

meetings on the 2nd Sunday of each month at patrol members' homes to plan next month's trail rides. We do, at a minimum, one trail a month. We make it a point that every vehicle that goes out, comes back. Our patrol is not just limited to Jeeps, if it's ready, let's GO.

Patrol 3 - Rock Jox

Patrol Leader - Joe Zipp patrol3@mhjc.org

Rock Jocks is Patrol 3 of the Mile High Jeep Club (MHJC). The Patrol is a fun loving adventurous group that enjoys easy to hard core trails. Members have to have a minimum of 33" tires, and lockers or

limited slip. Expect to have fun, no bull, no politics. We enjoy the trails, help keep them open, and teach others how to do the same.

Patrol 4 - Lost Patrol

Patrol Leader - Jay Teague patrol4@mhjc.org

Our focus is to support the members of Patrol 4 to get out and enjoy the "JeepLife" safely. We run trails all year rating from 1 to 8, have Patrol meetings, support off-road agencies, All-4-Fun and Christmas Caravan up to having overnight camping excursions. A key commitment to our Patrol members is no one gets left behind! We have members of all ages who live all over the Denver Metro area; families welcome. Patrol and vehicle requirements are minimal and dictated by trail ratings.

toexpect. We go prepared, far beyond the Boy Scout level. We understand

we can require medical attention far from aid, that things break, that we get

"temporarily slowed" but we never go without thenecessary tools, food,

water, parts and medical equipment as well as communication gear, to

assure our safety and comfort and expect you to do the same.

Patrol 5 - The Low Rangers Patrol Leader - Ken Moul patrol5@mhjc.org

Members include singles, couples, and families. We live west of Denver and in the foothills. We are active in All-4-Fun and support all MHJC functions. We enjoy camping and moderate to serious Jeeping. Trips include some day trips,

weekends, and week-long excursions. Our vehicles are equipped to handle most any kind of Jeeping.

Patrol 6 - F Troop Patrol Leader - Mark Woodworth patrol6@mhjc.org We are a rather busy patrol, with events often every other week summer & winter. Snow busting & opening trail in the spring are a passion! YOU are invited to come along, but please visit our website to see what



Patrol 7 - Rainbow Chasers Patrol Leader - Jerry Cronk patrol7@mhjc.org

support the leadership of MHJC and the annual All-4-Fun. We are a fun group of couples who enjoy each other and a variety of social activities, 4-wheeling, and

We continually participate in and actively

camping. Vehicles vary in make, model, and year, as do our members! Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of each month at different members' homes. Guests are always welcome at our meetings and outings.

Patrol 8 - Rock Pirates

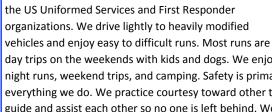
Patrol Leader - Kelsey Carter patrol8@mhjc.org

Founded in 1999, our patrol enjoys all 4x4s, short and long wheelbase. We welcome families and singles who are ready to help us achieve our simple goals: have fun, attend our functions and those planned by other patrols and clubs, and work hard to see that our sport of 4-

wheeling, and the land we enjoy, is available for generations to come.



day trips on the weekends with kids and dogs. We enjoy night runs, weekend trips, and camping. Safety is primary in everything we do. We practice courtesy toward other trail users, and we guide and assist each other so no one is left behind. We participate in trail maintenance, reforestation, and the Four Wheel Emergency Assistance Team.





Patrol 10 - Black Diamond 4 Wheelers

Patrol Leader - Mary Hilligoss patrol10@mhjc.org

We like to do all kinds of trails, mostly moderate to scenic. We have highly modified to near stock rigs. We consist of family with kids, couples, and singles. We enjoy weekend and day trips and all club-related activities. We are BIG supporters of All-4-Fun. We are very informal and friendly - meet as often as possible no pressure to participate - with no limit to patrol members.

Patrol 11 - Cliffhangers Patrol Leader - Todd Frick patrol11@mhjc.org

Our patrol is active in the pursuit of adventurous 4wheeling fun. Our members live all over the Metro area and are of all ages. We participate in All-4 Fun and other

MHJC activities. We meet for our patrol meetings, when needed, on the 2nd Sunday of each month and like to have a trip at least once a month. We enjoy moderate to sometimes serious 4-wheeling. We are firm believers in "Stay The Trail" and we practice safe and responsible 4-wheeling. We are accepting new members.

Patrol 12 - Fugowies

Patrol Leader - Richard Loeffler patrol12@mhjc.org Patrol 12 is dedicated to enjoying the scenic beauty of Colorado from its backroads. We have younger and older members with vehicles from moderate to major modifications. We run 25 trips each year including two trips to Moab and All-4-Fun. Most trips are moderate in difficulty and located in the front range of Colorado. A few are more challenging. In order to maintain a closely knit membership we have participation requirements and we limit ourselves to 15 active members at any one time. Visitors and new members are welcome

Patrol 13 - Trail Runners Patrol Leader - John Davenport patrol13@mhjc.org

We always welcome new members and visitors. We meet the second Saturday of every month, alternating at members' homes. We enjoy light Jeeping, support all Mile-Hi Jeep Club activities, have social activities, and actively help each other. Our members are mainly couples with grown children. Come visit with us any time.

Patrol 14 - Alpine 14ers

Patrol Leader - Bill David patrol14@mjhc.org

to come along with us on our adventures.

We are a large, active patrol that has members of all ages and vehicle ability. We enjoy a variety of moderate degrees, and run both local trails and overnight trips. Our priorities are 4-wheeling, trail maintenance, and helping each other.



Patrol 15 - High Altitude 4-Wheelers Patrol Leader - Jeff Fish patrol15@mhjc.org

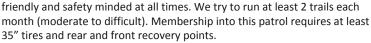
Patrol 15 members range from Lifetime Members to Associate Members, to first timers. Our wheeling experience ranges from moderate to experienced with



the majority of rigs set up moderate to extreme. Members are spread out across Colorado with our 'adopted Coloradoans' that live out of state. We enjoy trails that range from scenic/ historic to challenging/ extreme. We welcome singles, families and old farts of all kinds, as long as you have a good sense of humor and like to have a good time.

Patrol 16 - Sasquatch Jeepers Patrol Leader - Mandy Black patrol16@mhjc.org

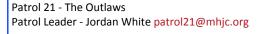
Established in 2014 Sasquatch Jeepers is comprised of various aged people who drive various makes and models of vehicles which have moderate to extreme modifications. We are environmentally



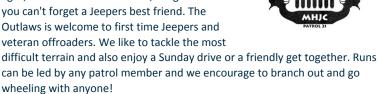
Patrol 17 - The Colorado Pack Patrol Leader - Micah McCabe patrol17@mhjc.org

Patrol 17 was formed in 2015, seeking to bring families, couples and singles who enjoy all aspects of the outdoors together. We live all over the metro area and Front Range and rotate between members homes each

month to plan future events. We are environmentally friendly and safety minded at all times. We try to hold at least one event each month (scenic to difficult). We are active in various MHJC events and inter-patrol activities. There is a limit of 20 vehicles to the Patrol. All types of vehicles are allowed in our patrol but we do have entry and participation requirements.



In true Outlaw spirit, we are composed of all ages, vehicles and walks of life, 4 legs included you can't forget a Jeepers best friend. The Outlaws is welcome to first time Jeepers and veteran offroaders. We like to tackle the most



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http://mhjc.qbstores.com

The purposes of the Mile-Hi Jeep Club are: to unite adventure loving people in worthwhile four-wheel drive activities; to educate its members in the proper manner of all road driving; to protect and preserve the natural beauty and terrain; to participate, on a voluntary basis, in search and rescue and other humanitarian missions as the community needs; to share good fellowship while operating our vehicles in a manner so as to preserve and protect our land for all generations; and to extend the courtesy of the open road to all. We are a non-profit organization that was chartered and incorporated in the State of Colorado on July 2, 1957. Membership is open to those individuals owning any four-wheel drive vehicle. It is the duty of each member to abide by all the laws, rules, and regulations of the constitution of the Mile-Hi Jeep Club of Colorado. Each member is asked to participate in, cooperate with, and support the club and a patrol to the best of his or her ability. www.mhjc.org





The Blue Ribbon Coalition champions responsible use of public lands for the benefit of all recreationists by educating and imploring its members to: secure, protect, and expand shared outdoor recreations, access, and use; work collaboratively with land managers and other recreationists; educate the general public, media, elected officials, and other decision-makers on recreation and access issues; promote equitable and responsible land management; affect the political and administrative process; support recreation on, and promote respect for, private property; and encourage appropriate enforcement of the law. The Blue Ribbon Coalition is a well-organized, financially sound, and steadily growing national coalition of organizations, businesses, and individuals. www.sharetrails.org

The mission of the Colorado Off-Highway Vehicle Coalition (COHVCO) is to represent, educate, assist, and empower OHV recreationists via the protection and promotion of off-highway motorized recreation throughout Colorado. COHVCO is an environmental organization that advocates and promotes the responsible use and conservation of our public lands and natural resources to preserve their aesthetic and recreational qualities for future generations. www.cohvco.org facebook.com/COHVCO













Our mission is to reinforce and highlight responsible off-highway vehicle (OHV) use, and to modify and mitigate irresponsible use in an effort to minimize resource damage on public lands. Our goal is to create a statewide culture of responsible OHV use which will continue beyond the life of the project, effectively creating a stewardship ethic among all Colorado OHV recreationists. www.staythetrail.org

Tread Lightly Inc. is a national non-profit organization with a mission to proactively protect recreation access and opportunities in the outdoors through education and stewardship initiatives. Not only is Tread Lightly Inc. the nation's signature ethics message for outdoor enthusiasts that use motorized and mechanized vehicles, but also Tread Lightly Inc. offers unique training and restoration programs strategically designed to instill an ethic of responsibility in a wide variety of outdoor enthusiasts and the industries that serve them. The organization's goal is to balance the needs of people who enjoy outdoor recreation with society's need to maintain a healthy environment, and we are leading the way to help remedy current recreation issues. Tread Lightly Inc. is funded by donations from individual members, corporations, dealerships, clubs, retailers, and other organizations interested in spreading the message of responsible and ethical use of the outdoors. www.treadlightly.org

