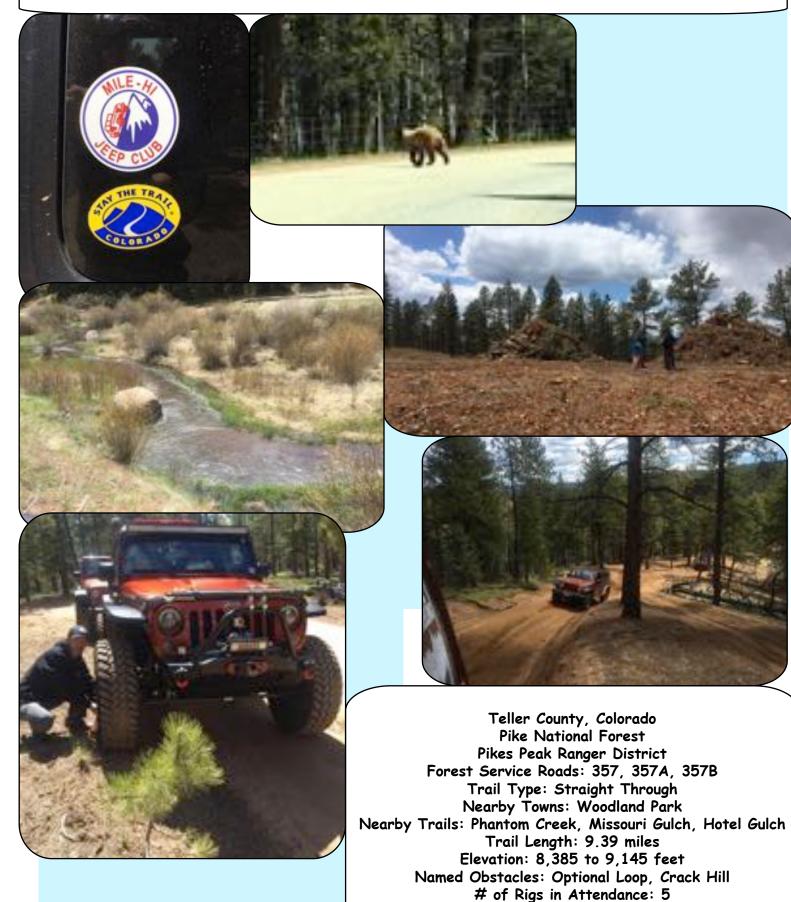


June 2016

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Patrol 4 Rule Ridge Trail Run - May 29, 2016



Weather Conditions: Cool and Overcast

Trail Overview:

/ If you are traveling on Highway 67 and you want a scenic diversion, this is a good one. The trail parallels the highway, so you can take it instead. If you stay on the main trail and do not take the optional loop, the trail stays at the 2 rating. There is one crack in the middle of the trail that pushes it almost to a 3 rating, however.

The north end of the trail is surrounded by the devastation from the Hayman Fire. There are black, burned trunks of trees around you and not much else. As you travel further south, there are more and more green trees as well as cut trees. It isn't long before you are surrounded by trees in the usual fashion.

Continue following forest service road 357 to a large parking area at the south end that is perfect for airing up or down. The road is easy and dirt until it suddenly turns to pavement on County Road 5. If you want a much bigger challenge, though, you can take the optional loop. This loop starts and ends on Rule Ridge. The north half of the loop is forest service road 357.B, and the south half is forest service road 357.A. In the middle is Crack Hill.

The obstacle is a long, steep, loose hill of dirt and stones with a large crack running down the middle of it. It is intimidating on the way down and very difficult on the way up. If you do the north half of the loop first, you will do Crack Hill as a downhill obstacle. When viewed from the top, it looks as though Crack Hill has an optional bypass. Do not take this bypass as it gets very tight and narrow as it was made by ATVs. Vehicles should avoid this easy-looking route.

Stay to the far right each time there appears to be another option. Straddle the crack all the way down. When you get to the bottom, stay out of the water and area of Rule Creek. The area is not open, though there are many illegal tracks through it. At the bottom, follow the trail marked with forest service signs until you find the one for 357.A. Follow that. You will also see signs for 717.A but vehicles are not permitted on that trail.

357.A. is the easiest half of the loop, though it is very narrow in most places. There is a curve that must be taken slowly to avoid hitting the rocks or driving off the side. After the optional loop, you return to Rule Ridge. The loop definitely makes it a more interesting trail. You should not attempt the loop if the trail is wet or snowy.

Trail Report:

In route to the trail we were privileged to see what appeared to be a juvenile brown bear!!! It was an awesome experience! We started off with a brief drivers meeting and introductions to our new Patrol Member Denise. Before starting we had a minor electrical issue on one rig that was quickly sorted out.

The trail was in great condition from the start. Being Memorial Day weekend the campers were present in full force. A few wet spots and run off but dry for the most part. It was moist enough to keep the dust to a minimum which is that way I like it! Some portions of the trail were tight but passable without body damage. As we made our way through the system there were a few off camber turns that felt a little unbalanced

As we made our way further into the trail we discovered active logging operations. It was difficult to determine what the objective of the activity was designed to accomplish. From our best guess it was a harvesting and burn clean up/prevention effort. We stopped for lunch in one of the cut areas. As we were eating the sky's darkened and rain appeared imminent. With that in mind we decided to head back to the trailhead.

It was enjoyable day. I am eager to return once the logging operations have ceased!

Fugowies Run Slaughterhouse Gulch, May 15, 2016

Fugowies Patrol 12 ran Slaughterhouse Gulch in preparation to adopt the trail. Special thanks goes to Scott Dollus from the Forest Service for taking the time out to join us and point out potential projects



Entertainment committee 2016

Hello fellow Jeepers! The June parent club educations program will be presented by Jay T, Elite 4 Wheeling. The refreshments will be hosted by Patrols 11 and 12. Hope to see everyone at the meeting on June 16, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Westminster Elks Club.

The Colorado History program trip is on June 11, 2016. The trip will include Buffalo Bill's Grave and museum.

Please check out the MHJC calendar for information, times, locations, and registration for events and trips. Please don't forget to renew your membership!

Heather Roell and Becki Zipp











Sasquatches Adopt Sidewinder

The Sidewinder extreme 4x4 Jeep trail is located on BLM lands in the Wolford Mountain area, just outside of Kremmling Colorado. This is the only constructed technical four-wheel drive trail of it's kind in the west! Built by the Mountain Metal Mashers in the early 2000's, the trail has been looking for a new club to adopt it since the Metal Mashers have disbanded. Patrol 16 stepped up and is now the maintainers of this epic trail.

Commander's Corner

by Joe Zipp

The June board meeting was very lively, as you know anyone in MHJC can attend, I encourage your attendance to watch your board in action.

We have drafts of multiple ideas around the solutions to our membership classifications. Those drafts are currently under review by the attorney we hired.

Our attorney will provide guidance around these issues, while reviewing the remainder of the legal documents of MHJC. This is a lengthy process that will require several months of review.

A special thanks goes out to a couple of officers, who work very hard on our behalf. Gina has documented and entered our financial process in quick books, this alone has taken over 100 hours. Guen has made some ecellent improvements to the MHJC website, please visit the site for the updates.

Also special thanks to Jordan and the other members that worked the MHJC booths at the Rock Junction and Northridge events.

Joe

Tip from



Ride the routes open to your vehicle

In Colorado, we use brown signs with white graphics and, on lands managed by the Forest Service, motor vehicle use maps (MVUMs) to designate which trails are open to which types of vehicles. A red slash across a sign indicates a trail is closed to that type of vehicle.



Montezuma Mass Trail Opening - June 25 & 26

Come join us as we attempt to open 7 trails for the season! Due to Mother Nature not wanting to release her winter grip on the mountains just yet, the Montezuma Mass Trail opening has been pushed back two weeks to June 25th and 26th.

Dillon Ranger District has reached out for our help in an effort to clear trails for the general public. Our crews will be awarded special permission beyond the locked seasonal gates so that they can clear snow drifts and tree fall before public users create illegal bypasses around such obstacles.

Come help for a day, or stay the entire weekend. We will have a group campsite set up just outside of Breckenridge on the North Fork Swan trail. We have also done hotel searching already for you if you are not the camping type. Just ask for more info on that.

As you can imagine, this is a very large project that will require a lot of people.

RIG TYPES WE NEED... <u>ALL KINDS!</u> Stock, modified, buggies, doesn't matter! There will be no tire size requirements.

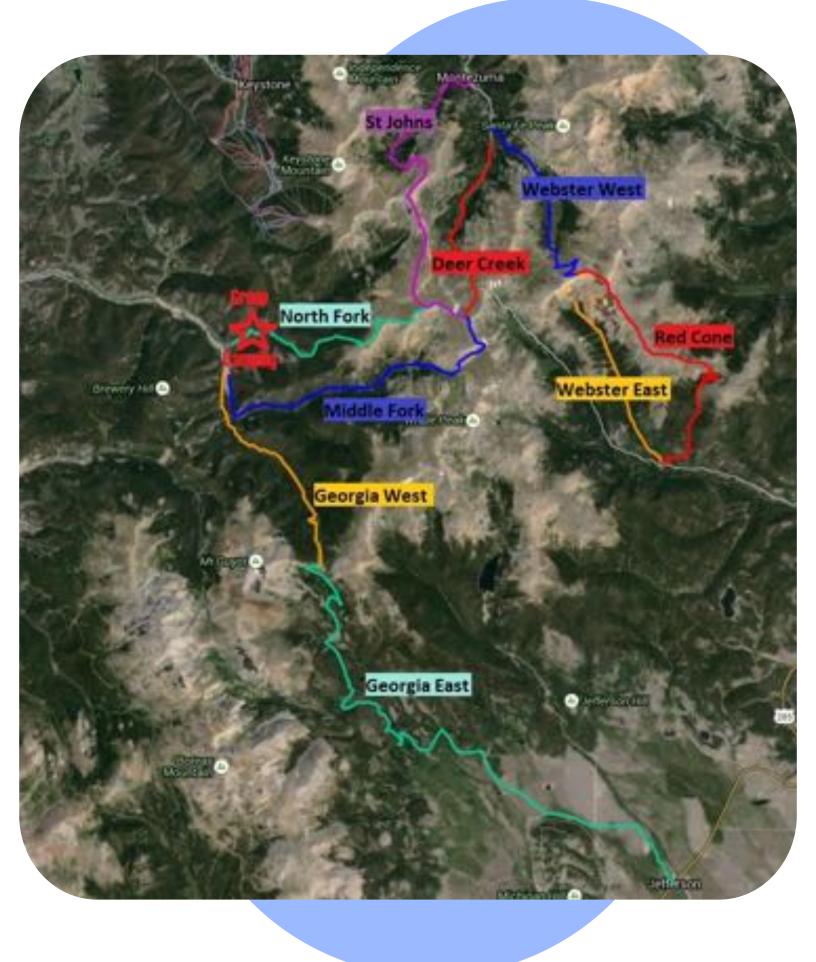
THE ONLY REQUIREMENT: You MUST have FRONT and REAR tow points. There is no exception to the requirement above. There is a high likelihood of snow, and if you should get stuck, we will need to be able to pull you out from either direction.

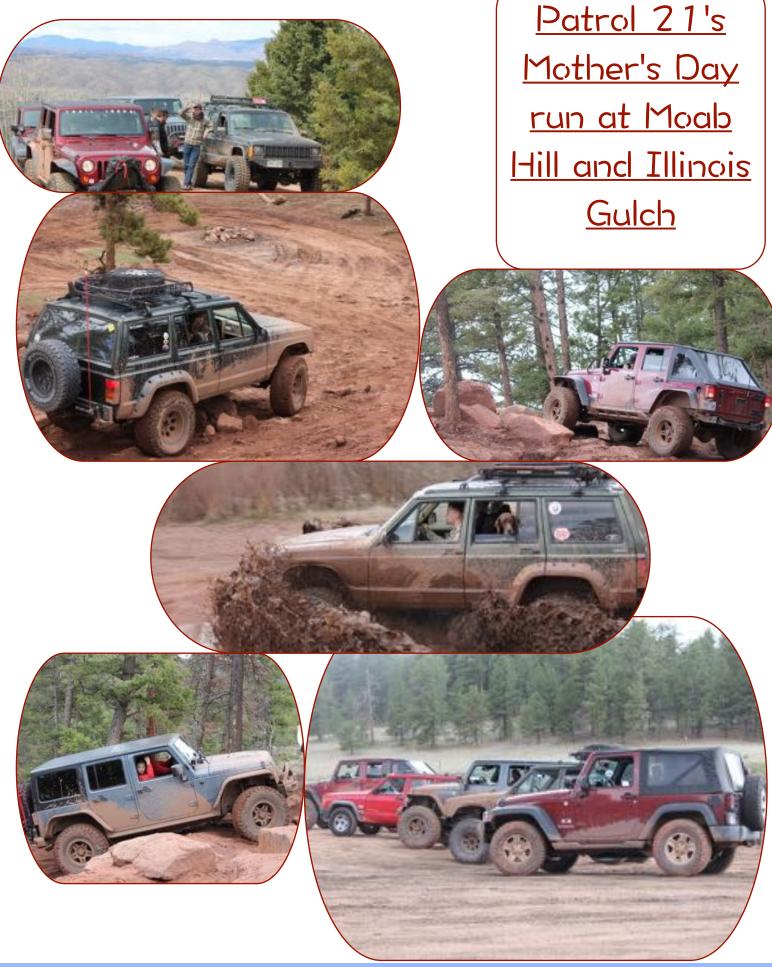
WHAT WE NEED MOST... BODIES and helping hands!

We need as many hands on this project as possible. This is not about rig size, it's about clearing the trails for public use. With over 400 people in our club, this project will give us the opportunity to flex our muscle and show how strong of a group we really are in the state of Colorado. As users of these trails, we should take pride in being offered the opportunity to help promote responsible use of the trails and help get, and keep them open. Opportunities like this don't come often, so let's be sure to show how reliable we can be.

You can find the event on the club calendar. Please sign up so we can get an adequate headcount. If you have any questions, please feel free to email me directly.

Thanks, Ryan Boudreau boudreau 1020@gmail.com







Hobos Head Down China Wall

The Hobos got out for a great run down to China Wall this past Saturday. We were joined by prospective Hobo Frank Bowlus. Many a rock were moved, good times, good conversations, a TON of traffic on the trail, and we finished up the day with a couple of cold ones @ Pike's Peak Brewery.



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!).



Hello fellow Jeepers!

Becki Zipp is one of the administrators of the MHJC Facebook page. If you are interested in joining the Facebook page, please contact membership@mhjc.org and your request will be processed as soon as possible. Member spouses will also have access to the FB page; please reference the member name and member number for verification.

We are working on some changes to the system and hope in the future to streamline this process. Thank you for being patient.

Becki Zipp
Facebook administrator 2016

2016 MHJ	C 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
2/8	8/1
3/7	9/6
4/4	10/3
5/2	11/7
6/6	12/5

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Please do not hesitate to contact us!

Meet our Patrols!

Patrol 00 - The Misfits

Patrol Leader - Joe Buschard patrol00@mhjc.org

We are "family" and enjoy wheeling together. Trail difficulty doesn't matter to us as long as we are out having fun. We are young to older, beginner to experienced and drive moderate to heavily modified Jeeps. To wheel with us you must bring an open sense of humor and a lunch.



Patrol 1 - HoboJeepers

Patrol Leader - Bryan Hamilton 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 - Roy Grimm 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 - Chad Wilson 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.



Patrol 5 - The Low Rangers

Patrol Leader - Cory 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 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 7 - Rainbow Chasers

Patrol Leader - Jerry Cronk patrol7@mhjc.org
We continually participate in and actively 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 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 - Marissa Babineaux 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.



Patrol 9 - Trail Dawgs

Patrol Leader - Dianna Anderson patrol9@mhjc.org

We are or have been members of the US Uniformed Services and First Responder organizations. We drive lightly to heavily modified vehicles and enjoy easy to difficult runs. Most runs are 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 - Patty Grosmick 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.



In 1956, Mile-Hi Jeep Club was formed and grew to where it is today. Currently, the club has over 400 vehicle members that make up the 21 Patrols that are within MHJC. Each Ptrol has its own personality and members are encouraged to join the Patrol that best suits them.

Patrol 11 - Cliffhangers

Patrol Leader - Todd Frick patrol11@mhjc.org

Our patrol is active in the pursuit of adventurous 4-wheeling 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 - Dave

Patrol Leader - Dave Dickason 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.

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 to come along with us on our adventures.

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

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.



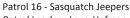
Patrol 15 - High Altitude 4-Wheelers

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 Leader - Lana Hofman 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 friendly and
safety minded at all times. We try to run at least 2 trails
each month (moderate to difficult). Membership into this



patrol requires at least 35" tires and rear and front recovery points.

Patrol 17 - The Colorado Pack

Patrol Leader - Aaron Brown 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.

Patrol 18 - Maze Runners

Patrol Leader - Mike Paris patrol18@mhjc.org

The purpose of this Patrol is to organize members of the Mile-Hi Jeep Club of Colorado (MHJC) and their families into a cohesive, friendly, and supportive group of off-road enthusiasts to enjoy the benefits of our sport, support the MHJC, perform trail maintenance projects, and advocate for land use issues. Members of this Patrol will enjoy the camaraderie of wheeling with other four wheel drive vehicles.



Patrol 20 - Maze Runners

Patrol Leader - Craig Carpenter patrol20@mhjc.org
Est in 2015, we believe in a cohesive, friendly, respectful, courteous, supportive, cooperative, & safety-minded group, on and off the trails. We strive to create & maintain positive relationships with members of other Patrols, other outdoor enthusiasts, & our community. We support trail maintenance projects and advocate for the responsible use of wilders areas. This is a diverse group that unknowned.

wilderness areas. This is a diverse group that welcomes individuals, couples and families of all ages.



Patrol 21 - The Outcast

Patrol Leader - Jordan White patrol21@mhjc.org
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 difficult terrain and also enjoy a Sunday drive or a friendly get together. Runs can be led by any patrol member and we encourage to branch out and go wheeling with anyone!





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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 nonprofit 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 offhighway 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

