

# 2016 & 2018 CA4WDA InGear Editor Award



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## March 2019 Drifter's Newsletter

### Meeting Minutes

The 685<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Drifters Jeep Club was called to order at 7 PM by President Patrick Fay on March 7, 2019 at Sergio's in Glendora.

**Flag Salute** was led by Mike.

**Roll Call** taken by David Meyer

22 Members 2 Qualifying, 1 Guests

**Minutes** of previous meeting were read by Linda Torrey and approved by the club.

**Treasurers Report:** Read by Arnold Taffoya. See newsletter for details.

**Bills to be paid:** \$27.19 for Trophy, \$99 for food basket to Richard Davis

**Delegate/Conservation report:** Don Rybarczyk reported he has filed paperwork to continue our Adopt a Trail on Cleghorn. Gary Parkin will be covering the next meeting.

### Old Business:

**February Run:** Keith Clark, Mike Bricker, Dave Gothard and Joey Morrison trail bosses. Was February 15-16, 2019, Joey went out early and kept everyone updated on conditions. Thursday rain but by Friday it was better, and more arrivals came. Run was on Saturday with 14 vehicles. Too windy for campfires on this trip but good time had by all.

### New Business:

**March Run:** Dave Peifer, Matt Vanscoy, Rob Pichke, Pete Dewhurst trail bosses. Newberry Springs destination. Maps were sent out and weather will be good, bring firewood and pot luck for Saturday night.

**April Run:** Don Rybarczyk, Mark Phelps, Mike Rydell, Chris Blalock, Larry Patton trail bosses. Run has been changed to Coyote Canyon because

there was no access to Los Coyotes. Nearest campground is 21 miles away at Vail Lake, a very nice campground and we have been offered a discount. Run will be last weekend in April.

**May Run:** Dan Hankla, Ray Kimpton, Robert Smith and Frank Wagner trail bosses. May 31-June 2 dates will be TDS Truckhaven Hills. Map will be in newsletter.

**June Run:** Dan Calva, Doug Marshall, Gary Parkin trail bosses. Will be a day run at Calico on June 8. Meet at Peggy Sue's for breakfast or at the trail head.

Joe Kaiser has relinquished his membership per phone call with Gary Parkin. Job responsibilities and sale of Jeep named as reasons.

## Picture With a Story



Drifter's Blog: <http://driftersddd.blogspot.com/>

Drifter's Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/driftersjeepclub/>

### President

Patrick Fay

### Vice President

David Meyer

### Secretary

Linda Torrey

### Treasurer

Arnold Taffoya

### State Delegate

Don Rybarczyk

### Editor &

BlogMaster

David Meyer

**High Desert Round Up:** Club voted not to participate as a group this year. You can, of course, attend as individuals. See the CA4WD website for information. There will be 4 runs, games and raffle on Saturday. 8-10 more runs on Sunday.

**Reservations for PPP** sites will start next month at the meeting, so bring your checkbooks.

Nominations for officers 2020 were as follows:

President: Patrick Fay

Vice President: David Meyer

Secretary: Linda Torrey

Treasurer: Tris Aubrey

**Voting** will take place at the April Meeting.

**Drifter of the Year:** Vince and Jane Ruesch – Congratulations!

Vote was taken on qualifying members – Mike and Bonnie Asbury who are our 49<sup>th</sup> members. Welcome!

Patrick sold out the box of preprogrammed club radios at \$20 each. More will be available at the next meeting.

**David Meyer** was awarded the trophy for best club newsletter again for the Jackass News. Beautiful trophy Dave, Congratulations on a fantastic job!

**Dues of \$65** were payable in October of 2018 and Past Due in January of 2019. If you have not paid – please do so.

David Meyer asked that meetings in the future be moved to 7:30 PM to allow him time to get to the meeting site. This was approved by vote.

Karyn and Norm Gerwien’s granddaughter Gina has become our newest Junior Drifter with the gift of their old Jeep. Welcome Gina!

**The 50/50** of \$72.50 was won by our newest member Bonnie Asbury.

**Meeting adjourned** at 7:50 PM by Patrick Fay, and drinks hosted by Mike Asbury.

**DUES ARE NOW DUE - \$65.00.**

**Next Meeting: April 4th at 7:30 at**

**Sergio Mexican 1105 E. Route 66, Glendora  
626-914-5000**

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## Pictures Without a Story



## CA4WDA News



April 6th

**Johnson Valley OHV Recreational Area Public Meeting:  
10am-11am**

57090 Twentynine Palms Highway, Yucca Valley, CA

Representatives from the Marine Corps and the Bureau of Land Management will host a Resource Management Group meeting about land use in the Shared Use Area. The purpose of the meeting is to communicate the Marine Corps' plans to conduct a large-scale exercise held from August 1-30, 2019. Information concerning temporary land closures of the Johnson Valley Shared Use Area and public safety information will be discussed with attendees. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

April 13th

**South District Meeting: 9:00am-3:00pm**

Bass Pro Shop, 7777 Victoria Gardens Ln., Rancho Cucamonga. Conference room to the left of the old Gun Room. Contact Alan at [abauer@cal4wheel.com](mailto:abauer@cal4wheel.com) or 502-379-1029 for info

# President's Corner

Hello Drifters;

Wow. What a great meeting we had. So much information was exchanged. Great runs coming up. Warmer weather is on its way soon. We nominated new officers, which are very much like the current officers. I am nominated for President, Dave is nominated for V.P. and Linda is nominated for Secretary. Meet the new boss, same as the old boss. Tris Aubrey is nominated for Treasurer. All nominations were accepted. We will have more nominations at the April meeting and will vote as needed. If you would like to be an officer of the club or know someone who does please come to the April meeting. New officers take over in May.

We had a brief discussion about HDR, very brief, it was widely accepted that we would not be participating as a club. If you are interested in going check out the In Gear or association website.

We had one member resign his membership. Joe Kiser is no longer a member. That's the down side. The upside is we gained a great couple in Mike and Bonnie Asbury as our 49<sup>th</sup> member. Although it was discussed that it really should be Mikes mom that is getting voted in. So, hopefully we will see her around too.

We had a couple awards at the meeting. One we knew about and another that was completely unexpected. Vince and Jayne Ruesch are Drifters of the year. Vince said it really should be Jayne because if she didn't enjoy it so much he would not be able to go as much. Very nice sentiment.

After voting in the newest member and basking in the glow of free beer from Mike and Bonnie a representative from In Gear magazine approached me. He said he had an award for our newsletter editor. I took a quick look at it and recognized that Dave Meyer was awarded "Best newsletter editor" again. This was completely unexpected but definitely deserved. I reconvened the meeting briefly and made the announcement. Dave offered free iced tea for everybody but we politely declined. We are so lucky to have Dave doing our newsletter. It is clear he enjoys it and puts a lot of effort into it. Thank you, Dave. I'm very happy you got the recognition you deserved.

**DUES ARE PAST DUE. DON'T BE THE MEMBER WHO GETS A NASTY GRAM FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**



## Treasurer's Report March



Beginning Balance	\$5,200.76
Income	
Dues	\$ 65.00
50/50	\$ 72.50
Club Plaque Sales	\$ 30.00
 Total Income	 \$ 167.50
Expenses	
Gary Parkin (Omaha Steaks)	\$ 99.98
David Meyer (DOY Trophy)	\$ 27.19
 Total Expenses	 \$ 127.17
 General Fund Balance	 \$3,996.26
Party Fund	\$1,103.94
Jr Drifter Fund	\$ 140.89
 Ending Balance	 \$5,241.09



*Arnold*

## Trail Ratings

### 1-4 Easy

**1)** Graded dirt road. Dry, or less than 3" water crossing depth. Gentle grades. 2WD under all conditions except snow. No width problems, two vehicles wide. **2)** Dirt road. Dry, or less than 3" water crossing depth. Some ruts. Slight grades, up to 10 degrees. 2WD under most conditions. Rain or snow may make 4WD necessary. Usually one and a half to two vehicles wide. **3)** Dirt road. Rutted, washes, or gulches. Water crossings up to 6" depth. Passable mud. Grades up to 10 degrees. Small rocks or holes. 4WD recommended but 2WD possible under good conditions and with adequate ground clearance and skill. No width problems for any normal vehicle. Vehicle passing spots frequently available if less than two vehicles wide. **4)** Rutted and/or rocky road. No shelves but rocks to 9". Water crossings usually less than hub deep. Passable mud. Grades moderate, up to 15 degrees. Side hill moderate up to 15 degrees. 4WD under most conditions. No width problems, vehicle passing spots frequently available if less than two vehicles wide.

### 5-7 Moderate

**5)** Rutted and/or rocky road. No shelves. Rocks up to 12" and water crossings up to 12" with possible currents. Passable mud. Moderate grades to 15 degrees. 6" holes. Side hill to 20 degrees. 4WD required. No width problems. **6)** Quite rocky or deep ruts. Rocks to 12" and frequent. Water crossings may exceed hub depth with strong currents. Shelves to 6". Mud may require checking before proceeding. Moderate grades to 20 degrees. Sidehill may approach 30 degrees. 4WD necessary and second attempts may be required with stock vehicles. Caution may be required with wider vehicles. **7)** Rocks frequent and large, 12" and may exceed hub height. Holes frequent or deep (12"). Shelves to 9". Mud 8" deep and may be present on uphill sections. Grades to 25 degrees and sidehill to 30 degrees. Water crossings to 18" and may have strong currents. 1-1/2 vehicles wide. 4WD required. Driver experience helpful.

### 8-9 Difficult

**8)** Heavy rock and/or severe ruts. Rocks exceeding hub height frequent. Shelves to 12". Deep mud or uphill mud sections. Steep grades to 25 degrees and can be loose or rocky. Water crossings may exceed 30" in depth. Side hill to 30 degrees. One vehicle wide. Body damage possible. Experience needed. Vehicle Modifications helpful. **9)** Severe rock over 15". Frequent deep holes over 15". Shelves over 15". Mud bog conditions (long, deep, no form bottom). Over 30" water crossings with strong currents. Steep grades over 30 degrees. Sidehill over 30 degrees. May not be passable by stock vehicles. Experience essential. Body damage, mechanical breakdown, rollover probable. Extreme caution required.

### 10 Extreme

**10)** Severe conditions. Extreme caution recommended. Impassable by stock vehicles. Winching required. Trail building necessary. May be impassable. Impassable under anything but ideal conditions. Vehicle damage probable. Personal injury possible. Extreme caution necessary.

### Drifter Gear

## Drifter Club Jacket Order Form

**Place orders by  
25th of the month**

*These are red polyester with a thin lining, a flat laydown collar, two front pockets and stretch sleeves.*

*Price includes sewing on the club patch on the back (you supply patch) and embroidered name on left front of jacket. Prices are:*

*\*You can also add an embroidered club logo to the right front for an extra \$10.00. Everything is plus 9% tax.*

Size	Cost	Qty.	Name	Logo(Y-N)	Ext. Cost
Small	\$28.00				
Medium	\$28.00				
Large	\$28.00				
X-L	\$28.00				
2-XL	\$30.00				
3-XL	\$32.00				
4-XL	\$34.00				

**Jacket Patch-\$18.00**

**Total Cost:**

**9% Sales Tax:**

**Please mail your order & check to:**

**Dave Peifer: 1129 Gladstone St. La Verne, CA 91750**

**Any questions, please call me @ 951.440.4867**



**Drifter Gear**

**Place orders by  
25th of the month**

**Drifters Baseball Caps**



**Order Form**



*These are quality caps with rear Velcro adjustment straps. The Drifters Jeep Club logo will be embroidered on the front!*

*Caps are \$10.00 each.*

*Options are:*

*Colors-*

*Quantity-*

*Solid Red cloth material*

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*Red with half mesh*

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*Solid White cloth material*

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*White with half mesh*

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## February Run Report Truckhaven Hills

When have we not had a great time in the Truckhaven hills. This trip was no exception.

It had been cold and rainy the week prior, especially for the high desert folks, and we couldn't wait to get out of it. A few of us had planned on heading out on Valentine's Day. Joey, being the trouper he is, left on Wednesday and arrived that afternoon.

Valentine's morning brought another storm to the basin so leaving Thursday was out. We started receiving texts from Joey early Thursday saying it was raining steadily but not muddy.



Then by noon the pics were coming in showing the wash was flowing. I, along with a lot of members arrived Friday. I stopped to fill up gas and propane at Red Earth. Turns out every other off-roader and sand person decided to stop there as well. What a zoo. It took



about 1 1/2 hour to get out of there.

When Jo and I arrived at camp, we found half a dozen rigs already set up. I pulled in and got stuck in the sand. Turned out Vince was in the same position. Vince worse than I. Vince did put his winch to test and pulled himself out. I luckily had to only back out and rework my track.

Saturday morning brought blue skies and sunshine. With all members in camp, 14 jeeps set out for the run at

South side the mud had the Tim, Drifters on being the few stock the 4-door got hi-centered a few times. But they made it without damage.



Drifter time. Joey took the lead and we headed to the of SR 22. He led us through the washes and up and over hills. We even had a couple of "pucker" moments. We pleasure of having a guest Jeeper come out for the run. Melissa & Aaron Potter, who searched and found the the internet showed up with a brand new stock JK. Joey guy he is jeep traps



found a where through

We came out the hills ending up in Tectonic Gorge, where followed up and out to the mesa at the microwave tower

it was on SR 22.



## February Run Report Truckhaven Hills

Crossing the highway we dropped into Palm Wash and headed up to visit Jim Morrison. Along with the beers with Jim, Patrick held a ceremony for Jim's late cat Rosy, who was adopted by and lived with Patrick until her passing.



It was then back to camp for cocktails. perfect. And then the wind. Most of us seemed to blow all night long.

The day was absolutely headed inside the rigs. It

Sunday most of the Drifters loaded up and left camp. A few decided to head to the arches for a little site seeing. Rick, Fred and I headed up to Borrego Springs. We stopped at Font's Point overlooking the badlands and stopped to see the metal sculptures. We ended up breaking camp Monday morning to beat the Holiday traffic.

A great time was had by all.

Members	Qualifying	Guests
Joey Morrison – Jeep	Mike & Bonnie Asbury - Jeep	Tim, Melissa & Aaron Potter - Jeep
Mike & Jo Bricker – Jeep		
Vince & Jayne Ruesch - Jeep		
Tristam Aubrey - Jeep		
Patrick Fay – Jeep		
Don & Cheri Rybarczyk – Jeep		
Rick Buckley – Jeep		
Danny Hankla - Jeep		
Fred Valdepena - Jeep		
David Meyer – Jeep		
Jimmy Morrison - Jeep		
Katy & Raymond Kimpton - Jeep		

**2019-2020  
Trail Bosses**

<p><b><u>January 2019</u></b> Dave Peifer Arnold Taffoya (these were picked in Aug of 2017)</p>	<p><b><u>May</u></b> Dan Hankla Ray Kimpton Robert Smith Frank Wagner</p>	<p><b><u>September</u></b> Patrick Fay PPP</p>
<p><b><u>February</u></b> Mike Bricker Dave Gothard Joey Morrison Keith Clark</p>	<p><b><u>June</u></b> Joe Kiser Dan Calva Doug Marshall Gary Parkin</p>	<p><b><u>October</u></b> Jim Morrison Greg Cunningham Bob Bissell David Meyer</p>
<p><b><u>March</u></b> Dave Peifer Matt Vanscovy Rob Piche Pete Dewhurst</p>	<p><b><u>July</u></b> Reg Bale Mark Bargman Steve Sturdevant Huntley Graham Eldon Dekkenga</p>	<p><b><u>November</u></b> Rick Buckley Fred Valdepena Jerry Torrey John Williams</p>
<p><b><u>April</u></b> Don Rybarczyk Mark Phelps Mike Rydell Chris Blalock Larry Patton</p>	<p><b><u>August</u></b> Arnold Taffoya Karlann Bennett Gaither Vaughn John Bur</p>	<p><b><u>December</u></b> Frank Cattern Shawn Gilpin Vince Ruesch Tom Freeman  <b><u>January 2020</u></b> Daryl Romano Davin Gothard Ricky Buckley Norman Miller</p>

# April 2019

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

	1	2	3	4  <i>Club Meeting</i> <i>Dave Gothard</i>	5	6  10:00 am - 11:00 am Johnson Valley OHV Recreation Area Public Meeting
7	8  <i>Tom Vaughn</i>	9	10	11	12	13  9:00 am - 3:00 pm CA4WDA South District Meeting
14	15	16	17	18	19	20  <i>Cheryl Hankla</i>
	22	23  <i>Davin Gothard</i>	24	25	26  <i>Club Run</i>	27  <i>Club Run</i>
28  <i>Club Run</i>	29	30				

Don Rybarczyk (909) 851-0806  
 Mark Phelps (909) 938-8713  
 Mike Rydell (951) 833-6356  
 Chris Blalock (951) 533-6364  
 Larry Patton (909) 631-0086

## April Run Coyote Canyon

Coyote Canyon



Coyote Canyon from the North

Coyote Canyon is the primary path of Coyote Creek, a meandering 35-mile monument to Anza-Borrego history and Mountain Cahuilla civilization. It offers challenges to backpackers, horseback riders, mountain bikers, and 4-wheel drive enthusiasts, and opportunities for day-hikers to get away from well-travelled roads.

Coyote Canyon can be approached from Borrego Springs in the south and Anza in the north. The canyon is closed to vehicle traffic between Upper Willows and Middle Willows. From June to October 1, the Coyote Canyon and Horse Canyon trails are closed from the north. The Coyote Canyon trail is closed at Third Crossing.





# HI DESERT

## • ROUND-UP •

MAY 24-26, 2019 SLASH X CAFE/BARSTOW

REGISTRATION FORM *(Please Print)*

Driver's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Vehicle Type \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle License # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Membership Category: Individual  Club  Associate  C4WDA # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### REGISTRATION

*Preregistration must be received by May 13, 2019 (On-site registration is \$10.00 more)  
 Registration includes 1 T-shirt, 1 dash plaque, 1 raffle ticket and your choice of runs on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Meals available on-site.*

C4WDA Member (Per vehicle)	\$ 55.00	\$ _____
Non-members	\$ 65.00	\$ _____
C4WDA Membership (\$50) + Registration (\$55)	\$105.00	\$ _____
Free T-Shirt Size (CHOOSE ONE) <input type="checkbox"/> Small <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> Large <input type="checkbox"/> XL <input type="checkbox"/> 2XL <input type="checkbox"/> 3XL		
Optional BLM Usage Fee	\$ 5.00 / day	# _____ \$ _____
Extra Dash Plaques	\$ 2.00	# _____ \$ _____

### T-SHIRTS

*We will have a minimum number of t-shirts available onsite; therefore it is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that you pre-order.  
 All shirts will be \$5.00 more on site. T-shirt; Sizes S-2XL. Sweatshirt Sizes S-3XL.  
 Mens' and Ladies' Tanks only available in S-XXL. Pre-orders must be received by 5/3/19*

T-shirts:	Size(s) _____ # _____	@ \$20.00 each	\$ _____
Men's Tank Tops:	Size(s) _____ # _____	@ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
Ladies' Tank Tops:	Size(s) _____ # _____	@ \$15.00 each	\$ _____
Long Sleeve T-Shirts:	Size(s) _____ # _____	@ \$25.00 each	\$ _____
Hooded Sweatshirts:	Size(s) _____ # _____	@ \$30.00 each	\$ _____

Additional Donations: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED *(No refunds after May 13, 2019)* TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
*In addition, all refunds are subject to a 10% processing fee.*

Make Checks payable to C4WDA  
 and send to: Hi Desert Round-Up  
 California Four Wheel Drive Association  
 8120 36th Ave., Sacramento, CA 95824

For more information contact:  
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