

THE ROUGHWHEELERS
2023 Vanderbilt Lane
Redondo Beach, CA 90278

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THE FOUR LETTER WORD

The Four Letter Word is a publication of the **Roughwheelers** Four Wheel Drive Club to entertain and inform our members and friends. We would be glad to hear from you and/or your club.

AUGUST 2015 ONE DAY RUN - TBD



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these are the places that should be shopped.



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AUGUST 2015

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El Mirage Liaison:	Nathan	(310) 570-5101
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WHAT'S UP THIS MONTH

GENERAL MEETIN

Friday, August 14th, 2015 from 8-10pm

At: Redondo Rod & Gun Club,
2023 Vanderbilt Ln, Redondo Beach, CA. 90278
Free parking is across from Carl's Jr, and near
the corner of Artesia and Blossom.

BOARD MEETING:

The Board Meetings will be held on the
Thursday one week prior to the General
Meeting at a place to be announced. The
Board Meetings are open to club members
only.

August Run: Big Bear
August 29, 2015 (On day run)

Mailing Address:

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BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

(Please send any corrections to Karen)

August/September

Birthdays

- Rhonda Hughes 9/2
- Nathan Asdourian 9/2
- Joe Carmean 9/13

Memberships (August)

- Stan Lykins 8/2013
- Jim/Karen Leamon 8/2013

Weddings (August)

- Tom & Mary Pat Severin 8/6/1971

Members in Memoriam (August)

- None

NOTE: Future Newsletters will feature Birthdays from the 15th to the 15th of each month.

Also, as a member, if your Birthday, Membership or Anniversary is not mentioned, please contact me to update our records.

EDITORS NOTE: This newsletter belongs to the club, and any items you may want to include are welcome, space permitting. This includes our friends at CA4WD and El Mirage OHV. The **DEADLINE** for the September newsletter is **Thursday, September 3rd, 2015**. Contact me at (310) 938-2257. My email address is kslhome@aol.com
 Club Website: <http://www.roughwheelers.com>
 Club Facebook Page: The Roughwheelers – Off Road Club



The Roughwheelers IV Wheel Drive Club

ROUGHWHEELERS GENERAL MEETING

(Called to order at 8:15 pm)

July 10, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Members (11) Mynor-Snoopy-Toni-Jim-Karen-Stanley-Hubs-Fearless-Rhonda-Montego-Frank
Guests (4) Mike Lynch – Phil Marsh – Dennis Wensauer – Dennis Fevegone

REPORTS:

- **PRESIDENT:** Absent – Mynor acting as President for this meeting. Asked for 1 minute of silence in respect for the relatives of members that lost their lives this past week. Minutes approved as printed. Birthdays, Anniversaries and Weddings read.
- **VICE PRESIDENT:** Absent – No report.
- **SECRETARY:** Present – Acting as President for this meeting.
- **TREASURER:** Present – 21 members in good standing. CA4WD packages with membership cards have arrived. Everyone please get their envelope. COH \$1,787.52.
- **EDITOR:** Present – Told everyone about the email and call from Suzie of “In Gear” magazine. Our newsletter is now being published in the magazine with other club newsletters and will be hereafter. Also explained about our newest member Carlos Fuchen.
- **SERGEANT AT ARMS:** Present – We have a raffle.
- **SAFETY CHAIRMAN:** Present – Safety Kit is all in order.
- **WAGONMASTER:** None at this time.
- **EL MIRAGE LIASION:** Absent – No report.
- **CA4WDC DELEGATE:** Absent – No report.

NEW MEMBER: None this month.

REFRESHMENTS: For August – Alan
For September – Stanley
October – Mynor
November – Tuvia
December – Sam

TRIP REPORT: Trip report to Corral Canyon given by Stanley Lykins.

AWARDS:

- **ACE DRIVER:** Stanley Lykins for driving on flat tires.
- **MASTER MEC:** Stanley Lykins for flat tires
- **BACK SEAT DRIVER:** Karen Lykins for being in the back seat.
- **PHYLLIS DILLER:** Not awarded

OLD BUSINESS: All old business has been tabled to the next meeting when more board members are available to vote.

Old business items are: Newsletter and Big Bear “Adopt-a-Trail”

Fearless Leader

NEW BUSINESS: It is now official; Stanley’s nickname is now **“Pluggger”**.

The vacation run – Fordyce Creek. Only a few members were interested and will be in contact with each other.

Other new business will also be tabled until more board members can be available for comments.

FINES COLLECTED: \$2.75

The Roughwheelers Trail Ratings

- 1
 - Passable by stock and 2WD vehicles, improved dirt, gravel etc.
- 2
 - Scenic, touring trail ride; four-wheel drive required occasionally, some mud holes or rocks that would stop most other vehicles are traveled easily in 4WD.
- 3
 - For novice and experienced drivers alike; the most fun four-wheeling you can expect to have in a stock four-wheeler; low range may be required often.
- 4
 - Not advisable for novice drivers; potentially dangerous situations; maximum ground clearance, lowest gears, lockers, limited slips, winches, and jacks advised due to moderate to large rocks and obstacles, vehicle damage possible. Full size vehicles limited to specific trails at this rating.
- 4+
 - Not advisable for novice drivers; potentially dangerous situations; maximum ground clearance, lowest gears, and minimum tire size of 33 inches and one locker or two limited slips required; jacks and winches indispensable due to large boulders, steep inclines; vehicle damage is very likely. Full size vehicles limited to specific trails at this rating.
- 5
 - No novice drivers; dangerous situations; maximum ground clearance, lowest gears, minimum tire size of 35 inches and two lockers or limited slips required; jacks and winches indispensable due to large boulders, steep inclines; vehicle damage assured. Full size vehicles limited to specific trails at this rating.
- 5+
 - For the hard core experienced driver; extremely dangerous situations; maximum ground clearance, lowest gears, minimum tire size of 35 inches, two lockers, and winch are required. Full size vehicles limited to specific trails at this rating.

The Roughwheelers Trail Essentials

1. CB (Handheld or mounted).
2. Fire Extinguisher.
3. First Aid Kit, ID cards with emergency contact info and allergy information (passenger also).
4. Spare Key.
5. Tow Strap, at least 20', bare with no metal hooks/brackets attached.
6. Full size Spare with a Lug Wrench.
7. Hi-Lift or Bottle/Scissor Jack tall enough to lift your rig. 12" square Wooden Platform for soft ground.
8. Complete Tool Kit including but not limited to:
 - Standard and Metric Socket Set with Extensions,
 - Crescent Wrench and Vice-Grips
 - Screwdrivers (Standard and Philips)
 - Wire Cutters and Pliers (Standard, Needle Nose and Channel Locks)
 - Duct Tape and Electrical Tape
 - JB Weld
 - Spare Connectors and Fuses
 - Utility Knife
 - Hammer and Hacksaw
 - Crowbar or Pry Bar
 - Jumper Cables
 - Super Glue/quick drying Epoxy tank sealant
 - Electrical Wire of different gauges
 - Fix-a-Flat and/or Tire Plug kit and Air Compressor (12 volt plug-in or other)
 - Trash Bag for your own as well as other's trash
 - Tow points front and rear, frame mounted (a rear hitch pin inserted can be utilized as a rear tow point)
 - Work gloves
 - Jumper cables
 - WD-40 or other spray lubricant.

The Roughwheelers Trail Essentials - Optional

But someone in the group should have

1. Cell Phone
2. Shop Towels
3. Hand Winch (come along)
4. Recovery Gear: "D" Ring/Clevis, Snatch Block, Blanket or Towel to lie on the cable
5. Extra Fluids for your rig: oil, transmission fluid, etc.
6. Bungee Cords or Rope
7. Shovel, STD or Military Fold-Up
8. Axe, at least hand Axe/Hatchet
9. Assorted spare Fasteners, Nuts, Bolts, Pop Rivets, etc.
10. Spare Parts such as Belts, Hoses, Radiator Stop-Leak, Axles, Hubs, Spark Plugs, Air Filter, etc. (especially anything you have broken before) and the tools to fix/install them.

The Roughwheelers Trail Essentials - Optional

If you have the room

1. Work Coveralls, Cap, Goulashes/Rubber over boots, and plastic Tarp or Blanket to lay on
2. Extra pair of Hiking Boots or comfortable Walking Shoes
3. Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Waterless Hand Scrub and/or Wet Wipes
4. Sunscreen, Insect Repellent
5. Change of Clothes (2 sets if you get stuck a lot)
6. Camera (standard and/or video), spare film and batteries
7. Cooler with latching top and handles to use to tie down

The Roughwheelers Trail Essentials - Optional

Wish List

1. Camping Gear: Tent, Stove, Water Purification Tablets, etc.
2. Winch and full Winch Supply Kit
3. Onboard Air Compressor such as ARB or Quick Air
4. GPS
5. Jerry can for Fuel
6. 12-volt and battery powered portable tools: Impact Wrench, Drill, Spotlight
7. Ham Radio (license required to operate)
8. Onboard Welder

Don't forget **WATER**, at least 1 gallon per person, and personal supplies for at least twice the time you plan on being out.

- If you are going on a morning trip, pack a lunch and trail snacks.
- If going on an afternoon or day trip, assume you may spend the night in the vehicle and pack accordingly: medications, flashlight, batteries, matches/lighter and blankets and gear appropriate to the environment, area and season.

We understand that we all can't have everything listed above and on the previous page right off the bat, but we should all be constantly working toward the goal of having everything listed above for our own rigs.



PRE TRIP

RUN FOR AUGUST TBD
WHERE: TBD
WHEN: August 29, 2015
LEAVE: On your time or contact Wagonmaster for convoy info.
RUN TYPE: Day Run
TERRAIN: TBD
MAPS: AAA – DeLorme – Google Earth
DIRECTIONS: TBD
THE PLAN: TBD
LAST GAS/SUPPLIES: TBD
TRAIL RATING: TBD
BRING: Supplies for a day run.
CB: Channel 4 always.
HAM: 146.440
WAGONMASTER: TBD

Duties of Office

In accordance with The Roughwheelers IV Wheel Drive Club "Standard Operating Procedures", from now until the end of the year, I will be including the descriptions of each officer's duties for the nominations and elections in November and December for 2016.

President:

1. Ensure club mail is picked up the day of the regular club meeting.
2. Assume Vice President's duties in his absence.
3. Read all association literature and present condensed version to general meeting.
4. Approve annual schedule of general meetings, board meetings, and events.
5. Prepare in advance, agenda for general meeting and board meeting. Make available to Vice President in advance if unable to attend meeting.
6. Maintain the telephone tree.
7. Keep the gavel.
8. Awards Ace Driver, Master Mechanic, Back Seat Driver, and Phyllis Diller trophies at each meeting.
9. Starts the meeting on time, 8:00 pm.
10. Try to hold the meeting to two hours.
11. Break for fifteen minutes at 9:00 pm.
12. Allow time during break for dues and raffle tickets.
13. Preside over all voting.
14. Verify new applicants eligibility.
15. Ask prospective members before the meeting if they are interested in joining the club.
16. Notify applicant to be a half hour late for the meeting at which vote is taken. If not accepted, notify before half hour is up to spare embarrassment.
17. Conduct meetings by Robert's Rules, more or less.
18. Limit discussion to 2 minutes per person.
19. Approve all guest speakers and schedule them before the break.
20. Responsible for follow-up of all other action items, reports, etc.
21. Allow time at meeting for reports from committees, Treasurer, Wagon Master, and CA4WDC Delegate.
22. Instruct Master at Arms to levy fines when deemed appropriate.
23. Co-sign the CA4WDC Delegate credentials.
24. Can sign all bank forms and checks.
25. Co-sign CA4WDC membership dues forms.
26. Approve all outgoing club correspondence.
27. In emergencies, can make disbursements up to \$10.00.
28. Keep set of keys for meeting place and post office box.

Vice President:

1. Act as program chairman and provide entertainment, if any, at meetings. Arrange and approve entertainment or collections for such events in advance. Advise President and seek approval.
2. Supply coffee and refreshments at general meeting. Contact members for refreshments.
3. Chairman of annual Constitution Review Committee
4. Chairman of annual S.O.P. Review Committee.
5. Conduct at least one meeting per year.
6. Assume jobs of those officers not present.

Outgoing Vice President sets up new/old board dinner for January of the following year. It shall occur the Saturday following the Jan mtg.



CALIFORNIA FOUR WHEEL DRIVE ASSOCIATION, INC.

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has sent us all renewal membership cards and dash plaques. They thank us for our continued support and participation that contributes to their ongoing efforts to effectively promote the sport of four-wheeling through the state of California. With our support, comes the continuance of "In Gear" magazine to each member.

For the most updated news and information, please visit Cal4wheel.com and sign up for e-mail alerts, and like them on Facebook or follow them on Twitter.

SAFETY CHECKLIST FOR ALL CA4WDA EVENTS

The following items are required for every CA4WDA event, and are a good idea to have in your vehicle at all times:

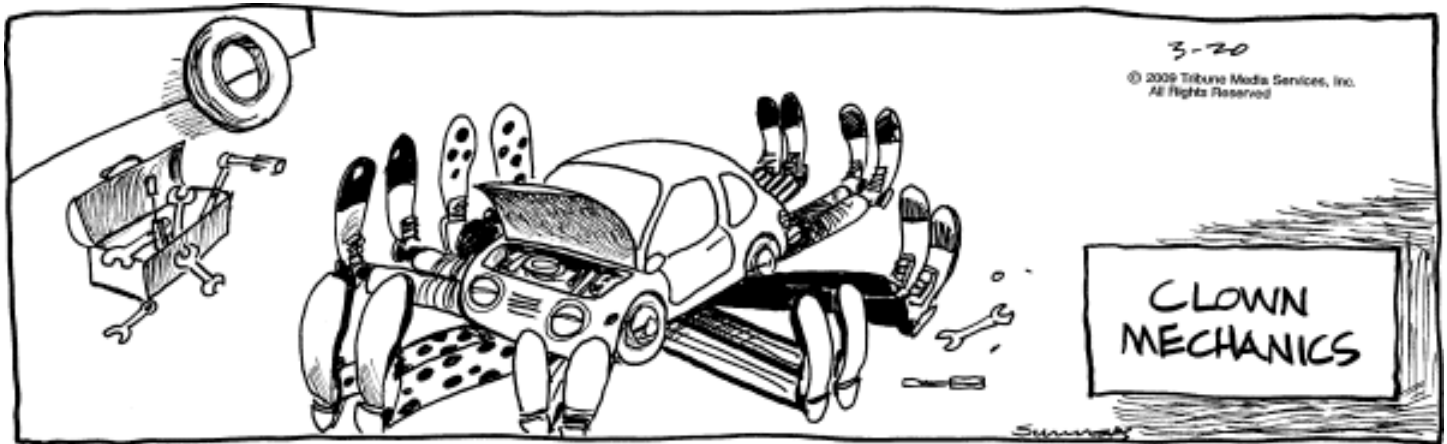
- ✓ Roll bar or factory installed hardtop.
- ✓ Emergency brake, parking brake, line-lock or other redundant braking system.
- ✓ Tow strap or rope (recommend rated at two times the vehicle weight).
- ✓ First aid kit.
- ✓ Jack capable of lifting the vehicle and tools to change a tire.
- ✓ Spare tire within 3 inches diameter of other tires, or, for tires 37" or larger, run-flats or tools to repair/reinflate tire.
- ✓ Fire extinguisher with gauge indicating good/full, appropriately stored.
- ✓ Seat belts for all vehicle occupants.
- ✓ Antennas must be rigid or restrained in a manner to prevent injuries.
- ✓ Adequate attachment points front and rear, i.e. tow hooks, receiver, etc. Tow balls are not permitted.
- ✓ Battery hold downs (no bungee cords).

SOUTH DISTRICT QUARTERLY MEETING

The California 4 Wheel Drive Association, Inc. South District Quarterly Meeting was held on Saturday, July 25, 2015 at Jeep*Chrysler*Dodge of Ontario, CA located at 1202 Auto Center Drive in Ontario, CA. Orange County 4 Play hosted the morning coffee and donuts.

The following items were discussed: Introduction of Guests, Treasurer's Report, Approval of Minutes, Additions to the Agenda, Vice President's Report, Membership Chairman's Report, President's Report, State Treasurer's Report, Office Manager's Report, Office Manager's Report, Natural Resource Consultant's Report, Natural Resource Consultant's Report, Web Page Coordinator's Report, CA4WDC Conservation and Education Foundation Report, the State Committee Reports, the District Committee Reports, Old Business, New Business including Operation Desert Fun and Panamint Valley Days, and all the Delegate's Reports.

Roughwheelers Vehicle Inspection Report



On Saturday, July 11, 2015, Roughwheelers 4 Wheel Drive Club held their annual Vehicle Inspection Day. The following members attended, Hubs, Frank, Snoopy and Toni, Stanley, Jim and Karen and one guest, Dennis Fevergene.

A BBQ followed with only a few members and many club items were discussed and will be brought up at the next meeting.

Trip Report to Big Bear by Nathan Asdourian

I had a guest that was on the fence and ultimately declined, but in the interest of not running late, despite the potential delays, I had the jeep ready to roll the night before and left right at my target time of 6:15 for an arrival of 7:30 with a planned stop to change Jonathan.

Of course, as I was hauling a\$\$ in the HOV lane, I noticed a bit of glimmer as I nearly blew right by our Wagonmaster. I slowed up and dropped in with him. Around Glendora, my little one started getting a little testy so I pulled off for a pit stop; let him walk around a minute then got back to my initial pace of 80mph to catch back up. I ended up pulling into the gas station before Mynor finished refueling, and we stood around bsing for over an hour. We made friends with a local that was awaiting his friends in his bug eyed sprite, and learned the original name was a frog eyed sprite, and that we Americans were responsible for the bug thing.

Once Frank and a guest arrived fashionably late, they had no choice but to submit to our desire for breakfast. We mounted up and rode down to lake arrowhead for some Belgian waffles, and were rather pleased with our choice to sit on the patio as before we even got our food, a small local car show made its way past us on the road between us and the water.

We took our time eating then headed up the line of cars on the way back (the other direction) to the jeeps. We got to the trailhead, aired down and pulled out ahead of several other groups that were arriving. Things were pretty uneventful until we got to the waterfall, where we pulled off to see what the commotion was; U.S.F.S. was out with a fellow jeep group, putting in a bypass route for the falls. Apparently lots of people have complained about the difficulty... After watching a small army of vehicles traverse the falls, I decided to ignore the multiple warnings I got on the way to the falls, and instead trust Frank to get me through. I made the right choice, my ability to follow guidance and franks eye and directions got me through with little more than rim scratches. From there it was easy peasy and it was still early when we were again on dirt road.

After a quick discussion, I decided to leave the group and head for home, and the remaining people headed the other way for Holcomb creak with the intention of staying the night. The drive home was exhausting...I left Bear around 2pm, all was great till I got down the hill...I didn't arrive home till nearly 7pm...

Pictures were posted to the website and on Facebook.

LOOK WHAT'S IN THE FUTURE

August 2015

- August 14, 2015 – Roughwheelers Membership Meeting in Redondo Beach, CA,
- August 29, 2015 – Roughwheelers Monthly Run –One Day Run and Wagonmaster TBD.

September 2015

- September 4-7, 2015 – High Sierra Poker Run at Shaver Lake, CA by CA4WDC.
- September 11, 2015 – Roughwheelers Membership Mtg. in Redondo Beach, CA.
- September 25-27, 2015 – Roughwheelers Monthly Run to **Sherman Pass**.
Wagonmaster TBD.

October 2015

- October 9, 2015 – Roughwheelers Membership Meeting in Redondo Beach, CA.
Jesse May of CA4WD South District will be attending our meeting.
- October 23-25, 2015 – Roughwheelers Monthly Run to **El Mirage Recreation Area**.
Wagonmaster TBD.

November 2015

- November 13, 2015 – Roughwheelers Membership Meeting in Redondo Beach, CA.
- November 20-22, 2015 – Roughwheelers Monthly Run to **Johnson Valley/Hammers**.
Wagonmaster TBD.

December 2015

- December 11, 2015 – Roughwheelers Membership Meeting in Redondo Beach, CA.
- December 12, 2015 – Roughwheelers Annual Christmas Party
- December 30-January 3, 2015 – Roughwheelers Monthly Run to **Lake Havasu**.
Wagonmaster TBD.

January 2016

- January 8, 2016 – Roughwheelers Membership Meeting in Redondo Beach, CA.
- January 9, 2016 – Annual Run Planning Meeting/BBQ for 2016 location TBD.
- January 22-24, 2016 – Roughwheelers Monthly Run to **Jawbone-Lake Isabelle**.
Wagonmaster – Woodstock.

If you have any items to be added to the next issue of **“Look What’s In The Future”**, send me an email or call me.