

# Low Range Ramblin'

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## Inland Empire 4 Wheelrs



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### WHO IS IE<sub>4</sub>W?

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!

## IE<sub>4</sub>W 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**



Bill's Precision Backup Game was a Hit!

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### 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

## Join the CORVA Family

by Amy Granat,  
Executive Director



Family; it's a word we use every day to refer to spouses, parents and children. But how often do we think about being part of a bigger family, an off-road family? I'll never forget the first time I sat, broken down on a trail just far enough away from camp, without sufficient food and water. It didn't take long for another wheeler to come along and ask if we needed help. Before long, we were sitting together sharing food and drinks, laughing at our misfortune. That's when I learned about being part of an off-road family.

In CORVA we try to bring that sense of family home to our members. In the same way you strive protect and provide for your family, we protect our member's right to ride and drive off-road. In the same way you stand up for your family, we stand up for our member's rights while testifying at the State Legislature or arguing with federal land management agencies. And just as families oftentimes include close friends, CORVA has expanded in recent years to include everyone who uses or enjoys off-road access; whether to hunt, fish or rockhound.

CORVA defines motorized access as the use of any type of vehicle with a motor that travels off a paved road, which can basically apply to everyone who visits public land. As some time during their visit, a traveler on public land will find his or her wheels off a paved road in some

manner. The enormity of off-road travel should cement our right to travel freely, albeit

responsibly, throughout the state. But instead, we've become easy targets for environmental groups who live to collect more and more money. The feigned righteousness of their stance against off-road recreation equates to donations of millions of dollars received from misinformed members of the public.

So CORVA fights for every trail and open area; against off-road bias and discrimination. At the same time, we fight for increased opportunities to travel off-road. We encourage our members to educate themselves, and teach classes so they can become equally active protecting their favorite roads, trails and areas. For years off-roaders have not had smart and aggressive at the highest levels, but CORVA has pledged to change that paradigm by analyzing and determining how best to make a difference while protecting off-road vehicular access.

Teaching and informing people has become paramount; without knowledge our battle would be short-lived. Working together is key to our success, whether with local off-roaders or state and federal land managers. CORVA stands together with all members of our off-road family ready and willing to fight for access to your favorite trail. We do this all with extreme passion, and with a shoestring budget, but we're dedicated to our members, off-road access, and ensuring motorized travel for future generations.

## Board of Directors

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# JANUARY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> Truckhaven New Year's Bash Chad Lynn	<b>2</b> George Biddlecombe	<b>3</b> IE4W MEETING	<b>4</b> Scott & Monique Chadwick	<b>5</b> Amy Roller
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Marvin McQuown	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Angelina Rodriguez	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Dean Hilleman	<b>14</b> Ryan LaBusch	<b>15</b> Bo Parham ROUNDUP	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Quartzite Run	<b>19</b> Quartzite Run Corva Truckhaven??
<b>20</b> Quartzite Run	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Bill Henry	<b>23</b> Couper Chadwick	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Cheri McRae	<b>26</b> Justin Burke John & Jennifer Traver
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Jim & Sue Sloan	<b>29</b> Randy Stockberger	<b>30</b> Matina Nunnally	<b>31</b>		

## IE4W Business Meeting December 6, 2012

### IE4W Business Meeting – December 6th, 2012

Open Meeting - Called to Order by President Randy Stockberger at the Grand Terrace Community Center. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Randy.

The guests stood and introduced themselves. The guests included Bill and Julia DeChenne of Rancho Cucamonga, Randy and Mondie DeChenne of Fontana, Matt and Sue Martel of San Bernardino, George and Kay Stauber of San Bernardino, Cameron Kimball of Murrieta, Bill and Rachel Bem of Moreno Valley, Luis Soto of Rialto, Lou Szakal of Loma Linda, Ashley Rist of Redlands, Steve Kloster of Fontana, Trevis Sloan of Highland and Ron Fleming of Norco.

The secretary's minutes were approved for November 2012 as published on-line, on the website and in Low Range Ramblin'.

The sign in sheets started around. Mike also sent around the roster for corrections. It will be revised and reprinted next year.

### Reports

Treasurers Report - Mike Moore present – The club started November with \$20,519.70. During the month income was \$558.00 and expenditures were \$1,932.63. The club ended the month with \$19,145.07. Bills were approved and paid. They included the newsletter, trailer storage and the Yucaipa Christmas Parade expenses.

Income included dues (\$138.00) sheriffs' fines (\$15.00), merchandise sales (\$252.00) and raffle ticket sales (\$153.00). Expenditures included taxes (594.00) and the usual monthly expenses.

VP Report Jim Miller present – Jim announced that there are many new clubs in Corva. Cal 4 Wheel officers are changing. Jim also discussed the Legacy Watershed and the Windmills. Also, volunteers are needed for KOH.

Land Use – Loren Campbell present – Loren also discussed the Legacy Watershed, appeals are needed, Amy G to help. Corva wants to re-open the O'Donnell (sp) Day trail. Loren also discussed the enormity of the windmill project. Wende Owen present – Wende discussed the proposed "Southern Utah Wilderness Area". This would affect Moab.

Merchandise Report - Ken and Cindy Ehlers present – Merchandise available.

Membership - Kevin Dahl present –Membership packets are available at each meeting and Round-Up.

Hospitality Report – Sherie Thompson present - Sherie announced that the club sent edible arrangements to Terry McNeill and Ben Hoskins for their recent hospital stays. Sherie also announced that the club sent flowers to Roy of 4 West to honor his wife who passed recently.

Forest Fest Report – Mike reports the difficulties dealing with Snow Valley and the costs they are charging us. Other locations were discussed. (Crisis averted since the meeting)

Round-Up Report – Bill Henry present – The turnout for November was small. 4 West sponsored the prizes for the "Weight of the nuts" game. Poison Spyder will provide the prizes for December's game.

AAT Report – Jim Miller attended the SBNF AAT Meeting held on Nov 28<sup>th</sup>. The 2012 awards were given to the appropriate clubs. The IE4W received third place this year with a total of 1773 hours. Mike Petrarca, Jim Miller and Jim and Sue Sloan received awards for their personal hours. There will be more training classes in 2013. IE4W projects for the upcoming season will include winterizing our trails, mapping club trails and collecting GPS waypoints of problem areas. Road maintenance plans are due in late spring. The 2013 slogan will be "Un-Trash our National Forest".

Upcoming Club Runs and Events - Randy

December 8<sup>th</sup> Yucaipa Christmas Parade/  
Decorating breakfast at the Sloan's.

December 8 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Evan Owens run - Cougar Buttes
December 26 – Jan 2	Sloan's New Year Bash at Truckhaven Hills
January 18-21	Jerry Rogers' run at Quartzsite
January 21 <sup>st</sup>	Corva event – Truckhaven Challenge – Poker run
February 15-17	Bob Petersons' Calico weekend
March 16	Jim Miller – Onyx Summit
March	Easter Jeep Safari in Moab
April	Mallory Lhamon – Powderpuff run

Website Report – Steve Owen present – Steve asked that the upcoming run leaders send in their event information to him in a timely manner.

Scholarship – Carl Lhamon present – no report

Historical Report – Chair needed

Public Relations – New Chair – Tom Thompson present

Newsletter Report - Loren Campbell present – Loren again asked that prospective members send in a bio to be included in the newsletter.

Safety - Jerry Burgess present – Jerry spoke about the importance of using safety restraints. (Seat Belts)

Break - Refreshments this month were provided by Dani Goldberg. Next month – The Stockberger's

At this point, Darryl spoke about the importance of maintaining your rig.

Club Runs –  
George Biddlecombe spoke about the "Wheeling for the Wounded" event held in Big Bear. Jim Patterson and Randy Stockberger spoke about Thanksgiving at Parker. Tom Thompson spoke about the Day after Thanksgiving run and Jim Sloan spoke about the Thanksgiving Leftovers run.

Old Business – The Yucaipa parade is on December 8<sup>th</sup>. The Sloan's will host the decorating breakfast at their home near the parade route. The breakfast is open to all, but driving your rig in the parade is "members only".

The club Christmas party will also be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Highland Club House. There will be a gift exchange and Santa is expected to make an appearance.

## January 2013 IE4W

New Business – Loren Campbell asked if the Cal 4 Wheel dues portion of the club dues were being held separately. Mike responded that they are.

Sheriff's Report – Sheriff George Biddlecombe present – Late, Rob Bucacek, Carl Lhamon, Kathy Smith, Don McDonald, Jackie Sorcic, Jim and Teri Patterson, Rick Clay, and Larry and Cheri McRae. Jerry Burgess, for answering for the Riverside Rough Riders club at the AAT meeting, Ben Hoskins, for announcing his heart surgery after the fact and forgetting he had completed his packet for the State Park host. Mike Petrarca, for pot stirring. Teri Patterson, for not letting the pot cool. Tom Thompson, for spelling Kirsten Lynn's name wrong in her birthday greeting from the club.

Leftovers Run: Loren Campbell, for cussing on the CB while playing "Truth or BS". Bill Bem, torn valve stem. Tim Kemp, fell ill/then broke on the way home. George, leaking brake line.

Russ Deer: Un-thought out JK question on yahoo.

Wheeling for the Wounded: Jerry Burgess – numerous infractions – fines waived. Boue Roller, for a trip to the sledding hill.

Tom Thompson, for wanting to do his report out of turn. Randy, broken motor mount. Russ Deer and Kathy Burgess, for computer viruses.

Raffle – This month's prizes were donated by Rick Morales. Doug Russell will provide the prizes for January. (changed since the meeting)

Closed Session – There was no new member vote this month. The previous decision made by the club about a guests involvement with the club was upheld. A motion was made to close the meeting. It was seconded and approved by the membership.

Submitted by Sue Sloan, IE4W Secretary

\$144 was collected in merchandise sales  
\$21 was collected by the Sheriff  
\$291 was collected in raffle tickets sales  
\$110 Christmas Dinners for guests

Sue Sloan, Secretary

### **Comments heard about the End of the World**

In preparation for the end of the World a few of our Club Members were interviewed. Here is what they said when asked about their thoughts regarding the end of the world:

Evan Owen: Well I did my part, I led the last IE4W run in forever. I hope you had a great time. I am planning to submit my trip report on the 22nd of this month. No need in doing any extra work.

President Randy Stockberger: I laugh at the end of the world. I have a broken motor mount and missed the end of the world run. There is nothing in the Mayan Calendar about broken motor mounts. I'm golden.

Treasurer Mike Moore: I really don't think the end of the world is going to happen. However, I am going to hold off on planning Forest Fest, just in case.

Loren Campbell: Now is a great time to buy a Jeep from Forest Fest Sponsor Redlands Jeep. If the world ends, you won't have to make any payments.

Jerry Burgess: Please make sure your safety kits are well stocked with batteries, water, food, and spare Jeep parts.

Ken Ehlers: We're having a fire sale on club shirts on 12/21/12

Larry McRae: I've always wanted to see if PSC JK flares would stand up to a meteor strike. Now is my chance.

Mallory: I've got a wedding to plan. I don't have any time for this end of the world stuff.

George Biddlecombe: I'm fining anyone that survives the end of the world.

Slim Sloan: I haven't canceled our New Year's Bash at Truckhaven yet. Meteors or no, read about I'm planning here.

## Maldonado's Cookie Exchange Party

John and Cindy Maldonado hosted a Christmas Cookie Exchange Party at their home on December 1. This year, the contest was for the best Man Cookie, and there were a lot of entries, and they were all winners! Best Overall Cookie was won by Mike Maxson with his No Bake Cookie.



### **2012 Yucaipa Christmas Parade Participants**

Jim and Sue Sloan  
Doug and Kellie Russell  
Tom and Sherie Thompson  
Mike Moore and Mike Maxson  
Kevin Dahl  
John and Cindy Maldonado  
Chaun and Matthew Goldberg  
Rick Morales  
Jerry and Patti Rogers  
Rick and Kathy Ventriglia and Heather and Brooklyn Hammock  
Nancy Kenny and Shelby  
Jerry and Kathy Burgess  
Tony and Cindy Nunnally, Jennifer, Matina, Johnny, Ian and Trevor  
Jim and Nick Miller  
Loren Campbell and Joe Martinez  
George and Tiffany and Mariah Juhl  
Ron, Randi and Matthew LaBusch  
Jennifer and Dakotah Traven  
Russ and Karen Deer

Wayne and Monica Coey  
Richard and Annette Mordoff  
Rob and Ty Rogers  
Bill Henry  
Scott, Monique and Couper Chadwick  
Mallory Lhamon  
Darryl Jordon  
Evan Owen and Kim Burgess  
Assorted Mans Best Friends!

### **Guests at the Parade**

Lou and Marci Szakal

### **Breakfast Participants**

Rob Bucacek  
Cathy Lhamon  
Sean Franklin  
Barbara Bongiorno  
Bo Parham  
Karen Cramer

### **Official Photographer**

Ashley Rist

## **Day After Christmas 2012-Cleghorn**

Trail Leader- Boue Roller with Guests Hunter and Austin

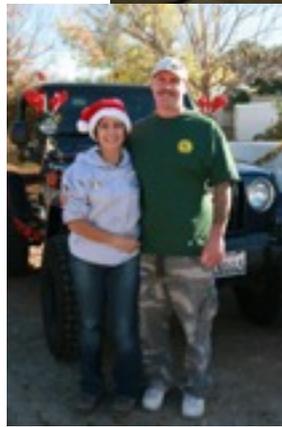
Soon to be members- Matt and Sue Martel

0900 Met up underneath the bridge so we could air down without the rain, brief driver's meeting (we introduced ourselves) and hit the trail. Due to rain at lower elevations it was quite slippery and a little tough to stay on the road at times. We decided to tackle the first obstacle due to the fact it looked like a lot of new rocks had been placed- just like a gatekeeper. At the end of the garden I promptly turtled, to which Matt had to winch me back. I then took a new line and promptly slashed the rear tire on the last rock coming out. I couldn't locate the slash due to the 2" of mud on it, so we changed it out. With Matt and the boys lending a hand we had it changed in no time.

1030 There was some slight discussion as to whether to keep on mobbing and of course we did, we passed a couple of the next obstacles just because there was absolutely no traction to get up the hills. With the higher ground came some firmer ground and a couple of inches of snow- we then hit every obstacle on the way out without any further repairs, even one having a truck rolled over on its side, it looks like it has been there a while but I have never seen it.

1300- End of the line- Sue mentioned she doesn't remember using so many choice words in such a short time while Matt said he now has a few more pinstripes and dings, something to be proud of. It was a great ride with a great couple. With all the mud and slippery slopes this was definitely not the same Cleghorn and a lot of the ruts are much deeper, rocks there were 2' are now 3' and a challenge. This trail just keeps getting tougher.

# Yucaipa Christmas Parade





**New Year's Bash At Truckhaven**

**HAPPY  
NEW YEAR**



*Bringing in the New Year with IE4W*



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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.