

LATEST CLUB NEWS / INFORMATION

Please send me any club related news or information you wish to post.

Club Web Page Updates, Club Call Sign, and other stuff

9-3-2010

I am still updating the web page as time permits. I will be adding a Forms page soon that will be a quick way to find and download any form or document used by the Club.

We got our Club call sign, KJ6KGB. I have now applied for our vanity call, W6BLP. We should have the call by September 17th.

I will be working with Steve Mitchell, N6SJM to add a message board to our site as mention in the last news posted. This will be a great upgrade once in place.

I have been working hard on adding needed forms and updating the ones we have for the club. It is my goal to get this business done as quickly as possible but get it done right. Keep an eye out for the before mention Forms page for our web site.

I think we are going to enter the Reedley Electric Christmas Parade this year as a Club. The event will take place Thursday December 2, 2010 at 7 p.m. downtown Reedley. Entry forms will be available in October and we can enter all the way up to the last week of November.

Remember our meeting are going to return to Saturdays and the new time will be 0900 Hrs., 9:00a.m. The first Saturday meeting is the 11th of September. The meeting on September 18th is cancelled and we are going to the Clovis Amateur Radio Pioneers Ham Radio Swap Meet. Check out the main page for location, time and info.

Freakshow

Club Web Page Updates, Club Call Sign, Non-Profit

8-22-2010

For information I have been updating our website with thumbnails for our photos area. Blake had asked for this update so I did a little research and found a free program that is Windows based but seems to work well with my Linux computer. I have changed the photos area to thumbnails so now everything loads about a thousand times faster. You click on the photo you wish to view and it comes up in its larger form. I am still working on this so give me a chance to add more photos.

I have added an APRS page to track members rigs. I did not like the look of what was on our main page so I gave it its own page and simplified its look. I will add more later including information on what APRS is and how it is utilized.

I am working with Steve Mitchell, N6SJM to add a message board to our site. The message board will be a major addition and improvement to our site. It will allow us to start discussions about various topics and keep us informed about events we plan to hold. It is better than e-mail because it keeps topics separate. It will also allow anyone who visits our site to use the message board once they are issued a user name and password. I am sure most of you have used a message board at sometime.

I have been working on our club callsign as well. I am close to sending the paperwork off but only need to finish it up and then to the mail it goes. I am hoping to send the paperwork off this week sometime. As soon as I find out anything more I will send out an e-mail to all with an update.

We are planning on trying to obtain non-profit status. Not sure how long it will take to do this but if any new information presents itself I will let all of you know.

Freakshow

Club Personel, Vehicle Graphics & Event UPDATES

6-25-2007

First of all I would like to inform the Club that Verl Tharp has been returned to Club Member status. Tom Reinhart is now a club board member. This change was made only because Verl does not have the time to participate in board meetings or events as much as Tom does. This is due to his, Verl's work schedule. Verl has done nothing wrong and this in no way is a demotion. The change was made to help the Club run more smoothly and Tom attends most events and is available to attend board meetings.

If anyone knows someone who would like to be a member of The Club let a board member know so that we can get them on board.

If any member is interested in becoming an Amateur, (Ham) Radio Operator let myself or Tom know. The Clovis Amateur Radio Pioneers, (C.A.R.P.) may hold special classes for our club if enough people want to take the Ham Exam. Using a CB on the trail you can talk to someone a few hundred feet away. Using an amateur radio you can talk to someone in another state or country.

In regards to BadLands Posse 4X4 Club graphics, come and get them while they last. I have the window banners and they are \$15.00 each. I also have the side badges and they are 2 for \$15.00. These go on both sides of the vehicle. The graphics look nice and more stuff will come later.

The Moonlight Madness event was great. I look forward to the stories that will soon be written by the attending members. Get them to me as soon as possible. Also, please get any video / photos of the trip to me as well. I need to update the photo area of this site most of all.

The Pismo trip is coming up soon. If you want to caravan with other members, e-mail them to set up meeting times. I am leaving early on July 5, 2007 but Rod will be heading that way several days before me.

Freakshow

Club Vehicle Graphics & Events

11-10-2006

Well hello all, it has been sometime since I have had any new information regarding our club. I just wanted to let you all know that I have been in contact with a subject who does sign work and vehicle graphics. The places I found on the internet were far too expensive because they had not only high prices but outrageous set-up fees. In some cases as much as \$250.00 to \$500.00. Ridicules to say the least. The person I found was right under my nose in Sanger, that's right, Sanger. He does the graphics work for Sanger Police Department's vehicles. He has advised me that he does not charge set-up fees and he feels that he can accommodate our needs. I have supplied him with the graphics we will utilize including the font we use to display our club name, Gallery. At this time I am having him work on our club patch design for the sides of our vehicles and the windshield banner. The cost would be \$15.00 per one square foot of material used. I have also been told that he makes the large banners you see in store fronts, bumper stickers, T-shirts, Flags and almost any other type of printing project out there. I also have plans to inquire about the club patches that you sew on jackets or whatever. If he has a better deal than the other company I have considered we can save a lot of money. As soon as I find out what the status is on this project I will of course let all of you know. The club graphics would really make our rigs look cool and at the same time put the word out about our club. I believe that these graphics are a must by the next major club event, Moonlight Madness in the summer or possibly even something sooner. Please let me know what you think.

I would also like to ask for suggestions for a late fall or early winter event. Lets get together even if it is just a day trip to the mountains for a picnic. How about a trip to the snow for the kids or even a Geocaching thing as a club in the Fresno area. We need another event!!! Lets do something!!!

Freakshow

A Jeep Company's Green Jeep Travel Bug Released!

8-8-2006

On 8-8-2006 I received a new Green Jeep TB from the Jeep Company. This year they are releasing 5,500 of them. I sent in my request to get one and I did! These Green Jeep TBs belong to the Jeep Company but they farm them out to cachers to release into the wild. I was lucky enough to get one and I am the first one to log anything about it. I have decided to add a link to this item so that The Club can track it. This TB will also give anyone with a Geocaching account on Geocaching.com a new icon just like the previous Jeep Company TBs only this one is green. I will be passing it around to the club members who wish to obtain the stat. I will also add this e-mail to the news articles page on our site.

Freakshow

Moonlight Madness Event June 23, 24, & 25

6-15-2006

I just wanted to let everyone know that this will be our biggest club event to date. The more who can attend the better. For those who do not wish to drive, there are seats available. I have 3 I can fill myself so come one come all. Since there will be at least 3 and maybe even more board members at this event I would like to get some club business out of the way. I would like to vote on our club patch, flag, bumper sticker, banner, windshield art, and anything else that needs our attention. I plan to take my laptop so that I can work on these items and even the webpage. Any members or potential members who are present may also wish to provide feedback or ideas. I feel the more input we have the better we can make our club. Keep in mind though that the board has final say in any and all club business. Verl Tharp is our newest board member. He may be able to make this event as a non-driver, but he has some other things going on during this time, (I don't know what could be more important than Jeepin' though). For any questions regarding this event or the next one on July 4th contact one of us or e-mail us from the member's page.

Freakshow

BadLands Posse 4X4 Club moves up and out!

5-20-2006

The BadLands Posse 4X4 Club gets a new permanent website, <http://www.blposse.com>. This site now has 5 gigs of space available for whatever we want to add to it. We can even have our own e-mail and a few other bells and whistles. I have paid the site fees already and we have a 3 year term that can be extended, upgraded or continued. The old site had a total of 20 MB of space available and that was after linking the main site with a hidden site. We now have room to grow and play. If you have any ideas please send them my way. Take care.

Freakshow

GREEN JEEP Travel Bug Released

12-21-2005

I have released our fourth travel bug, GREEN JEEP travel bug. Just follow the link on the main page to check on this bug's status. This bug was released with help from my nieces Erin & Kimberli.

Freakshow

New Members Added!

9-22-2005

I have added several new members to our member list. You can access the list from the main page by clicking on the member link or just click MEMBERS. Finally some new blood in the club. Wow, I'm a poet and didn't know I was.

Freakshow

WHITE JEEP Travel Bug Released

9-8-2005

I have released our third travel bug,WHITE JEEP travel bug. Just follow the link on the main page to check on this bugs status. This bug was taken by my friend 2VW's to Florida so it is starting off great!!!

Freakshow

RED JEEP Travel Bug Released

8-31-2005

I have released our second travel bug,RED JEEP travel bug. Just follow the link on the main page to check on this bugs status.

Freakshow

YELLOW JEEP Travel Bug Released

7-21-2005

I have discovered the cool sport of Geocaching. Go to their web site for details. In a nutshell however a person uses their GPS unit to find hidden "caches", (Items hidden by other Geocachers). Once the cache is found you log your visit, take something from the cache if you like, (You give something if you take something) and replace the cache so other geocachers can hunt for it like you did. In regards to this news event I have released the YELLOW JEEP travel bug. This item travels from cache to cache and it's movement can be tracked via the internet using the previous link. Check up on YELLOW JEEP from time to time to see how he is getting along. You can also use the Geocaching website to view other travel bugs as well. Geocaching is cool. Give it a try. If you do not own your own GPS unit go geocaching with someone who does. Everything you need to get started is explained in detail at geocaching.com. Check it out!!!

Freakshow

NEW CLUB NAME CHOSEN!!!

6-10-2005

On this date four board members, Steve, Rod, Krystal and myself, Bob met and voted on the new club name. The decision was unanimous and the name BADLANDS POSSE chosen. We will now start working on the new graphics, decals, etc. for the club.

Freakshow

New Web Site Idea

6-9-2005

While on vacation I am going to try and solve our web space limitation problem. I am going to attempt to use a spare computer I have to store our club pictures. I will then try to link this computer to the web using it's IP address. I spoke with a friend who thinks that this might work but he was not 100% sure. If this works our worries are over. I would be able to link our site to the photos on the new machine and no one would be able to tell the difference. If I can do that I will also try to make it so that members can upload photos to this same machine but using a different folder as storage. If anyone has any additional ideas please let me in on them.

Freakshow

New Club Name

6-1-2005

The clubs board members will be selecting / voting on a permanent name for the club very soon. Any ideas should be e-mailed to me, Freakshow as soon as possible so that it can be considered when the meeting takes place. Once the new name is chosen a new graphic and patch will be designed. We plan to have patches and decals made for our members. Listed below are a few of the names we are considering. We can also mix and match. Some of the names are incomplete. Please let me know what you like the best, or send your own idea. We should get this done as soon as possible.

- 1. San Joaquin Valley or Central California Jeep Brigade**
- 2. Jeeps, Freaks, & Geeks 4X4 Club**
- 3. Sierra Off-Roaders 4X4 Club**
- 4. California Trail Blazers**
- 5. Trail Busters**
- 6. Ridge Runners**
- 7. Mud Slingers**
- 8. High Wheelin' ½**
- 9. Outlaw Jeep Brigade**
- 10. Jolly Rodgers Jeep Brigade**
- 11. Freaks & Geeks Jeep Brigade**
- 12. Out Backers**
- 13. Trail Assault Unit**
- 14. Back Country**
- 15. Badlands Posse 4X4 Club**

or something with the following within the name,

Posse

Regulators

Rangers

Enforcers