

Treasure Chest

December 2011



Newsletter for the
Sierra Treasure Hunters 4WD club
P.O. Box 963, Rocklin, CA 95677



SIERRA TREASURE HUNTERS 4WD CLUB

Club Officers

President - Rich Currie

Past President - Ron Kellogg

Vice President - Will Corbett

Secretary - Des Corbett

Treasurer - Kathy Medley

Trail Master - Lucky

State Delegate - Ron Kellogg

Membership - Matt Hoey

Ways & Means - Kimber Hoey & Leona Kellogg

Webmaster - Rory Huber

Editor - Rich Currie



Our Forests, Our Heritage



“Our lands - Use Without Abuse”



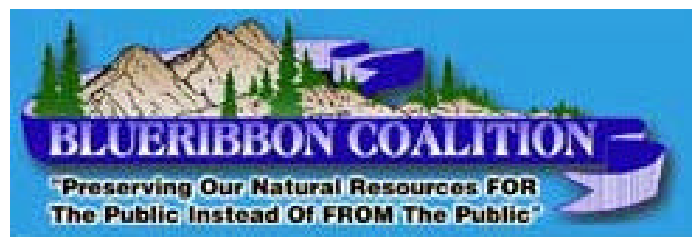
Keep Them Green, Keep Them Clean

Web Site

<http://www.sth4x4.com>

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 963
Rocklin, CA 95677



Treasure Chest newsletter

December, 2011 Issue XLVIII (48) Edition 6

President's Column

by Rich Currie

I'd like to know what STH Past President missed the most meetings during a single year term. I don't plan on breaking anyone's record. But, I do want to thank Will and Ron for running the last two meetings for me. Yes, I've been a bit busy but, never too busy to get a little wheeling in here and there. My latest wasn't anything as spectacular as traversing volcano craters or remote dry lake beds.

While on a job of course, I took to some North Western snow roads in the hills near Wenatchee WA (Apple Country). Recently, I replace my tired rear differential in the Tacoma after 213k miles, and I needed to test the Elocker to make sure all was in good workable order...and it is.



Isn't she purtee

Now, I'm on a campaign trail looking for a member or two that is interested in helping me scout another possible new trail. (new to us) This trail follows a river bed / river near Hwy. 20 and Indian Valley Reservoir. Let me know when you might be available to make a day run up North.

Like I said before:

Always looking for a cool new trail to ride. TLTMSTR

NO REPORT

By V.P. Will Corbett

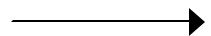
Family-Oriented v.2

So this column is being submitted a bit late for no other reason than my own laziness and procrastination. Of course, with Thanksgiving be on the 24th, and the deadline normally being the 25th, and me always waiting til the last minute, it seemed to be the perfect storm for not submitting this month. However, the other piece of that perfection is that Rich has been busy as hell, and hasn't had time to put the rest of the newsletter together, so I'm really not late, and if I hadn't said anything, you all wouldn't have even known.



All that being said, I write this on Sunday night after the annual STH Christmas Party at the Hoey's. This has become a real tradition..... I find myself looking forward to it each year, and ALWAYS have a great time. Not only is their home well suited/designed for our party, but, their overall hospitality toward us all is unmatched. From the overwhelming feeling of "welcomeness", to the offers of rooms/carpools/trailer parking for staying overnight, to the additional offer to host breakfast, they are truly the consummate hosts. THANK YOU Matt & Kimber very much!

continued



NO REPORT

By V.P. Will Corbett (cont)

Family-Oriented v.2

These feelings have led me in my need to come up with a monthly subject, to slightly revisit last month's column on our "family-oriented" status. Last night's party was truly a "family" event. Not in the "let's all watch our language, and spend all our time trying to keep kids entertained" type of family, but in the "let's all get together and celebrate the



season and each other's company, have a few drinks, make fun, and laugh" kind of family. I would imagine that countless blood-related families in this country would like to be able to have a get-together like last night. 24 people from all walks of life getting along, celebrating, and giving gifts to each other is pretty cool.

This led me to realize that another definition of "family-oriented" could be just acting as a family. Which we absolutely do..... Sometimes we fight together, sometimes we laugh together, and sometimes we share intimate secrets. We've seen births & deaths, health & sickness, personal successes & losses, marriages & divorces, and everything in between. We sometimes separate for long periods of time, and when we come back together, it's as though we'd seen each other just the day before. We truly are a family!

continued →

NO REPORT

By V.P. Will Corbett (cont)

Family-Oriented v.2

That being said, I no longer will tolerate anyone suggesting that we are not “family-oriented”. We are all things family, and therefore, it is not possible that we could not be “family-oriented”. At certain times, we could certainly be described as an “adult-oriented” family, or at least, as is common in all families, sometimes the kids just don’t get to be included. This is not a slight to them, but a normal fact of life, and in my opinion, helps diminish the “all about the kids, all the time” self-indulgent society that we live in.

So..... WE ARE a “family-oriented” club, and that’s all there is to it. And I love it, and I wouldn’t want it any other way.



Here’s hoping you all have a great holiday season, regardless of the holiday you choose (or choose not) to celebrate. I wish you all the best, and look forward to seeing you soon.

Will



The Officers Expressions

WAYS & MEANS

by Leona

The December meeting will be the **usual first Thursday 12/1/11 at 7:30pm at CA4 Wheel Drive Office**. If you missed the November meeting please plan to join us. If you missed have missed September, October and November meetings and did not attend a club activity you are in danger...Please Plan to attend the December meeting (Read the club bi-laws to find out why). Sharon signed up to bring Snacks to December 1st meeting and Lucky will bring drinks. Thank you in advance to both of you.

The Christmas Party will be happening this weekend December 3, 2011. Hopefully you have already signed up for the Christmas Party. Thank you to Matt and Kimber for donating their home these past few years for our annual Christmas Party. If you haven't signed up already you need to contact Kimber or myself to get on the food list ASAP. We would love to have 100% participation from the club. That means we need **you** to attend! The party will start with cocktails at 6pm, dinner at 7pm.

Prior to the Christmas Party will be the Toy Run hosted by the Highlanders at Lake Natomas. Kathy and Merci have taken charge of buying toys with the money our club has raised and designated for this event.

Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving....Ho Ho Ho most of you have two payday's left before Christmas! Tis the season to be jolly. Spread the cheer and surprise someone with a random act of kindness.

Respectfully submitted by your Ways and Means Committee Kimber & Leona

STATE DELEGATE

by Ron Kellogg

STH Club Delegate Report:

New CA4WDC website:

<http://www.cal4wheel.com/>

CA4WDC Convention 2012:
February 24 – 26, Hesperia, CA.

SierraTrek: Next Trek meeting is January 26th.

Next North District Meeting is January 28, 2012:

Club events: Capital City Mountain Goat 4WDC, Inc. is hosting the 6th annual Chili Cook Off, January 22nd starting at 09:00 AM, judging at noon, at Ice House Resort. Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place, contact Mike Lenno (916) 363-0499, or Dana Holland (916) 812-2578 for more information.

Ron (aka Spiderman).

GUNFIGHT AT THE CORBETT CORAL

*article by: Julie Huber
photos by Mike Kellogg*

On a cold, windy, overcast morn of November 20, 2011, some STH gunslingers started gathering at the Corbett Coral. Will "Crooked Eye" Corbett was stoking the startings of a toasty fire that would serve to keep the gunslingers warm and ready for the fight. Kathy Medley arrived with a big pot of deleesh, home-made chili and set up the frontier kitchen which brought in \$110 for the Toy Run.



continued →

GUNFIGHT AT THE CORBETT CORAL

article by: Julie Huber (cont)

photos by Mike Kellogg

The gunslingers gathered in a meadow just beyond the Corbett Coral, where Crooked Eye explained the rules and weapons for the first two rounds; the rifle and the revolver. Chris “The Kid” Medley was summoned to start the action. The Kid’s stellar rifle performance (hit one target) was followed by a few others when a low grum-



bling could be heard...perhaps there was something wrong with the sighting of the rifle? Crooked Eye decided to put it to rest by picking up the rifle and firing off eight hits....sighting looks good to Crooked Eye! No more complaining! At the end of the rifle shoot, Crooked Eye was in the lead, just one hit ahead of Chris Collard.

The gunslingers moved on to round two for some revolver action. Again, The Kid was summoned to start the round. This time, he was part of a three way tie for first place with Dick and Julie, all who hit three. Some drifters slowly approached the Corbett Coral but made a speedy get-a-way once they realized they were in the middle of a gunfight.

After round two the gunslingers took a lunch break and enjoyed the deelych chili, cornbread and brownies. A few of the gunslingers helped young Mercy Medley construct a sand castle.

continued →

GUNFIGHT AT THE CORBETT CORAL

article by: Julie Huber (cont)

photos by Mike Kellogg

The final round of the gunfight was the trap shoot. By now, the sun was shining and the warmth of the day was welcomed, unlike the glare when the clay flew into the sun. The gunslingers hoisted their own shotguns for this round and several did fantastic, including Past President, Ron who scored a perfect 10!

When the gunslingers laid down their guns at the end of the day, Crooked Eye Corbett was left standing at the top with Chris Collard right behind him and \$70 in trigger money donated to the Toy Run. Rematch anyone?



In attendance:

Will and Des Corbett

Dick Shannon

Rory and Julie Huber

Kathy, Chris and Mercy Medley

Chris Collard

Ron, Mike and Brian Kellogg

Don and Amy

Andy and friend

Spencer and guest

Editor's notes

Thanks to all the officers for their input to this newsletter.
Thank you to those submitted articles or reports.
Sorry its late.




FYI

General interest

- | | |
|---|--|
| Jan. 5 th : | STH meeting 4 Wheel Parts 7PM |
| Jan. 13 th -16 th : | Winter Fun Fest |
| Jan 19 th -22 nd : | Sportsman's Expo, Cal Expo |
| Jan 22 nd : | Capitol City Mt Goats Chili Cook off |
| Jan 26 th : | Sierra Trek planning meeting, CA4WDC 7:30 |
| Jan 28 th : | North District Meeting CA4WDC 9:00 AM |
| Feb 5 th -10 th : | King of the Hammers, Johnson Valley |
| Feb 18 th -19 th : | Sand Mountain or Snow Patrol? |
| Feb 24 th -25 th : | CA4WDC Convention, Hesperia, CA see CA4WDC web |



December 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 CLUB MEETING	2	3 Toy Run Christmas Party
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 	26	27	28	29	30	31