

Tracks

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Christmas in July 7.22-24

July 22-24 welcomed in our annual Christmas in July camping weekend. Looking

at the signups there was a great group in attendance. And judging from the photos, it looks like the wheeling was excellent. Camping was arranged at Savoy Mountain State Forest located in the northwest Berkshires. A group site was reserved for tenters and the main party and numerous members reserved their own sites for trailers and such.

The highlight of the weekend (aside from wheeling, that is) is the Christmas dinner and party. Dinner was pot-luck style and tending toward the "gourmet" was baked ham, deep fried turkey, cooler corn, caprese salad, cookies, mashed potatoes, and an eight-layer dip with chips. Can you get better than that?



As for the wheeling, Saturday was spent at Old Florida Road, just down the road in Savoy and Sunday at Badlands, just across the border in Stamford, VT.

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Meet the Board

Director of Trails



Name: Mike Kingsbury Forum Name: beaker Years in BSJ: 17

What's your Jeep: '00 TJ Favorite place to wheel:

Someplace new

Past positions in BSJ: Trail Committee Member

What should club know about you? Help is always wanted on the Trail Committee!

Hobbies outside of Jeepin':

Racing in the 24 Hours of Lemons. Attempting to restore a 46-year-old Unimog.

Town, state you live in: Pepperell, MA

What do like most about being a part of BSJ: The diverse group of members taking part in a wide variety of wheeling opportunities.

Sawmill 7.10

We don't seem to have a lot of luck at Sawmill. Our ride earlier this season had to be moved due to a conflict and our previous ride (2020 or 2021) did not provide good reviews. This Sunday the crew was restricted to greens as the two blue areas were blocked with fallen trees. Because of logging on the property these could not be disturbed. It seems folks still had a decent day, but overall, the property was once again disappointing.

Carnage 7.16

The Return to Carnage ride looked as though it was going to be a disappointment as well...this time due to lack of interest. However, five hearty rigs showed up and the ride was on! In the entirely original words of Marky, "a great time was had by all." Lots of pictures were posted on the Facebook group but here are a few worth highlighting.







Battlegrounds 7.17



This was a great day. We had 14-15 rigs show up and divided into two groups. Weather was good and the trails were in pretty good shape. Things were a bit muddy in spots to there were some slick spots. We stuck to mostly greens and blues but also worked in a few black trails for those who wanted a little bit more of a challenge!







Brookridge (popup) 7.17

Not too much to say about this ride. It was a popup ride for those who were looking for an alternative to the planned rides. Looks like a good day, though and folks *definitely* had fun playing on the rocks!



Rig of the Month

Spare Parts

(Last month we focused on one of our oldest builds. This month we shift to perhaps our newest. Spare Parts became trail ready on 4/15/22)

Rig Name: Spare Parts (at least for now, because most of the upgrades came off the other Jeep)

Make, model, year: '20 JL Rubicon

Forum name: nmbr1limo

Mods: UD60 front and rear axles, ARB dual compressors, Teraflex long-arms, Falcon 3.5 electronic adjustable shocks, Switch Pro, Motorbuilt skids, rear bumper, and tire carrier, Anti-rock in the rear, 40" tires, and PowerTank CO2

Who does the primary work:

Offroad Elements.

Major damage: None yet!

Wildest adventure: I've taken it to Brookridge, Meadowgrounds, Boulderville...but the white one is the one I "f" up the most.

Dream Mod: I have a Hemi swap scheduled for next week.

Anything else: This was my wife's Jeep. She got a new one and asked, "Are we going to trade it in?" I said, "No way! We're going to upgrade it for the trails. That way when the white one is busted I can still go wheeling while it gets fixed!"











Upcoming Events

8.7 Advanced Class VI

A class vi ride...but advanced! These rides are along class vi roads, but are a little bit more challenging and are more likely to end up with a few scratches and minor dings. Evite has not yet gone out.

8.13 NEA Meeting

The 3rd quarter NEA meeting will be hosted by North Woods Off Road in Berlin, NH. Wheeling will take place after the meeting @ Jericho Mt.

8.13 Brookridge

The old faithful. BSJ will once again return to Brookridge in August. Keep an eye out for the evite.

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Unfortunately, the original Sunday trip to Butcherblock had to be scrapped due



down. Sounds like a winner weekend to me!

to trail conditions but was readily replaced with the excursion to Badlands.

As you can see from the pictures, it was a beautiful weekend for riding the trails. Old Florida Road was a challenge as always and Badlands was a lot of fun with at least one group sticking to blues and greens most of the day. From what I can tell, the weekend was a great success, everyone had fun, no one was injured, and no rigs ended up on their sides (close!) or upside















