

# THE RANGER

**LOW** July 2009



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## EVENTS CALENDAR

Mark these dates on your calendar or hang this on the 'fridge

July 18-19	<b>Club Run:</b> Holy Cross near Leadville, CO <b>Trip Leader:</b> George Brook
August 4	<b>Club meeting:</b> 7:45 pm at Uncle Charlie's, upstairs meeting room. 6001 Yellowstone Rd, Cheyenne
August 8	<b>Hog roast and bonfire:</b> @ George Brook's house
August 15-16	<b>Club Work Trip and Campout:</b> Bear Lake; Snowy Range, Wyoming; Hope to see everyone there.
Sept 1	<b>Club meeting:</b> 7:45 pm at Uncle Charlie's, upstairs meeting room. 6001 Yellowstone Rd, Cheyenne
Sept 19-20	<b>Club Trip:</b> Montrose, CO <b>Trip Leader:</b> Rod Pepper; This will be a hard-core rock crawling trip.
Oct 6	<b>Club meeting:</b> 7:45 pm at Uncle Charlie's, upstairs meeting room. 6001 Yellowstone Rd, Cheyenne



Just remember the 15-second rule when listening to that guy Dewey. 😊

# RC4W NEWS

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- The club voted to rejoin the United Four Wheel Drive Association.

## Anniversaries

Zach Martin - 07/2007

Please welcome our newest member: Lenny Golding

Darrell Sharman was a visitor at the last meeting. Welcome Darrell.

The weekend of July 18<sup>th</sup> is here. The group will leave on Friday (7/17) from McDonalds in Cheyenne. Contact Dewey for more information, 307-630-9106. The group will leave camp for the trailhead at 7:00 am sharp. Hopefully that will be ahead of the crowds and avoid the long wait along the trail.

If you are interested in wheeling on Sunday contact George Brook to set up plans.



The 23<sup>rd</sup> annual work trip and campout is August 15<sup>th</sup> and coming up fast. Please be sure to reserve time to attend this important event. It will be at Bear Lake in the Snowy Range; the final details will be announced at the August club meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Labor Day weekend many of the club will be attending the Dakota Territory Challenge in South Dakota. This event runs from Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> through Sept 7<sup>th</sup>. The web site says they are still accepting applications so contact Dewey if you'd like to go and get more information at [www.bh4wheelers.com](http://www.bh4wheelers.com).



A club picnic is being planned for October 17; contact Joe Huston for more information.

There are plans brewing for trips to the sand dunes in September and a trip to Montrose CO. Contact Scott Grimm or Dewey for more information or come to the August club meeting to keep up to date on all the events.

If you have any trip reports, events, announcements, or if you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please let me know. As always, submit your pics to the web site to help keep it up to date and let the world know what we do.

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# Tales From the Trails



## 2nd Annual Blind Chicken Races !

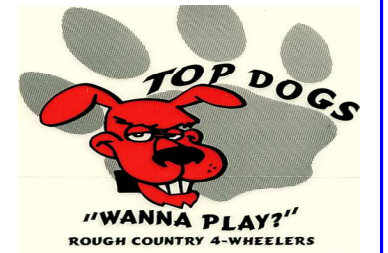
The big cat box affectionately known as "Walden" to all area offroaders and sand rats, was the scene of the now RC4W sponsored 2nd Annual Blind Chicken Races on Saturday, June 13th. Located just 2 hours west of Cheyenne, Walden has long been a favorite destination for those looking for wide open off road fun and stunningly beautiful scenery. It's 650 acres of sand is pure off road bliss! I first went to Walden 35 years ago in a bone stock '74 CJ5 with a tent, a sleeping bag, a bag of chips and 2 cases of beer and I can now honestly say that you never really get it out of your system! I guess we are always drawn to the places where we've had the most fun. Gwynn first met "Ralph" at Walden in '82!



The Blind Chicken Races are the brainchild of Aaron Lenz, one of our new members. He did the first one last year with the help of several club members. We, as a club, will sponsor the 3rd annual event in June 2010 and

make it an annual event after that. It's just too much fun not to!

The 100 yd. sand drags were, by far, the most popular event, while the blindfolded obstacle course and egg race were the most entertaining. I drove Steve Wykoff's stock, mint condition, MANUAL STEERING (27 turns, lock to lock!), '72 CJ5 Renegade in the blindfold race. It felt like I had been transported back 35 years! The drags were simply "run what you brung and hope you brung enough!". "Race whoever you want". There were several "Old School" flatfenders and CJ5's with big horsepower and big paddles that could really tear



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Dewey Williams	6
Marlon Seals	5
Steve Wykoff	4
Paul Bickerton	3
Lenny Golding	3
John Stone	3
Howard Segal	3
Aaron Lenz	3
Rod Pepper	2
Mike Jacob	2
George Brook	2
Zach Martin	1
Travis Kolbo	1
Taylor Olson	1
Joe Huston	1
Eric Brown	1
Brian Kubal	1
Sean Murphy	0
Scott Grimm	0
Richard Cisco	0
Matt Romero	0
Jim Carter	0
David Tedder	0
Craig Goble	0
Chris Ladd	0

\* Superday

\*\* Work trip

up the 100 yards of sand ! In particular, JR Davis from Loveland in his flamed '72 CJ5 "Wild Thing" and George Palko from Longmont in his flamed flatfender, "Hot Stuff", were the ones to beat. I expect to see even more of the "Old Dogs" bring their "stuff" out next year! Could we see Doug Gray's 340 Dodge powered flatfender? Or maybe Dougall's 3B? That would be a treat! Or Kevin McFadden's 427 powered CJ5? Interesting races within the Club were between Dewey and Aaron and Marlon and Steve. You'll have to ask them who won ! New RC4W member Lenny Golding pretty much covered the field of ATV's with his lightning fast 4.3 powered sand rail !



The egg race was won by the team of Lance and Aaron with a time of 41 seconds. 2nd place went to Karen and Jason Butz. The blindfolded obstacle course race was won by Aaron Lenz and Tabitha Senn with a time of 58 seconds. Hot on their heels, in second place, were John and Ryan with a time of 59 seconds. Steve and Tyler Wykoff took 3rd place with an "Oh so close" 60 second time! That's CLOSE racing !

This was really a fun deal ! I'm already looking forward to next year. And oh, by the way Aaron, my paddles AREN'T for sale anymore!

Ride 'Till Ya Can't,  
Rod

