



Desert Mountain Four Wheel Drive Club

February, 2026 Meeting Minutes



Opening:

Welcome New Guest: Bill Mauceuri

Reports:

Vice President: Not present

Treasurer: Balance \$745

Trip Report:

- 31 Jan 2026: We did an Oro Grande Trip with about 8 vehicles. We ran the trails so we could go by the building with all the cans, the grave yard/cross, and finally driving by the dynamite shed. We also went up to a new spot that had some amazing views.
- 14 Feb 2026: Ventured out into Coyote Canyon to run the power lines from Coyote canyon, as luck or should I say mother nature would have it our entry point was completely washed out. There were 8 vehicles on this trip as well.

Unfinished Business:

- Website: Continuing to change and evolve. I'm removing the links on the members pages for now, if I get and input from someone then we can add it back in. I added a comment area to the calendar, just click on the event and go to the bottom of the linked page to see it. If you decide you want a personnel member page you can email me (bigbx300@yahoo.com) the stuff or bring hard copies by the house and we can scan them in.
- NM 4 Wheelers Club ride date 18 April 2026. More info to follow. They will come down from Albuquerque for one day and possibly split up and run two trails, all the details have yet to be worked out.
- Ramp redesign, we got a good handle on this and the cost will be minimal.
- **Face Book** Group growth this month, 335 to 340
- **You Tube** growth this month, 664 to 668. Currently we have 114 videos uploaded.
- No major inputs to the By-Laws so I will fix a few little things and we will resign it for 2026.

- So, we got our new stickers in but they used the wrong graphic so they are being reprinted. We will have the old club logo design and the new streamlined logo stickers for sale.
- *Still an open item.* Cottonwood trail area entrance issue. Seems that someone has tried to block off our old entry point and put up private property signs by the gun range. Looking for someone to check into a new entry point or find out who put up the signs and see if we can talk to them. Kris is going to check into this for us.
- *Still an open item.* We need to groom some new trail leads this year since it has only been Al, Mike, and myself leading trails. If you're interested let us know and record the trails on your GPS app. If you don't have the app on your phone, I would suggest getting either OnX Offroad or Gaia GPS. OnX may be easier to use but Gaia GPS offers more options. They both work, I have both of them right now.

New Business:

- Gerald's XJ was voted as the vehicle of the month for March.
- Need someone step up and run the T-shirt order for this year. We got our last order of shirts thru Winners Circle in Alamogordo. If you have questions ask Brian, he did the last one.
- I will not be posting event information on the Face Book Group page anymore. It will be on the website. If you want to see it on the Face Book page, feel free to put it there.

Open Discussion:

- Everyone is happy as a Lark.

Scheduled Trips and Events: See website for details: <https://desertmountain4wdclub.com/>

- **21 February 2026:** Meet 10:00AM at the Y in Tuli. Running up the Gauntlet till we can't go any further. There will be some good ledges to climb. This one I'm going to call a 7 rated run, based on what I remember from walking it a few years ago. I would like to also look at the upper portion of the trail but we'll see if we have time.
- **28 February 2026:** Meet 10:00AM at the Y in Tuli. Running Round About rated 4. This trail has a few small ledges, and one good washed out area. It has been run by stock 4x4s and side by sides. I don't know that I would run it on and ATV unless you can handle some ledges and steep descents.
- **7 March 2026:** Meet at 10:00AM on Sun Valley Road next to Hughes Feed Store. We will be running the Rattle Snake Canyon loop that takes us up to the corral near the mountains, this is an easy trip.

Door Prize Winner: Perry

Meeting adjourned: 6:40PM