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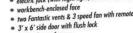












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The California Off Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) is a varied group of outdoor recreationalists who are extremely active in promoting the positive aspects of vehicular access on public lands and protecting that right.

The group is composed of the owners of "Green Sticker" vehicles such as ATV's, motorcycles, 3-wheelers, trials bikes, and dune buggies, as well as "street-legal" 4X4 vehicles, dual sport motorcycles, bajas and desert racers.

The main purpose of CORVA is to work with the land managers for responsible off-highway vehicular access and recreation opportunities. Secondarily, we educate our membership on the constantly changing rules and regulations and promote conservation, clean-up and trail maintenance projects.

We are very active in the political arena and pay for a lobbyist in Sacramento. We work closely with the State Department of Parks and Recreation providing input to the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Program from the users' standpoint. We provide a valuable resource to land managers in the form of dedicated OHV enthusiasts who believe in responsible vehicular access.

Aportion of the budgets for California's national forests and the public lands administered by the BLM is funded by grants from the Green Sticker Program. We work with the land managers to formulate the grants and give our input about the grants to the OHMVR Program which administers them. We also review how effectively our Green Sticker money was used in each program.

We are active at all levels of the land management public process with both the BLM and USFS. We do this by commenting on environmental documents on as many issues as possible and maintaining close relationships with personnel in the field as well as the staff.

We coordinate with other multiple use organizations ranging from snow-mobiles to horse enthusiasts to protect multiple-use rights from the environmental extremists. We are "dedicated to protecting our lands for the people,"

If you would like to join the fight to protect our public lands for multiple-use recreation, fill in the application in this issue and send it in! If you would like more information, contact us at 1-800-42-CORVA!



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## In Overdrive

# Your Perception of an Off-Roader

#### By Ed Waldheim President

You've heard the word "Perception". Just what does that mean?

According to Webster's on-line Dictionary, the definition is:

"The quality, state or capability, of being affected by something external; sensation; sensibility."

Why do I even bring this up? I was recently told that CORVA is nothing but a "motorcycle" organization. They stated "Look at Ed's picture; he is always on a motorcycle." Well, folks that is perception. As the definition states, you are "being affected by something external".

So many times in life that is all we seem to do — take something and come to quick judgment on a person or thing.

For the record, I do ride motorcycles, as it is my first choice of off-roading, but I also own 4 four wheel drive vehicles, some quads, sand rails and lot of water sports toys. They all get used, (and they all get a chance to be in the shop, because as you know something always has to be fixed with these toys).

Some of the environmentalists use their "Perception of off roaders" against us all the time. They have no clue how much we work to ride responsibly and the work we do to keep public lands open and clean. All they talk about is "their" form of recreation, hiking or bicycling. It seems that recreation is their perception of what the world should be doing.

At the Bakersfield SVRA Kern County Planning Commission meeting on September 28, 2006, off-roaders came to rally in support of the proposed Bakersfield SVRA. Thankfully, the park plan was passed by the Commission with a vote of 4 to 0. Unfortunately, the environmentalists were there to protest, as usual. The environmentalists had the audacity to tell us, "You should just shut your engines off and take your kids for walks." Again, that is their perception of what we should be doing. They put this in their perception of off-roaders...never thinking that we have other lives as well.

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# Southern Jamboree Cancellation Due To Fire

By Jim Arbogast Southern Regional Director

It's sad to report that CORVA's annual Southern Jamboree was officially cancelled the afternoon of Tuesday, September 19, 2006 from a catastrophic fire that began on September 4th.

District Superintendent Pete Yarbrough called me at approximately 1:00 PM informing me that OES (Office of Emergency Services), the agency which oversaw the Katrina aftermath, had officially declared the Castaic Fire as the #1 fire in the nation. He reported that it had reached an emergency level which required shutting down the entire area, including evacuations for Lockwood Valley and the town of Frazier Park.

A week earlier, I was informed by Jerry "Bear" Weil the Chief Ranger of Hungry Valley SVRA, where our event was to take place, that the fire was stopped at USFS Hardluck Campground just outside the southern boundary of the SVRA. He reported that the fire was 15% contained as the fire moved west and began consuming 80,000 acres. Unfortunately, the winds shifted pushing the fires north and back East towards the SVRA

A battle line with bulldozers along Gold Hill Road, the main road running north and south along the west side of the SVRA, was formed

The day before our Jamboree was supposed to begin, I talked with Patty Blumlee the SVRA Office Technician. She informed me that 112,000 acres have been

consumed with back burns from the Gold Hill Road areas back to Piru Creek. These were started during favorable conditions in order to create the cold spots and fire containment needed.

I appreciate the patience and time given to me that included numerous return calls from the SVRA by Pete Yarbrough, "Bear" Weil and Patty Blumlee as we discussed fire conditions day to day in hopes of giving the Jamboree the green light. I know that these folks were under a lot of pressure as they and their crews were spread thin 24 hours a day and were doing their best to accommodate our interests.

A last ditch effort was held on Tuesday, Sept. 19th via a 7:00 PM conference call with 14 Jamboree Committee members present. We discussed moving the event to Jawbone Canyon at the last minute. After an hour and a half discussing the logistics and numerous concerns, the committee

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# ConGratulations

### Off-Road Hall of Fame Honors Bob Ham

Reprinted from the 2006 Off-Road Motorsports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony Program

By Judy J. Smith

Bob Ham, who said he was bitten by "off-roaditis" when he was attending San Diego State in the mid-60s, has been a



Bob Ham (left) with former California Governor Pete Wilson at the 25th Annual CORVA Convention.

one-man army working to preserve our rights to use the desert and other open lands. Bob's first off-road experience was a trip to Baja with some friends, but it didn't take him long to get equipped for Glamis and Pismo. He started with a new '69 Bronco, joined a Jeep club in Pasadena, and eventually became a part of a pit support group.

In about 1970, he started going to the NORRA races down in Baja, and he was doing some pre-running with a racer friend.

At about the same time the environmentalists discovered the desert and offroading. Bob tells us that they (the environmentalists) were already closing sand dune areas like Pt. Mugu, Marina Beach, and Morro Bay and had set their sights on Pismo. He

was by now the proud owner of a "sandrail" that he'd built and equipped with a 36 hp motor, so he had first hand knowledge of

the dunes and what would be missing if they were all closed down.

So Bob became involved with some other dunebuggy people, and they formed the California Off Road Vehicle Association (CORVA). And CORVA teamed up with a few clubs from the Bay area and



Bob Ham at the National Press Club

Sacramento and about 12 Southern California buggy and Jeep clubs and started to do battle with the "enviros", BLM, State Parks, Forest Service and the Legislature.

For a brief while Bob worked with Mickey Thompson (after MT took over the

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# Congratulating Off-road Motorsports Hall of Fame Inductees

Speech of Honorable Bob Filner of California in the House of Representatives September 7, 2006

"Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge two extraordinary men who have been recognized for their contributions to Off-Road Motorsports. Bob Ham and the late "Corky" McMillin were inducted into the Off-Road Motorsports Hall of Fame on August 26th of this year.

Bob Ham has been a long time advocate for "off-roaders". In 1969, he cofounded the California Off-Road Vehicle Association (CORVA) and went on to create the Off-Road Vehicle Legislative Coalition

in 1983. Bob worked with President Reagan's Interior Secretary, James Watt, to successfully re-establish the "Barstow to Vegas Motorcycle Race".

He has worked diligently to preserve designated funds for off-highway vehicles and created a trust fund to stop California legislators from taking allocated money from off-highway vehicle programs. Bob later forced the state to return 30 million dollars to off-highway vehicle programs. His efforts have made it possible for many of my constituents to enjoy the California wilderness in their off-road vehicles.

Unfortunately, the off-road motorsports industry lost one of their most adamant supporters last year after Corky McMillin

passed away last September. Corky was posthumously inducted to the Hall of Fame after supporting the industry for more than 29 years.

He was a champion off-road racer, winning many competitions multiple times. Corky never wavered from his commitment to the sport and gave generously to various off-road events. He sponsored numerous races, and he was the title sponsor of the Superstition Championship Series, held in Plaster City, California. He was a true statesman to off-road racing and will be greatly missed.

I am pleased to recognize these men on their induction to the Off-Road Motorsports Hall of Fame."

### **CORVA**

### **Sweepstakes 2007**

Enter for your chance to win!
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# Win a Brand New 2007 Yamaha YFZ450 ATV

Hold on to your handlebars! Thanks to Yamaha Motor Corp., USA, CORVA will be giving away a red hot brand new YFZ450 as Grand Prize for our 2007 Sweepstakes! For a mere \$3 per ticket (or \$25 for a book of 10), you will have the opportunity to win one of the lightest and most powerful ATV's ever made!

The 449cc liquid-cooled four stroke, five titanium valve engine makes massive power. When combined with a 350 lb dry weight, the YFZ450 has the best power-to-weight ratio of any ATV ever produced! After starting with a pushbutton electric starter, this power all gets to the ground through a five speed manual transmission and heavy duty clutch.

The ultra-compact, lightweight, hightensile steel frame with fully adjustable suspension means that the YFZ450 is also the best handling race-bred ATV ever produced!

Speaking of suspension, the independent aluminum upper A-arm front suspension features fully adjustable competition-spec Kayaba piggyback shocks with 9.1 inches of travel and separate adjusters for preload, rebound and compression damping. The new rear suspension is YZ linkage-type, controlled by a fully adjustable Showa shock with 10.6 inches of travel and separate adjusters for preload, rebound and compression damping.

161mm front rotors and twin piston calipers combine with a single 200mm rear disc to deliver incredible stopping power with a progressive feel.

Factor in 21x7R-10 front and 20x10R-9 rear Dunlop radial tires and dual 30 watt multireflector halogen headlights, and you have a machine that will pump the adrenaline levels to new heights!

Not only has this ATV been the winner of just about every magazine shootout, but also the 2004/2005 GNCC and Quadcross Championships. It is the 2005/2006 World Four-Stroke Champion and ATV Illustrated's Sport ATV of the Year (a tie with Yamaha's Raptor 700R).

Of course, we have additional prizes in the Sweepstakes as well. For First Prize, Napier Enterprises has donated an incredible Truck Tent combo for CORVA members. In addition to the Truck Tent, they have also added a mattress, sleeping bags and chairs for a complete camping outfit! Second Prize will be of great interest to those of us who have had our share of "stuck" situations. Mile Marker has donated a winch accessory kit containing a heavyduty snatch block, shackles, tree-strap and gloves, and Hi-Lift Jack Co. has tossed in one of their great Hi-Lift jacks!

All CORVA members will receive 2 books of tickets in the mail. If you need more, please contact CORVA VP Sales & Marketing Terry Work at (800) 42-CORVA x513 or by email: terry@corva.org. The drawing for the lucky winner will be held at the Sand Sports Super Show in Costa Mesa on September 14-16, 2007.

Remember, all proceeds from this Sweepstakes will go to CORVA's Land Use Fund, so do your part and sell tickets to all your friends, too!

#### CORVA 2007 SWEEPSTAKES

#### **GRAND PRIZE:**

Brand New 2007 Yamaha YFZ450 ATV (Donated by Yamaha Motor Corp., USA)

#### **FIRST PRIZE:**

Napier Truck Tent Combo -Sportz Combo III Includes Truck Tent, mattress, sleeping bags and chairs (Donated by Napier Enterprises, Inc.)

#### **SECOND PRIZE:**

Vehicle Recovery Kit
Includes Mile Marker Winch
Accessory Kit and Hi-Lift Jack
(Donated by Mile Marker& Hi-Lift Jack Co.)

So what are you waiting for? Send those tickets in NOW!

Donation \$3 per ticket or \$25 per book of ten. Donations are not tax deductible. Winner need not be present to win. Drawing to be held at the Sand Sports Super Show in Costa Mesa, CA on Sept.14-16, 2007. Winner responsible for all applicable tax & registration fees, and will need to take delivery within 30 days of winning.

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# CORVA News

# CORVA Family Fun Day and Convention 2007

By Terry Work V.P. Sales & Marketing

For the year 2007, the CORVA Board of Directors has decided to do something different for our convention. We are going to do something we have never done for a convention before — that is the 2007 CORVA Convention and Family Fund Day will be held in California City, and we will be camping! What is camping with offroaders without our toys? That's right, we want everyone to join us around the CORVA off-road campfire for a convention like no other!

The Convention will be starting Friday, March 30, 2007 and will continue until Sunday, April 1, 2007. The actual agenda is still being decided by our Convention Committee, but planned activities include: A Hospitality Campfire and time to visit with old off-roading buddies and meet new ones; trail rides lead by our own President

and Off-Road Hall of Fame Inductee Ed Waldheim; family off-road games and events for all ages and skill levels, similar to our Southern Jamboree, with lots of trophies.

We will also have a Barrel Race hosted by the American Buggy Association and the Incline Ramp run by Point Mugu 4x4 Club. (More club events will be added as we progress though our planning stages.) We will also have safety seminars presented by N2Dirt for the kids and the young at heart. Additionally, we will be having a guest speaker or two (speakers are still to be confirmed, but we are trying for one of the most known figures in offroading).

Additional activities will include a huge barbecue, music, possible dance, grown up events and many kids events.

As usual, we will have to take care of CORVA business while we are there. This will include the CORVA Annual Meeting to nominate and elect new officers, provide

### CORVA Awards

The following awards will be presented at this year's CORVA Convention. If you know of anyone deserving of one or more of these awards, please send the required information to CORVA at 1500 West El Camino, #352, Sacramento, CA 95833-1945 or email to geoff@corva.org or erin@corva.org. Write one nomination per email and include the award name in the subject line. If you need more information please call 1-800-42-CORVA ext. 512 (Geoff Teare).

#### George Thomas Memorial Trophy For "Off Roader Of The Year"

This trophy was sponsored by Cranley's Desert Cats and is presented to the one individual whose contributions to the betterment of off-roading during the preceding year are worthy of this very special recognition. The recipient may be any individual who has provided special help to off roading. The person does not have to be a member of CORVA or any affiliated organization. The nomination should be

submitted to the above address with an explanation of the individual's accomplishments.

#### Looney Duners Trophy to Charity

To be eligible for this award, the club must belong to CORVA. The award goes to the club that donates the most time and effort to charity. Money is not a factor.

#### Northern & Southern Club Award

This award is given annually to one club in each region. Each club shall submit what it deems to be its outstanding project for the year. These projects will be considered by the Board of Directors, which shall award the trophy to that project it deems best bolsters the image of off roading.

#### Los Aventureros State Conservation Award

This award is presented to the individual club, which during the year, has contributed the most towards conservation. (For Awards criteria, please see CORVA website at: http://www.corva.org/)

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reports of CORVA's work from 2006, and provide insight into our work in 2007. This will include reports of our legal efforts.

We will have our announcement of the CORVA Awards, including "Off-Roader of the Year", "Club of the North", "Club of the South", and various awards for charity, conservation, etc. Award guidelines will be printed in future newsletters, so watch for the details and send in your nominations for your club, friends, or family members that are most deserving of these recognition awards.

Sunday we'll have a CORVA "Pancake Breakfast" that our Chef Ed and other members of CORVA will be cooking for you. Sunday activities are still undecided, but may include an open day for riding and touring of the popular area, including Cal City, Randsburg, Jawbone, Dove Springs, Rand Mountains, El Paso Mountains, and Red Rock Canyon State Park.

And even though we will be in the desert, for those of you that want to bring your toys but do not have a RV, there will be a new hotel that is scheduled to be completed near our camping area.

So mark your calendars for the weekend of March 30-April 1, 2007 for a weekend of fun and games with CORVA in Cal City! Watch upcoming issues of "Off Roaders in Action" for more information.

\* Clubs: we are looking for clubs (or volunteers) that would like to assist with the convention. Your club can assist by volunteering as a game/event host or the Host Club for the entire weekend. It's up to you. Please contact Terry Work at 1-800-42-CORVA ext. 513 and leave a message or send an email to terry@corva.org.

Remember we will be having an area for RV's just for CORVA so please arrive early.

Don't miss this awesome event that your entire family will enjoy! See you there!

[Since the CORVA Southern Jamboree was cancelled due to fire, we are desperately in need of funds to continue our land use battles. If your family or club can attend the CORVA Convention and host a game or event, CORVA would greatly appreciate your help. Think of something fun and original, wacky, and exciting! (Or, call us for ideas!) Here's your chance to help CORVA and enjoy time with friends and family! Call or email Terry if you are willing to help. This is a major fundraiser for CORVA. Thanks! – Erin Dyer, Editor]

# Truckhaven

# 12th Annual Truckhaven Challenge is Ready to Roll!

By Geoff Teare VP Administration

Final plans are nearly done and the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Truckhaven Challenge is going to be another great one! In fact, we are planning for this to be the best one yet!

For those that have not participated in this event before, here is an overview.

The Truckhaven Challenge is usually held on or about the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in January each year (January 20-21 in 2007) just west of Salton City, California. The terrain is primarily decomposing, dry mud hills with some sand washes and rocky sections thrown in for good measure. The area is laced with trails ranging from tight and twisty to steep and hairy. In other words, great off-roading!

It is in this ever-changing terrain that we mark an approximately 20 mile course (changing it each year) for the Saturday Poker Run. There will be several checkpoints. At each checkpoint you will draw a card to assemble a poker hand, and also participate in a "game of skill". The top three winners of both the poker hands and game scores will all win great prizes!

There will also be marked "Alternate" routes which will be much more difficult than the main route. These are for those folks really keen on abusing their vehicles! After the run, we will have a BBQ dinner prepared by the Trailmasters Club, and a drawing for great prizes donated by the off road industry!

The event is open to all Off Road vehicles, but please remember not all four wheel drive vehicles are suitable for off road use. Stock SUV's with novice drivers run the biggest risk of getting stuck/damaged. Similarly, young children on 50cc- 60cc bikes and ATV's may have a problem with some hills and technical spots.

While we test the course with a highclearance Jeep in 2 wheel drive and open differentials, this does <u>not</u> mean the run will be easy. We do this so we feel the course <u>"should"</u> be navigable by most 4 wheel drives and other OHV's. Since there is no way we can anticipate the experience level of every rider/driver, please consider this paragraph as a "heads-up"!

We promise you will be kept busy all day and boredom will not be an option!

Back by popular demand for 2007 will be the Satellite Safari. The Satellite Safari is for those people who have jumped on the hot GPS (Global Positioning System) bandwagon and are having fun utilizing orbiting satellites to determine their position in the backcountry.

Using your portable or built-in GPS units, you will be sent on a "treasure hunt" into the hills of Truckhaven to find......something. You will have no course markers or maps, but will follow only the directions on your GPS screen. Pick your own route! This is great fun! Not sure how to use your GPS unit in the "Go To" mode? No problem! We will show you how in an informal meeting an hour before the Safari starts!

The Satellite Safari will be held on Sunday, January 21 between 9:00 AM and Noon. Participants will have enough time to run the Safari before they need to pack up and head for home.

At press time we are putting together a vendors row and an area set aside for clubs to set up a booth and promote their membership.

If you own an off road business or have a club which you would like to promote, please contact CORVA Vice President Sales & Marketing Terry Work (terry@corva.org or 800.42-CORVA x513) for further info!

Also back for 2007 will be a great Sunday morning breakfast to benefit CORVA's N2Dirt educational program. CORVA President Ed Waldheim will be the master chef for this, and those of you who chowed down his breakfast at last year's Truckhaven Challenge know this is not to be missed!

And don't forget we will have our traditional Sunday morning kid's games

after breakfast so the little ones can run around and burn off some of that great food!

Please note that in July 2006 the CORVA Board of Directors voted unanimously to require CORVA membership (beginning in 2007) to participate in CORVA events. CORVA membership covers the whole family so multiple vehicles (ex: Mom and Dad in a jeep and the kids riding ATV's) are included. CORVA is spending over \$6,000 per month on legal and lobbying issues now, and while our attorney David Hubbard has been doing an outstanding job representing OHV interests, the bill is daunting. So to make a long story short, we need the money and want our participants to be fully informed on OHV issues.

JUST ADDED! To further encourage participation, those who join CORVA via Truckhaven Challenge registration will get 1 FREE book of Sweepstakes tickets (for the YFZ 450)! A \$25 value!!

So what are you waiting for? The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Truckhaven Challenge is going to be the best yet, so register now! Those who register in advance not only save on their registration fees, but they are also able to reserve their event shirts (which sell out every year) to be picked up at the "Challenge"!

As always, all proceeds from this event will go to CORVA's Land Use Fund to help keep our OHV areas open. We're going to have a great time!

Hope to see you there!

### Donations

#### Desert Plans

Mars Bonfire \$100

#### Legal Fund

Jerry Canning

#### **N2Dirt**

Cycle Parts West

#### Club Donations

Jeeping Jeepers Jeep Club \$80



### CORVA CALIFORNIA OFF-TOAC VF-ICLE ASSOCIATION



#### 12TH ANNUAL

### TRUCKHAVEN CHALLENGE

#### Advance Registration

#### TWO WAYS TO REGISTER!

- 1. Fill out form below and mail in with check payable to "CORVA". If you are registering more than one vehicle please make a copy of this form and mail in together with your check. Registration must be received by January 6, 2007!
- 2. On our website: www.corva.org

Vehicle Driver/Rider	
Address	
City	StateZip
Phone	
Email	
Vehicle YearMake	Model
Club Affiliation?	

No \_\_\_\_\_Please add \$30 in right column for required 1 year membership.

Registration confirmation will be sent by either E-mail or US mail. By including your E-mail address above you will save CORVA \$\$\$ on postage!

Registration will also be available at the event. Prices will be:

POKER RUN- Each vehicle \$35

Kids (12 and under) on ATV's/MC \$15

\_ Membership # (if known) \_\_\_

SATELLITE SAFARI- Each vehicle \$10

#### SATURDAY POKER RUN

Each Vehicle \$30 = \_\_\_\_\_ Kids (12 and under) on ATVs/MC \$12 = \_\_\_\_

#### SUNDAY SATELLITE SAFARI

Each Vehicle \$ 8 =\_\_\_\_

CORVA Membership (1 year) \$30 =

Optional stuff

Extra Poker Hands \_\_\_\_\_ X \$ 5 = \_\_\_\_

#### **EVENT SHIRTS (circle size)**

T-Shirts- Kids (10-12) \$12 = \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirts- S M L XL \$15 = \_\_\_\_

T-Shirts- XXL XXXL \$17 = \_\_\_\_

Long Sleeves- M L XL \$18 = \_\_\_\_

Sweatshirts- M L XL XXL \$22 = \_\_\_\_

TOTAL =

**DEADLINE JANUARY 6, 2007!** 

Need more info?

CORVA Member? Yes

Call: (800) 42-CORVA ext. 512

Email: geoff@corva.org

Registration #

Mail completed form(s) with your check to:

CORVA

23018 Oxnard Street

Woodland Hills, CA 91367

For office use



#### 12TH ANNUAL



### TRUCKHAVEN GHALLENGE

January 20-21, 2007 All Vehicles Welcome\*



Near Salton City, CA
Fun for the Whole Family!

#### POKER RUN- Saturday, January 20

CORVA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED (1 year-\$30) (Those who join CORVA via Truckhaven Challenge registration receive 1 book Sweepstakes tickets FREE! A \$25 value!)

Advance Registration price- Each Vehicle \$30

(Day of Event-\$35)

Kids (12 and under) on ATV's/MC-\$12

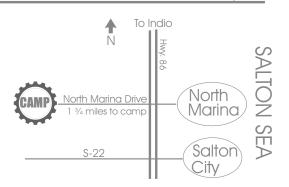
(Day of Event- \$15)

All Prices include one poker hand and 1 raffle ticket!

PRIZES: Poker Hands 1st- \$250 2nd- \$100 3rd- \$50

Games 1st-\$100 2nd-\$50 3rd-\$25

START TIME 8:00 AM! Start line closes at 11:00 AM.



#### \*ATTENTION!

The main route is calculated for all OFF ROAD vehicles and experienced riders/drivers. You will encounter steep hills, tight canyons, loose sand and rocks. The main route is tested with a high clearance Jeep in two-wheel drive and open differentials. However, the route will change with the passage of many vehicles and since we can't factor in the experience level of each rider/driver, it may be a tough, technical trailride for some participants, especially drivers of stock SUV's and small children riding ATV's and dirt bikes. If you are not willing to risk damage to your vehicle, or are not sure of your riding/driving skills, do not make the run.

Course length approx. 20 miles

Alternate "difficult routes" for those willing to "GO FOR IT!"

Checkpoints have "games of skill" for more family fun and prizes!

Course closes 4:00 pm

BBQ dinner (see menu) to follow Poker Run

Awards and great raffle prizes donated by off road industry!

Trailmasters Club B	Q Dinner Menu
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Hamburger	\$3.00
Hamburger w/side of chili	\$4.00
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#### SATELLITE SAFARI- Sunday, January 21\*

CORVA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

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9:00 AM to Noon

Treasure Hunt-type game

Prices- Each Vehicle \$8.00 in advance, \$10.00 at Event

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4x4's, Baja's & buggies- Metal roof or Roll bar ATV's/MC's- Helmet, spark arrestor

#### Suggested Items:

First Aid Kit, Tow Strap, Spare Tire, Fire Extinguisher

#### Registration desk will open early Friday (January 19) afternoon at the event

Camping for the event is located in an easily accessible dirt area adjacent to a large dry wash. Plenty of room for motorhomes and trailers. This is dry desert camping, so no hook-ups. We will, however, have portable toilets brought in for those "tenting it".

All proceeds from this event to go to CORVA's Land Use Fund!

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# Thank You

# Thanks to Our Southern Jamboree Sponsors

By Erin Dyer, Editor

The following vendors generously donated to the Southern Jamboree. Since the Jamboree was cancelled due to fire, we have distributed the prizes to other worthwhile CORVA events. Please take a minute to check out the companies that are helping to fight for your land use rights.

Thanks to our dedicated V.P. Sales & Marketing, Faith Work. She and husband Terry have been working tirelessly attending off-road shows and talking to vendors, not only to get sponsorship prizes, but to inform them of our land use battles. Congratulations Faith on a great job!

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voted and it was decided to cancel that Jamboree until 2007.

This was sad for all. Not only for our community of members that love our annual family event, but especially for CORVA whose hard working Board members wrestle daily over sustaining our land use efforts amid a very small budget.

Numerous committee members at the conclusion of the conference promised a healthy donation that they would normally spend in expenses associated with their Jamboree volunteer efforts – like the \$150 to \$200 they would have spent had they come to the event.

Thanks to all the clubs, all of our volunteers, industry prize donors, and the CORVA families whose weekend plans were put on hold. We will be back for more fun in 2007! Mark your calendar for September 22-23, 2007!









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## CORVA Business

# By-Laws of CORVA The California Off-Road Vehicle Association PROPOSED By-Law Changes

March 31, 2007

Prepared by Rick Fisher

This group of bylaws changes is intended to conform the bylaws to current procedures and implement simpler election processes. One of them proposes staggered elections. Another pertains to dues. They are presented separately so that each may be voted upon at the next Annual Meeting to be held the weekend of March 31 - April 1, 2007...

Each proposed bylaw change has an explanation attached. The current bylaws are typed for your review. The wording to be removed is strikedout. The new wording is underlined.

1. CORVA is known as the "Off-Road Political Powerhouse" and that is an important arena for land use issues. CORVA needs to express its political will to the full extent of the law but will remain non-partisan.

### ARTICLE III OBJECTIVES & GOALS OF CORVA Section 2, E

Politics - CORVA shall be non-partisan-

2. The cost of fighting land access issues has increased dramatically because litigation is usually involved. CORVA's dues have been stable for many years, but an increase is clearly justified. This change requires a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors to change dues.

#### ARTICLE V DUES Section 1

Dues shall be decided by the Board of Directors.

2A. This alternative to Change Two contains a fixed increase and will still require a membership vote. If both are approved, the one with the most votes will prevail, if a tie, Change Two will prevail.

#### ARTICLE V DUES Section 1

Dues for Family Membership shall be \$0.00 \$40.00.

3. This change would align the Associate Membership dues with current business practice. The Associate Members have been willing to pay this in our experience. This is only a raise of the minimum. This change requires a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors to change dues.

#### Section 2

Dues for Associate Membership shall be a minimum donation of \$100 \$365.00 per year. Dues shall be payable within 60 days of expiration date.

4. This group of changes eliminates the nominating committee, which hasn't been used in decades. It states that all nominations will be made from the floor and encourages potential candidates to provide a short biography for publication.

It also staggers officer elections by setting a one-year term for the president, secretary, and vice president of land use elected in 2008.

### ARTICLE VI OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THEIR DUTIES Section 4

#### **Vacancy of Regional Officers**

In the event of vacancy of any Regional Officer, the remaining officers plus the two members of the Association Nominating Committee from that region, shall appoint a successor to the vacant office. The appointee shall meet all requirements for that office and shall serve until the scheduled election.

### ARTICLE VII NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS Section 1

#### **Association Officers**

A The Nominating Committee shall consist of two members from each region. They shall select their own Chairman from those appointed. The Nominating Committee members shall be appointed by the Region Officers at the first Region Meeting to serve for the next following election:

Any member of CORVA in good standing may run for any office. All candidates will be nominated from the floor at the beginning of the election process during the annual meeting.

B. The Nominating Committee shall select suitable candidates who are bondable and willing to fulfill the duties of an Association Officer. Members of the Nominating Committee shall also be eligible to run for office. Candidates for office must be members in good standing of CORVA. The Nominating Committee must meet prior to the Annual March Meeting and shall mail their report to all members of CORVA sixty (60) days prior to the election. The election shall be held at the Annual Association meeting in separate successive sequence, at which time additional nominations from the floor will be accepted

Potential candidates may submit a short biography to be published in the newsletter, space and time permitting.

E. Term of office for all elected Association Officers shall be for a period of two years except as follows: In 2008, the president, secretary, and vice-president of land use will serve for one year.

# CORVA Business

#### Section 2 Regional Officers

A The Regional Nominating Committee shall consist of the two members of the Association Nominating Committee (refer to Article VII, Section 1-A) plus two additional Regional members appointed by the Regional Director. They shall select their own Chairman from those appointed and shall serve for the next following election:

Any member of CORVA in good standing and resident in that region may run for any regional office.

B. The Regional Nominating Committee shall select suitable candidates who are bondable and willing to fulfill the duties of an Association Officer. Candidates for office must be members in good standing of CORVA. The Nominating Committee shall meet prior to the April Meeting and shall mail their report to all Regional members forty-five (45) days prior to the election. The election shall be held at the April Meeting in separate successive sequence, at which time additional nominations from the floor will be accepted.

Potential candidates may submit a short biography to be published in the newsletter, space and time permitting.

- C. A plurality of votes cast is necessary for election to an office. All ballots must be counted and checked by three (3) members other than the nominees. All ballots shall be held in a sealed envelope for thirty (30) days after the election by the Association regional Secretary.
- This change continues the alternating of presidential elections between the two regions.

ARTICLE XI MEETINGS Section 1

#### **Annual Meeting**

A Annual meetings shall be held between the first of March and the end of May of each year at a location determined by the Board of Directors. When elections are to be held at an annual meeting the presidential election is scheduled at an annual meeting, the location shall, if feasible, be in the region other than the region where the prior presidential elections were was held.

6. Changes reference to the managing director to "his or her".

### ARTICLE XVI MANAGING DIRECTOR Section 1

The Board of Directors may designate a Managing Director to be employed by the Association and shall fix his <u>or her</u> compensation.

7. This bylaw requires notification of proposed changes be mailed to the membership. The change anticipates the possibility that members will choose not

to receive the printed version of the magazine and allows publishing of the changes on the web site with email notification as an alternative form of notice.

#### ARTICLE XVII BY-LAWS AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be amended or repealed by a 2/3 majority vote of the members represented at any Annual Meeting, provided a copy of the proposed change is mailed to each member at his last recorded address no less than forty-five (45) days prior to the time of the meeting which is to consider the change

.If a member has elected to forgo a mailed copy of the newsletter, the proposed changes will be posted on the CORVA web site and an email notification made to that member's last known email address. It is the member's responsibility to notify CORVA of his/her current email address.

### In

### Memoriam



Bill Ingram, retired helicopter mechanic for President Reagan, and BLM Park Ranger, passed away in September. Friends of Jawbone and BLM are very saddened. His wife Vickie asked that donations be made to Friends of Jawbone in his honor. Bill worked on trails with the tractor, did trail signing, and provided visitor services. At next year's Moose Anderson Days, we will honor this event in his name.

- Ed Waldheim, CORVA President

# Treasurer's RePort

# Enthusiasm Conquers the World

By Roberta Woods CORVA Treasurer

Everyone in our paid-members database recently received a special plea from President Ed Waldheim. The purpose was twofold. First, he wants you to understand the financial battle we are fighting. The opposition spends enormous amounts on lobbyists and lawyers in the attempt to close the riding areas – yes, all of them - where you ride. If you think that your area is exempt, think again. The opposition is rich, educated and will keep fighting every angle, every day. You have a choice – give up and take up knitting or video games, or fight the fight and get involved.

Yes, you have heard this all before. Yes, someone has to do it. Yes, that someone is YOU.

That is the second purpose for Ed's financial plea. We need your donations desperately! As his letter explained, our lawyers are making a difference – but they are expensive. The opposition has more money – but we are giving them quite a fight with what we've got. We will not give up! We will not go quietly into the dark night or anywhere else! By sending the letter to you, explaining our financial condition, we hoped to involve each of you personally. Like everyone else – we know you are very

busy just making a living. But won't you consider helping CORVA fight the fight by sending in your donation?

As I discussed with you in a previous newsletter, we are in the process of updating our database. Many of you were entered twice, or incorrectly. Some of you have moved, and we didn't update our database correctly. Whatever the problem, by sending out our "Member Donation Request" via 1st class mail, we were able to purge and refine our database. In the future this means a savings in processing and that means we are working more efficiently with your membership fees and donations

Finally, everyone that has become a NEW or RENEWED member since about June 2006 has not received a membership card. It is not that we don't want to send you one - we are just changing our system a bit. A new and improved version is coming, plus we will have our N2Dirt stickers available to ship out at the same time. Every member should proudly display both the CORVA and N2Dirt sticker on his or her car, truck, Jeep or RV. Let all off-roaders know that you support CORVA/ N2Dirt - and when asked, enthusiastically tell them why! If we are enthusiastic about saving our off road areas, we might just save them for our future generations to use.

As I was going through the donations that have been coming in, I read a quote sent in by CORVA member Don Kemp, who quoted Walter Cottingham (Canadian businessman) who said, "Merit begets confidence, confidence begets enthusiasm; enthusiasm conquers the world."

We don't have to conquer the whole world – just the right to continue to use the off road areas that already belong to us. Show your confidence and enthusiastically support CORVA. Bless all of you who sent your donations and support.

### **Dumont Dunes Update**

By Ed Waldheim

The Dumont Dunes area in the Barstow Field office is one of those jewels for off roading that many have enjoyed for many years. CORVA clubs make this their annual trip on Thanksgiving, where many of us now have 3 generations of families coming out to recreate in the Dunes.

As a past OHVMR Commissioner, I have been to the Dunes many times and have worked to make sure that we continue to have this area for recreation. OHV Grants have been provided to manage these areas.

Friends of Dumont Dunes was formed by CORVA and it now has its own board. The California Desert Advisory Council requested that a TRT (Technical Review Team) be formed as a means whereby the public can participate in what goes on in Dumont Dunes.

This team now has had 4 meetings and the last one was the best as the TRT members voted to expand the crossing on Amargosa River to accommodate two lanes. This is something that for a long time has been a source of congestion.

How are they able to do this? Well, your Recreation Fees are going to pay for this. Yes, monies from fees are used to also manage the area because there just are not enough appropriated monies (money from the federal government) and OHV funds to do everything that has to be done. We hope this will be a great improvement for all of those visiting the dunes.

Another issue that the TRT was informed about was Congressman McKeon's bill HR5149, which you read about in my commentary (Oct. 2006). We are pleased to say that by working with Congressman McKeon's staff, wording was added to the bill's language to make sure that "Motorized" Recreation is protected in the crossing of the Amargosa River.

As of this writing, we do not know if this bill will move forward in this session of Congress or not, so say tuned to our web site, www.corva.org.

#### Welcome New Associate Member

Robertson Honda of North Hollywood 5626 Tujunga Avenue North Hollywood, CA 91601 (818) 766-6134

# Trail Maintenance

# Rubicon Trail Roundup 2006 - What a Year!

By Del Albright, BlueRibbon Ambassador and Trail Boss. Friends of the Rubicon

With nearly 20,000 documented hours of volunteer work time, the Friends of the Rubicon (FOTR) have set new records for keeping a trail alive and well! 2006 was another spectacular year with our final work weekend being August 19-20 with 80 volunteers hard at work.

FOTR started in 2001 when rumor hit the Internet that a gate was going up on the Tahoe side. We said, "NO GATE," and FOTR



launched full blown into history to save the trail and keep it OUR trail.

Since those days FOTR has grown to be the strongest and active most volunteer force imaginable, with a substantial amount of political clout. With no dues and only one meeting a year, people are amazed what FOTR can do. Every year we achieve new heights in projects, management and involvement.

This has been one of our best years yet. In June, we had two major work weekends. One weekend in July we worked extensively on the Tahoe side. And in August, we had our big work weekend to develop erosion control measures on and near Walker Hill of the Rubicon Trail. Projects included construction of a log bridge with rock abutments; closed off bypasses; a log ramp built at the base of the hill; construction of erosion measure water bars; and general trail maintenance.

We ended the work day with a huge Mexican food buffet sponsored by Hummer and put on for us by Robbs Resort (www.dorobbs.com). Hummer has been a generous donor to the trail this year, and holds the title as the first manufacturer to donate directly to the Rubicon Trail Foundation and FOTR. THANK you Hummer.

FOTR prides itself in getting the job done while having fun – and being productive. Every task is clearly laid out and properly planned. Every volunteer has a job and gets credit for the work they do. We use the Recreational Incident Command System (RICS) as developed by the author to ensure our projects come

off organized, safe and productive. Most all team leaders within FOTR have had some sort of leadership training, either one of the

author's courses. some form of business leadership training. It makes a difference to the end result. People walk feeling away satisfied and productive after an FOTR project.

FOTR is truly a team effort. By using specialized email networks and lists, weensure



communications are on-going and thorough. All opinions count. There are no Robert's Rules of Order; no formal bureaucratic structure; and no delegates. With the help of www.pirate4x4.com, we share opinions and ideas on the Rubicon Trail Talk forum. Anyone can chime in and help.

We do rely heavily on our Team Leaders and email network administrators to provide the leadership that is sorely needed in our sport.

Each level of leadership provides clear expectations and objectives to those on their Team.

For the most part, leadership is earned in FOTR – not given. FOTR folks earn their



place in line by hard work and a demonstrated passion to help.

In addition to FOTR, we have developed a separate 501.c3 non-profit educational foundation called the Rubicon Trail Foundation.

This Foundation intends to raise money and help support FOTR and the Rubicon Trail into the future. Eventually we hope to buy land as funds become available. FOTR and the Foundation work hand in hand to keep the Rubicon Trail our icon of four-wheeling.

The prospects for a solid, lasting, well-maintained Rubicon Trail have never been better.

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promoting of the Baja races) helping him with "environmental/political stuff". And then, in 1974 he moved to Sacramento to work for the Reagan Administration in the last year of the governorship. Bob ran the fuel allocation program during the embargo and was able to ensure that there was always plenty of gas available at the old Glamis store, at Barstow for the Fireworks Race, at Pismo and wherever off-roaders were likely to need fuel.

Bob stayed on in Sacramento and in 1978 helped get a District 37 motorcycle racer named Bob Hayes elected to the State Legislature. In 1979, he worked for the State Assembly as a policy consultant on energy, land use and transportation. After a few years of doing that, the lobbyist for the motorcycle industry retired and Bob was hired to replace him.

At that point he put together an organization called the Off Road Vehicle Legislative Coalition which was comprised of CORVA, California 4 Wheel Drive Associations, AMA National, AMA Districts 36 and 37, the California/Nevada Snowmobile Association and a few others. Then, for the next 14 years he was the spokesman for motorcycle and ORV enthusiasts in the State Legislature.

One year in the mid-80s, Bob got the help of Sal Fish (SCORE's president) to borrow a Jeep Cherokee, and he drove it in a Baja 1000 in the Safari class (which unfortunately no longer exists). He took a "fairly liberal" Assemblyman, who was about to be named Chair of the Transportation Committee as his co-driver. After a weekend of participating in a Baja 1000 he became a real supporter of our cause. Bob says the "enviros" could never understand how this guy, who normally voted their way, would always be there for the off-roaders when we needed a vote.

Bob continued to lobby for off-road causes until the mid-90s, when the Republicans took control of the State Assembly and he went back to work for the Assembly again. After the Democrats took over control once again, he left and decided to work in El Centro. This kept him close enough to his house in San Felipe, on the east edge of Baja, to satisfy his need for what he calls a "fish taco fix."

In March of 2002 Bob went to work for the County of Imperial. He says he still gets "to fight for the rights of off-roading, since that is a BIG deal in our county." He is also still on the Board of Directors of the California League of Off Road Voters, which is the successor organization to the Off Road Vehicle Legislative Coalition. He's also active in a handful of other organizations that work for our right to use the land.



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Visit the CORVA website at www.corva.org for more information on these events!

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12/8-9/06 OHMVR Commission Meeting, Final Grants approval Northern California. Check CORVA website for changes.	1/13-14 Smitty's Desert Riders, Cal City, Camp B, BLM Work Weekend. Call Alex Smith 714-528-1817.	1817.  MAR Date TBA, Smitty's Desert Riders, attend Prairie Dogs Grand Prix at Glen Helen. Call Alex Smith 714-
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Contact Ed Waldheim at	1/20-21 CORVA Truckhaven Challenge	3/26OHv Lobby Day in Sacramento.

Poker Run. See flyer in this

1/20-21 ...... CORVA Truckhaven Challenge

newsletter

#### - Your Perception -

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I know many off roaders who hike, snow ski, bicycle, etc. I have also been a Boy Scout leader who has had lots of hiking involved in the program. We do take our kids for walks. We just also like to take them for motorcycle & quad rides, dune buggy excursions, 4x4 tours, and a fun family day of mud whompping at the reservoir - all in legal riding areas, of course.

So back to CORVA, all of our board members have different off roading interests as do our members. I am proud to say that CORVA covers every aspect of off-roading as long as it has a motor on it.

Many, but definitely not all, CORVA Board members are four wheel drive enthusiasts. You have hold outs like me that will keep riding my bike until I can't get my leg over the seat any more, but riding is my exercise regiment. We actually have such a broad range of vehicle owners on the CORVA Board that it makes us very well rounded: we are as diversified as the members we represent — some love rocks, some desert, some dunes, some forests.

Frankly, no mater what you ride, there is no replacement for the enjoyment we have going off roading in the backcountry. I don't care what form it is. Off roading is the top of any chart as far as I am concerned. So let's not label folks or organizations for their method of riding off-road. Let's join together with all the forms of off-roading and make sure that those against us know we are here to stay .... and stay we will.

CORVA's Mission statement, as presented to us by former Governor Pete Wilson, is: "We are dedicated to protecting our lands for the people, not from the people." That is our driving force.

See you on the trail.

[Since the writing of this article, the California State Parks OHMVR Division has requested the agenda item for the Kern County Board of Supervisors regarding the Bakersfield OHV Park be put on postponement until January 2007 meeting. Please check the CORVA website calendar at www.corva.org or the Kern Off-Highway Vehicle Association website www.kohva.com for more information and for updates. Since the meeting dates change so rapidly, please check either website before attending a meeting to see if the date, time and location has changed. Thanks! - Erin Dyer, Editor]



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