



The X-Communicator

Vice President's Message

Hello Again-

The leaves are falling, and we're finally getting to the time of year when you can go outside without barbecuing! We've had a couple of ad hoc trips to Lake Grapevine to play in the mud, and we're planning a big trip to the Barnwell Mountain OHV in East Texas this month for some fun in the dirt! Check our article this month for more details.

We have a new address- please take note of it:

PO Box 461671

Garland, TX 75046-1671

This new address is closer to us, and will allow us to keep closer tabs on club mail. Please send dues, donations, or any hard copy club correspondence to this address.

We also have a new look for our newsletter. Robert has taken over as editor, and really cleaned up the format and made us look more presentable ☺! Hats off to Robert for the extra help.

Nominations are in for '01 officers, and ballots are in this issue. Please complete them and return to us. We've got big plans for 2001, and can't wait to show you what we have in store! A tentative schedule is in this issue.

Please e-mail me at wstephen@airmail.net if we can help you in any way...

Happy Trails-

Walt



Club Activities

2000 Events

October 9	E-mail ballots for 2001 officer nominees
October 23	Deadline for 2001 nominee entries.
November 1	Ballots e-mailed to members for 2001 officers.
Nov.11-12	Off road Xcursion to Barnwell Mountain OHV in Gilmer, TX. See article.
November 15	Deadline for ballots for 2001 officers.
December 1	2001 officers announced. No events planned- Happy Holidays!

2001 Tentative Schedule of Events

January	2 nd Thu.- Meeting- discuss '01 plans set committee work
February	In town event- Gameworks in Grapevine, TX. Video games and fun! Off Road- Marshall Creek Park in Roanoke
March	Camping/ off road in Houston/ Austin/ SA area
April	2 nd Thu - Meeting- discuss plant tour, summer events
May	Camping off road- OK (Broken Bow or Clayton, OK)
June	2 nd annual plant tour and picnic, Smyrna, TN
July	Tech session and local Sonic cruise
August	2 nd Thu - Meeting- discuss Xmas, '02 nominations
September	2 nd annual Labor Day raft trip- OK or AR
October	Off road- Marshall Creek Park in Roanoke
November	2 nd Thu - Meeting- elections
December	Open or club does community service for a charity?

Other points of interest we may schedule in '01:

- Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge/ Quartz Mtn., OK
- Dinosaur Valley State Park- Glen Rose, TX

Please give us your suggestions for nearby points of interest or local activities!

Ballot for Officers 2001

President- Walter Stephenson

Write in: _____

Vice President- Robert Reuscher

Write in: _____

Secretary- Brooks Hill

Write in: _____

Please complete and return this ballot by Nov. 15th to xterraclub@hotmail.com, or to PO Box 461671, Garland, TX 75046-1671

Barnwell Mountain Recreational Area

Itinerary November 11-12

Plan:

1. Meet at the Wal-Mart Supercenter in Garland. It is located in the triangle between Garland, Shiloh, and Kingsley roads in Garland. It is located 1 block north of IH635. If coming 635 east, exit at Hwy. 78 and turn left. Proceed to the 2nd light and turn left into Wal-Mart parking lot. If coming 635 west, Take the Northwest Hwy./ Shiloh exit. Continue on frontage road until it ends. Turn right on Shiloh. Turn right at second signal on to Garland Rd. Turn left at first signal and proceed in to parking lot.

2. Depart from Wal-Mart Supercenter at 8:00 AM on Saturday, November 11. Take 635 east/ south to US 80 East (exit 6). Proceed on US80 East, which will merge with I-20. Proceed on I-20 East to State Hwy 155 (Exit 567). Proceed north on State Hwy 155 to Gilmer. Quick stop in town to pick up a snack, fuel and any necessities forgotten.

3. Proceed north on State Hwy. 155 5 miles to picnic area, which is turn in for OHV area. Pick up permits at gate. Total trip is approximately. 119 miles. ETA is 10:00 AM

Dogs are OK as long as they are not going after people or other dogs.

Make sure you have:

- Δ First Aid kit (If you have an Xterra, you should already have one ;-)
- Δ Tow strap
- Δ Cooler with food and drinks
- Δ Rain gear (just in case)
- Δ Camping gear if you are staying overnight
- Δ A towel (more uses than can be described)
- Δ Fire Extinguisher

Optional:

- Δ If you have an FRS radio (like a Motorola Talk About), they are very helpful and will be in use during the trip. We'll be using frequencies 5 and 7.
- Δ CB radio users tune into Channel 8.

We will have a driver meeting at the beginning of the trail run, and we will assign an experienced driver to lead each group. We'll also have an 'Off road 101' hand out to provide new off road drivers with some tips.

Fees:

- Trail Riding : \$15/person/day
- Primitive camping : \$7.50/night
- RV Hookups : (electricity only**) \$12.50/night no water

Hotels

- Gilmer Inn 903.843.3033
- Ramada Inn 903.843.6099 [website](#)

More info at: www.texasmotorizedtrails.com. If you are interested in joining us, please e-mail Walt at wstephen@airmail.net.

Member's Rides

We would like to start featuring our members and their Xterra's in the newsletters. Our first victim is Brooks Hill. Brooks is from Rowlett, and has a Cloud White 2wd, 3pack, XE. Here are few pictures from the recent Grapevine Xcursion



Start of the trip, hey my truck is too clean!



Problem solved!dd



Anybody got a raft?

Officers for 2000:

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Robert Reuscher- Treasurer, Newsletter Editor 972.394.2985 rreuscher@sprintmail.com

Club Membership

Current membership level:	23
Individual members	16
Family members:	6
Honorary Members:	1

New members:

Mark Kiraly, Denton TX
Steve & Marlinda Jones - Farmers Branch, TX
Gary & Barbara Ferraro - Arlington, TX

WELCOME!!!

And a correction on last month's new member: Ron & Carol Horecka, not just Carol ... Sorry Ron.



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