



May 2021

## Wheeling 101 Recap

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We had an awesome turnout at our Wheeling 101 event on April 10th out at SMORR! For a handful of people, it was their very first time taking their Jeep off-road. A HUGE "Thank You!" goes out to the guides: Jay Bassham, Kevin Young, Bill Rippey, TJ Richardson, Darrel Haase, Kirk Hoskins, Chris Martinez, and Ethan Sissel. This event would not have been possible without you!



# LOCAL WHEELING cont.

In our last newsletter, we started comparing local off-road parks. In this month's edition, we will continue our tour by comparing Disney Offroad Park, in Oklahoma, against Kansas Rocks Recreation Park in Mapleton, KS.

DISNEY





	PICITO	
	OFFROAD	<u>KANSAS ROCKS -</u>
	<u>PARK-OK</u>	<u>KS</u>
Open Season	All year, it is an open area	Summer - 4/1 to 10/1
· ·	around Grand Lake in OK	Winter 10/1 to 4/1
Travel Time from Springfield	2 1/2 hours	2 1/2 hours
Síze of Park	open land, size comparable to SMORR	380 acres
Running Water / Bath House	Yes	outhouse only
Tent camping	Yes - \$20	Yes
RV camping	Yes \$30	Yes, but no services for RV hookups
Cabins	No	No
Cost	Free!	\$20 per vehicle \$5 per passenger
Annual Pass Option	No	Yes, \$90 - \$5.00 S&H if ordered online
Badge Traíls	No	No
BOD favorite?	Yes!	Yes!

### ARE YOU A VENDOR?

#### DO YOU WANT TO HELP SUPPORT OZARKS JEEPTHING?

If you have a product or service you provide to the community that would promote both your business AND Ozarks JeepThing, please see Adam Sissel for more details.

Thank you to our current vendors:

- 1. Vixen Vinyl Designs
- 2. Jeep Kings LLC
- 3. Embroidez

## Chicks in the Sticks 2021

Although this was an event hosted by Midwest Jeepthing, several OJT members attended Chicks in the Sticks the last weekend in April. Wendy Twitty, Sara Bruffey, Jessica Nealis, Wendy Piersall, Brooke Edwards, Shelly Bassham, Sherri Beeman, Andrea Weldy and several others were in attendance. All of these ladies had a wonderful time socializing and getting out on the trails together. Huge shoutout goes to our very own Brandi Sissel and Brittney Middleby for volunteering to be guides for one of the hard level groups. Several limits were pushed, which means that several of these ladies conquered trails for the very first time! Andrea and Sherri were able to go up one of the hardest rated trails at SMORR -Copperhead! Jessica tackled Log Jam. Brooke and Shelly went down Puppylicker and Up & Down Rocky Road for the first time! By the end of the weekend, everyone was smiling from ear to ear!





Saturday, May 15th, is Extreme Terrain's Go Topless Day. This is a worldwide tradition for the Jeep community to celebrate the start of Spring by taking off their Jeep tops. Ozarks Jeepthing will be hosting an event to raise money for the Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks. If our event raises at least \$500, Extreme Terrain will <u>MATCH</u> \$500 to that same organization! Let's all remove our Jeep tops and meet at Springfield Lake. We will start the day with a nice backroad run to Fellow's Lake, followed by an ice cream social, and a surprise photo shoot. In order for the photo to be a success, we need EVERYONE to participate!

$\rightarrow$ Looking for upcoming events?	May 15	Go Topless Day – Backroad Run/Photo Shoot/Ice Cream Social
-visit our website to see scheduled	May 28	Memorial Day weekend at SMORR
backroad runs, trail runs, pop-up meet &	June 13	Members Only BBQ at River
greets, etc	June 19	Buffalo Wilderness Ranch Drive
$\rightarrow$ Curious about other OJT member's Jeeps?	July 2-4 July 17	SMORR's 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Bash 2021 Seymour Jeep Show
-visit our website's "Member Directory"	August 1	Andy Dalton Shooting Range
to view profiles	August 14	B&R Performance at DISNEY
•	August 21	Midnight Backroad Run
$\rightarrow$ Shopping for OJT swag?	September 18	Big Run @ SMORR
-visit our website to purchase trail bags,	October 1	Crawl the Ozarks at SMORR
decals, embroidered logo wear, etc.	October 16	Jeepin for A Cure
	October 30	Trunk Or Treat at SMORR

Our website is FULL of information so go check it out!!