

# OZARKS JEEPTHING

May/June 2022



In the Jeep world, there are several words that come to mind when describing this hobby: Fun, exhilarating, challenging, camaraderie, friendships, family, expensive, adventure, freedom, passion. I could list many others, but at this time I would like to discuss the word “**courage**”.

Courage is defined as “the ability to do something that frightens one”. I feel that this definition fits perfectly. Whether it is a fear within oneself while driving his/her Jeep, or the fear felt by a spectator while watching others tackle obstacles that may look dangerous or impossible, courageous behavior is expressed or witnessed constantly.

Over the past couple of months, I have seen or heard about several members of Ozarks Jeepthing challenging themselves to overcome new obstacles or fears. These barriers range from visiting new off road parks they have never been to before, conquering trails they thought impossible, volunteering to guide nervous drivers as they conquer their own fears, etc. The list goes on and on. I just want to take a moment and express my excitement and support for those that continue to challenge themselves on the trails. By having courage, you are inspiring others to do the same.

For those that feel hesitant, you are not alone. By no means are you going to tackle large obstacles without taking baby steps first. And, of course, you are not required to take your Jeep on level 5 or 6 trails. BUT, if you are the least bit interested, please know that you have a lot of support and knowledge in this club. I leave all of you with a challenge today: 1) If you are an experienced off-road driver (aka wheeler), I encourage you to reach outside of your immediate group of friends and invite someone new to tag along sometime OR 2) If you would like to learn more about off-road driving (aka wheeling), feel free to contact anyone on the board. Our club is very diverse with members ranging from beginners to “lifers”. Where will courage take you?!

*“The ability to do something that frightens one”*

# Upcoming Events:

June 18: Recovery and Trail Repair Class

Meet at the SMORR pavilion at 9am



June 24 - 26: Jacks Fork Float Trip

Alley Springs Campground

10 AM launch time

Please visit our website for more details



July 1-July 3: SMORR's 4th of July Bash

Come out to SMORR, find a group, wheel!

Stay for the fantastic fireworks display

Saturday night!



July 16: Seymour Jeep Show and Shine

Set up 3 to 4 pm, Show is from 4pm - 7pm

Live music, prizes and food for sale

July 22-24: Hot Springs Off Road Park

Your choice: come down Thursday and wheel Friday & Saturday, or just join us on Saturday.

\*\*\*\*See below for more details!\*



August 13-14: Clash of the Clubs at SMORR

August 27: Light the Night Charity Run

For details on any of these events, please visit the "Events Calendar" on our website.

## PERSONAL UPDATE!!

In my January 2022 newsletter, I asked all of you to come up with a goal, or New Year's Resolution. While I challenged you all, I also challenged myself. My goal for 2022 was to get my Dad out on the trails with me at least once.

After some convincing by myself and my husband, he agreed to come out to SMORR with me a few weeks ago while I test ran some easier trails for the upcoming Chicks in the Sticks event. He had such a GREAT time!



He was impressed with the park, fascinated by all the various types of trail rigs, and grateful to meet our fellow Jeepers. As he was leaving, he made the comment, *"I'm happy to meet some of your friends. It seems like you all really look out for each*

*other"*. YES! 1,000 times YES! While I thoroughly enjoy getting my Jeep out on the trails, some of my favorite memories are made while camping with friends. I can honestly call them my second family. It's crazy to think that he picked up on that in just the few hours that he was with us. I hope to get him out one more time this wheeling season, hopefully an overnight trip so that he can sit around the campfire with us (and so he can see some harder trails)!

Here it is, the beginning of JUNE!! Have you met your goal for this year? Do you have any stories that you would like to share with your Jeep family? Feel free to reach out to me to share your story.





If you are wheeling Saturday only, please be at the park by 9am. Bring your radio and recovery gear. If you plan on going down Thursday night to wheel on Friday, your contact will be Kevin Young. Matt Knox will be the contact for Saturday.

\$36.36 per vehicle per day (passengers included)

Visit their website at [hotspringsoffroadpark.com](http://hotspringsoffroadpark.com) for more details.

## VENDOR OF THE MONTH



- Rain Curtains
- Clock Spring Protection
- Long Electronics Protection
- Windshield Covers

OJT members get  
10% off