



# 23<sup>rd</sup> Ouachita Jeep Jamboree

Hot Springs, Arkansas

October 25 - 27, 2012

Trail Rating 3 – 9

**“Exciting New Dinner Cruise Added”**

## EVENT SCHEDULE

This Jamboree is a Select Jamboree – catered meals include dinner on Friday and Saturday. There are restaurants, deli’s and markets that will be able to accommodate your meal needs. Food and fuel should be taken care of prior to the general attendance meeting on Friday and Saturday.

### THURSDAY, October 25, 2012

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Registration, vehicle evaluation and trail sign ups will be held at the Superlift Off-Road Vehicle Park (SOVP) 2100 Mill Creek Road under the large pavilion where there is plenty of trailer parking. Please refer to “How Do I Get There?” for driving directions. Trail sign-ups will take place during registration and are on a **first come, first served basis**. Vehicle evaluation is **MANDATORY PRIOR TO** trail sign-ups. **NO LATE REGISTRATION on Friday morning**. Make sure you have a full tank of gas and packed lunch prior to the general attendance meeting.

### FRIDAY, October 26, 2012

8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

MANDATORY general attendance meeting at the SOVP

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Trail ride

12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Lunch along the trail

1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Trail ride – Some of the trail rides will finish before 5 p.m. For those finished before this time, please travel to the Belle of Hot Springs Riverboat. Dinner will be served starting at 5 P.M. through 8:00 P.M. on the Belle of Hot Springs Riverboat

6:00 P.M. – 8 P.M.

**The cruise will leave port at 6:00 P.M. promptly, be sure to be on board by this time.**

### SATURDAY, October 27, 2012

8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

MANDATORY general attendance meeting at the SOVP

9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Trail ride

12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Lunch along the trail

1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Trail ride

6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Dinner at the SOVP

**Prize drawing after dinner.** Participant must be present to win

Trip & Vehicle questions contact Glenda Gau: [glenda@jeepjam.com](mailto:glenda@jeepjam.com) / 530-333-4777 x12



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Drive Offroad proudly supports the Jeep Jamboree program and we're glad to see that you will be attending one of the nationwide events.

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We all want to have a good day on the trail...

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## TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

### Woods, Wheelin' and Wildlife: Rated 3-4

This scenic ride is perfect for those who want a challenge and a chance to admire Mother Nature's finest scenery. Winding through the woods, you will encounter hill climbs mixed in with some mild rock crawling. You will be amazed at your Jeeps capabilities (and yours too) while exploring the ravines and rolling hills in the backwoods of Arkansas.

### The Ouachita Challenge: Rated 4-6

This ride has a variety of obstacles and challenges for all Jeepers! Stock to Modified Jeep owners get ready for steep rutted hill climbs that will take your breath away! This trail offers bypasses for the faint of heart. Cameras are a "must have" on this ride. With two jaw dropping overlooks you'll see why.

### The Roller Coaster Rampage: Rated 6-7

Ever been on a roller coaster? Well, if not, hold on to your Jeep cap! This is it! Plenty of hill climbs and downhill descents. Check out your rear view mirror for the expression on the Jeepers faces behind you....you'll see the excitement in their eyes, the views on top of each hill are simply awesome!

### The Extreme Rock Challenge: Rated 6-7

This ride offers excellent challenges for the experienced Jeepers! More than enough to keep it interesting. You'll be astonished how your Jeep can crawl up and down "The Ravine". "The Ravine" is popular for modified Jeeps. WOW! This is what you will say when you're at the top of "The Gorge". You and your Jeep made it after the awesome slab rock hill climb. If rock climbing is your desire, then this is it! This ride is recommended for modified jeeps. Keep your eyes open for the wildlife along this ride you never know what you might see.

### Kamikaze Boulder Banzai: Rated 8-9

For those of you looking for some extreme four-wheeling, get ready for this rock crawling adventure! This ride earned it's name somehow. Keep your eyes on the trail guides through the "rough stuff". You will be overwhelmed by what you and your Jeep will do.

## LOCAL AREA INFORMATION

The weather this time of year varies. For a 10-day forecast of weather conditions go to [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com)

### VISITOR RESOURCES

Hot Springs Convention & Visitors Bureau  
[www.hotsprings.org](http://www.hotsprings.org)

Hot Springs National Park [www.nps.gov/hosp](http://www.nps.gov/hosp)

## ACCOMMODATIONS

### CAMPING & RV PARKING (Headquarters)

Super Lift Off-Road Vehicle Park 501-625-3600  
[www.orvpark.com](http://www.orvpark.com)  
(RV campsites with electrical and water hook-ups,

primitive tent camping sites, restrooms/shower house, plenty of parking for trailers)

### OTHER CAMPING & RV PARKING

Bartee Meadow RV Park & Camping	501-262-9100
Camp Lake Hamilton	501-525-8204
Cloud 9 RV Park & Camping	501-262-1996
Gulpha Gorge National Park	501-624-3383
Hot Springs National Park KOA	800-KOA-5903 or 501-624-5912
Hot Springs RV Park	501-623-5559
J&J RV Park	501-321-9852
Lake Catherine State Park	501-844-4176
Mill Pond Village	501-525-3959
Wagon Wheel RV Park	501-767-6852

## MOTELS

### Headquarter Hotel

<b>The Clarion on Lake Hamilton</b>	501-525-0336
4813 Central Ave Hot Springs AK	
The Comfort Inn & Suites	877 682-4442
3627 Central Ave, Hot Springs, AR	
Knights Inn	501-624-4436
1871 E Grand Ave, Hot Springs, AR	
Rodeway Inn	501-624-3321
1125 E Grand Ave, Hot Springs, AR	
Travelier Inn	501-624-4681
1045 E Grand Ave, Hot Springs, AR	

## HOW DO I GET THERE?

### Registration and Staging

Superlift Off-Road Vehicle Park  
2100 Mill Creek Road, Hot Springs, AR 71901  
501-625-3607 [www.orvpark.com](http://www.orvpark.com)

## DRIVING DIRECTIONS

**Superlift Off Road Park** is just five miles from downtown Hot Springs. Take Magic Springs Exit on Hwy 70 and drive North on Mill Creek Road. The Superlift ORV Park is located approximately 3.2 miles on Mill Creek Road North, right past Panther Valley Ranch.

### The Clarion on Lake Hamilton

I-30 N or S to U.S. 70 W, 27 miles to Hot Springs. Go thru 4 traffic lights, take a left on Central Ave, 7 miles to hotel on left.

### The Belle of Hot Springs Riverboat

5200 Central Ave. #7  
Head west on Nesbit Cir. toward Mill Creek Rd.  
Turn left on Mill Creek Road  
Turn left on Kelton St/Mill Creek cut off

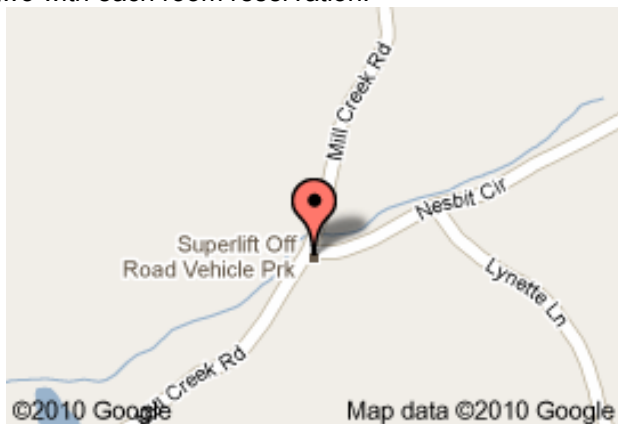
Turn right on E. Grand Ave.  
Take ramp on left onto US-70 Bus. W/E Grand Ave.  
Turn left onto Central Ave.  
Turn right – you have arrived  
501-525-4438

## SPECIAL THANKS!

John Felgate (Local Coordinator)  
John's Trail Guides  
Superlift Off-Road Vehicle Park  
Whistle Stop Caterers  
The Belle of Hot Springs Riverboat crew

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR TRIP COORDINATOR

We are looking forward to sharing the Ouachita Jeep Jamboree with you. We are constantly improving our Jamborees to provide for the most memorable memories imaginable. This year we have added a dinner cruise on Friday evening. You will enjoy this 2-hour cruise on Lake Hamilton. Our headquarter hotel The Clarion, has agreed to include a full breakfast for two with each room reservation.



## VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

Tow points are MANDATORY! Tow points may include, tow hooks properly mounted to the frame with grade eight bolts according to official Mopar installation procedures, draw bars, receiver hitches, or aftermarket bumpers with manufacturers installed clevis or d-ring anchor. **If you do not have tow points, you may be turned away at registration without a refund.**

- **No body lifts or suspension lifts over 6" combined.**
- **No tires over 37".**
- **No snowplow frames.**
- **We recommend removing running boards and steps both factory and aftermarket if planning to participate in higher rated trails.**
- **All open-topped vehicles, including older models (CJs, Scramblers and Willys), must have mandatory roll bars.**
- **Tow strap recommended (with loops—NO HOOKS).**

- **Full-size spare tire or comparable size mandatory! A space-saver spare (donut) just won't do.**
- **Must be street legal with license plate.**

Please contact Glenda if you have further questions at [glenda@jeepjam.com](mailto:glenda@jeepjam.com) or 530-333-4777 ext. 12.

## WHAT TO BRING

- **CB Radio**
- Basic tool kit recommended!
- First aid kit recommended!
- Tire gauge recommended!
- Ice chest full of your favorite non-alcoholic beverages
- **Full tank of gas prior to General Attendance Meeting!**
- Lots of fluids

### **We HIGHLY recommend that you bring a CB radio!**

There are many safety issues regarding upcoming obstacles transmitted over the CB radio by your trail guides. It is important for each vehicle to have a CB radio. Learn interesting facts about the area - history, local plant and wildlife, as well as exciting stories.

Other important items to consider bringing are: drinking water, trail snacks, chair or blanket for lunch stops, flashlights, camera/video camera, binoculars, insect repellent, sun block, hat, hiking boots, toiletries & medications, toilet paper and zip-lock bags for tissue disposal, hand sanitizer, rain jacket and warm clothing.

## TRAIL USAGE AND INFORMATION

### WATER CROSSINGS

We may have water crossings and water holes. Many of these crossings and holes offer a bypass if you decide to "go around". It is very **IMPORTANT** to watch and listen to your trail guide. Please be sure your air intake is disconnected. Your trail guide can help you with this if needed. When driving in deep water, **GO VERY SLOW!** If your engine gets wet and stalls, **DO NOT** try to start it as you may cause serious engine damage. After the Jamboree, please be sure to reconnect your air intake. For additional tips on water crossings, please refer to your copy of "Mark A. Smith's Guide to Safe, Common Sense Off-Road Driving".

### A NOTE ON LAND USAGE

Many Jeep Jamboree USA events are held on private lands with the consent of landowners, or on public lands through special use permits. In some cases, Jamboree trail groups are granted access to trail areas, which are closed to all other vehicular access during the year. Please be aware that access to these trail areas is allowed only by guided JJUSA groups during the scheduled Friday and Saturday trail rides. Individual Jamboree guests returning later to drive in these areas on their own do so in violation of JJUSA's land use agreements and endanger future Jamboree usage of these restricted trails as well as being

removed from the Jamboree without a refund. Thank you for your cooperation in assuring Jamboree access to some of America's most spectacular backcountry.

### **PLEASE TREAD LIGHTLY!**

**Travel responsibly** on designated roads and trails or in permitted areas.

**Respect the rights** of others including private property owners and all recreational trail users, campers and others to allow them to enjoy their recreational activities undisturbed.

**Educate yourself** by obtaining travel maps and regulations from public agencies, planning for your trip, taking recreation skills classes, and knowing how to use and operate your equipment safely.

**Avoid sensitive areas** such as meadows, lakeshores, wetlands and streams, unless on designated routes. This protects wildlife habitat and sensitive soils from damage.

**Do your part** by leaving the area better than you found it, properly disposing of waste, minimizing the use of fire, avoiding the spread of invasive species, restoring degraded areas, and joining a local enthusiast organization.

### **TRAIL RATING SYSTEM**

Every Jamboree trail is rated from 1 (easiest) to 10 (the most difficult). These ratings are based on the overall trail, not just on one or two tough spots. Rain can increase ratings by one or two points. Please remember, all vehicles are subject to inspection prior to trail departure. Numerically higher rated Jamborees are more likely to result in vehicular damage.

**1-2 Obstacles and terrain are relatively easy to navigate.** In optimum weather conditions, some trails may not require continual use of four-wheel drive (4WD).

**3-5 Moderately demanding.** Challenge for novice drivers. Obstacles may include: mud holes, boulders, and streams. Requires 4WD with 4-LO.

**6-7 Demanding.** Challenge for most skill levels. Mud holes get deeper, boulders get larger, and climbs get steeper. Requires 4WD with 4-LO.

**8-9 Very demanding.** Likelihood of getting stuck is high. Mud holes may be deep and rock climbing is more arduous. Lifts and lockers are helpful. Requires 4WD with 4-LO.

**10 Extremely demanding.** Reserved for the toughest off-road trip in the U.S.A. – the Rubicon Trail. Requires 4WD with 4-LO (*Not recommended for Jeep Patriot, Compass, Liberty, Cherokee, Grand Cherokee, or Commander.*)

During registration Participants will have the opportunity to discuss the trails, their driving experience and vehicle capabilities with the trail guides. Guides will work with participants for trail placement.

**RAIN MAY INCREASE TRAIL RATINGS 1 OR 2 POINTS, ESPECIALLY WITH STREET TIRES.**

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS – Before, During, After Your Trip**

### **BEFORE YOU LEAVE**

Please return a waiver form signed by everyone in your vehicle (by mail, fax or email) to the JJUSA office as soon as possible. Your registration **IS NOT COMPLETE** until we receive a completed waiver. This helps you to prevent delays in processing your registration and avoid longer wait times during registration. A waiver for participants under the age of 18 years old must be signed by a parent or the minor's legal guardian.

**New Registrations and Adding Passengers:** It is very important to register new vehicles and/or passengers **at least two weeks** prior to the Jamboree date. This will enable us to give an accurate count to our caterer for the meals. Please note, registration prices are per person not per Jeep vehicle

Event T-Shirts are not included in your registration fee. You may pre-order event T-Shirts at the time of your registration. Shirts will be given to you at Thursday registration. Other Jeep Jamboree USA clothing and merchandise will be available onsite and online however quantities and sizes are limited.

### **WHILE YOU ARE THERE...**

#### **Name Badges and Wristbands**

**When you register on-site Thursday evening, you will be given one nametag and a wristband. Please wear both of these while at the event. They are verification of registration. Those without a wristband will not be served meals or allowed on the trails.**

### **WHEN YOU RETURN**

Submit your photos

Jeep Jamboree USA is proud to continue the Photo of the Month & Photo of the Year Contest. We know many of you take great pictures as you explore America's backcountry while on a Jeep Jamboree; and now it's time to share those photos with other Jeep Jamboree enthusiasts! The best part is, you could win a Jeep Jamboree USA trip for two anywhere in the United States. So if you've been taking pictures at Jeep Jamboree events you might be holding the winning photo – just check your camera! Please visit [www.jeepjamboreeusa.com/photos](http://www.jeepjamboreeusa.com/photos) for details on how to submit your photos.

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **WHO CAN I BRING?**

Whoever you want! As long as they each have a required seat belt in your Jeep 4x4 and have completed registration, waiver and payment. Bringing pets is **strongly** discouraged. If your pet must attend, be sure to contact the Jeep Jamboree USA office for specific requirements.

## WHERE DO I SLEEP ON A JEEP JAMBOREE?

Participants are responsible for arranging their own lodging. Included in this itinerary is a list of nearby accommodations. Be sure to mention you're attending a Jeep Jamboree when making your reservation.

## WHAT DOES THE JAMBOREE FEE COVER?

Your fee covers all necessary permits, land-use fees, experienced guides for the entire trip, three meals on both Friday and Saturday ("Select" adventurers include evening meals only). NOTE: Meals vary. Regrettably, no accommodations can be made for special diets or dietary restrictions. Also included is an official Jeep Jamboree dash plaque and access to some of the finest trails in America — several of which are only available through this program. Each Jamboree also features a giveaway for chances to win great prizes. Sorry, no partial trips are offered or meal only options and no spectators allowed. All participants must be officially registered. "Trails Only" participants must provide their own meals.

## CAN I BRING MY JEEP LIBERTY, CHEROKEE, COMPASS, PATRIOT, GRAND CHEROKEE, OR COMMANDER?

Of course! All new Jeep 4x4 vehicles with a 4-LO transfer case are Trail Rated® and are tested on demanding 4x4 trails. Vehicles without 4-LO may **ONLY** use trails rated 1-2. Your Jeep four-wheel-drive vehicle is required to be in good condition, with good tires, brakes, and seat belts. In addition, we require prior approval for larger Jeep 4x4s, such as Grand Wagoneers and J-Series Pickups. Jeep Jamboree USA reserves the right to refuse participation to any applicant whose vehicle exceeds size restrictions.

## COULD MY VEHICLE BE DAMAGED ON A JAMBOREE?

Every effort is made by Jeep® Jamboree USA to make the trails as safe as possible. Participants are advised to closely follow the instructions given by trail guides, spotters, and Jeep Jamboree USA. However, there's the possibility of receiving damage to your vehicle.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

You will travel over rough terrain. Any damage is the owner's responsibility. Remember, Jamborees with higher numerical difficulty ratings are more likely to encounter terrain that may contribute to vehicular damage. Weather conditions may also increase the trail rating difficulty.

## JEEP JAMBOREE USA POLICIES

### SAFETY

Our trail guides are trained to put your safety first. If they ask you to refrain from any activity, to avoid specific trails or areas, which jeopardizes you or your fellow participant's safety, or is not authorized for our use, please follow their directions. JJUSA does not authorize or promote any night runs. AS AGREED TO IN YOUR WAIVER ALL PARTICIPANTS AGREE TO

WEAR HIS OR HER RESPECTIVE SEAT AND SHOULDER BELTS. IF A TRAIL GUIDE ASKS YOU TO WEAR YOUR SEAT BELT AND YOU DO NOT COMPLY, VIOLATORS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE JEEP JAMBOREE — MONEY WILL NOT BE REFUNDED, AND THOSE INVOLVED WILL BE BANNED FROM ALL FUTURE JEEP JAMBOREES.

## ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE NOT PERMITTED ON ANY TRAIL RIDE. VIOLATORS WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE JEEP JAMBOREE — MONEY WILL NOT BE REFUNDED, AND THOSE INVOLVED WILL BE BANNED FROM ALL FUTURE JEEP JAMBOREES.

## REFUND POLICIES

We realize that unexpected events such as work conflicts, mechanical problems and illnesses may cause you to cancel your trip. However, we have many business partners that we pay deposits based on a preliminary participant count, therefore in order to limit the impact of cancellations the following penalties apply to your refund should you choose to cancel:

<u>Days Prior to Trip Date</u>	<u>Penalty</u>
Reservation to 21 days	\$35
20 days to 8 days	50%
7 days to 1 day	80%
Trip date and beyond	NO REFUND

Should you choose to transfer from one trip to another trip in the **SAME** calendar year you may do so for \$35 per transfer.

## CHILDREN 5 & UNDER

Children 5 and under are not charged to participate with you in a Jamboree. Complimentary meals for children 5 and under will be provided.

## ONSITE PURCHASES AT JAMBOREE

If you purchase JJUSA merchandise at the event, please be aware that we can accept payment by check or cash only; sorry no credit cards!

## NO C.O.D.S

Please note that all registrations must be paid in advance

## NO PARTIAL DAYS OR MEALS ONLY REGISTRATIONS

Registrations are for the SAME person (driver or passengers) for BOTH days. Passengers may not be swapped; i.e. one person on one day; another person another day. We base our nametags, meals and waivers on the same person for both days. We do not permit partial (one-day only) registrations (no refunds are given for days not used), nor do we sell a "meals only" option for those who are not on the trail but wish to join participants for meals.

**Due to unforeseen circumstances all trips, events and trails are subject to change or cancellation without advance notice.**