



# 28<sup>TH</sup> OUACHITA

*Requires 33" tires and at least one locker, or any Rubicon model Jeep*

## LOCATION

Hot Springs, Arkansas  
36.1100599, -90.5861472

## DATE

March 23 – 25, 2023

## DIFFICULTY

Trail Rating 5 – 9

## STYLE

A Select Jeep Jamboree. Your dinners are included on Friday and Saturday. You are responsible for breakfast and lunch each day.

## KEY EVENTS

### REGISTRATION

Thursday @ 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

### MANDATORY PRE-RIDE MEETING

Friday @ 8:30 a.m.

### DINNER

Friday @ 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

### MANDATORY PRE-RIDE MEETING

Saturday @ 8:30 a.m.

### DINNER & PRIZES

Saturday @ 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

# POLICIES & REMINDERS FOR ALL 2023 JEEP JAMBOREES

## EVENT WAIVER

You are required to complete a [Release of Liability Waiver](#) for all occupants of your Jeep 4x4. You must bring it with you to on-site registration. All passengers in your Jeep 4x4 must sign a [Release of Liability Waiver](#). A parent or the minor's legal guardian must sign and date a waiver for participants under the age of 18 years old. If you forget your signed [Release of Liability Waiver](#), all occupants of your vehicle must be present at registration to sign a new waiver before you can receive your event credentials.

## NEW ON-SITE REGISTRATIONS & CHANGES ARE NOT ACCEPTED

All new registrations of vehicles as well as adding, deleting, or changing passengers must be completed (10) ten days prior to the Jamboree date. Please refer to the refund and transfer policy on the last page of this itinerary or [www.JeepJamboreeUSA.com](http://www.JeepJamboreeUSA.com)

## MAXIMUM TIRE SIZE

Participant Jeep tire size is not to exceed 40". If you exceed the tire limitations you will be turned away at registration and will not be allowed to attend the Jamboree or receive a refund.

## VEHICLE MODIFICATIONS

- Seat belts are required in all vehicles for all occupants.
- Maximum suspension lift allowed is 6".
- Your Jeep must be street legal with valid registration and insurance.
- Buggy-style Jeeps are not allowed.

If you have questions as to whether or not your vehicle is acceptable, please contact your Adventure Consultant. If you exceed the lift limitations or do not meet original frame and body requirements, you will be turned away at registration and will not be allowed to attend the Jamboree or receive a refund. Admission of highly modified Jeeps without prior approval is subject to the discretion of the Jeep Jamboree Event Staff.

## GMRS RADIOS ARE REQUIRED

A working GMRS radio is mandatory for all Jeep Jamboree events. Please see the last page of this itinerary or visit <https://link.jeepjam.com/radios> for more information.

## FOLLOW THE FLOW

When you arrive at a Jeep Jamboree, you must complete these steps in this order:

**Vehicle Evaluation → Registration → Trail Sign-Up**

You will not be permitted to sign-up for trails until you have completed Vehicle Evaluation and Registration.

## NAME BADGE

Each participant must wear their name badge throughout the entire Jamboree.

## TRAIL STICKERS

Trail stickers provided at trail sign-ups must be displayed on your windshield prior to departing for any off-road trail ride.

## TRAIL CONDITIONS

Trail conditions can vary widely between trails and even on the same trail on different days. Factors such as weather, other Jeepers, and the line you choose all have an effect on the trail and how your Jeep will traverse it. Rainfall, even from days prior, may increase trail ratings 1 or 2 points. When in doubt, ask a Jeep Jamboree Trail Guide for guidance. While we trim back as much brush as possible, we are limited by Federal, Tribal and Private landowners to the amount acceptable by each entity.

## WEATHER CONDITIONS

Weather conditions can be dynamic at a Jeep Jamboree. We recommend you look at a 10-day forecast of weather conditions. Be sure to check the weather for all areas listed in the itinerary as different locations may have very different temperatures.

## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

The Jeep Jamboree USA Off-Road Driving Tips booklet is the ultimate guide to safe, common sense off-road driving. View the guide at <https://link.jeepjam.com/drivingtips>

## GET THE GEAR YOU NEED FOR YOUR ADVENTURE!

GMRS Radios, Tow Straps, Soft Shackles, Shirts, Hats, and more at [www.JeepJamboreeUSA.com](http://www.JeepJamboreeUSA.com)

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# 28<sup>TH</sup> OUACHITA ITINERARY

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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Please follow the flow when you arrive on Thursday: Vehicle Evaluation → Registration → Trail Selection/Sign-up

- No late registration on Friday morning.
- Vehicle Evaluation & Registration are mandatory prior to trail sign-ups.
- Bring your completed waiver to registration. Waiver is available at <https://link.jeepjam.com/waiver>.
- Trail sign-up will take place after you register, on a first come, first served basis. Space is limited on each trail.
- Your guides will help you select trails based on your Jeep and your comfort level.
- Make sure you have a full tank of gas prior to the General Attendance Meeting on Friday.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023

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**5:00 – 7:00 p.m.** Vehicle evaluation, registration, and trail sign-ups will take place at Hot Springs Off-Road Park. Refer to *Key Locations & Links* on the next page for address and map link.

## FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023

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**8:30 a.m.** **Mandatory** General Attendance meeting in the Pavillion at Hot Springs Off-Road Park.

**9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** Trail ride with lunch along the trail around noon. Lunch time varies based on trail progress.

**5:30 – 7:00 p.m.** Dinner in the Pavillion at Hot Springs Off-Road Park. Make sure you have a full tank of gas for tomorrow.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023

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**8:30 a.m.** **Mandatory** General Attendance in the Pavillion at Hot Springs Off-Road Park.

**9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** Trail ride with lunch along the trail around noon. Lunch time varies based on trail progress.

**5:30 – 7:00 p.m.** Dinner in the Pavillion at Hot Springs Off-Road Park. Awards and prize drawings following dinner.

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## KEY LOCATIONS & LINKS

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### HOT SPRINGS OFF-ROAD PARK

2100 Millcreek Rd  
Hot Springs, AR 71901  
[www.hotspringsoffroadpark.com](http://www.hotspringsoffroadpark.com)  
501.625.3600  
Map Link: <https://link.jeepjam.com/hsorp>

## LODGING INFORMATION

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### LODGING INFORMATION COMING SOON

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR OUACHITA COORDINATOR...

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The Ouachita Jamboree takes place in the Hot Springs Off-Road Park in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The park offers 1,242 acres of scenic views and challenging rock-crawling terrain. Home to three Jeep® Badge of Honor trails in varying levels of difficulty (Snake, Rubicon Ridge, and Fun Run), you'll have the chance to conquer these trails and add some new badges to your Jeep®.

Hot Springs is famous for more than its off-road trails. In the early 1900's the town was known as "America's Spa" and people came from all over to experience the healing waters. Bathhouse Row is home to many of the historic bathhouses from the 19th and 20th centuries. Add the fact that gambling was basically tolerated in Hot Springs, and you can see how the town became a favorite spot for mobsters like Al Capone, Bugs Moran, and Lucky Luciano. Hot Springs was also the home of Major League Baseball's spring training.

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# TRAIL RATING SYSTEM

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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 vehicle check 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. During registration you will have the opportunity to discuss the trails, your driving experience, and Jeep capabilities with the trail guides. The guides will work with you to select appropriate trails. Rain may increase trail ratings 1 or 2 points, especially with street tires.

road trip in the U.S.A. – the Rubicon Trail.

Requires 4WD with 4-LO, front and rear lockers, skid plates, rock rails and an aftermarket rear differential cover.

Rubicon Trail Jeep Jamboree is limited to TJ, JK, JL and JT models only without prior approval. Jeep Renegade, Patriot, Compass, Liberty, Cherokee, Grand Cherokee, or Commanders are not allowed.

## PLEASE TREAD LIGHTLY!

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

**R**espect 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.

**E**ducate 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.

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

**D**o 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.

## A NOTE ON LAND USAGE

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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 Jeep Jamboree USA groups during the scheduled Jeep Jamboree trail rides. Individual Jamboree guests returning later to drive in these areas on their own do so in violation of Jeep Jamboree USA'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.

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# WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR MY JEEP?

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- **Tow points are *MANDATORY!*** Tow points may include:
  - Tow hooks properly mounted to the frame with grade six or grade eight bolts according to official Mopar installation procedures.
  - Draw bars and receiver hitches
  - Aftermarket bumpers with manufacturer installed clevis or D-ring anchor.

*If you do not have tow points, you may be turned away at registration without a refund.*

- **A GMRS radio is *REQUIRED!*** There are many safety issues regarding upcoming obstacles transmitted over the radio by your trail guides. You will also learn interesting facts about the area - history, local plant and wildlife, as well as exciting stories.
- Your Jeep must be street legal including a license plate and proof of insurance.

- Participant Jeep tire size shall not exceed 40". If your tires exceed 40 inches, you will be turned away at registration, will not be allowed to attend the Jamboree, or receive a refund!
- Seat belts are required in all vehicles for all occupants.
- Snowplow frames are not allowed.
- We recommend removing running boards and steps (both factory and aftermarket) if you are planning to participate in higher rated trails.
- All open-topped vehicles, including older models (CJs, Scramblers and Willy's), are required to have roll bars.
- A tow strap with looped ends is recommended. **Straps with metal hooks are not allowed.**
- A full-size spare tire is mandatory!

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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### ARE JEEP JAMBOREES SAFE?

Our trail guides are trained to put your safety first. If they ask you to refrain from any activity or to avoid specific trails or areas, you must follow their directions. Jeep Jamboree USA does not authorize or promote any night runs. You must wear your seat and shoulder belts. If a Trail Guide asks you to wear your seat belt and you do not comply, you will be removed from the Jeep Jamboree without a refund and banned from Jeep Jamborees.

### WILL MY JEEP BE GOING THROUGH WATER?

Some Jamborees may have water crossings and mud holes. Many of these crossings and holes offer a bypass. It is very important to watch and listen to your trail guide. When driving in deep water, **go very slowly!** If your engine gets wet and stalls, **do not** try to start it as you may cause serious engine damage. For additional tips on water crossings and many other off-road situations, please refer to your copy of *Jeep Jamboree USA Off-Road Driving Tips*, available at <https://link.jeeppjam.com/drivingtips>

### YOU MUST WEAR YOUR NAME BADGE

When you register on-site, you will be given one name badge per participant. Please wear your name badge while at the event as it is verification of your registration, your admission to the trails and meals, and helps everyone get to know each other.

### GET CONNECTED WITH OUR FACEBOOK GROUPS

Join one or more of the Jeep Jamboree discussion groups on Facebook. Ask questions, share information and photos before, during and after your great adventure.

### WHAT SHOULD I BRING?

- A basic tool kit, first aid kit, tire gauge, rain jacket, and clothing for all weather conditions are highly recommended.
- An ice chest full of your favorite non-alcoholic beverages. It is important to stay hydrated!
- A full tank of gas prior to General Attendance Meeting as you will not have time to fuel up after the meeting.
- Trail snacks and a chair/blanket for the lunch stop.
- Insect repellent, Sun Block, Medications, Hand Sanitizer, Flashlight, Camera, Binoculars
- Toilet paper and Zip-lock bags for tissue disposal

### MAY I BRING MY PET?

Bringing pets is strongly discouraged. If your pet must attend, you must submit a pet waiver during registration.

### WHAT IS THE POLICY ON ALCOHOL, DRUGS, ETC.?

No occupants of the vehicle will possess or consume alcohol, non-prescription drugs, or be under the influence of any substance while on the trails. Doing so means immediate expulsion without a refund and those involved will be banned from all future Jeep Jamborees.

### COULD MY VEHICLE BE DAMAGED ON A JAMBOREE?

Every effort is made by Jeep Jamboree USA to make the trails as safe as possible. You are advised to closely follow instructions given by Jeep Jamboree Trail Guides. Jamborees with higher difficulty ratings are more likely to encounter rough and challenging terrain that may contribute to vehicular damage. Any damage is the owner's responsibility.

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# GMRS RADIO, CHANNEL, AND FREQUENCY INFO

## IF YOU DON'T HAVE A GMRS RADIO YET

- Your easiest and best option is to purchase one of the recommended Midland radios. These quality radios are easy to use and are available at <https://link.jeepjam.com/radios> and in limited supply at a Jeep Jamboree

## RADIO DIFFERENCES AND FREQUENCIES

- In late 2017, the FCC set standards for FRS/GMRS channel numbers and frequencies. Any FCC approved radio manufactured after October of 2017 should match the channels in the chart and work for your Jeep Jamboree.

## FREQUENCIES AND POWER

- FRS and GMRS use the same channels/frequencies. FRS (Family Radio Service) runs at lower power. GMRS (General Mobile Radio Service) runs at higher power.

## LICENSING

- Before operating a GMRS radio, you must have a valid license. Any radio using the shared FRS/GMRS frequencies that is able to transmit above 2 Watts of power is considered a GMRS radio and requires a license.

## WHY GMRS OVER FRS OR CB?

- With FRS handhelds you may hear others on the trail, but they may not hear you. GMRS has more power, meaning you can transmit farther. GMRS offers more reliability, usability, and quality over a CB radio.

Frequency	FRS/GMRS Channel	FRS Power	FRS Bandwidth	GMRS Power	GMRS Bandwidth
462.5625 MHz	1	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
462.5875 MHz	2	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
462.6125 MHz	3	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
462.6375 MHz	4	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
462.6625 MHz	5	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
462.6875 MHz	6	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
462.7125 MHz	7	2 W	12.5 kHz	5 W	20 kHz
<b>Channels 8-14 are low power (.5 watt) channels and are not used by Jeep Jamboree</b>					
462.5500 MHz	15	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.5750 MHz	16	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.6000 MHz	17	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.6250 MHz	18	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.6500 MHz	19	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.6750 MHz	20	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.7000 MHz	21	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz
462.7250 MHz	22	2 W	12.5 kHz	50 W	20 kHz

# REFUNDS, TRANSFERS, AND CANCELLATIONS

## NEW REFUND POLICY FOR 2023!

For 2023 we are waiving all transfer fees. If you would like to switch to another trip, dependent on availability, you can. We're also giving you up to 30 days before any trip (previously 45) to cancel and still receive a full refund, minus the cancellation fee.

- No Transfer fees in 2023**
- Reservation to 30 days**
  - \$125 for Classic Jamborees
  - \$100 for Select Jamborees
  - \$350 for Signature, Adventure, and Expedition Jamborees
- 29 days to 15 days – 50%**
- 14 days to trip date – 100% (no refund)**

## WHAT IS A TRANSFER?

A transfer allows the **original purchaser** to transfer their registration from one trip to another, dependent on availability. Transfers must take place in the same calendar year and at least 14 days prior to the event. **You may not transfer or sell your registration to another person.** If you are unable to attend, you should cancel your registration. Your spot will be offered to the next person on the waiting list.

## HOW DO I CANCEL MY REGISTRATION?

Canceling your registration is quick and easy via your online account at <https://jeepjamboreeusa.com/my-account/> Sign-in with the email address you used to register and then cancel the trip you are unable to attend. You may also email the registration team at [registration@jeepjam.com](mailto:registration@jeepjam.com). This method is typically slower than the online method.

## HOW DO ADD OR CHANGE PASSENGERS?

Adding or changing passengers is easy via your online account at <https://jeepjamboreeusa.com/my-account/> Sign-in with the email address you used to register and make the changes you desire. You may also email the registration team at [registration@jeepjam.com](mailto:registration@jeepjam.com). This method is slower than the online method. All changes must be made 14 days prior to your trip.

## WHAT IF A SPECIFIC JEEP JAMBOREE IS CANCELED?

Though rare, from time to time, a Jeep Jamboree may have to be canceled. For **most** of our events, you will be given the option to receive a full refund or transfer to another event that has openings. For **some** Jeep Jamborees, we may deduct up to a 15% fee from your refund to offset unrecoverable expenses.

**DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES ALL TRIPS, EVENTS, AND TRAILS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE OR CANCELLATION WITHOUT ADVANCE NOTICE.**