



18th Catskill Mountains Jeep Jamboree

Monticello, New York

September 17th- 19th 2015

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NEW FOR 2015

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- In order to be able to sign-up for your trails, your Vehicle Evaluation form must be initialed by the Event Staff when you get your registration packet.
- The trail sticker given to you at trail sign-ups needs to be displayed on your windshield prior to leaving for trails on Friday and Saturday.
- Each Participant must wear a nametag and wristband from Thursday at Registration through Saturday until the end of the Jamboree.
- Clothing will only be available at the Jamboree and will not be displayed on the website, except for the Annual Event T-shirt.
- JJUSA Annual Event T-shirts are not trip specific. It is the same for the entire season. Some Jamborees do offer Jamboree specific shirts and merchandise for sale during the Jamboree.
- While the Trail Guides do their best to trim back as much brush as possible, we are limited by Federal, Tribal and Private landowners as to how much "trail maintenance" can be performed.

ALWAYS REQUIRED

- It is mandatory to return a waiver form (one per each Jamboree) signed by everyone in your vehicle to the JJUSA office at least two weeks prior to the Jamboree you are attending. A waiver for participant's under the age of 18 years old must be signed by a parent or the minor's legal guardian. [2015-release-and-waiver.pdf](#)
- A working CB radio (hand held is permissible) is mandatory for all Jeeps attending a Jamboree.
- In order to provide accurate counts to our caterer for event meals and secure the appropriate land permits: All new registrations of vehicles, adding, deleting or changing passengers must be completed **two weeks** prior to the Jamboree date. Registration prices are per person, not per Jeep vehicle.

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EVENT SCHEDULE

Important note about meals:

This Jamboree is a Classic - catered meals include breakfast, lunch and dinner on Friday and Saturday.

THURSDAY, September 17, 2015

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Vehicle evaluation, registration and trail sign-ups will be held at Mr. Willy's, 3695 Rt. 42 South, Monticello, NY. 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 have picked up your lunch prior to the General Attendance Meeting.

FRIDAY, September 18, 2015

6:30 A.M. - 8:00 A.M. Breakfast at Mr. Willy's Restaurant - Be sure to pick up your lunch before leaving the restaurant.

8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. Mandatory General Attendance Meeting in Mr. Willy's parking lot

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 Mr. Willy's Restaurant
Bring your laptop into the restaurant and share your journey or keep warm around the campfire at Mr. Willy's

SATURDAY, September 19, 2015

6:30 A.M. - 8:00 A.M. Breakfast at Mr. Willy's Restaurant

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

6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M. Dinner at Mr. Willy's Restaurant
Prize drawing after dinner
Participant must be present to win

Trip & Vehicle questions contact Glenda Gau: glenda@jeepjam.com / 530-333-4777 x12

Registration questions, adding or changing passengers contact Liz Phillips: liz@jeepjam.com / 530-333-4777 x16

TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

Please note: Not all of the trails listed below will be available at sign up: however, a representation of all difficulty levels will be available to choose from.

Rivas Farm - Rated 5

This trail starts in pastures of a century old farm surrounded by huge stone walls. Trails twist through the woods where you will find mud and moderate rocks. This trail is good for the beginning Jeep or as a refresher course for those that haven't tried off-roading in a while.

Whispering Woods - Rated 5

This trail winds through a huge parcel of land that was once a planned development. This trail borders the 9 mile Swinging Bridge Reservoir, which is home to many bald eagles, deer, bears and plenty of terrible terrain. Trail includes tricky hill climbs, moderate rocks, stream crossings and plenty of mud if mother nature cooperates with rain.

Bushville Road - Rated 5-6

This trail starts at the Rivas farm and wanders near the Mongaup River Valley to the former town of Bushville, whose last inhabitants moved out in the late 1930's. Challenging hill climbs, plenty of rock sections, gooey mud and if weather permits, the possibility of circling the Keifer Marsh (Swamp Loop). This will be a good opportunity for the moderate off-roader. There will be lots of challenges.

Purdue Valley - Rated 5-6

The lush Neversink River Valley, which was once known as Denistons Ford, is a 500 acre parcel that winds along steep outcroppings of rock ledges near the infamous Purdue Brook. Moderate rocks, good hill climbs, plenty of gooey mud and lunch along the banks of the Neversink is what Purdue offers.

12 Step Program - Rated 6-7

12 Step wanders around the grounds of the former Capital Inn Resort that met its' fiery demise in the 1940's. This trail runs over a large tract of land between two old mill towns. Nothing remains of this once grand resort except a huge foundation in the ground atop a hill near the former Newburgh Cohection Turnpike. Steep hills, ledges, high probability of swampy mud and the infamous 'stairs' await jeeps on this challenging trail.

White Lake Brook - Rated 6-8

This challenging trail is on the same parcel as Whispering Woods along Swinging Bridge Reservoir. This trail takes you over the Moscoe Road, which leads to the now flooded hamlet of Starlight that was sacrificed to make this electricity producing body of water. Six hundred acres of wilderness allows this trail

to offer a wide variety of terrain that includes some great hill climbs, river crossings, plenty of rock and plenty of mud if nature cooperates. Trail geared towards the more experienced Jeep. At least one locker and 33" tires advised.

Hummel Hollow - Rated 6-8

Legend has it during prohibition, a small riverside grain mill, (Shady Brook Mill) doubled as a moonshine distillery that serviced many Catskill resorts with illegal "hooch". This trail offers challenges for the more experienced and equipped Jeeps with a creek crossing, hill climbs, rocks and mud.

Gilroy Hill - Rated 8-9

In the late 1800's, the Gilroy family emigrated from Ireland to the U.S. where they ended up in the Monticello area. This trail weaves through much of the land they settled along the fertile banks of the Mongaup River Valley. This trail offers the experienced Jeep a variety of terrain, including rocks, mud, hill climbs and did we mention more rocks and more mud?

Devils Tombstone - Rated 9

Not for the faint of heart, this trail utilizes much of the land that the Avon Lodge trails use - but much worse terrain! Dried up stream beds, nasty hill climbs, technical maneuvering, seasonal mud and some of the worst rock the glaciers could have dumped along the ridge line of a steep mountain is what "the Devil" throws at you. This trail is aimed for the experienced Jeep that wants a serious challenge on some great terrain. 33" tires, 2 lockers and 3" min. lift required. Winch highly advised.

Snake Bite - Rated 9+

You asked for harder, so here it is! Not to say too much about this trail, but we've done the actual Rubicon Trail with an open differential TJ and we believe this trail is realistically twice as hard! While on the same land as Whispering Woods, this trail offers sharp turns off the beaten trail through some of the worst rock gardens the glaciers dropped us, two creek beds with some running water cascading down at your Jeep and a sick hill climb. This one is for the very experienced Jeep with a serious vehicle. 35" tires are recommended, 2 lockers, 3" lift min, winch required. This one is not for the faint of heart.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR TRIP COORDINATORS

The trails on the Catskill Mountains Jeep Jamboree range in difficulty from 5 to 9. These trails include a mix of rocks, water holes, stream crossings, hill climbs and some of the most beautiful scenery you could ask for.

To see some of our trails and become acquainted with the Catskill Mountains trail guides go to:
www.catskillsjeepjamboree.com

Please take the time to speak with the trail guides Thursday evening during trail sign-ups and vehicle check. Our trail guides can help you decide which trails best suit your vehicle and experience level. Your guides will recommend trails to help make your trip more enjoyable and safe, while minimizing the risk of possible damage to your Jeep. First time participants are encouraged to stay on the lower rated trails.

While some participants may want a more difficult trail, others may choose to take it easy. Trail conditions and ratings can increase or decrease 1 to 2 points depending on the weather. CB Radios are crucial to our ability to provide each of you with a great off-road experience. This is your best way to ask for assistance, hear directions and learn interesting information about the history of the area you are trail riding in. Participants without a CB radio can and do slow down the flow of the trail ride. Please have a CB radio with you.

Whatever the weather, this Jamboree will offer some of the most enjoyable, scenic and challenging trails on the east coast!

LOCAL AREA INFORMATION

WEATHER

For a 10 day forecast of weather conditions go to
www.weather.com

VISITOR RESOURCES

Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce
845-794-2211

New York State Travel Information Center
800-225-5697

WEBSITES

Sullivan County Chamber of Commerce
www.catskills.com

ACCOMMODATIONS

The town of Monticello is excited to add The Sullivan hotel and event center for your lodging needs. The Sullivan is located on Route 17 at exit 209, 283 Rock Hill Drive, Rock Hill, NY. Be sure to tell them you are with the Jeep Jamboree.

Motels

The Sullivan 845-796-3100
Best Western Monticello 845-796-4000

Bed & Breakfast – Country Inn

The Inn at Lake Joseph 845-791-9506

Camping & RV Parking

Mr. Willy's

As a courtesy, our headquarter host is allowing camping on site for self-contained tent and RV parking. Portable toilets & a hot water shower will be available. Please note this does not have all of the amenities that an actual campground would have. Sites are first-come, first-serve. No hook ups. A shower is provided as a courtesy. There is only one. For more amenities consider another camping location or one of the local hotels.

Neversink Campground 845-434-8926

Approximately 25 minutes from Monticello

Morningside Park 845-434-5877/7337

Approximately 35 minutes from Monticello

HOW DO I GET THERE?

HEADQUARTERS

Driving Directions to Mr. Willy's

From NYC/NJ/New England: State Route 17 West.

Exit 104/Monticello. 1st traffic light: Turn left onto Jefferson Street. Continue past Exxon and Sunoco Stations on your right. After one mile, turn right at "T" on Broadway/State Route 42 South. Follow Route 42 (makes a sharp curve to the left) 2 miles to Mr. Willy's (on your right hand side).

From Upstate NY: Route 17 East. Exit 104/Monticello. Straight through 1st traffic light onto Jefferson Street. Continue past the Exxon and Sunoco Stations on your right. After one mile, turn right at "T" on Broadway/State Route 42 South. Follow Route 42 2 miles to Mr. Willy's (on your right hand side).

From PA/Port Jervis, NY area: Route 97 North from Port Jervis, NY (off I-84). Go 4 miles and turn right on State Route 42 North. 22 miles to Monticello. Mr. Willy's is located on the left just after Sackett Lake Road. (Mr. Willy's is before the village of Monticello)

SPECIAL THANKS!

Adam Rivas and Mike Taylor - Coordinators

Catskill Mountains Trail Guides

All of the land owners

Bill and Bobby Sipos

Mr. Willy's Restaurant Staff

Sullivan County Sheriff Department

Salt and Pepper the Kitchen

The Sullivan

Best Western Monticello

VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

Tow points are MANDATORY! Tow points may include, tow hooks properly mounted to the frame with grade six/ eight bolts according to official Mopar installation procedures, draw bars, receiver hitches, or aftermarket bumpers with manufacturers installed clevis or d-ring anchor.

- **Participant tires not to exceed 37" and combined lift of 6". If you exceed these, you will be turned away at registration and will not be allowed to attend the jamboree or receive a refund!**
- **If you do not have tow points, you may be turned away at registration without a refund.**
- **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 METAL 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.**
- **CB Radio mandatory!**

Please contact Glenda if you have further questions at glenda@jeepjam.com or 530-333-4777 ext. 12.

WHAT TO BRING

- ___ 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 to stay hydrated

CB radio is MANDATORY! There are many safety issues regarding upcoming obstacles transmitted over the CB radio by your trail guides. It is required that each vehicle to have a working 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, flashlight, 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

Some Jamborees 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.

Also, please note that 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.

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 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. 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

It is mandatory to return a waiver form signed by everyone in your vehicle to the JJUSA office at least two weeks prior to the Jamboree you are attending. This helps to prevent delays in processing your registration and avoid longer wait times during registration. A waiver for participant's under the age of 18 years old must be signed by a parent or the minor's legal guardian.

REGISTRATIONS, ADDING OR CHANGING PASSENGERS:

In order to give accurate counts to our caterer for the meals, pay for land use and permit fees: All new registrations of vehicles, adding, deleting or changing passengers must be completed **two weeks** prior to the Jamboree date. We will no longer be able to accommodate onsite registrations or adding passengers. Please note that 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.

GET CONNECTED

Join the discussion group for just one or multiple Jeep Jamborees on Facebook. This is a great way to start conversing with fellow participants and trail guides before you even get to the Jamboree. Ask questions, share information and photos before, during and after your great adventure. Click on [discussion groups](#) on the Jeep Jamboree USA homepage and join for FREE.

WHILE YOU ARE THERE

Name Badges and Wristbands

When you register on-site Thursday evening, you will be given one nametag and a wristband per participant. 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 to us. 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.jeeppjamboreeusa.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. Bringing pets is strongly discouraged. If your pet must attend, you must submit a pet waiver prior to event.

WHERE DO I SLEEP ON A JEEP JAMBOREE?

Participants are responsible for arranging their own lodging. Included in this event schedule is a list of 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 from our sponsors. Sorry, no partial trips are offered or meal only options and no spectators allowed. All participants must be officially registered.

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. 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 instructions given by trail guides, spotters, and Jeep Jamboree USA. However, there's the possibility of damage to your vehicle when traveling rough terrain. Any damage is the owner's responsibility. Jamborees with higher difficulty ratings are more likely to encounter terrain that may contribute to vehicular damage. Participants are required to sign a waiver form.

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 jeopardize 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

NO OCCUPANTS OF VEHICLE WILL POSSESS OR CONSUME ALCOHOL WHILE ON THE TRAILS. DOING SO MEANS IMMEDIATE EXPULSION.

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 60 Days	\$75
59 days to 30 days	50 %
29 days to 8 days	75 %
7 days to trip date	NO REFUND
Transfer Fee	\$50

Should you choose to transfer from one trip to another trip in the same calendar year you may do so for \$50 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.