

### 4th Coal Mountain Jeep Jamboree

Coal Township, Pennsylvania
July 30 – August 1, 2015
Trail Rating 3 - 9

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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 (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 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**

This Jamboree is a Classic. Meals include breakfast, lunch and dinner on Friday and Saturday.

#### **THURSDAY, July 30, 2015**

5:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. Vehicle evaluation and registration will take place at the Anthracite Outdoor Adventure

Area (AOAA) 4100 State Route 125 Coal Township, PA 17872 Refer to "How Do I Get There?" for directions. Trail sign-ups will take place during registration and are on a first come, first-serve 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

prior to the General Attendance Meeting.

FRIDAY, July 31, 2015

6:30 A.M. - 7:45 A.M. Breakfast served at Masser's Banquet Hall, 5281 Rt 61, Paxinos, PA. The banquet

hall is behind Masser's Restaurant and is located at the intersection of Rt 61 and 487.

Refer to "How Do I Get There?" for directions.

8:30 A.M. - 9:00 A.M. Mandatory General Attendance Meeting and staging at the Anthracite Outdoor

Adventure Area (AOAA)

Be sure to pick up your lunch before heading out for the trail ride

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 served at Masser's Banquet Hall

SATURDAY, August 1, 2015

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Prize drawing following dinner. Participant must be present to win

Trip and vehicle questions contact Glenda Gau: <a href="mailto:glenda@jeepjam.com">glenda@jeepjam.com</a> / 530-333-4777 x12

Registration questions, adding or changing passengers contact Liz Phillips: <a href="mailto:liz@jeepjam.com">liz@jeepjam.com</a> / 530-333-4777 x16

#### LOCAL AREA INFORMATION

#### **WEATHER**

The weather this time of year varies. For a 10 day forecast of weather conditions go to <a href="https://www.weather.com">www.weather.com</a>

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

All lodging options are about a 25 minute drive from the trail head.

#### **MOTELS**

Country Inn and Suites Headquarter Hotel Frackville, PA 570-544-5201 or 800-596-2375 This is the nicest and closest hotel to the AOAA. No matter where you stay there will be driving involved. A group discount is being offered to Jeep Jamboree participants. Be sure to tell them you are with Jeep Jamboree USA.

#### **Danville**

Best Western 570-275-5750 Hampton Inn 570-271-0495 Pine Bar Inn & Motel 800-627-2276 or 570-275-2071

#### **CAMPING**

Earth Day Campground 570-644-0821 3677 Lower Rd. Shamokin Campground under development, call for details.

Knoebels and Lake Glory Campgrounds
http://www.knoebels.com/index.php/directions

#### MESSAGE FROM YOUR COORDINATOR

Our Trail Guides have been working over the winter with AOAA Staff to continue developing the trail system. New and exciting things are happening with the property. We are confident that you will agree. Our trails are diverse and will offer rides for stock to modified rigs. Rocks, mud, water crossings, plenty of off camber obstacles and a few pucker factors along the way will only add to your enjoyment and excitement. There are great plans in store for the Adventure Center. Each year that you return, we know you will be pleasantly surprised by the new additions. Some of the trails are not for the faint of heart. We have something for everyone.

Please understand that this Jamboree has a considerable amount of driving time from one venue to another. Venues that are large enough to accommodate the number of participants attending the Jamboree is limited. The neighboring communities are spread out. We apologize for the inconvenience; however, we know that once you have experienced the trail system you will think that it was worth the drive.

#### **HOW DO I GET THERE?**

#### **Anthracite Outdoor Adventure Area**

http://www.anthraciteadventure.com/pages/TheAOAA/AOAATrailhead.aspx

4100 Route 125, Coal Township, PA

- Interstate 81 Exit 116 Minersville, PA
- Turn North toward Lavelle
- 5.6 miles into Lavelle Last chance for fuel Look for Turkey Hill Mini Mart on left.
- Turn left onto High Rd.
- 8.5 miles Gowen City Stop sign at Route 125 turn right
- 1.0 mile AOAA entrance on right

#### **Country Inn and Suites**

- Off of Hwy 81 take exit ramp to Highridge Park Rd.
- Off of Highridge Park turn onto Keystone.
- Follow the signs to the Country Inn and Suites.

#### **AOAA** to Masser's

- Turn right out of parking lot go 3.3 miles
- Turn left on Sunbury St. follow to 3<sup>rd</sup> traffic light which is a t-intersection.
- Turn left onto North 61 go approx 4.3 miles on North 61.
- Masser's is located at the intersection of Rt 61 and Rt 487 on the right side.

#### Country Inn & Suites to Masser's Banquet Hall

- Route I-81 South to Exit 116 Minersville/Route
   90
- Turn right at stop sign and follow Rt. 901
- Route 901 turns left +/- 10 miles. Continue to follow 901
- Route 901 turns left +/- 2.8 miles. Continue to follow 901 for approx. 4.7 miles.
- Take Route 61 North, under the bridge turn left
- Wind through Shamokin on Rt 61 to Masser's Family Restaurant/Banquet Hall. Masser's is just past Rt 487 on the right hand side.
- Banquet Hall is located in the rear of the property away from the main entrance.

#### TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

#### Trails are subject to change.

The following trails are a brief description of what MAY be available. Due to permitting issues and winter conditions, some trails may not be available once you arrive at the Jamboree. A complete list of current trails will be available at the event. Please go to our home page and join the Discussion Group for the Coal Mountain Jeep Jamboree to be kept up to date on information pertaining to this Jamboree. The Discussion Groups are a great way to connect with participants as well as be notified of changes before and after the event.

#### West Side Ho-BT Highway - Rating 2-4

This trail will cover a large portion of the former mining ground. Trail includes mud, rocks, and sand. You will visit The Projects, play in the Sand Pits, stop by an old mine shaft entry and play tree tag on steep slopes.

#### West Side Coal Crackers - Rating 3-5

Wind your way through the trees on Potato Chip Hill, climb over rocks on Fern Ridge, travel through Trench Ravine and the Mud Loop. Along the way you will stop to see an underground mine fire and entrance to an old mining shaft.

#### West Side - Breaker Boys - Rating 6-8

This trail travels through the Rock Garden and will test our various lines from mild to wild. Off camber and lots of rock is a good way to describe this trail. Your day will finish by navigating your way up and out of Trench Ravine 1 and 2.

#### East Side Mud Mining - Rating 2-4

The Mud Mining trail will cover a large portion of former mining sites. Up and down hill ascents and descents, some rocks, and off camber obstacles will greet you on the Mud Mining Trail.

#### East Side East Bound and Down Rating 5-7

Travel along the pole line with up and down hill climbs and ravines as you make your way to The Point. Challenge both you and your Jeep vehicle on Barney Rubble's uphill rock climb. If you think you have driven on rocks before, wait until you see what you do on Old Barney.

#### East Side Rock and Rumble - Rating 8-9

Rocks, rocks and more rocks! Warm up with Bam-Bam and Thunder Alley, two uphill rock climbs. These are big rocks that will slip and slide and give you and your Jeep a workout. The day will end on Rene's Hill!

#### OTHER THINGS TO SEE AND DO

Tour one of America's oldest Breweries.

#### **Yuenling Brewery**

Pottsville, PA

Brewery is located near the Country Inn and Suites, our headquarter hotel. Tours are available.

#### **Knoebels Amusement Resort**

www.knoebels.com

#### **Pioneer Mine Tunnel - Tours Available**

Ashland, PA

#### SPECIAL THANKS!

Steve Risk - Coordinator
Coal Mountain Trail Guides
Anthracite Outdoor Adventure Area
Kathy Jeremiah
Pat Mack - Director of Planning
Barry Yarworth - AOAA Representative
Northumberland County
Breakfast/Dinner Caterer - Masser's Banquet Hall
Lunch Caterer - Forest Hill Fire Company

#### **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

<u>www.jeepjamboreeusa.com/photos</u> 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 4×4. 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. Regretfully,

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:

Days Prior to Trip Date	<b>Penalty</b>
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.