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VA4WDA Fall 2024



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Editorial Calendar

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline</u>	<u>Delivery</u>
Spring/February	February 1	End of February
Summer/May	May 1	End of May
Fall/August	August 1	End of August
Winter/November	November 1	End of November

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A message from Jesse L Schneirla, VA4WDA President

VA4WDA Members,

I'm writing today to clear things up on why we can't have the 2024 VA4WDA Fall Run. Basically, it is the inability to secure insurance to cover everything and everyone at the event that will not put VA4WDA, Trail Experience and Oak Ridge at risk. The Insurance industry isn't writing policies that will cover a guided trail ride like ours. This is a requirement to apply and obtain an Event Permit from Nelson County also.

Trust me, we have turned over more stones to find the elusive underwriter that would write us a policy. So VA4WDA and Wheelin' for Hope are in the same boat. Both teams, along with Trail Experience and Oak Ridge

Estate are still researching and calling every lead to find insurance for both events next year. We welcome any leads that you may have but trust me we probably have contacted them.

I want to thank those that have worked hard to try to make this happen, but at this time we couldn't put things together at this late date to put on the event that everyone expects. Again, we want to thank all of those that have supported us and participated in all past events. Without all of you, this wouldn't be a quality event.

We are still going to be having a Food Drive to support the Nelson County Food Pantry. There is more on that in this newsletter.

Jesse L Schneirla

Letters from VA4WDA members! We want to hear from YOU!

Letter!... from Heather Wood with Eastern Truck and Accessories

Come join Eastern Truck and Accessories this year, at the following events:

OBX Jeep Invasion September 20th-22nd
Tidewater Broncos Beach Clean October 9th
VA Beach Jeep Fest November 8th-10th
Coastal Auto Show November 23rd-24th
Virginia Beach Oceanfront Christmas Parade December 7th

Hope to see you there! Don't forget to come check our state of the art showroom located at 6320 E Virginia Beach Blvd Norfolk, VA 23502. All association members receive 10% products, such as BDS, JKS, and Method.

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Nelson County Food Pantry Food Drive

Even though we had to cancel our Fall Run slated for this September, we still want to show the Nelson County Food Pantry our support. We are having a food drive starting today and will be collecting food and money through October 3, 2024.

We will caravan to the Nelson County Food Pantry on October 4 (10-4), 2024 to deliver what we have collected. If you want to join our caravan and help take the food to the Pantry, please reach out to Sandy at VicePresident@va4wda.org.

Who will be the first club to start a challenge?? VA4WDA will match money donated dollar for dollar up to \$2,000. \$4,000 is a lot of meals. Who is in for the club challenge?

Drop off sites are as follows:

4 Wheel Drive Specialty, 7710 W Broad St, Richmond VA 23294

Aylett Tire, 11350 W River Rd, Aylett VA 23009

Eastern Truck & Accessories, 6320 E Virginia Beach Blvd, Norfolk VA 23502

Independent 4X, 10403 Leadbetter Rd, Ashland VA 23005

Open Air Jeeps, 800 Seahawk Cir, #128/129, Virginia Beach VA 23452

Southern Auto Group, 2747 N Military Hwy, Norfolk VA 23518

If you wish to donate money, you can do so via PayPal using PayPal@va4wda.org. You may also mail us a check made payable to the Nelson County Food Pantry (which is tax deductible). All checks mailed to VA4WDA, P. O. Box 6612, Virginia Beach VA 23456 must be received no later than October 3, 2024.



**Let's fill the VA4WDA trailer with food!!
We can do it!!!**



Letter!... from Mark Mormando, VA4WDA Land Use Coordinator

Why We Do the Carova Beach Clean Up

The Carova Beach Clean Up is an event that has been happening in October for the last 16 years. Started by KMA Jeep Club and then turned over to Tidewater Broncos. It is open to all 4 wheel drive clubs and to anyone who wants to volunteer their time to help remove trash from the shore line and back roads of Carova Beach. Doing this helps protect the wild Spanish Mustangs that call Carova Beach their home. There are only about 125 of the Spanish Mustangs still roaming the shores here in Carova. We provide bags to fill up, some long reach grappers, and even some trailers to load the trash and debris in. We have removed tons of trash, with some very weird stuff too such as refrigerator doors, vehicle bumpers, exhaust systems, and even a kitchen sink. There are some raffle prizes donated to the event from some of our great sponsors, such as Eastern Truck and Accessories, Virginia Four Wheel Drive Association, Torq Master, and Adams Drive Shaft to name a few. Raffle tickets are sold to raise funds in support of the Carolla Wild Horse Fund. VA4WDA and Tidewater Broncos provide lunch for all of those who help out. This is a great family-friendly event and you can do something to give back to the community for a place we really enjoy spending time at. Every year, the horses come by to make an appearance and to say thank you to all the volunteers. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!! If you are free on October 12th, 2024, please plan to attend the 17th Annual Carova Beach Clean Up. We meet on the beach around mile post 21, close to the fire station ramp. Hope to see everyone there, and to meet some new friends. If anyone needs any information, please reach out to us.



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Letter!... from Paul Szabo, VA4WDA Board Member at Large

We ALL know one of the best things after wheelin hard all day is to come back to camp and make a nice meal out in the open air. In my years of wheeling adventures, I have always tried to find the best and most fun way to make a great meal. A couple years ago I stumbled upon a company called Southwest Disk out of New Mexico. They make the best plow disks (called a Discada) that you can imagine for cooking with. This is a veteran-owned company and they are true artists. They have a wide variety of styles to choose from. In addition, they have free recipes on their website. I use my discada every time I'm outdoors. On the trail of course, but also at home. Let me tell you, a discada can cook everything; you are only limited by your imagination. Another thing that is cool about the owners is they are also wheelers! They spend a lot of time wheeling in New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Colorado. When I reached out to them for our newsletter, they have **graciously offered a 10% discount using code VA4WDA to any of our members!!** Their website is www.southwestdisk.com. Please see a great recipe on the next page courtesy of Southwest Disk.



Cowboy Country Breakfast



Potatoes

Sausage or breakfast meat of your choice

Eggs

Green Chile (Any chile you desire)

Salt / Pepper

Seasoning

Tortillas (or biscuit, pita, etc...)

Preparation:

Potatoes – Slice with grater or cut into thin slices

Sausage or bacon – crumble sausage; cut bacon into 1x2 squares

- Add Olive Oil (your choice) to disk and heat
- Add meat – cook meat then add potatoes
- Cook meat and potatoes till done and add green chile
- Season to taste
- Add eggs (depending on how many you are feeding, picture above had a dozen eggs; feeding 15 people)
- When done heat up a tortilla on the disk for a great handheld breakfast burrito or serve with your favorite jelly/jam and biscuits.



Letter!... from Capital City 4 Wheelers

Capital City Four Wheelers 39th Annual Surf Fishing Tournament

October 19, 2024 – October 20, 2024

The 3rd full weekend in October will be here before you know it. CCFW will again host our annual saltwater surf fishing tournament on the Outer Banks of North Carolina. This event is fun for all ages with regular entries qualifying for big winnings and door prizes, as well as a free children's tournament with prizes of their own. It is once again an individual fisherman tournament, with a chance at the money for the biggest and second biggest Red Drum, Blue Fish, Trout, Northern Puffer, Sea Mullet, Croaker, or Spot. We have prizes totaling over \$2350, which is an increase of \$450 since 2022.

We continue to be blessed by the local Outer Banks businesses as well as businesses in Virginia, with 100's of door prizes to be given away. Prizes for food and dining are held via Facebook live, via entry the Friday prior to the first day of fishing. When entrants arrive to pick up their tournament packet, they could be pleasantly surprised to find a "Door Prize Winner" sticker on their packet. Tournament Entries that make it in the tournament PO Box by 9/1/24 will receive a free tournament t-shirt with their entry. Our club continues to promote cleaning up our outdoor spaces, with a trash pickup contest with a chance at a prize valued at least \$100. Thanks to the wonderful folks at Hatteras Jacks, Carolina Casting Pro, and One More Cast at least one Custom Rod and Reel Combo will be raffled off to fund LOCAL island charitable organization(s). None of these contests and donations would be possible without all the fishing men and women who enter our tournament! We love seeing the next generation carrying the torch of responsible fishermen/women, so bring them along to fish too and have a chance at their own prizes.

Entry forms were mailed out at the beginning of July, if you didn't receive one, they can be downloaded from our web site at <https://www.capitalcityfourwheelersva.com/our-services>. You can also enter on the day of the Tournament, in the morning, Saturday, October 19th, at the Fessenden Center in Buxton (bring cash). It's better to enter ahead of time, preferably before September 1st, to get a free t-shirt and be entered for the Saturday morning door prizes. Don't forget to get on the list for next year. To get on the mailing list contact the tournament chairmen at tournament@capitalcityfourwheelersva.com. Be Sure to include your Name, Mailing Address, Email address, and cell number in the event of any chairmen questions and entry confirmations that might arise. For tournament updates please follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CCFWclub.

Thank you everyone for your support. We CANNOT WAIT to see you in October!

-Heather Vaughan, Brandon Goodrich, and Christopher Goodrich, CCFW 2024 Tournament Chairmen

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CONTENT NEEDED

Our members keep the Virginia Four Wheel Drive Association going! Education, conservation, and recreation are the tools we use to be the voice keeping public lands open. But we continue to need your support.

We are always looking to hear from our members. Have you or your club hit the trails, and cleaned up some trash? Let us know! Have you or your club held an event in support of the four-wheel drive community? Let us know! Are you or your club helping educate the next generation of wheelers? Let us know! The more content and exposure we get as a community, helps us ensure we can continue to fight for our access to public grounds.

Do you have a cool build going on? Send it in. You may be helping a fellow wheeler with their build, and not even know it. Don't forget the progress photos! Send your articles and photos to editor@va4wda.org. Happy wheelin!

2024 Remaining Calendar of Events

Aug 22-25: Ocean City Jeep Week, Ocean City MD, www.oceancityjeepweek.com

Sept 2: **LABOR DAY**

Sept 6-8: **Big Dogs Main Jambo**, Gore VA, www.bigdogsoffroad.com

Oct 12: **Tidewater Broncos Beach Clean**, Carova NC, www.facebook.com/Tidewater-Broncos

Oct 18-20: **Big Dogs Fall Crawl**, Gore VA, www.bigdogsoffroad.com

Oct 19-20: **Capital City 33rd Annual Surf Fishing Tournament**, Fessenden Center, Buxton NC, www.capitolcityfourwheelersva.com

Oct 31: **HALLOWEEN**

Nov 3: **DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS**

Nov 9: **Big Dogs Offroad Toys for Tots**, Gore VA, www.bigdogsoffroad.com

Nov 11: **VETERAN'S DAY**

Nov 28: **THANKSGIVING DAY**

Dec 25: **CHRISTMAS DAY**

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