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THE NEXT MOVES ON THE CLOSURES (cont.)

On Wednesday September 27, Judge Illston issued her final ruling in the lawsuit, that is keeping the TEMPORARY closures in place. Generally, it does not appear to contain any real surprises; and most important, the Order does not impose new or additional closures. The interim closures remain in place without change. Those aspects of the Order that are complex and confusing relate primarily to the interim status of the critical habitat (CH) designation.

The only hard deadline imposed by the Court relates to the Critical Habitat Designation. According to the Order, FWS must "submit a new final critical habitat rule to the Federal Register for publication therein no later than February 1, 2008." (Of course, FWS is free to issue a new CH rule prior to that date if it is prepared to do so.)

We had initially requested that FWS and BLM complete the new BO and EIS within 12 months. However, with a firm deadline that soon, they wouldn't be able to guarantee the quality of the work.

The rest of the Court's Order breaks down as follows:

1. All parties retain their right to appeal.

2. The Biological Opinion for the ISDRA RAMP is vacated and remanded to FWS for further action and consideration consistent with the Court's ruling of March 13, 2006.

3. The EIS for the ISDRA RAMP is vacated and remanded to BLM for further action and consideration consistent with the Court's ruling of March 13, 2006.

4. BLM's 2005 Record of Decision (ROD) approving the RAMP is vacated and remanded back to BLM, pending completion of a new EIS and new BO. However, BLM may continue with whatever portions of the RAMP not otherwise prohibited by the Order or inconsistent with the Court's ruling of March 13, 2006. (The Court was exceedingly vague as to what this meant.)

5. The Incidental Take Statement (ITS) authorizing take of desert tortoise is remanded to FWS for further action and consideration consistent with the Court's ruling of March 13, 2006. The ITS is not vacated, however, and BLM may rely upon the take exemption provided in the ITS pending remand.

6. FWS's decision in August 2004 to exclude certain habitat from its Critical Habitat Designation (CHD) is vacated, as is the accompanying economic analysis. Both are remanded to FWS for further action and consideration consistent with the Court's ruling of March 13, 2006. FWS must publish a new CHD rule on or before February 1, 2008.

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BOARD MEMBER RON SCOTT CONGRATULATES WINNER OF THE TATUM RAFFLE CAR GREG ISLAS

ASA / TATUM GIVEAWAY WINNER

The winning raffle ticket was drawn Sunday, September 18th at the Sand Sports Super Show. Greg Islas of Fountain Valley CA. won the Tatum giveaway car. Greg had bought a single ticket on Friday night!

The ASA would like to thank the thousands of people that helped make this yet another successful raffle. Our raffles not only help fund the ASA with both our legal and biological efforts, they help educate our membership and others. Without the continued support of business sponsors like *Tatum Motor Sports*, *Turn Key Engine Supply*, *Mendeola Transaxles* and our other 450 sponsors, we would not have the ability to continue.

Our new giveaway, a Monster Manx2 Dejong Off-Road Sand Car will be given away at next years *Sand Sports Super Show*. Please see page 5 for all the details. More information on the 8th Annual Sand Sports Super Show can be found on page 7.

FIND MORE INFORMATION AND STORIES IN OUR ONLINE VERSION OF THE NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

By Grant George

Remembering Why

As we're loading gas cans, restocking trailers and tuning our sand cars it really hit home why those of us immersed in the fight donate our time, energy and funds to this seemingly uphill battle. For me, it goes beyond the fact that I am fortunate enough to have a Glamis related business. But I fight the fight for my family, friends, camping, and awesome riding you can't get anywhere else. I fight for nights around a campfire, that beautiful dune ride at dusk, and the camaraderie of a great group of friends.

I know that each of you have your reasons to keep this access to the great place available. There are a lot of ways you can help us fight this fight for you and your family. By keeping your membership active and updating your basic information in our systems we can use these numbers to show a committed and thriving membership. I hope to see you soon around a campfire or carving some dunes.

Be Safe and see ya on the Sand

Chairman's Report

By Bob Mason

"HELP US TALK TO YOU"

By

KEEPING YOUR CONTACT INFO UP TO DATE

ASA membership is growing. We now have over 27,000 members and expect to have 30,000 members by the end of the year. This is good. Our strength lies in our numbers and a well informed membership. We can influence the management and long term future of our sport by demonstrating that we are United and Mobilized to protect our right to ride.

As we grow it becomes more expensive to keep our membership informed. Email and the Internet is our least cost and most effective way for us to keep you informed. We need your help. Please take time to keep up us up to date on your contact information.

Right now we have 4,776 members in our database with a "#" in front of their first names, are you one of them? Please look right now at page 16 and check.

At one time, we had a valid email address for all those members. Many of those members above chose to receive our information by email only, so now they are receiving a printed newsletter, an additional expense to us.

Another advantage of a valid email address is our "What's New in the ASA" mass email sent each month. Receive the latest news about your organization. Our new website has the ability to get your own password to update your information. Go here to receive your username and password:

http://www.asasand.org/help.php?section=Password_Recovery

That link also doubles as a way to check and see if your latest email address is in our database. If it doesn't show up, then we need a new email address from you, simply send an email to: membership@asasand.org along with your current info and we will update the email address and then send you your username and password.

All of this said we can do a better job of keeping you informed with your help. A well informed membership is our best vehicle in the fight to protect your right to ride.

As Always, thanks for your support,

Chairman of the Board

WHAT IS THE ASA?

The ASA is the lead group fighting to keep the Imperial Sands Dunes Recreation Area (ISDRA) open to OHV use. We are a nonprofit California corporation under the IRS Tax Code known as 501(c)(4). Leaders of the ASA are volunteers.

Working in concert with the Off Road Business Association (ORBA), San Diego Off-Road Coalition (SDORC), and others, the ASA has filed eight lawsuits against the Bureau of Land Management and the Fish and Wildlife Service. We have standing in several legal actions that could well be used to close the entire dunes. We stand poised to oppose any legal actions brought by any anti-access groups that would prevent the new Recreation Area Management Plan from being implemented. This plan would remove some of the closures entirely and grant conditional access to others.

In addition to our legal actions to preserve our right to ride, we filed a precedent-setting delisting petition to remove the Peirson's Milk Vetch from the Endangered Species List. This plant was used to create the closures put in place in 2000. These closures total over 49,000 acres of sand dunes and are located south of Highway 78, south of Highway 8, and at Mammoth Wash.

Our delisting petition is based on good, solid science derived from biological studies paid for by the ASA, ORBA, and SDORC. This science cost over $100,000 so far and we are budgeting for more. Our efforts don't stop there. We have two lobbyists on retainer: one in Washington D. C. and the other in Sacramento.

We have made several trips to Washington D.C. and Sacramento to present our case and plan to make several more. Our Public Safety and Education makes us known as a group that is not only interested in a World Class duning experience, but Stewards of the land and its resources: a very good connection with the current administration.

The ASA has received the US Dept. of Interior's 4C's Award, recognizing our organization's commitment to working with the Bureau and others to enhance recreational conservation on public lands in Southern California.

IMPERIAL COUNTY FIREWORKS BAN INCLUDES ALL OFF-ROAD AREAS

EL CENTRO, CA -- The countywide ban on the sale and use of fireworks approved Sept. 26 by the Imperial County Board of Supervisors encompasses all unincorporated areas, including federal and state lands popular with off-roaders and boaters.

The ban will be enforced in those areas, such as the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area, Superstition, Plaster City and Ocotillo Wells, Imperial County Sheriff Harold Carter stated.

The ordinance is expected to take effect Nov. 1. After that date, anyone caught in possession of, using, or selling fireworks will have the items confiscated and face a fine of up to $500 for the first offense. A fine of up to $1000 could be imposed for a second offense. The ban exempts licensed fireworks events.

The ban was approved for safety and fire prevention reasons. It was supported by local fire chiefs. Local public safety agencies, including the Sheriff's Office, will assist with a public education effort concerning the new law.

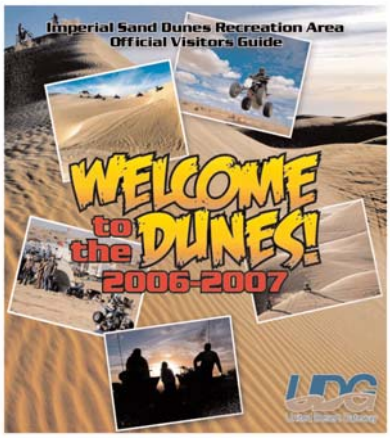
UDG 2006-2007 SEASON NEWSPAPER

At the recent Sand Sports Super Show attendees received the new United Desert Gateway newspaper for the season. Inside you will find a lot of information including the new camping pads recently added at the ISDRA and the Mini Cleanup Schedule for the new season.

Mark your calendars now for the upcoming 10th Annual ISDRA MLK Weekend Cleanup to be held on January 13th. This is a National "Take Pride in America" event.

You will also find a full listing of those businesses located in the gateway communities that surround the ISDRA area (Brawley, El Centro & Yuma) that help support the UDG and our dunes.

The UDG newspaper is free and can be found at several locations at the dunes. We include these newspapers in each ASA online store order and in each stuffed checkered bags that you can help distribute to others at the dunes.



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LEGAL UPDATE ON THE CLOSURES

7. While the new CHD rule is being prepared, the August 2004 CHD rule shall remain in effect with respect to those areas designated as critical habitat. For those areas that were improperly excluded from the CHD, the August 5, 2003 CHD rule shall be reinstated and shall apply until the new rule is published -- i.e., February 1, 2008.

8. While the documents are on remand, the Temporary Closures (described in 66 Fed. Reg. 53,431 -- October 22, 2001) shall remain in place. BLM shall provide continued public notification of the closures via brochures and maps. BLM shall also provide written reports to all parties summarizing the results of the over flight monitoring.

9. All injunctive relief running in favor of the plaintiff (CBD) shall expire 90 days after BLM issues a new ROD for the RAMP (which will include the new BO, EIS, and CHD).

10. Upon completing the new BO, EIS, and CHD, BLM and FWS shall provide all parties with copies of the final documents and file a Notice with the Court indicating that the documents have been issued. Once the Notice is filed, any aggrieved party must file its objection to the documents within 90 days. Failing that, the Order will expire by operation of law. In the event an objection is filed within the time prescribed, the Court will decide what action to take.

NEW ASA FLAG

Our new fundraising ASA flags were a HIT at the Sand Sports Super Show. A first run order of 300 flags were purchased and we sold out on Sunday morning. Another order of these flags have been ordered and should be available on our online store and found at all events soon.

The flags also come with a Checkered Flag to fly underneath and show your support for the Checkered Flag program and pledge that includes;

WE pack it in and WE pack it out
WE live by the rules
WE support law enforcement at the dunes,
WE report major infractions
WE act in a responsible manner

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The California League of Off Road Voters

The California League of Off Road Voters Inc. (CLORV) is a coordinating and educational umbrella organization dedicated to keeping existing off road motorized recreation opportunities open.

The newly expanded membership of CLORV Inc. includes: the American Motorcycle Association D-36, American Motorcycle Association D-37, American Motorcycle Association-National, American Sand Association, California Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs, California Nevada Snowmobile Association, California Off Road Vehicle Association, Friends of Oceano Dunes, Off-Road Business Association, and the San Diego Off-Road Coalition, all working together for a common cause.

In order to elect more OHV friendly candidates to state offices, CLORV has formed a state level political action committee (PAC) to endorse candidates, donate money and provide volunteers to off highway friendly legislators and candidates. This is where you come in; The organizations making up CLORV cannot donate directly to candidates. This must come from the grass roots level, YOU. Several of the races in the primaries were won by candidates who attribute their success to the OHV community! This is fantastic, as it is these people who will remember us when they get into office. So help support our sport by completing the form to the left and sending in a donation today.

Every dollar helps, no donation is too small.

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8th ANNUAL SAND SPORTS SUPER SHOW

Hello Everyone!

The 2006 Sand Sports Super Show (SSSS) has come and gone and we're already thinking about next year! Although it is a lot of work, we all had an absolutely wonderful time and show. Over 55,000 people came through the gates over the 3 days, over 250 vendors on display! Loud! Flashy! What a great time!

2006 JRS AWARD WINNER JULIE KROGH RECEIVING HER AWARD

The ASA had a wonderful year as we signed up over 1730 new members!! Over 100 new Supporting Members and many new Business Sponsors! The new ASA Flag was a hit and we sold out! OK, so we need to order more of those!

Awards were also handed out on Sunday afternoon before the Tatum Motor Sports car raffle took place. Congratulations to Julie Krogh for winning the Jerry R. Seaver Volunteer Recognition Award! (JRS) This award is for the ASA Volunteer of the Year and Julie is very deserving having been the ASA Recording Secretary for the last 6 years! Presenting the award to Julie was Steven Borchard the BLM CA Desert District Manager.

Congratulations to all the other nominees who help make the ASA the Best!! Jerry Canning, Kevin Ethington, Mary Gagle, Tim Gantz, Greg Gorman, Bryan Henry, Jason Hitesman, George Nelson, Patti Nelson, Shelly Sanuik, Scott Swenka, and Brian Trapp

Mr. Tim Gantz received the ASA "Jump Start" Award for implementing the Dunes Outreach / Trash Program. Tim started this program by using his pickup to distribute trash bags and remove trash from popular duner gathering locations in the north dunes. He successfully solicited business sponsors for a donated truck to continue the program when his personal pickup fell by the wayside. He has expanded the program with the addition of a second truck in the south dunes for the 2006-07 season and now a third truck. Congratulations Tim on a job very well done!

Of course, the highlight of the SSSS.....who won the Tatum sandrail?? The winner was Greg Islas of Fountain Valley! Greg bought his ticket on Friday night at the show. Congrats Greg and I hope you enjoy your new car!

Get ready for next year, we have a DeJong Sand Car all set to give away in 2007!
(See page 5 for all the details and sponsors that help make this happen)

PACE TRAILERS OF ARIZONA DONATED THIS TRAILER TO THE ASA

THE CROWD WATCHED AS THE NEW DEJONG CAR WAS UNCOVERED

The SSSS is a lot of work for many people, from planning, setup, being in the booth, tear-down and packing up and going home. It is truly a group effort and I would like to thank many people, starting with the SSSS Committee. What an absolutely wonderful group of people that have dedicated their efforts to the ASA for several years now. Thank you very much! And a big thanks to members Tim & Cherrie Wight for the ASA Hospitality Area and all the planning and cooking you did for the volunteers.

I would also like to thank all the volunteers that came to the ASA booth and gave of their time and efforts! It's always amazing that so many people show up and help out in whatever way they can and smile the whole time! Working at the booth provides you the opportunity to learn more about the ASA and those that make it happen.

Thank you all! See you next year!!! 2007 looks to be very promising!

Brian Trapp, ASA Volunteer SSSS Coordinator

Public Safety DVDs

The "Partners in Dune Safety" (BLM, ICSO, UDG & ASA) recently filmed some of the safe duning practices at the Imperial Sand Dunes Recreation Area (ISDRA) for the ISDRA Visitor Public Safety Outreach DVD "Take Time Out for Safety."

Designed to increase visitor awareness of OHV rules and laws and to increase safe duning practices. This free DVD will add to the inventory of public outreach tools designed to enhance public safety at the ISDRA. Other free outreach tools include the "Dune Smart" and the Tread Lightly! "Guide to Responsible Motorized Vehicle Use in Sand Dunes" brochures. All of these are integrated into the "Take Time out for Safety" program introduced by the partners started in 2004.

4th Annual Partners in Action Report

The report is an overview of the public safety and stewardship activities at the Imperial Sand Dunes. It demonstrates the value of partnership building to the local communities, the land manager, the law enforcement agencies and the sand sport enthusiasts. You can view the report on our website under "About the ASA" document library.

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CLORV NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The California League of Off Road Voters Political Action Committee (CLORV PAC) endorses our pro-off road recreation candidates for the November 7 General Election. The ASA is a member of this Political Action Committee. In order to elect more off road vehicle friendly state legislators, CLORV has endorsed candidates, provided volunteers and donated money to off road friendly legislators and candidates.

CLORV is the coordinating umbrella organization dedicated to keeping existing off road motorized recreation opportunities open during this period when environmental extremists are attempting to close down motorized recreation in California at both the federal and state level.

CLORV works with state and local politicians to educate them about our off-road sport, and the fact that it is primarily a family activity, as well as its significant economic impact. It is estimated that over 3.5 million Californians participate in recreational activities. It is also estimated that the off-road recreation industry generates 9 BILLION dollars in economic impact on the California economy and creates over 50,000 direct-employment jobs.

On their website www.CLORV.org you will find information on legislation, legislators, or candidates that affect the future of off road motorized recreation in California. Most important are the statewide general election voter guides for the Statewide, Northern, Central and Southern regions of California. Please visit the voter guide section (under Elections) listed on the pull down menu. And please VOTE on November 7th.

The California League of Off Road Voters (CLORV) is comprised of politically active members of the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) National, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) District 36, the American Motorcyclist Association (AMA) District 37 Off Road and Dual Sport Divisions, the American Sand Association (ASA), the California Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs (CA4WDC), the California Nevada Snowmobile Association (CNSA), the California Off Road Vehicle Association (CORVA), the Friends of Oceano Dunes (FoOD), the Off Road Business Association (ORBA), and the San Diego Off-Road Coalition (SDORC), which collectively have over 100,000 members. Because of the close relationship between the state authorized and directed Off Highway Motorized Vehicle Recreation program to the federal agencies who fund Off Highway Vehicle opportunities on federal lands, CLORV also follows federal actions concerning off road activities.

ASA now offers ATV Training Classes

The ASA has sponsored member Joe Brunasso to become an ATVSI Certified Instructor and is now offering classes free of charge to all ASA Supporting Members. Attendees must be 18 years or older. Please contact Membership@asasand.org or call for details.

10th Annual Martin Luther King Weekend Cleanup

It's Easy, Fun & Helps Keep Our Dunes Open! There will be hundreds of dollars in prizes and much more!

JANUARY 13, 2007

LOCATIONS:

North Dunes: Glamis Flats (Vendor Row), Wash Road (Pay Station), Gecko Road (Vendor Row)
South Dunes: Buttercup (Vendors Row), Gordon's Well (Vendor Row), Midway (along Frontage Rd. and Ogilby Camp (Past the Tower towards the South)

SIGN UP:

All locations in the north and south dunes from 8:00 am to 11:30 am*
Lunch and the raffle will take place at the main staging areas located at:
Glamis Flats in the North Dunes and Gordon's Well in the South Dunes
Lunch will be served between: 11:30 am – 12:30 pm*
Raffle prizes from: 12:30 pm until done*

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For more information on participating or contributing as a sponsor please contact:

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(*note: all times above are California)

NEW BILLBOARDS FOR THE SEASON

Once again, the Partners in Dune Safety and our Business Sponsors will have new billboards along many routes to the ISDRA displaying a message in support of safety or keeping our dunes open. Having the logos of the BLM, ASA, UDG, Imperial County Sheriff and the sand-sport business community on billboards certainly demonstrates our mutual commitment to provide a safe environment for our families to enjoy the WORLD CLASS sand sport recreation opportunity at the Imperial Sand Dunes.

Our safety program began in February of 2000 when the ASA endorsed the Duner's Checkered Flag Pledge that encourages safe and responsible sand sport recreation.

>>> MEMBERSHIP NEWS <<<

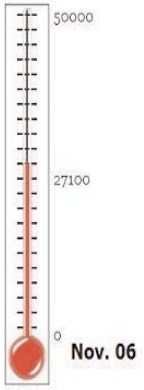
We still want to have 50,000+ voices to take with us to Washington DC and WE NEED YOUR HELP!
Have YOU signed up a new member lately?

We would like to thank all our 450 Supporting Members listed below in helping to keep the ASA strong. An Annual Membership in the ASA is still only $25 and you receive a Supporting Member license plate frame and sticker to show your support. Your membership card is good for discounts at over 80 Business Sponsors listed on page 15. Please also check our web site for the most current list of Sponsors.

Questions or Comments please email me at:

membership@americansandassociation.org

Thanks, Dick Holliday - ASA Membership Director



We would like to welcome all the new and renewing Supporting Members that have signed up or renewed since our last newsletter. Their commitment goes a long way in supporting the fight to keep our riding areas open now and for our future. Thank You!

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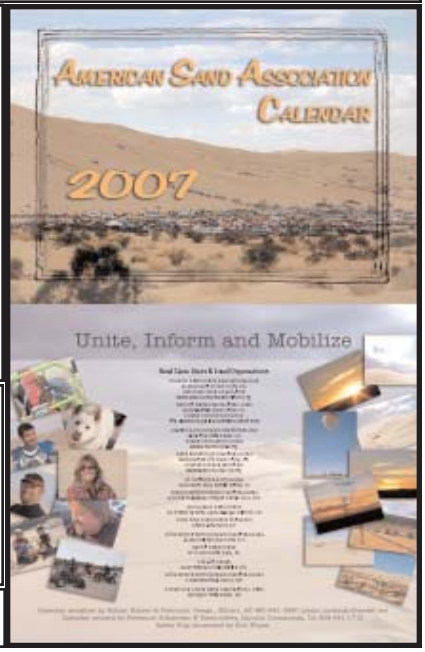

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4th Annual "Partners in Action" Report

This report is an overview of the partnership activities associated with public safety and stewardship at the Imperial Sand Dunes. It demonstrates the value of partnership building to the local communities, the land manager, the law enforcement agencies and the sand sport enthusiasts. This report is distributed to local, state and federal elected officials along with business leaders.

Report Highlights:

Appendix "A" Pages 12 & 13	Summary of 2006 activities
Appendix "C" Pages 16 – 19	Photos of outreach tools
Appendix "D" Page 20	Billboard program
Appendix "E" Page 21	Traveling safety message
Appendix "F"	Partnership contributions approach $500,000

To read the report please see: #13. Partners in Dune Stewardship 2006 Razo-Mason 9-103.doc (October 16 2006) found here:

http://www.americansandassociation.org/access_files.php?dir_all=/BLM_Documents&dir_member=

NEW KIOSKS

There are new kiosks at the dunes this season. Installed under a UDG task order these new kiosks have the new BLM maps dispenser on the sides. The maps have most of those questions asked and answered from the UDG 2005/2005 survey.

Photo taken by Tim Gantz of GlamisWeather.com

BLM RADIO SYSTEM UPGRADE

The BLM radio system will be upgraded soon to improve the ISDRA in-the-dunes communications. ASA has donated $10,000 via UDG to help this happen. It will enhance officer and public safety.

More Vault Toilets to be added at the ISDRA

The BLM announced at the July 28, 2006 TRT meeting that they had submitted EIS (Environmental Impact Study) paperwork to install several new vault toilets. These will replace all of the portable toilets the BLM has placed at the dunes during holidays.

The BLM is now reporting that the vault toilets will start being installed the 18th of October. They will start with the unit on Gecko Rd, followed by the units at Glamis Flats, and the Washes, 4, 6, and 10. The units in the South Dunes at Dune Buggy Flats will probably be the last ones installed around the 24th. They will be installing two a day, so they will be ready for Halloween.

The contract for the portables has been canceled and the contract for cleaning and pumping all of the vault toilets is being revised.

Camping Pads Added, Extended on Gecko Road

The BLM announced at the July 28, 2006 TRT meeting that some new camping pads would be added and other extended. Work is currently completed.

There are two new pads, one is located at 1.5 and the other at Gecko Campground. Two other pads, 3 and 4 have been extended. The added camp area will be approximately 5.5 acres.

Maps for the new and extended pads can be viewed at the TRT web site: http://isdratrt.org/

2006 TRASH BAGS

Here is the final artwork for the 2006 "Litter Education" program trash bags. Over 44,000 bags will be printed and ready for Thanksgiving. Michele Garnet of Weekend Warrior arranged for over $9,000 in business sponsor contributions. Tim Gantz arranged for the artwork to be accomplished by Elite Signs and Graphics. Final printing will be all one color---green same as in 2005. However, this year's bags carry both a Stewardship and Safety message. This project will add over $10,000 (including volunteer support) for the United Desert Gateway (UDG) to the matching contributions used in the BLM Challenge Cost Share program.

Glamis Comp Hill Solutions Team Re-established

During the July 28, 2006 ISDRA TRT meeting, the TRT passed a motion requesting the BLM, ICSO, and various user groups to re-establish the Competition Hill Solutions Team. Aside from this motion and request, there has been considerable discussion throughout the dune community for the need to reassess the Glamis Comp Hill Curfew.

The TRT is pleased to report that the first of what is hoped to be a series of meetings coordinated by the BLM, took place on, September 28, 2006 at the BLM El Centro Field Office.

Proposed Meeting Discussion Topics

·Assess the impact of the Comp Hill curfew on activities at Oldsmobile Hill.

· Define the criteria for an "unlawful assembly."

· Identify the correlation between Comp Hill activities and ISDRA-wide serious and fatal accidents. Discuss the status of the TRT request to gather ISDRA historical info on this subject. Invite Imperial County District #5 Supervisor Wally Leimgruber to attend the 9/28/06 meeting to discuss his concerns on this subject.

· Develop criteria to be used during the 2006-07 season to measure conditions deemed appropriate for lifting the Comp Hill curfew.

· Establish a time line for the development of a plan for the reassessment of the need for the Comp Hill curfew.

Sept 28, 2006 CHST Meeting Notes (submitted by Neil Hamada)

Competition Hill Team Meeting Notes
Thursday, September 28, 2006
1661 S. 4th Street
El Centro, CA 92243

In Attendance:
Sheriff Harold Carter, ICSO
Neil Hamada, BLM
Clark Beene, BLM
Sharon Housouer, ICSO
Glenn Montgomery, ISDRA TRT
Dallas Meeks, BLM
Bob Mason, ASA
Steve Gutierrez, ICSO
W ally Leimgruber, IC BOS
Ralph Fernandez, CHP
(Absent - Brian Crain, GlamisDunes.com)

· Introductions and personal experiences at Comp Hill
· Comp Hill is closed 12 nights a year.

· Discussion of the history of the problems at Comp starting in 1995, Comp Hill Team, and Imperial County Board of Supervisors closure order.

· Comp Hill Issues – Staffing levels (County wide), funding, officer/employee and public safety.

· Identify Comp Hill Committee Members – Add/invite CalTrans, EMS (John Pritting), OHV Commission Member (McMillin)

· Nick LaFazio and Neil Hamada will be the BLM Reps for the Comp Hill Team,

· ID the definition of the Unlawful Assembly so ASA can educate the visitors how it is declared- It is the Sheriff's office determination – When two or more persons assemble together to do an unlawful act, or to do a lawful act in a violent, boisterous, or tumultuous manner, such assembly is an unlawful assembly.

· ID committee objective – Discuss/document changes and improvements. Discuss and document realistic and measurable objectives in order to make a recommendation to the IC BOS to open Comp Hill.

· Other topics to discuss
assess locations, assess staffing levels, assess funding levels, Volunteer Posse – How can ASA volunteers help?, assess all areas in IC, Lighting (olds)

SCA's Desert Restoration Corps begins a new season

During a fun day of riding on some of California's thousands of miles of desert trails, you might have spotted a strange group of people working on some areas of the Bureau of Land Management's vast public domain. They wear big hats, CamelBaks, and are usually pretty dirty. Although a motley crew upon first inspection, these are dedicated interns volunteering with the Student Conservation Association's (SCA) Desert Restoration Corps.

Working in conjunction with four desert field offices, as well as the California Desert District office of the BLM, SCA has placed seven teams, consisting of 42 interns and seven crew leaders, in the field for the 2006-2007 season. These interns, whose ages range from 18 into their thirties, have come from all over the country to do the following: to restore designated closed trails in Limited Use Areas, such as special management areas and Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC); to learn about on-the-ground management of the public lands; and to reach out to the public under the aegis of the BLM for eight months of their lives. They spend nine to ten days camping in the desert, in crews of 5-9 people, bringing all of their food, water, and gear with them, in order to be close to their worksites and to enjoy the great outdoors. We are your OHV restoration funds at work, and we fulfill this mission in many ways.

Our main purpose, the restoration of designated closed trails in special management areas and ACECs, serves the Off-Road community in several respects. First, we assist the BLM in reaching and maintaining compliance with the management plans governing the use of desert resources and preserving long-term, sustainable OHV recreation. This allows special riding areas to remain open for OHV use, proactively avoiding potential area closures resulting from possible lawsuits. Additionally, restoration keeps riders from mistakenly following designated closed trails. Along with the important work of restoring impacted areas, SCA's Desert Restoration Corps serves Off-Roaders in a few other ways.

Our group's second objective is to reach out to the public in general, and the OHV community in particular, to tell them about our work with the BLM in the desert, and to educate them about the importance of staying on designated routes in Limited Use Areas. We do this by setting up stations on holiday weekends at heavily-used areas to distribute maps and other information, assisting with and placing booths at races and other OHV events, presenting information about our work and related subjects to school children from grade school through high school, and attending meetings of interested parties involved in the care of the places where we work. This general distribution of information and knowledge helps the OHV community at large to stay informed about the areas in which they ride.

As the Off-Road season in the desert goes into full swing, the SCA's Desert Restoration Corps looks forward to working hard out in the field, seeing you on the (designated) routes, and serving the Off-Road community in conjunction with the BLM.

If you have any questions, please email bhughes@thesca.org or call 760-780-8042, or contact your local BLM field office to find out more details.

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Do you take your dog to the dunes?

The rules to know and live by

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6.08.120 Dogs running at large prohibited.
No dog owner shall cause, permit or allow his or her dog to run at large (i.e., be neither effectively confined by a building, structure or enclosure nor restrained by a rope, strap, chain or other material) in any portion of the unincorporated area of the county, except as hereinafter provided. (Prior code § 54600)

6.08.130 Dogs on premises under direct and effective control and within sight of owner.
A. A dog may be permitted to run at large on the premises of its owner, or on private property with the consent of the owner of the property, so long as any such dog is under the direct and effective sound or gesture control and within the sight of its owner.

B. The county health officer or county veterinarian, or the authorized deputies of either, may require that dogs allowed to run at large on the premises of the owner or on private property shall at all times be under the direct control and within the sight of the owner or an agent of the owner. In instances wherein dogs are leashed or otherwise controlled by the owner, but not within the direct control or sight of the owner, the officers may require that such premises have appropriate fencing. (Prior code § 54601)

6.08.140 Working and sporting dogs.
A dog may be permitted to run at large while participating in field trials and obedience classes, organized and sanctioned by recognized dog clubs, while assisting in legal hunting or in the herding of livestock, or while assisting a peace officer engaged in law enforcement duties, so long as any such dog is under direct and effective control of the owner. (Prior code § 54602)

6.08.150 Restraint of dogs outside owner premises.
Any dog, outside the premises of its owner and not coming within the provisions of either Section 6.08.130, shall be restrained by a leash or be confined in a vehicle, cage, or enclosure. (Prior code § 54603)

6.08.160 Violations.
Violation of any prohibition contained in this chapter shall constitute a misdemeanor and violators shall be subject to the sanctions and procedures set forth in Chapter 1.16 of this code. (Prior code § 54604)

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Rick Roussin
Chatsworth, CA

I have been looking for something like this for several years. I have a Toy Hauler, and I have always had a problem securing my dirt bikes. Up to now, I have been loading the bikes backwards, so I can use the rear ramp to stop the bike from moving forward. Most everything I found online was permanent or semi permanent with a high price tag. I noticed your system at the RV Show in Pomona. Weekend Warrior had one on display with your business cards. I ordered two when I got home.

Rachel Labret
Riverside, CA

I have a lot of money invested in my race bike, and it always made me nervous just having the front wheel wedged up against the front of the bed of my truck. Now when I strap it down, the front wheel is secure and I feel confident it's not going anywhere.

Eric Anderson
West Hills, CA

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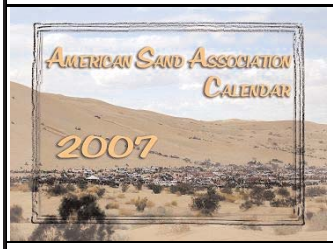 **100% of the sale goes to the ASA thanks to those sponsors found inside.**	2007 ASA Calendar	$8		
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May 7th, 2007

RAW Motorsports

The ASA is pleased to announce the first ever Annual ASA Golf Tournament! The tournament is the brain child and is being organized by Mike Wallace of Cutting Edge Performance.

This event is scheduled for Monday, May 7, 2007 at the Black Gold Golf Club in Yorba Linda, CA. Mike and his team are soliciting sponsors for various holes, events and activities to further enhance the experience and maximize the funds passed along to the ASA so that we can continue our activities in the dunes.

This event is fully sanctioned by the ASA and the Board of Directors and I encourage anyone interested to become involved in any matter they see fit; whether it be purchasing a foursome or becoming a title sponsor.

So please gather your friends, family and coworkers, and join us for a fun day of golf to support The aSa !

The format is a four-person modified scramble, and awards will be given for the three lowest grossing teams, longest drive, closest to the pin,

Hole in One (wins a 2007 RAW Sand Car Valued at $50,000), and more. Individuals and teams are welcome!

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Vie for the coveted Challenge Award, Awarded to the Industry Team with the lowest gross score. The Challenge Award will be presented to be displayed for a period of one year and then passed to the next years winning team for one year. The winning team will have a plaque permanently mounted to the Challenge Award.

The Challenge Award is a chance for you to compete against other teams for bragging rights and a cool traveling trophy.

The challenge is open to full teams who represent a company, media group, or club that are ASA Supporting Members.

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1:45pm: Shotgun start
Post Tournament: Banquet and awards presentation.

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