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Thank you for signing up to receive my newsletters. I hope you've found the previous editions informative and helpful for your vehicle-supported adventures. I trust you will enjoy this month's newsletter. If you have comments, please email me: Bob.Wohlers@discoveroffroading.com. You can access, download, and read previous newsletters on my website here: NEWSLETTERS Look through the Newsletter Reference for a topic that may interest you, or download them all!



There're HERE... 2021 Four Wheel Camper Adventure Tours

The dates for the 2021 Four Wheel Camper Adventure Tours are listed and available for sale HERE.

Off-Road Safety Academy and Four Wheel Campers invite you to explore the remote backcountry with like-minded vehicle-supported adventurers. This is our third year offering these enormously popular tours. Come along and see new sights, camp in new locations, meet new friends, and learn how to off-road safely. Each tour includes unique



Death Valley FWC Adventure Tour.

evening campfire discussions on such topics as overlanding navigation, water disinfection, satellite communications, backcountry survival, and various 4WD driving topics.

Off-Road Safety Academy is a permitted BLM and National Park Outfitter and Guide.

Below is the 2021 Adventure Tour schedule for Four Wheel Camper Customers. Prior to signing up for the tours, carefully read the Terms & Conditions associated with these tours.

Two new tours are offered in 2021:

- Westward Ho on Applegate/Lassen Trail Black Rock Desert Off-Road Adventure
- San Rafael Swell Reconnoiter Southeastern Utah Off-Road Adventure

Last year, all tours sold out in about 2-days, with the Baja Mexico Tour selling out in 30minutes. Act quickly to assure your spot. For more information,



CLICK HERE.

Black Rock Desert Hot Springs.

2021 Four Wheel Camper Adventure Tours

Majestic Mojave Road – Mojave National Preserve Off-Road Adventure February 18-21

Drive Through the Valley of Death – Death Valley National Park Off-Road Adventure March 4-7

Ride to the Rim – Parashant National Monument and North Rim of Grand Canyon Off-Road Adventure May 18-21 (After Overland Expo West)

Westward Ho on Applegate/Lassen Trail – Black Rock Desert Off-Road Adventure May 27-30

Camp Baja Beaches (Summer) – Introduction to Baja Mexico Adventure June 9-15 (After Four Wheel Camper Rally - NorCal)

Remote on the Rimrocker Trail – Montrose to Moab Off-Road Adventure August 10-13 (After Rocky Mountain Overland Rally, CO)

San Rafael Swell Reconnoiter –Southeastern Utah Off-Road Adventure November 11-14 (After Rocky Mountain Overland Rally, CO)

Camp Baja Beaches (Winter) – Introduction to Baja Mexico Adventure December 6-12 (After Four Wheel Camper Rally - SoCal)

If you have questions after reading all the Tour information HERE, please call Bob at: 909.844.2583.



Camp Baja Beaches Adventure Tour. Pacific Coast campsite.



Camp Baja Beaches Adventure Tour. Camping right on the beach of the Sea of Cortez.

2021 4WD Safety Courses



Happy Students!

Want to learn more about your 4-Wheel Drive vehicle? Want to improve your off-road driving skills? Interested in keeping you and your loved ones safe while off-roading? Off-Road Safety AcademyTM will safely teach you in one weekend what it takes most people years to learn on their own.



Learning Rock Crawling & Hill Climbing.

Discovery Course: Introduction to 4X4 Off-Roading - March 20-21 & April 10-11

The Discovery Course is Off-Road Safety Academy's two-day beginning 4WD offering. However, more advanced drivers will find this course useful as well.

Course Goal: The goal of this course is to put you on a path to safely and ecologically off-road alone. Although it is always best to off-road with other vehicles, this is not always possible or desired. Upon completion of this course you begin to understand the limitations of your vehicle and your driving skills allowing you to intelligently choose excursions and trails to match your capabilities.

Prerequisite: None (Except a desire to learn and have FUN!)

Length of Course: Two days; 8:30am to 5:00 pm.

Course Curriculum:

Day One - 1/2 day Knowledge Development (classroom). During lunch you'll get an overview of remote electronic communications, map use, and off-road survival and bushcraft. Afternoon: 1/2 day "Getting to Know Your Vehicle (Priority Customization for your Vehicle)," Tire Repair 101, 4WD Gearing, Beginning Hill Climbing.

Day Two - Airing Down and Inflating Tires, Driving a Level Rocky Trail and Spotting, Driving in Sand and Use of Sand Ladders, Methods of Lifting Your Vehicle Off the Ground (Hi-Lift Jack, Bottle/Scissor Jacks, Inflatable Jack), Changing a tire on soft and uneven terrain, Winching 101 with Powered Winches and Hi-Lift Jack, Proper Use of Kinetic Energy ("Yank") Straps, Off-Camber Driving, Electronic Traction Control and Locker Use (for those that have these features), Trail Driving.

Target Audience: All off-road drivers that want to learn the basics of four-wheeling in relative safety and comfort. This course is for the owners of any new or used 4-Wheel Drive vehicle with 4-Low capability (e.g., Jeeps, Hummers, Land Rovers, Toyotas, Pathfinders, 4X4 trucks and vans, etc.). During this course, you'll begin to learn how to off-road on your own and launch adventure expeditions in relative safety and comfort.

Vehicle Requirements: Any reliable 4-Wheel Drive SUV, SUT or trucks with:

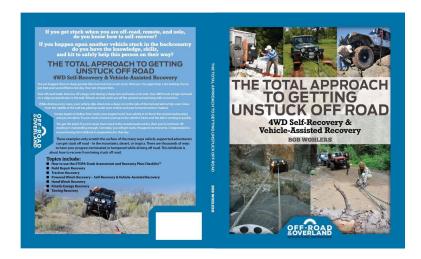
- 2-speed 4WD transfer case (must be able to shift into a 4-Low gearing)
- Street legal
- Full-size spare tire
- Full tank of gas
- Seat belts for all passengers
- Vehicle in excellent working condition, no fluid leaks, etc.

Use of Instructor Equipment: During this course you will be introduced to essential off-road equipment. You will not need to own or bring equipment other than what is listed.

This course is held at Prairie City SVRA near Folsom and Sacramento, California. Cost per person is \$450.

To sign up and pay for this course go HERE and click on the "March 20-21 OR April 10-11 Discovery Course" buttons.

Bob's Famous Two-Day Recovery Course is on the 2021 Calendar - May 1-2



There's only one whole book on the entire planet dedicated to the topic of Recovery! Take a course from the man who wrote the book – *literally*. In two-days you will learn most of the skills outlined in Bob's book "The Total

Approach to Getting Unstuck." To sign up and pay for this course, go HERE. Click on the Recovery Course: May 1-2, 2021 link to pay by credit card.

What You'll Learn in this Two-Day Course:

Recovery Courses Curriculum Day 1

- * No Embarrassment in Getting Stuck
- * Six Types of Off-Road Recovery Under Two Categories
- * First Actions After Getting Stuck & Choosing the lowest energy recovery method/strategy



Learning Hand Winching.

- * STOPA Stuck Assessment and Recovery Plan Checklist Overview
- * Winch Utility
- * Choosing an Anchor Vehicle, Ground Anchor, Tree, Boulder
- * Danger at Overloaded Anchor Points
- * In-Field Powered Winching
- * Winch Accessories
- * Self-Recovery Powered Winch Rigging Set-Ups
- * Hand Winching to the Rear
- * Vehicle-Assisted Winch Rigging Set-Ups

Recovery Courses Curriculum Day 2

- * Advanced In-Field Tire Repair
- * Valve Stem Repair
- * Repairing Sidewall Tears Small & Large
- * Seating Beads
- * In-Field Welding
- * Mobile Battery Jumps, Fire Extinguishing on Trail
- * Self-Recovery Traction Extraction
- * Airing down tires
- * Use of MaxTrax and Bridging Ladders
- * Vehicle-Assisted Kinetic Energy Recovery and Towing Disabled Vehicle

Cost is \$500 per person. Sign up NOW. This course is conducted on both days at Prairie City SVRA near Sacramento and Folsom, California.

To sign up and pay for this course, go HERE. Click on the Recovery Course: May 1-2, 2021 link to pay by credit card.



Kinetic Energy Recovery.

More 2021 Courses and Tours

Watch for future newsletters and my website calendar for additional recreational 4WD courses and Adventure Tour dates.

At this time, Off-Road Safety Academy has only scheduled Adventure Tours for Four Wheel Camper owners . Each year I try to offer at least one or two Adventure Tours for those that don't own a Four Wheel Camper. Watch for those possible offerings after the first of the year.

In the near future I may also be scheduling more recreational 4WD training courses. Watch for these offerings in future newsletters and on my website.



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