

1ST ANNUAL A.W.A.R.E. 4X4 JAMBOREE

THE COALMONT INVASION!

JULY 5 - 8 in COALMONT, BC

Why not treat yourself to your own 4x4 long weekend in the Okanagan? What could be more fun than spending the weekend at historical Coalmont BC playing in your 4x4?
Oh Ya, did I tell you the famous Whipsaw trail is just a couple of kms away?



Join us at Coalmont, near Princeton BC with your 4x4 to learn new skills, make new friends and explore what this spectacular area has to offer. Enjoy this three-day weekend with your family where you can get to know what you and your 4x4 are capable of and where it can take you. That's right this event is a family-oriented event so please keep it sane, leave trouble at home and come out to have fun with family and friends.

All proceeds go to improvements to area trail systems, campsites and environmental upgrading and trail maintenance.

The A.W.A.R.E Coalmont 4x4 Jamboree consists of presentations, learning new skills, and day trips departing from the Coalmont Recreation Site throughout the three-day event. The official event is hosted by **After The Blacktop Ends**. Participants provide their own four-wheel drive vehicle AND don't forget to bring extra gas as there are no gas stations near Coalmont. Bring your own food and non-alcoholic beverages for your lunch and trail runs. Suggested essentials: bring plenty of water, sun protection, and layered clothing in case of changing weather conditions that are always a possibility during the summer in southern British Columbia.

Updated for 2018 – On-Line registration on our website: All participants will use the website to register. ALL registrations will be handled on this website. (<https://www.aftertheblacktopends.com/members/home>)
No paper registrations will be used beginning this year.

Only 120 spots available

IF YOU HAVE A GROUP Gather your group together to decide what you want to do, then get on the website and register while there are still plenty of spaces left for the trails and campsites you want.

Although this is not an exhaustive introduction to the A.W.A.R.E Coalmont 4x4 Jamboree, we hope this provides an overview. Please visit www.aftertheblacktopends.com for more information.

What it is...

A.W.A.R.E Coalmont 4x4 Jamboree is three days of fun! Plus learning new skills in the morning and putting them into practice on trail-rides for the rest of the day. There will be 4x4 games and fun stuff for the kids to fill your days. While primarily aimed at novice drivers there will be plenty of “learning experiences” for intermediate and advanced drivers. Learn from skilled drivers about trail preparation, safety, and handling things when they go wrong. There are trails for the experienced too; one that comes to mind is the Whipsaw and many others.

What do we do? The club "plans the routes and shows you the right way." There are no restrictions as to what type, make or model of vehicle, but high ground clearance and 2-speed transfer cases are expected in whatever type of vehicle you run. Sorry, **NO ATV's, UTV's, or Motorcycles at this time.** ATBE is hoping for future events to include the above mentioned, after all, we all use the trails. If you want a challenge and are interested in helping so that we can include the above, please contact us.

Where we go? The club runs are different locations, to head off in every direction for different trails!

What types of trails? There is truly something for everyone at A.W.A.R.E. Coalmont 4x4 Jamboree. A few trails are nearly accessible for 2-wheel drive vehicles, while most of the runs require four-wheel drive vehicles - and even then, chances for breaks and body damage still exist. Be sure to check with our staff for the available run lineup.

Who are the Trail Leaders? They are 4-Wheeler members who do this for the fun of it without payment for their services. The trail leaders are experienced four wheelers who have been leading runs for many years. In addition to the leader, there are additional volunteer(s) at the end of the trail group (tail gunner) to help ensure group safety.

What is the Vendor Show? From Friday through Sunday there is a vendor and information display area that is also open to paid participants as well as the general public for a small fee. The Tradeshow will be at the Coalmont recreation site. To have booth space, you will need to contact the Event managers for availability and arrangements. (Brent at [250 274 1259](tel:2502741259)) Booth space options are available in our sponsor's package (phone Brent for more information and opportunities) or comparable value product donation for prizes & raffles that will be drawn on Friday & Saturday afternoon. At this time there is only one ticket provided per registered participant for the raffle, an added incentive to be a part of the official A.W.A.R.E. Coalmont 4x4 Jamboree event - the 'ticket' needs to be present to win.

In addition to the four-wheel drive parts and accessory companies and the enthusiastic manufacturers who display their latest products at their booths, in trailers, and where possible, riding with the groups, special interest groups will also be available for information for those interested in the future of four-wheeling.

Vehicle Safety Equipment is extremely important. It is essential that participants stay on the designated routes (as well as everyone enjoying the backcountry), and that some basic rules are followed. Before signing the registration, be sure to read and understand that you agree to these conditions. They are:

RULE 1: "A vehicle must have an integral metal top or roll bar to participate in the Jamboree and have a valid license and registration from your Province or State. All vehicles must be inspected before you go on the trails”.

RULE 2: "Vehicles must have safety equipment adequate for legal operation in the Province of British Columbia. We mean seat belts, and we demand everyone use them. Having proper brakes, lights, etc. is implied in this rule and should go without saying".

RULE 3: “Every participant must have a sense of adventure and the ability to smile at all challenges encountered.”

RECOMMENDATIONS:

For the Novice runs out of the showroom 4x4 vehicles for drivers with absolutely no off-road experience will have fun traveling through the historic Coalmont area, you will explore the rich history of the area.

For the intermediate runs vehicles that have larger tire size from stock and want to experience and learn what your rig is capable of.

For the experienced runs learn what the 4-wheel drive and low ratio are really meant for. Be prepared to find out what your vehicle is capable of. Plus, find out what you are capable of as a driver.

For the Hardcore runs we suggest 33-inch tires minimum, and at least one locking differential. Each vehicle must have a winch and carry a fire extinguisher, first aid kit, tow strap, spare tire, and a jack. Time to find out if you “know your stuff.”

What is involved and how do I register? The cost is \$175.00 for your rig and driver. An additional \$125.00 per passenger and children under 12 are \$50.00 for the weekend. This includes one raffle ticket per vehicle and both Breakfast & Bar-B-Que dinner on Friday and Saturday. Each adult registration receives a swag bag, and all the children will receive a special gift! Prizes will be handed out regularly throughout the weekend, and special prizes will be awarded for competitions. This is your opportunity to enter a Barbie Jeep Race as well! Don't miss out on the live entertainment after the BBQ Friday and the open-mic story-telling and Jam Session on Saturday night. Don't forget we are rounding-off each day with a tail-gate party at the staging area. On-line registration will be on the **ATBE** website. (<https://www.aftertheblacktopends.com/event-item/coalmont-invasion/12>).

Registration at the event may be possible during the Jamboree if trail & Camp-site limits have not been met. Spaces can be available at the gate registration on a first come first serve basis at the discretion of the organizers. Registration will still be available online ([https:// www.aftertheblacktopends.com/event-item/coalmont-invasion/12](https://www.aftertheblacktopends.com/event-item/coalmont-invasion/12)) if the trail day has not been closed by Registration officials, (every day when registration closes for the day, the next day's trails will be closed to new online registrations - this allows us to prepare paperwork for day staff and Trail Leaders for the next day trail ride & activities. You may still come into the Registration area the next morning and register for the trails that day).

If you register On-line (<https://www.aftertheblacktopends.com/event-item/coalmont-invasion/12>) you will receive immediate confirmation and your information for the event of your registration by return e-mail. All participants must check in no later than Friday morning with the organizers at the designated registration desk during the event to receive the event package which will include your event kit and any required & additional information.

Day of event registration and package pickup is available at the designated registration desk from 7 am to 9 am each morning of the event.

Cancellations(?) Understanding that things happen, we try to be flexible, but we have to use a system that we can manage and one that discourages careless changes that threaten the plans of others. A cancellation, if received in writing (mailed or e-mailed) before May 1st, 2018 merits a refund of all but a \$50 cancellation fee. After July 1st, openings will not be filled, and fees will be forfeited. Refunds will not be made until after the Jamboree - please allow up to 4 to 6 weeks for processing.

Trails Identification and Summaries