



MUDDY BUDDYs Jeep Wrangler Club (MBJWC) is based in southwestern Ohio. Founded in 2002, MUDDY BUDDYs Jeep Wrangler Club began with two Kroger supermarket meat cutter, Rob Eldridge and Rob Forsha. They bonded over their love of wheeling and the outdoors.

In the start Forsha owned a TJ, while Eldridge was driving a Bronco II at the time. On the surface, Jeep clubs often appear to be united solely by off-roading and pushing their Jeeps to their limits via trails, rocks, mud. Both Robs wanted MUDDY BUDDYs to be built to offer far more than that.

From the beginning, they envisioned a club centered on family-friendliness, Safety and fun. Many clubs mean that you attend a certain number of events. This is about having fun, it shouldn't feel like a job.

MUDDY BUDDYs want to emphasize that the club welcomes every type of Jeep Wrangler owner. Stock or build, we want you. We all started somewhere, and that clearly resonates with our members. What began with just three members has grown into a thriving community of over 500 active members.

Eldridge wasn't always a Jeep Wrangler fan. When he and Forsha first met, he was still driving his Bronco. Over time he noticed that Forsha seemed to know every Jeep owner in town, and that while out he would wave and they wave back. He didn't realize at the time he was witnessing the Jeep Wave, a long-standing tradition symbolizing respect and shared passion among Jeep owners.

It was not long before Eldridge became a Jeep owner himself. He grew up fishing, hunting and being in the woods. There was something about having a vehicle where it could further those joys in his life. Off-roading comes with its own risks, even for Jeep owners. With the right mindset, preparation and community; those risks become part of the adventure.

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