

## Group launches locally for women who love and own Jeeps

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There's a new club in town ? the 519 Jeep Girls Club, comprised entirely of women who drive Jeep Wranglers.

A large contingent of the 519 Jeep Girls Club, based out of Dufferin County, came to Mill Creek Ice Cream Store for an Ice Cream Social and get-together on Aug. 1.

The 519 Jeep Girls Club, formally known as the Caledon, Dufferin, Erin, Wellington, Mono and Areas Jeep Girls, was founded in June of 2023 and recently shortened its rather huge moniker to the simpler 519 Jeep Girls Club.

The group is a social club for women with monthly meetings and different activities throughout the year. They help each other with questions, problems, Jeep knowledge and offer support and friendship to members. The club currently has members from as far away as London, Ont., and is steadily growing.

New members are solicited through social media and the notorious ducks. It has become a tradition amongst Jeep owners and particularly the ladies, to have toy ducks displayed on their dashboards. These range from the little yellow fellows that are ubiquitous when seeking ducks to more colourful and humorous variations. Receiving a duck is referred to as having been ?ducked!?

The ladies host trail trips as well as the more adventurous off-roading ventures, while others simply use their Jeeps as daily drivers and never go beyond the roadways.

Organizer of the 519 Jeep Girls Club, Heather Asling, a graphic designer and visual artist, only drives her Jeep in the three warmer seasons while preferring her F150 in winter. She has been instrumental in organizing the club's events and activities.

So ladies, if you drive a Jeep and are looking for a safe, inclusive place to ask questions, trade experiences, and share camaraderie with fellow female Jeep aficionados, Look up the ?519 Jeep Girls Club? Facebook Group online and join in on the fun.