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Where's Merv taking us ????

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



My main mission this month is to remind you that the 4WD show will be held next weekend, Friday 12 October to Sunday 14 October, 2001 – **that is in five days time!**

I consider this event to be one of the best opportunities each year to promote our Club to the general public, as well as meet other 4WD Club people.

Last year Mt Lofty Rangers won the best club display award and we have been offered a 6m x 6m bare site for no charge (commercial value \$1250.00) and Club members manning, (or should it be personning!), the stand will be provided with free entry passes. A marquee has been hired again this year as a precaution against inclement weather.

It has been decided to follow a similar format to last year, which is at least proven. A raffle is being organized as a means of “breaking the ice” with the public and of raising funds towards a yet to be finalized charity. The most important feature of our stand will, as usual, be our own members. My thanks to those who have already offered their services but I would welcome a phone call from any club member who can spare a couple of hours during the three days.

This is an opportunity to share the workload and get involved, with free admission as a bonus. A roster sheet will be available at the meeting for you to sign up for a time slot, or just give the time you can spare.

We still need more trips on the board, so keep your ideas coming.

Lastly, I spoke to Dean Dayman at the September meeting and he advised that Kathy and himself are heading over to Port Lincoln in the near future to build a new house. I would like to thank Dean and Kathy for their considerable contribution to our Club in the past and wish them all the best for the future.

Regards

Michael Brett, The Tourists.

SOUTHERN VALES WINERY TOUR

It was a perfect Sunday morning. The air was fresh, a little drizzle (not Drazil), and the perfect number of willing folk to make this another successful day near the wineries.

We all congregated at Normans winery for a 10.00am start. The Gods had been kind to us all because it had rained for most of the night before. Until now water was the only ingredient missing to provide us with a fun day of sand and mud.

After waiting for the Rhinos who were running late (obviously 10.00 is still too early for some of us). We headed off toward Kangarilla and Blewitt Springs to suss out the tracks and obstacles that we may encounter due to our recent weather. It was not long before that Bloke in that Nissan got well and truly bogged up to his axles again. The best part of the next hour was spent assisting most of the remainder out of the same obstacle. With wheels caked in mud and everyone through it was already time for lunch. Kays Winery has become a traditional mid day eating-place and it was close so that is where we ruminated.

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We had contact with another group that was touring in the same vicinity and gave us an update on roads that were impassable. Knowing the skills of our group we decided to make our own assessments and traversed all of these scheduled tracks with ease. Actually the convoy proceeded so smoothly that we had to extend our tour out past Willunga, across the picturesque Ranges to Sellicks hill. As we all know this is a great place to have some fun and I can now admit I was a little dubious especially after the rain we experienced the night before. Once again not a problem, so back to Willunga we headed

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News In Brief

Please note: Fees are now overdue: \$50.00 (\$35.00 for a 2nd club)

Members who are no longer financial, will incur a late fee of \$5 upon renewal.

There will be magazines from other 4WD clubs available for your reading at the meetings.

Those with kids & interested in Christmas get-together at Loftia Park, please remember to provide Father Christmas with required items by the November meeting.

Please could you let me have any photo`s that you wish inserted in the magazine, my supply is getting very sparse

Peter J.



**NEXT
MEETING
Monday
November 12th
@ 7.30pm**

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to see if we could squeeze in winery number 2. From here some of the group decided to depart and head home. The rest of us continued on our way back toward the wineries. It was decided that the die hards had to do that road once more but in the opposite direction. Apart from the two Discovery's requiring a bit of assistance in our group and a couple of Subaru's from another club heading in the other way and being towed, it was relatively easy and we caught up with the others at the Woodstock winery just on closing.

It was acknowledged that this winery tour is just a tour past, and not to the wineries.

Maybe one day we will get it right. Thanks to all that participated and I will add there was no panel damage this year (almost).

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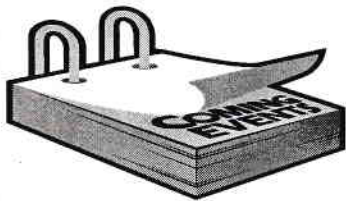
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SOCIAL SCENE

Raft building for February 2002

The first meeting for the Raft race to be held by the Mount Lofty Rangers again down at Clayton was held at Tim's (Sparky) workshop on Belair Road. We all put our heads together and bantered around a few ideas to make sure that we are more successful in next years event than we were last year. If anyone is able to help with supply of parts or time to help build the raft, it would be greatly appreciated

Go-Kart racing — 28th October 2001



I have made a booking for Adelaide fast carts at Gepps Cross for a day of go-kart racing. The cost is \$30 per person and we need a minimum of 10 people. It's a great days activity and we have the whole place to ourselves. If you have never experienced the

adrenalin rush of driving head to head with your close friends in a race format racing one of these little speed machines, then you need to talk to Linda Moss.

Outdoor Rock Climbing — November 2001

I will be needing more of a idea of people that would be interested in participating in Outdoor rock climbing, if I cant get the numbers then I'll have to postpone this activity. If people are more interested in trying Indoor rock climbing then please let me know. The course is open to all ages. The cost is around \$190 per person so you will need to start saving your pennies now. We need a minimum of 6 people to make it viable. It is best done in the warmer months, I will keep you informed.

Contact
Christian or Karen
Whamond

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whamond@chariot.net.au

Christmas at Loftia Park — 9th December 2001

I'll need a volunteer to play Father Christmas for about a hour to give out presents at Loftia Park. We have a suit we just need a body to put in it. If anyone has any ideas for games or activities

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for the day please see Christian or Karen.

Remember parents that your kids will miss out on presents if you don't supply them to me to give to Santa at the November meeting. You don't have to spend much.



Skirmish — February 2002

The preferred place at this stage is down by Deep creek conservation park. Thankyou to Isabelle for sending me some information, I look forward to seeing you there on the day.

2002 Outback Challenge — March 2002



Held just out of Broken Hill every March, this event invites the best four wheel drives and their vehicles to take part in 1 week of sand, mud and rock challenges. I will be organizing a group to travel to Broken Hill as spectators for the 1 week challenge.

To all Members

We are always looking for new and exciting events that people can participate in as a social activity in the club. If anyone has any suggestions or has recently done a activity that they found exciting and would like to share this experience with other club members, please talk to Christian or Karen and we will make a note in the club Rangers review and possibly organise a club trip.

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Calendar of Events

October 2001 – November 2001

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 OCT.	8 Meeting	9	10	11	12 4wd Show	13 4wd Show
14 4wd Show	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Go-kart racing	29	30	31	1 Nov.	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Meeting	13	14	15	16	17



Mt Lofty Rangers meet on the second Monday of each month
(the 3rd Monday if there is a public holiday) at the
Blackwood Football Club, Craighburn Road, Blackwood.
(off Trevor Terrace) All welcome.

You can e-mail us at: loftyranger@hotmail.com
or visit our Web Site: www.tcis.com.au/mlr/



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WHERE ARE ALL THE TRIPS ???

There are no trips in the pipeline.

More trips are needed.

Currently, we are a 4WD club with no trips.

Please contact Neil Penno — 8388 8265 — with your ideas.

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MT LOFTY RANGERS

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Lets Promote Our Club!!!

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Replacement	\$6.00
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<i>(includes name and logo embroidered on & GST)</i>	
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Caps <i>(including logo embroidered on)</i>	\$15.00

If you require clothing please speak to Charlie Raphael 8358 2552.

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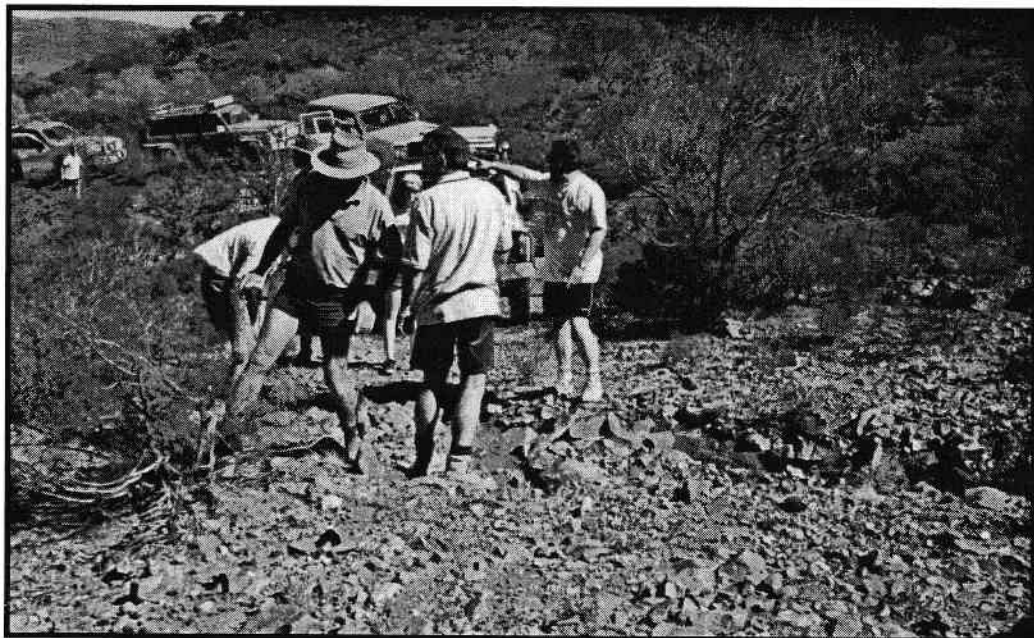
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GPS Promotional Videos	First Aid Kit *
Maps	2 x Lightweight Shelters with
sides.	

* *Please replace used items*

Please see Michael Brett for any items you wish to loan 8387 1163.

Happy Birthday

Kerrigan Cole	8th October	Isobelle Brett	14th October
Tarni Bradey (9)	15th October	Peter Warbout	9th November
Allan Drazil	11th November		
Klyde Goding (6)	12th November	Lynette Lavington	15th November
Elizabeth Curtis	19th October	Marcello Cole (8)	24th October



Making tracks at Arkaroola (Easter)

NEED & NEED

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

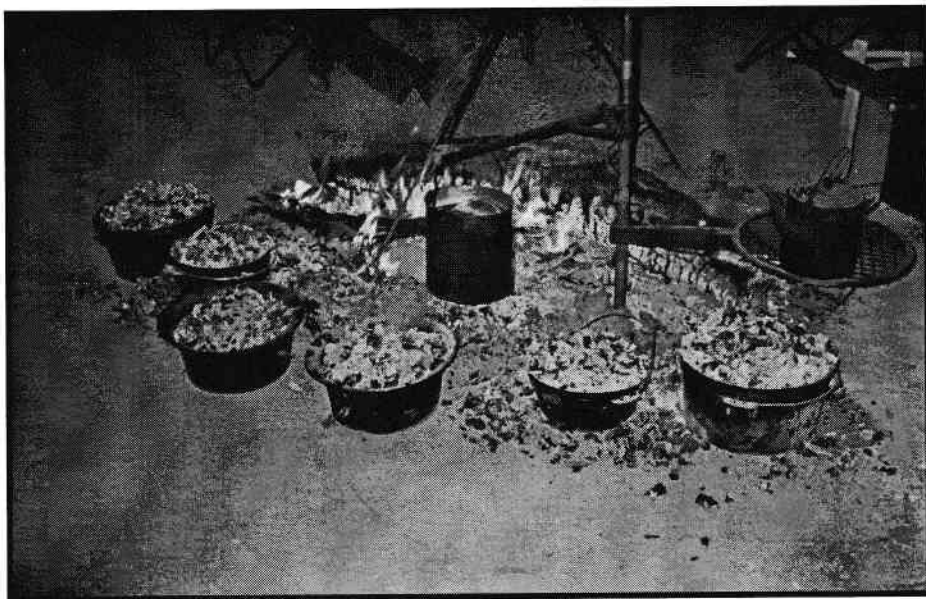
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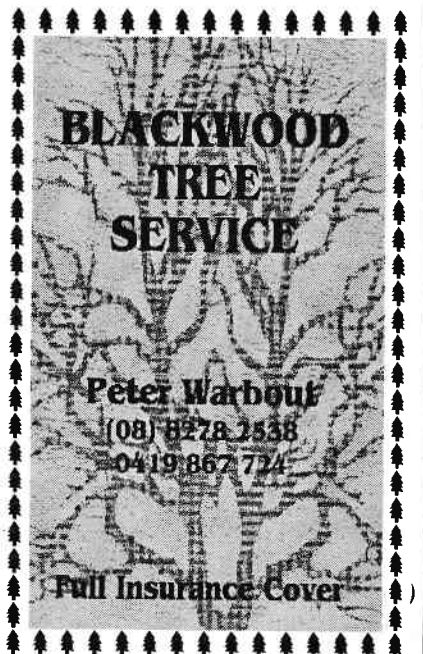
The alarm went off at 6.00am on a Sunday morning and yes it was 4 wheel driving time again. Time to arise, wake up Luke and Joel and get ready for what Merv had instore for us today. Meeting 8.00 am at Crafers pub-servo ,not a problem I thought. It's been a long time since I have been to Crafers, some 12 years.

We left home at 7.15am thinking 45 min should be ample. As I drove up the road I realized I will need the directory to find the best route to get there. I should tell you driving on winding roads and looking at the directory can be a bit challenging to say the least. As we came closer to Crafers I could here the Club talking on the 2 way, so I radioed ahead that we would be there in 5-10 min worried that they would leave before I arrived. Arrival at last 15min later. Time 8.30am. I was fortunate enough no one else asked to do this report!

As we drove down the freeway the weather started to clear and was promising to be a fantastic day. First town we drove through was Harndorf, the old German town, great for a stroll, lunch and shopping (crafts). After passing through Harndorf we turned into various fire tracks on our way to Palmer.

These varied between dirt roads to fire tracks and right of ways. At this time of year everything was green and lush, a stark contrast to summer when there isn't a drop of rain about and everything is dry and dusty.

While travelling through the Inverbrackie, Woodside region, it was found that one of the tracks was very soft. Some time was



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spent along this track, re-establishing forward progress. Having extracted a number of vehicles from their ground traps, we eventually made our way to Cambrai for morning tea. Then it was onto the spectacular Mannum Falls.

Lunch was at Palmer, after which we did a water crossing on our way up to the hills near Palmer. The view from the top of the hills looking over the plains was magnificent. The recent rains had transformed the normally brown dry plains to living green paddocks, bush and grasslands.

Again it was a great day had by all those that came, for Merv does great 4x4 day trips. Thanks Merv for the enjoyable day and look forward to the next one.

Con. M.



Four Wheel Drive
Courses

SAAFWDC Driver Training Unit

Unit 2

9 Cardiff Court

Cavan

Contact: Greg Goding – 8387 3118 AH

Mobile: 0418 807 437

Those interested in the Basic training course, could you please add your name to the list. When there are enough interested, then I will schedule the course.



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