

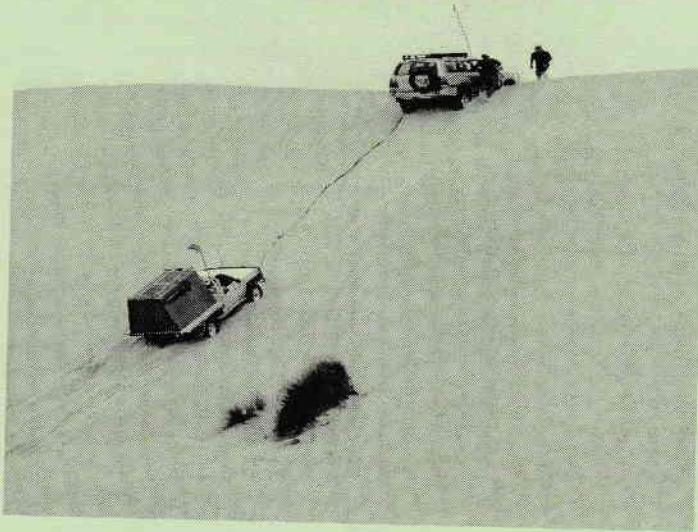


# Rangers' Review

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Greg Stuck on large sand hill

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# PRESIDENTS REPORT



G-day,

Welcome back to the Rangers for 2004. I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas and New Year and are all revved up to do some more four wheel driving.

As a club we had a busy time in December with our Christmas meeting. Lots of good food, drink and fellow members just enjoying the Christmas spirit and the best thing of all not much of a formal meeting which everyone seemed to enjoy. A big thank you to Darren Seal (4 Qtrs) for the meat, Angie Lawson (my lovely wife) for organising the salads and everyone who helped on the night. Yummy deserts were abounding.

The Blackwood Christmas Pageant went off once again with no fuss. Thanks to all the members and kids that attended and thanks for the two utes supplied by Justin Probert (Bugga Bus) and Scott Young (Young Ones).

Shortly after all that, in January the Beachport trip was upon us on the Australia day long weekend. Like each year there was a good turn out. We had the back end of the caravan park to ourselves like every year but this year I think there was a competition to see how many members we could squeeze in up the top near the toilets. There were 8 powered sites and I think we had 16 families, not a bad effort so there was no shortage of room for the members camping at the bottom non powered sites.

The Annual Clayton Raft Race is coming up on February 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. The club wont be helping with the running of it this year but still need a club attendance there to participate in the raft races. The event is still at the caravan park at Clayton so for all the new members who haven't been it is a must. There is a trip sheet up on the board so don't forget to put your name down to go along. We will need a volunteer to be "Club Captain" so if you have been before please put up your hand and we can vote you in at the

meeting tonight.

I have heard there are some good trips in the pipe line so keep an eye on the board to guarantee you a spot and remember if you have a trip your thinking of doing get it to Layne so he can get it up on the board because we can never have enough trips.

Who wants to be on the committee? Please put some thought into it as the A.G.M is coming up in May and nominations are now open for all positions and will close at the April meeting.

That's all for this report, see ya tonight.

Happy trails...



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## **TRIP REPORT—BEACHPORT JANUARY 2004**

**Saturday Australia day weekend  
Beach port – Carpenters Rocks**

**Monique Munn**

At 10:30 am we left Beach port caravan park with 12 other cars. Denny was leading the way out of town, on the bitumen, when we soon traveled through Tantanoola turning off at the Kimberly Clark paper mill. It was decided to take a short cut through the pine forest with the help of Greg's G.P.S. We eventually arrived at Carpenters rocks car Park and while drivers let down their tyres, others brought snacks at the deli.

We headed straight for the beach just out of the town. While we were waiting for Glen to arrive, having only arriving at beach port that morning, we formed a convoy on the first beach. The first section was very soft but we all made good progress until it was decided the first to get bogged would do the trip report. The next thing we know Dad started to lose traction and we were soon bogged.

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# News In Brief

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## *Club Magazines*

Various magazines from other 4WD clubs are available for your reading at the meetings. See Notice Board.

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## *TRIP LEADERS WANTED*

We need more day trips & weekend trips for 2003. Anyone interested in leading a trip or requiring assistance with leading a trip please contact Trip Coordinator: Layne Holberton (0412 572 139)

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# SOCIAL SCENE

## SPOOK'S & GHOULS NIGHT

Saturday 20th March 2004.

A guided tour through the Port Adelaide precinct involving a little theatrics and a couple of pubs. At this stage the cost of the walk is \$35.00 per person and this includes a drink along the way, and a drink and light supper at the conclusion of the walk. The walk starts at 8.30pm but guests are asked to meet at the lighthouse at 8.20pm. Please note that the minimum age is 18 years.

Payment is required in full by the February 2004 meeting.

As always please come and grab myself, Jo, Julie or Linda tonight if you have any suggestions or questions regarding our events for the year. Have a great night !

Colin

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While Dad got closer to the waters edge trying to get out we were thinking of the river rats and friend Scott that had got bogged the day before with the water lapping there wheels. We were finally off the beach – after the help of Greg and his new Cruiser.

While regrouping we found out Denny and stumpy also had trouble with stumpy lodging a piece of wood washed up, from the ocean, under has Cruiser. With smooth going on the next beach every one decided to have lunch while waiting for Greg to fix a flat tyre with a little help from Jeff. During lunch we found out that another incident had happened with a member, now having to visit a crash repairer when he got back to Adelaide.

After lunch we arrived at Southend with no more incidents. We were on the way home on the last stretch of beach that was easier than driving on the bitumen. We were almost at the exit to Beach port when Steve in one of the Pajeros became bogged and was digging himself out. Steve had churned up most of the track so we soon found our selves bogged again. Dad managed to get out with Greg and family watching in amusement and taking video.

We soon were back at the Caravan Park after a mainly easy going day thanks to Denny and Greg leading the way.

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## Day Two – Beachport to Robe

Geoff Morgan

A decision was made early to change the normal route out of Beachport to follow the coast instead of inland to the big sand hill. After a couple of stragglers were rounded up we caught up the main group of vehicles at Five Mile Drift (the big sand hill). After a bit of playing about we were just about to head off and Greg's trusty 80 series didn't want to play any more and had a breakage. With a bit of ingenuity and some parts from Steve Mitsubishi the problem was fixed, can't let minor problems hold up the trip.

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**Mt Lofty Rangers meet on the  
"Second Monday of each Month"  
(the 3rd Monday if there is a public holiday) at the**





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Cloth Badges	\$7.00
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Initial 2 on joining	FREE
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# Happy Birthday

Kaitlyn Bradey	3rd February	Andrew Brett	8th February
Richard Curtis	27th February	Phill Dohne	29th February
Adam Drazil	2nd February	Greg Goding	11th February
Scot Goding	2nd February	Peter Jones	15th February
Jackson Lawson	29th February	Shannon Orbons	26th February
Nick Travers	16th February	Barb Almond	8th March
Rodney Curtis	22nd March	Troy Holberton	9th March
Danni Munn	25th March	Monique Munn	12th March
Sally Piggott-	30th March	Jane Raphael	17th March
Kim Rawsthorn	26th March	Jan Warbout	3rd March

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convincing the oncoming traffic our group was that large we couldn't all get off the track so we managed to get past without many stops-well done!

This was fine until Stoney Rise we got caught up with 40 plus cars stopped by a couple of clowns who couldn't get up a stretch leaving the beach with their tyres inflated-funny that.

As we were on the end I knew the previous track would get us out so a small group left the others in the traffic jam, of course as concerned members of the group we kept a vigil on our hand held radio of their plight while enjoying our Ice-Creams in Robe. This is a trick I learnt from Mark Moss last year when a large group is in trouble leave and get to the Ice-Cream shop first.

After every one arrived half an hour later and had time to recover with their Ice-Cream fill, we did leave them some, we weren't that heartless!

Steve and the Pajero contingent headed back via the black top, the remainder too the dirt back to Nora Cerina to jump back on the beach.

We were making really good time until we came across another stuck vehicle after they managed to get clear we pushed ahead. Our trip leader took a corner to sharp and clipped a rock and unknowingly staked the sidewall of and expensive 35" tyre, some further temporary repairs made we made it back to camp in 1½ hours. Over all a good day no-one bogged all day the only hassle was the traffic, I don't expect this will get any better in the near future either but all in all a good day

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## *4WD CLUB FÊTE - Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> March*

Any one interested in selling their old 4WD Equipment bring it along to the club meeting. Some tables will be set up to display the equipment. More details at tonight's meeting.





Greg Goding—requiring some help

**Courses Four Wheel Drive**

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**Contact: Ian Mangelsdorf**

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**Advanced Training**

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**Advance Sand**

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