



# Rangers' Review

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Christian—and the clubs new Driver Training Advisors

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# PRESIDENTS REPORT



G-day

The problem with the start of the year is that the months seem like weeks. The editor was just on the phone requesting another report already!

I'd like to start off this month by saying I was flicking through the past five years of the March club mags and noticed that every one had a picture on the front cover of the Clayton Raft Race. It was disappointing that the club couldn't make an appearance. In past years, Mount Lofty has always had the biggest attendance on race day and plenty of willing members to compete in the races, I hope that this continues over the years to come.

February was a quiet month as far as trips go with only Dave's fishing trip at Mannum. He went to a lot of trouble getting a few shops to donate some really good prizes for the fishing competition. I'm looking forward to hearing all about it tonight.

Congratulations to Tim Byrne, Layne Hollberton, Mark Curtis and myself for passing the Advisors Course held for the first time at the new training ground at Morgan. We are the latest members to start the program to be Trainers and maybe Assessors to represent our club. If you think the Driver Training Unit is for you please speak to Ian Mangelsdorf, Christian Whamond or Max Almond and they will be more than happy to help you with your questions.

Two months from now is the May meeting and the AGM. So many of you are potential and natural organisers and leaders so let's see a few nominations for each position. Do not be put off by the idea of being part of a committee - it is not difficult to do anything if you enjoy it. The night will start off with pizzas once again but more about that when it gets

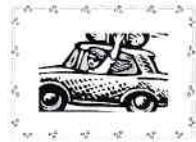
closer.

**URGENT MESSAGE TO ALL MEMBERS** we need more trips on the board for the upcoming long weekends and the sooner you get them up on the board the more chance we have to fill them up so if you are thinking of leading a trip, stop thinking about it and just get on with it.

That's all for this month looking forward to catching up tonight.

Happy trails...

Shaun Lawson — River Rats



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## *Fishing Weekend 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2004*

### **Trip Report – by Barb & Graham West (GRADA)**

Wow! What a weekend. We arrived about 5.30 and when I say arrived we were met by Dave and Murray who led us onto Private Property:

A sensational spot with a sandy beach, plenty of shade. Looked too good to be true and it wasn't until Dave and Murray came for a cleansing ale that we found out they had mowed the whole area, carted trailer loads of wood, cleaned the toilets in the old school and gave us access to rain water. What an effort by our hosts. They also provided a bucket of worms – only you needed to put your hand in the bucket of sh-- to pick them out as well as some pig's livers for the yabby nets. Not only this they had also gained sponsorship for the event from the Murray Bridge

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# News In Brief

## *Club Magazines*

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

## *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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Please note: changes to email addresses.

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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.

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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fishing shop and had great rods and tackle boxes as prizes.

Friday night we sat around the fire discussing the prospects of who would catch the biggest fish. After a few drinks we decided to call it a night so we could be fresh for Saturday.

Saturday everyone rose early ready to catch that elusive big fish. The river and surrounding land was covered in fog which was a really spectacular sight. After bacon and eggs the rods were in and the contest was on.

The children spent most of the day in the river playing in the water and letting the blue bucket drift off into the river. The blue bucket went for quite an adventure and was still afloat and visible on the other bank after 8 hours. A valiant effort to retrieve the bucket did not meet with any success and good luck to any adventurer who may claim it.

Meanwhile the adults fiercely battled for the biggest fish. It was a close contest with Dennis catching a catfish which had to be returned before it could be weighed (being a protected species and no sign of the adjudicator) and Dave Koch landing three before Graham was able to catch one. Of course it was the largest so far and the story about the one that got away with the rod pulled out of its holder was even bigger. Well the challenge was set but no-one was able to beat it. Although Brodie Koch's effort of a double header of carp which were quite a good size was very impressive.

Saturday night we all dined together. Dave and his family, Murray and Heather and their family and grandchildren, Dave and Briggitta Koch, Dennis Le Cornu and our family while Darren and Ali Seal visited for the day. The meal that night was 3 webers of pork, lamb, beef and chicken and roast vegetables. It was a great get together.

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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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The rest of the evening comprised of a video of the last 2 years at Beachport and the presentation of the prizes for the fishing competition.

The winners were:

**Brodie Koch**

**Cloe Koch**

**Jasmine Harding**

**Graham West**



Murray River at Wall Well—early morning mist

What a great result! The rest of the night was spent around the campfire enjoying the one that got away and a cleansing ale.

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# *Calendar of Events*

## March 2004

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6 Peake	7 Peake ----- Cleanup Aus
8 Meeting	9	10	11	12 SAAFWDC Mildura	13 SAAFWDC Mildura ----- Coorong	14 SAAFWDC Mildura ----- Coorong
15	16	17	18	19	20 Spooks & Ghouls	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# *Calendar of Events*

## April 2004

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 Easter	10 Easter
11 Easter	12 Easter	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Meeting	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Anzac Day	27	28	29	30	

# Upcoming Trips / Events

## **MARCH 2004**

### **MILDURA - SAAFWDC AGM : - MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup> to 14<sup>TH</sup>**

Staying at the River Beach Camp Ground, APEX Park, Mildura

See trips board for more details

Contact: Ken Bradey 8278 7000

### **COORONG FISHING TRIP: - 13<sup>TH</sup> to 14<sup>TH</sup>**

Travel down to salt creek, once you get on beach at 42 mile crossing, turn right and head along beach. Bring all your gear for the big fish. Camping on beach.

Contact: Justin Probert 8322 8592

## **APRIL 2004**

### **EASTER**

No trips planed as yet, if you have something planned so we can get details in the magazine.

Trips Co-ordinator: Layne

## **MAY 2004**

### **SUNSET NATIONAL PARK : - MAY LONG WEEKEND 15<sup>TH</sup>, TO 17<sup>TH</sup>**

Departing from Tailem Bend from 8am, 2 nights of bush camping at same spot within park

Details: Merv Tucker 8278 1414

### **NGARKAT CONSERVATION PARK: - MAY LONG WEEKEND 15<sup>TH</sup> TO 17<sup>TH</sup>**

Interclub Working Bee—See sheet on board for further details

Contact: Sue 8269 2883 / Lloyd 8569 1889 Border Track Maintenance Committee

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## ***JUNE 2004***

### **GLENDAMBO OUTBACK:- 12<sup>TH</sup> TO 14<sup>TH</sup>**

Glendambo will be holding the Glendambo Outback 4x4 Challenge and Field Day. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Dave Boothey via email on [thechurch@ozemail.com.au](mailto:thechurch@ozemail.com.au) or via telephone on 08 86721097 or 0429 02 158 or visit our website on [www.glendambooutback4x4.com.au](http://www.glendambooutback4x4.com.au)

### **FLINDERS RANGERS: - 15<sup>TH</sup> TO 17<sup>TH</sup>**

Staying at Rawnsley Park with day trips on Sky Trek, and Mt Samuel tracks.  
Details: Shaun Lawson 0411 702 742

### **MID-YEAR SOCIAL EVENT: - 26<sup>th</sup>**

Further details coming –  
Details: Social Committee

### ***ADVANCE NOTICE***

### **CONFLUENCES TRIP: - DATE TO BE ADVISED**

Visit the co-ordinates 140°E 33°S and 141°E 33°S (Yunta area) and record presence at these sites to register under club banner at the Confluence  
Web site: [www.confluence.org](http://www.confluence.org)  
Limit of 6 vehicles  
Contact: Mark Curtis: 8358 4776 / 0428 297 065

## ***COCTOBER 2004***

### **NGARKAT CONSERVATION PARK: - TO BE ADVISED**

Interclub Working Bee  
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### **LONG WEEKEND IN WHYALLA: - DETAILS ON TRIP BOARD**



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Caps <i>(including logo embroidered on)</i>	\$13.00

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Sunday we ate bacon and eggs for breakfast. The children including Brad (as Graham had given him the new fishing rod) were all keen to try their new rods. Brad amazingly caught 3 Callop in half an hour; one in 30 seconds flat and we now have three new keen fisher people. Packing up was followed by a leisurely drive home.

Finally to Dave and Murray and your families, I can't thank you enough for your effort and your hospitality; it was nothing short of sensational.

For those that could not make it this was one of the most enjoyable weekends I have ever had and thanks again Dave, Murray and your families. I understand this will become an annual event and I would highly recommend it to everyone.

The Wests

(Grada)

1/3/04



Dennis Le Cornu's camp site



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