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Warren Gorge—Hand Winch Training

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# "President Report"



Hi all

The four wheel drive show has come and gone for another year, Mount Lofty Rangers didn't win the award for best stand this year, but the stand looked great. **Many thanks to Steve Harding** for organising the event. **A special thanks must go to Dave Goodenough**, who was on the stand the whole time the show was open, and helped immensely with the setting up and providing of equipment for the stand. Another **thankyou goes to Ian and June Mangelsdorf**, Ian helped out on the 4wd test track and June was on the MLR stand for the whole show, well done guys! It was a special effort, we wouldn't be able to have a stand at all if it wasn't for a few individuals who are prepared to do a little extra for the club. To every one else that helped out on the weekend, thankyou also.

By the time you read this magazine, the boys would have returned from the high country, led by Greg Godding. If there is anyone in the club that knows that countryside like the back of their hand its Greg, and he has led a small team of serious off roaders to the Victorian high country now for about 5 years. I look forward to hearing their stories, and maybe having a photo night of the event at a club meeting in the future.

Well not having a guest speaker last month gave us an opportunity to have an informal chat, and a chance for members to ask questions or air grievances from the floor. I was pleased to hear that their weren't many complaints, and it seems that most of us are happy with the direction that the club is heading. If anyone has any questions or thoughts, good or bad, that they would like to express, please let a committee member know. We cant resolve problems if we don't know what they are.

Now that a decision has been made to run our own web page, and the members that volunteered to help out sound like they know what they are talking about, we should have our web page up and running soon. Hopefully we will get a update at the meeting. The idea of Mount Lofty Rangers having its own web chat forum was a great idea, and I look forward to seeing it.

Until next month, again thankyou all for your help at the four wheel drive show, with my commitments to Driver Training Unit, I couldn't have done it without your help.

Take care.

Christian

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## Campfire Cooking Weekend at Jack's Paddock- 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> October 2004

You'd be mistaken for thinking that you'd taken a wrong turn and ended up at the Camper Trailer Show rather than a campfire cooking weekend. A bloke couldn't swing a billy without nearly hitting a lump of canvas or aluminium.

Then, just when it looked safe to let the kids wander around without getting run over by a trailer, Alby rolls up with Seagull,...err I mean, Thunderbird 2. The new truck was beautifully set up with everything a serious four wheel driver would need; water tanks, lights, winch and a cavernous rear end (the car that is). The fridge alone was big enough to hold a Suzuki Sierra or a weeks supply of bevies.

Anyway, Jack's Paddock in Kuitpo Forrest is a terrific area to camp. Grassy areas dotted with trees, a wooden hut and even a long drop toilet. The whole area is surrounded by pine plantation and if it wasn't for the nearby road you'd think you'd been dropped in the middle of a Mount Gambier forest.

The whole point of the weekend was to sample some campfire cooking, and when too much wood is not enough, we had just the right amount. If we ran out (which I think would have taken a week) there was always the forest to pilfer.

While two roaring fires were started to make coals, we headed off on a GPS

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# News In Brief



## *Future Meeting Dates*

January	No Meeting
February	14 <sup>th</sup>
March	14 <sup>th</sup>
April	11 <sup>th</sup>
May	9 <sup>th</sup> ( AGM)
June	
July	



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navigation exercise. Jeff Morgan had arrived a bit earlier in the day and laid out a course. The idea was that groups would navigate from the camp to the first waypoint, get the next co-ordinates and head off to another until they reached camp again. My group worked on the GIGO principle, which roughly translated means, if you programme the wrong data into your GPS, you'll end up at precisely the wrong spot, albeit with an accuracy of three metres. Nevertheless it gave us something to do until the fires died down.

After a quick tour of "Trailer Town" we all got to work preparing dinner. The feast started with Nachos and Pizza, was followed by a soup selection and went on to main course. The choice here was from Goulash, Seafood Mornay, Spag Bog and even a sensational and brave Lasagne plus more. Mandatory Damper was washed down with a variety of drinks including a 50 year old port. (you should've been there Merv). Dessert was chocolate pudding.

Entertainment was in the form of what looked like the local Town Hall going up in flames. It turned out to be a massive pile of old wood across the road being burnt off.

Most people eventually went to bed and all of those who did got up the next morning.

Breakfast mostly consisted of bacon and eggs although I did see a few jaffle irons in the fire.

Thanks go to the organisers and Jeff for his GPS course. Special mention also to Mark and Linda Moss for the wonderful performance of "how to communicate when separating a car from the camper".

We'd all have laughed more if we weren't busy trying to get out of the way.

I can't wait until next year.

Rick Luff

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## **CAMP COOK WEEKEND at JACKS PADDOCK KUIPTO**

What a great weekend. We all started arriving after 12.30pm on Saturday afternoon, after we had voted. Camp sites were set up in a relaxed manner with most people arriving by 2.30pm. Once the two camp fires were burning well Jeff explained the afternoon's activities, fun with the GPS. We were then split into four groups and off we went in different directions with our

illustrious leaders, Layne, Christian, Tim and Mark Curtis. Each group was given their first coordinates and off we walked to that tree. On that tree there was a code and another set of coordinates for each group to find using their GPS and once again all groups went in a different direction. This was then repeated 8 times throughout the forest.

It was then time for Happy Hour which consisted of Nachos and Pork and Veal Rolls in Crisp Noodle Crumbs. Then there were some soups to try and damper before the pizza was cooked and ready to eat. There were lots of things to try for the main course including Chilli Con Carne, Tuna Mornay, Beef Goulash, Irish Stew, Spaghetti Bolognaise, Chicken Lasagne and Baked Potatoes with sour cream & chives. Sweets consisted of Chocolate Self Saucing Pudding, Coca Cola Cake and scones with jam & cream.

There were lots of cooking hints and tips discussed and some great food was eaten. Over the next few months all of the recipes will be included in the magazine so watch out for them and some hints and tips for camp cooking.

A great time was had by all; Jacks Paddock is a great and very convenient location. It was decided that we should go back to Jacks Paddock again some time next year.

Julie Holberton

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## *Camp Cook Weekend—Recipe 1*

### ***Pork and Veal Rolls in Crisp Noodle Crumbs:***

***Mark Curtis***

300g pork and veal mince  
2 cloves garlic, crushed  
1 teaspoon grated fresh ginger  
½ teaspoon ground cumin  
½ teaspoon ground coriander  
1 small fresh red chilli, chopped  
2 green shallots, chopped  
¼ cup canned drained water chestnuts, chopped  
1 egg white, lightly beaten  
2 teaspoons corn flour  
2 teaspoons light soy sauce  
¼ teaspoon sesame oil  
250g fresh egg noodles, chopped

oil for deep frying

Combine all ingredients except noodles and oil for deep-frying in bowl. Roll 2 level teaspoons of mixture into log shape, roll in noodles. Repeat with remaining mixture and noodles.

Just before serving, deep-fry rolls in hot oil until well browned and cooked through; drain on absorbent paper.

Makes about 25.

Rolls can be prepared 2 days ahead

Storage: Covered in Refrigerator.

Freeze: Uncooked rolls suitable.

Microwave: Not Suitable.

Recipe; Australian Women's Weekly - Finger Food



### *BUSHFIRE SEASON*

With Summer looming, the state is once again facing the threat of bushfire. If you intend to visit fire prone areas during the season, make sure your aware of when you can legally light a fir, restrictions involved, and how the current Bushfire Emergency Warning System works.

Check the CFS web site to find the answers:

[www.cfs.org.au](http://www.cfs.org.au)

Or obtain the excellent Wildfire Survival Guide, available at the CFS Units- it may also be downloaded from:

[www.cfs.org/about/pdf/survival\\_guide.pdf](http://www.cfs.org/about/pdf/survival_guide.pdf)

Courtesy of NRAU news letter



# SOCIAL SCENE

## DECEMBER MEETING & CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

– Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas is fast approaching. Father Christmas will be coming to our December meeting (as he did last year). The evening will begin at about 6.30pm with a BBQ and salads provided for our dinner. Father Christmas will be coming with presents for all the children.

Don't forget it is up to you to provide a present for your child/ren or grandchild/ren which Father Christmas will give them. Please wrap and name your presents, maximum cost about \$20.00. The presents can be given to Linda, Lyn, Jo or Julie at either tonight's meeting or before 7.00pm at the December meeting and they will discreetly put them in Santa's sack. The meeting will commence at about 7.45pm with a coffee and sweets break in the middle.

Could each family please bring a small plate of sweets to share, there will be a table available for these to be put on. There will be some entertainment to keep the children amused and there is a playground and the oval for them to play on.

As always please come and speak with Linda, Jo, Julie or Lyn tonight if you have any suggestion or question regarding our events for the year. Have a great night!

Social Committee

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14 II	15	16	17	18 IV	19	20
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28 I	29	30				

- I) DTU Morgan
- II) DTU Advisor Course—Morgan
- III) DTU General Meeting - Cavan 07:30 pm
- IV) SA 4WD Association Meeting
- V) DTU Training Committee Meeting—Cavan 07:30 pm

# December 2004

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- I) DTU General Meeting - Cavan 07:30 pm
- II) DTU Training Committee Meeting—Cavan 07:30 pm

# January 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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9	10 No MLR Meeting	11	12	13	14	15
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# February 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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27	28					

- I) DTU Training Committee Meeting – Cavan 07:30 pm
- II) DTU General Meeting—Cavan 07:30 pm
- III) Association General Meeting - Cavan 07:30 pm

# Upcoming Trips

**JANUARY 2004: Beachport 22nd to 26th January**

Annual trip to Beachport : Socialising, Beach Driving

**JULY 2005: Anne Beadell Highway: 9th to 24 July**

Will head west from Coober Pedy along the Anne Beadell Highway. At this stage return route unknown—may head north and back through the Great Australian Desert or head south and back along the Nullarbor. Remote bush travelling and few refuelling places, so vehicles must be prepared to suit. Persons interested **MUST** also be prepared to commit to trip early next year as permits need to be organised

Mark Curtis. Trip limit 8–10 vehicles



## MLR Club Training

**Officer: Jeff Morgan**

**Home: 8381 5404**

**Mobile: 0410 665 019**

### **Basic Training—Theory - Part 1**

**1st November 2004**

**Blackwood Scout Hall**

**7.00pm to 10.00 pm**

### **Adviser Course**

**13th & 14th November**

**Morgan**

### **Basic Training—Theory - Part 2**

**15th November 2004**

**Blackwood Scout Hall**

**7.00pm to 10.00 pm**

### **Basic Training—Theory - Part 3**

**29th November 2004**

**Blackwood Scout Hall**

**7.00pm to 10.00 pm**

### **Skills Update 002 & 003**

**7th & 8th May 2005**

**Warren Gorge**

### **Skills Update 002 & 003**

**30th & 31st July 2005**

**Kuipto**

### **Training Small Groups**

**4th & 5th June 2005**

**Unknown**



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<b>NEW ITEM</b>	
<b>Bucket Hats <i>(including logo embroidered on &amp; GST)</i></b>	<b>\$13.00</b>

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If you require clothing please speak to a committee member.

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This will alert the moderators of the group that you wish to join. To verify that you are a member of the club please provide details the main item of the last club meeting (eg guest speaker's name) or some other appropriate evidence of your membership in the body of your message. Once you are accepted then you will receive all emails sent to the group.

Alternatively, if you already have a Yahoo! login then you will be able to find the group in the listings (or via the URL below) and join that way. Your membership still requires moderator approval so again some evidence of your membership of the club is required.

I would strongly advise you to join Yahoo! as the group also provides other functionality that can only be accessed after you have logged in to Yahoo! The two simplest functions the group's home page ([http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/mlr\\_4wd/](http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/mlr_4wd/)) provides are a calendar and photo albums. There are other goodies and we will use them appropriately in due course.

If there are any further questions I can answer them for you via email ([langy67@tpg.com.au](mailto:langy67@tpg.com.au)).

Thanks.

Langy! (Group Owner/Moderator)



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