

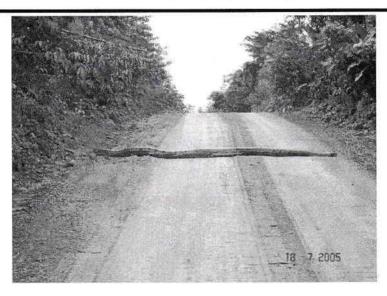
# Rangers' Review

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#### **Mount Lofty Rangers Inc.**

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#### I'd suggest not trying to drive over this local! Taken near Gloucester in NSW

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### **Mount Lofty Rangers Inc.**

#### **About Us**

The Club's aim is to enjoy all aspects of owning and using our 4WDs while enjoying the diverse surroundings offered by this great country. We are a club of 4WD enthusiasts who enjoy challenging driving, regular trips, camping, camp cooks and a great social scene on and off track.

#### **Membership**

Membership is open to anyone who owns a 4WD regardless of its make or model and has a passion for driving. Mount Lofty Rangers Inc is an affiliated member of the SA Association of 4WD Clubs.

#### **Club Outings**

The Mount Lofty Rangers provides regular day, weekend and extended four wheel drive trips, lead by experienced trip leaders. Trips are rated on the level of difficulty and are available to all members and guests.

The club has a dedicated social committee who also organises regular events that complement the club trips.

#### **Experience and Training**

Our current members possess a wide range of skills ranging from beginner to advanced. The club has a number of accredited instructors and assessors, and is involved in regular training via the SAAFWDC Driver Training Unit.

#### Meetings

Club meetings are the second Monday of each month\* and are held at the

#### Blackwood Football Club Trevor Terrace Blackwood

#### Time 7:15 pm

\*Except where this Monday falls on a long weekend then the meeting is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month

#### **Information**

For more information on the Club please check out our website at: <a href="https://www.mountloftyrangers.com.au">www.mountloftyrangers.com.au</a>

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## Editorial



#### G'day Folks

Welcome to the last magazine for 2008. It's been an interesting year both inside and outside the world of four wheel driving. With rising fuel prices, a falling dollar, rising unemployment and world financial markets in free fall, people are starting to feel, as Tom Lehrer once described it, like a Christian Scientist with appendicitis.

The best cure for all this is to climb into the Lancruiser/Patrol/Pajero/Discovery/whatever and head for the serenity and beauty of the Australian bush. That's where you'll remember what's really important.

Speaking of what's important, I made a giant mistake last month with the crossword and published the answers with the puzzle. What can I say? So there is a new crossword this month, on the theme of camping and Australiana. I hope you'll be able to while away some of the boring bits of trips by doing this over the radio. There remains a prize of two bottles of red wine to the first completed crossword each month (not including last month of course).

Sending the magazine by email has proved very popular so we will continue to do that. Please ensure I have your current email address. I will not be producing the monthly magazine on CD in future, as everyone should now have it electronically. However, early next year I will produce CDs with the last 18 months magazines on them.

So that's about it from me. I wish you all a safe, relaxing and enjoyable holiday period and a rewarding and satisfying 2009.

Till next year

Barrie Davis

# "Trevor's Presidential Report"



Hi all

Well here we are again, all back fresh from Wall Flat where a great time was had by all at the club Xmas show.

This season means many and different things to all of us. I would encourage you to stop and remember those who have moved on to other places and groups. I would also challenge you to contact others while we have the opportunity. So many of us have friends and loved ones who we haven't seen for many a year and the reason why is long forgotten. That is my Christmas wish, that we don't let another year pass. Sometimes they are just waiting for us to take the first step. If not, we have lost nothing.

After I celebrate the season with family and friends, I will be off the next day to be with my other family, the club family on a trip to the Victorian high country.

While I prepare I am reminded that this is a holiday season and so I have slowed the trip down, concentrated it on a smaller area, and plan to see a lot more of it. The rest (what I miss this trip) is just another reason to go back.

As President I would like to extend a special Christmas greeting to all Club members and families and I take this opportunity to express my deepest thanks to those I serve with on the committee. Please join with me in thanking them for their efforts over the past 6 months and in to the next 6 months.

For those travelling, keep safe, for those staying at home, keep well and for those of you who will be working over the holiday period, keep happy and spread the cheer. Don't forget, one of our Club sponsors is bound to have that last minute Christmas gift. Call in and thank them for the on going support of the club.

Merry Christmas to all and to all a good drive.

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# Association A discussion item from the AVID Adventurers Club Matters

The following article is reprinted from the 4WD Adventurers Club October 2008 Newsletter. It was prepared in response to the perennial question of "what does the Association do for us", and takes a different approach to the subject and makes some new proposals as to how we could approach the business and activities of FWDSA.

#### What does the Association do for us? - A Worn out cliché?

Well it probably is - but it doesn't stop club members asking it - particularly each time FWDSA Affiliation Fees are due. We all know that the obvious benefits are.

- Accredited Driver Training.
- Recognition as a the peak, responsible group of 4 Wheel Drivers in SA.
- Access to the National Insurance Scheme.
- A single co-ordinated voice for affiliated clubs to Government, Media, etc.

What happens many times is intangible. To hear in detail all that was discussed, negotiated, planned, investigated each month would bore you out of your tree. So you just get the basic details.

#### What!! We pay affiliation fees

#### and have to volunteer too? - well Yes!!

Yes, FWDSA runs on volunteers. How it works is that members of various clubs (who also pay affiliation fees) volunteer to perform roles within the FWDSA organisation - just like our club members do.

Affiliation fees don't "buy" services - they are generally just enough to pay for infrastructure, and the operating costs of the various "Units" - they don't pay for people to do stuff.

#### So who do we get running the Association?

FWDSA people have daytime jobs or businesses and they have families. We expect that they will do their jobs adequately. There is no guarantee though that they have the necessary qualifications or talent or time to produce the level of results we may wish.

FWDSA has had resource problems over the last few

years. The most public have resulted in actual or proposed track closures - and the future threatens more complex and time consuming work. There has also been a recent exodus of personnel in leadership roles and in Unit membership.

#### Does this mean we shut up and be

satisfied? - well No!!

#### What do you want? - who have you told?

FWDSA people have basic job descriptions to work to, but very often (except in the Driver Training Unit) there are no overall policies or specifies on what is wanted. Consequently individuals and groups introduce their own ideas.

What has been missing has been clubs making submissions or directions to FWDSA on what they want. This is something our club can do.

#### Put yourself where your mouth is

- show leadership.

What has not occurred much, is clubs offering to do work on behalf of FWDSA. Things don't happen by magic. We can organise action (not words) by our club playing a leading rale. That is to work with FWDSA on specific lobs - such as

- Analysing Park Management Plans to safeguard our interests.
- Mounting Promotional Displays.
- Work with other clubs to promote our pastime or to form pressure groups to protest proposed driving access rights.

#### John Henderson

-4WD Adventurers Club FWDSA Delegate

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#### OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND

We started our trip at around 5.00pm on the Friday night. Peter and the kids had Friday off so everything was organised, traffic on the road wasn't too bad.

We travelled along the Coorong Road then stopped for tea and fuel at Kingston at 8.15pm. I took note of the time because I was really looking forward to a Skim latte and the coffee machine was turned off at 8.00pm. Disappointed we pushed on.

After numerous games of "Guess Who and Eye Spy" we finally arrived in Mt Gambier. Our spirits lifted at the sight of those "Golden Arches" and that it was a McCafé with fairly good coffee. Wasn't that much further and we arrived at the Dartmoor turn off to Glenelg River National Park. We were meeting at the Pritchard Campground which was where we had stayed before and enjoyed it so much it was good to go back.

Dave, Sherelyn and Jack / Graham, Corelee and Daniele / Skippy, Leonie and Andrew and Glenn and Pam had already arrived earlier and set up camp. When we arrived at 11.30pm there was only the boys up.

It was a very cold night, but the weather was nice the next day. Saturday we went for a drive through the forests tracks and to Jones Lookout. Glenn and Pam decided to go into Mt Gambier to buy some more bedding as they were cold the night before. The rest off us went back to camp for Happy Hour then a combined tea of BBQ and salads. Peter wanted to try his hand at finger buns in the camp oven which were a success.

Sunday the weather was still fine and sunny. We went for a drive into Dartmoor and saw all the wood carvings in the main street and the Fairy Tale Tree, which is a tree with all fairytale creatures carved into it.

Then we went to a local garden for a coffee but the kiosk was closed so we walked the garden instead, which was in need of some TLC. After lunch in the Garden grounds we headed back to the National Park to check out the other camping spots for next time.

Whilst Pritchard's is the largest and most popular, there were plenty of more secluded spots that didn't get as much traffic, and all with their own toilet block and ramp to the river.

Some of the group decide to visit the Princess Margaret Caves that were also in the park, whilst we went back for happy hour and prepared for our roast and veges combined tea. That night it started to rain about 11.00pm and went on throughout the night.

Monday morning started in showers but stopped long enough to dry out the canvas and pack everything up. We all left around 11.00am and went our separate ways.

Glenelg River is just one of Victoria's fantastic National Parks and in the warmer months you can spent a week there. I am sure we will be back there in the not so distant future.

Overall it was a very enjoyable weekend with fine weather, great company and good food - what more could you ask for.

Jo, Peter, Zoë and Jake Reed



18 October 2008

#### By Captain Neil Cook

After a number of false starts to organise a venue for a pirates birthday bash, it was left to a local caravan park to host the 'Pirates of the Coorong'- sorry 'Pirates of Rocky Creek' (bloody Forestry Commission!) now the 'Pirates of Aldinga Beach' bash.

Friday arvo saw the 'Adventure' making the short voyage down south to the Aldinga Beach Caravan Park and the setting up of Captain Cook's camp. Black Beard Mclintoch, first mate Lena and deckhands Emily and Jarrod had already setup the 'Silver Pearl Pajero' and were swabbing the decks of their newly tented trailer.

The evening was spent eating, drinking and talking in really bad pirate accents!!



Dawn broke over the starboard stub axle and a hearty breakfast was had by all. Just as the deck hands had finished their washing up duties, Captain Sawyer and crew tacked Westward past the swimming pool and anchored off the starboard wheel arch of the 'Adventure'.

Soon after two scallywags going by the name of Captain D Duck and first mate Trish arrived after the long voyage down from the Northern hemisphere (sorry – suburbs!). Their Kimberly war machine took no time to roll out the bedding in preparation for the night's battle with the grog!



As the sun began to set over the drawbars, four strangely dressed and even more strangely talking scallywags ambushed the deckhands doing the washing up. This brought about the start of the nights festivities.

Soon after Captain Cook was being seated and having gifts thrust upon him from all directions, cameras were flashing and video's recording.

To top it all off, a great pirate cake had been baked (thanks to the Mclintoch's and Hailey) and was duly washed down with plenty of rum!

After a lazy breakfast on the Sunday morning, the weather was starting to take a turn for the worst, so everyone broke camp, pointed their bull bars north and set their 4wd's for home.

A very humble and appreciative Captain Cook reflected on the journeys that his fellow pirates had made to spend the weekend with him and vowed never to slit their throats!!!!!



I was sent two items, one from a man and one from a woman, on basically the same thing, i.e. how each views the other. I thought they made an interesting comparison. Ed

#### THE MALE POINT OF VIEW

We always hear 'the rules' from the female side. Now here are the rules from the male side. These are our rules! Please note.. these are all numbered '1' <u>ON</u> PURPOSE!

- 1. Men are NOT mind readers.
- 1. Learn to work the toilet seat. You're a big girl. If it's up, put it down. We need it up, you need it down. You don't hear us complaining about you leaving it down.
- 1. Sunday sports. It's like the full moon or the changing of the tides. Let it be.
- 1. Shopping is NOT a sport. And no, we are never going to think of it that way.
- 1. Crying is blackmail.
- 1. Ask for what you want. Let us be clear on this one: Subtle hints do not work! Strong hints do not work! Obvious hints do not work! Just say it!
- 1. Yes and No are perfectly acceptable answers to almost every question.
- 1. Come to us with a problem <u>only</u> if you want help solving it. That's what we do. Sympathy is what your girlfriends are for.
- 1. A headache that lasts for 17 months is a Problem. See a doctor.
- 1. Anything we said 6 months ago is inadmissible in an argument. In fact, all comments become null and void after 7 days.
- 1. If you won't dress like the Victoria's Secret girls, <u>don't</u> expect us to act like soap opera guys.

- 1. If you think you're fat, you probably are. Don't ask us.
- 1. If something we said can be interpreted two ways and one of the ways makes you sad or angry, we meant the <u>other one</u>.
- 1. You can either ask us to do something or tell us how you want it done. Not both. If you already know best how to do it, just do it yourself.
- 1. Whenever possible, please say whatever you have to say during commercials.
- 1. Christopher Columbus did NOT need directions and neither do we.
- 1. ALL men see in only 16 colours, like Windows default settings. Peach, for example, is a fruit, not a colour. Pumpkin is also a fruit. We have <u>no</u> idea what mauve is.
- 1. If it itches, it will be scratched. We do that.
- 1. If we ask what is wrong and you say 'nothing,' we will act like nothing's wrong. We know you are lying, but it is just not worth the hassle.
- 1. If you ask a question you don't want an answer to, expect an answer you don't want to hear.
- 1. When we have to go somewhere, absolutely anything you wear is fine...Really.
- 1. Don't ask us what we're thinking about unless you are prepared to discuss such topics as baseball, the shotgun formation, or golf.
- 1. You have enough clothes.
- 1. You have too many shoes.
- 1. I am in shape. Round IS a shape!

Yes, I know, I have to sleep on the couch tonight; But did you know men really don't mind that? It's like camping.

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#### THE FEMALE POINT OF VIEW

It's not difficult to make a woman happy. A man only needs to be:

- 1. a friend
- 2. a companion
- 3. a lover
- 4. a brother
- 5. a father
- 6. a master
- 7. a chef
- 8. an electrician
- 9. a carpenter
- 10. a plumber
- 11. a mechanic
- 12. a decorator
- 13. a stylist
- 14. a sexologist
- 15. a gynecologist
- 16. a psychologist
- 17. a pest exterminator
- 18. a psychiatrist
- 19. a healer
- 20. a good listener
- 21. an organizer
- 22. a good father
- 23. very clean
- 24. sympathetic
- 25. athletic
- 26. warm
- 27. attentive
- 28. gallant
- 29. intelligent
- 30. funny
- 31. creative
- 32. tender
- 33. strong
- 34. understanding
- 35. tolerant

- 36. prudent
- 37. ambitious
- 38. capable
- 39. courageous
- 40. determined
- 41. true
- 42. dependable
- 43. passionate
- 44. compassionate

#### WITHOUT FORGETTING TO:

- 45. give her compliments regularly
- 46. love shopping
- 47. be honest
- 48. be very rich
- 49. not stress her out
- 50. not look at other girls

#### AND AT THE SAME TIME, YOU MUST ALSO:

- 51. give her lots of attention, but expect little yourself
- 52. give her lots of time, especially time for herself
- 53. give her lots of space, never worrying about where she goes

#### IT IS VERY IMPORTANT:

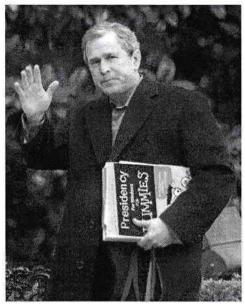
- 54. Never to forget:
- \* birthdays
- \* anniversaries
- \* arrangements she makes

#### HOW TO MAKE A MAN HAPPY

- 1. Show up Naked
- 2. Bring Beer

I think it may be best for my health and well being if I don't reveal who contributed these items Ed

Perish the thought that this magazine should ever become a forum for political debate, but this one was too good to pass up Ed



And this one, titled "The Four Stages of Life". It's good to have something to look forward to as we get older!





From Still In The Bush, Len Beadell's story of the creation of the Woomera Rocket Range. Until he got a competent cook, Len and his party had to make do as best they could.

Next time you feel your camp cooking isn't up to scratch, think about this:-

One day we had a jelly which we drank, another a custard which was eaten with knife and fork, and as a refreshing change one morning, some porridge which stretched in an unbroken line from the billy to the tin plate when dished out. When the required length was reached we used a pair of tin shears to snip it off, allowing each end to spring back to its respective mound. After we pulled the ant-stopper stick from the hole punched in the top of the tin, we pumped milk on to the porridge by using a thumb on the bottom of the tin in an oil-can action. The sugar was wonderful.

One of the braver impromptu cooks tried his hand at a sponge cake mix with dehydrated egg powder, but not being sure how long to leave it in the oven, he finished up frying lumps of it, and we ate it on toasted damper with Worcestershire sauce. It proved to be a most useful recipe which we were to use quite often, boiling it for scrambled eggs, adding flour and sugar for cakes, and replacing the sugar with diced carrots for Yorkshire pudding in stews.

These were a different breed of people. Reading Len's books is intimidating when you think about what we regard as essential to go bush, compared to the equipment he used. Ed

Thanks to Neil Cook for this article. It's enough to make your eyes water just thinking about it Ed



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DATE: 09/09/2008



#### WORKING IN THE FIELD

#### WHAT HAPPENED

The driver was slowly driving along a bush track in a Nissan Patrol Ute. The wheel of the light vehicle ran over a dead branch lying partially across the road.

The dead branch flicked up and drove through the plastic drain plug in the floor pan. The dead branch then travelled through the passenger seat protruding some 150mm.

#### CONSEQUENCES

The branch could have easily protruded through the driver's seat causing a fatal accident.

The vehicle could have carried a passenger who would have sustained serious injuries.

#### CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

- The Nissan Patrol was driving off road and drove over a dead tree branch lying on the track.
- The weight of the vehicle snapped the branch and the force of downwards pressure has projected the branch through the plastic drain plug and up through the passengers seat.

#### CONTROLLABLE CAUSES CORRECTED TO PREVENT RECURRENCE

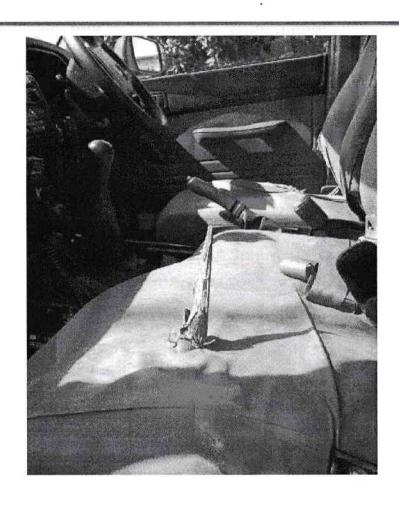
- When driving on bush tracks and an obstacle is lying in the path of a vehicle, stop if practicable to do and remove the obstacle.
- Detour around the obstacle if unable to safely remove the obstacle from the path.

#### DETAILS OF INCIDENT AND LESSONS LEARNT ARE COMMUNICATED AND LEARNT

This safety alert is communicated to the other projects for their review, their own determination whether this type of incident would happen on their site and dissemination to their contractors.

Andrew Sharpe Calibre HSE Superintendent Brockman 4 Project

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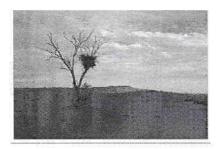
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WALL FLAT 6/12/08

#### Desert danger forces outback shutdown

Courtesy of ABC web site



Simpson Desert: closure over extreme heat of summer (ABC News: Lew Chinner)

The Simpson Desert in outback Australia is to be closed over summer for the first time, due to safety concerns.

The conservation park and regional reserve, which covers more than 3.6 million hectares, will be closed from December 1 until March 15.

Environment Department regional operations director in South Australia, Trevor Naismith, says extreme heat in the desert makes it dangerous for people to attempt crossings.

He says temperatures often reach 50 degrees Celsius, making the region especially dangerous for tourists from overseas.

"[They are] often in a hired vehicle, with very limited four-wheel-driving experience," he said.

"No real concept of the enormous distances involved and the difficulties that are encountered in driving in desert conditions."

The Simpson Desert has only tracks, rather than any defined roads.



#### LEAKING DIESEL FUEL TANKS

With regard to the tip last month regarding repair kits from Caterpillar, I'm sorry to say that Caterpillar have advised me that these are no longer available. They recommended me to the Loctite product.

### <u>Tetanus</u>

The killer bacterium Clostridium tetanii is a hater of oxygen and does not survive in its lethal form in or on animals where there is any air. This includes their mouths. It is a normal and very common dweller in soil but as a vegetative spore going nowhere, waiting for its special conditions to occur so as it can multiply. These conditions must include no oxygen. Like its equally nasty relatives, botulism food poisoning (Cl. botulinum) and gangrene (Cl. perfringens), it must actually kill its host to get on in life and it does this by poison. Tetanus in humans results from a very tiny point of infection between the upper and lower layers of skin where there is no oxygen. From there it makes its devastating poison. If the bacteria spore actually gets into the blood supply, the blood oxygen knocks it off.

There are a vast number of bugs that live in the mouths of lizards, and us, and that may cause septicaemic problems if they get below the skin and into flesh, but Cl. tetanii is not necessarily one of them. Bev's' information to clean the wound is spot on.

The recommendation to disinfect is also appropriate but the recommendation to automatically have a tetanus 'booster'; is now incorrect. The problem here is that there have been so many 'boosters' given in the past that nearly all of the problems with tetanus shots are the, often violent, over-reactions to the tetanus antigen.

Lockjaw itself is a rare condition, and, in spite of the constant warnings about animal bites and tetanus, I am not aware of any reports of tetanus having ever been, unequivocally, only from an animal bite or scratch. Because of all this, the National Health &Medical Research Council recommendations for 'ADT' (or the Adult Diphtheria & Tetanus antigen) are now different. An auto-booster after a wound is not routinely recommended.

The scene now becomes a bit complicated, for the current recommendations are targeted for a lifelong prevention programme of all vaccine preventable diseases rather than wait until potential exposure. If you are under thirty, you are covered for these preventable diseases. This includes tetanus, provided your parents consented to the complete childhood programme. The next recommendation here is for a routine ADT vaccine at age fifty regardless of any actual wound of any sort.

So, if you are 50, get a shot of ADT now, regardless, rather than wait until a small non-bleeding prick from a rose thorn kills you. (This being the fate of a lady in the SE of SA some time ago.). This will particularly apply if going bush for a while. This is also provided that no prophylactic vaccine (either ADT or TetTox) has been given in the last 10-20 years. With that shot at 50 years, no more need be given for the rest of your life. If you are between 30 and 50 and/or still not sure, contact your Local Shire's or Council's Environmental Health Officer who will further explain this public health programme and where to get the publicly available information and adult vaccines, for this programme is not now only for children. Medical practitioners will also assist here.

Just to make life more difficult, the various States have slightly different legislative approaches to this and remember also that this is general public health information and some individuals may have differing needs to that above.

Dr Bob

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Regards

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#### Summary of up coming trips:

When putting your name down for a trip you MUST include your contact number If you cannot attend and your name is on the trip sheet you MUST contact the trip leader or Trips coordinator.

- 6 7 December Christmas at Wall Flat
- 26 Dec to 10 Jan Victorian High Country
- 24 26 January Annual Beachport trip
- 13 15 February Ardrossan Crabbing & Jetty Fishing Trip

More details for all of these trips will be on the trips board at the meeting.

Trip	Christmas at Wall Flat
Date/s – Duration	6 - 7 December 2008
Trip Leaders	Shorty (Dave Willsmore)
Convoy limit	No limit
Distance – Kms	
Departure / meeting point & time	
Radio	UHF 27 - Club Channel
Special Requirements	
General comments	Social weekend, games and festivities

Clean up Australia day is Sunday 1st March. Tim Byrne will be organising a Club activity Details at the next meeting.

Trip	Victorian High Country
Date/s – Duration	26 December to 10 January
Trip Leaders	Trevor Hill
Convoy limit	6 vehicles
Distance – Kms	Approx 1500 km
Departure / meeting point & time	Tailem Bend 11 am Boxing Day
Radio	UHF 27 - Club Channel
RSVP – deposit	N/A
Trip Difficulty	Very Hard
General comments	Tents or camper trailers OK

#### Save an Outback Cemetery

Email received—Possible Club Activity?

I have been researching the cemeteries and lonely graves along the old Ghan Railway and the Overland Telegraph for over 15 years. I am concerned that they will be lost forever if they don't get urgent attention. Do you know of a 4WD club out there prepared to adopt one of these cemeteries and carry out preservation work?

Funding up to \$5000 is available \$ for \$ from Heritage SA. The club's contribution could be "in kind" such as cost of travel, labour, planning, design etc. All the details can be found on my website. www.outbacksecrets.com/cemeteries. There are at least four cemeteries to adopt.



Trip	Annual Beachport Trip	
Date/s – Duration	24 - 26 January (longer if you wish)	
Trip Leaders	Paul Tabone (more required)  Jeff Morgan will lead a party from Robe at 10 am on Saturday.	
Convoy limit	The more the merrier	
Distance – Kms	Approx 350 km	
Departure / meeting point & time	Southern Ocean Tourist Park. Please note: You will need to book your own camp site by calling 08 8735 8153	
Radio	UHF 27 - Club Channel	
RSVP – deposit	Payable to caravan park direct	
Special Requirements	Sand flag, air compressor and fire extinguisher in vehicle	
Trip Difficulty	Moderate	
General comments	Some training and assessment may be available. If you have never done this trip you should consider these.	

This web site is a great resource for planning trips and exploring possibilities:-

http://www.4x4earth.com.au/tracklist/

Trip	Ardrossan Crabbing & Jetty
	Fishing Trip
Date/s – Duration	6 - 8 February
Trip Leaders	Paul Tabone
Convoy limit	
Distance – Kms	
Departure / meeting point & time	TBA
Radio	UHF 27 - Club Channel
RSVP – deposit	
Special Requirements	BYO crabbing rack, old sand shoes and tub for crabs
General comments	Staying at Ardrossan caravan park, close to pub and jetty. Need to book sites by end of December.

#### **Club Trainers**

Trainers: Ian Manglesdorf, Paul West, Tim Byrne, Paul Tabone Assessors: Ken Bradey, Mark Curtis, Jeff Morgan, Ricky Esser,

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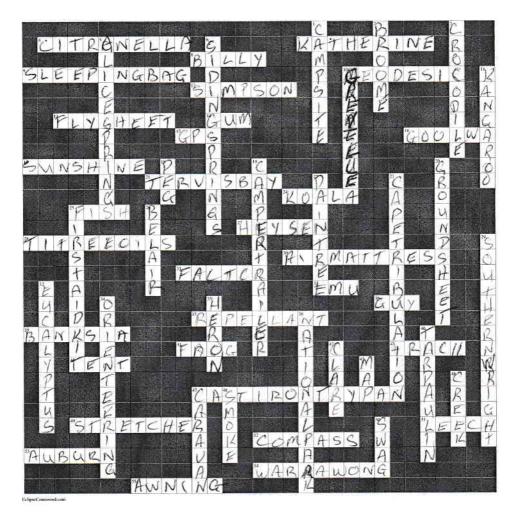
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- 9. Zips up to keep you warm at night (8,3)
- 10. Geometric pole design that resists wind force
- 12. Major Australian sand desert

- 13. Keeps the rain off the tent (3,5)
- 14. Dominant type of Australian tree
- 15. Electronic location system
- 16. SA boating town
- 17. Source of heat
- 21. Naval station on south coast of NSW
- 24. Not actually a bear, but cute
- 25. Creature with gills, good to eat
- 27. Long trail named afetr SA painter
- 28. Another natural insect repellant
  - 30. Inflatable bed (3,8)
  - 31. Sun protection .......
  - 33. Flightless bird
  - 36. Ties to pegs
  - 37. For keeping flies and mossies away
  - 39. Native plant named after botanist on Cook's expedition
  - 41. Noisy water dweller, especially at night
  - 43. Road to your campsite
  - 44. Mobile flexible home
  - 47. Good for cooking breakfast on a fire (4,4,6)
  - 49. Use to carry sick people and to sleep on
  - 51. Wet country blood sucker
  - 52. Direction pointing device
  - 53. Birthplace of CJ Dennis
  - 54. Animal sanctuary in the Adelaide Hills
  - 55. Gives shade from the sun

#### Down

- 1. Location in which to camp
- 2. Major Australian pearling town
- 3. River dweller to be avoided
- 5. Town at the centre of Australia

- 6. Anglo Australian observatory near Coonabarrabran
- 10. Native plant species with more than 6,000 varieties
- 11. National symbol, hops around
- 18. Holds tent down
- 19. Compromise between a tent and a caravan (6,7)
- 20. Floor of tent
- 22. Major Queensland rainforest
- 23. Beautiful point of land and beach name by Cook after problems with his ship
- 25. Essential for treating minor injuries (5,3,3)
- 26. Adelaide Hills national park
- 29. Type of whale seen in the Bight
- 32. Therapeutic oil obtained from Australian trees
- 34. Known as cunning running
- 35. Long legged fishing bird
- 38. Organised location for camping (8,4)
- 40. Cover for the ground, or above ground
- 42. Northern wine region
- 45. Guide to where you are going
- 46. Watercourse to camp beside
- 47. Mobile home if you don't use a tent
- 48. Unwanted byproduct from camp fire
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