



# Rangers' Review

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*Sand driving at Peake - giving the suspension a good workout!*

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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:

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# Editorial

G'day Folks

I'm sure the months are getting shorter, it hardly seems any time at all since I sat down to prepare the last magazine. Pretty soon it will be the silly season again (groan).

I'm very appreciative of the material which people have been sending me, and it makes my life considerably easier when I come to assemble each magazine. I'm sure that it also adds to the pleasure all the members get to be able to read about each other's exploits. However, as I need to have the magazine ready for the monthly meeting, the deadline for material to be included is the start of business on the Monday before the meeting, i.e. 9 am on the Monday morning. I'm afraid that if I don't have it by then, it won't be included that month.

We conducted a straw poll at the October meeting and there seemed to be a great deal of support for members getting the magazine by email. This gives you a full colour version, and the photos and other material look quite different that way.

So starting with this issue, I shall be emailing the magazine to all financial members each month. If the planning works you should have it a couple of days before the monthly meeting. In order to simplify this process I will be sending the magazine to everyone on my list. If you DON'T want to receive the magazine this way, you will need to tell me.

I'm still waiting for a winner for the monthly crossword puzzle. No bottles of wine have gone out yet. To make it a little easier, and because it is surprisingly hard to come up with word lists each month, I will be using a theme for the clues. This month's theme is vehicles, which may help a bit.

Till next month

*Barrie Davis*

# "Trevor's Presidential Report"



Hi all

I hope you all got my email the other week reminding you of November's meeting and to bring along a stubby holder and a beer to put in the raffle for Xmas. If you didn't get the email and would like one please check the sign in sheet at the meeting and the email address recorded against your name, and change it if it is wrong. The other way would be to send me an email ([thi63559@bigpond.net.au](mailto:thi63559@bigpond.net.au)) and I will save you to the list as it comes through.

What the committee would like to do is to start sending out the Rangers Review (club magazine) via email before the meeting so we can cut down on the printing and the save both costs and the environment. We will still have a small number of magazines at the door on the night for those who do not have email or cannot download it from the web site.

Last meeting we had 49 people sign in which represented close on 70 to 75 bums on seats. At the September meeting we had the same number sign in but the October meeting seemed to be much better attended. So can you please make sure you tick your name off as a financial member or sign in as a non financial member/visitor so we can keep track and provide feedback for catering Christmas events and the like.

Speaking of Christmas, this is the last meeting before Christmas at Wall Flat so if you are coming please make sure you have your name on the trip sheet, so we can cater for you and avoid anyone going hungry.

Again a big thank you to all those who helped out at the 4WD show Club stand in October:-

Rob & Lena McKlintock, Neil & Linda Cook, Andrew Thomas, Paul McGregor, Hubert Orbons, Marianne Sag, John Bent.

A special thank you to Brenton Bowley who not only helped out on the club stand every day but also help the DTU each day and they tell me under extreme duress on the Sunday, just ask Brenton)

November is a quiet month for trips as is December, as we draw closer to the climax of the year when the big fella rocks up in the red suit. I wonder if the same research works for men, you know the one where a woman who wears a red dress fares better on a date than the one who wears a black dress (article in the media about 2 weeks back). I would like to support those findings as the fella in the red coat picks up a decent feed and a glass of beer in every house. I'm thinking of buying a red suit if this economic fall out continues.

One more meeting before we close this year off and a new one starts, so as a club let's get in the spirit of things. Look for opportunities to extend the compliments of the season to our on-road habits in the lead up to the silly season and leave a bit more space, let an extra car in, and generally give the media a reason to keep off our back this season. How good would it be to see a headline in the paper or on the news breaks "4WD owners lead the way in on-road Christmas courtesy"

Well you can dream, not about us (4WD owners) being seen as courteous drivers but about the media reporting some good news for once.

Ok I have dismounted now and bid you adieu until next month.

See you soon

*Trev*

Trevor Hill

President of the best 4WD club this side of the black stump.





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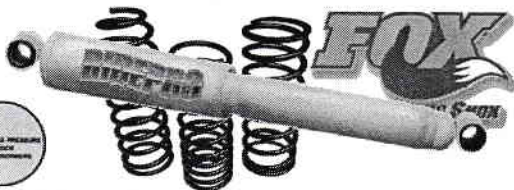
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# TREASURER'S REPORT



My apologies, I missed the deadline for the last newsletter so there was no report. Currently we have **\$4348** in the cheque account and **\$2336** in the savings account for a grand total of **\$6684**.

As all membership monies should now have been paid there will be little increase in these figures until the quiz night. I urge you all to organise a few friends to come along, fill a table and help our funds and those of the RFDS.

Most of the outgoing money has been for the hire of the club rooms, to update the merchandise and newsletter printing. The new merchandise was very well received and quite a few items were sold at the last meeting. I think you need to get orders in soon for the next batch. Andrew has done a great job revamping the items available with the waterproof jackets proving a big hit, so show your support and place an order.

The other ongoing cost is the news-letter. Barrie is looking at ways of sending this out via email, which should reduce printing costs so please make sure we have your current email details on file, the magazine looks great on the computer screen as you get all the photos in colour.

Since September

**Income** \$876 This was a 50/50 split from memberships and merchandise with some proceeds from the lucky numbers.

**Expenditure** \$ 2360

Hire of Blackwood FC clubrooms	\$650
Purchase of Merchandise	\$1250
Magazine costs	\$300

*Pat O'Kane*

Treasurer



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# News Release

1 October 2008

Department  
for Environment  
and Heritage

## Coorong beach open

Vehicle access along the beach in the Coorong National Park will be opened from this Friday, 3 October 2008.

A section of the beach three kilometres north of 42 Mile Crossing to the Murray Mouth was closed in July this year to ensure public safety, as severe wave action had created dangerous driving conditions.

The Department for Environment and Heritage (DEH) made the decision to open the beach after an assessment of the area this week.

DEH District Ranger Simon Oster said the beach profile had levelled out, sand had compacted, and severe wave action has eased, resulting in improved and safer driving conditions.

Despite the improvement in conditions, Mr Oster reminded people to take care when driving along the Coorong Ocean Beach.

"Although the profile of the beach has levelled out since the winter, extreme high tides have left steep embankments on the face of the foredune, making vehicle access above the high water mark difficult," he said.

"To ensure vehicles do not become trapped on incoming tides, we advise people planning to drive along the Coorong Ocean Beach to make sure they are aware of tide times and tidal movements.

"A high level of caution and experience in beach driving is required to ensure a safe and trouble free trip along the Ocean Beach.

"Drivers need to be aware that changing beach conditions may cause sand tracks to become extremely difficult to drive on, and that driving after dark and towing are not recommended.

"Visitors to the Coorong National Park are reminded that vehicles are only permitted to travel on designated vehicle access tracks and on the beach. Driving on or behind foredunes is prohibited."

For further information, please contact the DEH Coorong and Lakes District Office on 8575 1200.

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# Skytrek (Flinders Ranges)

## Part One

If being an active club with lots of trips is any indication of the success of a four wheel drive club, the Mount Lofty Rangers is in good shape, with no less than four different trips on the October long weekend. This particular trip was to Skytrek in the Flinders Ranges on the Saturday with a second drive to Arkaba on the Sunday, which is reported elsewhere in the newsletter.

My initial plan was to camp at Willow Springs station, home of the Skytrek, but all the accommodation was booked out months in advance so we ended up at Glenlyle Cottage some fifteen kilometres out of Hawker. The seven cars on the trip each made their own way to the property with most arriving by Friday afternoon. Work commitments meant a late arrival for Paul, Sharon and Jarrod who spent the night in the car rather than disturb the other campers by setting up their tent in the dark.

Friday night saw a spectacular lightning show in the distant sky with rain falling to the south, but very little fell in our area and we woke to a clear and crisp Saturday morning. We left camp fairly early and drove past the national park towards Willow Springs in glorious sunshine. Alongside the road around Wilpena there is a lot of regrowth of native pines, apparently they are thriving in the area since rabbit numbers were reduced. The road from Wilpena towards Blinman had recently been resurfaced with bitumen, and while it is no doubt welcomed by most travellers our group were lamenting the loss of yet another gravel road. Fortunately it wasn't long before we turned off the highway and on to the property for a day on the tracks.

After signing in and being briefed on what to expect we aired down the tyres and set off on what is probably the most popular of the pay to drive tracks in the Flinders. There were certainly plenty of vehicles in the car park and we were told many more ahead of us on the track. The beginning of the track follows a creek to some aboriginal rock carvings before opening out on to station tracks past some well restored huts, before beginning the ascent up Mt Caernarvon.

At 921 m Mt Caernarvon is the highest point of vehicle access in the Flinders so it is quite a long slow drive in low range with great views on all sides. The track was rockier and more rutted than I remembered from my previous visit and you certainly need all of the six hours recommended to do this drive.

With slow progress over the bigger ruts and lots of opportunities to get out of the car to admire the view and take photographs it is a full day's trip. At the top of the mountain we added a few more rocks to the cairn and admired the panoramic view before heading back down, well sort of down. As we left the summit I commented that "it must be all downhill from here" but after driving gently downhill we came to another steep rocky climb, then another downhill stretch before yet another rocky climb. These climbs all seemed steeper and longer and rockier than the climb to the summit, so if you do this track in the future make sure you allow plenty of time, especially if you add in the side trip to Skull Rock before heading back to the homestead.



*Inspired by the cairn on Mt Caernarvon the MLR kids start their own at Arkaba.*

*Pat O'Kane*

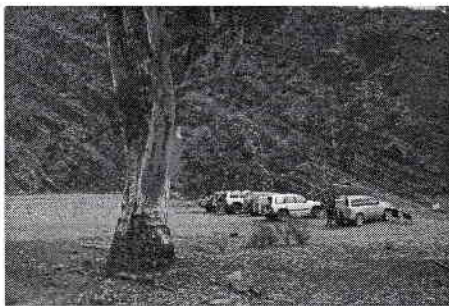
# Skytrek (Flinders Ranges)

## Part Two - Arkaba Track & home - Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup>

After our long but enjoyable drive around the Skytrek circuit the previous day, and with the change overnight to daylight saving it was decided to have a more leisurely day and a much shorter trip around the Arkaba Station track. With the departure of big Jarred (Paul and Sharon's son) last night and the McLintock family this morning (due to Lena not feeling well) we were down to 5 vehicles for today's trip.

We set off from camp shortly after 11am (10am old time) and took a few back tracks to get out on the Hawker – Wilpena Road and after a short run turned off to the Arkaba Woolshed. We stayed there only briefly after finding out we need to be at the station homestead a bit further down the road to check in and get the key. After checking in and making friends with the station's bouncy little dogs we set off on the 4wd track shortly after mid day.

The first part of the drive was two way traffic past the roofless old blacksmith's shop, two gates and a relatively easy creek crossing between them to the start of the "one way" circuit. Here we turned left as directed but noted that the circuit ended with a steep descent to the right. Shortly afterwards we met an oncoming vehicle but fortunately there was enough room to pass.



*Lunch stop at Arkaba*

Our first point of interest was one of the many crossings of the Arkaba Creek which featured a short steep climb out of the creek bed. Shortly after we passed the ruins of one of the many shepherd's huts on the property. To this point the track was fairly firm and not too rocky in contrast to the latter part



of yesterday's Skytrek trip.



*McLeod's Lookout*

The track then followed the southern boundary of the property which was bounded by a dingo proof fence constructed in 1905, which was still in relatively good condition. After a while the track turned more or less right and we engaged low range 4wd in order to undertake the steep rocky climb to the Elder Range lookout which was on a hill just across from the base of the range. The kids (with a bit of help from some bigger "kids") built a small cairn here while we enjoyed the views of the Elder Range and in the distance, the southern end of the Wilpena Range.

From here we had a steep descent back down to "Red Whim" our lunch stop in the creek bed with a backdrop of a steep rock face made up of many diagonal sedimentary layers. Nearby there were a couple of green pools of water. After a pleasant lunch during which the kids tried to climb up the rocks we continued on along the base of the Elder Range passing another shepherd's hut ruin and meeting up with the Heysen Trail for a short while.

After leaving the Heysen Trail section the track turned right and left the base of the range. We had to engage low range again to negotiate a series of steep climbs and descents over the next few kilometres which included a section following Slatey Creek (so called because of the large slate wall on one side of the creek). After a steep climb we reached McLeod Hill (where Colin McLeod had a picnic to celebrate his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday with 100 friends on Valentine's Day 1994). The hill top was a short 50m walk from the track. From here we enjoyed extensive views of the plains below to the south and east and the ranges to the north and west.

We then made our way back to the start of the circuit, carefully negotiating the steep downhill (mentioned earlier), and a creek crossing en route.

A feature of the drive was the diversity of the vegetation and scenery including rocky ranges, slopes covered with native pine of various sizes or with light blue “Everlasting” flowers and other white and yellow flowers or clumps of green spinifex and other grasses, and the large River Red Gums along the creeks. We completed the 23km drive in just over 3 hours and we were back at camp in time to enjoy drinks and nibbles around the fire while waiting for it to burn down to give us hot coals for the camp oven meals we later cooked and enjoyed.



*Up The Hill*

### **Monday October 6<sup>th</sup>**

We all had a good night's sleep and packed up and started on our way back to Adelaide. En route we met up with President Trevor and family in his shiny white Prado, who was on his way back from the Whyalla Trip. We found him just south of the Horrock's Pass turnoff where he had stopped to assist Wayne and his family also on the way back from Whyalla, who had serious trouble with his vehicle. Wayne's trailer and half his passengers were taken on by Trevor to lighten his load but unfortunately Wayne had to be rescued by the RAA shortly after.

Trevor, and our excellent trip leader Pat O'Kane and family and ourselves travelled most of the way back to Adelaide in convoy after a most enjoyable long week end.

*Tom Sag*

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# Whyalla Trip - October Long Weekend 2008

Our second camping trip in as many weeks! We were off to Whyalla to camp at the showgrounds with a group of Mt Lofty Rangers and a number of other clubs. It was our first official trip as new members and we were a little apprehensive as we hadn't done a lot of 4WDing.

We arrived at dusk and met up with Barrie and Ros and set up camp next to them. A big thanks to Barrie who helped us with our tent (the first time we had put up the new tent!) by supplying a guiding light so I could see where to hammer the tent pegs in! We now know why Whyalla is called windy Whyalla. We had a taste of it both assembling and disassembling our temporary home. Greg, Belinda and their gorgeous girls arrived and joined us as well.

Our first meal was testing the Lions van food and we were delighted with their great hamburgers – with the lot!

Being 'newies' to the group, we chose our runs to both Tregalana and Corrunga Downs Stations where other Mt Lofty Rangers had entered so we could meet more members.

Saturday morning dawned with the local crow waking us up - and with Andrew as our trusty leader and Trevor as tail end Charlie 18 vehicles set off to Tregalana - Wild Dog Hill. The trip was over sandy and rocky tracks, with one good steep track into a gully and out. There were the occasional rock or two – (or were they boulders?) to traverse over and most did it without a problem.

We had a Subaru with us who staked a tyre on the way in, and then another one on the far side of a steep gorge. Thanks to Darren doing the manual work and Barrie supplying the materials and with a few other helpers, the second tyre (which had split its sidewall) was mended. Darren patched the sidewall on the inside and also 'loctited' the split from the outside. We found out later that the patch had moved, but the loctite glue had held all the way back to Whyalla! It was a real experience to see the repair and its result.



The views of the gulf and plains were spectacular to say the least, and it was great to be able to drive on a privately owned station.

After our return we attended a GPS navigation session but were unable to download the necessary co-ordinates into our street based GPS for the night navigation run. With Trevor as driver, Ali as navigator and Chris and Greg as passengers we set off and managed to find the first check in. Mt Laura certainly looks different at night and we managed to scale steep slopes and seemed to drive for miles before getting totally lost, finally finding our way back to the first check point again! Needless to say, we returned to camp and a windy night's sleep. A big thanks to Trevor for being such a good sport about it all!

Sunday dawned, and as well as the crow, we had a bell ringer to wake us up, and it was off to the starting point at 10.00 am with Andrew as leader and Trevor as tail end Charlie and 10 other vehicles to explore Corunna Downs Station, just the other side of the Eyre Highway out from Iron Knob. We really admired the early explorers who travelled on horseback as we stopped to look at one of the Edward John Eyre campsites on the way through the property.

After a really rocky climb we reached a great vantage point looking out to Iron Knob town and mines where we stopped for morning tea. After making our way slowly down the loose rocky track, we followed the old telegraph line around the other side of the hill ridge.

One of the creek beds that our gallant leader tried, but didn't get through, provided a real challenge to most of the group, and Barrie led the way through with his troop carrier after a lot of digging and carting of rocks and logs.



*Barrie's troop, well and truly wedged in the creek bed!*

Following him were Kane, Darren, Grieg, Greg, Les and Trevor and others who all made it through, although one bull bar was partly pushed in, and one vehicle looked like a grader going through! Great entertainment for all who looked on!

After the entertainment, we drove through the property, saw a real rusty grader, and had lunch in a picturesque gully. We travelled past Tassie Dam, the sight of the original water supply for Iron Knob and then back to camp.



*Convoy travel on the weekend trips*

We had heard about how much fun Mt Laura was – so off we set behind Darren and Grieg where, after encouragement from them both, we climbed up the steepest side of the mountain! We made it – adrenalin rushing - without any major hassles and were really pleased when we got to the top without embarrassing ourselves!

We then followed them to a forked road up a steep hill and watched both Darren – who bucked up and down on the right fork, and Greg who clawed up the left fork and thought to ourselves – we can do this!

We looked on as another vehicle took the right fork and got stuck halfway up, sliding down backwards with a boulder stopping him on the way down. He managed to get up the top after a lot of different 'starts'. Greg again set out to climb up the left fork and gunned it near the top which caused lots of bucking, so we said our goodbyes and travelled around the quieter side of the mountain back to camp.

The camp cook out was a great way to meet people and lots of different food was sampled. Rachel's and Kylie's peanut brittle was a great hit! We sampled Trevor's roast which lived up to all we had heard. We cooked butter chicken – our second attempt at camp cooking.

We joined the bus tour through One Steel that was really interesting and on return to camp sadly packed up - with a lot of difficulty as again - windy Whyalla ruled! We had a great trip back, and even though there was a lot of traffic, had no hold-ups.

It was a great weekend and we recommend it to anyone who has never attended.



*El Pres, demonstrating the approved technique for roasting marshmallows!*

Full accolades to the Whyalla 4WD Club who hosted such a great event.

*Ali Ford*

# **2008 Darwin Awards**

*(Presumably so named because these clowns demonstrate that evolution will eventually remove the terminally stupid from the gene pool—Ed)*

## **Eighth Place**

In Detroit, a 41-year-old man got stuck and drowned in two feet of water after squeezing head first through an 18-inch-wide sewer grate to retrieve his car keys.

## **Seventh Place**

A 49-year-old San Francisco stockbroker, who 'totally zoned when he ran,' accidentally jogged off a 100-foot high cliff on his daily run.

## **Sixth Place**

While at the beach, Daniel Jones, 21, dug an 8 foot hole for protection from the wind and had been sitting in a beach chair at the bottom when it collapsed, burying him beneath 5 feet of sand. People on the beach used their hands and shovels trying to get him out but could not reach him. It took rescue workers using heavy equipment almost an hour to free him. Jones was pronounced dead at a hospital.

## **Fifth Place**

Santiago Alvarado, 24, was killed as he fell through the ceiling of a bicycle shop he was burglarizing. Death was caused when the long flashlight he had placed in his mouth to keep his hands free rammed into the base of his skull as he hit the floor.

## **Fourth Place**

Sylvester Briddell, Jr., 26, was killed as he won a bet with friends who said he would not put a revolver loaded with four bullets into his mouth and pull the trigger.

## **Third Place**

After stepping around a marked police patrol car parked at the front door, a man walked into H&J Leather & Firearms intent on robbing the store. The



shop was full of customers and a uniformed officer was standing at the counter. Upon seeing the officer, the would-be robber announced a hold-up and fired a few wild shots from a target pistol. The officer and a clerk promptly returned fire, and several customers also drew their guns and fired. The robber was pronounced dead at the scene by paramedics. Crime scene investigators located 47 expended cartridge cases in the shop. The subsequent autopsy revealed 23 gunshot wounds. Ballistics identified rounds from 7 different weapons. No one else was hurt.

### **Honourable Mention**

Paul Stiller, 47, and his wife Bonnie were bored just drowsing around at 2 A.M. so they lit a quarter stick of dynamite to toss out the window to see what would happen. Apparently they failed to notice the window was closed.

### **Runner Up**

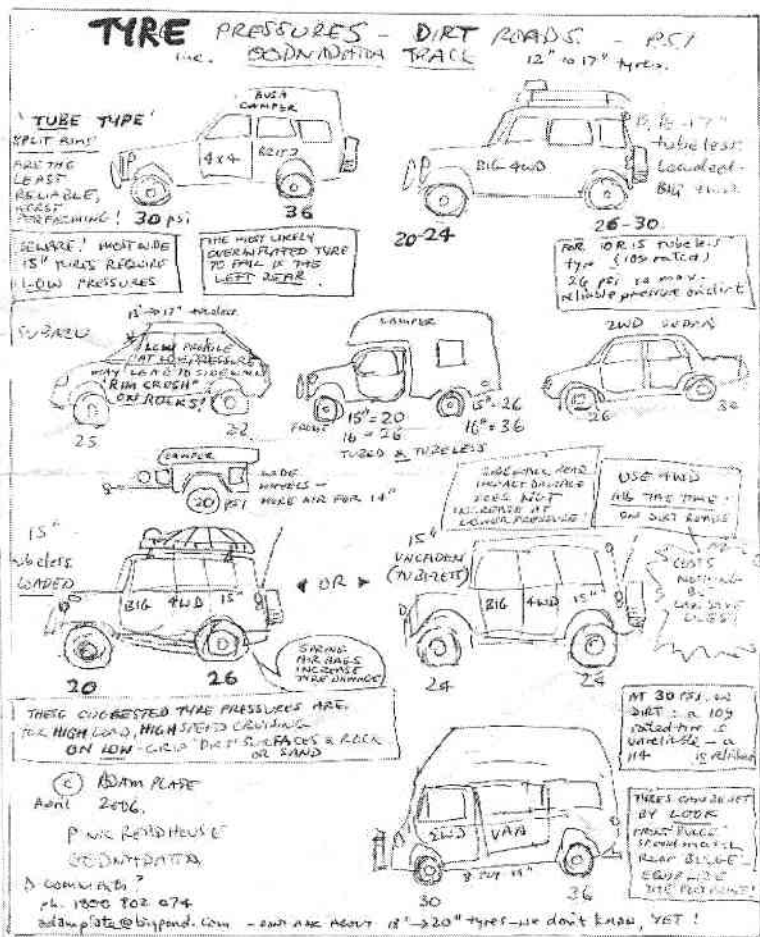
Kerry Bingham had been drinking with several friends when one of them said they knew a person who had bungee-jumped from a local bridge in the middle of traffic. The conversation grew more heated and at least 10 men trooped along the walkway of the bridge at 4:30 AM. Upon arrival at the midpoint of the bridge they discovered that no one had brought a bungee rope. Bingham, who had continued drinking, volunteered and pointed out that a coil of lineman's cable lay near by. They secured one end around Bingham's leg and then tied the other to the bridge. His fall lasted 40 feet before the cable tightened and tore his foot off at the ankle.. He miraculously survived his fall into the icy water and was rescued by two nearby fishermen. Bingham's foot was never located.

### **And The Winner Is...**

Zookeeper, Friedrich Riesfeldt (Paderborn, Germany), fed his constipated elephant 22 doses of animal laxative and more than a bushel of berries, figs and prunes before the plugged-up pachyderm finally got relief. Investigators say ill-fated Friedrich, 46, was attempting to give the ailing elephant an olive oil enema when the relieved beast unloaded. The sheer force of the elephant's unexpected defecation knocked Mr. Riesfeldt to the ground where he struck his head on a rock as the elephant continued to evacuate 200 pounds of dung on top of him.

It seems to be just one of those freak accidents that proves... 'shit happens'

# TECH TIPS



Above is a tyre pressures guide I picked up from the Pink Roadhouse Oodnadatta. One thing I would like to really point out is the comment "Use 4wd ALL THE TIME on dirt roads" – Cost nothing but saves lives. High range 4wd is there to be used for safe off road travelling which is basically any dirt road or track you happen to be travelling on.

Paul Tabone

## **LEAKING DIESEL FUEL TANKS**

### **METHOD ONE:**

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3. You have a list of 15 phone numbers to reach your family of three.
4. You e-mail the person who works at the desk next to you.
5. Your reason for not staying in touch with friends and family is that they don't have e-mail addresses..
6. You pull up in your own driveway and use your cell phone to see if anyone is home to help you carry in the groceries.
7. Every commercial on television has a web site at the bottom of the screen
8. Leaving the house without your cell phone, which you didn't even have the first 20 or 30 (or 60) years of your life, is now a cause for panic and you turn around to go and get it.
10. You get up in the morning and go on line before getting your coffee.
11. You start tilting your head sideways to smile. : )
12. You're reading this and nodding and laughing.
13. Even worse, you know exactly to whom you are going to forward this message.
14. You are too busy to notice there was no #9 on this list.
15. You actually looked back up to check that there wasn't a #9 on this list.

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# Upcoming Trips

## 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.

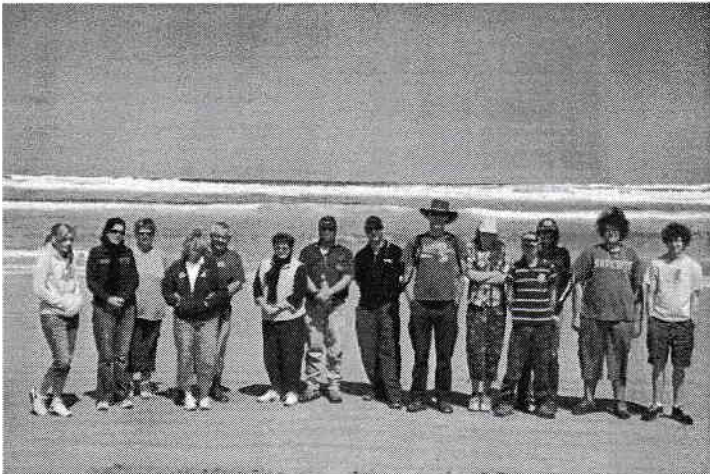
- ♦ 6 - 7 December Christmas at Wall Flat
- ♦ 26 Dec to 10 Jan Victorian High Country -
- ♦ 24 - 26 January Annual Beachport trip
- ♦ 13 - 15 February Ardrossan Crabbing & Jetty Fishing Trip

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 See Social Scene for details


# Upcoming Trips

<b>Trip</b>	<b>Victorian High Country</b>
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




*A fine upstanding body of club members on the recent trip to Nelson*

# Upcoming Trips

Trip	Annual Beachport Trip
Date/s – Duration	24 - 26 January (longer if you wish)
Trip Leaders	<p>Paul Tabone (more required)</p>  <p>Jeff Morgan will lead a party from Robe at 10 am on Saturday.</p>
Convoy limit	The more the merrier
Distance – Kms	Approx 350 km
Departure / meeting point & time	<p>Southern Ocean Tourist Park.</p> <p>Please note: You will need to book your own camp site by calling 08 8735 8153</p>
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.

# Upcoming Trips

<b>Trip</b>	<b>Ardrossan Crabbing &amp; Jetty Fishing Trip</b>
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.

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Assessors: Ken Bradey, Mark Curtis, Jeff Morgan, Ricky Esser,

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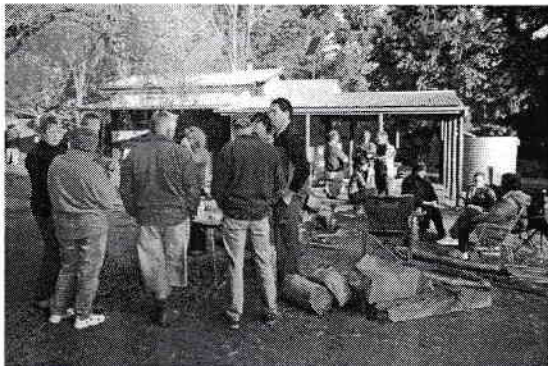
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# SOCIAL SCENE

## Camp Cook

19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2008  
Rocky Creek - Kuitpo Forest



*Couple of pix from the recent Camp Cook*



## CHRISTMAS AT WALL FLAT 6 - 7 December 2008

BBQ tea will be provided, more details and tickets for meal available at the November meeting.





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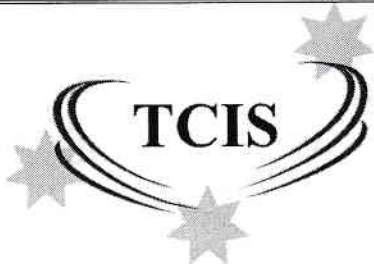
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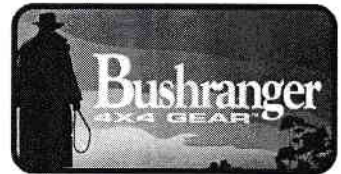
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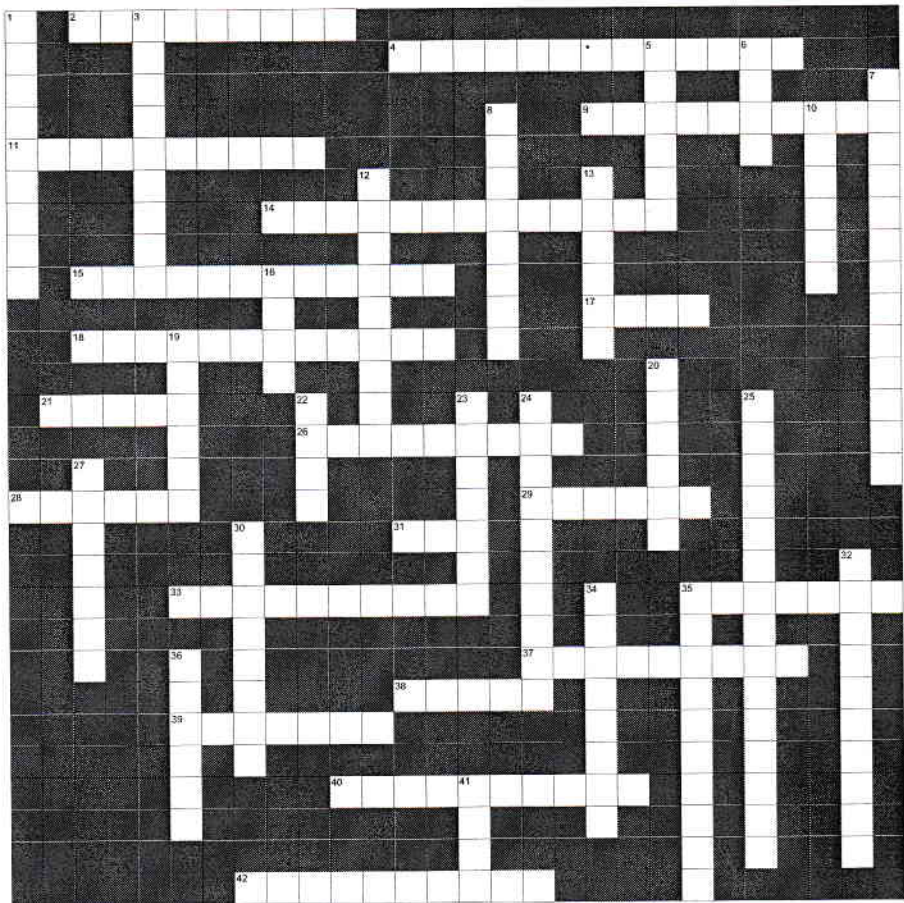
## October Crossword Answers

### Across

2. Dashboard
4. Interior Light
8. Head Gasket
11. Gudgeon Pin
14. Camper Trailer
15. Fuel Injector
17. Coil
18. Differential
21. Engel
26. Automatic
28. Heater
29. Diesel
31. SUV
33. Windscreen
35. CB Radio
37. Land Rover
38. Valve
39. Oil Seal
40. Alternator
42. Bushranger

### Down

1. Ssang Yong
3. Spare Tyre
5. Leader
6. Head
7. Steering Wheel
8. Cherokee
10. Kaymar
12. Spotlight
13. Clutch
16. Jeep
19. Filter
20. Bonnet
22. Jack
23. Caravan
24. Birdsville
25. Windscreen Wiper
27. Battery
30. Manifold
32. Binns Track
34. Sun Visor
35. Coober Pedy
36. Cooper
41. Ring



EclipseCrossword.com

## ACROSS

2. Holds the instruments in front of you
4. Comes on when you open the door (8,5)
9. Seal between the head and the block (4,6)
11. Holds the piston to the con rod (7,3)
14. Towed alternative to a tent (6,7)
15. Replacement for carburettor (4, 8)
17. Found in old ignition systems, also a spring type
18. Prevents tyres scrubbing out round corners
21. Portable fridge

**Rangers Review**

26. Type of gearbox
28. Keeps you warm
29. High compression engine
31. What Americans call the RAV4
33. Glass in front of you
35. Convoy communicator (2, 5)
37. Original British 4WD (4,5)
38. Lets gas in and out of the engine
39. Keeps oil in and dirt out (3,4)
40. Charges the battery
42. Highwayman and a brand of 4WD accessories

### **DOWN**

1. Less common Korean vehicle make
3. What you need when you get a flat (5,4)
5. Person in charge on a trip
6. Top of engine
7. Controls the vehicle direction (8,5)
8. Indian tribe and a 4WD
10. Wheel carrier brand, fits on the back
12. Shop that sells material and extra illumination
13. Manual gearbox operator
16. Original American 4WD
19. These are for air, oil and fuel
20. Panel over the engine
22. Lifting device for vehicles
23. Mobile home
24. Pub, track and races are all called by this name
25. For clear visibility in the rain (10,5)
27. 12 volt power source
30. Connects the engine to the exhaust
32. New road from Mt Dare to Timber Creek (5,5)
34. Keeps the sun out of your eyes (3,5)
35. Opal mining town (6,4)
36. Tyre brand, also a beer
41. These go round the outside of the pistons



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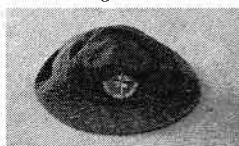
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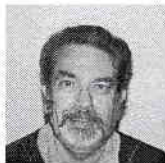
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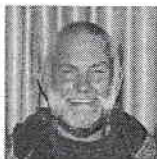


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