



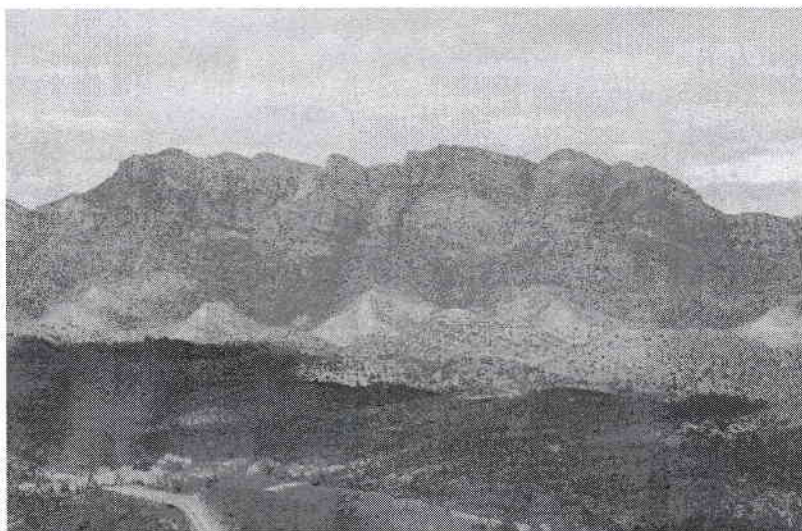
# Rangers' Review

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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

The last month has seen plenty of driving throughout central Australia! First up was a superb trip to Alice Springs with Linda, 6000km in a fortnight (see stats below).

Last week I was back up in the Cooper-Eromanga basin with work. This entailed 4000km of driving from Moomba (SA) through Innamincka and on to our QLD operations near Eromanga (SW QLD) for a couple of nights. Next up was a drive to Roma for a couple of nights and then all the way back to Moomba over the next couple of days ! Trouble is, I'm back up there this week, so I won't be able to tell you all about the shark dive trip I am planning. Turn to page 32 for more info and please let me know if you are interested, as I will be booking the charter after the December meeting.

## Alice Springs Trip

13 days

5966.9 km's

2,499,922 wheel revolutions

828.79 litres of fuel

12.32 l/100km (best)

16.50 l/100km (worst)

13.90 l/100km (average)

736 photo's (2.33 gb)

10 camps

Corrugations - millions !!!

Enjoyment 100%

Get out there and see Australia !



Cheers

*Neil Cook*

## PRESIDENTIAL REPORT OCTOBER 2009

Hello all club members

It has rolled over to yet again to another month & time for our club meeting. There are only 2 meetings left for this year of 2009 so that can only mean the Christmas season will be upon us all too soon.

This month our guest speaker is from Red Arc Electronics promoting 12 volt power systems which would be ideal for dual battery set ups, power outlets, power converters and anything else to power your fourbie or camper trailer. I am sure some good deals will be on offer.

Now on to the December General meeting we will be not be having a guest speaker instead we will be having a club member vehicle display. So hopefully this give you enough chance to prepare & clean up your vehicle to allow club members to look at how you have set your vehicle up. Whether they have the same vehicle or gain some ideas on how they set their vehicle up. Being in to daylight saving time there will be a good opportunity to view these vehicles within daylight hours. Graham our VP is formulating some secret judging criteria based in some obscure categories & has obtained small novelty prizes from our clubs sponsors for the winners. So I look forward to seeing plenty of vehicles on this night. Could I please ask that all vehicles partaking in the display to park in the first row of parks closest to the club rooms & all other vehicles that are not park at the back of the car park area. That way all vehicles being displayed are grouped together & not scattered all over the car park. Thanks.

Coming up the last weekend of this month is our Christmas Show at Wall Flat, which is about halfway between Mannum & Murray Bridge. So please get along and support this activity & all the planning done so far. There will be a couple of driving competitions on this weekend, 1 a trailer reversing challenge & the other a blindfolded driver obstacle challenge with your partner doing the navigation from the passenger seat. There will be roast meats for tea being done on the spit so if you could either please bring a salad or sweet to share with the group that would be great, The VP is gathering up the members of his band to provide some live music entertainment that night.

So get along & have a great night & relax in a social atmosphere with other members of the club. There is plenty of camping available so bring along all the family especially the kiddies as I have heard that Santa Claus may be making a visit if they have been good all year. Any questions please ask Dave or Matt from the Social Committee. Note this is the only Christmas activity being organised & supplied by the club, as there is nothing organised like this at the December general meeting.

I have included my phone number & email address at the back of this magazine so if anyone wishes to make contact with me about any matter, idea, suggestion, criticism or their general point of view about the club in general please feel free to make contact with myself & lets see what we all can do together to improve the club.

Cheers for now, *Andrew Thomas*





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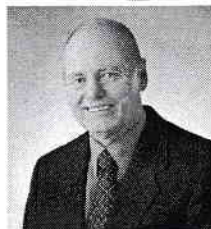


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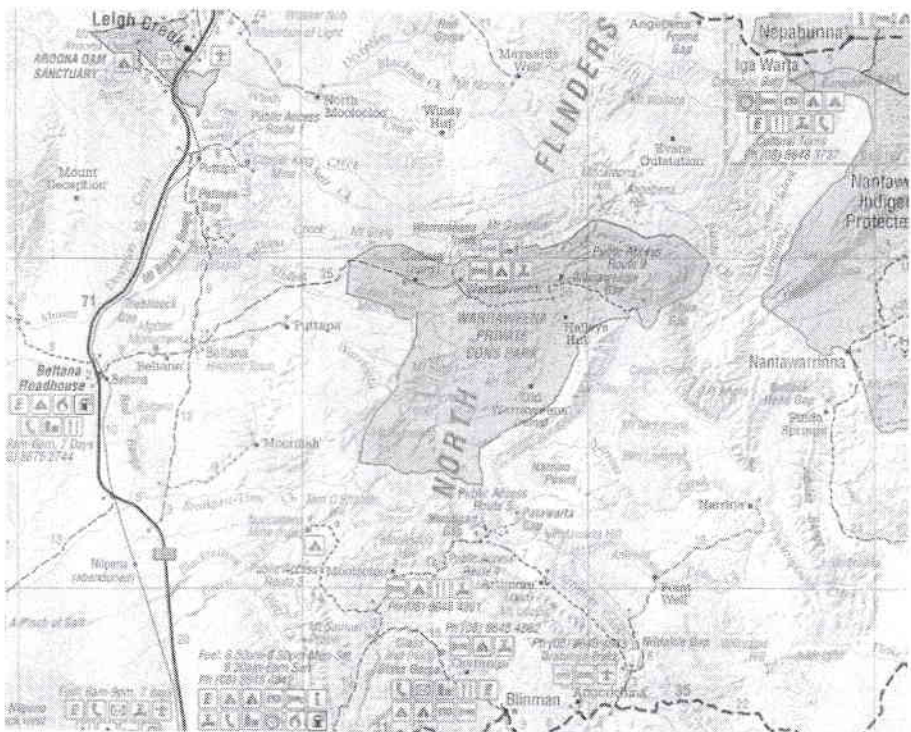
## Warraweena Trip : 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2009

(By Jeff, Jodie, Simone and Deanna Kelley)

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 9.00am Pt Wakefield Bakery, 3 vehicles , last to arrive = Trip report.

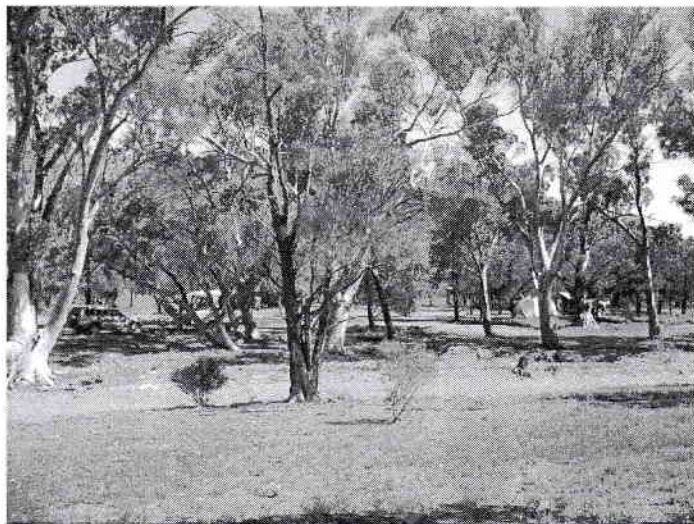
About 9.30am we headed off to Warraweena Conservation Park via Quorn, with a lunch stop at Hawker. From the Beltana Roadhouse we left the bitumen and travelled 34 km east along the dirt road towards Warraweena station which got quite rough in some sections (mmmmm.. should have let the tyres down on the 4WD and the van!).

Warraweena (540km north of Adelaide) is a former sheep station which has been a conservation park since 1996. It has 5 main 4WD tracks totalling 250km, secluded and scenic bush camp areas each with long drop and fire ring. Showers, toilets and laundry are available back at the homestead.





On arrival around mid afternoon, we met “Stoney” (quite a character) who gave us the lay of the land. A short drive along a track and creek bed or 2 led us to “Lambing Camp” set amongst some small pines, alongside a gum lined dry creek bed with surrounding steep rocky ridges, complete with long drop, fire pit and a stack of timber. Luxury ! Happy hour soon followed after we got set up and a late dinner around the campfire got us settled in nicely.



*“Lambing Camp”*

Monday. Late start to the day (trip leader slept in), we all took our time and decided to have an easy day relaxing and roaming around the immediate camp area. After lunch we headed out to poke around “Sliding Rock Mine” and other ruins. The mine and its township Cadnia, once had a peak population of 400. The sliding rock copper mine (named after a nearby slab of tilted quartzite cliff face) was worked for 5 years from 1871 and produced about £100,000 worth of copper. Graham led the scavenging hunt for broken artifacts which were littered all around the ruins. He quickly got Deanna (our youngest) enthusiastically collecting old pieces of crockery, glass bits, hand made iron nails, rusting drill bits and lots of other crap-I mean treasure.



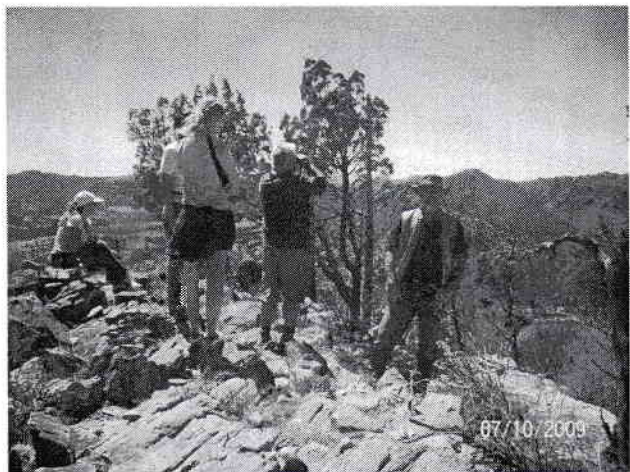
*"Uncle Graham supervising a fossil search"*

Realising we were running out of bread and milk (already) we decided to quickly pop out to the Beltana Roadhouse to top up. Back out via the rough road to get apparently the last remaining loaf of bread, long life milk and block of ice. Returning to camp an hour and a half later made us decide to not go out that way again until we had to leave.

Tuesday. Headed out around 9.30am to do the 40km medium difficulty "Old Coach Road" track, part of which was built in 1894. The terrain, the trees and the scenery greatly varied. It was a rocky start with low scrub as we stepped into and out of washout after washout. We drove in along and out of and back in dry rocky creek beds, through alternate stands of native pine, gums and other trees. Morning tea stop was at Anachorina ruins and lunch at Xmas Gold Fields near an old galvanised iron hut that had a supply of toilet paper, tomato sauce (suspiciously out of date), old wood stove, an iron and old mattress on a wire bed if you were really desperate for a rest. After lunch we took the 3<sup>rd</sup> vehicle spot for a much needed sugar fix with the terrain and scenery still constantly changing.

Winding our way back we were treated to a view of Mt Hack and paid a visit to a very cosy and secluded Black Springs camp area tucked away in the pocket of a curving gorge wall and creek bed, dotted with tall shady pines. Would have also been a great spot to camp but we may have had a bit of trouble getting the van in there, even though it can go "off road". Arrived back at camp around 5.00pm collecting firewood from the creek beds – big day!

Wednesday. We decided to take it easy and do a hike up one of the tall nearby ridges – taking over 2 hrs. While enjoying the peaceful scenic vista from the ridgetop, Graham did his famous “Birdman” call to wake up the dead. The trek down comprised of dodgy knee complaints and lines recited from Monty Python sketches. Brenton and Josephine ventured out again later in the afternoon while the rest of us relaxed at camp.



*“View from the top of the ridge”*

Thursday. Packed up and started to head back around 10am. Kept 4WD and van tyres aired down for trip out to Beltana Roadhouse this time (much better), aired back up and then a quick stop at Parachilna Hotel for a coffee. Refuel and lunch at Hawker before the long stretch home.

We had been to Bendleby Ranges and Wilpena Pound before and can now thoroughly recommend the Warraweena area as well. The weather was good with mild nights, nice company, good conversation sitting and cooking around the campfire and we learnt a few campfire cooking tips in the process. Many thanks to “Uncle Graham” for a fun and relaxing trip. (“3 is not always a crowd”)

# Social Scene

## Mount Lofty Rangers Christmas Show

When: Saturday 28 November 2009

Where: Walding Rd Wall Flat

Plenty of room for Camping on the property  
Toilet available

Get there Friday Night if you wish or turn up Saturday Morning but don't be too late or will miss out on entering the:

### **1st Wall Flat Driving and Trailer Reversing Challenge**

Drive around a short course BLIND FOLDED and to be navigated by your loved partner. Once completed hook up a trailer and reverse thru a short course (Not Blind folded )

Make sure you bring your tow hitch with 50mm tow ball. Challenge to kick off at 1pm

Santa will be making an appearance for the kids.

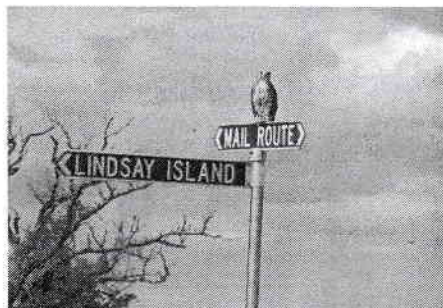
Dinner: Will be provided by the club. This year we will be having a Spit. **Could each family please bring a salad to share.**  
**Will need helpers to keep an eye on the spit.**

Entertainment: In the evening will be provided by Graham Jones and his Band

Put you names up on the trip sheet for Catering.

See you all there

Shorty & Matt



# October long weekend Lindsay Island trip

Meeting time was at 7pm on the Friday night at the Shell roadhouse at Tailem Bend. The convoy consisted of Trip leaders Peter and Jo, their children Zoe and Jake, Chris and Ali, Jeff and Lyn, Merv and Ann and ourselves – Paul and Bev.

Departure was at 7.15 and about an hour and a half later we were in Pinnaroo. After a quick stop we were soon following tail lights along the Border Track in a northerly direction. It was a fun drive with our headlights picking out the tracks winding through the scrub and up and over the sand ridges. On a night drive you only see what the headlights pick up (although sometimes they are illuminating the treetops!) and you are totally unaware of what is 50 metres to either side—although Merv found out when he took a slight deviation and ended up on the edge of a wheat paddock! By 10 pm we had reached our campsite in a large cleared area and set up camp.

Next morning we took a slight diversion to a World War one soldier settlers site where they had set up a eucalyptus oil still which operated from the 1940's to the 1970's. Some of the old equipment was still laying around and it was amazing to see how they made their condenser using a galvanised rainwater tank and galvanised pipe. These people lived and worked out there in isolation about 35 kms from Pinnaroo without a proper access road or telephone. This area is on the edge of the Murray-Sunset National Park.



Old eucalyptus distillery site



After heading back past the campsite we continued north generally following the border fence and occasionally diverting to check out other abandoned homesteads and their old car and truck wrecks which included 1950's vintage vehicles – Austin A40, Standard Vanguard and a Morris Minor van. By early afternoon we encountered a track heading through a very large swamp which everybody negotiated fairly easily with a lot of slipping and sliding in the deep mud. Some of the girls were driving at this stage. We reached the old mail route and headed towards the river for afternoon tea. Cravings satisfied, we headed east and on to Lindsay Island, hoping that our intended campsite was unoccupied. However some campers were already there so we looked around nearby and found an even better campsite with 'balcony' water views!

On Sunday morning we were woken by a couple of noisy kookaburras and those of us that rose early were treated to a magnificent picturesque sunrise over the river.

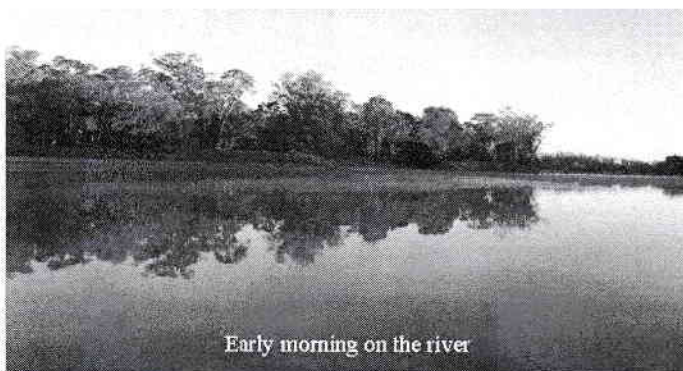
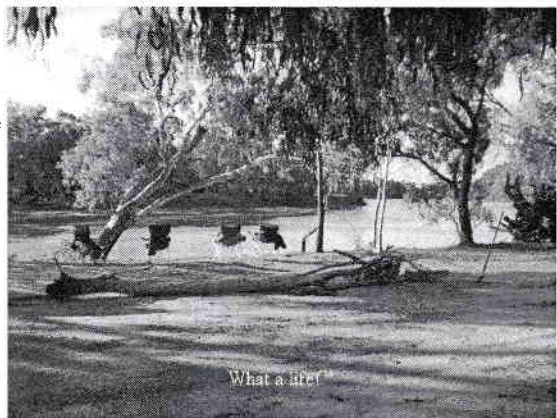
Paul and Bev headed off to Glossop to visit Paul's cousin on her organic fruit block and returned later in the afternoon. The rest of the group explored around the Lock 7 surrounds on Lindsay Island.

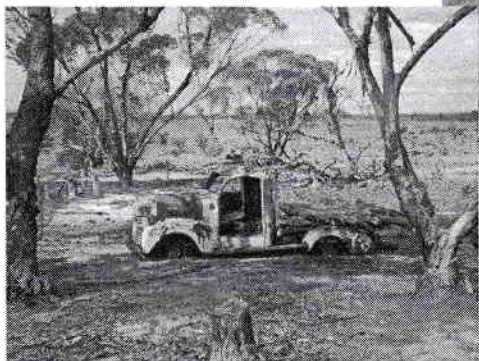
We had arranged to do 'group cooking' and lived like kings on both Saturday and Sunday nights – thank you everyone. Peter amused us and the kids with his time lapse photography with moving lights in the dark.

Next morning we were on the road bright and early and followed some different tracks south and to the east of the border. More old abandoned homesteads were encountered along the way. After checking out some rockholes we followed the Border Track into Pinnaroo.

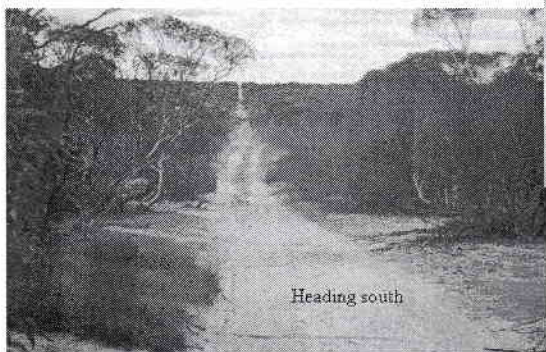
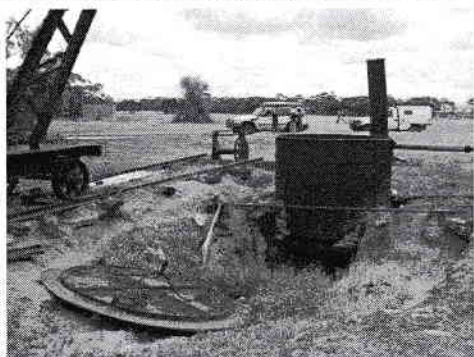
It was an eye opener to travel the track in daylight. It was amazing to realise that the track is on a narrow ribbon of scrub between the paddocks.

We fuelled up in Pinnaroo and headed for home. Great trip, great company, great food-thanks everybody



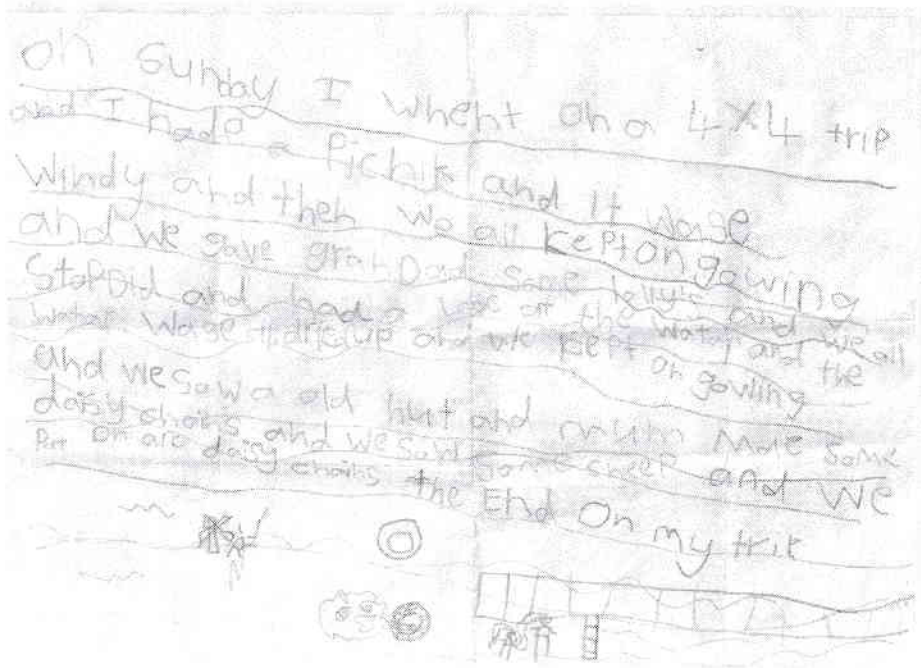


A few of the sights in the  
Murray— Sunset National Park



Trip report by Hannah Williams age 6 – Adelaide Hills Day  
Trip Sunday September 13.

Hannah's account of our windy lunch at Macclesfield, the mud  
pit that is Milang, and other scenery.



## **Review - Pendleton Farm Stay**

On the weekend of the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October 2009 as part of our son James's Joey Scout group we got the opportunity to visit Pendleton Farm stay which is 12 km east of Keith on your left on the road to Bordertown. The farm is a 500 hectare working farm set up as a multi purpose facility to cater for everything from campers, school camps, seminars and functions.

The farm facilities include a 200 seat dining hall complete with kitchen facilities, a large bunk house, 3 cabins, toilet / laundry / kitchenette facilities similar to any caravan park plus many fixed canvas tents with 2 bunk beds in each (some of these were in need of some TLC as the canvas and wooden doors didn't seal very well, but as we had fine weather and no mozzies it was okay), 12 powered sites and lots of unpowered site areas.

The farm can provided numerous activities for the children to experience including a large maze made from big hay bales (many of kids and adults needed help to find there way through), a large oval dam / lake with canoes and safety gear for the use of visitors, a tour through the working shearing shed and explanation of how it works, rounding up the sheep on foot (the kids had a ball trying to get the sheep to go in the directions required), half court basketball, volley ball net, table tennis table, large grassed areas, in ground pool, farm tour on a trailer to feed the animals whilst having some general farming knowledge passed on and then there was the animals, sheep, new baby lambs, buffalo, cows, camel, chickens, roosters, rabbits, kangaroos, goat, emus, baby emus, geese, etc.

The facilities overall were very well laid out, clean, functional and scenic they also provided ready made large bon fires piles in strategic locations for the use of guests.

All I can say if you are looking for a base camp on your next trip visiting Ngkarat or the Border Track area or just looking for a place to go where the kids can have a ball while you relax give them a try, I am sure you will enjoy it as much as we did.



Our club may wish to consider in the future a family / camp cook weekend trip here as the wood is supplied and you are only a short drive from to the end of the border track for those of us that need to lock our diffs.

Paul, Jenny and James McGregor

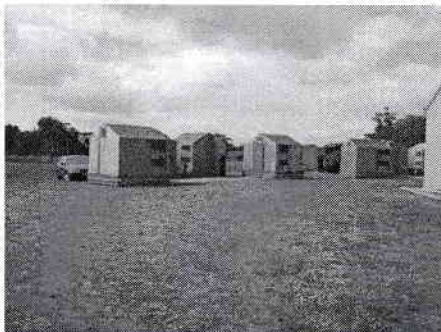
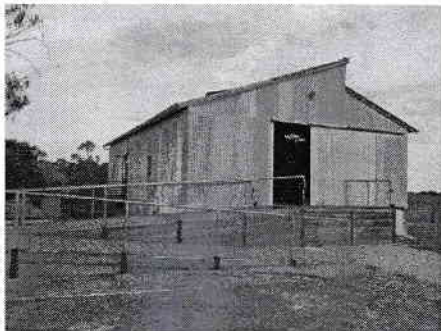
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## Coorong National Park

Salt Creek      42 Mile Crossing      9<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> October

I met Wayne, Luke and Laura at Wayne's house around 5pm on Friday and proceeded to Tailem Bend to have a bite to eat while we waited for Jim to arrive. After topping up with fuel we headed off in convoy for Salt Creek.

Arriving at the 42 mile Crossing information bay around 9.30pm and paying for the camping permits we aired down to 15psi just to make sure as travelling on the beach at night even at low tide can be tricky. The drive along the beach was easy and we set up camp just before the sign "Beach Closed". Rough weather in the past few weeks has degraded the track making it difficult to traverse that section of beach. This did not stop some "Cowboys" going through.

Enduring a *Very Cold* night's sleep we emerged out of our tents around 7.30am and tried to catch some fish. By 12pm and no fish to be had we decided to have lunch. After a feed we went for a walk to the "Big Hill" about 15 minutes inland. Climbing to the top of a pure sand hill, ideal for sand boarding, if we had some, we had spectacular 360 deg views of the Coorong and sea. Walking back to camp Adam found a skeleton of what looked like a feral cat or fox with two large hooks inside.

Jim and I decided to have some recovery practice. With tyres down to 15 psi it was difficult to bog the vehicles in soft sand. Jims Pajero was snatched out with little problem. I drove my 4Runner into a deep patch of shell grit and winch practice commenced asap and an easy extraction executed.

Back fishing at 4pm resulted in one large stingray and two salmon. Around a year ago I buried a huge log, for future campfires, and after some digging around and a broken spade the campfire supply was looking good.

After talking to a passing fisherman he informed us the fish were biting from dark till just after sun up. Teach us a lesson about sleeping in. Sunday morning at 4am saw all of us getting ready to hit the beach to catch fish, Wayne deciding the warm sleeping bag was the better option.

After getting soaking wet and suffering from hyperthermia Luke and Laura headed back to camp and dry off and back to a warm sleeping bag leaving Jim and myself to continue fishing. Not long after the salmon went on the bite.

A year ago a friend of mine introduced me to a lure called the "Surf Popper" and on this weekend has accounted for three quarters of the salmon caught including one nice flathead.

A total off fifteen salmon from two to seven pounds, one flathead, one stingray and several undersize mulloway were caught.

With all the fish cleaned and the 4wd's packed by lunchtime we hit the road for home.

Eric







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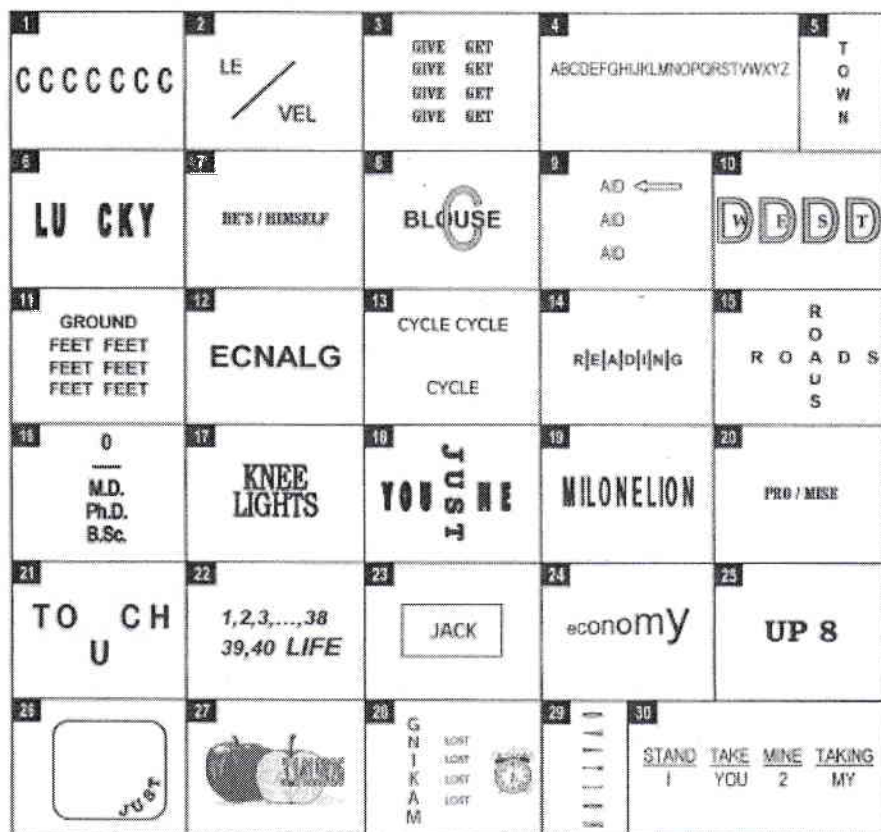
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- Down Town
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- lies over himself
- See through blouse
- Point to the ad
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- 6 feet below ground
- backward glance
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- Reading between the lines
- Cross Roads

- 
- 
- Just Across from you & me
- 
- 
- Touch you
- 
- Tick in the box
- growing economy
- ate up
- Just around the corner
- absorb
- Making up for lost time
- Dishes
- Skimmed over. Mum  
overtalks you  
mine too



# 4WD Matters

October 2009  
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Official Information Release from Four Wheel Drive SA



To the Kaurna people "...the spirit stills lives amongst the steel, concrete, roads and lawns..." - civilisation may have covered much of the traditional areas but the spirit remains within the land.

Yerrakartata - mural Hyatt Hotel forecourt North Terrace Adelaide  
Wokali - 150 year old Kaurna bark shield SA Museum

Extracts: Above - Kaurna Walking Trail Guide  
Below - from 'Adelaide 1836-1976: A History of Difference - Derek Whitelock 1977'

South Australia began in 1836 with the hopes to establish a model colony, a wealthy civilised society. The Colonel Light survey of Adelaide in 1837 centred on Victoria Square/Tandanyunagga which is the traditional meeting place of the local Kaurna "Tandanyarna" people.

The chaotic early days of the colony included the benevolent feelings for the few hundred peaceable and friendly local Aborigines. But because they would not work in a way satisfactory to Englishmen, most pioneers thought they should be herded on to reserves.

As it was, demoralised by the cultural confrontation, decimated by imported diseases like small pox, syphilis, and measles, the Kaurna (and other tribes) went to the wall. In 1897, just 61 years since European settlement, one of the last authentic male survivors of the Adelaide Kaurna tribe died in the Adelaide Hospital.

The letters, diaries and writings of the pioneers, missionaries, and colonial officials provided the early social history of Adelaide and considerable descriptions of the Kaurna language.

Many would not be aware of the colonial or indigenous history of Adelaide's Festival Centre, Elder Park and Torrens Lake area.

The booklet "Walking Trail Guide" provides some interesting historical information. Covering both Colonist and Aboriginal aspects it guides people on a pleasant walk around the Torrens Lake. Additional material can be located on signs around the walk.

For additional insight to the walk, 2 hour group walks can be arranged through the Graham F. Smith Peace Trust 08 8267 3915 (by donation) or Frank Wanganeen 0437 919 966 (from \$20 per person)

*Kaurna  
meyurna,  
Kaurna  
yerta  
tampendi*



Booklet  
available from:  
SA Museum Shop  
Festival Centre  
Graham F. Smith  
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The guide and booklet are available in  
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March 26-28 2010

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FWDSA Dinner (bookings essential)  
Quiz Night  
Raffles, Prizes



See FWDSA Website  
[www.saafwdc.asn.au](http://www.saafwdc.asn.au)  
for Application Forms

Range Rover 4WD Tag-A-Long  
Copper Ore CP



Detail: 4WD Adventures Club: Leonie Ebert Graham F. Smith Peace Trust; Frank Wanganeen  
Copper Ore - green: Malachite - blue: Azurite; FWDSA Back to Burra 2010 Committee; Range Rover Club of (SA) Inc  
Photos: Copper Ore photos courtesy Moonlit Mines Museum - District photos courtesy Burra Visitor Information Centre  
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# FWDSA Back to Burra Weekend 26-28th March 2010 - Application Form

(electronic form - click on grey boxes and type in details)

If for personal reasons you cannot make a firm booking please tick this box, complete and forward the application - contact the Treasurer to discuss payment options.



Given Name  Family Name

Email (for contact details)

Phone Home  Work  Mobile

Vehicle Type  Reg.No.  Club

## Activities Saturday March 27th



### ConcOURSE 4WD Elegance

Longest trip/dirtiest vehicle/biggest hard luck story/  
most accessorised vehicle etc - apply at Showgrounds

Indicate numbers

Adult

Child



Morning Tea ..... 10.00am Free for All - Burra Town Hall



BBQ ..... 12.00am Free for All - BYO Seats & Drinks

Tag-a-long Tours... 1.00pm Range Rover Club for details - apply at Showgrounds



Dinner .... 6.00pm - 7.30pm Return your Menu preferences by March 14 2010

@ \$35.00

@ \$25.00 = Total \$

Bread Rolls with each meal : BYO Drinks & Glasses		Indicate choices	
		Adult	Child
Starter	Spring Rolls and Dipping Sauce.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Crumbed Calamari with Tartare Sauce.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Main Course	Roast Beef with vegetables and gravy.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Chicken Fillet Rolls with vegetables and gravy.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Dessert	Bread and Butter Pudding with cream.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Apricot Danish with cream.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Advise special diet requirements (eg diabetic, vegetarian) as soon as possible

Quiz Night..... 7.30pm Teams of 8 - BYO Drinks & Nibbles & Glasses  
Prizes, Raffles & Presentation  
All proceeds to Royal Flying Doctor Service

## Showgrounds Camping - FWDSA has arranged for facilities at the Burra Showgrounds

- 17 powered sites - 10 Amp outlets - No guarantee of powered site - Preference to those with a medical need
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Medical need for power Yes/No

Friday  
March 26

Saturday  
March 27

Sunday  
March 28

Total \$

Indicate nights required





## Application Form and Payment by March 14th 2010 - receipts will be issued upon arrival at the Burra Showgrounds

Make cheque/money order payable to "SAAFWDC Inc" or internet transfer to BSB: 805023 Acct.No. 04305267

Mail or Email Application Form & Details to FWDSA Treasurer:

Mr. John Newman 4 Tweed Court Lobethal 5241 SA john.newman@internode.on.net

Phone: 08 8389 6526 Mob: 0438 922 134

# 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.

- ♦ 28th November Xmas at Wall Flat
- ♦ 26 Dec - 10 Jan Victorian High Country
- ♦ 23 - 26 Jan 2010 Beachport
- ♦ 6/7/8th March 2010 Loveday 4x4 Adventure Park
- ♦ Easter 2010 Port Lincoln Shark Dive
- ♦ July August 2010 Cape York

## **Club Trainers**

Trainers: Ian Manglesdorf, & Tim Byrne

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

Advisors: Brenton Bowley

## **MLR Club Training**

Contact: Paul Tabone, Education Officer Mobile: 0417 080 663

**Unless otherwise specified, ALL MLR trips use UHF channel 27**



# Upcoming Trips

<b>Trip</b>	<b>Xmas at Wall Flat</b>
Date/s – Duration	28 November
Trip Leaders	TBA
Convoy limit	No Limit
Distance – Kms	200
Departure / meeting point & time	Wall Flat near Mannum
Difficulty	N/A
General comments	Come for the annual xmas BBQ, bring along salad/pasta etc for shared consumption. A spit roast will be cooking.

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<b>Trip</b>	<b>Victorian High Country</b>
Date/s – Duration	26th December 09 to 10th January 2010
Trip Leaders	Jim Usher
Convoy limit	TBA
Distance – Kms	2000+
Departure / meeting point & time	TBA
Difficulty	Medium to Hard depending on tracks
General comments	

# Upcoming Trips

<b>Trip</b>	<b>Annual Beachport Meet</b>
Date/s – Duration	23 to 26th January 2010
Trip Leaders	Dave ‘Shorty’ Wilsmore
Convoy limit	No Limit
Distance – Kms	1000
Departure / meeting point & time	TBA
Difficulty	Moderate to Hard depending on conditions
General comments	Annual Beach port meet over the January long weekend

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<b>Trip</b>	<b>Loveday 4x4 Adventure Park</b>
Date/s – Duration	6/7/8th March 2010
Trip Leaders	David Lamb
Convoy limit	TBA
Distance – Kms	1000
Departure / meeting point & time	TBA
Difficulty	TBA
General comments	Private property on the banks of the River Murray in the Riverland. Adelaide Cup Long Weekend

# Upcoming Trips

<b>Trip</b>	<b>Port Lincoln Shark Dive</b>
Date/s – Duration	1-6th April 2010 (Easter)
Trip Leaders	Neil & Linda Cook
Convoy limit	TBA
Distance – Kms	1500
Departure / meeting point & time	TBA
Difficulty	Scary !!!!!
General comments	Shark dive charter and camping in the Lincoln National Park (see flyer over)

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<b>Trip</b>	<b>Cape York</b>
Date/s – Duration	July/August 2010
Trip Leaders	TBA (Les ?)
Convoy limit	<b>Expressions of interest required</b>
Distance – Kms	Lots TBA
Departure / meeting point & time	TBA
Difficulty	Moderate to very hard
General comments	



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Please read all the terms and conditions on the web site, as the sharks are NOT guaranteed.

Payment required at the end of the December meeting.

Give me a call on 0400 416 220 if you have any questions and check out :

**[www.sharkcagediving.com.au](http://www.sharkcagediving.com.au)**

Cheers Neil & Linda Cook



**Below is the worst kind of consequence of poor recovery knowledge/technique. Ed**

**TRAGEDY has again rocked the town of Smithton after a local footballer was killed in a freak accident yesterday.**

Josh Stein, 18, suffered a fatal head injury while four-wheel driving with Irishtown Football Club mates on an end-of-season trip.

Tragedy struck about 3am when a team member's 4WD got bogged on Sandy Cape Rd, south of Temma on the state's remote West Coast.

Tasmania Police Sergeant Leanne Walters said several men assembled a towing system in a bid to free the vehicle.

However, the tow ball and snatch strap came loose.

The tow ball catapulted, smashing through the back window of the vehicle where Mr Stein was sitting, striking a fatal blow to his head.

Witnesses described the incident as "particularly horrific". It is not known if alcohol was involved.

[http://www.themercury.com.au/article/2009/10/04/101245\\_tasmania-news.html](http://www.themercury.com.au/article/2009/10/04/101245_tasmania-news.html)

# TRAINING

The DTU –Driver Training Unit has been running training weekends in an effort to help people get training done and 001 in their books completed. This will cease mid next year and it will all be back on to the clubs to organise themselves.

We are fortunate to have a few assessors in our club but we need new trainers and assessors coming through.

## **Some dates to make note of are:**

21<sup>st</sup> Feb Assessors update course.

13-14 March-Basic Theory. **This is where you get started and get training manuals I recommend this as a minimum.**

20-21 March Basic driving practical – Cherry Gardens. Theory members get 1<sup>st</sup> preference.

17-18 April- Advisors course. – Need to have 001 completed if interested please see Paul Tabone.

8-9 May Basic driving practical – Morgan.

22-23 May Assessors Course week 1.

5-6 June Assessors Course week 2.

19-20 June Assessors Course week 3.

25-26 Sept Trainers course week 1

16-17 Oct Trainers Course week 2

## **LAST CALL FOR THEORY-PAPERS.**

**If you are no longer interested in training please let me know so I can cross your names off the list.**

Nick Bray	Trevor Hill
Richard Williams	John Loechel
Greg Healey	Jarrad McGlaughlin
Paul Lehman	David Lamb
Pat O'Kane	Jim Betas
Jeff Kelly	Steve Gleeson
Graham Jones	

**For those who have handed in their papers they have been marked please see me at the next meeting with your A5 booked to be signed off.**

Regards  
Paul Tabone  
0417 080 663

## **2009 DTU CALENDAR (inc training)**

### **NOVEMBER**

31st Oct-- 1st Nov Club Training  
Basic Course – Driving Peake 9.00am  
7th – 8th Advisor Course Morgan 9.00am  
10th Training Committee Meeting Cavan 7.30pm  
12th DTU general meeting Cavan 7.30pm  
14th – 15th  
19th Association general meeting Cavan 7.30pm  
21st – 22nd

### **DECEMBER**

5th - 6th  
8th Training Committee Meeting Cavan 7.30pm  
10th DTU general meeting & break up Cavan 7.30pm  
11th - School holidays  
12th – 13th  
17th No Association general meeting

Anyone wanting to attend any of the above dates, please let Paul Tabone know so he can put your name down to attend.

His goal is to get those who have paid to get books and do the weekend basic theory to now get in to the practical side of training even if just up to completion of the 001 level

## **Wilpena Pound and surrounds trip.**

A great trip was had by all well done Andrew (presidenti) and our trip leader.

Everyone arrived and set up camp on Friday & it was a good site all together around a huge camp fire setting.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 09

10 vehicles departed camp at 10-00 am. Filled with “fun loving” people (party animal really who love a drinkie poo’s).

We drove through Bunyeroo and Brachina Gorges, a little water around which was good not only for the fauna and flora but also for our “boy’s”, what boy doesn’t enjoy a little mud splash. Then on to Glass Gorge and razor back formations, beautiful and spectacular great photo opportunities. Nice sunny clear blue sky’s good easy driving with a few fun bits. We had three stops for: coffee and more nibbles etc” when we reached the top magnificent views all around magnificent panoramic shots.

Off again to Angorichina some stopped for cold drinks and ice cream, lots of Emus with chicks of all sizes, kangaroos and stumpy lizards, on to Blinman the group split up and went walk about, in the town they were having a camp oven cook off, I bet the evening would have been a lot of fun with a lively pub and lots of people.

We had a drink at the pub it has changed quite a bit over the years John and I have many stories to tell of when we last visited years ago.

We visited the old copper mine set up by Mr. Blinman and a few friends who sold it later for what today would have been a fortune.

A couple of people stayed in Blinman for a further look around and a few stopped at the art gallery and everybody meet later back at the camp for guess what a few wines and more delicious nibbles.

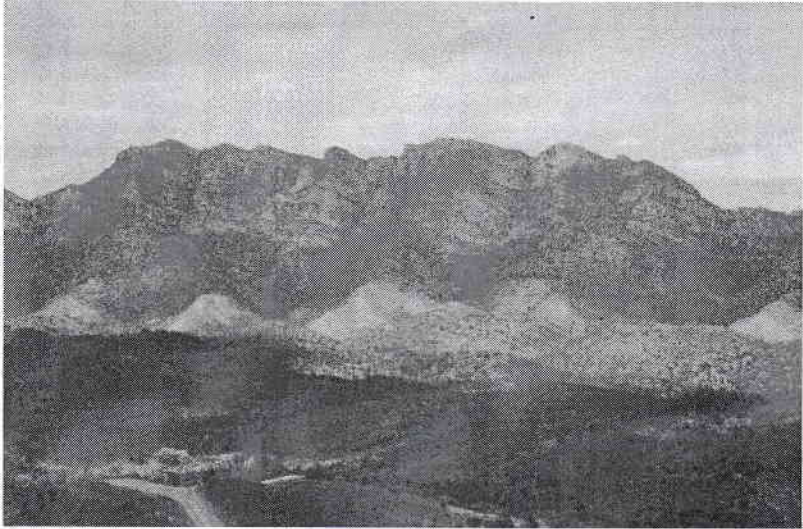
Dinner was around the camp fire; Trevor, Greg and Steve were the evening fire boys.

We laughed had great jokes’, made fun of each other great drive- great people- great food, great food, thanks to everyone who made it that way.

Looking forward to our next trip somewhere in the great Aussie outdoors.

Paula bent wife of Short Connery





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# Notes to Remember

The last day for magazine submissions for the December edition is Tuesday 8th December.

Club membership fee's are now due. If payment is not received by the end of the August meeting, then a \$10 late payment fee will be applied. \$65 for renewal of a membership, \$75 for a new membership and \$57.50 for membership as a second club.

**Next club meeting is on Monday 14th December.**



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Please see Les Toomer (0409 285 232) for clothing or other purchases

## ITEMS FOR LOAN

Crate Mate Recovery Tracks	Recovery Kit
Club Banner	Tirfor Winch
Club Flag	Puncture Repair Kit *
Exhaust Jack	First Aid Kit *
Maps	4 x Lightweight Shelters with sides.

\* Please replace used items

Please see Mark Curtis for any items you wish to borrow Ph 8358 4776

# MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB



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# **TRIP LEADERS CHECKLIST**

## **PRE-PLANNING**

Choose a location for the club trip

Choose a date - start & finish

Choose a route - there & back

Accommodation - caravan, camper trailer or tents only

Cost of camping, track access or other costs

Determine difficulty of the trip

Determine vehicle suitability, requirements & convoy limit

Work out an estimate of the trip distance

## **AT A CLUB MEETING**

With all your pre-planning information at hand approach the trips coordinator

Discuss & seek feedback on your trip details & amend if necessary

Ask if anyone else within the club has done the same trip for any advice or suggestions

Fill out a trip sheet & post on the trips board

Within the club meeting, stand up & introduce yourself

Explain all the details of your proposed trip as outlined in the pre-planning stage

Answer any questions if needed

During the next subsequent meetings keep up to date with progress of names listed on your trip

## **IN THE MEANWHILE FINALISE DETAILS FOR YOUR TRIP**

A start meeting point & time for your trip, there can be multiple places to meet when on route

Finalise any personal, camping, safety & recovery equipment required for the trip as a minimum

Determine if there is any First Aiders, club trainers or assessors on your trip

Amount of fuel stops & fill up locations whilst driving

Notify & book in your trip with any relevant landowners, caravan parks, national parks etc

Assess & check any possible weather conditions you may encounter whilst on your trip

Leave details of your trip with the trips coordinator - itinerary, route & planned return time

Determine all the water & food requirements of the trip - are there any group cooked meals ?

### **THE LAST CLUB MEETING BEFORE YOUR TRIP**

Gather together the members of your trip into a small group & finalise any details of the trip

Confirm all names & numbers of persons attending

Gather all participants trip application forms

Determine if there are any special needs or medical requirements of the participants

Collect any money or fees if it is required

### **THE FIRST DAY OF YOUR TRIP**

Arrive first at the chosen meeting place & time

Once all intended persons have arrived, introduce yourself & anyone travelling with you & call sign

Get everyone else to introduce themselves, people travelling with them, call sign & type of vehicle driven

Make sure everyone is aware of your mobile phone number in case of an emergency

Make everyone aware of the nominated first aider

Discuss convoy procedures, marking of corners & making sure they can see the vehicle behind them

Remind everyone of UHF radio use, etiquette & rules. No swearing / bad language etc

### **THINGS TO DO THROUGHOUT EACH DAY OF YOUR TRIP**

At the start of each day or each individual section of the drive appoint a Tail

End Charlie

Nominate a person to write the trip report for that day

Perform regular radio checks of all vehicles in your convoy

Make yourself available to everyone if there are any grievances or conflicts on the trip

# **CLUB BY-LAWS & RULES FOR TRIPS & ACTIVITIES**

## **As extracted from the Club's Constitutional Document**

### **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

For the purposes of these by-laws & rules, only those activities that have been approved by the Directors or at a General Meeting & noted in the minutes shall be recognised as official Club activities. Any activity not so approved shall be considered as a member's private activity & shall only be discussed at General Meetings during general business, if time permits.

### **REGULATIONS**

All members & visitors shall at all times abide by the Club Constitution, these by-laws, rules & regulations laid down by Government Authorities & owners/lessees of private property.

### **CLUB IDENTIFICATION**

All club identification shall be removed from vehicles prior to sale or upon expiration of membership.

### **RADIOS**

Members using CB, UHF & HF radios shall use them at all times in accordance with State &/or Federal Government rules & regulations governing the use of radios.

All members shall install 27 Meg (AM) or UHF radios for all club trips within 6 months of joining the club.

### **VEHICLE INSURANCE**

All participants in Club activities are required to produce to Directors a written declaration stating that they have in force, and will have in force for the duration of the club's financial year, a current policy of Comprehensive or 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Insurance applicable to the vehicle they are driving, upon renewal of such participants' membership with the club.

### **CONDUCT OF ACTIVITIES**

#### **Direction of Organisers**

All members & visitors participating in a club activity at all times shall abide by the directions of the activity organizer or trip leader in respect to:

- i. Compliance with Club by-laws & rules

- ii. Safety of all other members
- iii. Fire precautions & restrictions
- jjj. Care & respect of private property
- kkk. The rights of other people

#### **Trip Leaders**

On trips, the Trip Leader has absolute authority over the whole trip & they must ensure that members & visitors are aware of all relevant Club by-laws & rules & have adequate recovery equipment.

#### **Assistant Trip Leader**

Trip Leaders at their discretion may appoint separate trip leaders to lead separate convoys.

### **Contravention of Club by-laws & Rules**

A member contravening Club by-laws or rules may be asked by the trip leader to leave the activity or trip & the incident reported to the Committee. Disregard of club by-laws & rules should be reported to the Committee members by the club members. All members must inform the Trip Leaders of their intention to go on a club trip.

### **National Parks & Forest Areas**

All members & visitors are responsible for knowing & observing Park, Woods and Forest regulations whilst traveling in these areas, or in other areas controlled by Government Authorities.

### **Conclusion of Trips**

Trip Leaders must ensure that all participants have clear directions to their destination at the conclusion of the club trip.

### **Children**

Adults must be responsible at all times for the behavior of the children in their charge.

### **Prospective Members**

Prospective members & visitors are allowed on Club activities at the discretion of the activity organiser but not to the exclusion of club members.

### **Non Financial Members**

Persons previously on the club committee but who are currently not financial, or other persons, who are not financial, are not allowed to take part in club activities with our prior Committee approval.

### **Numbers of vehicles**

The number of vehicles on a Club activity shall be determined by the trip leader but also may be subject to requirements of outside authorities. As a general rule the number of vehicles in a convey shall not exceed 15 as the sight & inconvenience to other members of the public must be considered.

### **Dogs**

On trips where dogs are permitted, they must be kept under control at all times, preferably on a lead.

### **Motorcycles**

Motorcycles are not permitted on Club trips except with the express permission of the trip leader.

### **Firearm**

Guns & rifles must not be visible inside vehicles & should only be removed in cases of emergency, or with the express permission of the trip leader.

### **Intoxicating Liquor**

Excessive consumption of intoxicating liquor on club activities is discouraged.

### **Off Tracks**

Vehicles are to stay on existing roads & tracks except in areas where permission has been granted to move away from existing vehicle corridors.

### **Flora & Fauna**

Live branches are not to be broken from trees or shrubs. No member shall use a tree as an anchor for winching without providing adequate protection around the tree from slings or cables. Trip members must not disturb birds, animals & their habitat.



### Gates

All gates must be left as they were found.

### Camping

Campsites must not be within 500m of any artificial constructed watering points. Campsite adjacent to large natural watering points must be sited so that stock & wildlife are not prevent from gaining access to water. Campsite must be at least 1km away from any station homestead, shearing shed, outstation or other improvement unless prior approval of the land manager. Previous campsites should be used wherever possible. Care must be taken to minimize damage to vegetation etc at campsites & making of unnecessary vehicle tracks is to be avoided.

### Water

Minimal water only is to be taken from any watering point. Members are not to swim or bathe in tanks or dams without permission from the land manager. If water is required for washing it is to be bucketed out. Soaps & detergents etc are not to be introduced into tanks, dams, rivers or natural watering points.

### Litter

No litter or rubbish is to be thrown from vehicles. At all stops, members shall ensure that no rubbish is left at the site. All non-burnable rubbish is to be carried out & disposed of in approved receptacles or areas. Burnable rubbish may be burnt at campsites provided all other members are considered, correct precautions are taken & there are no fire bans in place. Non-combustibles are to be removed from ashes.

### Historical Sites

All sites of historical significance are to be left undisturbed & artifacts are not to be removed off site.

### Toilets

When using bush toilets ensure an adequate, deep hole is dug & covered properly before leaving the campsite. Do not allow paper & tissue to blow around the area.

### Mobile Generators

The use of generators must be kept to a minimum & not used after 8.00pm or before 7.00am without the permission from everyone within the vicinity. At all times other travelers must be considered when using generators. Members must ensure as far as possible that generators are permitted in NPWS areas prior to departures or obtain permission from rangers at the site.

### Fires

Fire bans must be complied with at all times. Normally one campfire should be adequate and the trip leader is responsible for its location. The trip leader may approve other small cooking fires. At sites where adequate supply of dead wood on the ground is not available (especially National Parks etc) or during potential fire danger periods members are encouraged to use gas or other means for cooking. All fires must be extinguished before the site is vacated, ashes disposed of, and where practical, no signs of the fire should be left at the site.

### Spares

Vehicles must carry enough spare to be reasonably self sufficient in the event of breakdown. Spares for similar type vehicles can be shared amongst those on the trip. The specific spares would depend on the type of trip & location and agreement between participants.

### Grievances

Any grievance arising from any club activity must be made as soon as possible (preferably in writing) to the organisers of that activity or Directors so that any problems can be resolved promptly.

## Convoy Procedure

**Regulations** – All drivers shall observe all regulations at all times.

**Departure Warning** – The trip leader shall give a 5-minute warning before departing.

**Briefing** – Prior to departure each day all drivers are to assemble at a central point for the trip leader's briefing on the next stage of the trip.

**Travel** – All members of the convoy are to follow the trip leader & not stray from route

**Track Widening** – Drivers are not to widen existing tracks by driving around obstacles such as broken branches, large holes, rocks etc but should endeavor to do minor track maintenance to allow vehicles to remain on the track, i.e. remove branches, fill holes etc

**Convoys** – Vehicles should stay in convoy position unless a change is authorised

**Distances** – members should keep a safe distance from the vehicle in front, particularly in hilly country or if brakes are wet after a water crossing. On main roads leave adequate space between vehicles to enable other vehicles to overtake safely.

**Driver Responsibility** – Each driver is responsible for the vehicle behind. Keep the following vehicle in contact at all times. In conditions where visibility is poor switch on lights & check regularly that following vehicle is in sight. Contact by radio if possible.

**Acknowledging Turns** – Wait at every turn with indicators flashing until the following driver acknowledges with their indicators flashing.

**Separated Convoy** – If the convoy becomes separated & an intersection is reached where there is no other vehicle, stop and wait for instruction from the trip leader.

**Leaving Convoy** – If members wish to leave a convoy for any reason they must inform the trip leaders by radio or at stops. If on the move, drop back & advise your intentions to the last vehicle who will advise the trip leader as soon as possible.

**Breakdown of Vehicles** – If a vehicle breaks down or becomes immobile for any reason, all vehicles must stop with the affected vehicle until it is again mobile or the trip leader has checked that the vehicle is safe to be left for adequate assistance. Arrangements are to be made to renew contact as soon as possible.

**Stopping Convoy** – if members wish the vehicle in front to stop, call on radio if available, attract drivers attention by flashing lights on an off or stop. Care must be taken when flashing lights at night to avoid causing a hazard to oncoming vehicles.

**Negotiating Hazards** – At any creek crossing, steep hill, sand hill or other hazardous terrain all those not involved are to stand well clear of the activity. The trip leader, or delegate, will have complete control over activities. Vehicles are to be moved well clear of the hazard to allow sufficient room for following vehicles.

**Recovery Operations** – During recovery operations members should give what assistance possible but not get in the way. Stand well clear of vehicles, towropes & winching cables. Obey instructions of trip leader.

**Vehicle Damage** – Any damage caused to a members vehicle is the member's own responsibility. Members should not be afraid to stop to remove obstacles to avoid this

**Stopping Areas** – Campsites or rest areas should be chosen where practical so that all members of the trip can be accommodated comfortably in the one area. Care must be exercised so that damage to stopping areas is minimised.

**Starting Times** – Times for daily departures are agreed prior to departure or at daily briefing

**Lunch Stops** – Meal breaks should be about an hour unless otherwise agreed beforehand. Time starts from the arrival of the last vehicle at the site.

**Stops** – Convoys should stop for a short period every 2 hrs to allow participants to rest.

**End of day's Travel** – Where possible the day's travel should end with sufficient daylight available to allow campsites to be established unless otherwise agreed beforehand.

**Convoy Speed** – The maximum traveling speed for any club trip shall be determined by the road conditions, all state regulations and not faster than the slowest vehicle in the convoy. The trip leader prior to departure particularly for bitumen road travel should advise