

Rangers' Review

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Next holiday vacation!!!

Who wants to join me???





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Mount Lofty Rangers Inc.

About Us

The Club's aim is for its members 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 cooking 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 South Australian Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs (FWDSA).

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 which 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 <u>second Monday of each month*</u> and are held at the **Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood**

Time: 7:15 pm for 7.30pm start

*Except where this Monday falls on a long weekend then the meeting is held on the third Monday of the month.

For more information on the Club please check out our website at:

www.mountloftyrangers.com.au

MT LOFTY RANGERS UHF CLUB CHANNEL NO 27





As our MLR year draws to a close, there are still some positions on the committee that have no nominations for the AGM, please don't sit on your hands and hope someone else will do it – because more than likely they'll be doing the same thing! Secretary? Membership Officer? Committee Member? In fact any position is available if you want to throw your hat into the ring?

While talking AGM, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the current committee for their assistance with everything this year, I feel that we have moved the club forward once again, which is always a good thing. A huge thankyou to Phil Simes who is stepping down from Trips Coordinator after 4 or 5 years and to Kym and Linda Nagel stepping down from the Merchandise Officer role as well as manning the door greeting visitors and members alike. Lainie Ray is also stepping down from Secretary, thank you for everything including the late night texts from me chasing minutes and the emails looking for your thoughts on things.

It's great to see a number of trips starting to hit the trips board, and varied trips at that! I have just put a social trip up with a difference: Saturday 24th September at Teusner Wines on Samuel Rd Nurioopta. Pig on a spit with roast veggies, wine, beer and soft drinks supplied. Included camping available on site. Limited to 36 people only. \$100 per head. To secure your place on this - what will be a popular trip, get your name on the trip sheet and pay your money to me by end of August, if you need I can even place your spot on layby (as long as it paid by end of August ③).

As of the Friday before our AGM, the amended constitution has been lodged with Office of Consumer Affairs, although it may have taken over twelve months as the lawyer was doing it in his spare time and charging us nothing, but it is now up to date with government regulations and reflects the technology of 2016. Once we receive confirmation that it has been accepted, it will be loaded onto the website for everyone to have access to.

At the last club meeting I again queried the club views on our potential assistance once again at Nature Foundation of SA's property predominantly at Witchelina, which is adjacent to Farina, you will find a copy of the letter I replied to both Mark Curtis and Chris Reed.

Hope to see you at the AGM.

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YOUR COMMITTEE 2015-16 COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

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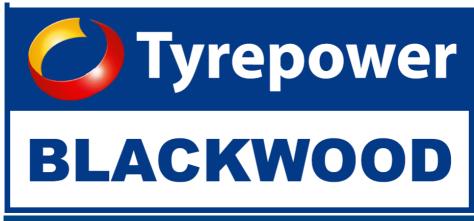
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measurement								
Men's	S	М	L	XL	XXL	3XL	5XL	
1/2chest	53	55.5	58	60.5	63	68	73	
measurement								

Softshell Jackets/Vest Sizing

Ladies	10	12	14	16	18	20	22	24
1/2chest	50	52	54.5	57	59.5	62	64.5	67
measurement								
Men's	S	М	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
1/2chest	56	58.5	61	63.5	66	68.5	71.5	74.5

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UNIFORM SALE

MAKE AN OFFER!?!?

At Monday nights meeting!

All of these items must go!!!

1	Green	Polo shirt	S	Embroidered name Trevor
1	Green	Polo shirt	М	
1	Green	Polo shirt	L	Embroidered name Graig
1	Blue	Polo shirt	L	
2	Blue	Polo shirt	XL	
2	Black	Polo shirt	М	Embroidered name Matt
1	Black	Polo shirt	XL	Embroidered name Dave
1	Green	1/3 zip fleece polar top	L	
1	Green	1/3 zip fleece polar top	М	
1	Green	Full zip fleece polar top	L	
1	Black/green	Arctic top	М	
1	Black/green	Arctic top	L	
1		Soft shell jacket	12	Womens
1		Soft shell jacket	14	Womens
1		Soft shell jacket	22	Womens
1		Soft shell jacket	S	
1		Soft shell jacket	XL	
1		Soft shell jacket	XXL	
1		Soft shell vest	12	Womens
2		Soft shell vest	14	Womens
2		Soft shell vest	S	
1		Soft shell vest	М	
1		Soft shell vest	XL	
2	Green	Bucket hat	L/XL	
3	Green	Bucket hat	M/L	
2	Green	Baseball caps		
4	Green	Beanies		
33	Green	Stubbie holder		

Club equipment for loan!

- Grate mates
- Uniden UHF handheld radios
- Tyre repair kit (large & small)
 - Tifor hand winch and cable
 - Car Bra

- Gazebo 3m x 3m
- Hot water urn and kettle
 - Bead breaker
 - Drag chains (x 2)
- Trestle tables, plastic folding 1.8m (x2)
- Recovery bag (inc snatch straps, extension strap, tree trunk protector and shackles)

*All club equipment is securely stored within the club trailer @ Lonsdale

For further information on any loan equipment, please email Peter Reed, Property Officer:

property@mountloftyrangers.com.au



TRIP: LINDSAY ISLAND

Courtesy of Henry Heness

Lindsay Island – Border Track Trip

We arranged to meet at Tailem Bend on Friday at 1.30 pm so the four vehicles headed off for Pinaroo in convoy and proceeded onto the boarder track for a Anzac weekend of 4 wheel driving and action!!

We weren't far into the track when we came across a nice little water crossing and you guessed it, yours truly took it too slowly and ended up bogged to the axles! I couldn't believe it... thank goodness my old mate Merv was kicking back behind me and had all the necessary goodies onboard to tow me out so I could continue on my merry way! The Nissan was covered in mud and slosh and hence the reason for this trip report!!

After cruising along for a while, we managed radio contact with Wayne and Sue who were ahead of us in their Nissan and were waiting for us to set up camp.

While everyone was setting up, Trevor and Lyn arrived and we all proceeded to finish and get organized for a nice little camp fire and a happy hour before the sun set and the full moon appeared over the horizon! Everyone cooked their own meal and we all had a nice chat around the fire before heading off to bed in what I would describe as broad daylight... no lighting required due to the brightest moonlight I've ever seen!

Saturday morning after a breaky and pack up, we hit the track lead by Peter and Jo, we were heading along nicely when someone took a wrong turn and headed across some farmers private paddock... after a quick U turn we all took off before we were caught and sent off to the stockade!! We then caught up with Craig and Michelle and after a quick bite to eat, headed for Lindsay Island. Everyone chatted and laughed along the way on the radio. Eventually we made it and set up at the campsite next to the Mullaroo Creek, a place that Craig had lived for 12 months while working in the area. Everyone pitched in with the fire and we were soon enjoying happy hour once again!

TRIP: LINDSAY ISLAND

Sunday morning we had a casual get up with breakfast and as we were about to take off for a nice little cruise around the island, 2 vehicles came up with flat batteries! After jump starting the cars, Craig led us around the island and took us to lock number 5. Craig had been the project manager on site for the lock which was the reason for his knowledge of this particular island paradise! (We were looking forward to coconut cocktails and hoolah dancers for the coming arvo happy hour!)

The drive around the island was quite easy with sandy and clay tracks with plenty of vegetation as well as kangaroo's and emu's to look out for. We headed for home base with all in great spirits.

With Anzac day on the horizon, I was really pleased to be informed that Gary Light was going to host a dawn service in the campsite the following morning. As ex Army personnel he came along complete with the Last Post and ceremonial recording so that we could all pay our respects to the Diggers who have served our great nation. It was heartwarming to say the least to witness a stunning sunrise and enjoy a rum/coffee with Anzac biscuits made to the traditional recipe. After the dawn service we all had breakfast, packed our tents and headed for home with some taking the dirt tracks along the way for a little bit of extra fun.



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TRIP: LINDSAY ISLAND

Photos courtesy of Don Cameron





TRIP: MYSTERY TRIP

Courtesy of Michelle Watkin

On Sunday the 20th March, Tom (and co-driver Liam) organised a mystery trip, which 10 club cars attended.

We met at a "CLOSED" Meadows Bakery as the Pres forgot to find out what time it openedL. Luckily for him, they opened up the doors just for the rather large group of ML Rangers, eager for coffee and sweet treats.

Our first destination was Steve Townsend's new property at Ashbourne. And, because it was a mystery trip, we were lead on back roads as much as possible to get there! Steve welcomed us and gave us a rundown of his work so far to create a 4WD training track and then we all got to try it out. The over-all foot print of the track has been kept small by the cleverly crisscrossing the track many times. This enables Steve and his students to observe how various obstacles are being negotiated without having to wander too far.



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TRIP: MYSTERY TRIP

Steve also has some friendly kangaroos which did not seem too bothered by the cars trundling past.

A few people tried the creek crossings and moguls. We then headed over to the proposed campsite which is where a working bee will be held on May 7th to tidy up the area.

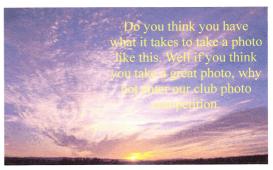
After fare welling Steve we weaved our way towards Goolwa on many back country roads. First destination was onto Hindmarsh Island and down to the Murray Mouth. A dead end road and subsequent (penalty point) uturn was apparently because Tom was intending for us to get to the Mundoo Channel.





PHOTO COMPETITION





Categories for photos:

This Country Australia — photos of the outback, high country, riverscapes or picturesque views taken on club trips.



Rangers having fun — club members (rangers) having copious amounts of fun during club trips or social events.

There will be first and runner up prizes for each Category. There will also be a 'best overall' prize. To enter a photo please obtain an entry form from Lyssa rli79925@bigpond.net.au, complete the entry form (one for each photo). All entries to be emailed to Lyssa rli79925@bigpond.net.au or provide hard copy.

Competition will commence from the February general meeting with entries being accepted only by November general meeting.

Any questions to Lyssa 0401 132023.

COMPETITION ENTRY FORM



Please complete the form below to provide details about your entry.

Club Member Name:

Email address:
Phone:
Category entry:
This Country Australia
Pangara having fun
Rangers having fun
Date of photo entry:
Place where photo was taken:
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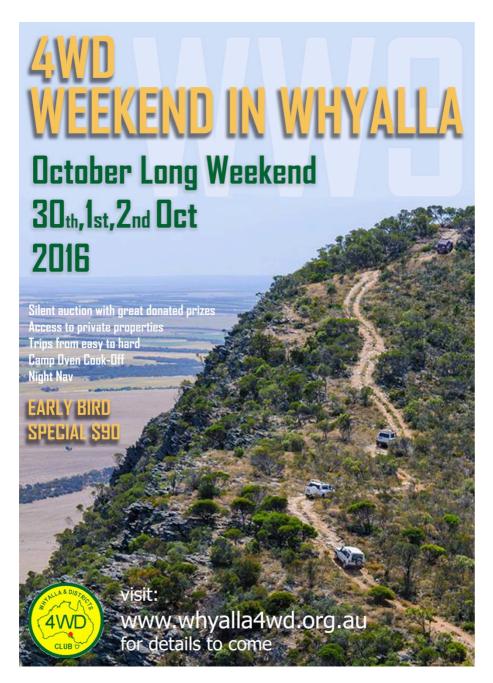
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**Please note: Monday 3rd is the public holiday

2016 TRIPS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT	DETAILS		
7 th May	Working Bee	Steve Townsend	Ashborne campsite 855 Ashborne Road		
MONDAY	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
9 th May	Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood				
20 th – 22 nd May	Weekend trip	Gary Light	Ngarkat/Bordertrack		
21st – 22nd May	Overnight trip	Tom Doody/ GlennBull	Coorong / Goolwa / Hindmarsh Island		
5 th – 20 th June	Extended trip	Peter Reed	Finke Desert		
Sat 11 th -Mon 13 th	Long		Queen's B'day		
June	weekend				
MONDAY		Club Meeting			
20 th June		Football Club, Tr	evor Terrace, Blackwood		
25 th June – 22 nd	Extended trip	Ann &	Simpson Desert		
July		Malcolm	(inc QLD/NSW)		
		Morris			
MONDAY	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
11 th July	Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood				
MONDAY 8 th	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
August			evor Terrace, Blackwood		
10 th - 11 th	Camp Cook	Tom Doody	Ashbourne		
September					
MONDAY 12 th	D	Club Meeting	*		
September			evor Terrace, Blackwood		
24 th September	Day trip	Tom Doody	Teusner Wines		
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Sat 1 st –Mon 3 rd	Long Weekend		Labor Day		
October MONDAY 10 th	weekend	Club Mostin	a 7 20mm		
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October MONDAY 14 th	Diuckwood	Club Meeting			
November	Rlackwood	_	evor Terrace, Blackwood		
26 th – 27 th	Christmas	Tom Doody	TBA		
November	Show	Tom Doouy	IDA		
May-June 2018	EXPRESSION	Sheena &	Botswana 4WD & camping		
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DRIVER TRAINING UNIT

DATE	TRAINING
May 14 th – 15 th	DTU Training – Ashbourne \$40
August 20 th – 21 st	DTU Training – Ashbourne (mud) \$40
October 1 st – 3 rd	Long Weekend
October 15 th – 16 th	DTU Training – Trip Planning Cavan \$10
November 5 th – 6 th	DTU Training – Peake (sand)
November $12^{th} - 13^{th}$	DTU Training – GPS Ozi Explorer – Cavan \$10

MT LOFTY RANGERS TRAINING

DATE	TRAINING
May 28 th – 29 th	MLR Peake (sand) - booked
June 13 th	MLR Black Cockatoo
June 19 th	MLR Trip Planning Course
August 6 th – 7 th	MLR Morgan
August 28 th	MLR Tyre Repair – Ashbourne
September $10^{th} - 11^{th}$	MLR Basic Practical Ashbourne
October 1 st – 3 rd	Long Weekend
October 8 th – 9 th	MLR Peake – booked (MLR & Jeep Club)

Club Trainers

Education Officer: Steve Townsend

Assessors: Steve Townsend, Mark Curtis, Jeff Morgan & Dave Willsmore

Trainers: Tim Byrne, Tom Doody, Glenn Lawson

Advisor: Brenton Bowley

For further information on training, please email Steve Townsend,

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WITCHELINA LETTER

Hi Mark & Chris

Apologies for the time it has taken to respond - I have once again taken this to both the general membership as well as the committee to ensure that we are not making an incorrect decision.

Unfortunately at this time Mount Lofty Rangers 4WD Club (MLR) has no one willing to put their hand up and be the link between NFSA and our club. Mark has been in an enviable position where he has the flexibility and ability, due his roster to make numerous trips to Witchelina, these trips have all gone up on our trip board and most times there has been someone join him on these trips.

As President or as the committee we cannot force our members to go on any particular trips, all we can do is offer the opportunity for members to join any trips whether those trips are to The Simpson, Cape York, Flinders Rangers or Witchelina to name a few.

As you know, time and money are the things most families are short of these days and a majority of members have stated in conversations with me that Witchelina is just too far to go for a weekend working bee - sadly we lose 2 days travelling and with the scope of the projects, the feeling that to make an impact we would need to be there for 3-5 days which effectively takes a week of leave.

Although MLR cannot find "a leader" for NFSA projects predominantly at Witchelina, we are by no means saying that we no longer wish to be involved. Can I please ask that we are kept informed of any new or ongoing projects we may be able to assist with? With Mark moving on with the next stage of his life, can I ask all future communication be sent to both of the following email addresses? president@mountloftyrangers.com.au trips@mountloftyrangers.com.au

I am not making any promises of getting a crew together but this will be dependent on members availability and we maybe able to assist other 4WD clubs or organisations in preserving the buildings and surrounds of NFSA properties.

Looking forward to continuing with a mutually beneficial partnership between Nature Foundation of SA and Mount Lofty Rangers 4WD Club.

Kind Regards
Tom Doody

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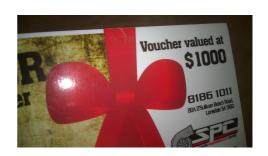
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GUEST SPEAKER

NO guest speaker for May: AGM

4WDSA in June



For further information or to book a guest speaker in 2016, please email Gary Light, Guest Speaker Co-Ordinator & Vice President at vp@mountloftyrangers.com.au

RULES OF 4WDING

PART THREE

- 60. Exceptions include belts, hoses and u-joints.
- 61. Speed costs money. How slow do you want to go?
- 62. When wheeling with a large group, always try to be near the front of the pack. Trust me.
- 63. When someone says, "trust me", run and hide.
- 64. 35s will not fit on your Libby. I don't care what the tire store told you.
- 65. Don't take your doors off on a muddy day.
- 66. "Trail Rated" does not mean what you think it does.
- 67. It doesn't matter what you drive you will get stuck
- 68. One spotter at a time. The rest of y'all can STFU!
- 69. Self explanatory.
- 70. Life is too short to drink cheap beer or to wheel with assholes.
- 71. After three unsuccessful tries, pull cable.
- 72. Any more than that and the rest of us will encourage you to do something really stupid.
- 73. Wheel while you can because the vocal minority wants the keys to your rig.
- 74. No one will get a picture of you conquering the unconquerable, but screw up just this much and everybody gets it on film.
- 75. The camera never does justice to the terrain.
- 76. Ignore the moron with the junkyard refugee who says that you never wheel.
- 77. Just buy the Chromos and be done with it.....life is too short
- 78. A Gq body in the Australia is rusted. I don't care how good it looks.
- 79. The next generation of 4wds will be a disappointment to enthusiasts also....get used to it.
- 80. Never attend a wheeling event with the intention of just watching. It never works out.
- 81. Air down.
- 82. Put it in 4WD before you think you need to. Don't be "that" guy.

FUNNIES

Irish Interview

Murphy applied for a fork lift operator post at a famous Irish firm based in Dublin . A Norwegian applied for the same job and since both applicants had similar qualifications, they were asked to take a test and led to a quiet room with no interruptions by the Manager.

When the results were in, both men had scored 19 out of 20.

The manager went to Murphy and said, "Thank you for coming to the interview, but we've decided to give the Norwegian the job."

Murphy,... "And why would you be doing that? We both got 19 questions correct. This being Ireland and me being Irish surely I should get the job."

Manager, "We have made our decision not on the correct answers, but on the question you got wrong."

Murphy, "And just how would one incorrect answer be better than another?" Manager "Simple; on question number 7 the Norwegian wrote down, 'I don't know.

You put down, "Neither do I".

"OLD" IS WHEN

- 1. "OLD" IS WHEN..... Your mrs says, "Let's go upstairs and make love," and you answer, "Honey, I can't do both!
- 2. "OLD" IS WHEN..... Your friends compliment you on your new alligator shoes and you're barefoot.
- 3. "OLD" IS WHEN.... A sexy babe catches your fancy and your pacemaker opens the garage door.
- 4. "OLD" IS WHEN..... Going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles out of your face.
- 5. "OLD" IS WHEN..... You don't care where your spouse goes, just as long as you don't have to go along.
- 6. "OLD" IS WHEN..... You are cautioned to slow down by the doctor instead of by the police.
- 7. "OLD" IS WHEN..... "Getting a little action" means I don't need to take any fiber today.
- 8. "OLD" IS WHEN..... "Getting lucky" means you find your car in the parking lot.
- 9. "OLD" IS WHEN..... An "all nighter" means not getting up to pee







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RECIPES

Lumberjack Breakfast Packets.

For this recipe you will need:

Sausages or bacon
Frozen hash browns, or leftover cooked potatoes, diced
Eggs
Chopped tomatoes and green onions, if you like
Shredded cheese, any kind.

Directions:

"Kids love to help make their own breakfast packets!"

Lay sausages or bacon on a double layer of foil that has been sprayed lightly with cooking spray.

It is best to have the meat on the bottom so it can receive direct heat from the grill to cook properly.

{Leave out the sausages if you don't like meat, and just start hash browns and a big dab of butter.}

On top of the sausages, add a handful of frozen hash browns or diced leftover potatoes, an egg or two, and diced tomato and green onion if you like. Salt & pepper to taste. You can also add Cajun spice, or whatever spice or sauce your family likes. After the packet has cooked for 15-20 minutes...I like to open it up and add shredded

cheese and put it back on the BBQ with the cover down to melt the cheese for a few

minutes.



RECIPES

Campfire Breakfast Burritos

Ingredients

- 12 flour tortillas
- 10 eggs (scrambled and fully cooked)
- 1 bag hash browns (cooked)
- 12 thin slices pepper jack cheese Optional
- 1/2lb sausage/bacon (cooked)



Directions

Step 1 – Cook sausage, hash browns and eggs.

Step 2 – Lay tortillas on counter. Evenly put eggs, has browns and sausage on each tortilla down the middle. Lay 1 piece of cheese of each burrito filling. You can break each slice in half if you desire and lay them side-by-side.

Step 3 – Roll burrito up tight and wrap in foil.

Step 4 – Store in refrigerator until ready to cook. Will keep for a few days

Top with delicious cheese before rolling up.

Roll tightly in foil and store in refrigerator until next day. They will stay good for a couple days in the fridge, but you could freeze in a ziploc bag to extend the life. Keep a close eye, and rotate every few minutes.



FOR THE LADIES

Thinking of glamming up your old looking caravan?? Here's some retro interior design ideas!











So I googled 'Pimp my 4WD' and these are some of the images !





A WORD FROM THE EDITOR

Don't forget to send me your piccies and trip report for the magazine!

Cheers Kylie

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