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Wirrina Cove Holiday Park

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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 second Monday of each month* 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

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Prez Sez

November only means one thing – the old fat jolly dude in the red suit makes an appearance next month. Have you been naughty or nice? Have you started dropping hints for what you'd like him to bring you for Christmas? Here's a hint for you..... Just google "4wd gift ideas" on your computer or tablet and leave the page open for your significant other(s) to view? It's worked for me!

As we near the end of 2017, it's time for some reflection - have you accomplished all your 2017 New Year resolutions? You still have 7 or 8 weeks, you may want to get busy!

Thanks to Phil for taking the reins at our November meeting – hope you behave for him! So what does the rest of November hold? Don't forget about our Christmas show at Wirrina on the 25th – come for the day or stay overnight for a night or two, either way you need to get your name on the trip sheet and get your \$20 deposit to Paul in either cash in an envelope at the meeting or EFT it with your name in the reference section, by the end of November's meeting so we can confirm numbers with the caterers.

Our December Christmas Club meeting is only a couple of short weeks after Wirrina and as you may have heard Evil Kris Kringle will be in play once again! This year if you bring a present to place on the table you will get one ticket, if you bring two presents you will get two tickets and so on, we aren't selling tickets like previous years. This will ensure that everyone that brings a present goes home with a present. So it's time to start shopping for your \$10-\$15 present. The "Present Police" will also be ensuring that all presents are visible and available for stealing. You also need to bring a small plate of nibbles to share with your table.

I don't bow to peer group pressure very often, however the committee have ganged up on me and suggested that I let the theme for my party at Beachport out, so that those of you that are joining in on this celebration can start to organise your costumes..... So the party will on the Saturday night with more details as it gets closer – however those that wish to go one step further and wear your costume all of Saturday on whichever trip you go on, will go into a draw for a special prize! As they say in the classics..... "You have to wear it for a chance to win it! (The prize that is)" So what is the theme I hear you ask? TOGA party!

See you all at our Evil Kris Kringle meeting.....

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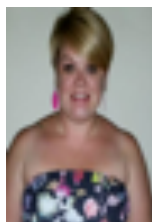
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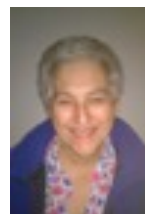
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Arthur J. Gallagher

TRIP REPORT: OCTOBERFEST

Courtesy of Michele, Dave & Jessica Riddle (Gawler Ranges 4WD club)

Friday saw us packed and ready to roll at 1:30pm which got us to Willangi Bush Escapes just out of Peterborough at 4:30 pm not too far behind Bronwyn & Roy and of course John & Jane were well and truly set up after arriving before we even left home.

After setting up it was time to chillax and mingle while checking out what trips we wanted to do across the weekend.

A chilly night was had to start off our weekend but we arose to clouds and the promise of sunshine Saturday for our Black Rock Peak trip.

Saturday Morning @ 9:30 saw 6 vehicles set off from camp for the 2nd trip to Black Rock that day, being as the first trip filled in record time.

Glenn from Mount Barker 4X4 in his trusty short wheel based jeep lead us astray with the Yellow "Monster Truck" with Ron behind the wheel was tail end Charlie which we jokingly said was there to push us up any hill we needed help with ☺



Jessica met Kiara from Mount Lofty Rangers Club and 2 hand held radios on their own channel later heard lots of chitter chatting in both vehicles from them with the sights they saw and checking off their ARB Checklist together from our Welcome Pack.



Finger Track was first up which was a bit overgrown as hadn't been driven for a while.

We had a rough bumpy ride up with some wild goats checking us out.

Lovely Views as always in the flinders from the top.

Climb up to Telstra Tower for lunch was next which was straight up and around a sharp bend to have lunch with a view, very hard to handle, but still a bit chilly up top of the hill.

After lunch maybe appropriately, it was time to head off to do the poo track.

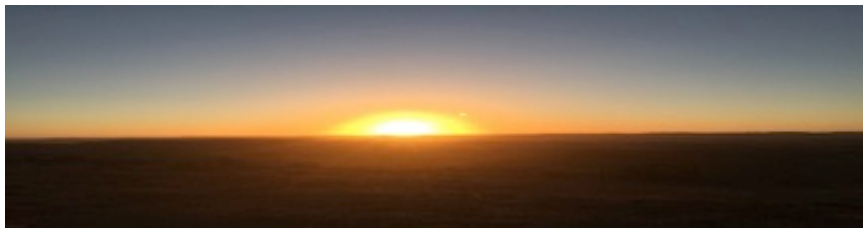
Or maybe not – one

of the members on our trip got a flat tire which brought us to a halt and so being as the other group also had a member with not one but 2 flat tires we missed the hardest part and headed back for camp for the nibble fest and happy hour before the Sunset Drive.



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TRIP REPORT: OCTOBERFEST



Saturday Night saw another fabulous night of entertainment by the MLR Strickland Road Band performing until 10:30 with us all hovering around the camp fires to keep warm. Sunday Morning, we lost 1 hours sleep with Daylight Savings and had an 8:30am departure (YAWN) which was hard work after a VERY chilly night and a dewy morning.

4 Vehicles headed out to Bendleby's with Geoff leading us astray today with Bob behind him then us then Greg and Stella bringing up the rear on the blacktop via Orroroo .

In a cloud of dust, we left the property office to head for the tracks. We bounced and rocked our way along the boundary line to find a nice shady/flat spot for lunch which was lovely with a slight breeze and sunshine.

We then headed on towards Billy Goat track which for us personally was the third time we had been there but we had never conquered the whole track but today was our day we all took it slow and easy and spotted each other and we all made it up safe and sound. Great team work.



We found our way back to the office then headed back to Orroroo to air up before heading back to camp for camp fire dinner, kid movie night and the Night Navigation Drive.

Another fabulous Day and Night had by all before we rugged up for another chilly night in bed.

Monday Morning, we woke to a foggy sunshine in time for the RFDS Big Brekky cooked by Mount Lofty Rangers Club we had Bacon, Egg, Sausage, Baked Beans on bread wow what a feast for \$5 (Early Bird Cost) with all proceeds to Royal Flying Doctors.

The excitement then started to grow as it was nearing Raffle time (Insert Drum Roll)



TRIP REPORT: OCTOBERFEST



Congratulations to Dave, Roy and Michele for winning prizes.

Jessica was hoping to win the ARB Arial Toy after winning the Fourby Toy 2 years ago she desperately wanted to win Arial to have the pair and we send huge thanks again to the kind-hearted member from Wimmera 4WD Club (VIC) who won the Arial Toy from ARB that kindly gave it to Jessica who was ecstatic to receive it.

Chip (From Loveday) is driving Arial with Fourby leading the way ready to 4WD.



THANKYOU to Everyone involved with OCTOBERFEST for another great weekend. If you havent been before mark your calendars for 2019 October Long Weekend.

Club equipment for loan!

- Grate mates
- *Uniden* UHF handheld radios
- Tyre repair kit (large & small)
- *Tifor* hand winch and cable
- Car Bra
- Trestle tables, plastic folding 1.8m (x2)
- Recovery bag (inc snatch straps, extension strap, tree trunk protector and shackles)
- Gazebo 3m x 3m
- Hot water urn and kettle
- Bead breaker
- Drag chains (x 2)

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Note the half chest measurement is the *finished garment size* not your body size

Khaki Shirt

We have new khaki shirts with the MLR logo, available for order, either short or long sleeve for \$40. Add your name for an extra \$7.



Description

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Sizing guide

Here you will find the sizing for this product

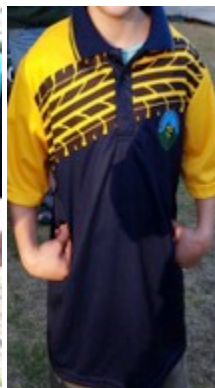
SIZE	XS	S	M	L	XL	XXL	3XL	5XL
HALF CHEST	55	57.5	60	62	64.5	67	69.5	74

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MERCHANDISE

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POLO Sizing Chart - NEW SIZES 2016

Emmsee Sportswear

PLEASE NOTE: $\frac{1}{2}$ chest measurement is finished garment size **NOT BODY SIZE**
When measuring length start at highest point near neck / shoulder

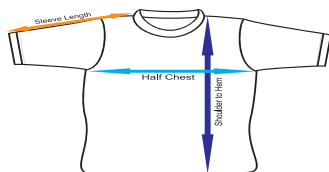
Emmsee sizes	$\frac{1}{2}$ chest	high point of shoulder		$\frac{1}{2}$ chest
Size 6	38	53		kids 6
Size 8	40	56		kids 8
Size 10	43	58		kids 10
Size 12	44	60	ladies 8	kids 12
Size 14	47	65	ladies 10	kids 14
Size 16	49	70	ladies 12	kids 16
Size 18	53	74	ladies 14	mens S
Size 20	54	75	ladies 16	mens M
Size 22	58	76	ladies 18	mens L
Size 24	60	78	ladies 20	mens XL
Size 26	63	81	ladies 22	mens 2XL
Size 28	66	81		mens 3XL
Size 30	70	81	ladies 24	mens 4XL
Size 32	75 hip 79	81	ladies 26	mens 5XL
Size 34	79 hip 83 85			

How to measure a garment to get a half chest measurement

Lay a garment that fits you flat and measure from side seam to side seam under the armhole this will give you the half chest measurement

To measure the finished length - measure next to the neck of the garment near the highest point of the shoulder

Where to measure



Contact Sheena to place an order:

merchandise@mountloftyrangers.com.au

TRIP REPORT: YANKALILLA

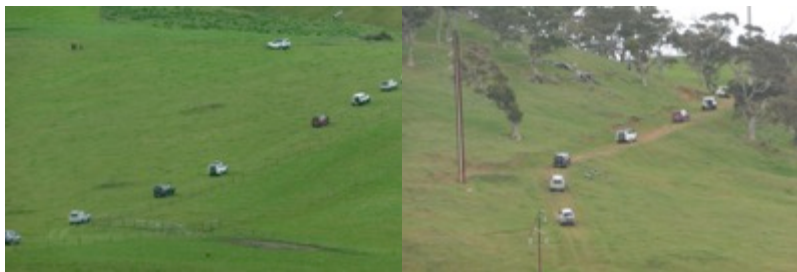
Courtesy of Tom Sag

YANKALILLA to CAPE JERVOIS 4WD TRIP 8 OCT 2017

About 25 vehicles from our club and nearly as many from the Adventure 4wd Club took part in this trip organised as a fundraiser by the Lions Club. About a dozen cars from Mt Lofty Rangers camped Wirrina on the nights before and after the event while the others came for the day.

After a cool night spent sitting around a warm fire and some early morning rain those camping at Wirrina set off for Yankalilla Showground to check in for the trip and the many day trippers also joined us so there were about 50 cars on the trip. This included the Lions Club members acting as trip leaders. We were divided into 5 groups which set off at regular intervals. By the time we set off the rain had all but stopped.

Most of the trip was on private property some times on well defined tracks, some times on freshly made tracks through green grass and sometimes we had to make our own tracks. The terrain was mainly hill green grassed country with occasional clumps of trees and many well fed cows and occasional flocks of sheep. We had great views of the surrounding country and when the cloudy skies became sunny, good views of the coastal beaches and towns. There were some steep and sometimes slightly tricky climbs and descents but most of us had little trouble with these.



Our route took us from Yankalilla past Normanville to some where near Lady Bay on the Main South Road before we turned off and headed up a steep hill for views and back down again until we came back to the main road just north of the turn off to Wirrina. After a short stretch on the black top we headed on tracks towards the coast passing the lake supplying water to Wirrina and coming out near the coast at Second Valley. After a short distance on the Second Valley Road we headed off road again until we reached Rapid Bay School with good views of the jetties (old and new), the limestone mines and the cricket ground next to the school seen before we arrived. The Lions club put on a great lunch (BBQ sausages and burger, various salads, a drink and fruit and ice cream for desert).

TRIP REPORT: YANKALILLA



After lunch and a short blacktop stretch we went off road again and climbed Rapid Hill for views of the beach and mines at Rapid Bay and then came out on the main road again at Delamere. We were soon off road again for a wind farm tour first driving along a gravel road very close to the wind turbines on Starfish Hill. From here we went down hill and crossed Salt Creek near a second set of turbines on Salt Creek Hill. We then found a wide gravel road which lead back to the main road and along it to our finishing point near the Cape Jervis lighthouse. On our way in we saw the Sealink Ferry coming in from Kangaroo Island.



TRIP REPORT: YANKALILLA

Everyone thought it was an enjoyable and well organised trip and we were very happy with our Lions Club trip leader who warned us of possible troubles as we travelled. Big thanks to Steve Brown for organising such a wonderful trip and also to Henry Henness for lending me a battery so I could get a good second night's sleep.



MEMBERSHIPS are now OVERDUE!!!
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MLR Quiet Achiever Award

The quiet achiever award is given to recognise the dedication and commitment of members who add value to the Club without fuss or bother. Often these men and women are quiet achievers who might otherwise not be recognised. No one realises the amount and quality of their work until they are acknowledged or they are away.

The Quiet Achievers Award acknowledges just how much they are valued and appreciated and recognises their important, often behind the scenes, contribution to the fabric of the Club. This is an award that is presented to those special people who go out of their way to do things for others, not because they want recognition but because it comes from their heart to give and serve others.

Eligibility

All financial members of the MLR 4x4 Club as defined by the MLR constitution.

Nomination Process

- Call for nominations will be made annually. However any member may nominate another member at any time throughout the qualifying period.
- The nomination period (per club person of the year i.e runs Feb to Jan)
- Nominations are made by submitting a nomination form outlining why the member is considered a quiet achiever with any additional achievements as outlined in the nominee criteria, in no more than one A4 page with font size not less than 10 points.
- Nominations close
- The MLR Awards Sub Committee will review the nominations and select the winner for the period.
- The winner will be announced at the annual MLR awards night.

Nominee Criteria

- Always friendly and supportive consistently helping others
- Continued fundraising efforts
- Volunteer efforts for the betterment of the Club
- Behind the scenes support

NB – there is no requirement to have lead a trip to be eligible for this award

Selection Panel

Nominations are to be forwarded to the MLR Secretary at secretary@mountloftyrangersonline.com.au

The MLR Awards Sub Committee will consist of the 7 MLR Directors.



NOMINATION FORM

MLR Quiet Achiever Award

NOMINEE NAME:			
NAME OF NOMINATOR:			
<i>Nominators contact details:</i>			
TELEPHONE :		EMAIL :	
MOBILE :		SIGNATURE :	

CRITERIA CITATION *(Attach one additional A4 page with font size not less than 10 points if required)*

Review Committee Only	
Date Received	
Review Ranking	

HOW TO TREAT A SNAKEBITE

Courtesy of RFDS via Kim McCool



Our South Eastern Section has updated its advice and procedures following the publication of a new snakebite study. The Australian Snakebite Project is the most comprehensive ever carried out, involved over 1500 patients and collated snakebite data from the past 10 years (2005-15).

"There are around 3,000 reported snakebites each year in Australia, resulting in 500 hospital admissions and an average of two fatalities."

The Australian Snakebite Project threw up some surprising statistics, which challenges many long-held perceptions about where snake attacks occur and how to treat them.

In those attacks in which the snake was positively identified, the brown snake was the most common biter (41%), followed by the tiger snake (17%) and red-bellied black snake (16%).

Three-quarters of the people bitten are males aged in their 30's. Most snake attacks occur near houses, not in the bush. Half of all bites occurred while people were out walking, with gardening and trying to catch a snake the most common other scenarios.

While only 20- 25 out of 835 cases they studied resulted in death, the effects of a snakebite can be debilitating and far-reaching. Three-quarters of those bitten experienced venom-induced consumption coagulopathy, which causes blood clotting and life-threatening haemorrhages. Acute kidney injuries, brain and muscle damage and cardiac arrest are other possible side effects.

"Surprisingly, they're often painless and may go unnoticed as tissue damage is mostly light – lacerations, scratches or light bruising along with some bleeding or swelling. As over 90% of snakebites we found to occur on the upper and lower limbs, these are the places to check first."

"Common symptoms include an unexplained collapse, vomiting and abdominal pain, bleeding or paralysis."

HOW TO TREAT A SNAKEBITE

Many dangerous myths surround the treatment of snakebites. The most important dos and don'ts include.

- **Do NOT** wash the area of the bite or try to suck out the venom. It is extremely important to retain traces of venom for use with venom identification kits.
- **Do NOT** incise or cut the bite, or apply a high tourniquet. Cutting or incising the bite won't help. High tourniquets are ineffective and can be fatal if released.
- **Do** bandage firmly, splint and immobilise to stop the spread of venom. All the major medical associations recommend slowing the spread of venom by placing a folded pad over the bite area and then applying a firm bandage. It should not stop blood flow to the limb or congest the veins. Only remove the bandage in a medical facility, as the release of pressure will cause a rapid flow of venom through the bloodstream.
- **Do NOT** allow the victim to walk or move their limbs. Use a splint or sling to minimise all limb movement. Put the patient on a stretcher or bring transportation to the patient.
- **Do** seek medical help immediately as the venom can cause severe damage to health or even death within a few hours.

The new study has prompted the RFDS SE to reverse previous long-standing advice about the importance of identifying the colour and type of snake.

“Staying in the area after an attack can be dangerous and recent advances in medication mean we can now treat any snakebite with a generic polyvalent anti-venom, so identification is no longer necessary.”

For more information please check out the RFDS website:

<https://www.flyingdoctor.org.au/news/flying-doctor-issues-new-snakebite-advice/>



GUEST SPEAKER

Guest Speaker for November

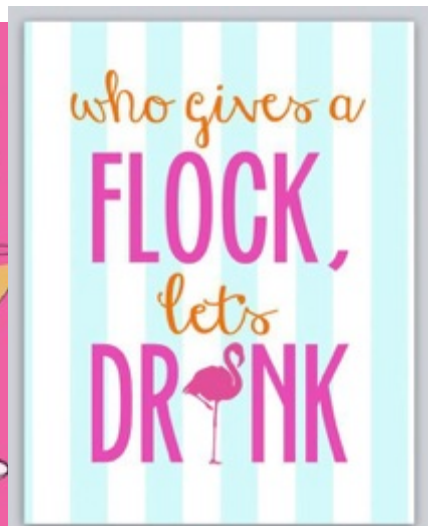
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For further information or to book a guest speaker, please email Gary Light, Guest Speaker Co-Ordinator & Vice President at vp@mountloftyrangers.com.au

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2017 TRIPS CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT	LOCATION/DETAILS
Postponed!!!!	Camp Cook	Tom Doody	Ashbourne
Cook up a storm.....in your camp oven! Shared meal. Stay for the night. Feed the animals with Steve.			
Wed 8th November	Club Night	Gary Light	Anaconda Mile End
6-8pm * pizza * discounts on the night * demonstrations			
MONDAY 13 th November	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
25 th – 26 th November	Christmas Show	Jordan Ray	Wirrina Cove Holiday Park
Stay for the weekend! Great location. Catering TBA. Nav challenge, day trips, mystery trip. How long can we make this years dinner table!!!!			
MONDAY 11 th December	Christmas Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
All welcome ~ \$2 champagne for the ladies ~ Secret/Evil Santa			
WEDNESDAY 13 th December	Club night	Gary Light	Diamonds Photographic Rundle Street

2018 TRIPS CALENDAR

MONDAY 8 th January	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
Fri 26 th – 29 th January 2018	Long weekend	Tom Doody	Beachport
<i>Day trips to Carpenters Rocks, Robe, the ICECREAM SHOP!!!! And lots more.</i>			
MONDAY 12 th February	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
MONDAY 19 th March	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
28 th March – 5 th April	Extended Long weekend	Don Cameron	NSW Easter Jamboree
<i>Limited to 10 MLR members only so get in quick - \$100 per vehicle Buckenbowra/Batemans Bay</i>			
2/6 – 16/6	Extended trip	Peter & Jo Reed	Finke
<i>800km in the sand – no fuel *Simpson Desert & Birdsville</i>			

MLR CHRISTMAS SHOW



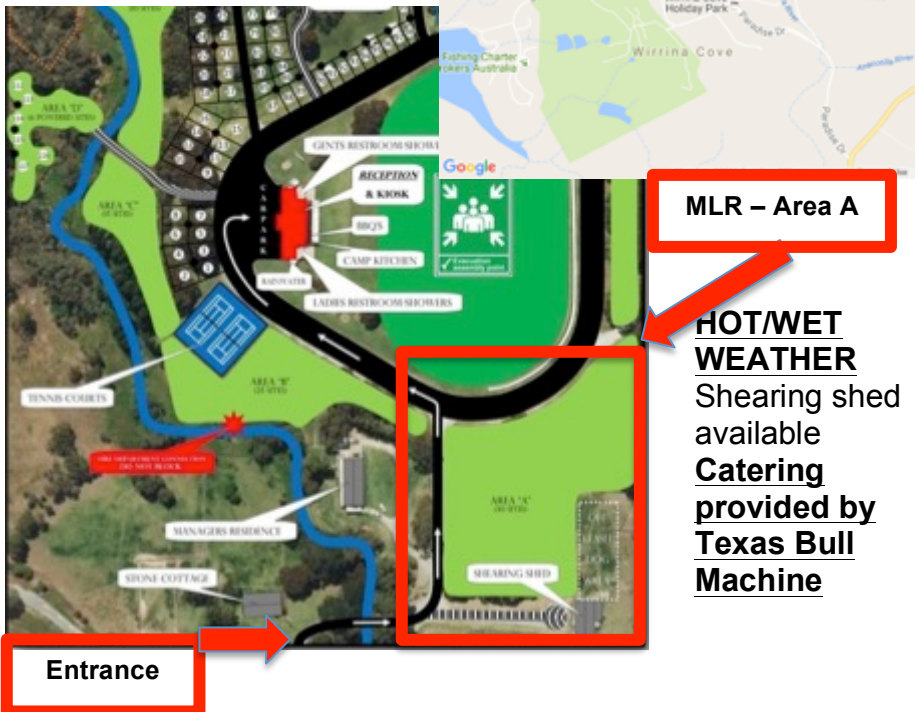
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\$10 per head per site

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MLR – Area A

**HOT/WET
WEATHER**
Shearing shed
available
**Catering
provided by
Texas Bull
Machine**

Entrance

***** \$20 refundable deposit to be paid per membership to the Treasurer by November meeting to assist with catering requirements**

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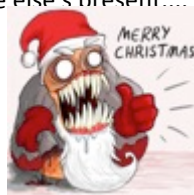
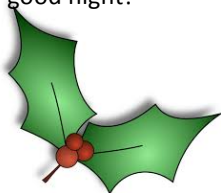
MLR XMAS MEETING – MONDAY 11th December

All welcome – family night

\$2 champagne for the ladies

Kris Kringle / Evil Santa

Bring a wrapped present up to the value of \$15, swap it for a raffle ticket with Kylie on the night. When the tickets are drawn out one by one open your present so everyone can see, then you have the chance to steal someone else's present.... It's always a good night!



***** AUSTRALIA DAY @ BEACHPORT*****

Please speak to Tom if you haven't yet booked your site!

Get your costumes in order it's someone's birthday at the end of January!!!!!! And we're having a TOGA PARTY!!!!!!



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Happy 50th Birthday!

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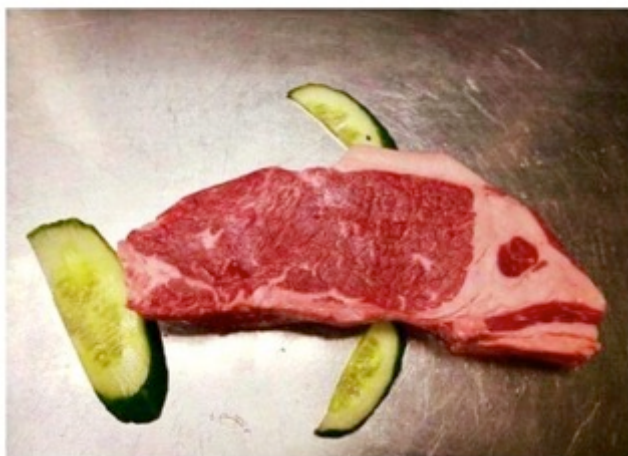
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The doctor said I need to eat
more fish...



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....maybe pick a different one next time.

TRAINING

MLR offers non-stop 4WD education from our trainers: Tom Doody & Glenn Lawson as well as the assessors: Jeff Morgan, Dave 'Shorty' Willsmore, Mark Curtis as well as Steve Townsend. Email training@mountloftyrangers.com.au for more information or to organise one-on-one or group training.

2017 SA SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Period	Start
School Holidays	Saturday 16 December, 2017

SA PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2017

Sunday 24 December - Christmas Eve
 Monday 25 December - Christmas Day
 Tuesday 26 December - Boxing Day / Proclamation Day
 Sunday 31 December - New Year's Eve

2018 SA SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Period	Start
Term 1	Monday 29 th January
School Holidays	Saturday 14 th April
Term 2	Monday 30 th April
School Holidays	Saturday 7 th July
Term 3	Monday 23 rd July
School Holidays	Saturday 29 th September
Term 4	Monday 15 th October
School Holidays	Saturday 15 th December

SA PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2018

Monday 1 January - New Year's Day
 Friday 26th January - Australia Day
 Monday 12th March - Adelaide Cup
 Friday 30th March - Good Friday
 Monday 2nd April - Easter Monday
 Wednesday 25th April - ANZAC Day
 Monday 11th June - Queen's Birthday
 Monday 1st October - Labour Day
 Tuesday 25th December - Christmas Day
 Wednesday 26th December - Boxing Day

FUN FACT

Have you been to the Centre of Australia?

Info from the Westprint Mob and Geoscience Australia.

Officially, there is no centre of Australia. This is because there are many complex but equally valid methods that can determine possible centres of a large, irregularly-shaped area but here are some possibilities.

Centre of gravity.

If you had a cardboard cut-out of Australia, the place where it would perfectly balance on a pin is the Centre of gravity. The result is 23° 07' 00" South, 132° 08' 00" East; or just north east of Papunya in the Northern Territory.

Lambert gravitational centre.

Similar to the centre of gravity method, the location was calculated from 24 500 points at the high-water mark of Australia's coastline. In the 1930s when Dr C.T. Madigan travelled through Central Australia he calculated the centre of gravity by using a metal cut-out of Australia with a plumb bob and string. His crude measurement was surprisingly accurate as he selected a point less than 11 kilometres due west of this present position. The computed result of the 1988 project was: 25° 36' 36.4" South, 134° 21' 17.3" East; or just to the west of Finke.



Furthest point from the coastline.

Imagine the largest perfect circle that could be drawn anywhere inside Australia that only just touches the coastlines. The centre of this circle is 23° 02' 00" South, 132° 10' 00" East; almost the same position as the centre of gravity.

FUN FACT

Median Point.

If a box was drawn around Australia, just touching the northern, eastern, southern, and western-most points on the continent and drawing diagonal lines between corners the intersection is the median point. 24° 15' 00" South, 133° 25' 00" East; or just north of Orange Creek south of Alice Springs.

What Town is Furthest from the Australian Coastline?

Researched by John Deckert. Westprint Maps. Nhill.

This question has concerned me for years. The first time I visited Eromanga I was told that a surveyor had driven a peg near the centre of town and had said, "This town is further from the sea than any other in Australia". (I saw the peg.) During the research for the Westprint South West Queensland map I found this to be incorrect. Even a very elementary series of circles on a map showed that Alice Springs was much further from the sea. Some time ago I found three references making the claim for Eromanga so I thought it time to see if I could establish a correct answer.

The highest authority is Geoscience Australia, the Federal Government mapping agency. <http://www.ga.gov.au/education/geoscience-basics/dimensions/centre-of-australia-states-territories.html>

Furthest point from the coastline

A series of concentric circles drawn on transparent material were moved over the top of a 1:5 million scale map of Australia until one circle was found to touch the coast at three points. Think of it as the largest perfect circle that could be drawn anywhere inside Australia that only just touches the coastlines. The centre of the circle was then marked and the coordinates scaled from the map. The Latitude and Longitude for this position is: 23° 02' 00" South, 132° 10' 00" East, and is shown on this Westprint map as the Tidal Centre of Australia.

The nearest town to the Tidal Centre is Papunya, a small community of about 450 people situated 200 kilometres west of Alice Springs.



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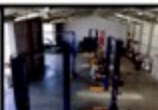
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EASTER JAMBOREE



Black Diamond Recreational 4WD Club in conjunction with NSW & ACT Four Wheel Drive Association would like to invite all affiliated club members to attend our Jamboree being held at Easter 2018.

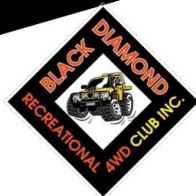
All affiliated clubs are welcome. Come along and join in the Jamboree fun! Enjoy the adventurous 4WD trips and outdoor activities to be experienced by you and your family.

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