

# Rangers' Review

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At which remote hotel will you find this setting??



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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

# presidential Press

At the time of commencing this draft, I happen to mention to my staff at work that it was only 181 days until Christmas. There was a united sigh, probably similar to what you just did ©

I remember when I first joined the club (which really isn't that long ago) and Graham Jones was the president. I asked him how he thought of things to write every month for the "Pres Sez" page. He responded along the lines, that he would think of something that happened during the month and share it with members in his column. So, in keeping with this approach, I thought I would share the following.

Of late I have been doing a lot of development activities with my staff at work. The primary aim has been on improving our service to customers. One of the key learnings relates to how we engage with people. Specifically, acknowledging that we are all different and we all have something to contribute. As such, we have learnt that we need to adapt our own communication styles on a case by case basis in order to develop a rapport with the other individual and not expecting everyone to conform to our own personal view of the world. I personally think it is important that we embrace our individual differences and recognise that everyone can add value in their own way. This isn't only applicable in a work environment by quite relevant to us as a club and life in general. Food for thought...

There a couple of trips scheduled for this month if you're interested put your name on the sheet or contact the respective trip leaders.

If you haven't done so already don't forget to please renew your membership prior to the August meeting.

Have you seen someone who has gone out of their way to do things for others, not because they want recognition but because it comes from their heart. Then consider submitting a quiet achiever nomination (see form in this newsletter).

FYI the latest silent auction bid for the \$100 "Goggleman" voucher at time of drafting was **\$25**. Hurray before it runs out the door! The winning bid will be announced at the next meeting.

Our next monthly meeting is **9 July** with the next committee meeting being on 23 Jul. Hope to see you all then.

#### Word of the Month:

**Resfeber**- The restless race of a traveller's heart before the journey begins. [Have you felt this?]





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#### YOUR COMMITTEE

Committee members are elected by the members for the members. They are volunteers who kindly donate their time to represent the members interest in the day to day running of the Club, are you:

- 1. Interested in putting your hand up to help this club get even greater?
- 2. Not sure what role you'd like or what's involved?

Keep reading for a brief description of each role:

<u>President:</u> - Convenes all meetings of MLR. Meeting with 4WDSA to push the MLR interests. Sponsor Liaison.

<u>Vice president:</u> - Facilitate monthly topic of interest e.g. guest speakers, awareness sessions etc. Becomes acting President when the President unavailable

**Treasurer:** - Looking after club financials. Sponsor liaison.

<u>Secretary & Public Officer:</u> - Minute taking for meetings. Correspondence in and out. <u>Trips Coordinator:</u> - Primary point of contact for members trip planning, advice and attendance sheets. Communicates trip calendar to members

<u>4WDSA Delegate:</u> - Attends bi-monthly 4WDSA meetings and is the voice of MLR, also reports back on any relevant information from 4WDSA that affects MLR.

<u>Membership officer:</u> - First point of contact for visitors that come to MLR, keeps track of criteria for membership acceptance.

Website officer: - Looks after MLR website and Facebook administration

<u>Merchandise officer:</u> - Organises clothing and other club approved merchandise for sale to members.

<u>Property Officer:</u> - Looks after club property and trailer, by maintaining where appropriate and lends equipment out to members.

<u>Education Officer:</u> - Organises club training and awareness days. Liaises with 4WDSA Driver Training Unit for wider training opportunities.

<u>Magazine editor:</u> - Collates all material to go into club magazine – photos, trip reports, jokes, interesting 4WD related stories sourced elsewhere. Facebook administration. <u>Committee Member:</u> - Supports other Officers of the committee, and helps with club

events and trips where needed.

If you would like to share your experience and contribute to the running of the club, please speak to a current committee member to obtain a nomination form.

# **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 Property Officer: property@mountloftyrangers.com.au



# Murray Sunset N.P.

Trip Leader: Gary Light

When: 13 – 15 Jul 2018

Where: Murray Sunset N.P, (NE Vic)



Drive tracks through the Mallee visiting the Pink Lakes, Mt Crozier and Mopoke Hut etc.

If you are interested put your name on the trip sheet or contact Gary Light at:

president@mountloftyrangers.com.au

*NB* - When completing the trip sheet please make sure contact details are complete and <u>readable</u>.

# **MERCHANDISE**

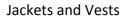
\$25 - MLR Sand Flag to be used under the the orange flag as required in the Desert Parks, Beachport as well as other places we 4WD like Peake and Morgan.



## Khaki Shirt

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

for an extra \$7.



These are still available to order Softshell jackets - Ladies \$70; Mens \$75 Softshell vest - Ladies \$55; Mens \$60 Add you name for an extra \$7.00



Come to the next club meeting and try on a size!!!!

Contact Sheena to place an order: merchandise@mountloftyrangers.com.au



- 1. Do you like taking photographs?
- 2. Would you like to get to know your camera?
- 3. Do you like good company?
- 4. Do you fancy a meal out one night?

If you answered yes to the above, can I do a deal for you...

Lindsay from Diamonds Photographic who many of you will remember from his guest speaker spot and the Diamonds store visit last year, runs numerous courses and has offered to run one just for us.



If you are interested the details are as follows:

- When Saturday 25 August 2018
- Starts 1000am
- Where Meet at the Diamonds store (165 Rundle St, Adelaide) then around the CBD
- After A meal somewhere
- Cost we are getting a significantly discounted rate, normally \$129 our rate for the day \$69
- Numbers in order to get the discount I need a minimum of 8 people to attend.
- Due to cost and number constraints, I will be asking individuals to pay up front by the week prior (payment details later). If I can't get the numbers I'll have to cancel and refund monies.

If you would like to attend make sure you put your name on the Trip Sheet at a monthly meeting or contact me.<u>vp@mountloftyrangers.com.au</u>



# **GUEST SPEAKER**

# No guest speaker for July meeting

For further information or to book a guest speaker, please email Guest Speaker Co-Ordinator & Vice President at

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# Hear Pel Hear Pel

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Are you an active person who needs to wear sunglasses, goggles, masks etc?

Well can we do a deal for you...

Neil Stokes has kindly donated a Goggleman \$100 gift certificate for us to utilise. (Expiry date 22 Sep 18)



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If you are interested in the voucher you are encouraged to take part in a silent auction.

#### Rules:

- The auction will close Sunday 8 Jul 18 with the winner being presented the voucher at the July meeting on Monday 9 July 18.
- You can place as many bids as you like.
- The latest winning bid will periodically released so you have an idea if your still in the running or not.
- All bids via email to <a href="mailto:president@mountloftyrangers.com.au">president@mountloftyrangers.com.au</a>
- All funds raised will be donated to the RFDS

#### Good Luck.





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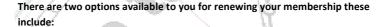
# **MEMBERSHIPS**



# Memberships are due, time to renew

If you haven't done so already, we ask that you please renew your membership today! If you renew your membership prior to the end of August 2018, you will receive a \$10 discount after which the fee increases to \$80. In today's climate this is good value for money. It should be noted that the fee has not changed for at least five years. Don't forget your membership is linked to your vehicle, which means all of your immediate family are also members. By renewing you will be able to:

- attend more trips, see new places, meet new people and share the experiences
- · be eligible for Sponsor discounts (with participating sponsors)
- Purchase a wide variety of MLR merchandise
- Have a say in how your club develops.



- Electronic funds transfer:
  - O BSB: 065 132
  - o Account No: 1004 4806
  - Account Name: Mount Lofty Rangers Inc.
  - Reference on transaction, [name] and membership renewal (Bendigo bank does not show their customer's name on account transfers unless it is the in reference)
- · Face to face with the treasurer

Should you have any questions relating to membership I encourage you to direct them to one of our three membership officers via <a href="Membership@mountloftyrangers.com.au">Membership@mountloftyrangers.com.au</a> or alternately any other committee member.

# 2018 TRIPS CALENDAR

# "Put up a trip sheet and people will come"

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28/5 – 6/7	Extended trip	Lothar Dunaiski	Africa!!!!!		
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6 couples heading overseas for an adventure of a lifetime					
MONDAY	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood				
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Weekend Trip	Gary Light	Murray Sunset NP		
	Explore e	astern section			
MONDAY	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
13 <sup>th</sup> August	Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood				
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> August	Day trip	Gary Light	Diamonds photography course & dinner		
Saturday	in CBD & end the da	y with dinner at th	e pub. Cost TBD		
FATHER'S DAY SUNDAY 2 <sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER					
MONDAY 10 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
September	Blackwood Fo	otball Club, Trevo	r Terrace, Blackwood		
FRIDAY 28 <sup>TH</sup> – MONDAY 1 <sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER - LONG WEEKEND					
MONDAY	Club Meeting 7.30pm				
8th October	Blackwood Fo	otball Club, Trevo	r Terrace, Blackwood		
TBA	Extended trip	Tasman Hunt	Uluru (Ayres Rock)		
School Holidays					
Walk up the Rock for the last time. Truck Museum in Alice Springs					
Expression of	Day trip	Tom Doody	Uni SA Planetarium @		
interest - Aug			Mawson Lakes		
Saturday afternoon viewing full dome – night sky & movie. Approx cost \$10/adult.					
Potential for pub lunch/dinner before or after					
Expression of	Day trip	Tom Doody	Stockport Observatory		
interest - Nov					
Saturday night looking through telescope. Camp over out close to Stockport. Sausage					
	zle for tea?? Approx				
TBA - August	Weekend trip	Eric	MLR Fishing Comp.		
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Saturday night looking through telescope. Camp over out close to Stockport. Sausage					
sizzle for tea?? Approx cost \$15/adult plus camping					

#### 2018 SA SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Period	Start
School Holidays	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> July
Term 3	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July
School Holidays	Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> September
Term 4	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> October
School Holidays	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> December

# **SA PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2018**

Monday 1st October – Labour Day Tuesday 25th December – Christmas Day Wednesday 26th December – Boxing Day

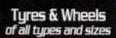
Is it your birthday this month??? Come and see Kylie for a drink!

Or are you participating in a Dry July.....





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# MLR RECIPE BOOK



CHEESY PUMPKIN BONFIRE DAMPER Serves 6 Prep 15 mins Cooking 30 mins 2 cups (300g) self-raising flour 20g butter, chopped 1 cup (110g) coarsely grated butternut pumpkin ½ cup (60g) coarsely grated cheddar 100g feta, coarsely crumbled 60g baby spinach leaves, thinly shredded 1 cup (250ml) buttermilk, plus extra to brush 2 tbs natural seed mix with pine nuts Sliced cured meats, from the deli, to serve Antipasto, from the deli, to serve Cherry truss tomatoes, to serve

 Preheat oven to 200°C. Line a baking tray with baking paper. Place flour in a large bowl. Add butter. Use your fingertips to rub the butter into the flour until the mixture resembles fine breadcrumbs. Add pumpkin, cheddar, feta and spinach. Toss to combine. Add buttermilk. Use a round-bladed knife to stir until a soft, sticky dough forms. Turn onto a lightly floured surface. Gently knead until dough comes together. Shape into a 20cm disc. Place on lined tray. Brush with extra buttermilk. Top with seed mix. Use a sharp knife to cut a 1cm-deep cross in the top. 2. Bake for 25-30 mins or until golden brown and the damper sounds hollow when tapped on the base. Set aside to cool.

3. Serve with cured meats, antipasto and cherry tomatoes.

PER SERVE + 14g protein - 14g fat (8g saturated fat) · 40g carb · 3g dietary fibre · 348 Cals (1460kJ)

Send your favourite camp cook recipe into the Magazine magazine@mo untloftyranger s.com.au to start compiling an MLR Recipe Book!



#### EASY CHORIZO, POTATO & TOMATO FRITTATA

Serves 6 Prep 10 mins (+ 5 mins standing time) Cooking 45 mins

30cm Tefal Plus Red Frypan 3 large Red Royale potatoes, cut into 1.5cm pieces 3 chorizo sausages, sliced 1 large red onion, thinly sliced

12 Coles Brand Australian Free Range Eggs % cup (160ml) thickened cream % cup (90g) grated cheddar % cup chopped flat-leaf parsley 150g cherry tomatoes, halved Baby rocket leaves, to serve Flat-leaf parsley sprigs, to serve

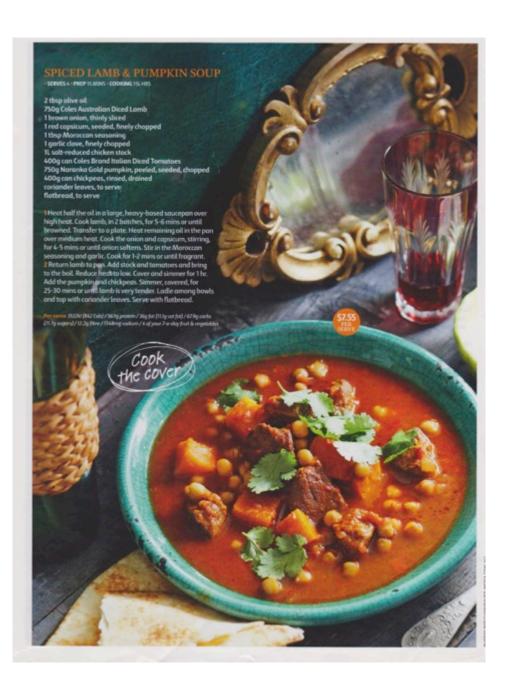
Crusty bread, to serve

 Place potato in a microwave-safe dish and cover. Cook in microwave on high for 5 mins or until just cooked. Drain any liquid that has

formed from the cooking. Preheat oven to 170°C.

2 Heat the 30cm Tefal Plus Red Frypan over medium heat until the pan's unique Thermo-Spot<sup>e</sup> heat indicator is a solid red. Cook the chorizo and onion for 5 mins or until chorizo is golden and crisp. Add potato and cook for 2 mins or until potato starts to brown. 3 Meanwhile, whisk the eggs, cream, cheese and chopped parsley in a bowl. Season. Pour into the pan and top with tomato. Reduce heat to low and cook for 6 mins or until the base is set. 4 Transfer the Tefal Plus Frypan to the oven (it's oven-safe to 170°C). Bake for 25 mins or until the top is golden and the frittata is set. Stand for 5 mins before sliding the frittata easily out of the non-stick pan onto a serving plate. Serve with rocket, parsley sprigs and crusty bread, if desired.





# **TRAINING**

### MLR TRAINING CALENDAR

Courses to be run by Steve Townsend & Tom Doody

Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> July Trip Planning & Leading Course Meadows to Goolwa

(including theory)

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> Aug Tyre repair & changing Ashbourne

### **DTU TRAINING CALENDAR**

27 <sup>th</sup> October	Trip planning & leading	\$10	Cavan	9.00am
$3^{rd}/4^{th}$	Training	\$45	Peake	9.00am
November				
10 <sup>th</sup> /11 <sup>th</sup>	GPS & OziExplorer		Cavan	9.00am
November				

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Tom Doody & Glenn Lawson as well as the assessors: Jeff Morgan, Dave 'Shorty' Willsmore, Mark Curtis as well as Steve Townsend.

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#### Big Desert State Forest 2018 Trip Report

Trip Leader: Gary Light When: 15 - 17 June 2018

Where: Big Desert State Forest, Victoria

#### Participants:

Chris (Toyota Hilux) Gary (Prado)

Llovd (Mitsubishi Paiero and camper trailer)

Phil (Nissan Patrol)

Steve & Chris (Mitsubishi Pajero and camper trailer)

Sue (Prado)

Photos courtesy of Lloyd, Phil and Sue.

#### Friday 15 June 2018

Gary, Chris, Lloyd and Sue met at 1.00pm at the Shell Service Station at Tailem Bend. We then travelled towards Murrayville, via the Mallee Highway. The weather deteriorated during the afternoon, with some heavy rain showers but we did see some amazing rainbows. We turned off the Mallee Highway, prior to Murrayville, to check out Ngallo Park, as a possible campsite for a future trip. Then we continued on to Big Billy Bore via Murrayville Track, where we met Steve & Chris. Big Billy Bore Campground had recently been upgraded with new drop toilets and a shelter with tables and bench seats. Phil arrived during the evening and found a particularly slippery section on the Murrayville Track, where he went for a slide. The evening was spent socialising under the shelter and around the campfire, in between rain showers. We were fortunate to have the campground to ourselves.

#### Saturday 16 June 2018

We left camp at 9.00am and headed north on Murrayville Track. The track was muddy and it was quite a surprise for me to come over the rise and find that Lloyd's Pajero had done a 180 degree turn and was now facing my vehicle. The first sand hill that we attempted was near the start of the Delisio Track and everyone gave it a go. Chris's Hilux was towed a short distance to the top of the hill.









We continued on Delisio Track to Big Dune, which no-one conquered but we had fun trying. Then on to Big Dune Track, which had some sections covered by water, to White Springs Track. Our lunch stop was in a meadow.



We took Majorlock Soak Track to the north eastern corner of the State Forest and then headed south on White Springs Track to Brushcutters Track, where Lloyd's Pajero got a flat tyre.







We arrived back at the Big Billy Bore Campground at about 4.30pm and spent a very enjoyable evening socialising around the campfire.

#### Sunday 17 June 2018

We packed up camp, except for Steve & Chris, who were staying another night at Big Billy Bore. Steve & Chris joined us for the drive and we headed north on Murrayville Track. Then turned on to Cactus Bore Track and stopped at Cactus Bore for a short break. We attempted the sand hill at Thomson Peaks Lookout.





It was then on to Coburns Track with a lunch stop at Red Gums. Then Firebreak Track to the Border Track, where the trip ended at 1.00pm.

It was a very enjoyable weekend and thanks to Gary for organising the trip.







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# MLR CHRISTMAS SHOW

After 2 positive years we have decided to hold the MLR Christmas Show again at Wirrina Cove with catering again provided by Texas Bull Machine. Dates & menu TBA as we get closer so stay tuned!











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# MLR QUIET ACHIEVER AWARD

Votes can be submitted at any time of year for members acknowledging how much they are valued and appreciated, recognising their important (often behind the scenes) contribution to the fabric of MLR. This is an award 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. Quiet achiever may contribute in numerous ways including:

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



#### NOMINATION FORM

#### MLR Quiet Achiever Award

NOMINEE NAME:			
NAME OF NOMINATOR:			
Nominators contact details:			
TELEPHONE :		EMAIL:	
MOBILE :		SIGNATURE :	
CRITERIA CITATION (Attach one additional Ad none with fant size not less than 10 points if required)			

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# Make sure to send in your amazing trip photos and trip report to be published next month!

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