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Rangers' Review



Photos courtesy of Emma Kalderovskis –
Kylie's convoy of 13 cars to the Robe icecream shop!

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Presidential Press

Wow, it's February already and I guess everyone is well and truly back in to it.

Firstly, for those who aren't aware, I would like to pass on our deepest sympathies to Rory Liebelt and family for the recent passing of Lyssa, who was tragically taken from us in a car accident on 31 Jan. RIP Lyssa.

It seems so long ago that we had our impromptu Al fresco Jan meeting in the football club car park to hold our weigh in / show and shine. The good thing was the weather warm but ok. FYI, both contact numbers I had failed to answer as did a third that was suggested in a phone message. I have spoken to the football club president to express my disappointment and he offered his apologies.

The year already seems to have taken off, for this time of the year we seem to have a significant number of trips scheduled compared to previous years. They usually don't start getting considered or posted until the March long weekend. Check out the trip sheets to see what is currently on offer.

One of the activities that isn't too far away is the Lets Go Caravan and Camping show where MLR will have a stand this year. A **big thanks** to those who have been working behind the scenes to get marketing materials up to date (some shown at Beachport) and to those who have volunteered to man the stand.

Our 2019 Beachport trip was a success, even though numbers appeared to be down the trips went off without a hitch, no vehicles returning to Adelaide on a flat bed and there were a significant number of people at the happy hour on Saturday night. I was particularly happy to see a large number of new members and their families and an increasing number of the next generation attend the trip. Hopefully this will continue into the future. I was also glad to see how well our KESAB initiative was embraced by all with a significant amount of trash being removed from the environment. Well done!

Thanks to those who responded to my request for badges. Those members will receive names as requested whilst the remaining member's names will be as recorded in our database. We will be providing details and asking for payment shortly for any additional badges requested. Our order will be placed in the coming weeks.

MLR awards / dinner – Lock in 4 May for our annual dinner / awards presentation which will be held at the Three Gums Bistro in Hahndorf (*same place as last year*). More info to follow.

Whilst on awards, have you seen anyone over the last 12 months who has gone 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... if yes, then nominate them for a quiet achiever award. You will find a form in the magazine.

Next Meetings:

Next monthly meeting is **11th Feb**

Next committee meeting **25th Feb**.

Word of the Month: **Support** - *A source of comfort or encouragement.*



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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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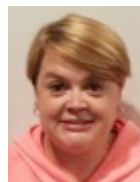
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YOUR COMMITTEE

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:

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

Vice president: - 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.

Secretary & Public Officer: - Minute taking for meetings. Correspondence in and out.

Trips Coordinator: - Primary point of contact for members trip planning, advice and attendance sheets. Communicates trip calendar to members

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

Membership officer: - 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

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

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

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

Magazine editor: - Collates all material to go into club magazine – photos, trip reports, jokes, interesting 4WD related stories sourced elsewhere. Facebook administration.

Committee Member: - 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.



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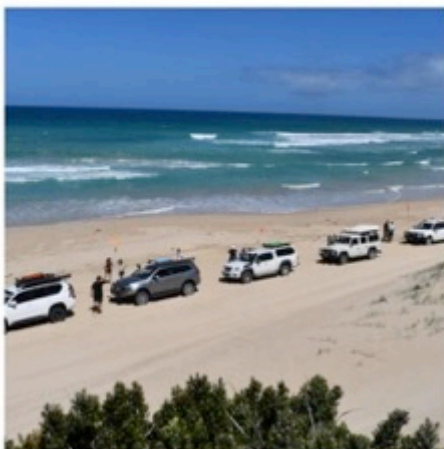




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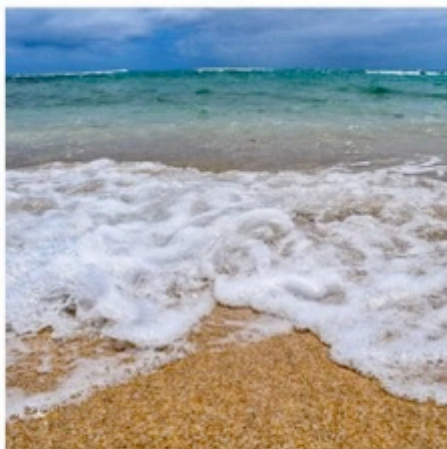




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AUSTRALIA DAY - KESAB

Report courtesy of Roger Wilkinson

Photos courtesy of Roger Wilkinson & Gary Light

After numerous trips along the Coorong and South Coast and being disappointed with the all the trash I thought it was time to do something. I developed a proposal which was subsequently floated at my 4WD Club (Mount Lofty Rangers) that something needed to be done. In short, each year the club heads to Beachport of the Australia Day weekend, so it was suggested that every time we stop for a Kodak moment, a rest, a toilet stop or to dig somebody out, we take a moment to look around and collect any trash. The idea was well received and subsequently proposed to other SA clubs at the FWDSA (Four Wheel Drive SA) Delegates meeting. Several clubs immediately committed to participate. A call to KESAB and collection bags were provided. A call to the local council and the support required was offered.



The Australia Day weekend arrived and groups of vehicles headed off for the day, some heading north towards Nora Creina then Robe and numerous vehicles going south to South End and Carpenter Rocks. All along the beaches and in the dunes the opportunity to collect just about anything was possible. Unfortunately the majority of the trash is plastics, parts of fishing nets, empty bottles and cans.

I was in the group heading south where there were numerous opportunities to stop, but, the worst areas were in the softest sands. Experience says if you stop in these situations getting going again will require a shovel and Max Tracks.

Bags and bags of trash were returned to the campsite on the Saturday afternoon and on Sunday. As most club members were due to head back to Adelaide on Monday morning, Sunday afternoon was our opportunity to consolidate the collection and celebrate our efforts.



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The question most asked was 'where do I put the rubbish now'? The original plan was to do a run to the rubbish Transfer Station, hmmm closed on Sunday's and public holidays. A conversation with the park managers

www.southernoceantouristpark.com.au/ solved that, any donations of ex-fishing trawler gear and driftwood would be repurposed as street art for the park. Anything left over would be included in the next run to the tip. A win-win for everyone. The beaches get a little cleaner, the park gets donations to their street art, the 4WD community can stand proud for their efforts and the local community see that us city folks care about their community too.



Over the Australia Day weekend I did two drives from Beachport to Carpenter Rocks, it's so disappointing to see just how much litter is on these beaches, and due to the isolation and challenging sand driving collecting the trash on a regular basis is a tough ask. I wonder what the other beaches around the big country are like.

With the exception of some lazy individuals who find it amusing to fling an empty bottle out the window (worth 10c in SA) there is no blame on how the littler got there. I'm sure professional fishermen don't just chuck good expensive equipment overboard. As they say, many hands make light work, maybe we can do something similar in the near future.



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CELEBRATION OF 4WDING

PRESS RELEASE FOR 19TH MAY 2019.

CELEBRATION of FOUR WHEEL DRIVING, National Motor Museum, Birdwood SA.

Officially called, **The ARB and Battery World, Celebration of Four Wheel Driving.**

Over 100 “used and bruised” 4x4’s in full camp mode, “as if we are going to cross the Simpson”?? Not just cars, but off road campers/vans/rigs! Camping overnight on the Saturday to prove we are in the “zone”! Special guests, Roothy and Karen, the hand break! Doug Sprigg, owner of Arkaroola, who was, as a kid, a passenger in the first 4x4 to cross the Simpson. Helen Hamp, nee Kruse, daughter of the famous Birdsville Mailman, Tom. Valmai Hankel, who travelled around Australia with her late husband, and then keep travelling by herself after his passing. (An absolute character that is often on the ABC and the reason for the Parkinsons fund raising) Kristin Weidenbach, author, and particularly of “The Last Mailman” which is Tom Kruse’s story.

Cooking demos, damper, camp ovens, etc,

Some campers will demonstrate their rigs during the day, and a Band, “Western Branch” will entertain. A local craft brewery (Lobethal Bier Haus) will be on hand, plus a winery, and a coffee van.

A list of trips taken by the Club members, and a list for the vehicles will be on display so the public can talk to members about their experiences. Vehicles have nominated from SA 4x4 Clubs and some rigs are coming from Tasmania via the National Pajero Club, which is based in SA.

A large raffle, over \$8000 worth will be running raising money RFDS and Parkinsons SA. \$5/ticket, to be released for sale early 2019.

Normal admission and concessions apply to the NMM, and full access to the Museum.



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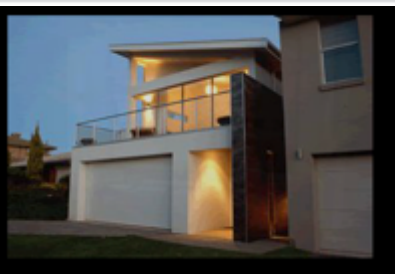
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TRIP REPORT: CORDOLA/MORGAN QUARRY

Courtesy of Lloyd Weaver

December 7th – 9th 2018

With the weather forecast looking warm for the weekend I left work Friday afternoon and headed for Cordola and a swim. After an easy drive, up the Northern Expressway I pulled into camp around 6:30 to find Trevor & Lyn Light, Kim McCool, Anne Cazneax, Lothar & Sheena Dunaiski, Marty Dunaiski and Michael and Ellen Leane/Dunaiski all sitting around relaxing. After a quick set-up, it was time for a swim and a cool off. Not long after Les Toomer arrived and we all sat around swimming, chatting, drinking and celebrating Lothar's retirement. Unfortunately, it was a total fire ban day so we sat around camping lights but a good night was had by all and when we realised it was well after midnight decided it was time for some sleep.



It was a reasonably warm night but there was a breeze to help make the temperature OK for sleeping. We woke up to a beautiful still morning where it was still warm enough for a nice morning swim for those that were brave enough.



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After coffee and breakfast, we headed off to the quarry at 9am for a bit of fun. The initial part we went to looked innocuous but on closer inspection there were some severe/steep rock faces that got the better of some vehicles while others managed to negotiate them with more success. Unfortunately, on the first challenge that Marty tried to have a go at he broke his rear drive shaft in his Jeep (upon later inspection back at camp it was thought that it may have been broken beforehand but finally gave way on that first hill). After pulling the shaft out Marty, Michael & Ellen made their way back to camp to relax for the day while the rest of us stayed on to explore some more.

There were a few side steps and rear ends getting knocked about as various ramp over, approach and departure angles had to be negotiated. We then went and had a play in the creek bed which tested out the cars articulation and flex as there were varying holes of different depths which all needed different amounts of power to get through. There were a few wheels being lifted and lots of dust getting kicked around but everyone was having a good time and learning what their vehicles are capable of. Les was happy to share his wealth of knowledge with Anne who sat with Les for a bit in his car, and then Les was a passenger in her car. I don't think you could find a more willing person to learn as much as possible and I think Anne's confidence was growing slowly but surely.





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From there we made our way across to a climb that Anne said there was no way in the world she was going to get up, but once Trevor jumped in the passenger seat and offered some guidance Anne made it to the top without a problem. After conquering that climb it was decided to find a nice shady tree and have some lunch.

After lunch, we headed over to another “bowl” where some decided to sit back and watch while others had a play around, it was all good fun and it was so interesting to see how much difference picking different lines can make to climbing an obstacle or not. Anne spent some time with Trevor in his car and again I think she learnt a lot from sitting in the passenger seat and seeing how people negotiate different things. We moved over to the last “bowl” which again was good fun with wash-outs, rocks, step-ups and scrabbly climbs to keep the smiles on our faces going for a bit longer.

It was approx. 2 o’clock when we decided to head back to camp for a swim and relax but in typical fashion Trevor took the most challenging track out of the bowl and “momentarily lost his forward momentum”, in the process of reversing back down the track he inadvertently slipped off the edge and was not going forwards or backwards without getting on an angle that felt less than comfortable.

The call went out and Les parked his car at the top of the hill and ran the winch out to pull him back onto the track, unfortunately the weight and angle was pulling Les back down the hill. A few thoughts were thrown around for a Plan B from anchoring another car to Les to pulling him sideways from a completely different spot. It was decided to grab a winch extension strap and run it through a snatch block to do a double line pull. At the same time, there was some track building done under Trevor’s wheels that were off the track, with the idea of Les taking the weight of Trevor’s car as he reversed back onto the track using the built-up rocks that had been put under the wheels.



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This worked a treat and Trevor reversed back down to the bottom with a sigh of relief. It was great to see everyone pitch in where possible to make sure a safe recovery was executed. Les made sure there was some “evidence” of the Toyota recovering the Nissan and so the banter started.



By this time, it was 3pm and happy hour, a swim and some relaxing was in order. We got back to camp where a swim to wash the sweat and dust off was very enjoyable. The wind then picked up and the temperature dropped enough that jackets and long pants were called for and we even had to retreat to the car awnings as we had a bit of rain. Despite the wind, the fire was started and we had a good night sitting around before we had a slightly earlier bedtime than Friday as we were all in bed by about 10:30pm.



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Everyone woke up at different times as a few people left early while other hung around. No-one was interested in going back to the quarry so the morning was spend sitting back watching life go by on the river. Around lunchtime it was decided to go and check out the Morgan Bakery before making the relatively short trip home.

It was a great weekend with good company, good weather and good 4WDing. Thanks to Trevor for leading and everyone else for making it such an enjoyable weekend for all (except maybe Marty – hopefully the repair bill isn't too big).





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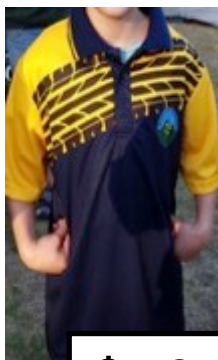
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Yellow Tyre Tracks Design

Ladies: 7 shirts in sizes

14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 32

Mens: 3 shirts in sizes 18, 28,30



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limited sizes – no names



Blue 25th Anniversary Design

Ladies: 1 shirt size 26

Mens: 2 shirts in sizes 26, 28

Sand Flag

\$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.





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TRAINING

MLR TRAINING CALENDAR: Courses to be run by Steve Townsend & Tom Doody - Stay tuned for 2019 dates! MLR offers non-stop 4WD education.



DTU TRAINING CALENDAR: -

1 Day Theory and Practical Awareness - **24th Feb at Ashbourne 9am Start**

- Pre departure check - vehicle inspection
- drive up an incline - drive down an incline
- Drive a 4WD on a winding bush track

1 Day Theory and Practical Awareness - **24th March at Ashbourne 9am Start**

- Drive down a hill stop/controlled forward descent - Auto and Man.
- Drive up a hill stop/controlled reverse descent - Auto and Man.
- Drive a vehicle across a slopping terrain

1 Day Theory and Practical Awareness - **5th May at Ashbourne 9am Start**

- Change a wheel on a 4WD - includes jacking procedures
- Perform emergency tyre repair - tube and tubeless (incs. removal & replacement of tyre on rim)
- Use of Hi-lift jack

2 Day Theory and Practical Awareness - **25th-26th May at Peake inc sand driving 10am Start**

- Recovering a 4WD using a Recover Strap
- Recovering a 4WD using a Winch

Email training@mountloftyrangers.com.au for more information or to organise one-on-one or group training.



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GUEST SPEAKER

FEBRUARY MEETING - Max Kavanagh from Brighton Physio will come along to give us some back safety tips exercises while driving and travelling especially those long distances.

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

SHOW N SHINE / WEIGH IN

January meeting was held carpark alfresco style beginning with the weigh station manned by Peter Reid, Kevin Eastham and recorder Kym McCoole and then Marianne's secret category judging for show n shine.





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SHOW N SHINE / WEIGH IN

Marianne's secret judging categories and winners!

Thanks to Marianne for her unique categories and our anonymous judges on the night.

1. Most "pin stripes on the driver's side of the vehicle.

Winner - Gary Lig
ht

2. The most added gadgets on the roof of the vehicle.

Winner - Adam K

3. Cleanest rear window.

Winner - Steve Brown

4. Most unusual efficient storage system.

Winner - Les Scott (with a pie warmer!)

5. Most "destination" stickers on a vehicle.

No Winner as NO vehicle had any stickers

6. Cleanest engine bay.

Tied winners - Paul Parsons and Don Cameron

Extra prize for lightest car weight to Martin Dunaiki



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NAME	CAR	LEFT	RIGHT	TOTAL
Neil	Ford Trend	759	723	
		653	649	2784
Anne	Isuzu	719	668	
		731	698	2816
	Isuzu	653	637	
		630	577	2497
Michael	Jeep	529	564	
		472	541	2106
Martin	Jeep Wrangler	397	414	
	2 door	448	485	1744
Marcel	Triton	605	572	
		575	511	2263
Kylie	FJ Cruiser	560	565	
		434	544	2103
Frank	FJ Cruiser	574		
		750	1336	2660
Gary	Prado	457	495	
		494	493	1939
Eric	Prado	738	520	
		574	419	2251
Lothar	Prado	504		
		603	1294	2401
Keith	Prado	571	534	
		756	759	2620



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SHOW N SHINE / WEIGH IN

NAME	CAR	LEFT	RIGHT	TOTAL
Les Scott	200 series	747	714	
	Landcruiser	744	724	2929
Steve Brown	200 series	745	835	
	Landcruiser	938	1046	3564
Don	200 series	917	880	
	Landcruiser	781	765	3343
Adam	Landcruiser	554	600	
		565	565	2284
Les Toomer	100 series	805	768	
	Landcruiser	780	740	3093
Paul	Landcruiser	777	817	
		648	745	2987
Chris	Raptor	752	702	
		635	591	2680
Chris	Hilux	824	706	
		779	684	2993
Peter	Troopy	712	661	
	79 workmate	835	832	3040
Rob	Landy	429	532	
		703	750	2414
Kim	Ford	644	633	
		640	615	2532
Steve	Pajero	599	597	
		688	674	2558
Eddie	Pajero	634	596	
		581	625	2436



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2019 TRIPS CALENDAR

"Put up a trip sheet and people will come"

MONDAY 11 th February	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
Sat 9 th – Mon 11 th March	Long Weekend trip	Gary Light	Merna Morna
<i>Octoberfest reccy weekend</i> <i>*Must lead official Octoberfest trip to attend*</i>			
Sun 17 th March	Park support Day trip	Tom Doody	Scott Creek – Park Support
MONDAY 18 th March	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
Sat 6 th April	Park support Day trip	Tom Doody	Onkaparinga River – Park Support
MONDAY 8 th April	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
Fri 19 th – Mon 22 nd April	EASTER LONG WEEKEND	EASTER LONG WEEKEND	EASTER LONG WEEKEND
TBA April 2019 School Holidays	Extended trip	Tasman Hunt	Uluru (Ayres Rock)
<i>Walk up the Rock for the last time. Truck Museum in Alice Springs</i>			
Sat 4 th May	Club Dinner	Gary Light	3 Gums Bistro, Hahndorf
<i>Annual club dinner & awards night. Menu & details TBA</i>			
MONDAY 13 th May	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
Fri 17 th – Sun 19 th May	Ladies only trip	Gary Light	Location TBA
Sun 19 th May	Club event		Celebration of 4x4
<i>National Motor Museum at Birdwood</i>			
Sat 15 th – Sun 16 th June	Camp Cook	Gary Light	Ashbourne
<i>What secret recipe do you have to cook and share all from your camp oven/bedourie</i>			
MONDAY 17 th June	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		



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2019 SA SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Period	Start
School Holidays	Friday 12 th April
Term 2	Monday 29 th April
School Holidays	Friday 5 th July
Term 3	Monday 22 nd July
School Holidays	Friday 27 th September
Term 4	Monday 14 th October
School Holidays	Friday 13 th December

SA PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 2019

Monday 11th March – Adelaide Cup Day
Friday 19th April – Good Friday
Monday 22nd April – Easter Monday
Thursday 25th April – Anzac Day
Monday 10th June – Queen’s Birthday
Monday 7th October – Labor Day
Wednesday 25th December – Christmas Day
Thursday 26th December – Boxing Day



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JOINT CLUBS TRIP

2019 June Long Week End

GHOST MUSHROOM LANE- Glencoe in the South East.

June Long Week End 7/06 to 10/06/2019. An educational and photographic opportunity that can only be experienced at this time of the year if conditions are right. How many times do clubs try for a trip for this LWE and in the end nothing eventuates for any number of reasons.

NORTH TO ECHUCA TO CONNECT WITH THE COBB HIGHWAY AND UP TO
BROKEN HILL.

Tour the length of THE LONG Paddock.

If you look at this touring route there have been several itineraries prepared to suit individual tastes. I understand there is only about 80km of well-maintained non-sealed road at the final run in to Wilcannia. Across to Broken Hill, and back to Adelaide via Jamestown.

Progress will be dependent on weather conditions and the group.

My aim will be to finish on Friday 21st June.

Please forward expressions of interest from Clubs or individuals to:

BOB PAGE: suebobpage@optusnet.com.au or phone [73242994](tel:73242994).

Once we have numbers, we can then look at firming up an itinerary and arrangements. It would be appropriate prior to the event to meet and perhaps have a weekend away at a location closer to Adelaide.

This will need to be recorded as a club trip by all clubs with members attending, and that those attending shall all be financial members at the time of the trip for insurance purposes.

BOB PAGE

Club Delegate Holden 4WD Club.

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FIRE DANGER SEASON DATES

The CFS Chief Officer has declared the following dates. They are published in the Government Gazette and the Public Notices section of *The Advertiser* prior to the declared date.

Restrictions on fires under the *Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005* will apply throughout South Australia from the dates listed below.

The table lists the start and finish dates of each Fire Danger Season within each of the Fire Ban Districts in South Australia as they are declared.

FIRE BAN DISTRICT	START DATE	FINISH DATE
Adelaide Metropolitan	17 November 2018	30 April 2019
Eastern Eyre Peninsula	1 November 2018	15 April 2019
Flinders	22 October 2018	15 April 2019
Kangaroo Island	1 December 2018	30 April 2019
Lower Eyre Peninsula	1 November 2018	15 April 2019
Lower South East	22 November 2018	30 April 2019
Mid North	1 November 2018	30 April 2019
Mount Lofty Ranges	17 November 2018	30 April 2019
Murraylands	1 November 2018	15 April 2019
North East Pastoral	22 October 2018	31 March 2019
North West Pastoral	22 October 2018	31 March 2019
Riverland	1 November 2018	15 April 2019
Upper South East	15 November 2018	15 April 2019
West Coast	1 November 2018	15 April 2019
Yorke Peninsula	1 November 2018	15 April 2019



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FIRE DANGER SEASON DATES

Fire on Government Reserves

ForestrySA

You cannot light any fires on [ForestrySA](#) land, including Forest Reserves, between 1 November and 30 April in any year.

For further information contact ForestrySA Ranger staff on [\(08\) 8521 1700](tel:0885211700).

Department for Environment and Water

Fire Bans

- You cannot light a wood fire in parks during the Fire Danger Season. Some parks have year-round bans on wood fires.
- All open fires, liquid fuel and gas stoves are banned in all parks on Total Fire Ban days as declared by the Country Fire Service (CFS) and broadcast on the radio. Parks may be closed to visitors on Total Fire Ban days. Contact the CFS Bushfire Information Hotline on [1800 362 361](tel:1800362361).

Fire Restrictions

- [Department for Environment and Water](#) (DEW) imposes fire restrictions to ensure the safety of visitors using the reserves, and to protect the reserves and neighbouring properties.
- For information on fire restrictions in National Parks, Wildlife Reserves and Wilderness Protection Areas [contact DEW](#).

Prescribed burns

DEW conducts [prescribed burns](#) as part of its fire management program.

Prescribed burning is the controlled use of fire to a particular area of landscape. The aim is to strategically reduce fire fuel hazards in areas of South Australia's parks and reserves.



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DID YOU KNOW....

Special corner of Queensland gets a name

Extract from the "Friday Five newsletter"

I just heard about this. Don't know whether you all have - The Gregory and Greaves Corner. Ron

No, we hadn't heard – and this happened in 2008. As is the usual way of these things, a day after writing up the new Queensland corner information, we received a story on the nine corners. Read on. Jo.

Queensland has a new official "corner". Queensland already had Cameron Corner, Poeppel Corner and Haddon Corner where the State's borders meet NSW, South Australia and the Northern Territory.

To be known as the Gregory and Greaves Corner, this corner is located near the township of Mungindi, where the Queensland-NSW border intersects the Barwon River at latitude 29 degrees south.

On the map, it is the point where the Queensland-NSW border changes from a straight line to a squiggle.

The name Gregory and Greaves Corner honours Sir Augustus Charles Gregory and William Albert Greaves, who surveyed and marked parts of the Queensland-New South Wales border in 1865. Sir Augustus Gregory was Queensland's first surveyor-general, as well as an explorer. Greaves was the NSW district surveyor for Armidale. The first survey of the state border at latitude 29 degrees south was fixed in October 1865 by Sir Gregory, Mr Greaves and their teams of assistants. After they measured the latitude along the border, workers marked the line with iron pins, which were 60cm long and driven up to 20cm into the ground at several points along the boundary.

Mungindi also has another surveying landmark – the One Ton Post, a huge wooden surveying post also on the Queensland/NSW border.





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DID YOU KNOW....

Nine Corners

There are six recognised named corners in Australia. Gregory/Greaves Corner, Cameron Corner, Haddon Corner, Poeppel Corner, MacCabe Corner and Surveyor Generals Corner. There are actually 9 corners but only 6 named.

I have been to all these corners and must add that not many people even know all the corners let alone been to them. We have just taken a group of people to MacCabe Corner, there are three corners in the area. This completes their journey of visiting the 9 corners. The journey to the corners started on our Birdsville, Innamincka, Corner Country tag-along tour where they went to Haddon Corner and Cameron Corner.

They then followed Deb and I on a 12-day tour across the Simpson Desert that took in a visit to Poeppel Corner. We then suggested they partake in our 31 day across Central Australia, Pilbara, Broome area, Gibb River-Kimberly region and NT. On this trip we visited Surveyor Generals Corner. The group had previously been to Gregory-Greaves so that just left MacCabe and two unnamed corners on the Murray River. So, we hired a house boat as these corners are only accessible via the river. We went to the last three by boat.

It's been an amazing journey to get these people to the nine corners.

At our Charleville Bush Caravan Park, I do a series of talks around the campfire and one of the talks explains where all these corners are and how to get to them. If anyone would like more information, please find me at the above park. Graham.





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1-4	○	Duplex channels (output)
5	▲	Duplex channel: For emergency use only
6-8	○	Duplex channels (output)
9	■	General chat
10	Π	4WD clubs/convoys/national parks
11	▲	Call channel (use for initiating calls, then move to another channel)
12-17	■	General chat
18	Π	Caravanners/campers convoy
19-21	■	General chat
22-23	▲	Telemetry/Telecommand (used for automated data communications only)
24-28	■	General chat
29	≡	Road safety (Pacific Highway, Pacific Motorway: NSW and QLD)
30	■	General chat
31-34	✕	Duplex channels (input)
35	▲	Duplex channel (input): For emergency use only
36-38	✕	Duplex channels (input)
39	■	General chat
40	≡	Road safety (Australia-wide)
41-48	○	Duplex channels (output)
49-60	■	General chat
61-63	▲	Reserved for future use (restricted)
64-70	■	General chat
71-78	✕	Duplex channels (input)
79-80	■	General chat

Legend: ○ Duplex (output), ▲ Restricted use, ■ General use, ≡ Safety, Π Groups, ✕ Duplex (input)



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



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MLR Quiet Achiever Award

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