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# Rangers' Review



**ISOLATION CAMPING...  
BACKYARD STYLE!**

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# Presidential Press

I hope that you and your family remain safe and well.

It's hard to believe that, less than a month ago, we were in the midst of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with events and activities being planned and conducted. How things have changed for the club, and for the broader community. I guess our 25<sup>th</sup> year will be one to remember.

Across the country, the health consequences and the economic impact of COVID-19 have been immense.

During a difficult few weeks, the postponement / cancelation of our club activities is seen as a necessary measure to be good corporate citizens and maintain the health and safety of all. Notwithstanding all of this, I have tried to provide communications on a fairly regular basis with regard to the current club status.

In summary I have tried to organise virtual meetings with the committee members, some being more successful than others. There have been a few teething problems, foremost being the interface between my chair and keyboard at home. I'm sure these will be rectified and we can start planning for the post COVID 19 world so we can hit the ground running once we are all released. Some points on the agenda include:

- Conducting our AGM:
  - Don't forget to nominate either yourself or someone you think would be suitable (with their consent). Before I forget, my sincere thanks to the current committee for providing me support over the last 12 months and during this interim period, its greatly appreciated and has and will benefit members going forward.
  - We are also finalising our audit report and 2020/21 budget for approval
- Club Dinner / awards:
  - Although postponed we will have one, it will be good to celebrate our 25years, being released from isolation and recognise the award winners and long serving loyal members. On that we now know who the award winners are Standby for announcements.
  - Don't forget you can still purchase an anniversary shirt through Chris Gear.



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- Loftyfest:
  - At this stage I would like to think Loftyfest can still go ahead, if the situation continues to improve this won't be an unrealistic thought. We will continue to monitor the situation and provide you updates as applicable.
  - Camp cook may be rolled into this.
  
- MLR Operations:
  - As mentioned previously the committee and I are meeting virtually to discuss the above.
  - Communications will be sent to all via email as the primary means in order to keep you up to date with what's happening. Please monitor your email routinely so you don't miss out.
  - I am toying with the idea of potentially trying a virtual club meeting (for those who are game to try) standby for further info once it's been discussed by the committee.
  - Membership – our membership renewal period will commence again next month, I sincerely hope that you continue to support the club by renewing your membership, despite current restrictions.
  - The committee and I will continue to make good decisions in order to cement the future of our club, and your ongoing support as a member will make this possible.
  - If you have any ideas on how we can keep engaged with each other feel free to send them my way.
  - We all have a responsibility to do our part in observing government regulations in relation to health hygiene, social distancing and self-isolation when either ill or at risk of being infectious.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you on behalf of all of us, to those frontline healthcare workers who continue to show dedication and care for the community, in spite of the dangers to themselves.

Take care of yourself, and those around you – stay safe!

Don't forget - Keep an eye on your emails

Next Meetings:

Next monthly meeting is **TBD 2020**

Next committee meeting **TBD 2020**

Word of the Month:

*Teamwork – The combined action of a group, especially when effective and efficient*



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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. MLR club registration officer

**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 officers (1 lead & 2 x assistants):** - First point of contact for visitors that come to MLR, keep track of member attendance at club meetings and criteria for membership acceptance, welcome visitors and link them with a buddy, run the club night raffle and pay for any birthday drinks.

**Website officer:** - Maintain and update 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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## 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](http://www.mountloftyrangers.com.au)

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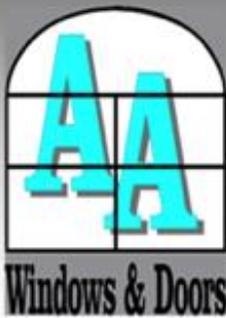
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## Club equipment for loan!

- Grate mates
- *Uniden* UHF handheld radios
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- *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)

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

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# Cancelled & Postponed Events

Given the changing events MLR has been posturing in accordance with the advice from official authorities.

As such, given the seriousness of the situation and the latest advice which I'm sure you have all heard more than once by now, MLR as responsible citizens will suspend / cancel all Club activities for the for the foreseeable future until restrictions are lifted and we are given the all clear to resume from the Government.

I have consulted with the committee, and we do not do this lightly, but we are charged with duty of care to keep our members safe whilst on official club events as well as the public safe from our activities, and do not wish us as a committee nor the club to be responsible for breaching any government directives or advise.

As mentioned in previous correspondence, I encourage you to keep up to date via official sources issued by the Government, both SA and Federal, and keep yourselves and families safe.

In the meantime, we should keep in touch and support each other, plan the next trip or activity, think about ways of driving our club forward, consider nominating for a committee position and how you can value add to make our club even better.

Please stay safe, I will keep in contact with you all through our normal means.

Gary



## 2020 TRIPS CALENDAR

9 <sup>th</sup> —14 <sup>th</sup> April	Extended Easter Trip	Shorty (Dave Willsmore)	Pyrenees Ranges Vic
<b>MONDAY</b> 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
25-26 <sup>th</sup> April	Weekend Trip	Neale	Terowie Park
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner	Chris Grear	The Mannum Club
<b>MONDAY</b> 11 <sup>th</sup> May	AGM – Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Mystery Trip	Tom Doody	Who knows where!
23 <sup>rd</sup> —24 <sup>th</sup> May	Training/Awareness weekend	Steve Townsend	Peake
<b>MONDAY</b> 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Club Meeting 7.30pm Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood		
20 <sup>th</sup> June	Camp Cook	Steve Townsend	Ashbourne
3-5 <sup>th</sup> October	LoftyFest	Gary Light	Mt Lyttle

## TBA TRIPS CALENDAR

**Expressions of interest: First Aid including theory and remote practical**

June/July 2020	Extended trip	Eric Kalderovskis	Simpson Desert
TBA—end of fireban season	Weekend trip	Rob Stevens	Border Track
<i>Drive the border track from north to south along SA/Vic border. Camp @ Red Bluff. South Boundary Track Baan Hill Track &amp; Jimmy's Well Track. Home via Tintinara</i>			
TBA	Day clean up trip	Trevor Light	Scott Creek Conservation Park
<i>Assist Friends of Scott Creek Conservation Park with rubbish clean up</i>			



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## Heads Up!

# “LOFTYFEST 2020”

**What** – What is LoftyFest?

Think Beachport in the Flinders. Numerous day trips from a base camp, camp cook (with prizes), socialising.

**When** – October long weekend 2020 (3-5 Oct)

**Bookmark your calendar**

**Where** – Based at Mt Little Station (Hot and Cold running water & real toilets) 15min from Hawker

**Costs** – To be advised

Open to MLR only, contact Gary Light for more info.



<https://mtlittlestation.com.au/>





## TRAINING & AWARENESS

### MLR TRAINING/AWARENESS CALENDAR:

April	5 <sup>th</sup>	Pre Trip Vehicle Check Drive an incline and decline Reverse Key Stall Starts Winding bush track Side Slope Drive Post Vehicle Check—Ashbourne	ST
May	23 <sup>rd</sup> —24 <sup>th</sup>	Peake Sand driving—Snatch recovery—camp o/n	ST
June	14 <sup>th</sup>	Wheel change and tyre repair—Ashbourne	ST
	20 <sup>th</sup> —21 <sup>st</sup>	Camp Cook?	
July	4 <sup>th</sup> —5 <sup>th</sup>	Camp Cook Alternate date	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Trailer—Caravan Towing—Reverse—Ashbourne	ST
August	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mud Driving—Ashbourne	ST
September	13 <sup>th</sup>	Rugged Terrain Driving—Jakem Farm	ST
October	11 <sup>th</sup>	Winching—Ashbourne	ST

Email [training@mountloftyrangers.com.au](mailto:training@mountloftyrangers.com.au) for more information or to organise one-on-one or group training.



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## A bit of ISOLATION humour...



When your a Hugger and your not allowed to hug people because of COVID-19



I'm ready to go grocery shopping.



Day 6 of Isolation:





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## MERCHANDISE

A variety of club items are available for purchase. By wearing them we support and promote our club to the wider community.

Clothing comes in a range of sizes and the best way to get correct fit is to come to a club night and try before you buy.

### Current Range

- Khaki shirts (long or short sleeve)
- Sublimated Polo shirts- Tyre print and Anniversary Flinders print (printed logo)
- Soft shell jackets in black or navy
- Soft shell vests in black or navy
- Beanies
- Baseball caps
- Bucket hats
- Stubbie holders

All items come with club logo either embroidered or printed

You can add an additional \$7 to embroider your name on any item except the polo shirts which have a printed name for an extra \$5.50.

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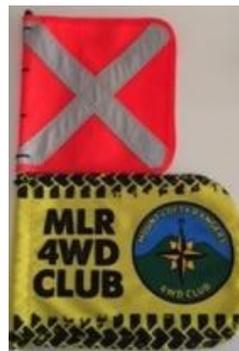
Orders will be placed by Merchandise when minimum order quantities of 5 have been received.

#### 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.

To place an order contact:

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## HISTORIC CAR REGISTRY

### **A 90 day conditional registration scheme For Historic, Left Hand Drive and Street Rod vehicles.**

Members of Mount Lofty Rangers 4WD Club are eligible for Club Registration of Historic, Left Hand Drive and Street Rod vehicles through the club.

1. Inspect vehicle and make sure it meets the criteria for Club Registration. If previously registered bring current registration information including current permits for modified vehicles.
2. Complete MR334 form and original to owner and copy retained by Mount Lofty Rangers 4WD Club
3. Log book supplied to vehicle owner and explanation of the use.
4. Record and retain a copy of MR334, Certificate of Exemption and Statutory Declaration if needed.
5. Record the Log book Serial Number on the Certificate of Registration along with the date of issue, the Club Stamp and sign the certificate. Retain Copy of Registration papers as proof car was registered at log book issue.



If you require more information or would like to proceed with a Club Registration check our website

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## Western Australian Odyssey, part two by Fran West

This second part of my trip over to Western Australia in August and September 2019 contains a lot more links and helpful information for WA trip planning.

To have a break from driving every day, I stopped to take cruises or flights.

In my last report I mentioned the cruise on Lake Argyle, the largest man-made lake in Australia and 13 times the size of Sydney Harbour

([www.lakeargylecruises.com/tours/best-of-lake-argyle/](http://www.lakeargylecruises.com/tours/best-of-lake-argyle/)).

While in the area I also went on an Ord River cruise from Kununurra up to the dam ([www.triplejtours.com.au/tour/ord-river-explorer-sunset/](http://www.triplejtours.com.au/tour/ord-river-explorer-sunset/)). A side trip was made into one of the creeks (more crocs) and the river reflections and sunset views on the way back were magic.



*Ord River reflections and river tour boat late afternoon*

I'd flown over Danggu-Geikie Gorge ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/danggu-geikie-gorge](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/danggu-geikie-gorge)) in 1999 so I had to check that out at river level. There was a lot of wildlife, especially birds, in the gorge and the guide could spot these from some distance away. As I was disembarking, I told the guide that he had good eyes (not beautiful eyes). However, he thought I was chatting him up, but since we both wore sunglasses I could hardly have seen what his eyes were like!



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*Danggou-Geikie Gorge and gorge tour boat on the Fitzroy River*

The Yardie Creek boat tour ([www.yardiecreekboattours.com.au/](http://www.yardiecreekboattours.com.au/)), within the Cape Range National Park and southwest of Exmouth, was action-packed.

At the entrance to the creek a car became bogged crossing the sandbar and had to be pulled out with the rescuing 4WD's retrieval strap.

Further along into the creek we witnessed a dog fight (actually, bird fight) where several of the smaller birds were dive bombing a wedge-tailed eagle which had been stealing chicks and eggs from other birds' nests.



*Yardie Creek tour boat, gorge cliffs and wedge-tailed eagle devouring a chick*





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On the eastern side of the Cape Range ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/cape-range](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/cape-range)) is the Charles Knife Canyon ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/site/charles-knife-canyon](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/site/charles-knife-canyon)). Quite something to behold even though I didn't have time to drive right to the end of the road which was quite challenging in places. I had hoped to go flying in an ultralight over the Cape Range and Charles Knife Canyon, but no pilots were around when I arrived at the Exmouth Airport. Instead, I saw an old friend near the hangars, VH-IES, a Cessna 172 which I had flown around South Australia's coast and Outback in 2002, fundraising for the RFDS. What a coincidence (just one of several).



*Charles Knife Canyon and Cessna 172 IES*

Kalbarri, on the Murchison river, has the best of both worlds with the Kalbarri National Park inland ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/kalbarri](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/kalbarri)) and the stunning coastal scenery off George Grey Drive heading south to Geraldton.





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In the much greener southwestern part of the state, I enjoyed a jetboat adventure whale watching tour out of Dunsborough ([www.jetadventures.com.au/whale-watching-tours/](http://www.jetadventures.com.au/whale-watching-tours/)). Scenery, surf and wildlife.



*Skipper Pete with Castle Rock and a juvenile whale approaching the jetboat.*

The EcoCruise ([www.wowwilderness.com.au](http://www.wowwilderness.com.au)) in the Walpole Wilderness on the south coast was very different. The guide, Gary, was both knowledgeable and hilarious with his antics. He even had port and starboard side teams of passengers participating in a quiz, with the prize being the morning tea cake. My side, the port side, was obviously more motivated by the food reward and won, of course!



If you want to get away from it all to white sandy beaches ideal for driving on or fishing from then Cape Arid is the place for you ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/cape-arid](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/cape-arid)). I had this remote park, located 125kms east of Esperance, all to myself (apart from the birds and whatever was moving in the undergrowth).



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The other coastal park just out of Esperance is Cape Le Grand ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/cape-le-grand](https://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/park/cape-le-grand)) – a 4WD Paradise for exploring the beaches. If you want to camp, then advance bookings are essential, particularly at Lucky Bay. There are plenty of good walking trails throughout the park too.



*4WD at Lucky Bay and Thistle Cove*

During a break with friends, I was able to go gliding at Beverley, a small country town near York and almost due east of Perth. The gliding club, the largest in Western Australia, is situated amongst golden canola crops and green pastures.





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Some of the towns I passed through or stayed in had painted silos which depict what the local area is noted for like plants and wildlife, or cropping, [www.publicsilotrail.com/](http://www.publicsilotrail.com/) and [www.australiansiloarttrail.com/south-australian-silo-art-locations](http://www.australiansiloarttrail.com/south-australian-silo-art-locations). Silo viewing also provides a good excuse to have a quick break.



*Ravensthorpe, WA, and Kimba, SA, silo art*

If you're wanting to spot the quirky, then look no further than the farm gate. Farmers have a great sense of humour as well as being inventive and using what's on hand for letter boxes and country works of art.



Western Australian is a very big state with a big coastline, but it also has other "big" things as well. It has the tallest lighthouse on the mainland (Cape Leeuwin where the Indian and Southern Oceans meet) ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/site/cape-leeuwin-lighthouse](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/site/cape-leeuwin-lighthouse)), the Big Croc at Wyndham, the Big Prawn at Exmouth, the Super Pit gold mine in Kalgoorlie and tingle trees. These giant eucalypts grow to over 70 metres high and are best viewed from The Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk ([parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/site/tree-top-walk](http://parks.dpaw.wa.gov.au/site/tree-top-walk)) between Walpole and Denmark in the Southwest.



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*Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse and The Valley of the Giants Tree Top Walk*

I visited nearly all the airstrips/airports where I landed on my 1999 flight. It was amazing to see the changes in the big airports like Broome International, Newman, Geraldton and Albany, especially with the high aviation security that's in place now. Some of the bush strips hadn't changed much at all though. As I was taxiing to take off at Caiguna in 1999, there was an emu trying to race me through the bush and after I'd landed at Madura Pass kangaroos bounded off the airstrip.

At Madura last year I asked the French attendant at the roadhouse where the road to the airstrip was. He pointed, "It's over zair. Head up ze road and ze runway is on top of ze mountain." I hadn't realised that the escarpment that I'd landed on in 1999 was high enough to be called a mountain. The RFDS planes wouldn't have bothered to land there, instead they'd land on the highway where the piano keys are painted.



*Caiguna airstrip and the road leading up the escarpment to Madura airstrip*

In total, I travelled 17,600 kilometres, with the car having a scheduled service in Karratha. I had pre-booked the service before I left home ensuring that I had an early time slot and saving myself about \$200 (the further north you go the more it costs).



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Travelling alone doesn't bother me because I make sure that the vehicle is serviced properly, I carry the right equipment for my car (including survival gear) and people are generally friendly and helpful. Meeting people is one of the best experiences of a trip. Long distances in the northern part of the state were tedious at times but I did stop frequently to photograph and have a cuppa.

I would have preferred to have taken a bit longer for the trip, but I had to be home in time to have a rest before heading off to Africa in October.

I did book everything in advance where possible, but it didn't allow freedom to alter my itinerary. However, at that time of the year it was still very busy, and I would have missed out on accommodation and activities if I hadn't booked.

Part of the fun of a trip is the planning beforehand. I picked up heaps of brochures and maps from the Caravan and Camping Show and also asked MLR members about their trips over to the West. Firsthand knowledge is invaluable.

The internet provided websites, apps, digital downloads and a quick way of estimating distances (hence working out the best place to have the car serviced).

### **Maps**

<https://www.waitoc.com/fast-find/latest-news/free-touring-map>

[www.nullarbormap.com.au/nullarbor-digital-guide/2019-nullarbor-map/flipbook/1/](http://www.nullarbormap.com.au/nullarbor-digital-guide/2019-nullarbor-map/flipbook/1/)

For more detailed maps and pamphlets call in to local tourist information centres. They are a mine of information about accommodation, eateries, tours etc. and some will even do bookings for these. Local produce and souvenirs may also be for sale.

### **Brochures and national park passes**

[viewer.e-digitaleditions.com/i/959040-wildflower-guide-2019/0?](http://viewer.e-digitaleditions.com/i/959040-wildflower-guide-2019/0?)

[shop.dbca.wa.gov.au/collections/park-passes](http://shop.dbca.wa.gov.au/collections/park-passes)

[www.westernaustralia.com](http://www.westernaustralia.com) and [www.southaustralia.com](http://www.southaustralia.com)

There are so many photos and stories that I haven't been able to include, so you'll just have to wait until I finish the book, *On Wings and Wheels*, and get it published.

I'll keep you posted about that on [www.facebook.com/OnWingsandWheels/](https://www.facebook.com/OnWingsandWheels/) and on [www.franwest.com](http://www.franwest.com), but in the meantime I'm happy to talk to people about my trip and pass on relevant information.

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