



## **RANGERS' REVIEW**



### Salt Creek Fishing Trip

Delivers the lot:
4 wheel driving
Fishing
Camping
(see trip report page 13)



#### PRESIDENTIAL PRESS

As I sit here contemplating the pending long weekend and what I might need to pack for a trip to the farm, I think to myself... how lucky are we. How lucky are we that we have managed to weather the pandemic better than our eastern cousins and many other countries across the globe. How lucky are we that our weather has been kind to us (so far) whilst those in Qld and NSW coastal regions battle extended rains and associated flooding. How luck are we that we don't share a border with a large country that is intent on bullying us. Despite all this we are now free to travel anywhere in the country and most parts of the world, anyone else travelling for the long weekend. I like living in sleepy hollow SA.



The other distraction at the moment, is the never ending forest of election posters that continue to spread across the district, yep a real 1<sup>st</sup> world problem I know ③. I'm not sure, but this election seems to be relatively low key compared to previous ones.

Talking about elections, yes you guessed it, it's the segway into nominating for a committee position at the AGM. We are definitely looking for a President, Education Officer, Magazine Editor and maybe even an Assistant Membership Officer along with the general member positions. Please consider helping out and grab a form or speak to a committee member.

With covid restrictions easing midnight on the 12 we are almost back to normal...well sort of. So, keep well and stay safe!

#### Next Meetings:

Next monthly meeting is 21 Mar 2022

Next committee meeting 28 Mar 2022

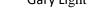
#### Word of the Month:

Blessed - to be lucky in having a particular thing.

#### YOUR COMMITTEE DIRECTORS FOR 2021-22



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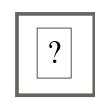
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#### YOUR COMMITTEE

Committee members are elected by the members for the members. They are volunteers who kindly donate their time to represent the member's 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. MLR club registration officer.

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

Secretary & Public Officer: - 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.

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.

<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.

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#### 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.

#### **M**EMBERSHIP

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 27



Grate mates

- ☐ Gazebo 3m x 3m
- *Uniden* UHF handheld radios ☐ Hot water urn and kettle
- Tyre repair kit (large & small) ☐ Bead breaker
- *Tifor* hand winch and cable  $\Box$  Drag chains (x 2)
- Car Bra
- 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





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New homes or renovating. Club members receive 10% discount.

Ph (08) 8268 8808 fax (08) 8347 3152 Email ron@aawindows.com.au



#### MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING NOMINATION FORM

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HEREBY NOMINATE	
FOR THE POSITION OF (tick one only)	
PRESIDENT – 2 YEAR TERM – Even Years	VICE PRESIDENT – 2 YEAR TERM – Odd Years
TREASURER – 2 YEAR TERM – Even Years	SECRETARY – 2 YEAR TERM – Odd Years
ALL OFFICER POSITIONS ARE A ONE YEAR TERM	
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER	TRIPS COORDINATOR
4WDSA DELEGATE	MERCHANDISE OFFICER
MAGAZINE EDITOR	WEBSITE OFFICER
PROPERTY OFFICER	EDUCATION OFFICER
GENERAL COMMITTEE OFFICER	
NOMINATOR SIGNATURE	DATE
ACCEPTED BY	DATE



GET YOUR
NOMINATION IN



#### 2022 MEETINGS & TRIPS CALENDAR

#### MONDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MARCH - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

#### SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> – SUNDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

NGARKAT WORKING BEE

NGARKAT CONSERVATION PARK S.A. – Contact: Peter Harper

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT AN MLR ORGANISED TRIP – no need to register

#### MONDAY 11th APRIL - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

#### MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> APRIL – THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

VICTORIAN HIGH COUNTRY - WONNANGTTA VALLEY

LEAVING FROM MANSFIELD - VICTORIA - Contact: Rob Stevens

PLEASE NOTE: NO TRAILERS. VEHICLE CLEARANCE EQUIVALENT OR HIGHER

THAN STANDARD LAND ROVER DEFENDER

#### SATURDAY 30<sup>™</sup> APRIL

MLR AWARDS – ANNUAL DINNER ---- \*\* MORE DETAILS TO COME \*\*

McLAREN VALE FUNCTION CENTRE – Contact: Gary Light

McLAREN VALE

#### MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> MAY - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

#### FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE - MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

**COONAWARRA - Contact: Luke & Theresa** 

CAMP IN A WINERY & ENJOY! - more details to follow

#### MONDAY 20th JUNE - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

#### FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> - SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

SAND & SCRUB DRIVING – CAMP AT BILLY BORE - Contact: Gary Light BIG DESERT NATIONAL PARK

#### MONDAY 11<sup>h</sup> JULY - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

#### SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JULY – SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

CROSSING THE SIMPSON DESERT - Contact: Trevor Light

\*\* MORE DETAILS TO COME \*\*

#### MONDAY 8th AUGUST - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood



#### 2022 MEETINGS & TRIPS CALENDAR

SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST – SUNDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

**HEAD OF THE BIGHT - Contact: Chris Grear** 

**WHALE WATCHING** 

MONDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER – MONDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER

\*\* OCTOBERFEST \*\* - Contact: Gary Light

**ARGADELLS – 360 KMS NORTH OF ADELAIDE** 

MONDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood

**DATE - TO BE CONFIRMED** 

REDARD FACTORY TOUR – Contact: Tom Doody

Tour through the Redarc factory at Lonsdale

MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER - 7.30 p.m.

MLR CLUB MEETING @ Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Tce Blackwood



#### Please help keep details up to date

Should any of your personal details change please advise:

membership@mountloftyrangers.com.au



#### 2022 TRAINING & AWARENESS CALENDAR

#### SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

TRIP PLANNING - Contact: Steve Townsend

MEET AT MEADOWS PIC A PIE BAKERY - MEADOWS @ 9.30 a.m. start

#### SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

LADIES DAY - Contact: Steve Townsend JAKEM FARM - \$20.00 PER VEHICLE

SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY – SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY

PEAKE SAND DRIVING & RECOVERY - Contact: Steve Townsend

#### SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

WHEEL & TYRE CHANGE & REPAIR – Contact: Steve Townsend
\*\* LOCATION – TO BE CHOSEN \*\*

group awareness training

Email <a href="mailto:education@mountloftyrangers.com.au">education@mountloftyrangers.com.au</a> for more information or to organise one-on-one or



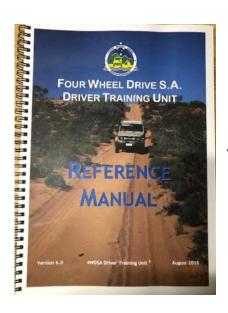


#### Please Note:

You do not have to attend the sand driving and recovery awareness to be able to go to Peake on 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> May. You can attend and camp overnight to enjoy the fantastic dunes this area has to offer.

We have 5 members booked in but we need a **minimum of 10** to make this viable or we will lose the permanent booking.

Steve Townsend

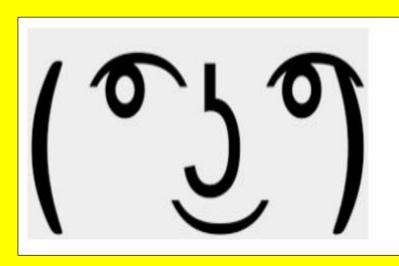


## 4WD EDUCATION HANDBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH



COST: \$30.00 EACH

Email: education@mountloftyrangers.com.au



Trip Leaders are "volunteers" please be kind to them and show etiquacy towards them



## Trip

## Report

Well, the annual Coorong Fishing
Trip was held from Friday 4-6<sup>th</sup>
March. Some of us thought it went
until Monday Eric!! Perhaps,
because it was the delayed
November trip from 2021 he added
an extra day when it went up on the
board? The advanced party of lan,
Lyn and Trevor set up camp at site
25 in the Coorong National Park.



The remainder of the group met at the infamous Menindee Bakery on the shores of Lake Albert Friday morning. Coffee, pies and pasties were the order of the day.

Onward to 42 mile crossing where several other camping groups had set up tents etc. at a base camp for their weekend. Grass and toilets at that sight.

Next 15 psi tyre pressures and

#### onward to the beach.

Tall tales started at this point.

Our intrepid leader, Eric, suggested we take the beach detour/wash out in our stride. "Fast approach, off the 1.5m drop-off, down to the flat sand and spin around the corner. This would avoid the detour around the back of the sandhills onto the very solid, well marked, un-rutted road. Several people were left Wondering if this was a smart move after the man himself required a



We did take the sedate road so as not to further damage the beach. Friday afternoon saw a range of weather conditions from sun to misty damp rain.
Friday was salmon and mulloway

day.

#### This site has numerous advantages:

In a depression so sheltered from the windy southern ocean.

Large enough to accommodate 10 4WD's and various tents, swags and rooftop contraptions.

**S**ecret underground wood pile.

**N**ot too big a hike to deep gutter for fish.

**R**eally close to the Tea Tree Crossing.

I personally think this crossing is a figment of someone's imagination as I'm yet to cross it! Hearing a couple of tales about the sandhill there, maybe I don't want to do it.

By Friday the advanced party reported catches of 3 Fiddler Rays, 3 Port Jackson sharks, 1 Soapie (hopefully not a cake of soap) and 1 Salmon.





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#### Fishing Trip Report cont......

Nicholas, Serge, Amanda and Dewi managed to catch the much sought after fish. Salmon was caught by Trevor and Serge.

Neil caught a wave, or rather it caught him.

Dinner and campfire chat that night, slightly spoilt by some misty rain later in the evening.

Saturday the fish decided to hide. lan tried to find them with his drone. Amanda caught a wave but missed brining in a fish.

Eric, well let's just say we need to see a few more videos of Eric actually catching a fish.

Dinner that night around the fire was a feast. Fresh camp oven damper and a rotisserie of chicken and pork. Third course was marshmallows and M&M's.

A totally great weekend in the "fresh air away from news of European wars and infectious bugs".

I appreciated Amanda's 'Hallelujah' and Nicolas saying "that must mean we're off the sand too" when after about 40 mins of beach driving we headed south and drove off the beach sand. No one in our group bot bogged. Someone admitted to being always nervous driving on sand and others to it being 'a piece of cake'.

Meningie bakery again for coffee, cakes and ½ price family potato pies and quiches. A bargain and easy tea! Anybody else get apple not apricot pie?? Ripped off! But at \$4.50 would you bother going back to change it?





**Thanks Eric,** for once again leading a great trip.

We're all coming back to haunt you in November!





## And .... the winner is? To be announced at the March meeting







Thank you to Auburn McIntyre for the report (written on her phone whilst waiting for dinner at the Coonalpyn pub) before heading to Victoria.

Dewi Morgan and Ian McFarland for photos.

#### Not sure if these are sold

# FOR SALE

1 x pair of ARB Intensity LED lights.
Wires are not cut – simply plug in.
Includes all nuts & bolts.
EXCELLENT WORKING CONDITION - \$475.00

Contact: Ann Morris on 0428 548 525



## Look sharp in our new range of Club Merchandise

#### merchandise@mountloftyrangers.com.au

#### Should you have any questions, please contact Tom Doody



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB SUB POLO

\$60.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB WOMENS SUB POLO

\$60.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB LONG SLEEVE SUB POLO

\$70.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB WOMENS LONG SLEEVE SUB POLO

\$70.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB POLO

\$35.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB SOFTSHELL JACKET

\$60.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB VEST

\$55.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB HOODED JACKET

\$50.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB RUGBY TOP 1

\$50.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB RUGBY TOP 2

\$50.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB BEANIE

\$20.00



MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB BUCKET HAT

\$20.00



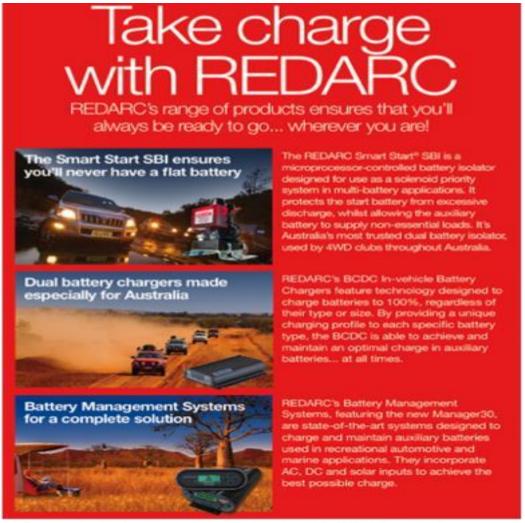
MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB CAP

\$20.00

#### REDARC FACTORY TOUR – DATE TO BE ADVISED

#### Take a tour through the Redarc Factory @ Lonsdale

**Contact: Tom Doody** 



For a complete list of products and technical information call 08 8322 4848 or visit redarc.com.au







#### **Redarc Electronics**

Australian Electronics Manufacturer

REDARC Electronics is an Australian electronics manufacturer established in 1979. It is located in Lonsdale, South Australia, an industrial suburb south of Adelaide. REDARC products can be used in vehicles that use battery power – for example, cars, boats, rail, trucks, mining equipment and buses. Their range of products include voltage converters, inverters, power supplies, battery chargers and trailer braking solutions for industries such as automotive and trucking, agricultural, medical and defence. It holds the patents for the technologies on which these products are developed.

https://www.facebook.com/RedarcElectronics/

#### 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

https://mountloftyrangers.com.au/membership/club-registration/ or contact **Chris Grear** secretary@mountloftyrangers.com.au



## Loftyfest 22

When: 1 - 3 Oct 22

Where: Argadells <a href="https://www.argadells.com.au/">https://www.argadells.com.au/</a>

Argadells is just 360 kilometres north of Adelaide in the beautiful Flinders Ranges of South Australia. Located on the Ardenvale Road, approximately 28 kilometres north of Quorn.

Facilities:

Wints Campground - has flushing toilets and no showers, but showers are available in the caravan park at a cost of \$5 per person. Other amenities are avail info to follow closer to the date.

Registration TBD

#### Costs:

- Camping 15/pers / ni TBD
- Tracks access to four wheel driving tracks is an additional \$50 which covers access for the entire stay

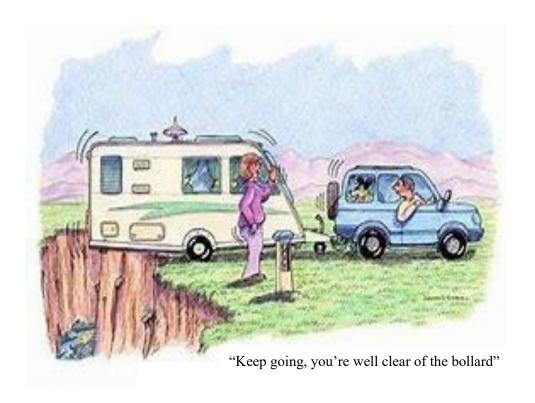
Payment: via **Paypal** or **EFT** (if EFT, caption with your NAME and LOFTYFEST)

to be paid prior to the weekend

Activities:



Note this in your Calendar next year!





Please send your pictures and stories to Trish Dagri

E-mail to:

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#### Take care everyone - stay safe