

RANGERS' REVIEW



November 2022

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Our values

- FRIENDLY AND INCLUSIVE
- PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED
- BEING RESPECTFUL TO EACH OTHER AND THE ENVIRONMENT
- VISIBLE AND TRANSPARENT
- TO UPHOLD THE EXCELLENT REPUTATION OF MOUNT LOFTY RANGERS 4WD CLUB

Phils Phinkings

The start of November is one of those moments where I find myself with conflicting feelings..., happy because it usually means the coldest weather is now behind us, days are longer and I've usually had a least one dose of too much sun. (hopefully the wintery weather has passed by the time you're reading this!) But then I also realise the opportunities to sit next to a campfire will now become few and far between. This year, I've found an excuse to head over to Tasmania for a couple of weeks, so I'm planning on sneaking in a few more before the seasons done! I don't think they've had much spring weather down there yet either, so hopefully the weather calms down a bit and we see some Tassie sunshine.



*Phil Simes,
President*

While I'm away, Kylie has kindly agreed to lead the November club meeting. Please show your support and help make the evening easy for her.

ARB will be coming along to talk about their new products. They have been great supporters of the club in the past (see Club Raffle prize list) and I'm sure there will be plenty of interesting things going on in the ARB universe, to interest you.

Speaking of the Club Raffle, tickets are now available for the chance to win some great prizes. After discussion by the committee, part proceeds from the raffle will go to 'Lion Heart Learning' (Last meetings speaker). Tickets will be available at the Nov meeting, the Blyth weekend and the December meeting, 12th Dec, where it will be drawn after Evil Santa!



Phils Phinkings



The MLR Christmas a Blyth is going to be one of those weekends where you can choose to be as busy as you like! For those getting up the on Friday, you can come see the exclusive MLR screening of Top Gun Maverick in surround sound, for \$10 a head with the Candy Bar also open for the full movie experience. Saturday Arvo, you have the choice of Pauls' Mystical Meander (with Bragging Rights and Limited Edition Port to be won) OR Kylie's Birthday Wine Wander OR try the Blyth Escape Room at the old Hospital (any volunteer to lead?) OR do your own thing. Saturday evening will be Pizza cooked on site, supplied by the club.

Unfortunately the MLR Christmas event clashes with perfect tides for Eric's Coorong Fishing competition, so there will be a few people missing. But I look forward to the stories and hearing who gets the bragging rights 'til the next one.

The December Club meeting is a social one, with Evil Santa and the Raffle draw. To participate in Evil Santa, please bring a present of roughly \$10-\$15 in value, wrapped and to place on the table for selection. I'm all in to support people bringing a present with good joke value, (like special BBQ Apron or a Tomato Sauce Gun) but please don't use this event to re-gift the DVD box set of M.A.S.H you were given in 1998! Bring a gift that you'd like to receive.

Phils Phinkings

Before we know it, it will be the January club meeting will be the Annual MLR Show 'n Shite. It's an opportunity to come and show off your setup and check out others. There will be the 'normal', well, not very normal, not very serious, secret, judging criteria. Clean those mudflaps, polish your tow balls and come along for a fun night.

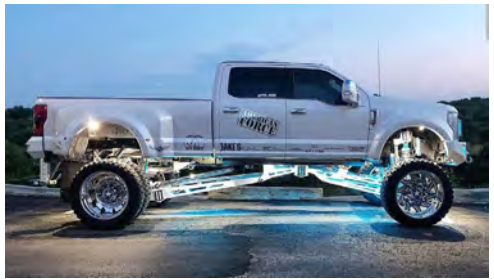
We're also looking for 1 or 2 people to assist with the Judging. The less you know about cars and 4WDs, the better. Please consider assisting in the event and being part of the fun. Just let any of the committee know even if you're not sure.

Finally, 2023 subs are due to be paid anytime now. (Subs now cover Jan-Dec calendar year) The Annual Renewal Fee is \$90, due no later than 31st March 2023, however anyone participating in a MLR trip (ie: Beachport) should make sure they are paid up prior to the event.

That's it for now. I'll see you at Blyth!

Regards, Phil

SHOW 'N SHINE



Guest Speaker

**WE'RE PLEASED TO HAVE
ARB COMING TO THE NOVEMBER
MEETING AS GUEST SPEAKER!**



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Committee roles

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:

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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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

MT LOFTY RANGERS UHF CLUB CHANNEL 27

Remembrance Day



Lest we forget

Friday 11th November

*They shall not grow old
As we that are left grow old
Age shall not weary them
Not the year condemn
At the going down of the sun,
and in the morning
We will remember them
Lest we forget*



MLR End of Year Event

Saturday
26th November
Blyth Sportsground
and RV Park



We have negotiated use of the toilet and shower facilities from the Footy Club at \$15 per head for the weekend, as well as the use of the pavilion/clubrooms in case of extreme weather. (Fees are payable to our Treasurer Kylie either through EFT or ca\$h, if paying by EFT please insert 'your name' and 'Blyth event' to your reference)

MLR will provide dinner catered by Maps Mobile Pizza Ovens on Saturday night.

There's plenty to do in the Clare Valley and surrounds for the weekend, so get your name on the trip sheet and pay Kylie your \$15 per head to ensure your spot!

Please note: the per head charge is in lieu of a hire fee for the toilet, shower and pavilion facilities. Camping is free, however a donation to the RV Park for future development is optional.

Contact Kylie Cooper: treasurer@mountloftyrangers.com.au



MLR End of Year Event



JUST
\$15
PER
HEAD

WOOD
OVEN
PIZZA
DINNER

WINE,
FOOD,
TRAILS &
MORE



COME
& ENJOY
THE
REGION



TOILETS
AND
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COME
AWAY &
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WITH
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Riddle me this?

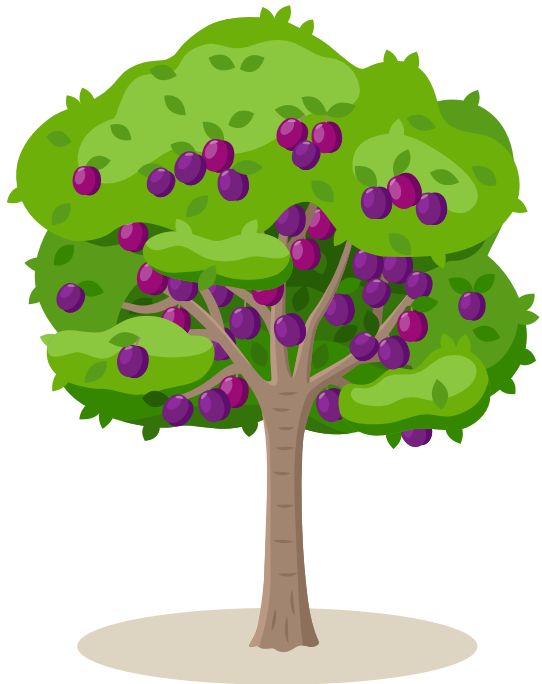
Paul's "Plum Conundrum"

Where all statements are facts.

The following conundrum was posed around the campfire at Loftyfest for the members to solve. It wasn't solved on the night or next day. It was only on Monday that Pam Wheare and Neil Stokes came up with the correct answer.

If you can come up with the correct answer, see Paul at Blythe and you might get one of his famous glasses of port. To help you out there is an encrypted clue on the "trips registration page" (25) of this magazine.

**"A man
without eyes
saw Plums
on a tree.
He neither
took plums nor
left plums
How can
this be?"**



What we offer

- Inexpensive, hassle free membership to anyone with a 4WD (this is a requirement) regardless of make or model after a qualifying period (attending three Club activities, one of which must be a Club trip)
- Promote inclusiveness and participation
- Collaborative and safe environment
- Friendship
- Variety of events, trips and gatherings
- Flexibility/informality
- An opportunity to share experiences and knowledge with other like-minded people
- Training and awareness in the safe use of your 4WD and recovery techniques
- Opportunity to do trips which you might not otherwise do on your own



Trip Report

Murray Cod Fishing – Happy Valley Reservoir, 9th October 2022

Trip Leader: Eric **Attendees:** Anne Morris, Sam Jeffries, Terry May & John Edwards

A chilly start to the morning was refreshing as we all met around 7am.

After a short walk to my secret Spot X we baited up and cast in.

First half hour we had a few bites but nothing else, then the first fish was landed by Sam (first of many for Sam).

My rod went off next and quickly handed over to Anne, a nice Cod, her first.

Next was Terry, Sam, Sam, Sam, John and Anne.

With beautiful weather and company we finished up at 10 am with everyone catching Cod.



Meetings & Trips

FUN & RECREATION

NOVEMBER

MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER - 7.30pm
MLR CLUB MEETING
Blackwood Football Club,
Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

SATURDAY 26th NOVEMBER
MLR END OF YEAR EVENT
BLYTH SPORTSGROUND & RV PARK
Contact: Kylie Cooper

SATURDAY 26th NOVEMBER
SALT CREEK FISHING TRIP
Contact: Eric Kalderovskis

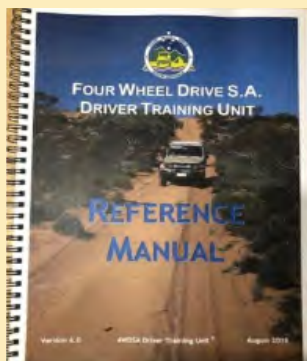
DECEMBER

MONDAY 12th DECEMBER - 7.30pm
MLR CLUB MEETING
Blackwood Football Club,
Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

JANUARY 2023
THURSDAY 26th -
SUNDAY 29th JANUARY
BEACHPORT - SOUTHERN OCEAN
TOURIST PARK
Contact: Phil Simes

EDUCATION & AWARENESS

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



**4WD EDUCATION
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Club Trip

Beachport 2023

Thursday 26th - Sunday 29th January

As is the tradition, Mount Lofty Rangers 4WD Club will again be heading to Beachport for the Australia Day long weekend.

Southern Ocean Tourist Park have currently placed 25 sites on hold for MLR in Section D.

I'll have a Section map at the Sept and Oct meetings where you can put your name down on your favourite site.

Payment of the deposit and confirmation of arrival/departure dates is then your responsibility, by contacting the Southern Ocean Tourist Park and paying the required deposit, which I believe is \$100, explaining that you are with MLR and quoting the site number.

We have until the end of Nov to put deposits down, to reserve your site, after which unreserved sites will be made available to the general public. If we get a good response, we can also gain access to additional sites if required.

Additional info, site map etc. to be sent out in due course.

Contact: Phil Simes



**DEPOSIT
DUE DATE
EXTENDED
TO NOV
30TH**



End of Year Raffle

**17 DIFFERENT
PRIZES TO BE WON**



**TICKETS
\$5
EACH**

**Get excited MLR-ers and get yourself
a ticket or ten in our end of year raffle.**

**We are extremely lucky to be supported
by Redarc, ARB and Tyrepower Blackwood with donations for the prizes.**

**TICKETS
5 FOR
\$20**

There are 17 individual prizes on offer, raffle will be drawn at our December meeting where we will once again also participate in our regular Evil Santa (more details on this later).

So as mentioned earlier get yourself a ticket or ten starting from Loftyfest this weekend and every club meeting including December.

If you can't make a meeting or Loftyfest to get your tickets, please get in touch and we can work something out.



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Club equipment

The Club has a variety of tools and items available for loan at no charge to members, items can be used on club trips/events and any other relevant club activities.

Items available include:

- Grate mates
- Uniden UHF handheld radios
- Tyre repair kit (large & small)
- Bead breaker
- Gazebo 3m x 3m
- Hot water urn and kettle
- 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)

Note: All club equipment is securely stored within the club trailer at Lonsdale

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Birthday Drinks



**PLEASE SEE KYLIE AT
THE CLUB MEETING FOR
YOUR COMPLIMENTARY
BIRTHDAY DRINK**

December Meeting

EVIL
SANTA
IS
BACK!



Christmas is just around the corner and that means Evil Santa is back for another year!

Our December meeting is a social affair so come along and have some fun.

To participate in Evil Santa, please bring a present of roughly \$10-\$15 in value, wrapped and to place on the table for selection. For each present gifted you will be given a ticket to pick from the table.

This is all about a bit of light hearted fun with good joke value, only bring along gifts that you'd like to receive yourself, please don't use this event to re-gift the DVD box set of M.A.S.H you were given in 1988!

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Club Trips Info

Planning a Club Trip/Event?



Just send me as much detail as you can and
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leading up to your trip/event.

Cheers, Lloyd

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Should you have any questions please contact Tom Doody
merchandise@mountloftyrangers.com.au

Trips Registration

Don't forget that all current members can register for any club trips/events via the website, simply log-in and register your details.

<https://mountloftyrangers.com.au/trips/>

The screenshot shows the website mountloftyrangers.com.au in a web browser. The page features a yellow and black zebra-stripe header with the club's logo. The navigation menu includes: Welcome, Membership, Awareness Instruction, Trips, Rangers' Review, and Links & Files. A notice on the right states: "Next Club Meeting: 20th Jun @ 7:30pm".

The main content area displays the "Loftyfest Reccy" event for Saturday, May 14. A green button indicates "You must login to register online." and a link for "+ Add to Google Calendar" is provided. The event details include a date of Saturday, May 14, and an event category of "Trip".

The venue is Argadells, located in Quorn, South Australia. A map shows the location relative to other towns like Richi, Quorn, and Great Ar. A link to "View Venue Website" is also present.

The organiser is Gary Light, with an email address of goleudyus@gmail.com.

On the right sidebar, there is a "Rangers' Review" section with a link to "Our Latest Magazine (May 2022)" and an "Events Calendar (List)". Below this is a "Support Our Sponsors" section featuring a logo for "a windows".

The "Upcoming Events..." section lists:

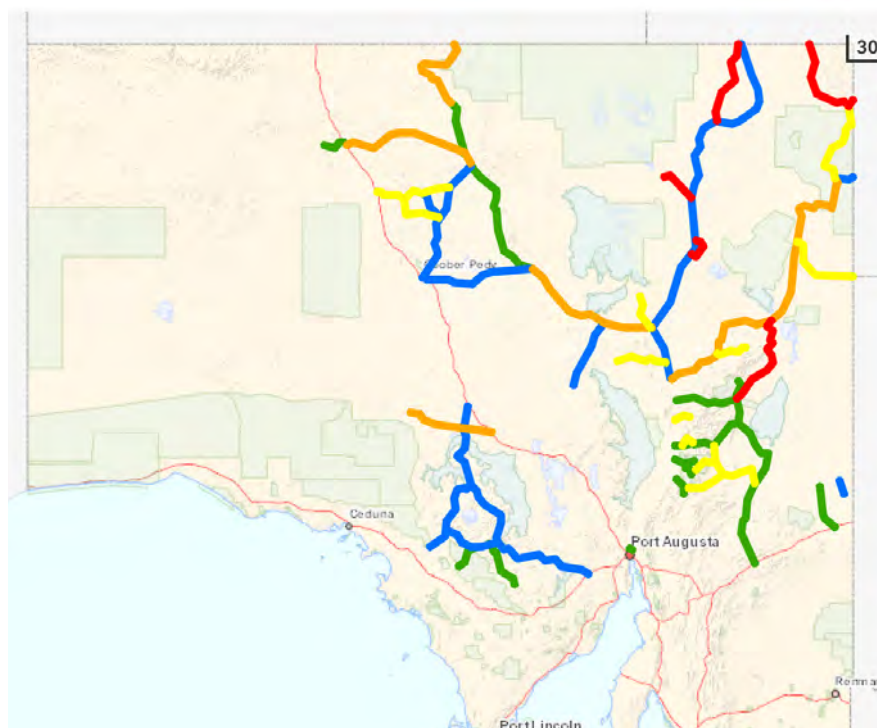
- May 14: All day Loftyfest Reccy
- May 17: All day Club Night at The Dirt, Mt Barker.
- May 21: Saturday, May 21 - Sunday, May 22: Peakie Sand Driving & Recovery

At the bottom, there are two buttons: "Annual General meeting" and "Club Night at The Dirt, Mt Barker."

Conundrum Clue = "FVATYR"

Outback Roads

Planning a trip in outback South Australia?
Be sure to get the current road conditions at
<https://www.dit.sa.gov.au/OutbackRoads>



Legend

OPEN

Open to all vehicles

OPEN with warnings

Open to all vehicles, with caution

4WD / HV

Open to 4WD and Heavy Vehicles

4WD

Open to 4WD vehicles under 3 tonne only (no towing)

CLOSED

Closed to all vehicles

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.

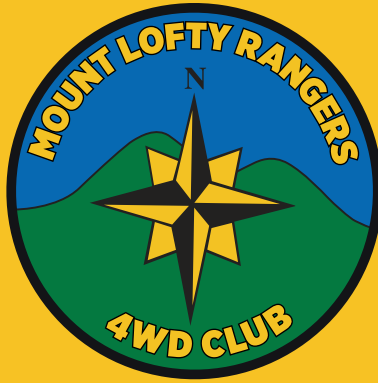
1. Inspect vehicle and make sure it meets the criteria for Club Registration. If previously registered bring current registration information including current permits for modified vehicles.
2. Complete MR334 form and original to owner and copy retained by Mount Lofty Rangers 4WD Club
3. Log book supplied 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 HAVE CLUB REGO PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR BOOK IS STAMPED

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

<https://mountlofyrangers.com.au/membership/club-registration/>
or contact Chris Gear secretary@mountlofyrangers.com.au





NEXT CLUB MEETING:

MONDAY 12th DECEMBER - 7.30pm

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

MONDAY 28th NOVEMBER - 7.00pm