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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

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Happy New Year!

I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year celebrations. We certainly did! And yes..., I just may have over-indulged just a tad. It's OK.., I'll grow up one day!

So now, my mind starts wandering and planning is kinda underway in the back of my mind about how and where we can get away to later in the year.



Phil Simes, President

Start looking at public holidays, as there's always a way of stretching your annual leave by taking an extra day of two around a long weekend. That also provides the benefit of traveling before or after the majority of people. Wins all round.

2024 for MLR will kick off with our annual show and shine on Mon 8th Jan. Polish your fourbie, tidy the glovebox and come to club for a social night of chatting and having a snoop at everyone else's vehicles.

Then we head down to Beachport for the long weekend.

We often see all sorts of rubbish washed up on the beach as we tour around Beachport, so as we have done on some occasions in the past, we're going to be doing a bit of a clean up as we go. KESAB have kindly provided bags for us, so we'll be encouraging everyone to take a bag and pick up any rubbish that you see. Thanks to Roger for re-starting this initiative and chasing up KESAB.

As we start a new year, we start calculating our award winners for 2023. Please give some thought to nominating someone for the 'quiet achiever' award. Is there someone, who has helped make your experience at the club just that bit better, just because they could? Let us know about it by emailing me or completing the online form from our website.

As you'll see at the meeting, a couple of members have already been busy planning for trips later in the year, so either sign up to accompany them, or have a chat to anyone from the committee about either leading your own trip or teaming up with other members to put a trip together.

I'm looking forward to getting out and about in 2024, to enjoy driving our fourbies in the way they were designed, seeing more of this spectacular country and kicking back at the end of the day telling a few stories. 2024, bring it on! Regards, Phil.

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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

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









Meetings & Trips



FUN & RECREATION

JANUARY 2024

MONDAY 8th JANUARY - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING

MLR ANNUAL SHOW 'N' SHINE

Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

FEBRUARY 2024

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

MARCH 2024

MONDAY 18th MARCH - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

APRIL 2024

TUESDAY 2nd -SATURDAY 13th APRIL

THREE CORNERS TOUR

Contact: Paul Mildrum

MONDAY 8th APRIL - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

MAY 2024

MONDAY 13th MAY - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace. Blackwood

JUNE 2024

SUNDAY 2nd - SATURDAY 8th JUNE BIG DESERT TO LITTLE DESERT

Contact: Paul Mildrum

MONDAY 17th JUNE - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

JULY 2024

MONDAY 8th JULY - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

FRIDAY 12th - SUNDAY 14th JULY

BIG DESERT WILDERNESS PARK

Contact: Gary Light

SUNDAY 28th JULY -FRIDAY 2nd AUGUST

FOWLERS BAY- ATTEMPT 2

Contact: Paul Mildrum

Meetings & Trips



AUGUST 2024

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

SEPTEMBER 2024

MONDAY 9th SEPTEMBER - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

OCTOBER 2024

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

NOVEMBER 2024

MONDAY 11th NOVEMBER - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

DECEMBER 2024

MONDAY 9th DECEMBER - 7.30pm MLR CLUB MEETING Blackwood Football Club, Trevor Terrace, Blackwood

EDUCATION & AWARENESS

Email: education@ mountloftvrangers.com.au

for more information or to organise one-on-one or group awareness training.

January Meeting



MLR ANNUAL SITUATION SITUA

MONDAY 8TH JANUARY

Get the wax out and start polishing!

Our January meeting is always a bit of fun with a "tounge-in-cheek" Show 'n' Shine event.

You never know what part of your rig the judges are going to award a prize for, so either cover all bases or just hope they don't check the fuel cap or open the bonnet!

Come along for a fun social night and have a look around at everyone's different set ups, you never know where that next brilliant idea for your own set-up might come from.







Club Trips Procedure



Planning a Club Trip/Event

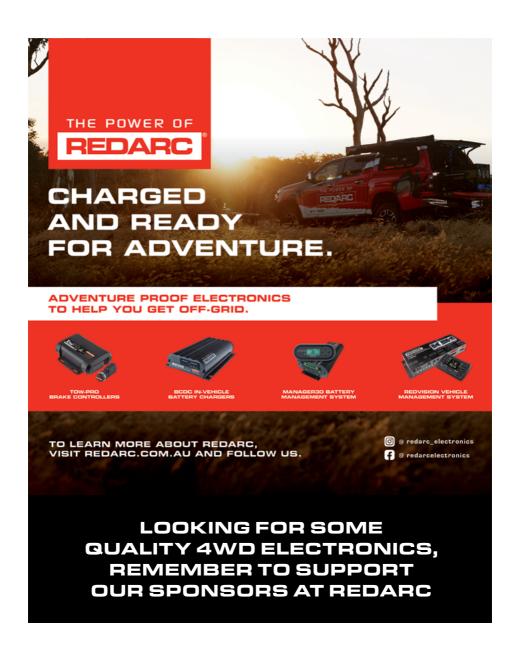
Anyone planning a club trip or event please follow the procedure as per below.

- **Step 1:** Email or speak to, the club trips co-ordinator. Give as much detail as possible and fill out a "Trip Sheet".
- **Step 2:** The trip will then be presented to the committee for approval at the next available committee meeting. When a trip is planned prior to the next committee meeting, approval can be give by the committee via email.
- **Step 3:** Once approved, put your trip sheet up on the board, send an email, post on Facebook, send details to <u>magazine@mountloftyrangers.com.au</u> and get the word out there.
- **Step 4:** Get out there and have fun!
- **Note:** If only seeking an "Expressions of Interest" then sending emails & posting on Facebook is allowed prior to committee approval, but please make it clear that it is only an "Expressions of Interest"

Any questions please speak to any of the committee members.

Sponsors





Membership Fees

The New Year is here and all 2023 MLR memberships have expired and are due for renewal

Please note that our By-Laws state non-financial members "are not allowed to take part in club activities without prior Committee approval."

If you are heading to Beachport, please ensure your membership fees are paid.



The new membership year is for a full 12 months from 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024.

Membership fees for the 2024 Membership Year are:

- Annual Renewal Fee AU \$90.00 (Due no later than 31st March)
- New Members Fee AU \$110.00

Payments can be made in person to the treasurer or via EFT

MLR EFT Details:

• BSB: 065 132

Account No: 1004 4806

• Account Name: Mount Lofty Rangers Inc.

• Reference on transaction, MUST include "Your Name" - Renewal"

Club Trip



Beachport 2024Friday 26th - Sunday 28th January

As is the tradition, Mount Lofty 4WD Club will again be heading to Beachport for the Australia Day long weekend, staying at the Southern Ocean Tourist Park.

The Park has set aside sites in Section D, powered and unpowered, for MLR, however, it's a very busy park at that time of the year, so I urge you to book your site as soon as possible, to ensure you are located close to the rest of our club. Many of us try to book a day either side of the weekend to make an extra long weekend, avoid some of the traffic and to really chill out.

Various trips will take place each day, in and around Beachport, from sand and beach driving, to winery and ice cream shop visits with the club gathering near the Section D camp kitchen each afternoon for happy hour and to share any stories from the days adventures.



Book and pay by contacting the Southern Ocean Tourist Park on 08 8735 8153. or via the website.







PLEASE NOTE: All those heading to Beachport, you must pay your membership fees prior to attending. See Kylie with any questions.

Club Raffle Winners



Congratulations

To all the winners of the 2023 End of Year Club Raffle



Also thanks to our sponsors for dontating some fantastic prizes, please support them whenever possible.









Hipcamp





Most of you would have heard of, and used Wikicamps.

If you're looking for something a bit different which has private properties listed that aren't on Wikicamps, check out Hipcamp, you just might find a hidden gem for your next trip.

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Please remember that it is recommended that all attendees on any club trips/events should fill out and ICE form and keep it in their glovebox.

Forms can be downloaded from the below link: ICE FORMS DOWNLOAD

If you have any questions or concerns please speak to the Trips Co-ordinator, Gary Light

Committee Positions



WE STILL HAVE SOME POSITIONS
VACANT ON THE COMMITTEE SO PLEASE
SEE ANY COMMITTEE MEMBERS IF YOU WISH
TO FILL ONE OF THE VACANT ROLES.



CURRENT VACANCIES:

• VICE PRESIDENT • MERCHANDISE OFFICER

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

For further information on any loan equipment, please email Property Officer: property@mountloftyrangers.com.au or speak to him at any club meetings.

Birthday Drinks

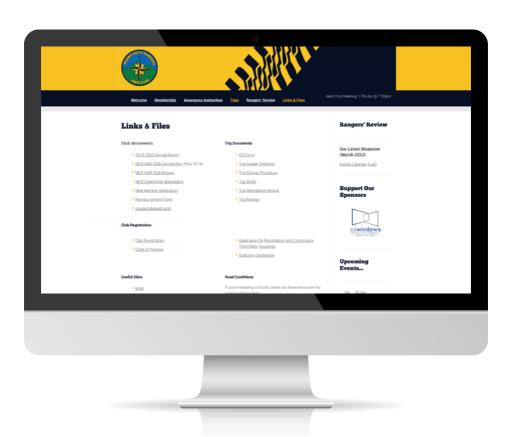




PLEASE SEE KYLIE AT
THE CLUB MEETING FOR
YOUR COMPLIMENTARY
BIRTHDAY DRINK

Links Page





The Links & Files page on our website has heaps of useful information and downloads.

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Club Trips Info



Planning a Club Trip/Event?



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Cheers, Lloyd

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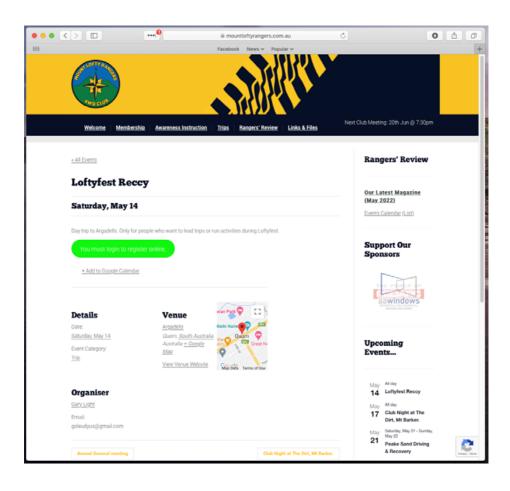
Should you have any questions please contact Tom Doody merchandise@mountloftyrangers.com.au

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.

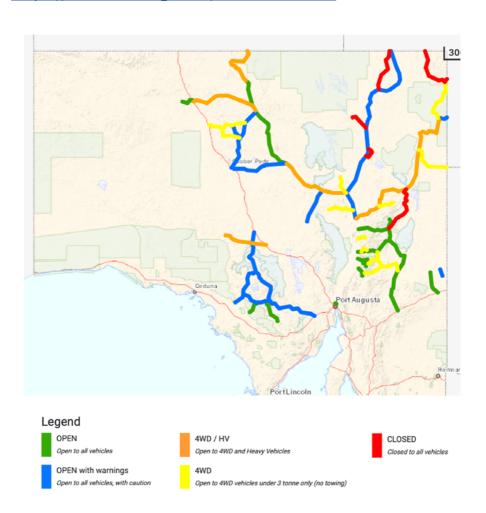
https://mountloftyrangers.com.au/trips/



Road Conditions



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



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.

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









NEXT CLUB MEETING:

MONDAY 12th FEBRUARY - 7.30pm

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

MONDAY 22nd JANUARY - 7.30pm

