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"Searching for a way out", Track on Private Property Near Burra, May 2008.



Club Contact Details

Club Meeting Details - Next Meeting Wednesday July 2nd 2008

Club meetings are held at 7:30pm on the first Wednesday of each month at the Holden Hill Community Centre (Cnr Valiant Road and Bentley Drive, Holden Hill, SA).

There is no meeting in January.

Please direct all membership enquires to the club membership officer.

Committee Positions

President	Murray Martin	
Vice President	Jason Rowe	
Secretary	Lloyd Kohlhagen	
Treasurer	Ziv Golubovic	
Minutes Secretary	Mary Callery	
Events Officer	Murray Jenke	
Public Officer	Rob Stennett	
Newsletter Editor	Darryl McManus	
Training Officer	Werner Pompeuse	
Insurance Rep	Reno Porapat	
Association Delegate	John Henderson	

Appointed Positions

Membership Officer	Roger Glaetzer	
Property Officer	Ray Collyer	
Welcoming Representative	Colin Schubert	
Supper Organiser	Heather Deverson Deidre Collyer	
Fundraising	Walter Kiess	
Club Librarian	Noel Porter	
Social Coordinator	To Be Determined.	
Environment Officer	To Be Determined.	
Aboriginal Liaison Officer	Eric Hofmanis	

Club trainers: - Werner Pompeuse, David Ladd, Tom Hewitson.

Club advisors: - Colin Schubert.

Club Web Address

The club website is www.4wdadventurers.org (email webmaster@4wdadventurers.org).

Club Mailing Address

4WD Adventurers Club of SA Inc, PO Box 35, Holden Hill, South Australia, 5088.

General correspondence should be sent to "The Secretary" at the above address.

Club Newsletter

Please provide newsletter items to the editor by the Friday before the next meeting.

Email items in electronic (soft copy) format to newslettereditor@4wdadventurers.org.

Please use comic sans font size 9pt. Paper (hard copy) items may be handed to the editor at the next club meeting or sent to "The Editor" at the mailing address above.

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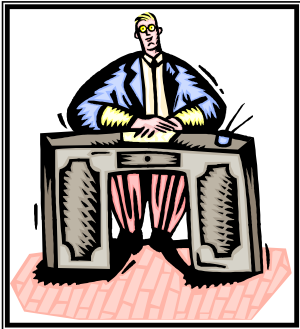
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Club & Association News

From the Presidents Desk



I along with probably everyone else in the club am worried about the alarming rise in fuel prizes, particularly diesel. I see this as the biggest threat to maintaining an active club such as ours. In light of this it was surprising as well as pleasing to see the large vehicle turn out for the last Poonunda trip. I have also noted that a large contingent has put their names down for the traditional Bendleby trip. High fuel prizes haven't killed us off yet!

On another note. If you are requested to do either a verbal or written trip report, please take up the challenge and give it your best effort. You may not be the orator or wordsmith but trip reports are an integral part of the club ethos. They are avidly listened to or read.

Cheers.

Murray Martin, President 4WD Adventurers Club



Editor's Notes (newslettereditor@4wdadventurers.org)

Over the last month Ziv & I have worked together to transfer management and control of the club website (<http://www.4wdadventurers.org/>) to myself. I now have all the necessary software and data files to update the club website in place on my computer and have in fact updated the club website with the June 2008 newsletter. My thanks to Ziv for assisting in the process.

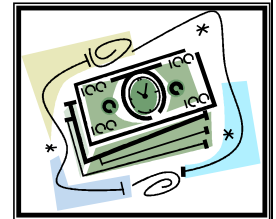
You should contact me in my role as club webmaster at the following email address webmaster@4wdadventurers.org. You may need to do this if you have items for sale to be placed on the website or perhaps some photos from a recent club trip that you would like to place on the club website.

You will notice that there are items in this newsletter to do with the business of the club - the AGM notification for August and a committee position nomination form. Please consider playing an active role in the club!

Darryl McManus, Newsletter Editor 4WD Adventurers Club

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Club Membership Renewal - 2008

Please note that club membership renewal falls due at the August annual general meeting. It needs to be paid by the October general meeting otherwise a late fee may apply. It is still \$60 per year for existing members.

The club treasurer would prefer (if possible) that payment be done on line (i.e. using internet funds transfer). This simplifies cash handling and associated management and reduces the time impost on our busy treasurer.

All the details for membership renewal are contained on the current membership application & renewal form, a soft copy of which can be found at the following web address. This form includes all the details for internet funds transfer.

http://www.4wdadventurers.org/Membership_Form_2008_2009.pdf



AGM Notification- 2008

The annual general meeting (AGM) of the 4WD Adventurers Club of SA Inc will be held on Wednesday August 6th 2008 at the Holden Hill Community Centre (Cnr Valiant Road and Bentley Drive, Holden Hill, SA) commencing at 7.30pm.

Any agenda items or notices of motion should be in writing and be addressed to the Secretary, PO BOX 35, Holden Hill, South Australia, 5088.

These should be received not less than 14 days prior to the AGM.

All committee positions will be declared void and nominations will be sought to fill these positions.

Please cut out or copy the following nomination form and then fill in the details to nominate a club member for a position.

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Committee Position Nomination Form 2008



Person Nominated	For Position
Nominated By	Signature
Second By	Signature
Person accepting nomination	Signature

All above must be financial members of the Club.

Club Advertising

Vehicle Tyres, Rims and Other Accessories - Contact Roger Ryland.

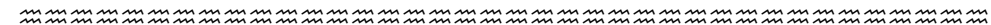
Please phone Roger Ryland on 0428 891 152 if you are interested in these items.

Tyres. 6 x BF Goodrich 265/75/16 AT. Approx. 35% to 40% tread, \$100.00 the lot.

Rims. Suits 80 Series Land Cruiser, 16x8, excellent condition. \$120.00 each.

Towbar. Suits 80 Series Land Cruiser, excellent condition. \$125 ono.

Hi-Lift Jack. 48 inch. As new. \$75.00. **Water Blaster.** Brand new. \$120.00 ono.



Garmin Navigation Items & Vehicle Accessories - Contact Reno Poropat.

Please phone Reno Poropat on 0418 828 372 if you are interested in these items.

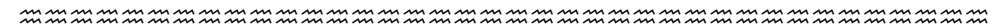
GARMIN GPS V. With City Navigator maps installed \$200.00 ono.

GARMIN MAP60C. With City Navigator \$250.00 ono.

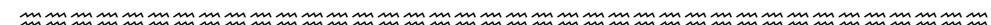
GARMIN GECO 201. Handheld GPS, like new. \$150.00 ono.

ARB Bull bar. To suit 2004 GU series 3 Patrol.

ARB Roof rack. Full Length to fit 2004 GU series 3 Patrol.



Driving through creek beds on private property near Burra.





Recent Trip Reports (Pre-June 2008)

Poonunda Report - 15th to 17th May 2008

On a wintry weekend Ziv found himself leading a group to this private property in the Mid-North. It will be OK he said, it rarely rains up there! In defiance of the weather forecast he and the early birds arrived on Friday afternoon. The rain came down, the wind blew, and of course because it was Poonunda it was COLD.

Everyone tried sheltering in the "shed" and had to have the mandatory campfire. As it was raining outside the fire was lit in the "shed". Well that wasn't the best idea as the wind swirled the smoke around inside the shelter and into everyone's eyes. Everyone persisted however in watching the bush television till 11 o'clock.



Ziv collected more participants from Burra on Saturday morning and we then totalled 14 vehicles.

It was good to see ex member Malcolm Wiltshire along as a visitor after around a six year break. At 70 years of age, he decided 4W Driving was getting too dangerous for him so he took up hang gliding instead. Malcolm had the distinction of being the oldest member on the trip at 76 years of age. He had lost none of his driving skills, and his Land Cruiser 80 series was still as capable. Well done Malcolm.

Camp was quickly established and we were out on the tracks before lunch. The weather had improved and all we had to contend with were a few scattered showers, oh and a LITTLE bit of wind. Ziv was looking for a spot to stop and play when Ray forced his hand by getting a flat. Ray got the unpleasant job of putting the jack under the car while the rest of the group had fun swapping over the tyre with a 12V electric rattle gun. Gee it made the job easy!



During the day we visited several play areas that Ziv had to drag us away from so we could get to the next point on the itinerary. At each spot the photographers were out



in force as the drivers lined up to tackle each of the challenges. The passengers were keen to get behind the wheel and everyone had a go under Ziv's watchful eye.



We returned to camp in the late afternoon when 4 vehicles reluctantly left the site for home and other commitments. The lucky ones prepared tea and gathered around the campfire for the evening. The fire produced a great deal of heat helped by the "blast furnace" wind. Rob did the honours by keeping our backs warm with coals behind our chairs. The day's activities had worn some of the group out and they went to bed at 9:30, but Ziv kept the night going for a lot longer.

Sunday dawned with some sunshine, and of course WIND. Off we went again along the creek beds. Our way was stopped several times by dead overhanging branches and those that could not be broken succumbed to Jim's saw. On the winding bush track above the creek Ray and Simon proved that it hadn't been a fluke the day before. Yes, they got another flat, this time by well and truly staking the sidewall. Fortunately they

had brought along a "spare" Jackaroo and were able to use it's spare wheel.

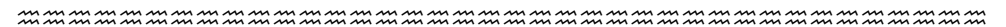
The obligatory recovery situations were provided by Paul and Rob (*See front cover Ed*). It is a bit too difficult to get out of a creek bed when your wheels are in mud, tree roots impede your progress, and the climb commences that sharply that your rear bumper digs in and prevents you from going backwards for another attempt.



The more serious play areas seemed too wet and slippery but Rob decided to act as the guinea pig and attempted a creek entry and exit. He did it with ease and the floodgates opened with all having a go. A bit more playing in Werner's favourite wheel articulation area before we returned to camp to pack up and head home.

This trip has been a Club favourite for years and will remain so after this great weekend. Many thanks to Siggy, Sally, and especially Ziv.

Anonymous





Upcoming Trip Details (From June 2008)

Bendleby Ranges (Orroroo) - Friday 6th - Monday 9th June 2008

Location	Bendleby Ranges private property 50 km NE of Orroroo
Dates	Friday 6 or Saturday 7 - Monday 9 June 2008
Trip Leader	Lloyd Kohlhagen 8263 1012 hm or 0407 792 678 mb
Trip Starting Point	The Springs homestead, Bendleby Ranges Friday evening or no later than 12 pm Saturday
Trip Route	Make your way from Adelaide to Orroroo, Turn right onto Hawker Rd, then turn right after creek into Johnburg Rd, travel for ~42 km to signposted turn on the right to Bendleby Ranges, follow signs to The Springs. Sign in and pay fees at the office.
Trip Requirements	Convoy limit - 12 vehicles Rocky hills and tracks, moderate to hard, good clearance and low range required. Numerous 4wd tracks on the properties follow magnificent red gum studded creeks, climb and descend steep rocky ridges with spectacular views and weave through native pine forests.
Trip Accommodation	The Springs Shearer's Quarters provide comfortable accommodation for 13. There are six twin share rooms (4 with 2 beds, 2 with 3 beds, additional beds are available on request). There is a new amenities block with 3 showers and toilets, kitchen (2 fridges, crockery, cutlery & utensils available) and a large dining room with open fireplace. The outside campfire area has a 2 large gas BBQs and a large wind and rain shelter. There is plenty of space next to the shearers quarters for camping in tents or caravans with outside power points available (std 10A outlets only).
Trip Costs	Shearers Quarters: Adults, \$26 per night School age children, \$15 per night (Pre-school children, no charge). Book your room requirements with the Trip Leader asap. Camping: Adults, \$16 per night School age children, \$7 per night (Pre-school children, no charge) DRIVING COSTS: \$48 per vehicle for the whole weekend

Entertainment At Bendleby Ranges

*Come and Join
Jane, Warren, Sue & Ian
For a movie under the stars*

"Sunday Too Far Away"

*at the
Woolshed at The Springs*



*To be followed by a
Supper
Of
Tea & Scenes*

BYO Chairs & Drinks



Sunday, 8th June

*Starting at
7.30 pm*

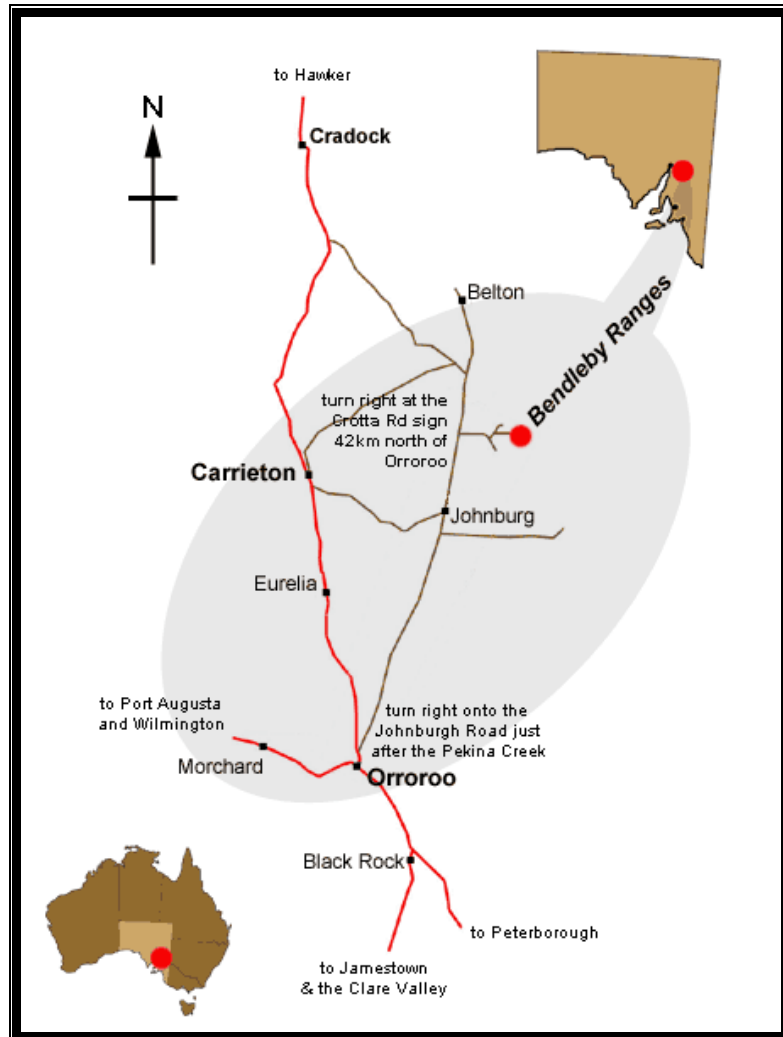
*Supper at
9.00 pm*

*for a gold coin donation to
RFDS*





How to get to the Bendleby Ranges property



Bendleby Ranges Photos - June 2006



Also see the latest news from the Bendleby Ranges property owners.
<http://www.bendlebyranges.com/content/docs/NewsletterEaster2008.pdf>



Simpson Desert Trip - Monday 7th to Saturday 19th July 2008

The trip will start from Marree on Monday 7th July 2008, ending 19th July. The itinerary is flexible and can be changed to suit the members participating. Please give me your input.

Day / Date	From	Via	To
Saturday 5	Adelaide	Main Roads	Marree
Sunday 6	Adelaide	Main Roads	Marree
1 Monday 7	Marree	Marree, Oodnadatta track	Coward Springs Bush
2 Tuesday 8	Coward Springs	Lake Eyre, William Creek	The Peake Bush
3 Wednesday 9	The Peake	Oodnadatta	Oodnadatta C/van Pk
4 Thursday 10	Oodnadatta	Mt. Dare	Dalhousie Springs Bush
5 Friday 11	Dalhousie Springs	Simpson Desert, French Line	Purnie Bore Bush
6 Saturday 12	Purnie Bore	Simpson Desert	Simpson Desert Bush
7 Sunday 13	Simpson Desert	Simpson Desert	Poeppel Corner Bush
8 Monday 14	Poeppel Corner	Big Red	Birdsville C/van Pk
9 Tuesday 15	Birdsville	Birdsville	Birdsville C/van Pk
10 Wednesday 16	Birdsville	Inside Track	Mungerannie C/van Pk
11 Thursday 17	Mungerannie	Lake Eyre	Mungerannie C/van Pk
12 Friday 18	Mungerannie	Birdsville Track	Leigh Creek C/van Pk Parachilna Gorge Bush

13 Saturday 19	Leigh Ck Parachilna Gorge	Main Roads	Adelaide
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DISTANCES

Adelaide to Hawker - Approx 430 Kms.

Hawker to Marree - Approx 270 Kms.

Adelaide to Marree - Approx 700 Kms.

WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE TRIP?

The trip will start from Marree on Monday 7th July.

Due to the lack of water flow into Lake Eyre, this part of the trip will no longer occur unless the participants still wish to go there.

This trip will be based on the people who are going, so the itinerary may change as the trip progresses. If you wish to join the trip midpoint let me know as soon as possible!

My intention is to follow the old Ghan Rail Line, (Oodnadatta Track) and visit the old rail sidings and water springs along the way. We have the opportunity to look at Lake Eyre (Par 13) at Halligan Lagoon (lowest point in Australia at 15m below sea level).

We have the choice of having lunch / evening meal together at Marree, William Creek, Oodnadatta, Birdsville (expensive), Mungerannie, Parachilna.

If we speed the trip up we may have the choice of taking another route across the Simpson ? Your choice.

From Birdsville we will take the inside track.

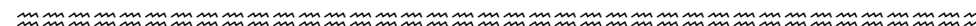
At Lyndhurst if all goes well we may even visit Talc Alf.

After the June meeting I will be in contact with those going so that we can have a pre-trip meeting as soon as possible. If you have not heard from me and are intending to participate do not hesitate - CALL ME NOW !!!

For all those not going bad luck and for all those going we will have a blast!

Michael Cox (Harry)

8298-1659





Trip Calendar Legend
Bold Italic Club Trip Days
Underline Long Week End
 Shaded School Holidays
 ☺ Club Meeting

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1 Easy Maybe 4WD.
 2 Mild 4WD High range.
 3 Moderate Low range, high clearance, experienced.
 4 Difficult Probably recoveries.
 5 Extreme Modified vehicles, possible damage.

Trip Calendar
 From June
 2008

Trip Calendar (From June 2008)

Month	M	T	W	T	F	S	S		Dates	Location	Trip Leader	Contact Ph.	Type (Grade)	Notes
June	2	3	4☺	5	6	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	==>	07/06-09/06	Bendleby	Lloyd Kohlhagen		Tracks & Hills (2-3)	Bookings required. Details in newsletter.
2008	<u>9</u>	10	11	12	13	14	15	\=>	08/06	Morgan Quarry	Kym Kinnear		Tracks (2-3)	Day Trip. Contact trip leader.
	16	17	18	19	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	\=>	20/06	6 Uren St Magill	Ziv Golubovic		Social (Fri. Evening)	BBQ Costs. Contact trip leader.
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	\=>	21/06-22/06	Spalding	Werner Pompeuse		Tracks & Hills (2-3)	Costs. Training. Contact trip leader.
July	30	1	2☺	3	4	5	6							
2008	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	==>	07/07-19/07	Simpson Desert	Michael Cox		Sand & Hills (2-3)	Desert Scenery. Contact trip leader. Details in newsletter.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20							
	21	22	23	24	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	==>	25/07-27/07	Morgan Quarry	Murray Jenke		Tracks (2-3)	Camping Morgan Caravan Park. Contact trip leader.
August	28	29	30	31	1	2	3							
2008	4	5	6☺	7	8	9	10		??/08	Mystery Trip	Ziv Golubovic		Tracks & Hills	Day Trip. Contact Trip Leader.
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17							
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24							
	25	26	27	28	29	<u>30</u>	31	==>	30/08 (TBC)	Kuitpo	Werner Pompeuse		Mud & Water (2-4)	Training. Costs. Date to be confirmed.
September	1	2	3☺	4	5	6	7		??/09	Spalding	Werner Pompeuse		Tracks & Hills (2-3)	Costs. Training. Contact trip leader.
2008	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		??/09	Peake	Kym Kinnear		Sand Dunes (2-3)	Costs. Training? Contact trip leader.
	15	16	17	18	19	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	==>	20/09-11/10	Kings Canyon NT.	Roger Glaetzer		Hills & Tracks (2-3)	Costs. Contact trip leader.
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28							
October	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	1☺	2	3	4	5	==>	04/10-06/10	Ngarkat	N/A		Sand & Hills (2-3)	More details later on.
2008	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	12	\=>	04/10-06/10	Whyalla 4x4	Rob Stennett		Tracks & Hills (2-4)	More details later on.
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	\=>	04/10-08/10	Pyrenees (Vic.)	Ray Collyer		Tracks & Hills (2-4)	More details later on.
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26							
November	27	28	29	30	31	1	2		??/11	Murray R. Mouth	TBD		Tracks & Sand (2-3)	TBD.
2008	3	4	5☺	6	7	8	<u>9</u>	==>	09/11	Black Hill C.P.	Barry Black		Marshalls	More details later on. No Cost.
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16							
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23							
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December	1	2	3☺	4	5	6	7							
2008	8	9	10	11	12	13	<u>14</u>	==>	14/12	Club Rooms	Rob Stennett		Social	Club Xmas Event - Afternoon/Evening.