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Mountain View, Victorian High Country Club Trip, April 2009



Club Contact Details

Club Meeting Details - Next Meeting Wednesday March 3rd 2010

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	Rob Stennett	
Vice President	Jean Searle	
Secretary	Lloyd Kohlhagen	
Treasurer	Matt Lamont	
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Public Officer	Peter Searle	
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Association Delegate	John Henderson	
General Committee Position	Wayne Modystach	
General Committee Position	Brian Jones	

Appointed Positions

Membership Officer	Brian Jones	
Property Officer	Ray Collyer	
Welcoming Representative	Murray Martin	
Supper Organiser	Judy Kinnear	
Fundraising	Sue Mitchell	
Social Coordinator/Environment	Lisa Kinnear	
Club Librarian	Noel Porter	
Aboriginal Liaison Officer	Eric Hofmanis	

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

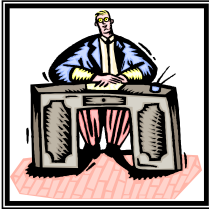
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Club & Association News
From the Presidents Desk



Hi, Welcome back

The Christmas holidays are over and some are back to the grind stone of work and everyday living. I hope your break was as good as ours.

We had a great family Christmas day and there weren't too many grandchildren fighting over Christmas presents. We holidayed at Hardwicke Bay for 9 days, staying with great friends and having a relaxing time.

We fished and I drove along the beach by myself learning a very valuable lesson that you should be wary of 4WDing by yourself. I drove into some very soft sand and if I had not had some experience I may have got stuck and been in a difficult situation for a long time with nobody to help.

This is a major benefit of belonging to a 4WD Club, there is always somebody to give a helping hand to get you out of any trouble.

Trips: Trip leaders are always wanted to make our club the success that it is, please help out Mike Barham by arranging a trip and if you have never lead a trip do not be afraid, we have the information and the people who can give you all the help you need.

It is very rewarding leading a trip and the confidence you can get from it is most useful in everyday life. Choose an easy one first, like Coonalpyn or Morgan. Both of these have good camping and are not too big that you can get lost forever.

Please talk to Mike or any committee person if you are interested.

Yours in 4WDing.

Thanking you, Rob Stennett, President 4WD Adventurers Club



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

The newsletter is shorter than usual due to a lack of trip reports as the early January Kersbrook winch training trip was cancelled due to the heat and the trip report for the Australia Day long weekend Port Lincoln trip has not been finalised yet.

There are a number of trips and events of interest on the trip calendar so we should be brimming with details next time!

For Sale - ARB Bullbar & Roofrack

ARB Nissan Patrol GU Series 3 Steel Bullbar - \$200

Contact Reno by phone 0418828372.

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For Sale - Honda Generator

FOR SALE

HONDA GENERATOR

Honda Generator 20i eu Inverter.

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4WD Matters January 2010

Official Information Release from Four Wheel Drive SA
January 2010 - 11/01/2010

South Australian Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs Incorporated ABN 24 036 898 953 - www.saafwdc.asn.au

Restored 4WD Access to Gammon Ranges NP

Following representations by a number of groups including the FWDSA Natural Resources Advisory Unit, Pastoral Land Management Program of the Dept of Water, Land & Biodiversity Conservation has successfully negotiated with the lessees of the Yankaninna Pastoral Lease to reopen access to 11 km of track on leased Crown Land.

Running from the old Yankaninna Homestead, on the main Umberatina Road, to the Idinaha park entrance, this long existing access track is one of the most popular and historically significant routes to the Vulkathunha-Gammon Ranges National Park.

Removal of gate padlocks and chains was to occur before Christmas 2009 and the New Year would see the installation of a new gate on the Yankaninna / Park boundary on the actual track where it was previously located.

NGARKAT CONSERVATION PARK - INTERCLUB WORKING BEE
16th, 17th, 18th April 2010

Ngarkat Working Bee is on and we need your help

A Word From the DEH District Ranger
As 2010 rolls around, so does the FWDSA April Working Bee in Ngarkat Conservation Park!

This year it will be held on the weekend of the 16th to the 18th of April. Once again, this is not a long weekend but as our main working day is Saturday the 17th, it means a leisurely trip down Friday evening (or early Saturday morning!) and an equally leisurely trip back Sunday afternoon. What could be better than a weekend in the bush to recharge your batteries for the coming week?

Once more we will be undertaking work on the Border Track, including more of those wonderful concrete posts and cabling (which, by all accounts, seem to work very well), fencing, trimming, painting and the eternal rubble carting (any trailers brought along would be appreciated). Besides these tasks, there will be much laughter, fun and general four wheel drive/camping/biodiversity task!

Pine Hut Soak will be our base, as it seems a very popular spot and central to where the work is undertaken (plus we can fit everybody in and it has a basic toilet facility!).

There will be one change this year - I will not be in charge as District Ranger, as I will be taking some leave around then, in accordance with a bundle the stork will be leaving me in early February 2010. Fear not, however, as Rangers Rebecca and Kylie (and the person who will be taking my role for 6 months) will be on hand to give advice and assistance. Being the "nosy parker" that I am, do not be surprised if I bring out the "District Ranger in waiting" for a look at what is going on!

We would love to see you there, no matter whether you've attended before or it's your first time out in Ngarkat. You won't be disappointed.

Best wishes for the New Year.
Donna Nussio and the Murray Mallee staff

A co-operative activity with
Government of South Australia
Department for Environment and Heritage

A Word From the Border Track Committee
Other vehicles may be driving down the Border Track. If anyone possesses high visibility vests or clothing, it would be appreciated if you could bring them along and possibly spare them with your fellow workers.

Meet at Pine Hut Soak campsite
35° 25.375' S 140° 52.702' E
UTM zone 54 488957E 6080048N

Communications: UHF Channel 16

Set up camp, if you can, on Friday 16th afternoon / evening.
Otherwise arrive early Saturday 17th, by 9:00 am if possible.

Directions: From Tailem Bend, follow the Mallee Highway, 5km west of Pinnaroo turn right on to Rosy Pine Lane (Ngarkat Park sign at this point, see RAA map 'Upper South East ref.J2'); continue south for approximately 17 km.

The campsite is situated just inside the Park entrance when approached from Pinnaroo. It has one toilet.
Camper trailer - yes; caravan - yes

Bring: strong gloves, handsaw, pruners, crowbar, shovel, post-hole shovel, rake, hand tools, etc.

Trailers: some would be useful.

Important Notice to Clubs and Individuals
Please let me know in advance

- When you plan to arrive?
- No. people and vehicles in party?
- If you are bringing a trailer?

Border Track Committee
(a sub-committee of the NRAU of Four Wheel Drive South Australia)
Contact: Sue (08) 8269 2883 suzy@intermode.on.net

Detail: Donna Nussio District Ranger Murray Mallee Department for Environment and Heritage
Sue Linnel FWDSA Border Track Committee (Mitsubishi Club); Don Ransom Chairman FWDSA NRAU (Toyota Landcruiser Club)
Chris Turner Senior Pastoral Inspector Department of Water, Land & Biodiversity Conservation
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Four Wheel Drive South Australia - Website

The South Australian Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs, generally known as Four Wheel Drive South Australia (FWDSA) has a detailed website at <http://www.saafwdc.asn.au/> that contains up to date information, documents, resources and links that are of interest and usefulness to the 4WD'er.

Four Wheel Drive South Australia

Established by like minded clubs to represent the interests of recreational four wheel drivers in SA

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News Items

Burra - March 26-28 2010
All Roads Lead to Burra for the FWDSA Back to Burra Weekend & AGM
Camping at the Burra Showgrounds. Tag-a-long Tours, Concourse 4WD/recreance competition, FWDSA Dinner (bookings essential), Quiz Night, Raffles, Prizes
2010 AGM Application form in MS Word (Electronic Form - can be completed in Word, suits MS Word 2000 and more recent)
AGM Application form as a PDF (fill out by hand)

Adelaide - February 24-28 2010
SA Caravan and Camping Show with the Outdoor Adventure Show
FWDSA will be there with displays and demonstrations.
Adelaide Showground Wednesday 24 to Sunday 28 February.

Quick Links

Other Sites
National Association Desert Parks Bulletin SA northern coast coasthorns

Latest Official Information Release

Four Wheel Drive Matters - January 2010 (500kb)

Administration
Committee
Contacts for each officer.

Notice to Clubs
It is important to supply to the National Association what activities Clubs are doing whether it be clean ups, fund raising for charities or special groups, assistance with community projects, environmental projects etc. Please advise these to the state association secretary via the email above. This is to counter negative publicity etc.

Documents, Brochures
Go to **Document Downloads** for a summary of the main documents, brochures and access forms available.

Beachport - Dune Buggy Club Bypass

The purpose of this bypass is to eliminate the possibility of 4WD vehicles and sand buggies crossing paths. Sand buggies in their club grounds may travel at speeds in excess of 100kmph.
[Read more info and download a map.](#)

Little Dip

Spring 2009 - Temporary closure of the coastal track in [Little Dip Conservation Park](#) due to beach wash outs and unstable dunes.

Handbook

Four-wheel driving is an ideal way to see and appreciate many of South Australia's parks and reserves. [The Recreational Vehicles and Protected Areas in South Australia handbook](#) has been developed by the Department for Environment and Heritage in conjunction with the South Australian Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs and Tread Lightly! Australia. It aims to guide the management of recreational vehicles in protected areas through legislation and policy, and promote minimal impact practices to recreational vehicle users to provide safe and rewarding experiences within parks and reserves. More at www.environment.sa.gov.au/parks/visitor/feedback.html

Heritage sites

[How we can help in looking after aboriginal sites.](#)

Woomera PA Access

Woomera Prohibited Area access information - pdf flyer available from [Track Info](#) page

Pastoral Access Brochure

A brochure prepared by the [Natural Resources Advisory Unit](#) is available for download from the [Pastoral Lands](#) page.



Recent Trip Reports (Pre-February 2010)

Kersbrook - January 9th 2009

The winch training day on January 9th was cancelled due to the extreme hot weather and has been re-scheduled for the 20th March 2010.

4WD Driver Tips

GU PATROL Rear Lights

Make a protection plate for rear lights as the lights can pop out should the rear of the vehicle ground when exiting an obstacle such as a dry creek bed.

Air Cleaners

Vehicles with air flow sensors do not use oil based air cleaner elements.

Tyre Gauges

Check your tyre gauge against at least 3 other gauges. There can be a big difference in pressures (especially at lower than normal road pressures).

Melrose - "Rock the Mount" Music Festival - 16th - 18th April 2010

More details at <http://www.remarkablefestivals.com.au>.

"Rock the Mount"
Remarkable Festivals

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Tickets
On sale 1 February 2010

Upcoming Trip Details (From February 2010)

Notification of Possible Trips at or beyond July 2010

Dates	Location	Trip Leader	Type	Notes
None at this time.				

SAAFWDC Indicative Training Dates for 2010

The following dates are an indicative list of SAAFWDC training dates for 202010. These training events are arranged by the SAAFWDC Driver Training Unit (DTU) to enable club members to attain a desired level of proficiency in skills and techniques applicable to their 4WD. An application form needs to be completed when undertaking DTU organised training events. Contact the club training officer, Werner Pompeuse, for more details.

SAAFWDC Indicative Training Dates for 2009/2010			
Date	Time	Location	Type of Training
6 th February	9:00am	SAAFWDC Cavan	Basic Theory (1).
20 th February	9:00am	SAAFWDC Cavan	Basic Theory (2).

4WD - Burra AGM Application Link

The SAAFWDC AGM is again to be held at Burra. The date will be March 26-28 2010. The following is the link to the electronic form that can be completed in Word, suits MS Word 2000 and more recent variants.

http://www.saafwdc.asn.au/willdate/2010_AGM_Appln.doc

Complete the form and forward as an email as noted in the document.

The PDF form is also available which can be printed and filled out by hand.

http://www.saafwdc.asn.au/willdate/2010_AGM_Appln.pdf

If you can't access any of these I can arrange a printed copy for you - Ed.



Bendleby Ranges (Orroroo) Friday 9th - 11th April 2010

Location	Bendleby Ranges private property 50 km NE of Orroroo.
Dates	Arrive Friday 9 April, stay 2 nights, depart Sunday 11 April
Trip Leader	Lloyd Kohlhagen 8263 1012 hm 0407 792 678 mb
Trip Starting Point	Orroroo main street 9:30 am or, The Springs Homestead, Bendleby Ranges no later than 12 pm Friday
Trip Route	Make your way from Adelaide to Orroroo, Turn right onto Hawker Rd, then turn right after creek into Johnburg Rd, travel for ~50 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 Challenging climbs and descents, spectacular scenery, Camp in comfort. Rocky hills and tracks, moderate to hard, good clearance and low range required.
Accommodation	The Springs Shearer's Quarters provide comfortable accommodation for 14. 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 large gas BBQ 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). Additional 8 beds available at Crotta Homestead nearby.
Trip Costs	Shearers Quarters & Crotta Homestead: Adults, \$36 per night; School age children, \$18 per night Book your room requirements with the Trip Leader asap Camping at Shearers Quarters: Adults, \$22 per night; School age children, \$7 per night (Pre-school children, no charge)

DRIVING COSTS: \$55 per vehicle for the whole weekend
Checkout website at: www.bendlebyranges.com

Willangi Bush Escapes (Peterborough) Sunday 28th February 2010

Location	Willangi Bush Escapes, private property 15 km north of Peterborough on the Dawson Road.
Dates	Day Trip on Sunday 28 th February 2010
Trip Leader	Darryl McManus 0488 275 300 mb
Trip Starting Point	Peterborough, Main Street 9:30 am, near information centre. This is approximately 3 hours drive north of Adelaide.
Trip Route	Make your way from Adelaide to Peterborough by your preferred route and arrive before 9:30am. The trip group will depart for the property owner's residence at 9:30am to pay fees and collect the gate key. The trip group will drive on a selection of the property tracks with short rest breaks and a lunch break throughout the day. Expected departure time will be around 3:30pm.
Trip Requirements	Challenging climbs and descents and magnificent scenery Rocky hills and tracks, moderate to hard, good clearance and low range required. Basic experience with hill & track driving necessary. You will need to bring all your requirements for the day (food, water, fuel). Bring basic recovery equipment, an air compressor and UHF radio for communications (channel 14 will be used).
Accommodation	N/A.
Trip Costs	DRIVING COSTS: \$43 per vehicle for the day. Checkout website at: http://www.willangibushescapes.com/ .
Comments	Trip will be re-scheduled if the trip leader deems that the weather is too hot or if a total fire ban is declared.



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



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
 February 2010

Club Trip Calendar (From February 2010)

Month	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	Dates	Location	Trip Leader	Contact Ph.	Type (Grade)	Notes
February	1	2	3☺	4	5	6	7						
2010	8	9	10	11	12	13	14						http://www.caravanandcampingsa.com.au
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	/=> 24/02-28/02	Wayville	N/A		Adventure Show	Adelaide Showground.
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	==> 28/02	Peterborough	Darryl McManus		Hills & Tracks (3)	Costs. Details in newsletter.
March	1	2	3☺	4	5	6	7						
2010	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	13/03-14/03	Coorong	TBD		TBD	Clean Up Australia.
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	==> 20/03	Kersbrook	Werner Pompeuse		Training	Costs. Includes Winch Training.
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	??/03	Morgan	TBD		-	Details to be determined in February.
April	29	30	31	1	2	3	4						Easter Long Weekend.
2010	5	6	7☺	8	9	10	11	==> 09/04-11/04	Bendleby Ranges	Lloyd Kohlhagen		Hills & Tracks (3)	Costs. Details in newsletter.
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	==> 16/04/18/04	Ngarkat (Border Track) - FWDSA.			Sand & Tracks (2-4)	Working Bee. Details in 4WD Matters.
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	\=> 16/04/18/04	Melrose	-		Music Festival	http://www.remarkablefestivals.com.au
May	26	27	28	29	30	1	2	\=> 24/04-25/04	Spalding	Werner Pompeuse		Training	Costs. Includes Winch Training.
2010	3	4	5☺	6	7	8	9						
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16						
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23						
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	==> 24/05-??/08	Cape York	Mike Barham		All Types (4)	Long duration tour.
June	31	1	2☺	3	4	5	6						
2010	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	==> 11/05-15/06	Pomona, Qld	-		4WD Gathering	http://www.australian4x4gathering.org.au
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20						
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27						
July	28	29	30	1	2	3	4						
2010	5	6	7☺	8	9	10	11						
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18						
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25						
August	26	27	28	29	30	31	1						
2010	2	3	4☺	5	6	7	8						
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15						