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Modbury Sports & Community Club
2 Hazel Grove, Ridgehaven (next to Waterworld)

Club Contact Details

Club Meetings – Next Meeting Wednesday 5th July 2017

Club meetings are held at 7:30pm the 1st Wednesday of the month (except Jan.) at the Modbury Sports & Community Club, 2 Hazel Grove, Ridgehaven, 5097

Membership enquires to the membership officer, members@4wdadventurers.org.

Committee Positions

President	Greg Chase	
Vice President	Lee Kruzycki	
Secretary	Lloyd Kohlhagen	
Minute Secretary	Sue Jordan	
Treasurer	Kevin Campbell	
Events Officer	Terri Bateup	
Newsletter Editor	Trevor Clark	
Public Officer & Membership Officer	John Henderson	
General Committee Position	Werner Pompeuse	
General Committee Position	Allan Rudd	
General Committee Position	Julie Schubert	

Appointed Positions

4WDSA Delegate	Russel Kruzycki	
Training Co-ordinator	Colin Schubert	
Trainers	Werner Pompeuse	
	Dave Bateup	
	Peter Davis	
Property & Purchasing Officer	Ray Collyer	
Welcoming Officer	Heather Deverson	
Supper Organiser Contact	Michelle Nagel	
Fundraising Officer	Lee Kruzycki	
Library Officer	Allan Dix	
Web Master	John Tichborne	

CLUB BANK ACCOUNT: 4WD Adventurers Club SA

Club Web and Mailing Address

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

Send mail to 4WD Adventurers Club of SA Inc, PO Box 35, Holden Hill, South Australia, 5088. Send general correspondence to "The Secretary" at that address.

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Club Newsletter

Please email newsletter items to the editor (newslettereditor@4wdadventurers.org) by the Wednesday before the next club meeting. The opinions in this magazine by contributors are not necessarily those of the Editor or the 4WD Adventurers Club of SA

Presidents Report



Hi Everyone

Welcome to our new venue. I am quite excited by the move. I know it all happened rather fast, but we managed to find a new venue at around the time our current lease was ending, so we moved quite quickly.

While it will obviously take us a little while to settle in, I am sure that we will work through any teething difficulties. It might take us a few meetings to become comfortable with the PA system, the projection system and the air-conditioning but I am certain it will be worth the effort. I am very glad that we don't have to move a huge stack of chairs any more.

Just a reminder, we can rearrange the furniture to suit our needs, but we do need to put it back at the end of the meeting. Also a member of the Modbury Hawks clubs stays around to lock-up after us. There is no pressure to cut the meeting short, but once we decide to leave, let's not dawdle too much. Keep in mind that we don't have a big setup task, so you can come a bit earlier and socialise before the meeting starts. We are welcome to visit the bar area upstairs.

All the club items have been removed from our old location and the keys have been returned to the council. The Modbury club has said that we can install a lock up cabinet to store some of our items. That has not happened yet, so for now the club library is unavailable. It should be back again by the next meeting.

If you do a certain amount of volunteer work in a 12 month period for the Department of the Environment, Water and Natural Resources they reward you with a pass to most of SA's national parks. For our club this is mainly activity in the Ngarkat national park. This year 7 members requalified, and 9 members qualified for the first time. We have been issued 16 passes, and as passes are

issued to a vehicle, that means significantly more than 16 people volunteered their time. That is a great turn out, thanks to all involved.

Remember our new insurance arrangements demand proper record keeping. This is part of the reason why we ask visitors to fill out a visitor information sheet before they register for a trip, and also why it is important that all occupants of your car are noted on the trip sheet.

So, always enter your Rego and mobile phone number, plus the full name of everyone travelling in the car. New trip sheets are being rolled out, they have a signature box, the trip leaders will ask you to sign off you car at the start of the trip.

Finally, remember that Octoberfest is coming up; it is a lot of fun, so get involved.

Greg Chase
President



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4WD Adventurers Club SA

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PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

The people listed below have completed the necessary requirements towards becoming members of our club and are thus now prospective members. Please contact any committee member if you wish to make a comment

Martin & Kay Bradley

Lianne Cottle & Brenton Jarred

Jay Perkins

Craig Pointon

Steve & Karen Stead

Michaela Watson & Glen Conboy

VALE BOB WELK

We have been advised that 4WD Adventurers Club member Bob Welk passed away peacefully on June 21, 2017, aged 70 years. To those who knew Bob, the description gregarious comes easily to mind, coupled with a bright, open, personality and quite a sense of humour.

Bob joined our club in July 2013. He was an enthusiastic 4 Wheel Driver, which he had taken up as a new challenge after considerable experience in other driving fields.

Bob will be missed from our 4WD community. When he last spoke to us in February this year, he asked that those members who wished to, to "say a prayer for him", perhaps that would be appropriate again.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE CREDIT UNION LOTTERY

Please support our club by purchasing a book of tickets. You may keep the tickets for your self or sell some to friends. Cost per book is \$20.00 and you have a chance to win fabulous prizes and support the club, as all money we raise returns to our club.

I will be at the July meeting and will be asking you all to purchase a book. Please bring \$20.00, as this is one of the last times we have to sell the books.

Many thanks. Julie Schubert

Michael Brinkies saw this article on the Mr 4x4 website, and has suggested we all take note of the dangers of using a snatchstrap –

https://mr4x4.com.au/young-man-dies-4wd-recovery-gone-wrong/?utm_source=ActiveCampaign&utm_medium=email&utm_content=Watc h+An+Overloaded+Roof+Rack+Fall+Off+A+Patrol&utm_campaign=PC+Newsletter +%23178

Apparently someone attached a snatch strap to a bullbar and the shackle let go killing the driver of the lead vehicle.

All members are urged to make sure they are fully aware of, and follow proper snatch strap and recovery procedures. If you are unsure, please speak to one of our trainers for more information.



ASK PAUL askpaul@4wdadventurers.org

LED light bars and additional lighting

Have you seen the specials at the 4wd Supa Centre lately? They have everything you would ever want to head off camping for a month – fridges, roof racks, swags, winches, extra lighting.....

Hey they even have LED light bars for under \$100. No, I'm not selling their products – I'm just amazed that a few years ago it would have been illegal to fit these light bars, but things have changed. ADR 13/00 was amended in South Australia to allow driving lights to be fitted, singly or in pairs,

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up to a maximum of four lights. Notice I said "...in South Australia..."

There are a few extra requirements with this amendment:

- 1) The light/s must be forward facing and not obscure the driver's view
- 2) If fitted singly they must be fitted symmetrically
- 3) They may be fitted to the roof of the vehicle
- 4) They must not reflect in any way so as to cause the driver discomfort
- 5) They must be fitted to come on & off with your high beam
- 6) They must be fitted with an isolator switch

Use the links below to locate the SA fact sheet and the current ADR 13/00:

https://www.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0020/76070/MR1517-LED-Light-Bars-Fact-Sheet-8.15.pdf

ADR 13 - <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2005L03991>

All these changes are well and good except if you travel Interstate. If you fit a LED light bar to your roof and travel Interstate you stand the chance of being defected for not complying with that States road laws. Not all States of Australia have adopted the same changes and the question you're now asking me is "why?"

I can't answer that other than to say that each State and Territory of Australia has their own interpretation of the road laws. The research I did shows that the majority of States

have amended their version of ADR 13 and these can be found if you spend some time researching the internet. The reality is though that almost all States have stated that the LED light bar is to be no higher than the front of the bonnet – and then is not to obscure the road ahead for the driver and is to be fitted to the front of the vehicle.

This wording (as general as I have typed it) basically instructs owners not to fit a light bar to the roof or anywhere that the light bar would obscure a driver's view of the road ahead.

So...the question remains as to "What do we do if we have a SA registered vehicle with a LED light bar on the roof travelling Interstate?" My advice would be to take it off when travelling outside SA. Obviously this is not what you want to hear, but I can't change the Law.

One would assume that what is legal in South Australia for a SA registered motor vehicles would be legal Australia wide, but I remember being told many years ago 'never assume'.



FOR SALE



Flying Doctor radio and mast (Base station)
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See Heather Deverson for full details

For Sale to suit Nissan GU, GQ Patrol and Ford Maverick long wheel base cars the following items:

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2. 2 x lower extended (11mm longer) trailing arms for the rear suspension, part number NPTA11B, brand new still in packaging. \$150 each (\$300 pair). These can retail for \$280 each.
3. 1 x Lightforce light switch to suit Ford Ranger 2011 models and later. Brand new still in package. \$10, retails for \$30.

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BEACHPORT 2018

For all those who have indicated they want a site at the Southern Ocean Caravan Park, at Beachport, Terri has information ready for you. A 2 night deposit (\$72.00) will need to be paid at the July meeting or August meeting at the latest. Terri now has a waiting list for sites, so if you have not confirmed by paying a deposit, you will risk losing your site. Please make sure you speak to Terri at the July meeting, to avoid disappointment.

4WD Adventurers Club – Membership Renewal 2017

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. Club members may, and are encouraged, to pay their annual membership anytime from now to spread out the “paperwork load” on the club treasurer and membership officer.

New membership fees were set at the September 2015 AGM to **\$80** per year for existing members with a **\$20** joining fee for new members.

All the details for membership renewal are contained on the current membership application & renewal form, a soft or hard copy of which can be obtained from the club membership officer (members@4wdadventurers.org).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

4WD Adventurers Club AGM Notification – 2nd August 2017

The annual general meeting (AGM) of the 4WD Adventurers Club of SA Inc. will be held on Wednesday 2nd August 2017 at the Modbury Sports and Community Club, 2 Hazel Grove, Ridgehaven. The AGM will immediately follow a brief general meeting that will commence 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.

The Club Committee – A Brief Overview

The following details broadly outline the roles of the club committee members. It is likely that those persons currently occupying positions indicated in **Bold Italicised and Underlined** text will be stepping down from those roles at the August 2017 AGM. The club committee strongly encourages club members to consider nominating for a committee position, especially the younger and also lady members of the club so that the diversity of club membership is properly reflected in the committee composition.

The management of the Club is vested in the Club Committee which is required to meet at least 6 times per year. In practice it meets 11 times per year (once a month except for December). The Committee shall consist of not less than five persons or more than eleven persons comprising the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Minute Secretary, Treasurer, Event Officer and Public Officer. A brief description of the roles of each of these positions is shown below.

The President is the Chief Officer of the Club and shall direct the activities of the Club in accordance with the Club Constitution.

The Vice President is to deputise for the President, assume all duties for the President in their absence and carry out such other duties as may be authorised by the Committee.

The Secretary shall prepare and issue notice of meetings in accordance with the Constitution and keep charge of all documents, correspondence, minute and record books of the club, including archives.

The Treasurer shall ensure that all moneys received on behalf of the Club are paid into an account authorised by the Committee in the name of the Club and ensure that records are kept of all receipts and payments and other financial transactions. In addition, the treasurer shall prepare the annual budget, present the financial status the Club at each General Meeting and ensure that annual financial statements comprising of either an account of receipts and payments and a statement of assets and liabilities or an account of income and expenditure and a balance sheet, shall be prepared following the end of the Club's financial year.

The Minute Secretary records and make available for review and approval minutes of the Club General Meetings, Annual General Meetings and Committee Meetings.

The Events Officer co-ordinates the planning, promotion, registration and recording of club events in conjunction with event trip leaders.

The Public Officer is a legally required position for a registered association and acts as a point of contact for the Club with persons or entities outside of the Club.

General committee positions will be filled to make a total of 11 people on the committee. The general committee positions are used to introduce Club members to the operation of the Club Committee and to give the broadest cross-section of Club members representation on the Club Committee.

Other Roles

The Club also appoints persons to non-committee roles to assist in the operation of the Club. The roles are open to any members of the club, including those that have just been elected to the committee. The person performing a specific role is not required to attend committee meetings, but may choose to do so.

These positions are shown below. Written nominations for these position will make the AGM run more smoothly.

The Newsletter Editor prepares a monthly newsletter with Club contact details, proposed Club trip details and recent Club trip reports. In addition Club, Association and general 4WD related news is placed in the newsletter.

The Training Co-ordinator co-ordinates Club member training requirements and promotes the acquisition and development of Club members 4WD'ing skills.

The Membership Officer co-ordinates the process of persons joining or re-joining the Club, ensuring that the meet trip and club meeting attendance pre-requisites. They also co-ordinate the annual Club membership renewal process.

4WDSA Delegate

Property Officer/Purchasing Officer

Welcoming Officer (welcome new members and visitors to general meetings)

Supper Organiser(s) *(This position is to manage the roster of volunteers and maintain supplies)*

Fundraising (Raffle)

Library Officer

Web Master A Club website is maintained and updated with club contact details, club meeting announcements, for sale items and recent newsletters.

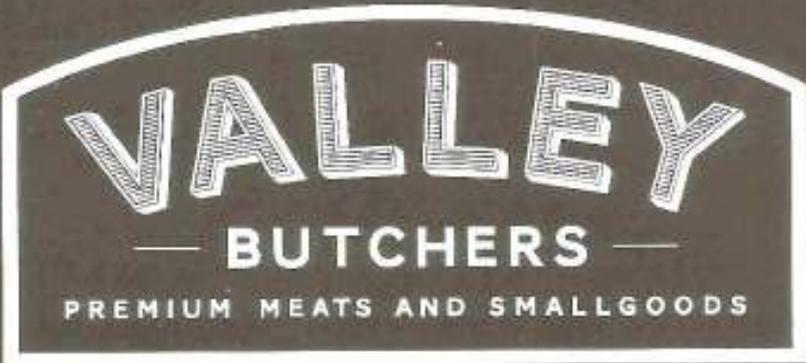
Sergeant-at-arms for organisation at general meetings

Social Events Coordinator

Club Facebook Page Manager

4WD Adventurers	
<u>Committee Position Nomination Form 2016</u>	
	
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SIMPSON DESERT TRIP.

I left at 9.30 am heading for Farina to meet up with Kevin, Jenny, Alan & Shirley stopping at Hawker for a lunch break and to fill up with fuel. As I was driving into Hawker, I heard the Fixers voice over the radio, greeting me but I did not see him or any of the other vehicles that were returning from their trip to the Flinders.

I arrived at Farina at 4.45 pm and found a good camping site for the 3 vehicles, and by the time that I was set up and ready for a meal, Kevin drove up with Alan just behind. They immediately set up their camping site and got the evening meals going as it was now after 6 pm. After the evening meal we all had a walk around the very large and well maintained camping site then settled for the night.

After a good night sleep was had by all, we set off for the desert crossing with many stops ahead before reaching the desert. On arriving at Alberrie Creek we took time out to look around at the different sculptures that had been made and assembled from various parts from vehicles, aircraft, motorbikes, cycles etc and welded together in various forms. Onto Curdimuka Siding (they did hold an annual dance festival here.) moving on to The Bubbler waterhole, the water continually surfacing along with bubbles making the water spurt into the air, quite high at times from the artesian waterway beneath. Then onto Coward Springs where Kevin, Alan and the two women went for a quick swim in the warm thermal water.

Beresford ruins was the next stop, and then William Creek for a look around in the pub and a cold drink. Onward to Edward Creek to check out the windmill. Next point of interest was Peake telegraph repeater station having a good look around the ruins. As the time had passed quickly we pulled into a camping spot at Peake Creek. It rained heavily during the night making for a muddy exit onto the track. We drove to Algebuckina to look at the engineering feat of the massive iron bridge that was built in 1874 with the 600 meter structure spanning the Neales River. We made tracks for Oodnadatta where we filled up our fuel tanks and then headed to Hamilton, where we turned off to Dalhousie for a look around the station and a lunch break. After the break we left for Dalhousie Springs where we all had a swim in the 28 degree warm water, before heading off to Purni Bore arriving at 5 pm, setting up camp and having an evening meal. We had an evening visit from a Dingo, before curling up for the night.

It was slightly overcast as we left at 9 am the next morning and stopped to take photos at the junction of the French Line and the Rig Road. We reached the intersection of the French/WAA/Colson Track and decided to take a break with the temperature in the mid 30's. From here began the irritable invasion of the bush flies every time we stopped. Pressing on again we did not stop until 3 pm on top of one of the sand hills with great views in front of us.

Away once more, stopping early evening, as we had found a good flat camping spot. The slight breeze was a blessing, as it was helping to cool the day down.



It is another warm morning as we break camp at 8.30 am and head towards the Lake Tamblyn. It is not too far before we catch up with 2 vehicles + trailer going in the same direction. We passed them further along the track as the trailer was holding them up, especially on some of the sand dunes. We stopped for a coffee break a few klms before the salt pans when the 2 vehicles went past us. We again caught up with them at Poepples Corner. They have stopped for a lunch break, and we decided to do the same. They told us that they were tour operators from Perth and are now planning tours across the Simpson starting on the 1st of May. They had been doing the Canning Stock Route for a number of years and wanted a change. Quite a challenge as they had about 8 days left to organise everything as well as getting to Birdsville and back to Perth. Pictures were taken, and Kevin wanted to stand on top of the 3 state marker doing the same at Haddon Corner and Cameron Corner markers so these antics were

known as Kevin's Korner Kapers. From here we headed towards Birdsville and as time was getting on we found a good camping area and called it a day.

Another warm and sunny day as we departed from our overnight camping and headed for Birdsville, stopping at Big Red for a play over the sand hill, which had four tracks to choose from as well as the chicken track. Kevin was the most successful traversing them and Alan, Jenny, Shirley and myself were also able to be successful on one. It was pump up tyres and into Birdsville arriving at 4.30 pm filling our tanks at the service station and booking into the caravan park. Then off to the pub for a beer and to relax from driving before going back and having a much needed hot shower. In the evening it was back to the hotel for a relaxing BBQ tea and drink to celebrate a successful crossing.



We are up early next morning, to pack up and have breakfast at the bakery, before setting off for Innamincka via Haddon Corner. We stopped and had a look at the Birke & Wills tree near the race course then drove off heading to Betoota, and then turning to go past Planet Downs station to Haddon Corner. Kevin had his photo taken with his balancing act at the marker and we also had a break before heading to Cordillo Downs station, to have a look at the stone built woolshed. As we leave time has caught up with us again. We are over 100 klms from Innamincka, so we decide to look for a camp area where we can bed down for the night.

Another early breakfast and we were on the track again. On the way Alan decided to have a go in the sand, and eventually got himself stuck, so we have to pull him out which was very easy. We reach Innamincka about 10 am fill up with fuel then drive around and finish parked by Coopers Creek where upon Kevin, Jenny, Alan and Shirley put on their bathers and go in for a swim. We then go to Nappa Merrie and have a look at the Burke and Wills Dig tree, and the

ranger gave us a talk on the expedition and how it tragically finished which was very interesting. After leaving the site we turned back over the bridge and then turned onto the Orientos Road heading 250 klms to Cameron Corner via Orientos and Santos, then turning before Epsilon past Omicron pulling in for the night.

It was overcast and there was a slight shower in the night but we had a good run into Cameron Corner. We went into the roadhouse and had midmorning break then to the corner post for the last of Kevin's Korner Kapers photos. On towards the Strezlecki track past Merty Merty and finally stopping for a 12.30pm lunch break. After we had turned onto the track there was a petrol tanker road train waiting to get the all clear to travel to Moomba, as the track was closed due to the rain from the corner but open through to Lyndhurst. We left the track at Mt. Hopeless and it was on this track that I decided to go through the mud instead of taking the side track and so I became bogged but after a few attempts was able to progress out of the mud much to the relieve of the onlookers who did not want to get their feet muddy. At 5 pm we pulled up near Paralana Creek for the night.

Alan and Shirley were up early and had everything packed away, ready to leave by the time that we had breakfast, as they had to be in Adelaide for the weekend. After we had eaten Kevin, Jenny and myself packed up and went to explore part of the Flinders visiting Chambers Gorge, Nanta Warrina Station. We needed permission from the traditional owners, to enter Nuccalena ruins (a small town built around the mine) where copper was mined from the 1850s for a number of years before the copper ran out of it and the mine closed. We finished the day camping for the night at Nildottie Gap. Kevin went for an early morning walk over the hills, a regular occurrence during the trip. We went on to Artimore ruins and explored the area. Passed through Blinman, Angorichina Gorge and had a tour around Aroona homestead which was built for the owner in 1854. Sir Hans Heysen painted many scenes around the Aroona Valley. We proceeded to Sacred Canyon to see the Aboriginal engravings and the amphitheatre, where initiations took place at the canyons end. From here we went to Rawnsley Park and camped for the night. After breakfast it was time to pack up for the trip to Adelaide, refuelling at Hawker along the way.

Thank you Kevin for a great, and well organised trip, plus excellent weather and great company.

Mike.

Terowie 2nd of June to 4th June 2017, Friday 2nd June

Friday night we arrived at Terowie 4WD Park, as we came in on the dirt road we saw many kangaroos and an owl. There were three other 4WD's already there when we arrived at the camp site. We didn't know at the time but we were at the wrong site. We set up our tent and cooked some dinner and socialised for a while before the cold and fatigue got the better of us. Having been -3°C the night before we knew we were in for a cold night.



Saturday 3rd June

We woke up to everything being covered in ice. We got a small fire started and waited for the rest of the group to arrive. When the first vehicle arrived, we discovered we camped in the wrong place. Eventually the rest of the group arrived and they set up in the correct place, we met the group at their camp site later that morning.

With Ray as our group leader for the beginners group, we set off after Ray's minor car trouble had been rectified. Starting out fairly easy in minor creek beds, the Everest coped ok for a while, eventually we went up to the top of small mountain range for which the view was amazing and I could ring my kids, the drive down I got to experience my car using its hill decent function which worked very well. Eventually we returned to creek beds where the Everest's lack of clearance became evident. Ray wanted to get back to camp to cook his dinner so the group was split into two, Ray, our Everest and Rocco's Ranger went to head back to camp. After getting a little geographically embarrassed for a while and Ray driving up to the top of

another hill and driving down the other side we finally made it back to camp, after everyone else.

We didn't end up joining the rest of the group for dinner as by the time our dinner was ready we were warm and enjoying a few beverages and decided to stay put.



Sunday 4th June

Dale restarted our small fire in the morning, went through the normal breakfast routine before attempting to join the others. Just as we were about to leave I noticed the Everest was making a terrible noise, and steering was a little off, I discovered I had a very flat tyre. Thank you to the guys (Glen, Dale, Jay and Craig) for helping in the tyre being changed and getting the Everest back on the road. Since this left our Everest with no spare we ended up tagging along with others me with Dale and Glen with Martin, thank you to you both the ride. Being a passenger was an interesting experience got to see some different driving techniques and definitely some - what not to do's we had a good experience watching a Mitsubishi Triton Ute getting completely stuck and Ray showing us how important to check where you are planning to drive before driving it. We had a really good day before packing up for the drive home.

Big thank you to Ray for being trip Leader and all the others for whom we may have forgotten.

Written by Michaela and Glen

Trip Report – Morgan Quarry Weekend 24-25 June

I arrived at Cordola, the riverside campsite near Morgan Quarry, at about 8.00pm on Friday evening, picking my way along the gravel road from Blanchetown and dodging 2 wombats along the way. The wildlife also appeared at Cordola in the shape of a grey kangaroo that could not decide which way to go so sat in the middle of the road near the entrance gate. Having paid my money at the gatehouse, I drove down to the riverside campsite to find the usual suspects, 3 caravans and a shelter with the largest double swag I have seen. Pam and her friend Jo, hereto named the chuckle sisters, were the inhabitants. The tribe was gathered around a roaring fire and after putting up the Patriot Camper, I joined them for a chat and drink. The night ended early in anticipation of the drive on Saturday at the Quarry, but not



before the chuckle sisters had a great time getting into the swag and carrying on for a while.

The morning dawned crisp and clear, with a light mist on the mirror smooth river. Mike and Kerry arrived about then and after erecting their camper joined us all on the short drive to the Quarry. There we met Russel and Lee, the trip leaders, and drove down to the “bowl” in the middle of the quarry. The 13 vehicles and their crews, after a quick

briefing, drove some of the entry and exit slopes, avoiding Dave Bateup’s favourite downhill descent test slope. See Dave or Terry for details.

Allen Bing arrived shortly after, and with his rig still attached to his camper, joined Brian Jones as he led half of the group, with Russel and Lee taking the others. After airing down, we set off in Brian’s group to explore the quarry grounds, following one of the creek beds. This led to some challenging rock steps where some of us found a way to scrape our rock sliders and Allen and Brian provided guidance and rock bridge building techniques as we tried each one. MY own vehicle finally refused one slope after the rock slider brackets kept hitting the lip and Kym Kinnear broke a Front Hub.

After some more fun in the creek with several tricky exit runs that have seen plenty of wheel spin digging, we wandered back to the bowl for lunch. The other group was there and we compared notes on the various challenges.

We finally found the Widowmaker Hill and I attempted to conquer it again. First go was not much fun as I hit the soft stuff on the right, and then slid sideways on the way down, causing the only rescue of our session. Allen Bing brought Brian’s winch cable down and attached it to my front anchor point and Brian then held my car until I could get it straight, then Allen uncoupled it and I reversed the rest of the way down. With the encouragement of the group I drove it again, and this time the line was right and I made the top. Colin apparently made it look easy in his monster truck.

The drive down from the top has a number of tracks down but we eventually had to go around the hill to the rest of the park. We went to the Five Ways, 5 climbs parallel to each other and had a go at some of them. Pam and Jo made the climbs look easy as did Mike and Kerry. The creek at the base is a challenge here as it usually hits the rear of the vehicle just before the ascent.

At the end of the day, we drove back to the campsite, airing up before we left. On arrival we found Terri and Julie had already started the fire and the wine so we all settled in for a fine, if chilly, evening around the fire. Cheese and bikkies then a combination of Dave’s Weber and my grill over the fire saw another great meal together and the evening rolled on, comparing drives and telling tales until nearly midnight, when once again, the chuckle sisters and a gentle purring from one of the caravans were the last sounds I heard.



The morning came around soon enough and those that were driving again were soon on their way, leaving myself and some of the ladies to the campsite. I had a leisurely breakfast then packed up and left by about 11.30. The rest of the tribe apparently had a great time in the quarry again and all apparently made it home in a good state.

My thanks to Russell and Lee for leading another great trip and Brian Jones and Allen Bing for the athletic performance assisting my fellow drivers and myself at the various obstacles.

Ian Stanley

TRIP PRE-REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:
PRE-REGISTRATION must occur before
the pre-registration Cut-off date.

All first time Visitors, Past members and un-financial members need to provide details to Membership Officer before pre-registration is accepted.

Applicant to enter:

- 1. Vehicle Registration number,**
- 2. Main driver first name and surname,**
- 3. All passenger's first names and surnames,**
- 4. Main Driver to discuss relevant 4WD experience with trip leader and any potential medical issues for driver and all passengers.**

Participants should always carry Personal medical and emergency contact details in vehicle glove box and discuss potential medical issues with trip leader.

Location	Cromer Shed, Mount Crawford Forest (see attached brochure or website: https://www.forestry.sa.gov.au/Recreation/Accommodation/Cromer-Shed)
Dates	15th & 16th July 2017
Trip Leader(s)	Allan & Kathy Dix
Trip Starting Point	At destination
Trip Route	off Cricks Mill Rd, 7 km west of Mt Pleasant.
Trip Reqs	Limit of 10 vehicles – Access for standard caravans and trailers
Fuel Reqs	N/A
Trip Accommodation	Campsite features a large shelter shed among eucalypt woodland on the south-eastern edge of the forest.
Trip Costs	Minimum Cost of accommodation is 2 nights so we booked Saturday and Sunday night. This cost of 150.00 will be divided evenly between the number of vehicles. Approximate \$20.00 per vehicle usually.
Trip Description	Social camping weekend – camp oven cooking - hiking trails – mountain bike trails - NO 4WDing Relax and get to know your fellow Adventurers. Great place for kids to play. Try your hand at camp oven cooking.
Trip Conditions & Comments	Bring firewood. Arrival time : Noon 15/07/17 - Checkout around 3pm 16/07/17. We are paid up to Monday 10.00am if anyone wishes to stay on Sunday night. Pets ok but must be restrained.
	

Location	Nullarbor & South Western Australia PLEASE RING ALLAN ASAP IF YOU ARE THINKING OF GOING
Dates	26/08/17 - sometime in the last week of October 2017
Trip Leader(s)	Allan & Kathy Dix
Trip Starting Point	Dublin BP , Port Wakefield Road
Trip Route	Crossing the Nullarbor, jotting in and out of the beaches and cliffs, then exploring the South West coast of WA.
Trip Reqs	Flexible timeframes but will be in Perth by 23/09/2017 Room for 2 more vehicles to make a group of 5 in total. Terrain: Bitumen, Gravel, Sand, rocks Full recovery gear required
Fuel Reqs	TBA
Trip Accommodation	Accommodation details : national parks, caravan parks, self sufficient camping . We are taking caravans but plan to drop and bush camp in tents when not possible to take vans. Bring firewood to start with then we will acquire more when needed
Trip Costs	Caravan park fees & camping fees from time to time.
Trip Description	Adelaide – Esperance – Perth and everywhere inbetween. Returning via bitumen until SA then detouring through Port Lincoln, Whyalla to get home
Trip Conditions & Comments	Must be fully self-sufficient with camping as we will be free camping away from vans and trailers sometimes. No pets Trailers & caravans allowed but need tent/swag for some special away trips. limit to the number of vehicles : 5 Trip not appropriate for young children Fitness level : reasonable for free camping trips without vans

KESAB CLEANUP – Saturday 13th August 2016

Location	Main North Rd Pooraka
Dates	Saturday 5 th August 2017
Trip Leader(s)	Ray Collyer
Trip Starting Point	Meet South Terrace Pooraka at 9 am. Westside of roundabout just past Alfred St.
Trip Route	Cleanup Main North Rd - Gepps Cross to Montague Rd. Expected duration of 2 to 3 hours.
Trip Requirements	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4 vehicles with trailers or utes (inform leaders if you can supply a trailer) - good walking shoes, hat, sunblock, handheld UHF radio - drinks -> plenty of water ! - gloves & safety vest (better if you use your own – but if you haven't got any we can supply them.) - litter bags and tongs provided by KESAB </div> </div> 
Fuel Requirements	None
Trip Accommodation	N/A
Trip Costs	None
Trip Description	Roadside cleanup of Main North Rd.
Trip Conditions & Comments	BBQ lunch supplied after the cleanup. Children below the age of 18 years old must be under direct supervision of a Parent, Guardian or Carer.

Ngarkat CP Track Survey - 18th to 20th August 2017

Location	(South-Eastern) Ngarkat Conservation Park (CP)
Dates	Friday 18th to Sunday 20th August 2017
Trip Leader	Darryl McManus
Trip Starting Point	<p>Ngarkat CP Doggers Hut campsite (South-Eastern Ngarkat CP). Doggers Hut campsite turnoff is accessible from the Bordertown-Pinaroo road (Ngarkat Highway B57) via the Mt. Shaugh Track turnoff at (approx.) 35°48'21.0"S 140°47'46.7"E (look for the sign), it is on the eastern side of the road (left hand side when heading south). This is (approx.) 60.5km south of the turn from the Mallee Highway (B12). Follow the Mt. Shaugh Track east for (approx.) 15km to the Border Track, then turn left and head north for (approx.) 4.2km to the Doggers Hut campsite entrance at (approx.) 35°46'11.5"S 140°57'46.4"E. The campsite is immediately adjacent on the western side of the Border Track.</p>  <p>Trip start time is 9:00 am on the Saturday of the trip. You can setup on the Friday afternoon or evening if you like.</p>

Trip Description	Conservation Park track survey in Mallee country, Volunteers will be traversing (collectively) public, fire access and management access tracks in the South-Eastern part of the Ngarkat CP with the aim to collect detailed GPS waypoints/tracks data.
Trip Route	Route will consist of driving assigned tracks in the South-Eastern Section of the Ngarkat CP. Vehicles will be (at least) paired for safety and data redundancy.
Trip Requirements	GPS Navigation & Logging equipment (ie. OziExplorer or HEMA). Full sand recovery gear, UHF radio, air compressor, sand flag. Also bring working gloves, hi-visibility vests, sturdy footwear, clothing suitable to provide sun, wind and rain protection.
Fuel Requirements	Fuel (Petrol & Diesel) available at Taillem Bend and Lameroo, ~600 km return to Adelaide, up to ~200 km sand driving may be required.
Trip Accommodation	There are NO facilities at the Doggers Hut campsite. You must be fully self-sufficient with water, waste, fuel & food.
Trip Costs	None - camping and entrance fees waived for volunteers.
Trip Conditions & Comments	Doggers Hut campsite is accessible to off-road camper trailers. No pets allowed in the Ngarkat CP. Campfires are allowed, please bring a bag or two of firewood. Trip may be postponed if the weather is too wet.

MORGAN QUARRY 26th 27th August

Location	Morgan Quarry (just out of Morgan)
Dates	Saturday 26 th to Sunday 27 th August 2017
Trip Leader	Trev Clark
Trip Starting Point	Morgan quarry entrance at 9:30 Saturday morning. I will be staying at the Morgan caravan park (need to make your own booking), or you may wish to stay at Cordola Campground. You will need to find your own way to the Cordola campground from 4pm on the Friday Maps may be provided at the preceding club meeting (or contact the trip leader). For those wanting a day trip (Saturday) to the Morgan quarry we will be leaving the park at 9 to 9.150am.
Trip Route	Camping and a visit to the Morgan Quarry.
Trip Requirements	Must be fully self-sufficient. No water or toilets on site, unless staying at the caravan park Bring Lunch and morning tea to the Quarry
Fuel Requirements	Minimal but fuel is available at Morgan.
Trip Accommodation	Camping spots are within a few feet from the river's edge, or at the Caravan park
Trip Costs	Cost for camping at Cordola is \$10 per car per night. Caravan Park \$26-unpowered _\$34 powered per night Top Tourist discounts may apply.
Trip Description	Access to the Morgan quarry for 4WDing on the Saturday and then Sunday morning.
Conditions & Comments	Camper trailers and caravans are OK at Cordola camp ground. Dogs are ok if properly controlled (as there is livestock on the property). Morgan Caravan Park is pet friendly

TEROWIE 4WD PARK – 9th – 10th September

Location	Terowie 4WD Park (http://www.terowie4wdpark.com)
Dates	Weekend of 9th to 10 th September 2017
Trip Leader(s)	TBA
Trip Starting Point	9:00am on the Saturday morning of the trip. Meet at the Barrier Highway Service Station at Terowie. This is approximately 2 ½ hrs from Adelaide via Burra.
Trip Route	General track driving with great climbs to fantastic views. Property has over 3500 acres of 4WD tracks of varying difficulty.
Trip Requirements	Self-sufficient camping. Camper trailers ok. No Limit to vehicle numbers. Driving: Sand, rocks, hill climbs grade 3 to 4. No special equipment needed, bring standard recovery gear.
Fuel Requirements	No specific fuel requirements related to the route. Petrol, Diesel and LPG available at the nearby Terowie service station.
Trip Accommodation	Self-sufficient camping if staying overnight. Firewood supplied.
Trip Costs	Cost to access tracks & camping fee – \$20.00/day vehicle & driver + \$5/day additional adult.
Trip Description	Challenging creek bed driving and hill climbs. Alternative routes and tracks are available.
Trip Conditions & Comments	Constraints or comments on the trip. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pets NOT allowed • campfires allowed (pending local restrictions and fire danger status). • camper trailers allowed • appropriate for children (under parental supervision). Trip may be cancelled if the weather is too hot or wet.



Trip Calendar Legend
Bold Italic Club Trip Days
Underline Long Week End
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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
 July 2017

Club Trip Calendar (From July 2017)

	M	T	W	Th	F	S	S						
July	3	4	☺	6	7	8	9						
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	==>	15-16/07	Cromer Shed	Allan Dix		Mt Crawford Forest
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23						
	24	25	26	28	29	30							
	31	1	☺	3	4	5	6	==>	5/08	KESAB Cleanup	Ray Collyer		Main North Rd
			☐					==>	6/08	Beachport committee members meeting			
August	7	8	9	10	11	12	13						
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	==>	18/07-20/07	Ngarkat CP	Darryl McManus		Ngarkat track survey
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	==>	26/08-	Nullarbor/SW WA	Allan Dix		See Allan at meeting for more details
								==>	26/08-27/08	Morgan Quarry	Trev Clark		Rocks creek beds hills (3)
	28	29	30	31	1	2	3						
September	4	5	☺	7	8	9	10	==>	9/09-10/09	Terowie	TBA		Challenging creeks and Hills
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17						
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24						
	25	26	27	28	29	30	1						
October	2	3	☺	5	6	7	8	==>	7/10/2017	Yankalilla	Dave Bateup		Scenery Hills - Tagalong tour Lions club
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15			4x4 & Outdoor show			
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	==>	21/10-22/10	Dorado Downs	TBA		Sand driving
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		29/10/2017	Athelstone	Lloyd Kohlhagen		Black Hill Challenge