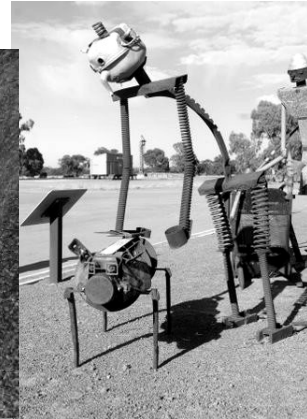


Gawler & Districts

4WD Club Newsletter

March 2010



Gawler and Districts
4WD Club Inc
is a member of the
South Australian Association of
Four Wheel Drive Clubs Inc.



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SUBS DUE TONIGHT FOR 2010

**Members pay \$60.00 annual fee
(+ \$10 joining fee for new members)**

**Please pay Quenton at TONIGHT'S meeting
together with a copy of your Insurance Policy**

Photo Explanation on Cover

Wave Rock at Hyden

Sculpture at Hyden

Gnomesville

Dingos at Nullarbor

Super Pit at Boulder

Kookaburras at Meelup

Gnomesville

Whistling Rock Le Grand Nat Park

Shovel Scoop at Super Pit

Lighthouse at Cape Leeuwin

Old Eucla Jetty

Dog Rock at Albany

Club Welcome

WELCOME

to the Gawler and Districts Four Wheel Drive Club

Previously known as "The Light Four Wheel Drive Club of SA Inc." this active 4WD club has around 28 members since it was formed in 2002. Members voted at the March 2008 meeting to change the club's name and meet at Gawler to give the club a more recognizable name and a more central meeting place with the view of attracting more members.

The club previously met at Freeling once a month. It has become a very social club and has run many a successful day, week-end, long week-end and extended trips. We are a member of the South Australian Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs Inc. which incorporates the Driver Training Unit. The club also has Public Liability Insurance through the Association. Most meetings include a Guest Speaker and a club newsletter is published monthly.

If you are a visitor to tonight's meeting, we welcome you and your family to our club. Please ask as many questions as you want. You can join us on up to 3 club outings before becoming a member, and the club has UHF radios and 4WD recovery gear, which you may loan. Trip Leaders run each outing and will be glad to help you with tips on four wheel driving and how to get the best from your vehicle. If you would like to join us on any trips, please see Dave and fill out your details on the Trip Sheet/s.

The club meets at the Gawler Elderly Centre Hall in Fourteenth Street, Gawler.

Meeting dates are on page 3 of this newsletter.

Our annual membership fees are currently \$60 per vehicle/family, plus \$10 joining fee.

Again, welcome to our club and the enjoyment Four Wheel Driving can bring.



Gawler & Districts 4WD Club Inc.

Box 486

Freeling SA 5372

Club meets second Friday in the month at 7.30 pm
(Except on a long weekend when it is one week earlier)

Enquiries Contact – Lyn or Max Ph: 8524 9002 or
0403 332 432 (Lyn) 0427 807 066 (Max)

EMAIL: enquiry@gawler4wd.com.au

Committee Members

PRESIDENT/PUBLIC OFFICER Max Ph: 8524 9002 or 0427 807 066	VICE PRESIDENT Martin Ph: 8524 2032 or 0409 770 498
TREASURER Quenton Ph: 8523 2507 or 0407 604 601	SECRETARY Norma Ph: 8525 2434 or 0438 120 341
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WELCOMING OFFICERS Bronte / Lyn / Dave / Bronwyn	ASSOCIATION DELEGATE John Ph: 8522 5664 or 0408 824 654

Schedule of Meetings

2010

<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>Mar</i>	<i>Apr</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Jun</i>	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec</i>
General		12	12	9	14	4	9	13	10	8	12	10
Committee		3	3		5			4	1		3	1
			31		26	30			29			

NOTE: DEADLINE TIME - All newsletter articles to the editor by Friday prior to the General Meeting

Club committee meetings commence at 7:30pm on the scheduled Wednesday, on a rotating basis, held at various committee members' homes. All club members welcome. Check with your committee.



Coming Events

Back to Burra Weekend

Friday 26th – Sunday 28th March 2010

- Where:** Burra Showgrounds for the FWDSA
- Type:** There's some *serious fun* to be had. *Serious free fun* tucker, *serious* raffle *fun* prizes, *serious fun* tag-a-long trips, *serious* dinner & quiz *fun* night, *serious fun* good weekend and AGM
- Website:** www.saafwdc.asn.au
Also see flyer and application form for details on page 10 and 11
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Angorichna

Easter weekend - Friday 2nd - Monday 5th April 2010

- Trip Limit:** 10 vehicles
- Activities:** Social trip with camping & 4wding
- Requirements:** Bring recovery gear. Fully self sufficient, high clearance, low range vehicles. Hot showers & flushing toilets.
- Cost:** Camping & track fees apply. \$23 powered & \$20 unpowered, extra person \$7 per night. Mt Samuel track \$50 (reduced price)
- Meeting Place:** Tarlee car park over bridge at 7.00 am. Easter Bunny has a map, so he will be able to find us without any problems.
- Trip Leader:** John & Jane - Phone 8523 0657 or 0409 091 851
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Kapunda Farm Fair

Friday 16th & Saturday 17th April 2010

- Venue:** Kapunda Harness Racing Complex
- Type:** Club Advertising & Fundraiser
- Website:** www.kapundafarmfair.com
- Requirements:** Volunteers needed for both days
- Cost:** Entry \$10 each day. Free for children up to 15 yrs with an adult. Concession & senior card holders \$7 and student card holders \$5. 4WD Volunteers \$12 each for a 2 day pass
- Meeting Place:** Collect tickets from Norma, Freeling for volunteers or at gate for spectators
- Event Leader:** Max – Phone 8524 9002 or 0427807 066
Michele – Phone 8525 2765 or 0419 813 805
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Ngarkat

Friday 16th – Sunday 18th April 2010

- Venue:** Ngarkat Conservation Park
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Type: Interclub Working Bee (see page 10 for details)
Contact Person: Martin Phone 8524 2032 or 0409 770 498

Mystery Drive **Sunday – 16th May 2010**

Trip Limit: Unlimited numbers
Venue: Drive off the Black Top with a lovely lunch spot at the end
Requirements: 4wd preferred unless rained recently, then necessary. Bring morning tea. Lunch can be BYO or bought from our final destination. Chair or blanket to sit and relax over lunch.
Meeting Place: Freeling Agpoint car park at 8.45 am
Remember: Slip on a shirt, Slop on some sunscreen, Slap on a hat, Seek some shade and Wrap on some sunnies
Trip Leader: Michele – Phone 8525 2765 or 0419 813 805

**Outdoor
Recreational
Trip Leading** **Saturday 22nd – Sunday 23rd May 2010**

Trip Limit: Open to Gawler & Districts & Barossa 4wd clubs
Venue: TBA from 9.00 am – 4.00 pm sharp
Requirements: Writing materials, own lunch, casual dress.
Tea, coffee & morning tea supplied
Cost: Low cost, depends on numbers
Trip Leader: Dave & Karen– Phone 8524 3508 or 0411 772 226 or Norm

Fraser Island **Saturday 29th May – 10th June 2010**

Trip Limit: Unlimited
Activities: Camping, 4wding in sandy terrain
Requirements: Fully self sufficient, vehicles to be in A1 condition. Tent, swag or camper trailers only
Cost: \$5.00 per person per night for camping and vehicle pass is \$35.00. Ferry to Fraser Island \$80 per vehicle and passengers. \$45 campers
Meeting Place: TBA
Trip Leader: Martin - Phone 8524 2032 or 0409 770 498

**4WD Parts
Swap Meet** **Sunday 6th June 2010 (gates open 5.00 am)**

Type: Military Vehicle Preservation Society of SA Inc - Inaugural swap meet for 4wd & military vehicle parts. Opportunity to sell 4wd parts & accessories and find something that you need

Place:	National Military Vehicle Museum area, 10 Sturton Road, Edinburgh Parks - south of RAAF base (UBD map 61 A4 in 2009/10 books). Public parking outside secure area and adjacent to the entrance gates.
Activities:	Demonstrations of 4x4 and 6x6 military vehicle operation. 9.00 am visit Military Vehicle Museum. Food & drinks available on site
Cost:	\$5.00 entry, vendors and public
Website:	www.military-vehicle-museum.org.au
Contact Person:	Trevor - Phone 0418 829 320 or 8384 1695 leave a message

Australian 4x4 10th – 15th June 2010
Gathering
Pomona Qld

Requirements:	Fully self sufficient, vehicles to be in A1 condition. Tent, swag or camper trailers only
Cost:	\$130 Registration + \$20 per night for 2 nights camping. Merchandise available t-shirts, beanies, stubby holders etc
Meeting Place:	TBA
Trip Leader:	Martin - Phone 8524 2032 or 0409 770 498 For more details on Australian 4x4 Gathering go to www.australian4x4gathering.org.au

Bri-Glen Park June long weekend – Saturday 12th – Monday 14th June 2010

Cost:	\$15 per day – more details to come
Trip Leader:	Quenton – Phone 8523 2507 or 0407 604 601

Peake 4WD Training - Saturday 26th & 27th June 2010

Trip Limit:	No limit
Type:	Sand driving training
Requirements:	Caravans, Campers, Tents, Swags etc; sand flag, air compressor, shovel, rated recovery points, recovery gear, UHF radio. Be fully self sufficient
Cost:	\$15 per day + fuel costs
Meeting Place:	Rear Shell roadhouse, Tailem Bend on Saturday at 9.00 am sharp
Trip Leader:	Dave & Karen Hall - Phone 8524 3508 or 0411 772 226 Dave

Peake 4WD Training - Saturday 14th & 15th August 2010

Trip Limit:	No limit + invitation for another 4wd club to join us
Type:	Sand driving & recovery training
Requirements:	Caravans, Campers, Tents, Swags etc; sand flag, air compressor, shovel, rated recovery points, recovery gear, UHF radio. Be fully self sufficient

Cost: \$15 per day + fuel costs
Meeting Place: Rear Shell roadhouse, Tailern Bend on Saturday at 9.00 am sharp
Trip Leader: Dave & Karen Hall - Phone 8524 3508 or 0411 772 226 Dave

2010 4WD **October long weekend – Saturday 2nd - Monday 4th October 2010**
WEEKEND IN
WHYALLA

Trip Limit: Open to all financial members of SA 4wd Assoc (Insurance purposes)
Activities: Mt Laura Circuit, Camp-oven Cooking Competition, Get to know your GPS Session, Tagalong tours, Night navigation challenge, Andrew's Canyon.
Website: www.whyalla4wd.org.au for more details

Proposed Trips

- Morgan Club Training
 - Burra Club Training
 - Burra Creek Gorge
 - "Bethany Games" – 4WD themed games – Sunday
 - April 2011 - Grampians
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Guest Speakers



These guest speakers have kindly agreed to talk with us (at the following general meetings):

March	James Reeves from Banksia Tours
April	Steve Johnson from VKS 737 Network
May	Sandra on East Timor
June	TCIS Insurance representative

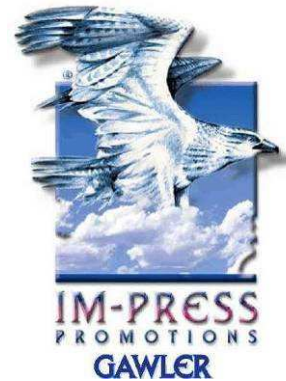
Club Merchandise

Items listed below are to be ordered direct from

IM-PRESS Promotions Gawler

All embroidered with club logo

Polo Shirts – Navy with red or gold piping. Men's S to 5XL. Ladies 8 to 18. Style codes PS17 & PS18	\$31.00
Child Polo Shirts – Sizes 4 to 14. Style code PS24	\$29.00
Polar Fleece Windcheater – Navy with red or gold. Unisex S to 2XL. Child 6 to 14.	\$48.00
Stadium Jacket. Style HZ20	\$92.00
Bucket hat	\$18.00
Caps	\$17.00
Beanies	\$17.00



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Gawler SA 5118

Ph : 8522 2156

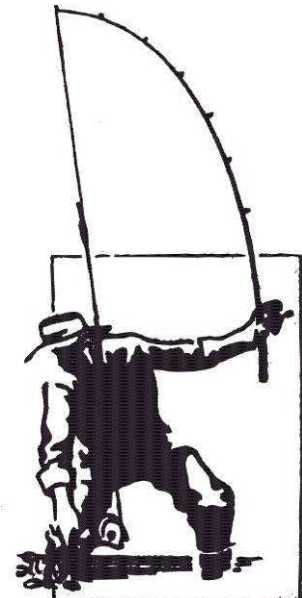
Open Mon – Fri 9.00am - 5.00pm

Proudly donating the trophy for the photo competition.

Club Discount with your club card applies to all items not on special

**Fishing Tackle
*Fridge / freezers
*Guns & ammo
*Binoculars
Knives

**Camping gear
*GPS systems
*Swags
*Marine
Repairs



Gawler Fishing & Outdoors

48 Murray St Gawler SA 5118

Phone 08 8522 6200

fishnout@bigpond.net.au

Last General Meeting

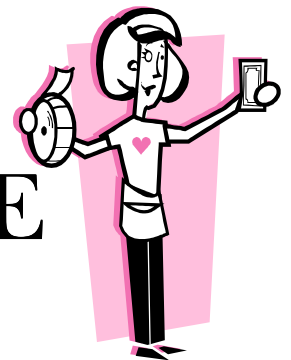
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See separate Minutes for details

Raffle Draw:

1st Peter – Green Ticket Number 66
2nd Angus – Green Ticket Number 48
3rd Max – White Ticket Number 52

Guest Speaker:

No guest speaker tonight – Chris gave a very informative talk about the new club website, currently being a "work-in-progress". He then showed some ideas of how to send photos as attachments to emails and for inclusion into newsletters. Free software downloads for resizing photos and opening PDF files were presented. The summary of the presentation can be found in the download section of our web site www.gawler4wd.com.au [Thanks Chris]



MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE



To be drawn at:

April Meeting

All Donations Welcome

(Prizes should be suitable for ladies please)

(No tea towels or dish washing liquid!!!)



Mothers
Day Raffle
\$1 a ticket

NGARKAT CONSERVATION PARK - INTERCLUB WORKING BEE

16th, 17th, 18th April 2010

A co-operative activity with



Government of South Australia
Department for Environment
and Heritage



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 talk!

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 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 share 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 Taillem 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@internode.on.net

[Thanks to Four Wheel Drive SA, 4WD Matters Jan 2010 for this article]

March 26-28 2010

All roads lead to **Burra** for the FWDSA

Back to Burra Weekend

Free Morning Tea & AGM

Free BBQ Lunch

Continuous Tea & Coffee

Tag-a-long Tours

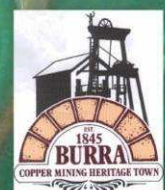
Concourse 4WD'elegance vehicle competition

Camping at the Burra Showgrounds

FWDSA Dinner (bookings essential)

Quiz Night

Raffles, Prizes



See FWDSA Website
www.saafwdc.asn.au
for Application Forms

Range Rover 4WD Tag-A-Longs

Caroona Ck CP



Wilkins Homestead



FWDSA Back to Burra Weekend 26-28th March 2010 - Application Form

(electronic form - click on grey boxes and type in details)

If for personal reasons you cannot make a firm booking please tick this box, complete and forward the application - contact the Treasurer to discuss payment options.



Given Name Family Name

Email (for contact details)

Phone Home Work Mobile

Vehicle Type Reg.No. Club

Activities Saturday March 27th

Concourse 4WD'elegance Longest trip/dirtiest vehicle/biggest hard luck story/
most accessorised vehicle etc - apply at Showgrounds

Indicate numbers

Adult	Child
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

@ \$35.00 @ \$25.00 = Total \$

Morning Tea10.00am Free for All - Burra Town Hall

BBQ12.00am Free for All - BYO Seats & Drinks

Tag-a-long Tours...1.00pm Range Rover Club for details - apply at Showgrounds

Dinner6.00pm - 7.30pm Return your Menu preferences by March 14 2010

		Indicate choices	
		Adult	Child
Bread Rolls with each meal : BYO Drinks & Glasses			
Starter	Spring Rolls and Dipping Sauce.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Crumbed Calamari with Tartare Sauce.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Main Course	Roast Beef with vegetables and gravy.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Chicken Fillet Rolls with vegetables and gravy.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Dessert	Bread and Butter Pudding with cream.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Apricot Danish with cream.....	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Advise special diet requirements (eg diabetic, vegetarian) as soon as possible

Quiz Night.....7.30pm Teams of 8 - BYO Drinks & Nibbles & Glasses
Prizes, Raffles & Presentation
All proceeds to Royal Flying Doctor Service

Showgrounds Camping - FWDSA has arranged for facilities at the Burra Showgrounds

- 17 powered sites - 10 Amp outlets - No guarantee of powered site - Preference to those with a medical need
- Costs: \$12 per night : Register from 4.00pm Friday March 26th : Shower facilities available

Medical need for power	Yes/No	Friday March 26	Saturday March 27	Sunday March 28	Total \$
Indicate nights required		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Application Form and Payment by March 14th 2010 - receipts will be issued upon arrival at the Burra Showgrounds

Make cheque/money order payable to "SAAFWD Inc" or internet transfer to BSB: 805023 Acct.No. 04305267

Mail or Email Application Form & Details to FWDSA Treasurer:

Mr. John Newman 4 Tweed Court Lobethal 5241 SA john.newman@internode.on.net

Phone: 08 8389 6526 Mob: 0438 922 134