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4WD Club Newsletter

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



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WELCOME

to the Gawler & Districts Four Wheel Drive Club

Previously known as "The Light Four Wheel Drive Club of SA Inc." this active 4WD club was founded 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.

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. 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. 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 and enjoy what Four Wheel driving can really bring, please fill out your details on our Trip Sheet/s.

The Club meets every second Friday in the month at 7.30 pm at the Gawler Elderly Centre Hall in Fourteenth Street, Gawler.

The meeting dates are shown on page 3 of this newsletter.

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



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Schedule of Meetings

2011

Meeting	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
General		11	4	8	13	3	8	12	9	14	11	9
Committee		2	30		4	29		3		5	2	
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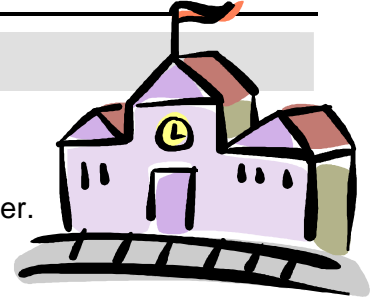
NOTE: DEADLINE TIME - All newsletter articles to the Editor before Committee Meeting date
 Club committee meetings commence at 7:30pm on the scheduled Wednesday, on a rotating basis, held at various committee members' homes. All club members welcome.



Coming Events

Rail Trail **Sunday 22nd May 2011**

- Trip Details:** A day trip visiting different country Railway Stations. Bring Morning Tea and picnic lunch.
- Meeting Place:** Meet 9.00am at Gawler Railway Station, 23rd St, Gawler.
- Trip Leader:** Quenton - Phone 8523 2507 or 0407 604 601



Basic Theory Training Session **Saturday 28th – Sunday 29th May 2011**

- Meeting Place:** Ahrens, north of Gawler together with Barossa 4WD club
- Trip Leader:** Dave & Karen H - Phone 8524 3508 or 0411 772 226 Dave

Willow Springs Station - Skytrek **11th - 13th June long weekend 2011**

Trip Limit: 8 - 10 vehicles

Type:



Full day tour of Skytrek, one of the Flinders Ranges most popular and exhilarating 4WD tracks. Camping in Willow Springs camp ground with drop toilet. Drive to showers & flush toilets (near Homestead).

Requirements: Caravans, Camper trailers, tents or swags. Recovery equipment incl. Jack plate, air compressor, shovel.

Activities: Leave Tarlee on Saturday, morning tea at Orroroo, lunch & re-fuel at Hawker. Stop at Old Wilpena Station, onto Willow Springs & set up camp. At 9.00 am on Sunday 4WDing Skytrek & Skull Rock. Drive home Monday.

Cost: Old Wilpena Station \$4.50 adult, \$3.50 conc, \$2.50 child, \$11 family. Skytrek track \$65 per vehicle. Camping \$20 for first 2 people + \$5 extra person per vehicle per night. (all prices correct as at Jan 2011)

Meeting Place: Leave 8.00 am from Tarlee on Saturday 11th June

Trip Leader: Quenton - Phone 8523 2507 or 0407 604 601

Peake 4WD Training 25th & 26th June 2011

Trip Limit:	No limit
Type:	Sand Driving
Requirements:	Caravans, campers, tents, swags etc; sand flag, air compressor, shovel, rated recover points, recovery gear & UHF radio. Be fully self sufficient. Bring wood please
Cost:	\$20 per day including \$10 non refundable deposit
Meeting Place:	Rear Shell Roadhouse, Taillem Bend on 25 th at 9.00 am sharp
Trip Leader:	Dave & Karen H - Phone 8524 3508 or 0411 772 226 Dave

Binns Track Darwin Saturday, 30th July – Saturday 27th August 2011 (4 weeks)

Trip Details:	Details to follow a meeting after 14/05/11
Trip Leader:	Wayne & Sandra Phone 8523 0407 or 0432 339 213 (Wayne)

Peake 4WD Social Only 13th & 14th August 2011

Trip Limit:	No limit + Wanderers 4WD Club will also be attending
Type:	Sand Driving
Requirements:	Caravans, campers, tents, swags etc; sand flag, air compressor, shovel, rated recover points, recovery gear & UHF radio. Be fully self sufficient. Bring wood please
Cost:	\$20 per day including \$10 non refundable deposit
Meeting Place:	Rear Shell Roadhouse, Taillem Bend on 13 th at 9.00 am sharp

Christmas Show at Pt Hughes 26th & 27th November 2011

Cost:	\$30 per night for site or \$50 for 2 nights which are payable as a deposit (bookings under Gawler & District 4WD club). Cost based on 2 people per site, \$7 extra per adult and \$6 per child per night Ask for Tracey from Pt Hughes Caravan Park, corner Minnie & West Terrace when making your booking. Ph. 8825 2106
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Meeting Place:	Details to follow
Website:	www.yorkepeninsula.net.au (and see Port Hughes Caravan Park)



Information on Other Events

Fundraiser – Sausage Sizzle at Woolworths

Saturday, 30th July 2011

- Activities:** Fundraiser. Sub Committee – volunteers still needed
- Requirements:** Wear 4WD name badges
- Time:** 8.30 am - 4.00 pm
- Contract:** Dave R – Phone 8525 2765 or 0419 992 881 or special sub-committee



28th -31st July 2011

Caravan Camping & Off-Road Sale
Adelaide Showground



www.caravanandcampingsa.com.au/page.asp?parentid=257

Gawler Show 27th & 28th August 2011

Gawler Show

This year's show is the 155th Gawler Show. The Gawler Show is the largest country Show in SA, attracting approx 30,000 people.

It is a great family outing with many FREE displays, exhibitions and entertainment.

Gawler Showgrounds - Nixon Terrace, Gawler

Adults-\$15, Family-\$45 (2 adults & 2 children U16)

Concession-\$13, Children U16-\$8, Children U5-Free

www.gawlershow.org.au



The Gawler and Districts 4WD Club would like thank Johnno's Camper Trailers for kindly donating some CGear Matting to the club for use as prizes. Anyone interested in any camper trailers, camping gear or camping products should contact Johnno's Camper Trailers.

Check out their website www.campertrailer.com.au or contact

Brian or Susan on 08-8562 8370.



1st - 3rd October 2011

Mount Lofty Rangers Incorporated
presents

4WD Octoberfest
Peterborough, SA



Check the Mt.Lofty Rangers website for trip updates,downloadable brochures, registration forms and merchandise - www.mountloftyrangers.com.au

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GAWLER & DISTRICTS 4WD CLUB



Stickers For Sale - Only \$2.00 each

Magnetic Name Badges - \$10 each

See **Quenton** at the General Meeting!

The **Gawler and Districts 4WD Club** would like thank the **Wurth Group** and their representative, Neil Burton for kindly donating a generous selection of **Wurth** products to the club for use as prizes.



Anyone interested in any products from the **Wurth** product range should check out their website: www.wurth.com.au

Contact **Neil Burton** Ph **0400 075 227** to order any of their products.

Proposed Trips

- Callington – Joint Training Trip
- “Bethany Games” – 4WD themed games – Sunday
- Katarapko National Park
- Morgan Club Training
- Burra Club Training
- Burra Creek Gorge



Guest Speakers



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

May	Kai from TCIS Insurance Brokers
June	
July	Graham on History Week
August	
October	

Raffle Roster

We ask if all members could kindly donate an item for a raffle prize each month to approx value of \$15.

These can be given to the Social Committee (Michele or Barbara) any time.

MAY 2011

*Alan H & Barbara M
John & Astrid G
Darryll & Joan G*

JUNE 2011

*John & Jane J
Stephen K
Martin K*

JULY 2011

*Max & Lyn L
Lyn Li
David & Carol M*



The **Gawler and Districts 4WD Club** would like thank **Banksia Adventures** for kindly donating a weekend wine adventure tour for the club to use as raffle prizes.

Anyone interested in any of the tours available from the **Banksia Adventures** should check out their website:

www.banksiaadventures.com.au

or Phone 8285 5033

or email: info@banksia-adventures.com.au.



Notice Board

GENERAL MEETINGS

The small hall will be used by another group for the coming year.
Please use the **Fourteenth Street side entrance**
to get into our area for the meetings.

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Established by like minded clubs to represent the
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Contact: secretary@4wdsa.asn.au

Web: www.4wdsa.asn.au



New Web Site!

THANK YOU

It seems that lots of our people really enjoyed their recent 4WD trip to Mt.Gipps Station at Broken Hill and really wanted to say a big thank you to the owners, John and Kym Cramp for their wonderful support and effort over the Easter long weekend. Highly recommend to all!!



The former residence of Charles Rasp at Mount Gipps Station, 1883

I'm sure the accommodation has been updated since this shot was taken!!
(as was shown on their web site)- See full details in next month's trip reports!!

<http://www.mountgippsstation.com.au>

Here is a new idea from Peter. He suggesting we place details of a 4WD related question in each magazine and then using the wealth of knowledge within the club's members, determine how it SHOULD be done! So be prepared to help with your contribution at the next meeting. We intend to capture the answer (validate with our training officer) and place the result in the next newsletter. If you have some interesting questions please give them to a committee member!

So our section is : **ASK "CLARENTYNE"** (our mascot)

Beach Recovery

What would you do?

Picture the scene: you are driving along the beach between Beachport and Carpenters Rocks and you come across an old Range Rover buried up to the axels in nice soft sand, below the high water mark with, of course, an incoming tide. A quick survey of the situation revealed that the driver and passenger were trying to get themselves out of their predicament. But will they beat the incoming tide?



Not quite the way we found them but you get the picture!

To left of the photo, about 20m away (the length of their winch cable) was a hole about 3 ft deep, 4ft wide, left to right, and about a foot front to back. Next to the hole was a spare wheel and their winch cable was run out to it's "full" extent. Beyond the newly dug hole was about another 20m of gentle slope followed by about 20m up a short sharp sand dune.

Although it was never confirmed, it appears as if the vehicle came down off the dunes did a "donut" and decided the sand was too soft to stop and break out the surf rod - "Too Late!"

There are five people in this photo, the guys in the orange T Shirts (one guy is hiding) are from the stricken vehicle and the others are from our "convoy". (Of course, by "convoy" I mean "vehicles travelling on company"!).

HELP IN THE DISCUSSION at the May Meeting - All answers are welcome!

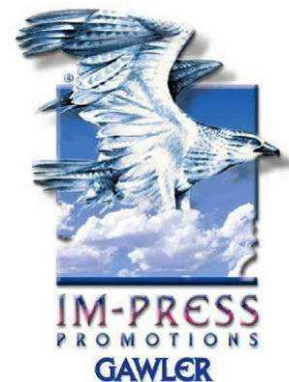
Club Merchandise

Items listed below are to be ordered direct from

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Polo Shirts – Navy with red or gold piping. Men’s S to 5XL. Ladies 8 to 18. Style codes PS17 & PS18	\$31.00
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Stadium Jacket. Style HZ20	\$92.00
Bucket hat	\$18.00
Caps	\$17.00
Beanies	\$17.00



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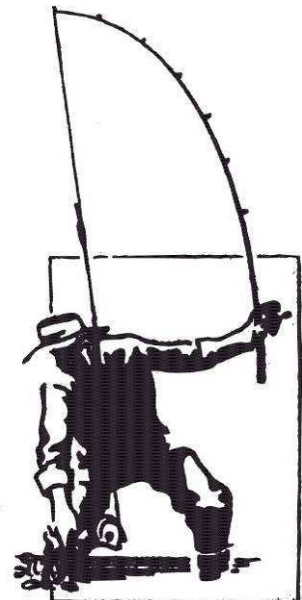
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Last General Meeting

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See the attached Minutes (members only)

Guest Speaker at April Meeting



Our thanks to Penny Kazla, Community Education Officer for the SA Country Fire Service – Government of SA.

Topic: Bush Fire Safety for travellers & Community Education

South Australian
Country Fire Service



Penny told us about lots of the things to do and not do when ever any bush fire warnings are given. This was most helpful and could help save your life or that of your family so it was very informative. Most people underestimate the impact of bush fires. Be aware and stay safe and alive! Penny was happy to chat after her presentation and many people had lot of specific questions she could answer. An excellent presentation!

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Raffle Winners

1st	Yellow W85	Jasmin L
2nd	Yellow W93	John J
3rd	Yellow W94	Lyn Li

