

Gawler & Districts

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# 4WD Club Newsletter

September 2015



Founded in 2002



Gawler and Districts 4WD Club Incorporated  
is an active and supporting member of  
Four Wheel Drive South Australia



Caernarvon Track (Flinders) - April 2014

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# WELCOME

to the Gawler & Districts 4WD 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 Four Wheel Drive South Australia which incorporates the Driver Training Unit. Most meetings include a Guest Speaker and a monthly club newsletter.

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 4WD can really bring, please fill out your details on our Trip Sheets.

**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.*



**Gawler & Districts 4WD Club  
Inc.**

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**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS****2015**

<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>
<b>General</b>		13	13	10	8	12	10	14	11	9	13	11
<b>Committee</b>		4	4	1		3	1	5	2		4	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.

**Last General Meeting****August 2015***See the attached Minutes (members only)*

**GAWLER & DISTRICTS 4WD CLUB**



Stickers For Sale – Only \$2.00 each

New design stickers complete with Web  
address – \$3.00 each

Magnetic Name Badges – \$10 each

See Quenton at the General Meeting



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## NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

### Presidents Report:

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Welcome to the September newsletter.

Our October meeting will be a "Trips planning meeting". So if you have any ideas for day, week-end, long week-end or longer trips, bring along your ideas and have your say. This will also be your chance to suggest any training that you may want to see the club run.

There will be an excellent supper laid on and plenty of time to have a chat amongst members, so will be a great social night.

For our November meeting Chris and Pete have agreed to be our Guest Speakers to discuss and present some slides on their respective trips to Western Australia. I am sure this will prove to be most informative and I for one am looking forward to it, so mark the date in your diaries.

Don't forget the Photo Competition - so keep those fingers clicking. Also if you have any photos of club trips you would like to see on the website, send them through to Chris.

[Quenton]

### Editor's Report:

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Thank you, Deb, for taking over the newsletter since the June edition, your assistance was greatly appreciated. I am trying to come back to earth after our wonderful trip but cannot come to grips with the cold weather. After wearing shorts and T shirts for 8 weeks or so, having to go back into winter clothes is a real downer. The summer can't come soon enough for me.

Welcome and I hope you find some of the articles in this month's newsletter interesting. If you have anything you would like to contribute to the newsletter, please forward them to me at [allambee6@bigpond.com](mailto:allambee6@bigpond.com) and I will endeavour to include them in the next issue.

'Till next time.

[Sandra]

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## **NOTICE TO MEMBERS**

### **SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup> MEETING VENUE CHANGE**

**Immanuel Lutheran Church Hall**  
**Corner of Second and Seventh Street**  
**7.30 pm**  
**(October meeting will be back at Elderly Centre)**



## COMING EVENTS

<b>WILANGI OCTOBERFEST</b>	<b>Friday/Saturday/Sunday/Monday 2/3/4/5 October 2015</b>
<b>Trip Limit:</b>	No Club limit, however, total vehicle numbers are limited to 120 <b><i>We have to register by 3 July our intention to attend.</i></b>
<b>Where</b>	Wilangi Bush Escapes Camp Grounds with bush toilets and bush showers provided. Activities run from Saturday morning until Monday lunchtime
<b>Bring:</b>	Camper trailers/Caravans/Tents – be totally self sufficient.
<b>Cost:</b>	<b><i>\$120 per vehicle for the weekend (if registered and paid prior to 31 July 2015)</i></b> <b><i>\$145 per vehicle for weekend (if registered and paid from 1 August to 23 September 2015)</i></b> <b><i>Sunday morning Big Breakfast brought to you by 4WDSA &amp; MLR with ALL profits donated to The Royal Flying Doctor Service. If you pre-order and pay with your entry, the cost is only \$5 pp, pay on the day and it's \$10 pp.</i></b>
<b>Meet:</b>	<b><i>**To be advised**</i></b>
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Jane & John Jansen 0409 091 851
<b>Fleurieu Peninsula</b>	<b>Saturday 10th October 2015 Fleurieu Peninsula – Lions' Club Fundraiser</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Day Trip from Yankalilla to Cape Jervis on the back tracks-4WD needed 9am to 3.30 pm. Lunch is provided
<b>Where:</b>	Fleurieu Peninsula
<b>Cost:</b>	\$50 dollars per vehicle 2 people plus \$10 extra adults /\$5 extra children
<b>Meet:</b>	Gawler Elderly Centre 6.45 am leave at 7 am, to be at Yankalilla at 9am.
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Deb/Quenton Earl 0407 604 601 or 85 232 507
<b>Woollies BBQ November 2015</b>	<b>Sunday 15 November 2015</b>
<b>Details:</b>	Wayne will be the organiser and is looking for a band of willing workers. Please let Wayne or Quenton know if you are able to help on this day.
<b>Where:</b>	Woollies car park
<b>When:</b>	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> November from 10:00am till around 3:30pm 50% of proceeds to RFDS

**Christmas Show  
November 2015**

**Pt Elliot Holiday park  
Saturday/Sunday 28th/29th November 2015**

**Trip Details:**

Christmas get together at Pt Elliot. Bring a salad to share plus your own drinks, plates, bowls & cutlery. Club to supply meat for BBQ. Those with Children are asked to supply wrapped gift to the value of \$20

**Where:**

Pt Elliot Holiday Park, Pt Elliot Road

**When:**

Saturday 28th November from 4.30pm till lights out.

**PROPOSED TRIPS & OUTINGS**

- **TBA** *Puppy Springs/Dorado Downs  
Contact person Bill Small 8577 2228 (2 properties)  
\*\* Leader required \*\**
- **2015** *Ladies Day weekend for guys and gals with ladies driving easy tracks on one of the days. This will help build 4WD confidence for those ladies who feel they need it.*
- **2016** *Proposed trip to follow in the footsteps of Charles Sturt.*

**INFORMATION ON OTHER EVENTS**



**GAWLER MARKETS** - Hayles Rd, Evanston South \* **Every WEDNESDAY** \*

- Good 4WD second hand items are often available
- Farmers Market
- Fruit and Vegetables

**SUNDAY MARKETS** - \*Every SUNDAY\* - Gawler Railway Station carpark.

**4WD & Adventure Show, 23-25 October 2015**



The next 4WD & Adventure Show will be 23<sup>rd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> October 2015. FWDSA will not be running a stand, but individual clubs are welcome to run their own stand and use some of the



FWDSA promotional equipment.

<http://adelaide.4wdshow.com.au>

## DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN, OR, WHEN WAS GRANDPA BORN?

One evening a grandson was talking to his grandfather about current events. The grandson asked his grandfather what he thought about the shootings at schools, the computer age, and just things in general.

Grandfather considered this question for a few minutes then said:

I was born before: television, penicillin, polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox copiers, contact lenses, fax machines, Frisbees and the pill.

There were no credit cards, laser beams or ball-point pens

Man had not invented pantyhose, air conditioners, dishwashers and clothes dryers. Clothes were hung out to dry in the fresh air and man hadn't yet walked on the moon.

Your Grandmother and I got married first, and then lived together.

Until I was 25, I called every man older than me, 'Sir' and after I turned 25, I still called policemen and every man with a title, 'Sir'.

We were before computer-dating, dual-careers, day-care centres and group therapy.

Our lives were governed by the Ten Commandments, good judgment, and common sense.

We were taught to know the difference between right and wrong and to stand up and take responsibility for our actions.

Serving our country was a privilege; living in this country was a bigger privilege.

We thought fast food was what people ate during Lent.

Having a meaningful relationship meant getting along with our cousins.

Draft dodgers were people who closed their front doors when the evening breeze started.

We had never heard of FM radios, tape decks, CDs, electric typewriters, yogurt, or men wearing earrings.

We listened to the Big Bands, Benny Goodman and Jack Benny, and the Prime Minister's speeches on our radios.

And I don't ever remember any kid blowing his brains out listening to Tommy Dorsey.

If you saw anything with 'Made in Japan' on it, it was junk



The term 'making out' referred to how you did on your school exam.

Pizza Hut, McDonald's, and instant coffee did not exist.

In my day 'grass' was mown, 'coke' was a cold drink, 'pot' was something mother cooked in and 'rock music' was your grandmother's lullaby.

'Aids' were helpers in the Headmaster's office, 'chip' meant a piece of wood, 'hardware' was found in a hardware store and 'software' wasn't even a word.

We were the last generation to actually believe that a lady needed a husband to have a baby. No wonder people call us 'old and confused' and say there is a generation gap.

When do you think I was born?

.... 1950 ....!!!!!!

## SNAKE REMINDER

Our local vet at the **Gawler South Small Animal Hospital** has just sent out a timely reminder to pet owners around Gawler to be watchful for snakes as the weather warms up.

As we know both cats and dogs are quite curious when they see something in the garden and would probably approach a snake as something to "play" with, with dire consequences. Most snake bites will probably be from a brown snake and the effects of its venom are frequently lethal and can be very rapid.

The venom is a potent neuro-toxin and can quickly result in respiratory and cardiac failure. Although cats can take several hours to become affected, **dogs can die within half an hour of being bitten.**



If you suspect or know that your pet has received a snake bite, take it to your local vet as quickly as possible and phone ahead to let them know that you are on your way.

To help avoid a pet and snake confrontation, make sure that the grass around your property is mown and don't leave piles of wood or rubbish lying around as that is where snakes are likely to be found.

**Don't forget to check out our SEPT 2014 NEWSLETTER  
for an in depth article all about our slithery friends:  
AUSTRALIAN SNAKES THAT BITE!!**



## SOCIAL CORNER

*Suggestions for club social outings include:*

- **Film Night**
- **Port Adelaide GraveYard & Maritime Museum**
- **Putt Putt Golf, Tanunda**
- **Walking tour West Terrace cemetery**

*Please pass on any social suggestions or comments to our Social Committee!*

*If you feel at any time that you would like to supply supper for the General meeting, please let Lyn Leske or Sarah Rowe know either during a General meeting or by the Wednesday prior to a General meeting.*

*The Social Club will be quite happy to reimburse you for any reasonable costs incurred.*

*Thank you*

## BIRTHDAY WISHES

Gawler and Districts 4WD Club wishes to extend a Happy Birthday greeting to the following members and family:

◆◆◆ <b>September</b> ◆◆◆
<b>Astrid Gardner</b>
<b>Claire Mitchell</b>



## GAWLER Districts 4WD Web Site

Have you checked out our web site lately? [www.gawler4wd.com.au](http://www.gawler4wd.com.au)

Details of when meetings are to be held, what trips and events are coming up along with useful links to lots of 4WD resources are included. Read about the latest trip report or view our photo library. Of course, you can download one of our newsletters (back to Aug 2009) including our special 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary versions.



Check our FACEBOOK link as well. [www.facebook.com/GawlerandDistricts4WDClub](https://www.facebook.com/GawlerandDistricts4WDClub)



**CHRISTMAS FUNCTION 2015**

# Gawler and Districts 4WD Club Christmas Function 2015

## Port Elliot Holiday Park

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

28th/29th November

Caravan, Camping and  
Cabin Sites available



Powered Sites from \$34 dollars a night 2 people (yellow sites on map) closer to the beach costs more

Those intending to go need to book individually and state you are with Gawler and Districts 4WD club. 10% Discount to club members, or use your Big4 card (not both).

email [info@portelliotholidaypark.com.au](mailto:info@portelliotholidaypark.com.au)

Phone 1800 008 480 (Free Call)



## HAVE YOU HEARD OF THE NACKEROOS??

Some of you may already know but if, like me, you think it has something to do with horses, read on:

In the southern states a secret unit of army personnel were formed called the North Australia Observer Unit (NAOU or, as nicknamed, Nackeroos or Curtin's Cow boys.) They consisted of about 550 people, all volunteers to live in the north, and to "observe and report" on Japanese landings; then wait to operate as commandos behind enemy lines.

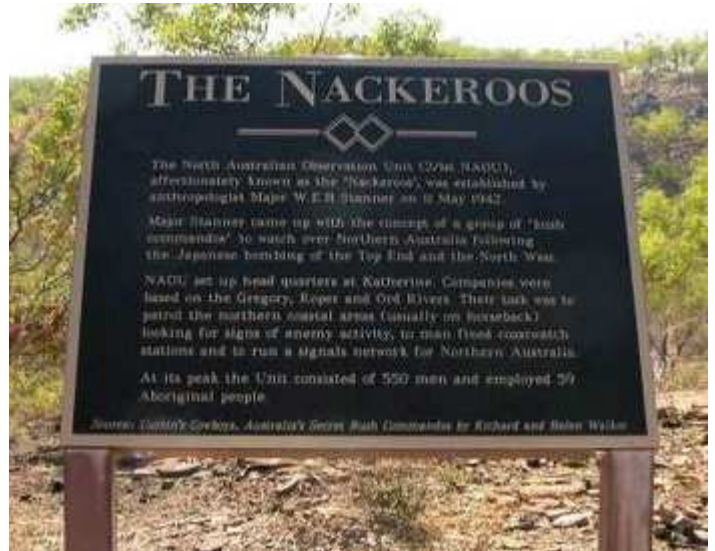
The area of operation was 3.8 million square kms containing 5600 kms of coastline from Onslow in Western

Australia, to Normanton in Queensland and as far south as Alice Springs. The Government expected the invasion to be within a few weeks. They did not expect them to come back alive'. They were given 10 weeks to form, and be operational in the North in the bush. They were to use horses, donkeys, small boats, trucks, bicycles and motor cycles.

They made it. Arms were whatever they could get and it was a sort of BYO. It included shotguns and .22 calibre firearms for living off the land. They managed to survive for three years in country which had only been recently explored; country that was unmapped; and in country that aborigines had only a few years before that fought with the white man.

Yet with a little assistance of local aborigines and a few NT Mounted Troopers (NT Police) acting as guides, they survived for three years. They observed, reported on enemy movements on land, sea or air and they assisted in rescues of airmen shot down by enemy aircraft.

Today NORFORCE have adopted and wear the orange and green double diamond colour patch of the Nackeroos.



## **Poem: Somewhere in Australia**

*(anonymous Nackeroo poem)*

Somewhere in Australia where the sun is like a curse,  
And each day is followed by another slightly worse.  
And the brick red dust blows thicker than the shifting desert sand  
And the men dream and wish for a fair and greener land.

Somewhere in Australia where the mail is always late.  
Where a Christmas card in April is considered up-to-date.  
Where we never have a pay day and we never pay the rent.  
But we never miss the money cause we never get it spent.

Somewhere in Australia where the ants and lizards play.  
And a hundred fresh mosquitoes reinforce the ones you slay.  
So take me back to good old Sydney where I can hear the tramway bell.  
For this God-forsaken place is just a substitute for hell!

## NORTH AUSTRALIA OBSERVATION UNIT

The article below is from Barry Frew and appears in the May edition of the Citation Magazine in 2008.

Between 1939 and 1945 the total strength of the NT Police was 62 men. Fifteen men left to enlist in the Armed Services. Another twelve with aboriginal trackers and aboriginal personnel were seconded for duties with an Army unit known as the North Australia Observation Unit. Members of the unit nick-named themselves the Nackeroos. Others called them "Curtin's Cowboys".

The idea of a "special unit" originated at a meeting of Australian and American Intelligence Officers in early March of 1942. Singapore had fallen. Troops in Timor were retreating and Darwin was being bombed daily.

The Japs were coming and nothing was stopping them. Prime Minister Curtin was calling it the Battle for Australia and was asking Churchill to release Australian troops to defend the mainland of Australia. Military personnel were discussing a retreat to the Southern States to defend Australia as they did not think they could defend the whole northern Australian coastline.

This special surveillance unit was to be volunteer bush men who could be at first coast watchers for enemy landings and, after the invasion, be left behind enemy lines to continue the fight. Their chances of survival were slim.

The person designed to be in command was a young anthropologist who in 1932 studied with aborigine groups in the Northern Territory and was an advisor to the War Cabinet. He was told to raise a unit of about 450 bushmen who could ride and live in the bush.



Some came from disbanded Light Horse Regiments; some were returned servicemen, trained but bored and ready to volunteer for the next challenge.

Dr. Stanner asked the NT Police Force for police officers along with their Police Trackers because of their knowledge of the bush and their experience from living in the isolated Territory.

All groups were in position by September, just in time for the flooding wet season of the north. Their transport was to be horses, donkeys, mules, trucks and eight boats (under 15metres). Their armament was left over rifles, shotguns, small amount of firearms from different countries and whatever you could bring yourself.

They endured isolation, flies, crocodile attacks, mosquitoes, hunger, thirst, sometimes only Morse code to communicate with their headquarters, and the knowledge that they were expendable.

Without the skills of the aborigines, the patrols could not survive. But survive they did until disbandment in 1945.



**RAFFLE ROSTER**

*We ask if all members could kindly donate an item for a raffle prize each month to approx value of \$15. Please check below to see if your name is on the roster. Without these regular contributions the raffle would be unable to go ahead each month. Please don't leave it to that elusive "someone else!!"*

*These can be given to the Social Committee (Lyn Leske or Sarah Rowe) any time.*

***Thank you for all your support***

<i>SEPTEMBER 2015</i>	<i>OCTOBER 2015</i>	<i>NOVEMBER 2015</i>
Darryll & Joan Grace	John & Jane Jansen	Max & Lyn Leske
Peter & Sandra Harper	Stephen Kelly	Lyn Lillecrapp
Wayne & Sandra Heintze	Martin & Corry Kisbee	Ian & Claire Mitchell

**CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

***Christmas is only 3 months away so please think about our Christmas raffle which is held at the December meeting and perhaps add something appropriate to your shopping trolley for the raffle.***

***A list of suitable items can be found on the Social Secretary's table next to the monthly raffle. We ask that you please tick off something that you would like to donate. By doing this, it will help the social secretary to plan the prizes for the raffle and avoid too many duplications of similar items. Thank you.***

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

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

<b>September:</b>	LED Lights
<b>October:</b>	Trip Planning
<b>November:</b>	Chris Sieben & Peter Harper talking "trips"
<b>December:</b>	Annual General Meeting

**\* 2015 \* If you have any more suggestions for speakers, please advise one of the Committee members.**

## SPONSOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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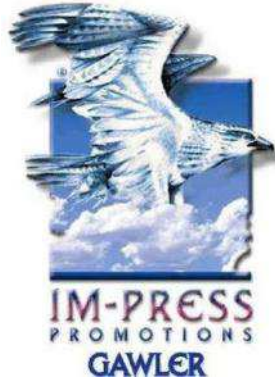
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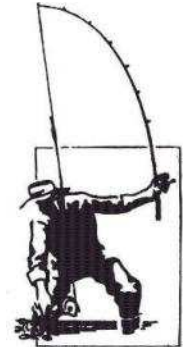
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The **Gawler and Districts 4WD Club** would like thank the **Wurth Group** and their representatives for kindly donating **Wurth** products to the club for use as raffle prizes.

Anyone interested in any products from the **Wurth** product range should check out their website: [www.wurth.com.au](http://www.wurth.com.au)

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



***Got any 4WD related photos you would like to share?***

***THIS INCLUDES TRIP PHOTOS!***

*Please bring them along to one of our meetings either on CD or memory stick and the publisher will prepare them for display upon our website for all to share!*

***(Don't worry about compressing the photos. Most picture formats supported including JPG, BMP, GIF, TIFF etc.)***



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Contact our editor [editor@gawler4wd.com.au](mailto:editor@gawler4wd.com.au) for details  
[Fees apply and payment has to be made prior to printing]



## MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD

***They're back again!!!***



### PHOTO COMPETITION

*The committee has decided that the photo competition will continue to be run by John Jansen and the following rules will apply:*

#### The PHOTO COMPETITION RULES:

- No specific categories apply
- Each member may enter up to four (4) photos
- Photos should be copy (not originals) - Size 15cm x 10cm (6"x4")
- Photos should have been taken on a club trip during the last 12 months
- All photos must be labelled on the back with your name and where the photo was taken
- Entries to be handed to John by close of November General meeting
- Late entries will not be accepted

**So get clicking and  
get those photos in -  
DOUBLE CHANCE OF a PRIZE!!**



### TRIP REPORT COMPETITION

*The committee has decided to continue on with the Trip Report competition this year to reward those who submit a Trip Report throughout the year!*

*It doesn't matter whether the report is long or short, serious or funny, whether you have written one or more, your name will go in the "hat" for each report that is written.*

*Winner will be drawn out of the collection of names at the end of the year either at the Christmas Show BBQ or at the AGM.*

**So the more reports you write  
the better your chances of winning!**

**There will be another  
Amazing Prize  
so please keep-on writing!!!**

## FOR SALE

### **FREE MEMBER'S "FOR SALE" ADVERTISING**



Members can submit requests for a "FOR SALE" ad, free of charge, but there are some guidelines:

- Maximum of 6 lines per ad (similar to a typical local newspaper ad)
- Adverts can only appear for a maximum of 3 consecutive months
- No pictures, text only (you can run a pictures ad for \$10 a month)
- Must supply contact details (either a phone or email)
- Editor reserves rights to reject and/or tailor any submitted adverts.

Please send full details to our editor [editor@gawler4wd.com.au](mailto:editor@gawler4wd.com.au) for inclusion in our next newsletter providing it arrives BEFORE the newsletter deadline! (See page 3)

***Time to clear out the shed and get rid of those unwanted items ...***

**FOR SALE ITEM WANTED  
PLEASE FORWARD DETAILS TO EDITOR OR PUBLISHER**



## DTU TRAINING

As part of the formality of the training provided by the club and managed through 4WDSA, the federal government requires students to have a student identifier. The simple process to follow is at [www.usi.gov.au](http://www.usi.gov.au). Once obtained, please advise your club's training coordinator with the id so their training records can be updated

Peter Harper

**For those that are interested, here is a summary of the 2015 4WDSA Training Calendar. If you would like to attend any of the training sessions:**

**Contact Peter Harper ([peter\\_harper@bigpond.com](mailto:peter_harper@bigpond.com))**

Sun 13 Sep 09:00AM	OH&S, Risk and Emergency response	Cavan HQ	DTU run training for club members. One day theory course run at Cavan. Cost is \$20. Internal course with no
10/11 Oct 31 Oct / 1 Nov	Basic Driving and Recovery theory training course	Cavan & Peake	Theory Training weekend on 10-11 October. Practical Driving Weekend at Peake 31st Oct- 1st November  Practical driving Sand Peake 31st Oct- 1st November.
Sun 18 Oct	Trip planning and leading	Cavan HQ	DTU run training for club members. One day theory course run at Cavan. Cost is 20.00 dollars. Internal course with no assessment. Will get certificate of attendance. One day on Sunday 18th.
Sat 31 Oct	DTU run club training at Peake	Peake	31st Oct - 1st Nov - Sand and general basic training at Peake. Cost is 40.00 dollars. Property access is 30 dollars per day
7 or 8 Nov	Oziexplorer/GPS	Cavan HQ	One day course with choice of either date

### Course costs

The course costs are very good value for what you receive. For the practical driving events you receive one on one training and assessment in your vehicle by a DTU Training person. The DTU reimburses their Training Officers for their fuel costs so this is part of the cost you pay and the other is the property access fee paid to the landowner for Callington and Peake.

To do the Basic Driving and Recovery course and the practical training events you will need to purchase a set of training manuals which consists of a comprehensive reference manual and a training checklist.

Training manuals	\$60
Basic Driving Theory weekend at Cavan	\$20
Practical training weekend at Callington	\$95
Practical training weekend at Morgan	\$40
Practical training weekend at Peake	\$70
Trip Planning and Leading at Cavan	\$20
Oziexplorer / GPS training at Cavan	To be advised

Peter Harper  
Training Officer

## TRIP REPORT

### TEROWIE 4WD PARK, 1 & 2 AUGUST 2015

#### Trip leaders Dave, Michele and Jessica

We ended up with only 4 vehicles on the list which was unfortunate in some ways BUT ended up being a great number really for our first visit to Terowie 4WD Park.

Friday night the rains came and they came down hard. Saturday morning we awoke to it still raining and a very soggy looking outside. The forecast was only 10mm for Terowie BUT we hadn't been there so had no idea what to expect. After many calls to people trying to find out more we headed off anyways to meet the others at Tarlee hoping the weather might clear a bit.

We arrived at Tarlee to see our keen prospective members Neil & Liz, Bob & Pauline waiting for us (Dave, Michele & Jessica). They too had been watching the weather and hoping secretly for us to call saying the trip was going to be too wet before they left home hehe. Jo and Peter made it and we were off at 8:15 heading towards Goyder Line which Dave assured everyone might see a change in the weather.

Terowie 4WD Park was found and we SLOWLY bumped and winded our way into the property and to the camp site which was quite a slow trip in due to 3 of us having caravans. Camp saw Long Drop Toilets in progress of being finished but thankfully they worked hard to get one finished before nightfall so we could use it (PHEW said us ladies lol). Bit of damp paint due to the weather didn't stop us ;).

Camp set up, some food in our bellies for an early lunch and off we went exploring with no idea what we were in for was great. Property was pretty much a find your way around scenario or there was a mud map you could take a photo of so you had a rough idea of the boundaries which was a totally different plan for us but sure made it interesting.



Lots of rocks and tricky driving in the creek beds made for lots of team work with everyone taking it nice and slow and guiding each other. Everyone did really well even Bob and Pete with a Ute didn't even look like bumping their bums.



Up and down the hill sin and out of the creeks up and over or around the rocks we went and around the property finding things as we went. Some bits of the creek we couldn't do but a lot we did that wouldn't normally do which everyone really enjoyed being only 4 vehicles is was slow going.

Late in the day we found the Fish Bowl after doing Hot Water Service Hill and the likes, and a nice soft dirt looking Bowl it looked to be after all the rocks we had been over and we all know boys couldn't resist a play.



We all felt that was enough excitement for one day and that it was time to head back to camp for a fire, happy hour and dinner.



Sunday morning Pete and Jo stayed behind to pack up slowly and head for home to get their vehicle checked over and not risk a tire after the day before's driving had left him with a front tyre not looking the best for another round. The rest of us headed out for some more play time before it was time to pack up and go home.

More winding creeks and rocks and challenges were enjoyed.

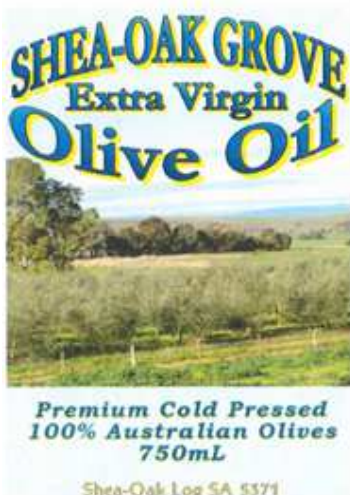
The boys seemed to do more walking than driving this morning as the creeks were a bit more of a challenge so they wanted to check out what was ahead before we got into trouble and couldn't chicken track it out and around.

Up the top of Brendan's Challenge track we had a great view to finish off our driving around adventures.

Thank you to Neil, Liz, Jo, Pete, Bob & Pauline for joining Dave, Myself & Jessica for a cold and wet, in the most part, but a great weekend at a new Property that we will be back to explore more of one day if Dave has his way.



[Michele]



## THANK YOU!

A big "thank you" to Shea-Oak Grove Olives for donating a couple of bottles of their extra virgin olive oil to be used in our raffles.

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