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# 4WD Club Newsletter

August 2017



Founded in 2002



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



Cars pulled - kids slide down!

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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 \$50 per vehicle/family, plus \$10 joining fee.



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<b>WELCOMING OFFICERS</b>	Darryl Grace, Bronwyn Schwarz

**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

	<b>2017</b>						<b>2018</b>					
<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Jul</i>	<i>Aug</i>	<i>Sep</i>	<i>Oct</i>	<i>Nov</i>	<i>Dec</i>	<i>Jan</i>	<i>Feb</i>	<i>Mar</i>	<i>Apr</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Jun</i>
<b>General</b>		11	8	13	10	8		9	2	13	11	1
<b>Committee</b>		2		4	1		31	21		4	23	
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**NOTE: DEADLINE TIME - All newsletter articles to the Editor before Committee Meeting date**

**Labour Day 2 October 2017**

**Dates for 2018**

**Adelaide Cup 12 March: Easter 30 March to 2 April: Queen's Birthday 11 June: Labour Day 1 October**

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

**July 2017**  
*See the attached Minutes (members only)*

## NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

As many of you may know, fellow 4WD Club member and friend Sue Brennand died on the 18th of July. Sue was a much loved member of our club and took part in outings whether it was off to her beloved Flinders Ranges or on one of our Mystery Day trips in her immaculately kept ute and little caravan. It was pleasing and fitting to see many members at Sue's funeral. As a club we donated to the Royal Flying Doctors (a cause close to Sue's heart) in lieu of a floral tribute. I know we all will be thinking of Roger and family at this sad time. We hope Roger will feel welcome at future club activities and meetings

### President's Report:

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**This month's meeting will be held at the premises of Gawler Mechanical at 7 First Street, Gawler South, so please make your way there for a 7.30pm start. Gawler Mechanical are an Ironman 4X4 dealer, so will be an interesting night. Supper will be provided by Amy of Gawler Mechanical.**

We have been invited by Orroroo Kangaroo to visit their shop at Orroroo. As a Committee we decided this could be a week-end trip to take in the sights around Orroroo including the Big Gum tree, Magnetic Hill and Pekina. We have set a date in September and more details are now in this Newsletter. Also see their website [www.orrerookangaroo.com.au](http://www.orrerookangaroo.com.au).

[Quenton]

### Editor's Report:

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Welcome to our August Newsletter with the sad news about Sue Brennand - her fun and sense of humour will be sadly missed at meetings and on trips.

The next Club trip will be to Orroroo in about six week's time so don't forget to add your name and details to the trip sheet if you would like to go. It sounds like it'll be a great weekend. Pete and I will be thinking of you from, I have no doubt, a much colder New Zealand.

Considering how fast the year seems to be disappearing, don't forget to dig out those photos you'd like to submit for the photo competition in November. Entries have to be handed to John Jansen by the close of the November meeting.

Please note that there will be no guest speaker at the September meeting as the trip to Orroroo commences that weekend so the meeting will be kept "short and sweet."

That's it from me for this month.

[Sandra]



## COMING EVENTS

<b>Proposed Trip</b>	<b>9/10 September 2017 Orroroo</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Week-end at Orroroo
<b>Where:</b>	Orroroo
<b>Cost:</b>	Powered site \$25 (2 Adults); Standard Cabin (no ensuite) \$65 (2 Adults); Ensuite Cabin \$110 (2 Adults) <b>+ cost of Pub meal &amp; Cafe visit.</b>
<b>Meet</b>	Tarlee 8.30am (In town with public toilets)
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
<b>More Info</b>	Staying at Orroroo caravan Park. Visiting Magnetic Hill, Tank Hill Look-out, Pekina & district, Large Gum tree etc. Saturday morning tea at Jamestown (Bakery available), Saturday night at Orroroo Pub. Visiting "Orroroo Kangaroo" to buy kangaroo meat & associated products. (see separate article in this copy of the Newsletter) Call Kym at Caravan Park 8868 1444 to book your site.

<b>Argadells Flinders Ranges</b>	<b>2017 October Long Weekend 30 September &amp; 1/2 October 2017</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Camping at Cockroach Valley
<b>Where:</b>	Argadells, Flinders Ranges. Good 4WD tracks and great scenery from the top of Mt Arden.
<b>Cost:</b>	Camping: \$10 per person per night. Caravan: \$30 per night
<b>Meet:</b>	At the property
<b>When:</b>	Come earlier and stay later to miss the holiday traffic!
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Peter Harper 0410 526 317
<b>More Info</b>	Visit their Web site at <a href="http://www.argadells.com.au/argadells.com.au/index.html">http://www.argadells.com.au/argadells.com.au/index.html</a>

<b>October Long Weekend</b>	<b>Octoberfest at Willangi Bush Escapes 29 September to 2 October 2017</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	The upcoming fourth edition of Octoberfest is a fun, non-competitive event designed to bring 4WD clubs from all over South Australia to Peterborough in a similar scenario to the successful Biannual Whyalla Weekend. No catering is provided, it is a self-catering event apart from Monday breakfast.
<b>Where:</b>	Willangi Bush Escapes, Peterborough
<b>Cost:</b>	\$130 per vehicle for weekend (if registered and paid prior to 31st July 2017) \$155 per vehicle for weekend (if registered and paid from 1st August to the event)
<b>Meet:</b>	Tarlee (North side of town, near Gilbert River bridge). Depart at 0845
<b>When:</b>	Friday 29 Sep to Monday 2 Oct 2017
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	John and Jane Jansen
<b>More Info</b>	See <a href="http://mountloftyrangers.com.au/octoberfest/">http://mountloftyrangers.com.au/octoberfest/</a>
<b>Xmas 2017</b>	<b>Last Weekend in November 24/25/26 November 2017</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	The annual Christmas function will be held at Coobowie Caravan Park. Come along and meet the "man in red" – see separate details.
<b>Where:</b>	Coobowie Caravan Park 23 Beach Rd, Coobowie SA 5583
<b>Cost</b>	Powered sites \$27 per night for 2 adults (special price for us)
<b>Meet</b>	At Coobowie
<b>Trip Leader</b>	Social Secretaries, Joann & Julie
<b>More Info</b>	Sites have been pre-booked by Jo in name of Gawler & Districts 4WD Club, confirm booking by calling (08) 8852 8132

**Australia Day****Friday, 26 January 2018**

<b>Trip Details:</b>	Picnic at Bethany, Barossa Valley Meat will be provided by the Club but please bring along a salad and sweet to share. BYO drinks, table & chairs, sunscreen, hat etc. Bocce championship, games and prizes
<b>Where:</b>	Bethany Reserve, 324 Bethany Road, Bethany
<b>Theme:</b>	Australia Day Hat – best hat wins a prize
<b>Cost</b>	Nil if wearing a themed hat
<b>Meet</b>	At Bethany Reserve from 11.00 am
<b>Trip Leader</b>	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601& Jane Jansen 0409 091 851

The trip sheets are on John Jansen's table at the back of the hall. Don't forget to add your name to any trips you would like to go on. The "more the merrier" helps to make the trip a success and to reward the trip leader for the effort he/she puts in to organising and leading the trip. If you find you cannot go, please let the trip leader know as soon as possible. Thank you.



From the archives - anyone remember where this was?



## ***CHRISTMAS PARTY***

***25/26 November 2017***

**Coobowie Caravan Park**

**22 Beach Road**

**Coobowie**

**Yorke Peninsula**

**Bookings: 8852 8132**

**[www.coobowiecaravanpark.com](http://www.coobowiecaravanpark.com)**

**Cost: \$27 powered site**

**10 sites near the camp kitchen area have been booked in the name of Gawler 4WD Club or Joann so please mention the names when booking**

**If you would prefer an unpowered site the cost is \$22**

**Other accommodation details available on the website**

**Meat and dessert will be supplied by the Club**

**Please bring a salad to share**

**BYO chairs, tables, drinks, etc**


**To add to the festivities, please bring along a fun "Secret Santa" gift to the value of \$10 suitable for male or female.**





**GENERAL INFORMATION:**

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

	<p><i>These guest speakers have kindly agreed to talk with us at the following general meetings:</i></p>	
	<p><b>August</b></p>	<p>Visit to Gawler Mechanical so no meeting at the Elderly Centre for this month. BYO chairs for a 7.30 pm start.</p>
	<p><b>October</b></p>	<p>Gawler Veteran, Vintage &amp; Classic Vehicle Club</p>

**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"*

*Donations can be given to the Social Committee (Joann Wuttke or Julie Sieben) any time.*

<i>August 2017</i>	<i>September 2017</i>	<i>October 2017</i>
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**BIRTHDAY WISHES**

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



<b>◆◆ August ◆◆</b>
Lisa Cloughton
Jane Jansen
Peter O'Sullivan
Lisa Wever
Keryn Wilkins

**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:

- (a) Maximum of 6 lines per ad (similar to a typical local newspaper ad)
- (b) Adverts can only appear for a maximum of 3 consecutive months
- (c) Must supply contact details (either a phone or email)
- (d) 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)

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## GAWLER AND 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](http://www.facebook.com/GawlerandDistricts4WDClub)

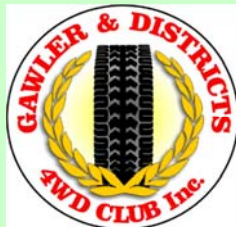


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See Quenton at the General Meeting

## MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD



## PHOTO COMPETITION

*Yes, it's on again. You know the rules but just in case, here they are:*

### The PHOTO COMPETITION RULES:

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

**Entries to be handed to John by close of  
NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING**

**Late entries will not be accepted.**

**So get your photos in !!!**

**DOUBLE CHANCE OF a PRIZE!!**



## TRIP REPORT COMPETITION

*It's on again...*

*The committee has, once again, 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!!!



***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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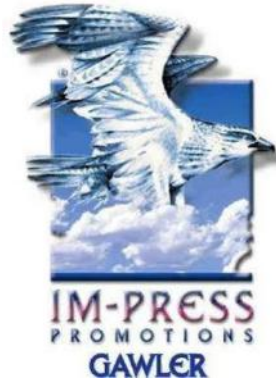
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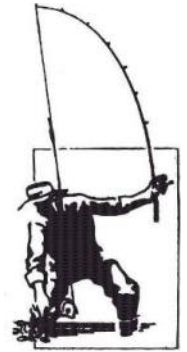
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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### TALKING ROAD SAFETY (thanks to SAPOL)

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#### Extendable Mirrors

Many businesses use their cars for towing trailers and caravans, and like everything to do with vehicles, there are very specific rules about mirrors. Australian Design Rule 14/02 - Rear Vision Mirrors - defines the maximum projection for a side mirror from the side of a vehicle.

Where the lower edge of an exterior mirror is less than 2 metres above the ground when the vehicle is fully loaded, the mirror cannot project more than 250 mm beyond the overall width of the vehicle measured without mirrors. Light vehicles (cars and 4x4's) are generally produced with mirrors that comply with this rule, however, it is not uncommon for drivers who regularly tow wide trailers (caravans/boats) to fit temporary or permanent aftermarket adjustable mirrors.

Once a wider vehicle (trailer) is attached to the towing vehicle, the "combination of vehicles" becomes one vehicle. Therefore, the mirrors on the towing vehicle should not project any wider than 250 mm past the widest part of the "combination."

A problem sometimes occurs when the trailer is no longer being towed and the temporary mirror is not removed or the extendable mirror is not collapsed back down. The mirror will now protrude well past the maximum permissible and so becomes a contravention of the light vehicle standards. Because this can be extremely dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists as well as potentially damage other vehicles, drivers could potentially be fined over \$450 and have their vehicle defected, as well as being directed not to drive until the matter is rectified.

A little care can often save a lot of grief.

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## LAST PAGES

### Don't mess with seniors!!

There's nothing worse than a Doctor's Receptionist who insists you tell her what is wrong with you, in a room full of other patients. I know many of us have experienced this, and I love the way this man handled it.

A 75-year-old man walked into a crowded waiting room and approached the desk. The Receptionist said, 'Yes sir, what are you seeing the Doctor for today?'

'There's something wrong with my dick', he replied.

The receptionist became irritated and said, 'You shouldn't come into a crowded waiting room and say things like that.'

'Why not, you asked me what was wrong and I told you,' he said.

The Receptionist replied; 'Now you have caused some needless embarrassment in this room full of people. You should have said there is something wrong with your ear or something and discussed the problem further with the Doctor in private.'

The man replied, 'You should not ask people questions in a roomful of strangers if the answer could embarrass anyone.' The man then decided to walk out, waited several minutes and then re-entered.

The Receptionist smiled smugly and asked, 'Yes??'

'There's something wrong with my ear,' he stated loudly.

The Receptionist nodded approvingly and smiled, knowing he had taken her advice. 'What is wrong with your ear, Sir?'

'I can't pee out of it,' he replied.

The waiting room erupted in laughter.

### Grey Nomads

FOUR old retired guys are walking down a street in Cooktown.

They turned a corner and see a sign that says, Old Timer's Bar - all drinks 10 cents! They look at each other, and then go in, thinking this is too good to be true.

The old bartender says in a voice that carries across the room, 'Come on in and let me pour one for you! What'll it be, Gentlemen?' There seemed to be a fully-stocked bar, so each of the men asks for a martini. In short order, the bartender serves up four iced Martinis ..... shaken, not stirred, and says, 'That'll be 10 cents each, please.'

The four men stare at the bartender for a moment. Then look at each other.....they can't believe their good luck.

They pay the 40 cents, finish their Martinis, and order another round. Again, four excellent Martinis are produced and the bartender again saying, 'That's 40 cents, please..' They pay

the 40 cents, but their curiosity is more than they can stand.

They have each had two Martinis and so far they've spent less than a dollar.

Finally one of the men says, 'How can you afford to serve Martinis as good as these for a 10 cents each?'

'I'm a retired tailor from Sydney,' the bartender said, 'and I always wanted to own a bar. Last year I hit the Lottery for \$25 million and decided to open this place. Every drink costs ten cents - wine, liquor, beer, it's all the same.'

Wow!!!! That's quite a story,' says one of the men. The four of them sipped at their Martinis and couldn't help but notice seven other people at the end of the bar who didn't have drinks in front of them, and hadn't ordered anything the whole time they were there. One man gestures at the seven at the end of the bar without drinks and asks the bartender, 'What's with them?'

The bartender says, 'Oh, they're all grey nomads from the caravan park, waiting for happy hour when drinks are half price!'

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Where are the fishermen?