

# 4WD Club Newsletter

## August 2019



Founded in 2002



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



Xmas in July, Clare Valley

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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, weekend, long weekend and extended trips. We are a member of the Four Wheel Drive South Australia that 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 \$55 per vehicle/family, plus \$10 joining fee.



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**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

	<b>2019</b>											
<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>		8	1	12	10	14	12	9	13	11	8	13
<b>Committee</b>	30	20		3		5	3		4	2		4
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**NOTE: DEADLINE TIME - All newsletter articles to the Editor before Committee Meeting date**

**Dates for 2019**

October Labour Day 7 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 2018**  
**See the attached Minutes (members only)**

## NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

### Presidents Report:

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This month's meeting will be a social meeting with BYO supper. So please remember to bring a plate of supper to share.

Next month's meeting will be a trip planning meeting, so bring along your ideas of places you would like to travel to. We are after your ideas on day trips, week-ends, long week-ends and longer trips.

Our first "Trip Lotto" trips/events are now being planned, so the best way for you to support this new club initiative is to put your name down on a Trip Sheet and attend as many of the trips/events you can. I'm sure it will be a lot of fun!

If you have the club's copy of Ross Vogt's book or the Bungaree Station book, please remember to return it at this meeting to hand on to another club member. They are worth having a quick read.

Remember the Photo Competition is on again this year, so start clicking those photos and go through your files - great prizes are again on offer.

[Quenton]

### Editors Report:

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Hi everyone and welcome to the August edition of the Newsletter.

As Quenton mentioned above, this week's meeting is a social one as there will not be a guest speaker, so please bring a plate to share.

When I receive the newsletters from Westprint Friday Five I usually read through them as there are some interesting articles in there. One of them recently was about "storing bread" and some of the ideas received are in the Newsletter. This prompted me to ask about other storage ideas which could be shared especially those for long trips. I have found carrots to be particularly difficult - I always thought they'd be easy - and in no time at all I've found they get covered in black spots. Contrary to this, I've found that strawberries last a long time in the fridge!! Thought they'd be one of the first fruits to fail. Anyway, if you have any "tried and true" methods of storing items for any length of time, please send them to me and I'll include them in the Newsletter. Also, if you have a particularly "fail-safe" recipe which you have used time and time and would like to share, please forward it by email and I'll include it in the Newsletter. Thank you.

Hmm, we are getting light on for trips - any ideas?

And that's it from me for another month.

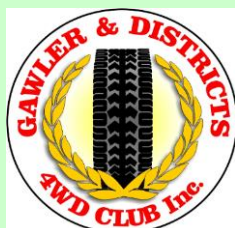
[Sandra]



## COMING EVENTS

<b>Border Track</b>	<b>Date TBA</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Departing from Pine Hut Soak on Saturday morning, we'll take a leisurely drive south down the Border Track and camp at Red Bluff on Saturday evening. We'll return home on Sunday via Keith
<b>Where:</b>	Ngarkat Conservation Park
<b>Cost:</b>	Park Entry \$10, \$8 for concession Camping at Pine Hut Soak \$12
<b>Meet:</b>	We will depart Pine Hut Soak at 9am on Saturday. Best plan is to camp at Pine Hut Soak on Friday evening – makes for a leisurely start on Saturday
<b>When:</b>	We will depart Pine Hut Soak at 9am. On Sunday, we'll leave Red Bluff when we are ready
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Peter Harper
<b>More Info</b>	<p>Pine Hut Soak is about 17km from Pinnaroo. Gawler to Pine Hut Soak is just under 300km and I usually allow 4hrs including breaks.</p> <p>The run from Pine Hut Soak to Red Bluff is about 70km and can be expected to take 4-5 hours</p> <p>We come back via Keith which, back to Gawler will be around 325km</p> <p>We will be camping in a Conservation Reserve so firewood collection is prohibited.</p> <p>During August, we can expect COLD weather so, <b>bring plenty of firewood and warm clothes.</b></p>

## GAWLER & DISTRICTS 4WD CLUB



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See Quenton at the General Meeting

<b>Dice Run</b>	<b>Sunday 15th September, 2019</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Travelling along the Murray river - 3 Ferry crossings. Bring morning tea to share, bring your own picnic lunch, afternoon tea provided at The Roundhouse, Murray Bridge
<b>Where:</b>	Murray River, ending at Murray Bridge
<b>Cost:</b>	\$11.00 per person
<b>Meet:</b>	Nuriootpa Train Park 8.45am for 9.00am leave
<b>When:</b>	Sunday 15th September, 2019
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
<b>More Info</b>	Dice Run - Each driver will get to throw a dice at each stop. The highest total count wins a prize. Cost includes guided tour and Devonshire tea at the Roundhouse

<b>Trip Lotto Adelaide Jail</b>	<b>26th October 2019</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Day trip to Adelaide Jail and Vilis Café
<b>Where:</b>	Adelaide
<b>Cost:</b>	TBA
<b>Meet:</b>	TBA
<b>When:</b>	26 October 2019
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Jo and Pete
<b>More Info</b>	

<b>Trip Lotto South Coast</b>	<b>17th November 2019</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	Details still be finalised, but expect a trip to the south coast encompassing the Goolwa wharf markets and lunch down by the river
<b>Where:</b>	South Coast
<b>Cost:</b>	TBA
<b>Meet:</b>	TBA
<b>When:</b>	17 November 2019
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Tracey and Drew
<b>More Info</b>	

## **Christmas Trip      Weekend 22/23/24 November 2019**

<b>Trip Details:</b>	Please see separate details in the Newsletter.
<b>Where:</b>	Jetty Caravan Park, Normanville.
<b>Cost:</b>	\$38/night (may be subject to change) \$9 pp extra (ditto above)
<b>Meet:</b>	Make your own way there.
<b>When:</b>	From Friday 22 to Sunday 24 November 2019 depending on how many nights you would like to stay
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Joann and Julie (Social Committee)
<b>More Info</b>	<p>Details as per separate item in Newsletter. Please book early to avoid disappointment as other clubs are doing likewise for this weekend. for this weekend..</p> <p>More details on the caravan park's website.</p> <p>Don't forget to add your name to the trip sheet so that Joann &amp; Julie know how many people to cater for – please include any guests, eg grandchildren.</p>

## **Trip Lotto Mintaro and Martindale      Early December**

<b>Trip Details:</b>	Visiting Martindale Hall and the Mintaro Maze
<b>Where:</b>	Clare Valley
<b>Cost:</b>	TBA
<b>Meet:</b>	TBA
<b>When:</b>	Early December
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Pete and Sandra
<b>More Info</b>	



## **CHRISTMAS TRIP 2019**

**22/23/24 November 2019**

**Venue: Jetty Caravan Park at Normanville  
34 Jetty Road  
Normanville 5204  
Phone: 8558 2038**

**Website: [www.jettycaravanparknormanville.com.au](http://www.jettycaravanparknormanville.com.au)**

**Powered site \$38 / night**

**10 sites have been provisionally booked under the Gawler 4WD Club for the Saturday night and a 5% discount will apply . If anyone wants the Friday as well, they will need to mention it when booking.**

**Suggestion is to book as soon as possible as other groups are booking for the same reason for Christmas so book early to avoid disappointment. If you wish to book a cabin, a 5% discount applies as well (basic cabins.)**

**When booking let them know that you are with the Gawler 4WD Club.**

**Please see website for further details**



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## BIRTHDAY WISHES

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



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## 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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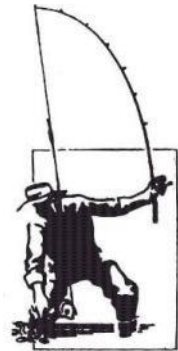
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### GUEST SPEAKERS



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

<b>9 August 2019</b>	<b>Social meeting – BYO supper</b>
<b>13 September 2019</b>	Trip planning – we discuss ideas for future trips
<b>11 October 2019</b>	RAA "Road Rules Quiz MkII" – Speaker Jan

### 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. **To make it fair and equitable to everyone participating in the raffle, please use the \$15 as a guide.**

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

August	September	October
Wayne and Sandra Heintze	Martin and Corry Kisbee	Lyn Lillecrapp
John and Jane Jansen	Max and Lyn Leske	Bob and Cindy Mulyk

## MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD



## PHOTO COMPETITIONS

*This year we have two photo competitions running, the regular open Competition sponsored by Gawler Fishing and Outdoors and a Peoples' Choice sponsored by Annette who joined us at Horseshoe Top End over Easter*

### The PHOTO COMPETITION RULES:

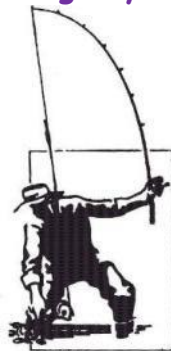
- (a) Each member may enter up to four (4) photos
- (b) Photos should be a copy (not originals) - Size 15cm x 10cm (6"x4")
- (c) Photos must have been taken on a club trip during the last 12 months (Nov 18 - Nov 19)
- (d) All photos must be labelled on the back with your name, where, and when, the photo was taken
- (e) Entries to be handed to John by close of November General meeting
- (f) 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!!!**

The winning photo of the Open Competition will be selected by Gawler Fishing and Outdoors



The Peoples' Choice competition will have 3 categories:

- Landscape,
- People, and
- Animals / Open



## TRIP REPORT COMPETITION

***It's on again....***

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

*It does not 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!!!

## GENERAL INFORMATION

*Thanks to Quenton for the following article.*

### CAR TORQUE

Ford Australia introduced a 4x4 Ute based on the XY Falcon model in 1972. The XY model was introduced in 1970 and because of testing and manufacturing delays of the 4WD version the XY 4WD Ute was not released until 1972.

Due to new ADR rules introduced in 1972, the 4WD XY was fitted with such things as a high back bench seat (the only XY model to have high back headrests) and a collapsible steering column as fitted to the new 1972 XA Falcon model. Leaf springs front and rear and a reinforced cab was needed to suit the outback demands envisaged for this new workhorse.

The engine fitted was a six cylinder petrol 250 cubic inch with a three speed floor mounted shift with two speed transfer case. Due to a tight storage area of the spare tyre, only 6.00 x 16 lug tread skinny cross-ply tyres could be fitted. 432 of these Utes were made in Brisbane with many sold in Queensland and NSW. New price was \$3,680 (compared to \$2,383 for a standard 250 XY Ute.)

As kids we used to visit a outback station near Lightning Ridge and they bought one of these Utes brand new and it was the owners main runabout - it proved very capable on wet and highly rutted roads and station tracks. A member of the Gawler Car Club has restored one of these Utes, so you may see a light grey one around Gawler from time to time.

Ford went on to release the "Outback" Falcon Ute in the 1990's - a high riding 2WD with limited slip diff and in 2003 the "RTV" Falcon Ute with high ground clearance and a locking rear diff, but a 4WD version was never made again.



## HOW TO STORE BREAD:

*Someone put this question to Westprint Friday Five readers and following are some of the responses received. (I haven't tried them myself so cannot verify whether they work or not.) Have you got any other ideas to share? I have a problem storing carrots, they don't seem to last well at all – any ideas????*

- I've stored supermarket loaves for 10 days, airtight in the following container. Brand: Lock and Lock. Volume: 3.4L/115oz/3.6qt, Name: HANACOL Made in China. Takes a full loaf with a little compression but surprisingly bread lasts. Have had 'Tip Top' supermarket bread last 10 days. Les
- In a recipe book written by Ron Moon he says to wrap it in paper and then foil and keep it in a cool place. We have done this on a number of trips and it does keep bread

fresh, we can get up to 7 days depending on temperature. We find Mighty Soft or Tip Top bread lasts the best. Paul

- One of the most important thing is NOT TO TOUCH the bread with the hands, only with a towel or paper. Hands have a lot of yeast cultures on them and by touching the bread these are then transferred to the bread and generate mould. One other thing is to keep it in a towel or paper towel and then in a zip-lock plastic bag / airtight container. The towel will absorb the humidity and keep it fresh. If bread is just stored in plastic bags the humidity generates water droplets along the plastic which will generate mould in those spots. So, wash your hands, then get the bread out of the bag in the towel, only touch the outside of the towel to handle bread, then store it again and seal the bag tight. That will prolong the life of the bread for quite a bit. Also keep the bread in a cool(er), dark location. As I only have a small fridge I keep it in the clothes cabinet, nicely wrapped in some jumpers. This keeps the temperature constant which helps to reduce humidity in the bag. Susi
- BTW: The same applies for cheese - never touch with the bare hands or your "fingerprints" will grow on it!
- I think the attached article below for Keeping Bread Fresh for Travel might have been what Gordon was referring to. Although I have never tested the suggested method, I did go to the trouble of keeping a copy of the article just in case! Roger

### **KEEPING BREAD FOR TRAVEL:**

- Purchase fresh supermarket bread - wholemeal seems to keep better than white bread.
- Extract as much air from the bag as is possible without causing the bag to collapse the bread. This can be easily achieved by placing a small piece of air tubing (say 15 cm long) partially into the bag and then close the bag neck tight with your fingers as you draw out the air. Pull out the tubing and reseal the bag quickly.
- Resealing can be done with the usual bag clip or for a tighter seal you can use a piece of sticky tape applied tightly around the neck where the clip would normally be.
- Totally cover the plastic bag (including the ends) in aluminium foil, seal with tape and then wrap in several sheets of newspaper, again sealing the ends just as you would for a parcel.
- Place in a cool place (eg cupboard or inside of the camper)
- Bread packaged this way is said to keep for 2 weeks - my test packet was fine at 10 days although I noticed that it began to go stale around 2 days after opening. If you are not a big consumer of bread then it might be worth saving your old bread bags and repackaging a loaf into two half loaves?
- Bread does not need to be refrigerated or frozen.

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### **WHAT DO YOU LOOK FOR WHEN YOU TRAVEL?**

*The following is one couple's observations. Maybe you agree with them, maybe you don't. We're always happy to expand on a theme so if you have any observations of your own which aren't listed below, don't be shy, share them with us.*

**Scenery.** Even when it looks like all the same, it's always changing. While driving there's not even time to check the map in case you miss something - different grasses, shrubs, trees, hills, ranges, a fence line, a dead ? , wedgies, 'roos, emus, camels, horses, of course different breeds and condition of cattle and sheep, when was the last time that creek flowed... all can lead to sensory overload. Discussion on seasonal conditions, different brands of windmills, different types of fences, yards.... how can people say any of it is boring? None of it, ever.

**History.** We love wandering around old mining towns. Also cemeteries often have lots of information. So much to ponder. Imagining what it was like to live there 100 years ago - water, housing, travel, climatic conditions. Realising how soft we all are these days.

**The old buildings.** Especially in the WA inland and abandoned mining towns. How they built sometimes lovely structures, all to be left crumbling now.

**Meeting people.** We try and camp somewhere on our own, but if we can't, someone will always wander by and end up with a cup of tea and conversation. We often learn their stories, of where they live, where they're going, what they've seen.....

We always shop in the tiny towns for food, fuel, op shops, visit the info centres, maybe tea at the pub, where we might meet a local for a chat.

'Stop a cocky'. One year in the Rockhampton area we passed paddocks with rows of shrubs. Had no idea, so after a while of guessing, Graham said 'I'll stop a cocky'. We finally found one at a paddock gate, stopped and found it was leucaena, which led to questions, and more research when we came home.

**Looking for a camp spot.** Not often have we had a crook one, or driven further along the road the next morning and found a better one. We live very basically, no frills, no you-beaut gear, and take pride in that. It makes you realise that you don't need 'stuff', both on the road and living at home. And, of course, 'nature's TV' at night. I have a 'relax indicator'. It could take a few days, but when Graham comments about 'what's for tea' I know we've reached it. He couldn't care less at home.

The job of finding books and information both before we leave, while we're away, and then when we get back. We keep a journal, which always has more questions to find answers to when we get home, than what we had before we left on the trip.

Someone told us years ago that it's harder to go away than to stay home. So many things to organise for leaving - bills to be paid, stock sorted and someone to feed and check them, water tanks and pumps sorted, notes for all our neighbours who help.....

And when we drive out the gate we pledge to leave it all behind - except for the phone call from an hour up the road for someone to check that I've turned off the gas and locked the back door!

Last year we had a short trip up the dirt roads from Broken Hill, zig-zagging as far as Thargomindah (lots to see and do there), and back. We found an abandoned town, had a wander, a ponder, and found out later the last person left only 15 years ago! The drought was truly awful. We couldn't help, but now we've promised ourselves to go back again to see the country after rain.

So, I guess we're a mixture of all you Westprint mob, and what you look for when travelling. Graeme and Leanne.

**(Thanks Westprint, you're a mine of interesting information.)**

**FWDSA INFORMATION**

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## TRIP REPORT

### Christmas in July week-end in the Clare Valley, 21/22 July 2019

We left Gawler Saturday after a early lunch to book into our cabin at the Clare Caravan Park. To our delight we were welcomed to a nice warm cabin as the air conditioner was left on for us.

We settled in and soon it was time to gather in Catford Park (next to Caravan park) for a 2.15pm meet. Deb & I led a drive on the newly mapped "Scenic Drive" of the backroads of the Clare Valley. Lyn L said it was the first time driving on dirt with her new car. With recent rains, the hills and valleys were very green and the drive was indeed very scenic. We drove along Spring Gully Road to Blue Gums lookout, then onto Hughes Park Road past the stately homestead of Hughes Park built in 1860 and past Greenwood Park Homestead established in 1847. We were now on Lower Skilly Road and passed the ruins of the Jane and William Catford home (after which our meeting park "Catford Park" was named). Now into Auburn and passed the Taylors Wines vineyards, and to the historic town of Mintaro and onto Quarry Hill Lookout. Next stop was The Olive Bus on Spring Farm Road. Here we enjoyed a hot coffee by the fire. Our host brought us out some chocolate spoons and a tray of delicious cake treats. They certainly looked after us. Then it was time to return to the caravan park and prepare for tonight's meal.

21 of us met at the Sevenhill Hotel for our "Christmas in July" dinner. We bought a drink and stood beside the open fire before entering the dining room. Here the hotel had set up our tables with Christmas bon bons, napkins and table ornaments. We chose from the Winter menu of this award winning hotel. Some of the members that came up Friday, said they heard in Clare this hotel is where the locals eat as the food is that good - so we were hopeful! The food was indeed very good and many enjoyed dessert as well. I hope you all enjoyed your meal as much as Deb and I did.



Sunday we awoke to the sound of Kookaburras and it was quite foggy with misty rain. After checking out of the Caravan Park, we again met in Catford Park at 10.15am. We drove the short distance to Pikes Wines off the Mintaro road. Here we were met by our host Angie and she had set a roaring open fire and offered hot barista coffees together with wine tastings. This was perfect as some members, who did not drink wine, enjoyed their coffees. All were impressed with the new buildings and commented it would be a lovely spot to enjoy a meal at their Slate Restaurant on a return visit.

After buying some wines and beer we said our good-byes and some headed for home and some did some further exploring. Deb & I enjoyed this week-end away and enjoyed a Christmas in wintry conditions, so I hope you did too. Not quite a "white Christmas", but it sure felt cold enough to snow!

[Quenton]

## DTU TRAINING EVENTS

The DTU Training Calendar has been confirmed and repeated below.

Date(s)	Event Name	Venue	Description
Sun 20 October 19th	Trip planning and leading \$10	Sporting CC	
Sat 2 – Sun 3 November	Training - Sand \$45	Peake	Plenty of opportunity to experience soft sand driving. Apart from Mud and Water, we can complete most basic competencies at Peake. There may also be opportunities to complete some advanced sand and recovery

The Sporting Car Club is located at 51 King William Rd, Unley

If you want to get on any of these courses, please let me know.

[Pete 04 1052 6317]

## 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 FAC

EBOOK link as well. [www.facebook.com/GawlerandDistricts4WDClub](https://www.facebook.com/GawlerandDistricts4WDClub)

## TRIP LOTTO

### TRIP LOTTO RULES

1. 3 names to be drawn at the June meeting
2. Nominees to organise a trip/event once a month for September/October/November 2019
3. At the July meeting one more name will be drawn out of the hat and that person can then liaise with the previous nominees to select a month for his/her trip/event.
4. Each month thereafter another name will be drawn out of the hat.
5. If required, a "trip buddy" can be nominated to help
6. Once names have been drawn out of the hat they will no longer be eligible to be drawn again until all names have been utilised. If the Lotto is a success, a new roster will commence.

## TRIP LOTTO DRAW 1

At the June meeting, three names were drawn out of the hat to cover September, October and November. The lucky winners were:

- Pete and Sandra
- Pete and Joann
- Andrew and Tracy

It is now up to these members to organise 3 "events" spread over 3 months.

At the July meeting, Stephen and Lisa were the luck winners

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## POSSIBLE SUGGESTIONS FOR TRIP LOTTO TRIPS

PS Marion trip

Martindale Hall - Mintaro

Maritime Museum

Jets Fighter Museum

Carrick Hill

Greenock Hotel

Barossa Goldfields

Movie night - Gawler Cinema

Warrawong Wildlife Sanctuary

Adelaide Central Market Tour

Adelaide Oval Tour

Loxton Historical Village

Bonfire night

Saunders Gorge 4WD track

Collectable Classics, Strathalbyn

Adelaide Clipper Ship tour

Farina Bakery Run & Talc Alf

Pichi Richi Railway

Steamranger Railway

Flinders Ranges

~~Border Track~~ (sorry, that's gone for now)

A Brush with Art Tour

Ryelands Farm Stay

High Tea in a Shed

Villi's Pie factory

West End Brewery

Cooper's Brewery

Barossa Valley Chocolate Company

Adelaide Gaol

West Terrace Cemetery

Cafe Nova

Just Desserts Cafe

Burra

Barbecue - BYO meat, salads and sweets to share

## FRIDAY FUNNIES

Did you hear about the guy they found dead with his head in his cornflakes? The police thought it was a cereal killer.

A man and woman were married for many years. Whenever there was a confrontation, yelling could be heard deep into the night. The old man would shout, "When I die, I will dig my way up and out of the grave and come back and haunt you for the rest of your life!" Neighbours feared him. The old man liked the fact that he was feared. Then one evening, he died when he was 98. After the burial, her neighbours, concerned for her safety, asked, "Aren't you afraid that he may indeed be able to dig his way out of the grave and haunt you for the rest of your life?"

The wife said, "Let him dig. I had him buried upside down...and I know he won't ask for directions."

What happens to a frog's car when it breaks down? It gets toad away.

What did the bird say after his cage fell apart? A: "Cheap, cheap!"

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed. On your right side is a sharp drop off, and on your left side is an elephant traveling at the same speed as you. Directly in front of you is another galloping horse but your horse is unable to overtake it. Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as you and the horse in front of you. How can you get out of this highly dangerous situation? Get off the merry-go-round!

Signs Seen:

Soup of the day: The tears of our enemies.

"I don't want to get technical or anything, but according to chemistry alcohol is a solution..."

"Bitter divorce sale."

"Please do not tap on glass. It scares the ice-cream"

"Push to open. If that does not work: Pull. If both do not work, try the actual entrance around the corner."

Do you think ants get confused when they accidentally get on buses and end up really far away?

Sometimes I get frustrated because you can't put a number into capitals. 12. Am I shouting? You'll never know.

Thinking is like reading your own mind.

Ice hockey is much better if you imagine that the teams are fighting for the world's last Oreo

I hate Russian dolls. They're so full of themselves.

Husband to wife 'Today is a fine day'. Next day he says: 'Today is a fine day'. Next day, he says same thing. Finally, after a week, the wife can't take it and asks her husband 'Every day you are saying today is a fine day. I am fed up. What's the matter?'

Husband: 'Last week when we had an argument, you said, "I will leave you one fine day." I was just trying to remind you...'