

# Gawler & Districts

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# 4WD Club Newsletter

## July 2020



Founded in 2002



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



These photos were taken in 2002. Wonder what is there now?

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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>2020</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>		14	13	3	8	12	10	14	11	9	13	11
<b>Committee</b>		5	4	29		3	1	5	2		4	2

**MNOTE: DEADLINE TIME** All newsletter articles to the Editor before Committee Meeting date

**Meetings Resume 10 July**  
 Unfortunately, we will not be able to have our normal meetings for 2020

Public Holidays: Queens Birthday 8 June; Labour Day 5 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

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## NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

### Presidents Report:

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Our General meetings are back! This meeting on Friday 10th July will start at the usual time of 7.30pm, however will be different to meetings in the past. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, hand sanitiser will be available to be used as you enter the Elderly Centre, social distancing will need to be maintained and at the time of writing due to Gawler Council directives, no supper will be served. Wayne will be directing you to ensure we keep to our COVID - 19 Plan (to save us getting a \$5,000 fine!).

Trip Lotto will be drawn at this meeting for a member to arrange a future event.

"Christmas in July" is going ahead, so please ensure you have your name on the Trip Sheet at this July meeting so I can give final numbers to Annie at the Riverton Hotel.

RAA "Strip Maps" are back. They have 6 Strip Maps available to download. It is a bit tricky to find on their website, but if you would like them, send me an email at [qld@bigpond.com](mailto:qld@bigpond.com).

[Quenton]

### Editor's Report:

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

By finally being able to hold a meeting of sorts, it looks as if we may be getting back to some kind of normality as long as what's happening in Victoria doesn't happen here or we'll all be in "lockdown" again. I think the social distancing is becoming a way of life now and it'll be a strange day when we are allowed to mingle, hug and kiss people as in the past! On the whole I think the people of SA have done a wonderful job in keeping COVID-19 at bay - may it long continue.

As Quenton has mentioned above, the "Christmas in July" is going ahead so please don't forget to add your names to the trip sheet as it's only a couple of weeks away. All details in "Coming Events."

As you will see, Quenton has introduced a new article idea for the Newsletter - "My First Car." Now we've all owned one of these in our lifetime or we wouldn't be part of this Club, so please give some thought to writing about your first car and submitting it for publication with or without photos. We'll look forward to being inundated with articles!!!

I've included another "Blast from the Past" which includes a riddle; has anyone attempted to solve it?

Thanks to Pete for holding the fort for me in the last newsletter. We have now moved into our new house and the day after we did, I experienced the worst back pain I've ever experienced in my life. It's now into its fifth week so I'm hoping that before too long it'll disappear altogether.

[Sandra]



## COMING EVENTS

### Xmas in July

**25th and 26th July, 2020**

**Trip Details:** Staying in the Riverton Caravan Park for the w/end (or coming just for Sat night). Christmas 2 course meal at the Riverton Hotel Saturday night.

**Where:** Riverton

**Cost:** \$35/head, drinks extra at Riverton Hotel. Your cost at Caravan Park.

**Meet:** Riverton Hotel 6.30pm Saturday night

**When:** Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th July, 2020

**Trip Leader:** Quenton Earl 0407 604 601

**More Info** Accommodation available at Riverton Caravan Park - 6 cabins and powered sites, see [www.rivertoncaravanpark.com.au](http://www.rivertoncaravanpark.com.au) for further details.

3 Double rooms with shared bathroom available at Hotel and accommodation also available at the Tarlee Motel.

Visit the Scholz Park Museum on Sunday at 11.00 am including working Blacksmith.

Come for the night or stay the weekend – Book cabins early to avoid missing out.

**YES, This is still going ahead. We need final numbers by July 10th (our next meeting).**

<b>Coming Events</b>	
<b>St Kilda Tramway Museum</b>	<b>Date and details to be advised – watch this space!</b>
<b>Trip Details:</b>	St Kilda Tramway Museum & Adventure Playground
<b>Where:</b>	St Kilda
<b>Cost:</b>	TBA
<b>Meet:</b>	St Kilda Tram Museum
<b>When:</b>	TBA
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Roger Brennand, 0422 409 253
<b>Further Info:</b>	Museum is open on Sunday afternoons from 12 noon to 5:00 PM. <i>Currently the trams are not running due to renovations to the tram lines to St Kilda beach.</i> <i>Trip details will be updated once confirmation that trams are running again.</i>

**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)

**BIRTHDAY WISHES**

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

◆◆ July ◆◆
Roger
Lyn Li





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## MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD



### PHOTO COMPETITIONS

*This year we only have ONE photo competition running, the regular Open Competition sponsored by Gawler Fishing and Outdoors.*

The PHOTO COMPETITION RULES:

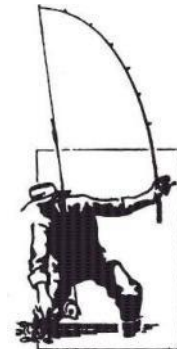
- (a) Each member may enter up to four (4) photos
- (b) Photos should be a copy (not originals) - Size 15cm x 10cm (6"x4")
- (c) Photos must have been taken on a club trip during the last 12 months (Nov 19 - Nov 20)
- (d) All photos must be labelled on the back with your name, where, and when, the photo 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.

*It's going to be difficult, I know, but when we are up and running again, I hope you will all support the competition and do your best to get some good shots even though the time to do so will be shortened!!!*

The winning photo of the Open Competition will be selected by our friends at Gawler Fishing and Outdoors - Please remember to support them during the year.







## TRIP REPORT COMPETITION

***Yes, 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 and we already have our first for the year.*

*The lucky 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! Even if we don't produce too many more trip reports between now and the end of the year, we do have some contenders for the prize so thank you to those people and. hey there's always next year!*

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

### 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.**

Brenton and Keryn	Roger	Quenton and Deb
Jo and Pete	Stephen and Lisa	Pete and Sandra

## 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)

***NOW THAT A LOT OF US HAVE BEEN STAYING AT HOME AND MAYBE CLEARING STUFF OUT, IF YOU HAVE ANYTHING YOU'D LIKE TO ADVERTISE FOR SALE, PLEASE LET US KNOW. THANK YOU.***

## Giveaway

Small Samsung Bar fridge. Good working order.

Phone Quenton 0407 604 601



## BLAST FROM THE PAST

*This part of a trip report featured in the December 2004 edition of the newsletter.*

### **Cobdogla Christmas Party**

What a day for travelling in the heat up the river. We, of course, had to work Saturday but managed to sneak away about two. The drive up was uneventful, so much so that I fell asleep and passed through Waikerie without even knowing. When we arrived at the caravan park, the first thing we saw was our group close by with the club sign out the front. It was pretty quiet as everyone was trying to keep under the shade of the trees, those that weren't over in the pool of course.

After arriving and at the mention of air conditioning, Darren and I decided to upgrade from the swag and took a cabin. The air conditioner got turned off in the middle of the night as it got cold. Over by the campers as the evening came to a close the BBQ was well received by all and photos were taken later as all the women were around the dish bowl doing the dishes. Thanks to Norma who couldn't help herself and had to keep busy all the time, she even kicked Keryn off doing the dishes.

Thanks to everyone for an enjoyable weekend. (Signed Wendy)

### **Einstein's Riddle: (it is alleged that 98% of the world can't solve it)**

(Just remember there was less political correctness in 2004.)

There are five houses in 5 different colours and in each lives a person of different nationality. The 5 owners drink a different beverage, smoke a different cigar and keep a different pet.

Facts:

The Brit lives in a red house.      The Swede has a dog.      The Dane drinks tea.

The green house is on the left of the white one. The green house owner drinks coffee.

The Pall Mall smoker keeps birds.      The yellow house owner smokes Dunhill.

The centre house owner drinks milk.      The Norwegian lives in the first house.

The man who smokes Blends lives next to the one who has a cat.

The man who has a horse lives next to the Dunhill smoker.

The beer drinker smokes Bluemasters.      The Prince smoker is a German.

The Norwegian lives next to the blue house.

The water drinker lives next to the Blends smoker

**WHO OWNS THE FISH?**

## Xmas 'Facts'

Call me Humbug, but I do this cos I care:

- 31 Australians have died since 1996 by watering their Christmas Tree while the Fairy Lights were plugged in.
- 19 Australians have died in the last 3 years by eating Christmas Decorations they believed were chocolate .
- Hospitals reported 4 broken arms last year after cracker pulling incidents.
- 101 Australians since 1997 have had to have broken parts of plastic toys pulled out of the soles of their feet.
- 18 Australians had serious burns in 1998 trying on a new jumper with a lit cigarette in their mouth.
- A massive 543 Australians were admitted to casualty in the last two years after opening bottles of beer with their teeth or eye socket.
- 5 Australians were injured last year in accidents involving out of control scalextric cars.
- 3 Australians die each year testing if a 9V battery work on their tongue.
- 142 Australians were injured in 1998 by not removing all the pins from new shirts.
- 58 Australians are injured each year by using sharp knives instead of screwdrivers.

And finally:

- 8 Australians cracked their skull in 1997 after falling asleep (passing out) while throwing up into the toilet.

YEP! It's Great To Be Australian!

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## NATURAL RESOURCES INFORMATION

### Landscape South Australia Act 2019

From 1 July 2020, we will enter a new era with transition to the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* (the Act) and the new Murraylands and Riverland Landscape Board will administer the Act in this region. This Act replaces the *Natural Resources Management Act 2004* as the framework for managing the state's land, water, pest animals and plants, and biodiversity.

Under the Act, eight new regional landscape boards and Green Adelaide will facilitate the sustainable management of our state's landscapes; represented by community members committed to partnering with the community, Aboriginal peoples and landholders.

We look forward to continuing great relationships with our stakeholders and the transition to the new Act and new Board will result in things looking a little bit different in the future.

### Volunteering with children

There have recently been some changes to the requirements for volunteering with children. As of 1 July 2020 all volunteers volunteering with children will need to have a ***Working With Children Check***. A ***National Police Certificate*** is no longer sufficient.

If you have a DSCI Clearance that is still current/valid then this is ok to use until it expires. After this you will need to obtain the new Working With Children Check.

Attached is an infographic for your information and you can also visit the link below for more information.

<https://screening.sa.gov.au/types-of-check/working-with-children-check>

[Pete]

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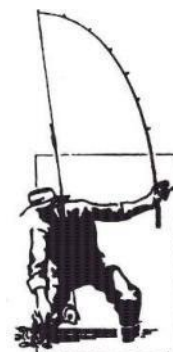
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The club bank details are:

**Account Name:** Gawler & Districts 4WD Club  
**BSB:** 105-109  
**Acc no** 018030740  
**Ref:** Surname + 2020

If you do pay by EFT, please email a receipt Treasurer Wayne,  
[treasurer@gawler4wd.com.au](mailto:treasurer@gawler4wd.com.au), so he can update the club records.

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## QUICK SURVEY – LONG RANGE COMMUNICATIONS

Last month I announced a quick long range communications survey. The survey is still open and will close around lunchtime on Friday.

If you haven't already, please complete the survey which can be found here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/66LZ5YC>

[Pete]

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## TRIP REPORT

### Trip Report for Rathjen Gorge 14 June 2020

#### Mannum Trip Report

to the tune of *Gilligan's Island*

Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale,  
a tale of a real good day  
that started out from Gawler town  
with Q to guide the way, with Q to guide the way

Our Q was a mighty drivin' man  
a skipper brave and sure  
sixteen bods set out that day  
for an all day tour, an all day tour

The weathers lookin' awful rough  
Deb was set to freeze  
If not for the warmth of a heated car  
to warm her poor old knees, warm her poor old knees

First off Mt Pleasant bakery  
hot drink and cakes all round,  
To his surprise Chris won a prize  
autumn leaves abound, they lay on the ground.

Onwards then to Palmer and  
a left turn we pursue  
We drove thru the very pretty Rathjens Gorge  
but Sandra missed the cue, poor Sandra missed the cue.

Kerryn kept us on our toes  
with a quiz to think about  
We had no idea what the answers were  
even when she spelled them out, when she spelled them out.

The weather clears the sun appears,  
into Shell Hill we rolled.  
We meet a pile of oyster shells  
5 million years old, 5 million years old



Lunch at Walker Flat was grand  
social distancing!  
we all sat round to laugh and chat  
then all aboard we spring, all aboard we spring.

On to the ferry, it took two runs  
to get us all across  
a look from the lookout then on we went  
"to Mannum"! says the boss, we follow just becoz.

T'was late by now too late says Q  
to walk to the waterfall  
a spin around the marina  
"to the bakery!" came the call, and so that was all.

"Great day!" says I despite rain and cold!  
in my merino underwear  
As we all set off on the homeward leg  
the rain begins to pour, and pour and pour and pour...

**[Julie]**



## GENERAL INTEREST

### My First Car by Quenton

My first car was a 1969 Holden HT Kingswood I bought in 1979 when I was 16 years old. I went into the local car yard - Curnows Garage, the Mallala Holden dealer looking at a 1973 Ford Escort Mk 1 with "Rally Pack" with full sports instrumentation. My dad came with me and said wouldn't you prefer a Holden as he could work on them with their simple "red" motor. I thought it looked like a Grandpas car and would be gutless with its 161 cu inch six cylinder and "three on the tree" gearbox.

Kelly Curnow let us take it for a test drive and I was pleasantly surprised; it had enough power and handled quite well. It was owned by a local and kept in "as new" condition. Selling price was \$1,195 but I bought it for \$1,000 that we haggled and agreed to, no 3 month warranty.

I soon added a stereo, mag wheels and while working in Mildura added air conditioning. I painted the back white louvers black and it slowly looked a little less like a "grandpas" car. On its first trip to the Flinders Ranges I got 31.5 miles per gallon - I was very pleased with that as our family Ford ZG Fairlane only got around 18 miles per gallon. I dented a rim through a creek crossing, but otherwise it performed brilliantly.

Driving back from basketball; Balaklava to Mallala, I had a race with a mate with a Kingswood with the bigger 186 cu inch motor and I could go faster. It took a fair few km to get there, but flat out it could do 84 mph. Mind you, the heaters were working flat out (even though they were turned off) at that speed.

I towed a caravan on a trip to the South East and it also towed a Morris Ute on a car trailer that I once owned. This was amazing since the tow bar was only bolted to the boot floor!

It proved a reliable car and I kept it until 1984 when I traded it on a new Ford Telstar and I got \$1,000 as a trade-in. Of course I wished I kept it, as they are worth a bit now.

[Quenton]



## FRIDAY FUNNIES

Several days ago, as I left the Bunnings in Rocky, to walk out to my ute and was reaching into my pocket from my car keys... got that sick feeling when I didn't find them there. I desperately gave myself a personal pat down, other pockets, shirt pocket, not there. Turned around real fast and trotted back into Bunnings . I did a quick search in the seats where I had been sitting, nothing. I asked everybody if they had seen my keys... nope.

Then it hit me, I must have left them in the ute. Frantically, I headed for the parking lot outside Bunnings.

My wife, Faye has scolded me a thousand times for leaving the keys in the ignition. My theory is the ignition is the best place not to lose them. Her theory is that the car will be stolen if I do that. As I burst through the doors of Bunnings and out into the parking lot, I came to a terrifying conclusion. Her theory was right. The parking lot was empty, no ute

I immediately call the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the ute, and that it had been stolen. Then I made the most difficult call of all.

"Honey," I stammered. I always call her honey in times like these. "I left my keys in the ute, and it has been stolen."

There was a period of silence. I thought the call had been dropped, but then I heard Faye's voice.

"Kris," she barked, "I dropped you off at Bunnings on my way to the grocery store!"

Now it was my time to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, would you come and get me?"

Faye retorted, "I will, as soon as I can convince the police I haven't stolen your bl\*\*dy ute!!"

A London lawyer runs a stop sign and gets pulled over by an Irish Garda. He thinks that he is smarter than the cop because he is a lawyer, from London , and is certain that he has a better education than any paddy cop. He decides to prove this to himself and have some fun at the Garda's expense.

Irish Garda says, " License and registration, please."

London Lawyer says, "What for?"

Irish Garda replies, "You didn't come to a complete stop at the Stop sign."

London Lawyer says , "I slowed down, and no one was coming."

Irish Garda says, "You still didn't come to a complete stop. License And registration, please."

London Lawyer says, "What's the difference?"

Irish Garda says, "The difference is, you have to come to complete stop, that's the law. License and registration, please!"

London Lawyer says, "If you can show me the legal difference between "slow down" and "stop", I'll give you my license and registration and you give me the ticket. If not, you let me go and don't give me the ticket."

Irish Garda says, "Sounds fair. Exit your vehicle, sir."

The London lawyer exits his vehicle. The Irish Garda takes out his baton and starts beating the lawyer with it and says,

"Now then, do you want me to stop, or just slow down?"

I love how, in scary movies, the person yells out "Hello?" As if the bad guy is going to be like "Yeah, I'm in the kitchen! Want a sandwich?"

When you have sons, you find out interesting things, like...

A king size waterbed holds enough water to fill a 200 sq.m house 100mm deep.

A 3-year old Boy's voice is louder than 200 adults in a crowded restaurant.

If you hook a dog leash over a ceiling fan, the motor is not strong enough to rotate a 24-kg boy wearing Batman underwear and a Superman cape. It is strong enough, however, if tied to a paint can, to spread paint on all four walls of a 5mX5m room.

You should not throw baseballs up when the ceiling fan is on. When using a ceiling fan as a bat, you have to throw the ball up a few times before you get a hit. A ceiling fan can hit a baseball a long way.

The glass in windows (even double glazed) doesn't stop a baseball hit by a ceiling fan.

When you hear the toilet flush and the words "uh oh", it's already too late.

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