

4WD Club Newsletter

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Founded in 2002



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



20 Year Anniversary Mugs – See Inside for Details

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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 \$60 per vehicle/family, plus \$10 joining fee.



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SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

	2022										
<i>Meeting</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>
General	11	4	8	13	3	8	12	9	14	11	9
Committee	2	30		4	29		3		5	2	
	23			25			31			30	

NOTE: DEADLINE TIME - All newsletter articles to the Editor before Committee Meeting date

Dates for 2022

Easter Fri 15 April to Monday 18 April; Anzac Day, Mon 25 April; Queen's Birthday Mon 13 June; Labour Day Mon 3 October; Christmas Day, Sun 25 December; Boxing Day Mon 26 December; Proclamation Day Tues 27 December; New Year's Eve Sat 31 December.

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.

NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

Presidents Report:

This year the Club celebrates 20 years. We have mugs available to celebrate this milestone for \$15 each and will be ready to purchase at this April meeting. Please bring your cash along.

Our April meeting we welcome Wizbang Magic. I hope you can join us as I am sure it will be a lot of fun! He comes highly recommended.

Our May meeting will be "Bring a plate" for supper. With the easing of COVID restrictions we will be able to enjoy a shared supper and time to socialise.

Our June meeting will be a "Show and Tell". You can tell a story from the past, such as getting the butcher to call on you with horse and cart or bring along an object to talk about to our group. Put your thinking caps on between now and then so you can add to the night. Thank you to Sandra Heintze for this suggestion. The Photo Competition will be on again this year. The Open prize provided by Gawler Fishing and Outdoors. So get clicking!!

[Quenton]

Editors Report:

Hello everyone and welcome to another month. It's hard to believe it's April already!

We've certainly experienced some very interesting trips over the past few months and thanks must go to the organisers for all the time and effort they put into researching them. You will find three trip reports in this edition of the Newsletter - Laura, Ngarkat and Angaston.

As mentioned above, the Club is now 20 years young and over the next few months we will be enclosing some small detail of the trips taken during the past twenty years and hope you find them interesting. I'm sure they will particularly be of interest to the founding members of the Club. Just a thought, maybe we can re-create some of these trips in the future! If they inspire you and you feel like doing just that and would like to lead a trip, don't be shy, just let a committee member know.

I'm not sure if you are aware but we do have a 4WD business close to Gawler, it's called Barossa Offroad and is located at U3/27 Theen Avenue, Willaston if you are interested in finding out more of what they offer and can do.

That's it from me for another month. Enjoy the read and if you have anything to contribute to the magazine, please forward it to any committee member or to Pete and myself. Many thanks.

[Sandra]



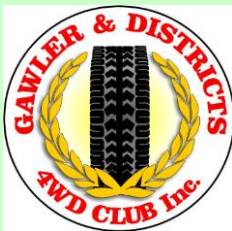
COMING EVENTS

Easter 2022

Coodlie Park Farm Retreat 15 – 18 April 2022

Trip Details:	Staying at Coodlie Park Farm Retreat with lots of accommodation options and heaps of space.
Where:	Coodlie Park Farm Retreat Flinders Highway, Port Kenny SA 5671, Australia
Cost:	Camp site \$25 per night 1 cabin available at \$120 per night - \$50 deposit required
Meet:	TBA
When:	Good Friday is 15 April and Easter Monday is 18 April. Come early and leave late to miss the public holiday traffic
Trip Leader:	Pete and Jo
More Info	Check out the Web site for more info: http://www.coodliepark.com.au/ Long drop dunnies. Camp kitchen. Showers. No power

GAWLER & DISTRICTS 4WD CLUB



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See Quenton at the General Meeting

May 2022	Witchelina, Outback SA
Trip Details:	We missed out in 2021, but are hoping to get to Witchelina and see some more of Outback SA
Where:	Witchelina and places east
Cost:	Will depend of where we stay
Meet:	TBA
When:	Unfortunately the Farina bakery opening has been put back to the end of May so we'll miss out.} We want to avoid the June long weekend and the school holidays which start on 2 Jul. So, Depart Gawler early May and return home 3-4 weeks later
Trip Leader:	Peter and Sandra, 04 1052 6317
More Info	More details will be provided as they mature. But, for now, please register your interest and preferred time frames Trip outline: Angorichina (or up that way) 7 Nights Witchelina (includes 2-3 days working bee activity) Maree to Birdsville (via Birdsville Track) Birdsville to Innamincka (visit Dig Tree) Innamincka to Sturt NP (visit Cameron's Corner) Tipooburra - Mutawintji National Park – Menindee – Mungo NP Approx 3500 km

May / June	Connie Sue / Sandy Blight Rd
Trip Details:	Travelling from Witchelina to Alice Springs via WA
Where:	Northern SA and WA
Cost:	TBA
Meet:	Witchelina
When:	May 2022 to June 2022
Trip Leader:	Stephen and Lisa Cloughton (0427 000 350)
More Info	Off road camping. Route to be determined, but the Len Beadell Roads will feature. Grade of Trip: Med to Difficult You will need reasonable fuel range See the February Newsletter for some more info on the Len Beadell Roads


Sunday 12 June	PW Mayflower Cruise
Trip Details:	90 minute cruise on the PW Mayflower from Mannum
Where:	Mannum
Cost:	Adult \$25, Concession \$20, Child (Ages 5-14) \$10 Guided Museum tour group price \$5 / head. Your cost at afternoon Cafe.
Meet:	9.00am Gawler Visitor Information Centre
When:	Sunday 12th June, 2022
Trip Leader:	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
More Info	1 1/2 hour cruise on the PW Mayflower (the oldest paddle boat in SA) leaving Mannum 10.30am. Tea and Coffee included, bar facilities available. Final numbers required by May meeting. BYO Picnic lunch down by the river. Afternoon tea at Palm Court Cafe. www.psmarion.com (There is a flyer at the end of the Newsletter with all details)

16th, 17th July	Christmas in July – 2022
Trip Details:	Come for the week-end or just the Sunday. Lunch Sunday at Mt. Mary Hotel
Where:	Mt. Mary Hotel
Cost:	Your cost Sunday lunch Camping at front of Hotel - Free. Or Morgan Caravan Park. Landseer Museum \$4 per person.
Meet:	Saturday - make your way to the hotel to set up camp Sunday - 9.30am Gawler Visitor Information Centre
When:	Sat/Sun 16th, 17th July, 2022
Trip Leader:	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
More Info	Saturday set up camp at Hotel. Sunday visiting Kapunda Community Gallery, Eudunda Silo Art, Lunch at Hotel, visit the Morgan Landseer Museum at 2.00pm for a Guided tour.

1 - 3 October 2022 Oct long w/end Coonatto Station

Trip Details:	Visiting Coonatto Station near Carrieton
Where:	1874 Wilmington Rd, Hammond SA
Cost:	Camping fee \$10 per person per night Firewood can be supplied - \$10 10 pieces, \$20 20 pieces Tracks - Free with camping Pichi Richi Explorer - Adult \$61.00 Concession \$56.00 Child \$23.00
Meet:	TBA
When:	Sat/Sun/Mon 1st, 2nd, 3rd October, 2022
Trip Leader:	Required
Trip Co-ordinator	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
More Info	Camping at Black Oaks Campsite and Branch Creek Campsite with fire ring and Long-drop toilet. Driving 2WD and 4WD station tracks. Visiting Hammond ghost town, the newly renovated Carrieton Hotel and optional Pichi Richi train ride Monday at 10.30am at Quorn. (You will need to book your own train tickets ASAP for the Pichi Richi Explorer at www.pichirichirailway.org.au) Also see - www.coonattostation.com.au

GUEST SPEAKERS

	<i>These guest speakers have kindly agreed to talk with us at the following general meetings:</i>	
	April 2022	Wizbang Magic
	May 2022	Bring a Plate supper – hooray it’s back!!
	June 2022	Show & Tell – bring a story from your past to relate to other club members
	September 2022	Jeremy Browne – Along the old Ghan line

GAWLER AND DISTRICTS 4WD WEB SITE

Have you checked out our web site lately?

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 10th year anniversary versions.



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Did you know that you can pay your membership subscriptions of \$60 by EFT?

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

BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

◆◆ April ◆◆
Wayne
Peter H
Apologies for missing Sandra (March)



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- (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 for inclusion in our next newsletter providing it arrives BEFORE the newsletter deadline! (See page 3)

TRIP REPORT

March Long Weekend – Laura

Trip participants

Quenton and Deb	Brent and Keryn
Bob and Pauline	Wayne and Sandra
Steve and Lisa	Pete and Jo
Peter and Sandra	Roy and Bronwyn
Bob and Cindy	Tas
Bob and Rosalie	

Thursday 10th March

We (Steve and Lisa) left home around 9.30 am and stopped for morning tea at Auburn. From there onto Clare where we stopped at Shut the Gate winery to purchase some wine which we had tasted on a recent helicopter trip sunset ride up to the top of Chase Range in the Flinders Ranges. I did a little taste testing and we left with a few other bottles as well.

We decided to stay at Yacka for the night at Yackamoorundie Park that is a nice little spot situated on the banks of the Broughton River. It is \$15 for the night there at several powered sites on a "first come first served" basis, and there are toilets and a shower. We had to call someone to give us the code to get in. We had some lunch before setting up camp. Later in the afternoon someone came along to collect our fee for the night. I had a text from Pauline showing us the lovely scones they received from the Laura caravan park for afternoon tea. A couple more came in during the afternoon. After tea we went for a walk around the town before having an early night.

Friday 11th March

We awoke to a chorus of birds chirping away. Went for our walk before breakfast.

We decided to stop at Gladstone for some morning tea but cafe was closed for a private function so headed straight for Laura.

The beautiful town of Laura is situated on the banks of the Rocky River and nestled into the eastern slopes of the southern Flinders Ranges, home of Golden North ice cream and poet C J Dennis during his childhood.

We booked into the caravan park and once we had set up Bob and Pauline came over and invited us over for a cuppa. After lunch we went for a walk up the street to the butcher to catch up with my cousin, who I haven't seen in years, but she was away in Port Lincoln for the week end. We did buy some bacon and some sausages.

We went back to camp and joined Bob and Pauline in the camp kitchen as it was a lot cooler in there. Peter and Sandra had arrived. Once they had set up and joined us in the camp kitchen Naomi from the caravan park brought our scones over. They were very delicious and what a lovely gesture to welcome your new guests with. Later in the afternoon Brent, Keryn, Wayne and Sandra arrived they were staying in a cabin and joined us for happy hour. After dinner

my Auntie came for a visit and it was interesting to find out that she was the first caretaker at the caravan park. We went over to Bob and Pauline's and watched a video of our trip to Innamincka last year before going to bed.

Saturday 12th March.

Up early and went for our walk while Pete, Sandra, Wayne, Sandra, Brent and Kerryn went for a drive to meet up with Quenton, Deb, Bob, Cindy, Bob, Rosalie, Roy and Bronwyn at Bundaleer Forest for morning tea. We stayed back at CP. We ended up going for a walk with Bob and Pauline up the street.

Everyone else arrived about lunch time followed by Pete and Jo not long afterwards. Around two o'clock we all met at Quenton's cabin and walked over to Meryle's Coffee Shop for afternoon tea. The shop had some interesting items for sale which are all made by local artists.

From there onto Coco Laura for a talk and tour on how it started and how it works, as well as some taste testing. A very interesting man

indeed, lovely chocolate. He uses Belgian chocolate in his products and he also makes a range of Pectin Jellies as well as Rocky Road and Freckles. We also got to try one of the fillings he was preparing to go into one of the chocolates a Limoncello centre. After our purchase of



several chocolates, we headed back to camp. We all met in camp kitchen for an "ice cream eating competition." They needed 1 more person so I decided to do it. There was Sandra, Wayne, Bob, Bob, Jo and myself. We were each given a Golden North dandy cup ice cream followed by instructions. When told to start, we had to take lid off, remove the spoon from under it and start eating it and when finished had to hold the empty cup up! We were told to start and in no time



Bob M had his hand up - we couldn't believe it!! Thing was he hadn't swallowed it, so we kept on going, I was the first to finish, brain freeze and all. Dinner that night was at the North Laura Hotel. The meal wasn't too bad but it took over one and a half hours to get the last two meals.

Sunday 13th March



Up and off for our walk and then the usual Sunday morning breakfast (bacon and eggs). We were off at 9am for a drive. First stop was the Wirrabra silo art, the painting was inspiring. The locals didn't want a local identity on the silo as there were too many deserving of the



honour so the artist chose a gentleman by the name of Dion Lebrun from Eyre peninsular. The artwork consisted of Dion and the rich history of the area showing strong ties to the forestry industry and local flora and fauna, the detail was amazing. Then onto the Wirrabra State Forest Bluff Lookout. On the walk to the lookout, we came across a long line of caterpillars head to tail.

They were hard to see as they blended in well with the sandy coloured trail. We had a very

clear sky so the view was excellent. You could see Port Pirie and could just make out Whyalla. Stopped for morning tea in the picnic area before going onto look at the King Tree, which is a 400 year old native red gum, it measures 36.5 metres in height, has a circumference at its base of 11.35 metres and a diameter at chest height of 3 metres. From there we headed towards Murraytown before turning onto the Pt Germain gorge road. We turned onto Survey Road which took us to the Bridle track which was a very good track with some spectacular views of Spencer Gulf. Towards the end there were just a few ruts and washouts on the track. We had lunch at Port Germain before making our way back to camp. Happy hour was in the camp kitchen where most of us cooked and had tea there. Went for a walk after tea before joining Bob and Pauline for a coffee.

Monday 14th of March

By the time we had got back from our walk Tas was on his way home. We had breakfast and went and said goodbye to everyone who was heading home today. We then went to Auntie Gaylord's for some morning tea before going back to camp.

Quenton and the others stopped at Georgetown for some morning tea at the general store which he said was very interesting, definitely a



step back in time! From there they went onto Burra and had lunch at St Just Cafe before going home.

We went to Stone Hut bakery for lunch with Bob and Pauline. The pies were delicious and they had a great variety. We bought a few to put in the freezer. On our way back to camp it started to rain a little. Got back to camp in time to put the hatches down before it got heavier. A nice stroll around town just after tea and back to Bob and Pauline's for coffee and cheesecake.

Tuesday 15th of march

Time to pack up and head home. We stopped in Clare for morning tea and it was difficult to find a spot to park together, so we each found a spot and met up in the Main Street. Plenty of roadworks between Clare and Roseworthy which slowed traffic down a bit.

Once again we would like to thank Quenton and Deb for organising a great weekend and everyone else for their company. We look forward to our next adventures together. Happy Travels.

[Lisa & Steve]

NGARKAT CONSERVATION PARK INTER CLUB WORKING BEE – 24-27 March 2022

Thursday 24th of March

We left home around 9.30am and headed for Murray Bridge via Kersbrook and Palmer. Had some morning tea at Murray Bridge before stopping at Lameroo for lunch. Onto Pinnaroo where we set up camp in the RV campground. A few others were in there as well, a nice spot to stop overnight if you don't need power and are self contained. We went for a walk around the town.

Friday 25th of March

We got to the Pine Soak campground around 9.30am. There was one other person there already but they were in the other campground. He came over to say hello and to see if we were part of the working bee and told us he was from the Mitsubishi Club. As the day progressed people gradually arrived. Peter was able to camp next to us. We had some members from the Adventurers Club camp near us as well and Ron and John from the Range Rover Club so it was good to see some familiar face as this was our first time attending the working bee. It was a great turn out and the campground was pretty full with other sites being used as well.

Saturday 26th of March

We all met at about 8am, Rebecca the ranger had arrived; she and Peter briefed us on the weekends tasks and allocated the jobs to groups to be done. Everyone volunteered to do certain tasks and they consisted of trail marking and clearing, general maintenance on the one way and two way sections of the Border Track, fencing repair, replacement or installation, signage and vegetation trimming, general track maintenance and painting.. National Parks provided all the materials and specialist tools that were needed along with any safety equipment that we needed, ie: gloves and glasses etc - we just needed to provide some

basic hand tools and our labour. Fireplaces were cleaned and rubbish picked up as well. We teamed up with Martin and Bret, and joined the Summit Trax 4WD Club and did fencing repairs and installation as well as a general clean up. It was a great day and everyone worked well together.

Sunday 27th of March

A good night's sleep and we were ready for another day's work. Rebecca arrived with another ranger and some more equipment to load road base into trailers. Today's task was to finish off the fencing repair at the campground and lay some road base down, fill holes etc. Some people started to head home. We also put some road base around the toilet and laid it over the path that led to it. Road base was also used from the park entrance to the camp ground. By lunch time we had run out of the road base which meant work was finished for the weekend. The trailers were repackaged with the equipment and any rubbish that was collected over the weekend. Those that wanted to stay the night could. We stayed along with Ron, John, Danny and Vicky from the Range Rover Club.

Many thanks to Peter who put a lot of work into helping organise this weekend.

Clubs - 10

People - 63

Hours - 572

Tasks - 32

Gawler 4wd club 5 people for 62.5 hours logged

Happy Travels

[Lisa & Steve]

RFDS MORNING TEA OUTING

The morning started off at the Gawler Information Centre. Bob and I arrived at the same time as Tas, followed by Sandra and Peter, Quenton, Wayne and Martin. It was a beautiful autumn morning and we left for Bethany shortly after 9.30am.



We were surprised to see a birthday party in progress and they had taken over most parts of the picnic area when we arrived. It's amazing how different childrens' birthday parties are nowadays. with a jumping castle and petting zoo. We were able to get a spot away from the party to have our own little tea party. Even though there was only a small group of us, the array of cakes was impressive. Thanks to Sandra Heintze and her grandchildren we

were treated with a tray of beautiful and colourful cup cakes, Sandra Harper's butterfly and chocolate cup cakes, Martin's pikelets, Pauline's apple muffins and Tas's chocolate biscuits.

For all the photographers in the group like Lisa, Keryn and Sandra Heintze, we missed you as we forgot to take the photos until we finished our break. As a consolation we took a photo of the vehicles!!!



Then we took a short drive to Angaston, the first stop was at the railway station, we visited a newly opened art gallery, the artist Ali Devitt Lansom displayed some beautifully crafted glass pieces, highly recommended a visit when you are in the area. Next, we did the Angaston historical town tour with an excellent commentary from Quenton. There are so many beautiful buildings and history in Angaston that I never knew and so

glad that we came along for this outing.

After the walk, we stopped at D and M cafe for our lunch, and we thought that's the end of the tour. Nope, the boys had to visit the motor museum!!!! Of course, Sandra and I were thrilled with the idea. So, Sandra and I decided to sit at the train station to wait for the train, but sad to say the train didn't come, we'd missed the last train, it stopped running many moons ago!!! But I'd still rather wait for the train.

Last but not least, a very big thanks to Quenton for another wonderful trip. Always so enjoyable and so much effort has gone into all the trips we have been to. And to all who came along, you have always been great company!!!

Not to be forgotten of course was the reason for the trip and the morning tea and that was to raise funds for the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Between us we managed a creditable \$160.



A list of the places visited and their dates are as follows:

Railway Station - 1911

Old Police Station and Courthouse - 1855

Hill House - 1851

Uniting Church - 1878

Town Hall (formerly Institute) - 1911

Franklin House - c1850

Angaston Hotel - 1846

Former Jewellers Shop and Residence - 1911

Former National Bank - 1915

Brauhaus - c1850

Block of Shops - 1865

Doddridge House - c1876

A & H Doddridge Blacksmith Shop - c1876

Former Adelaide Bank - 1885

Former Methodist Church - 1864

Old Flour Mill - 1885

Original Angaston Cemetery - 1847

Butcher Shop - 1936

Former Butcher Shop - 1903

Barossa Old Rose Repository, featuring plants grown from "mother plants" believed to have been planted by early settlers and is the only garden of its kind in Australia - 2003

Pioneers' Arbour & Village Green, featuring a well sunk in the 1800's - 2000

Former Masonic Hall - 1870

Post & Telegraph Office - 1880

Soldiers' Memorial Reserve - 1905

Old Union Chapel - 1844

Rose Villa - c1855

Zion Church - 1854

Who would have thought there was so much history in little Angaston!! If you are interested in doing a similar tour yourselves, you can get this information in a brochure called "Angaston Barossa - Heritage Trail" which details the history of the buildings and information pertaining to those buildings.

[Pauline]

WHERE AM I

Do you know where this road sign is?



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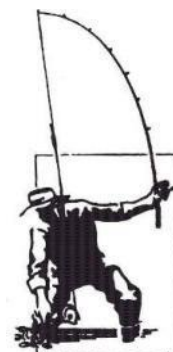
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ANSWER TO "WHERE AM I"

It is located on Main Street (Ayr Street) of Jamestown. This road sign is over 70 years old and was updated in 1974 when the "mileage" was changed to "kilometres." Read about Jamestown in the "Towns of South Australia" article in the May Newsletter.

TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

In this series of "Towns of South Australia" I will explain a brief history of the town and how it got its name. This month we look at Mallala.

Mallala

Mallala is taken from the Kurna Aboriginal word "Madlala" or "Madlola" meaning "place of the ground frog". The first land taken up in the district was by Phillip Butler in 1851 and his property was called "Mallala Station". The original homestead has been restored and is now owned by the Tucker family just East of the township. Smaller farms were sold to the settlers for one Pound an acre. Many of these early pioneers (including John Earl who walked his sheep from Angaston) still have descendants on the land or living in the town.

The 3 storey flour mill was erected in 1878 and was financed by the local farmers and operated as the Mallala Milling Company. The machines were supplied by James Martin and Co of Gawler. However, the Mill was not profitable and only operated until 1887. The Mallala and District Historical Society took over the Mill and opened a Museum in 1971. It is open on Sundays and well worth a look.

East Brothers Machinery Works built farm equipment for over a century in Mallala and their sheds and offices are still visible on Balaklava Road. They closed in 1970.

At Mallala's centre of eight roads (believed to be the only intersection of eight roads in the Southern hemisphere) sits the World War I monument (pictured). It is built with Angaston marble and granite stones. It's insignia reads "In honour of ten men who died in defence of home and liberty.". One of the men honoured is my Great Uncle A R Earl. At a cost of around 1700 pounds it was completed in 1922.

In 1939 the RAAF established a base just on the edge of town. Budget for the Mallala airfield was 233,000 Pounds. It was used for the advanced training for RAAF pilots. Suddenly the town's population swelled to over 2,000. After the war the buildings were used for newly arrived immigrants from Europe. The base closed in 1960 and many of the buildings were sold off. The hospital building is now a holiday house at Pt. Parham. In 1961 the Mallala Race Circuit opened. It continues today for many race events, car club days and Police driver training.

The railway came to Mallala in 1917 and proved a boom for the town. Goods could be ordered by noon and arrive that day from Adelaide. The Bellman aircraft hangars for the Mallala Airfield were sent by train in prefabricated sections.



[Quenton]

MEMBERS NOTICE BOARD



PHOTO COMPETITIONS

This year we have a photo competition running which, at the moment, is 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 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 QUINTON BY CLOSE OF NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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

So remember to take photos during the year and get them in to Quinton in plenty of time.



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TRIP REPORT COMPETITION

It's on again...as long as we receive trip reports so please remember to take pencil and paper when out on a trip!

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

Prize

so please keep-on writing!!!

ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL – THE FIRST YEAR’S TRIPS – 2002

Sunday June 2nd 2002 – The Rocks

A get to know each other picnic/ barbecue. Trip Leader – Murray Richardson.

The clubs first outing - met at Tarlee, the North side of the railway line in the parking bay at 10.30am – BYO everything. Approx 12 vehicles attended. Convoy procedure explained and demonstrated by Murray on the way. A sunny mild day. Many of the kids played football while the adults cooked BBQ's, relaxed and got to know each other.

Saturday & Sunday 22nd-23rd June 2002 – Burra Gorge – Private property

Four wheel driving and bush camping. Trip Leader – John Sandland

Met at Map the Miner – Kapunda 9.00am. Drove through back roads and through the high ground of “Inspiration Point” on the way to the private property along Boundary Road. Practiced steep hill driving with stall starts. Barry Schrapel and John Sandland training. Murray led us through the rocky creek and then steep creek crossing area to practice wheel articulation etc.

Sunday 28th July 2002 – Morgan Day Trip

Practice 4WD skills behind the Caravan Park on what many looked like many motorbike tracks. Pleasant BBQ lunch in the park on the waterfront.

Sunday 22nd September 2002 – Morgan Day Trip

Met at Map the Miner at Kapunda 8.30am. Morning tea down by the river before driving on tracks behind the caravan park and around the sandy tracks of the Morgan Conservation Park across the river.

Saturday 5th to Monday 7th October 2002 – Bendleby Ranges

Met at Tarlee 8.00am – Trip Leader Rob Johnson (aka “Chad”) – Rob’s birthday. 14 vehicles.

Stopped at the Bundaleer Forest for morning tea, arrived at Bendleby Ranges by lunch time, set up in campsite surrounded by native pines (amongst the prickles!!). Explored Prince Alfred Mines, North South Ridge, Kokoda Trail, Hidden Valley, Ridge Top, & Billy Goat tracks. Great tracks and views. Memorable prickles!

Saturday & Sunday 26th & 27th October 2002 – Murray Bridge Test Track

Met at Gawler Information Centre 9.00am. Trip Leader – Quenton Earl

Arrived at test track at 10.40am, set up camp & explored test track. At 3pm visited Mannum Waterfalls. Peter discovered why he bought a waterproof UHF handheld set! Shared campfire & kids cooked “Johnnie Cakes” Sunday – Monarto Zoo bus trip. Some members enjoyed a river cruise at Murray Bridge.

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th November 2002 – Robe to Beachport.

Met at Nuriootpa Sat 6.00am. First trip to this area. A few got bogged & snatched out. Lachlan even got bogged on his Quad bike. Keryn showed her style at sand boarding.

Sunday 1st December 2002 – Christmas Party – Stockport Oval

Sack races, Tug-of-war, Egg & spoon race plus a visit by Santa complete with presents. BBQ lunch + huge array of salads.

20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY MUGS

\$15 each, available at March meeting.



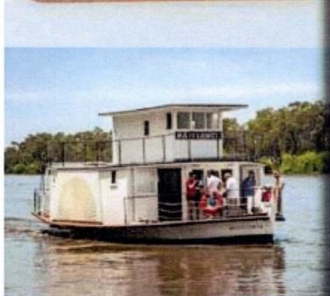
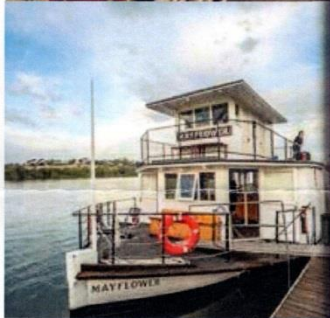
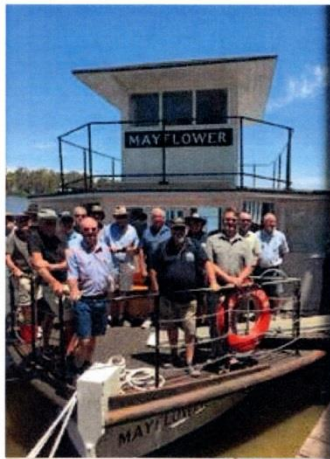
RAFFLE ROSTER

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.

March 2022	April 2022	May 2022
Chris and Julie	Tas	Russell and Dawn
Philip	Robert and Pauline	Brenton and Keryn

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