

4WD Club Newsletter

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



Birds of the Flinders

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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

	2023										
<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	10	3	14	12	2	14	11	8	13	10	8
Committee	1		5	3		5	2		4	1	
	22			24			30			29	

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

Dates for 2023

Tuesday 25 April Anzac Day: Monday 12 June King's Birthday: Monday 2 October Labour Day::Monday 25 December Christmas Day: Tuesday 26 December Proclamation Day: Sunday 31 December New Year's Eve

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:

Our Guest Speaker this month is Richard Woodland from BirdsSA. He will give us some tips on general birdwatching, so I'm sure his talk will be interesting and informative. Please come along as I am sure you will learn something that you can use on your next trip.

Due to many members travelling to the Simpson, our usual May meeting will be replaced with a meal at Murray's BBQ & Bar - Exchange Hotel, Gawler for 6.30pm. So make a note in your diaries please.

We have quite a few Club trips listed at the moment. Please help out the Trip Leaders by adding your name on the Trip Sheet early. This really helps with bookings and planning.

Our Christmas week-end is on at Port Hughes. Please ensure you book early and mention "Gawler 4WD Club" to receive your 10% discount. Our preferred sites are "Poolside sites" which are right opposite the large camp kitchen. It is a must to **book early** as this is a very busy park.

[Quenton]

Editors Report:

Hello everyone and welcome to the April edition of the Newsletter.

That beautiful photograph of poppies was taken by Sandra Heintze at the RSL Museum in Port Pirie during the recent visit to Bowman Park, Crystal Brook. What an interesting museum this is and it's beautifully kept. In fact we found Port Pirie a very interesting place to visit. Pete and I had never been there before as our travels north always took us along the main road bypassing Port Pirie. It has two other interesting museums as well and all are worth seeing.

The RSL museum also serves delightful and large jam and cream scones and help-yourself coffee all for \$5 a head, very reasonable. The people there were very friendly and helpful too.

Bowman Park itself is an interesting place to visit with quite a history. It is bush camping with very good public toilets - no showers - barbecue facilities and picnic areas with tables and bench seats. Camping is for 48 hours only. There are numerous walks around the property and historical buildings, gardens and ruins to explore.

Thank you to Keryn and Brent for organising the weekend and researching the different areas to go plus dinner at one of the local hotels. It was a most enjoyable weekend.

Think that will do from me for this month. Enjoy April and I'll catch you in May.

[Sandra]

ANZAC DAY 25 APRIL 2023



LEST WE FORGET



COMING EVENTS

Sunday 7th May 2023

Mystery Picnic Drive

Trip Details:	Mystery observation drive with picnic lunch
Where:	Travelling the backroads of the Barossa and beyond
Cost:	Your cost at afternoon drinks/coffee stop
Meet:	9.00am Menglers Hill Look-out
When:	Sunday 7th May, 2023
Trip Leader:	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
More Info	Driving the backroads of the Barossa and beyond. Pack morning tea to share. Pack a picnic lunch for yourself. Chairs. Charged mobile phone with internet. Full tank of fuel before departure. UHF radio. 4WD may be required on one track. Sure to be a fun and interesting day! Prizes on offer

May 2023

Munga-Thirri–Simpson Desert

Trip Details:	Doubling the Munga-Thirri–Simpson Desert (east to west then west to east) Gawler → Birdsville via Farina Birdsville → Mt Dare via French Line Mt Dare → Birdsville via Rig Road, WAA and QAA
Where:	Munga-Thirri–Simpson Desert
Cost:	Desert Parks Pass \$182 (\$117 for renewal if you bought one last year)
Meet:	TBA
When:	Departing Gawler on 12 May
Trip Leader:	Wayne and Sandra, Roy and Bronwyn
More Info	

Sunday 11th June 2023	King's Birthday Weekend	Five Ferries Poker Run
Trip Details:	Meandering the Murray River, crossing ferries at Swan Reach, Walker Flat, Mannum, Tailem Bend, Wellington	
Where:	Along the Murray	
Cost:	Your cost at The Hall Cafe, Wellington East	
Meet:	8.30am Angaston Main Street by Memorial Reserve	
When:	Sunday 11h June, 2023	
Trip Leader:	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601	
More Info	<p>Crossing 5 ferries, receive a card at each stop. Prize for winning hand! Morning Tea at Swan Reach, bring tea/coffee plus morning tea to share. Pack a picnic lunch for yourself down by the river at Murray Bridge. Afternoon tea stop at The Hall Cafe, Wellington East. UHF radio & FULL tank of fuel before meeting point</p>	

Sunday 23rd July 2023	Christmas in July
Trip Details:	Christmas in July Lunch at Sevenhill Hotel
Where:	Sevenhill
Cost:	<p>\$25/ per head for 2 hour Farmstead tour, tea/coffee and scones with jam & cream.</p> <p>Your cost at Sevenhill Hotel lunch and drinks.</p>
Meet:	9.00am SHARP - Tarlee (in town by toilets)
When:	Sunday 23rd July, 2023
Trip Leader:	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
More Info	<p>9.00am - Leave Tarlee</p> <p>10.00am - Historic Farmstead Tour of Ystalyfera settled in circa 1842. 2 hour tour. View the Jaeschke family collection of vintage tractors and memorabilia at the Heritage Centre. Walk the History Trail and see restored buildings. Includes morning tea of tea/coffee & scones with jam & cream.</p> <p>12.30pm - Sevenhill Hotel Lunch. Awarded Best Country Dining in SA 2022. Celebrating 160 years in 2023.</p> <p>https://www.sevenhillhotel.com.au/menu/</p>

**16-18 September
2023****Jamestown**

Trip Details:	Visiting Jamestown and surrounds
Where:	Jamestown, South Australia
Cost:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Park Caravan Park - Powered site \$30/night (2pp) Cabin \$120/night (2pp). • Penn Glass \$10/head (including afternoon tea) • Your cost at Commercial Hotel Saturday night. • Your cost at Jamestown Bakery • Jamestown Museum \$5.00 Adults, Students \$1.00
Meet:	Tarlee - Saturday 9.00am (in town by the toilets)
When:	Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th September and optional Monday 18th September, 2023
Trip Leader:	Quenton Earl 0407 604 601
More Info	<p>Saturday - Visiting Penn Glass collection, Dinner at Commercial Hotel, Sunday - visiting Caltowie, Appila Springs, Tarcowie, Yatina Gorge, Yatina, including inspecting inside of the historic Yatina Hotel, Yongala, Loudon Brae School. Optional on Monday - Jamestown Bakery morning tea, Jamestown Museum.</p> <p>https://www.theparkjamestown.com</p>

**24 – 26 November
2023****Christmas Party**

Trip Details:	We know where and when, so add to your diaries
Where:	Port Hughes
Cost:	TBA
Meet:	TBA
When:	24 – 26 November 2023
Trip Leader:	Social Committee
More Info	<p>10% discount to Club members for Powered sites and Cabins. Just mention "Gawler 4WD Club" when booking. Our preferred sites are Poolside sites.</p> <p>https://www.big4.com.au/caravan-parks/sa/yorke-peninsula/port-hughes-tourist-park</p>

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GUEST SPEAKERS

	<p><i>These guest speakers have kindly agreed to talk with us at the following general meetings:</i></p>	
	April	Richard Woodland, Birds SA
	May	Dinner at Exchange Hotel for 6.30 pm
	July	Simpson Desert Trip
	August	Sandra Heintze – Club’s first trips, photos & videos
	September	Kath Leen – historic photos of Churches of SA
	October	Andrew – On site Weighbridge

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.



Check our FAC

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BIRTHDAY WISHES

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

<p>◆◆ April ◆◆</p>
<p>Peter H</p>
<p>Wayne</p>



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

20 YEAR ANNIVERSARY MUGS

Please support your club and purchase one of our 20 year Anniversary Mugs.

\$15 each, available at each meeting until stocks run out.



TRIP REPORTS

Tasting The Flinders Ranges Trip Report

Held 11/12 March 2023

Saturday:

Pete and I left home at 7.12 am and got to Tarlee, our meeting point, to find Quenton and Deb there and Pete and Jo joined us within minutes. All present and correct, we headed off just before 8 am.

We headed out via Riverton as the Clare roadworks were still ongoing. It was a beautiful morning with some cloud which cleared as we head north. Headed towards Spalding (comfort stop), turned left at Manoora and headed towards Mintaro. From Mintaro we found our way to Clare. It was a good run all the way and so much better than stopping and starting at roadworks. Onwards to Crystal Brook, Jamestown and Orroroo where we stopped at Maggie's Rendezvous café for morning tea at 10.30 am.

We left Orroroo at 11.10 am and headed to Hawker where lunch had been booked at the Flinders Food Co and where we met up with Bob and Pauline and Steve and Lisa. Some of us were rather full from morning tea so only ordered something light for lunch after which we visited the Jeff Morgan Panorama Gallery just a short walk away. What an amazing gallery this is with full size (floor to ceiling) panoramic paintings of the Australian outback together with the Flinders Ranges. This gallery also housed collections of crystals and cars. Everywhere you looked there was something to see. After viewing this amazing gallery you could then wander through the gift shop and purchase any number of framed (and unframed) photos of Jeff's work together with any other knick knock that took your fancy.



We departed Hawker at approx. 2.20 pm and headed towards Rawnsley Park arriving around 3 pm. Everyone (except Quenton and Deb) set to and set up camp - Quenton and Deb were "slumming" it in a cabin instead! Happy hour was set for 4 pm in the air conditioned camp kitchen.

After all the nibbles were consumed, lunch and morning tea, no-one had a very large appetite for dinner, including ourselves, so only had something light for tea. Lisa had made and offered everyone sticky

date pudding with ice cream or custard (or both) so everyone was gathered around their camper and enjoyed this special treat. Thank you Lisa!! Lots of chatter back and forth ensued then it was off to bed for a relatively late night.

Sunday:

Up early, showered, breakfasted and prepared morning tea as there are no cafes where we are going today. We are off on a sightseeing trip taking in Bunyeroo Gorge, a stop at Razorback lookout then shortly afterwards found a spot for morning tea. Off again and drove through Brachina Gorge - no Yellow Footed Wallabies



around today - back on the bitumen heading towards Parachilna where lunch had been booked. As we were dining at the Rawnsley Park Woolshed restaurant tonight, most felt a light lunch would be okay but the lunches varied in size from very light to much larger. Bob and Pauline shared a Feral Mixed Grill which was shown on the menu as a shared platter for two. Seemed



a bit small to me, more like a platter for one! Deb and I had what I thought would be a very small lunch - Pakoras - but when they arrived there was more on the plate than I could eat - so thankfully some kind people helped me out!! Thinking mine would only be a small serve, I also ordered a very nice Desert Lime sorbet for dessert - didn't really need it!!

The Parachilna Hotel has been upgraded and is very nice inside - certainly looked very different to the first time Pete and I saw it which was

about 40 years ago. The hotel also hosted an art gallery and there were some stunningly beautiful dot paintings by local artists - looking at them I was able to appreciate just how much time was involved in the painting of them. Just beautiful.

After lunch we left and headed towards Blinman, driving through the stunning Flinders Ranges scenery in almost perfect weather, low 30's. For those of us who still had room, coffee and cake was the order of the day at the Blinman café. I was just pipped at the post for the last quondong pie available. Oh well, never mind, I didn't have room for it anyway!!!

Leaving Blinman at 2.40 pm we headed towards the hidden gem WADNA in the Adnyamathanha region of the Flinders Ranges - WADNA is the local Aboriginal word for Boomerang. This shop sold authentic Aboriginal artefacts produced by the local people - paintings and wood carvings which were done mainly by members of one family. They also arrange cultural tours which included a "tag along" tour - they said since Covid people felt more comfortable in their own vehicles. They were very friendly and were quite happy to chat and explain how carvings were done and also explain the meanings of some of the paintings. I almost bought a painting but to be quite honest I had no idea where I would hang

it as I don't have all our paintings and pictures displayed now. Now that we know this place exists, I just might be tempted again in the future. Website: www.wadna.com.au.

We left WADNA around 3.10 pm heading back towards Rawnsley Park. We took a drive up to Stokes Hill Lookout and enjoyed 360 degree views of the surrounding countryside. Back on the bitumen to Rawnsley and the campsite.

Dinner was booked for 6.30 pm at the Woolshed. The food was excellent and the company great. I almost missed out on dessert but amazingly after being advised there was none left, two were miraculously found - I only had one of them!! Sated, we headed back to camp.

Monday:

Up early today as it was pack up day. The wind was a little cool but there was a beautiful red sky. While in the throes of packing up, Quenton and Deb came over to say their goodbyes - it took them no time at all to pack up the cabin and they were looking forward to coffee in Hawker!!



Finally, at about 9.30 am we were ready to leave so said our "goodbyes" to Lisa and Steve and Bob and Pauline and headed off with Jo and Pete in the lead. It was going to be another beautiful day in the Flinders with temperatures around 30 degrees - much warmer up there than at home. When we got to Hawker, Jo and Pete filled up at the local petrol station then we were off.

It never ceases to amaze me how many channels and creeks have been cut through the ground by water in the Flinders. Seeing them it could be assumed that the Flinders Ranges get constant rain throughout the year. I'm sure our original pioneers thought the same thing too and that's possibly why they tried to settle in those areas.

We passed through Carrieton, via the scenic route, before getting back onto the main road. Orreroo might be a lunch stop if the cafes are open. We were in luck and stopped at Maggie's Rendezvous café for an early lunch then back on the road via Peterborough, Spalding, Booboowowie, Waterloo, Marrabel, Hamilton, Allendale and Kapunda to Gawler. Took our leave of Pete and Jo and headed home.

Thank you to Quenton and Deb for arranging the great weekend and to everyone else for their great company.

[Sandra]

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.

<i>April</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>
Roger	Quenton and Deb	Wayne and Sandra
Stephen and Lisa	Peter and Sandra	Martin



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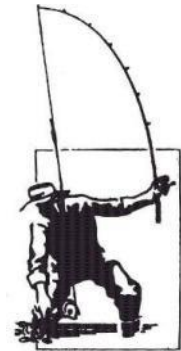
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TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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:

SEDAN

With no permanent surface water, the local Ngaiawang Aboriginal tribe, who lived along the river, only passed through this area. The first European occupants were farming large pastoral leases from the 1850s. In 1869 Johann Wilhelm Pfeiffer came to this region looking for new land. He founded the township of Sedan and sponsored many new settlers to the area, many were German Lutherans seeking religious freedom and the British who sought better living conditions. Pfeiffer named the town Sedan after a town in France that marked a significant battle in the Franco-Prussian war (1870) and settled his family into a pug and pine and stone cottage on the western side of town (still standing).

Land was donated in 1873 for the first Lutheran Church to be built and this stone building was dedicated in November, 1873. A new larger church "Pilgrims of Zion Lutheran Church" (pictured) was built with a fine bell tower and bell and was dedicated in November 1923. The Vestry remains of the first church. In 1876 the Lutheran Church Hall was built and the Lutheran School was conducted here from 1876 - 1917. The school teacher's house was built behind the church in 1878 and is still lived in today. This school teacher's house was the first Sedan Post Office from 1891 - 1916.



The Sedan Flour Mill (still standing) was built in 1881 and commenced operation in 1882. A large well had to be built for water, but was closed in the 1890s due to insufficient water. It opened again in 1903 with a gas fired charcoal engine, in 1928 a Benz diesel/oil engine ran the mill and changed again in 1958 to electricity. The mill produced good quality flour until its closure in 1966.

By 1884 the town had seen the addition of the Lutheran School, a bank (Commercial Bank), a Blacksmith Shop (who built the current gates in front of the Lutheran church), Saddler, Post Office, General Store, Tea rooms and the Sedan Hotel built in 1881.

Water was a problem for the townsfolk and long running District Clerk H.A. "Papa" Zadow (District Clerk 1902 - 1946) established a bore to be sunk in 1906 and water storage tank (still standing beside the Hotel) for the use of the townsfolk. This low quality water served the town until it was eventually connected to Murray water in 1967.



Railways were being built around the state and to help the cause of the petitioning public such as Papa Zadow and Towitta farmer William Shannon, a luxurious two storey guest house (pictured) was built in 1894 to convince the authorities of the credibility of the town's accommodation and bid for a railway. The combination of a recession, drought, and the commencement of World War One saw a delay in the arrival of trains until the 13th October, 1919 (Sedan was the terminus). In 1964 the line closed, but was re-opened

for 12 months in 1967 to cart for the Swan Reach Stockwell pipeline. The timber railway station on the edge of town is no longer standing.

The Lutheran School was forced to close due to World War One and a government school was built in 1918. This school ran until 2008. The school bell and 1968 Jubilee plough are now displayed in front of the Lutheran church.

The Sedan Hall (Institute) was built in 1912 on land donated by Martin Lehmann. The first public school was located here from 1912 - 1918 and the Congregational Church used it for services 1912 - 1919 until their church was built (now used by the CFS). A supper room was added in 1953 and the foyer and toilets in 1970. The original pressed tin decoration around the stage is in immaculate condition today.

A 1906 built Drapery was purchased in 1913 for use as a Police Station (now a private residence) and cells were added out the back. The Station closed in 1971 and the cells are now located at the Cambrai Agricultural Museum.

The Sedan Recreation Park was built in 1914 and football, netball, cricket and cycle racing were held here. The Sedan Brass Band used the purpose built 1935 Rotunda (pictured) which is still in reasonable condition today.

Petney's garage was opened C1920 and sold T model Fords. From 1956 to 1981 it sold GMH Holden cars and Fergusson tractors and is now the Sedan Post Office and fuel store. Here you can pick up a brochure "Sedan's Heritage Trail" and the historic buildings on the trail are numbered with a brief written history.



[Quenton]

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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 Quenton by close of November General meeting
- (f) Late entries will not be accepted

ENTRIES TO BE HANDED TO QUENTON 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 Quenton in plenty of time.





*****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!!!**

GENERAL INFORMATION

QANTAS TOURISM AWARDS

Seven South Australian tourism operators were rewarded at the 2022 Qantas Australian Tourism Awards in March, placing them among the nation's best businesses.

Adelaide Zoo took home the coveted gold in the Major Tourism Attraction category, recognising one of Adelaide's most iconic attractions for its unique behind-the-scenes experiences and commitment to sustainability and conservation.

The Cedars Hahndorf and **Woodhouse Activity Centre**, both representing the Adelaide Hills region, were rewarded with silver in the Cultural Tourism and Unique Accommodation categories respectively.

Bronze medals went to **Bendleby Ranges** for Adventure Tourism, **Sequoia Lodge** for New Tourism Business, **Redwing Farm** for Hosted Accommodation, and **Eos by SkyCity** for 5 Star Luxury Accommodation.

[Quenton]

VKS - 737 RADIO NETWORK RAFFLE 2023

Press release from VKS.

This fund-raising raffle is on again this year, thanks to the kindness of Codan Australia which has donated the prizes.

For the sake of a \$5 outlay, you could be the proud owner of a brand new Codan Envoy HF Radio with 3040 Automatic Antenna. Second and third prizes are Minelab Metal Detectors (Minelab being a division of Codan Limited). Only 3000 tickets are available.

The raffle runs until early June. Buy a few tickets now and help support the important work of this radio network.

You do not need to be a Subscriber to VKS-737 to enter. You might even be the holder of an Amateur Radio Licence in Australia.

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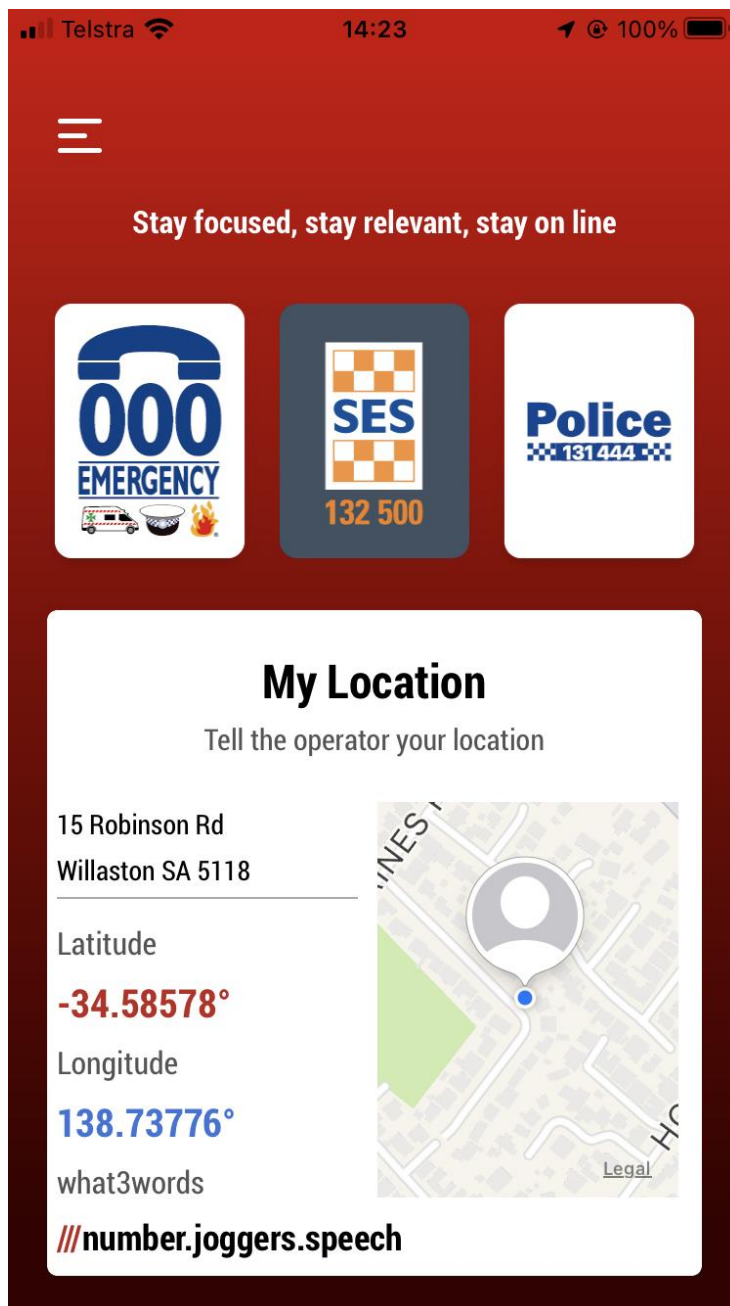
EMERGENCY PLUS APP

The Emergency Plus app is a free app designed by Australia's emergency services and their Government and industry partners. The app uses GPS functionality built into smart phones to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency services.

The "what3words" simple three-word code will locate the caller although address, latitude and longitude details are also displayed. Emergency+ also includes SES and Police Assistance Line connections as options, so nonemergency calls are made to the most appropriate number. search "Emergency plus app" to easily download the app to your phone. You never know when you may need it.

For further information: www.emergencyplus.com.au

[Quenton]



ANSWER TO "WHERE AM I"

Mortlock Library Clock, State Library, Adelaide

This 1887 Clock is 63cm across the dial and pendulum is 43cm in length. It is an "8 Day" clock and is wound every Monday morning by a Librarian using the original small brass winder. It was last overhauled in 1999. It was ordered by Postmaster General Sir Charles Todd on a trip to London in 1885 by English clock maker

E Dent & Co. (The same makers who made "Big Ben" in Elizabeth Tower, London) at a quoted price of £50. It seems the clock maker lost money on the deal, but was determined to supply the quality clock for such an important installation.

The Mortlock wing was originally called the Jervois Wing after Governor Jervois, but changed to the Mortlock wing after \$1.8m was left to the State Library from the John Andrew Tennant Mortlock (1894-1950 of Martindale Hall, Mintaro) estate after his widow died in 1979. Martindale Hall and the land was left to the University. Mortlock drove fast cars, liked to have a drink, owned racehorses and greyhounds and enjoyed his yacht "Martindale" (which was later used for the war effort in WWII). Mortlock and his wife, Dorothy Elizabeth, also liked books, and it was his wish that at the time of his wife's death (they had no children), his vast wealth was to go to the Library.

[Quenton]

THE LOGISTICS OF PLANNING A 4WD TRIP!!!

- 14 4WDers travelling to Bowmans, but Jo and Pete forgot to put their names on the list....
so
- 12 4WDers travelling to Bowmans when sadly Q had to pull out and then there were
- 11 4WDers travelling to Bowmans. Keryn and Brent no longer able to lead so
- 9 4WDers lead by Pete and Sandra travel to Bowmans
- 9 4WDers travelling to Bowmans until Roy and Bron decided to make their own way, so
- 7 4WDers travelling to Bowmans when Martin decided to join the team for a weekend of fun.
- 8 4WDers travelling to Bowmans and they met with the others, so
- 12 4WDers set up camp, checked out the area and enjoyed happy hour at Bowmans
- 12 4WDers lasted one night at Bowmans but one of two persons pulled out due to teething troubles. And although Brent almost blew a lung climbing to the lookout!!! But he made it!!
- 11 4WDers enjoyed the weekend, visiting Crystal Brook and Port Pirie, visiting the National Trust and RSL museums, indulging in great food, watching the convoy of vehicles and visiting the Story of the road museum.
- 5 4WDers had to head for home at the end of the day, so
- 6 4WDers huddled in the annexe with knee rugs, because no camp fires were allowed.
- 6 4WDers then headed for home the following morning after a wonderful weekend of exploring the history of past eras in the far north.

Thank you all for making it a wonderful weekend.

[Keryn]

The funny quote heard on the weekend after some discussion about chocolate 'A cherry ripe reminds Martin of an inside out Lamington'!!! 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷