



**TEROWIE 4WD Park (1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2015)**

**Trip leaders Dave, Michele and Jessica**

We ended up with only 4 vehicles on the list which was unfortunate in some ways BUT ended up being a great number really for our first visit to Terowie 4WD Park.

Friday night the rains came and they came down hard. Saturday morning we awoke to it still raining and a very soggy looking outside. The forecast was only 10mm for Terowie BUT we hadn't been there so had no idea what to expect. After many calls to people trying to find out more we headed off anyways to meet the others at Tarlee hoping the weather might clear a bit.

We arrived at Tarlee to see our keen prospective members Neil & Liz, Bob & Pauline waiting for us (Dave, Michele & Jessica). They too had been watching the weather and hoping secretly for us to call saying the trip was going to be too wet before they left home hehe. Jo and Peter made it and we were off at 8:15 heading towards Goyder Line which Dave assured everyone might see a change in the weather.

Terowie 4WD Park was found and we SLOWLY bumped and winded our way into the property and to the camp site which was quite a slow trip in due to 3 of us having caravans. Camp saw Long Drop Toilets in progress of being finished but thankfully they worked hard to get one finished before nightfall so we could use it (PHEW said us ladies lol). Bit of damp paint due to the weather didn't stop us ;).

Camp set up, some food in our bellies for an early lunch and off we went exploring with no idea what we were in for was great. Property was pretty much a find your way around scenario or there was a mud map you could take a photo of so you had a rough idea of the boundaries which was a totally different plan for us but sure made it interesting.



Lots of rocks and tricky driving in the creek beds made for lots of team work with everyone taking it nice and slow and guiding each other. Everyone did really well even Bob and Pete with a Ute didn't even look like bumping their bums.

Up and down the hill sin and out of the creeks up and over or around the rocks we went and around the property finding things as we went. Some bits of the creek we couldn't do but a lot we did that wouldn't normally do which everyone really enjoyed being only 4 vehicles is was slow going.



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Late in the day we found the Fish Bowl after doing Hot Water Service Hill and the likes, and a nice soft dirt looking Bowl it looked to be after all the rocks we had been over and we all know boys couldn't resist a play.



We all felt that was enough excitement for one day and that it was time to head back to camp for a fire, happy hour and dinner.



Sunday morning Pete and Jo stayed behind to pack up slowly and head for home to get their vehicle checked over and not risk a tire after the day before's driving had left him with a front tyre not looking the best for another round. The rest of us headed out for some more play time before it was time to pack up and go home.

More winding creeks and rocks and challenges were enjoyed. The boys seemed to do more walking than driving this morning as the creeks were a bit more of a challenge so they wanted to check out what was ahead before we got into trouble and couldn't chicken track it out and around.

Up the top of Brendan's Challenge track we had a great view to finish off our driving around adventures.

Thank you to Neil, Liz, Jo, Pete, Bob & Pauline for joining Dave, Myself & Jessica for a cold and wet, in the most part, but a great weekend at a new Property that we will be back to explore more of one day if Dave has his way.



**[Michele Riddle]**