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Geelong 4wd Club

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What's happening?

8th May 7.30pm Club Rooms	General Meeting
22nd May 2019 @ 7.30pm	Committee Meeting
7th – 10th June	Moonambel Muster
12th June	General/ AGM/Presentation Night
12th -14th July	Weekend Snow Trip
27th July	Day Snow Trip
15th - 17th November	Christmas Party
<p>If you have any trips or events you want to include please send an email to either the Trip Co-ordinator or Editor two weeks before the next General Meeting.</p> <p>Please: If you have any trip reports (past or present) send them through for inclusion in the magazine.</p>	
<p>For further info about upcoming Club Trips check the website: www.geelong4wdclub.org.au</p>	

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Monthly general meetings are held at the club rooms on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm.

Abe Wood Reserve, Edgerton Rd, Lovely Banks

Visitors and new members welcome.

During Daylight saving a BBQ precedes the meeting at 6.30 pm.

For more information email: info@geelong4wdclub.org.au

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THE PRES SAYS



G'day All,

Well the annual Muster is closing in fast with about 5weeks to go. Please make sure that you have your sites for camping and your spuds booked and prepaid with Allie. Prepaying will make things a lot easier and quicker at check in. We also need to know how many spuds for catering purposes.

We are also looking for volunteers to help set up and pack up, if you can spare some time that would be awesome.

There are some reccy runs going out to plan some great trips over the weekend so I'm sure it will be another fantastic event for our club.

See you all soon

Cheers Byron

President Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the General Meeting

Held at the Clubrooms, Abe Wood Reserve on Wednesday 10th April 2019

Meeting Opened: By Byron Willey @7.36pm

Minuted by: Shez Tedford

Apologies: Don Bird, Bill Taft, Allie Hamann, Rick Neville, Lachie Hill, Ron Baston, Matthew Mountjoy,

Visitors: Harrison Park, Bob Wells, Jane Wells

New Members: .

Previous minutes: Previous minutes are correct. Jimmy and Rylan

Business arising from the Minutes

None

Correspondence in:

Invoice from Australia Post

FWDV

We have had correspondence asking for volunteers to work with the relief organisation, Blaze Aid in the fire ravaged areas of Bunyip and other areas of Gippsland

Letter asking clubs to document their volunteer hours. This information is collected to meet FWDV KPI's with the government, and to help calculate the total value of volunteer work and its effects on regional communities

FWDV are running another chain saw course. .

Correspondence out:

Previous minutes.

April Driveline

Letter has been sent to VHCHA thanking Wayne And Sue Peterken for their presentation at The March General Meeting

Business arising from the correspondence:

No Business .

Treasurer's report:

As read out by Juanita Mountjoy (P) Tim Neville (S) Beth Rogers

Editor: We are getting more contributions to go into the magazine, please keep them coming. .

Public Relations:

No Report

Regional Rep:

No Report

Social Co-ordinator:

No Report

Trip Co-ordinator: Past events: As per the Magazine

Upcoming events: As per the magazine

Web Master:

Web site is up to date.

General business:

There was no general business to discuss

Meeting closed: 8.10pm

Next meeting: 8th May 2019

UPCOMING TRIPS

TRIP

7th – 10th June

Moonambel Muster

Trip Leader

Committee

Tail End Charlie

TBA

Trip Classification

Easy / Medium

Vehicle Limit

Meeting Place

Moonambel Reserve

Meeting Time

Queens Birthday Weekend

Essentials

Basic recovery gear, Rated recovery points, long handled shovel

TRIP

12th -14th July

High Country snow weekend

Trip Leader

Shez & Warren Tedford

Tail End Charlie

TBA

Trip Classification

Easy / Medium/Hard

Vehicle Limit

Meeting Place

BP servo Melb rd Avalon

Meeting Time

9.00 am Friday 12th July

Essentials

Basic recovery gear, Rated recovery points, long handled shovel and sand tracks if you have them. Base camping Jamieson caravan park

27th July

Day Trip to the Snow

Trip Leader

Shez & Warren Tedford

Tail End Charlie

TBA

Trip Classification

Easy / Medium/ Hard

Vehicle Limit

10

Meeting Place

BP Servo Melbourne Rd Avalon

Meeting Time

Saturday 27th July 6.00 Am

Essentials

Basic recovery gear, Rated recovery points, long handled shovel, Aggressive AT'S as bare Min, Gloves warm clothing and enough food for 2 days as a precaution

TRIP

15th—17th November

Christmas Party

Trip Leader

Committee

Tail End Charlie

TBA

Trip Classification

Easy/Medium

Vehicle Limit

Unlimited

Meeting Place

Gellibrand Caravan Park

Meeting Time

Friday 15th November

Essentials

Powered Site \$38 /Night Unpowered Site \$34/Night Cabins Available
Book Your Own Site Ph 0352358357

CONVOY PROCEDURES

At the commencement of the trip, the Trip Leader shall arrange the convoy order and nominate a vehicle to be last in the convoy (Tail End Charlie). All vehicle shall stay in the convoy order unless directed otherwise by the Trip Leader.

COMMUNICATIONS

Convoy communication shall be by the designated CB Radio or UHF Radio channel selected. The nationally recognized 4WD convoy channel is Channel 10 on both AM and UHF frequencies.

Our club uses channel 12 UHF.

If you are unable to make radio contact, flash your headlights onto the vehicle ahead. This is a signal for the rest of the convoy to stop.

Keep unnecessary chatter on the radio to a minimum when navigating difficult areas.

If in doubt of the best / safest way to proceed through hazards / obstacles, ask the Trip Leader or more experienced driver for advice. Remember you probably won't be the only one experiencing difficulty.

Acknowledge all radio calls from the Trip Leader.

TRAVELLING

Keep the vehicle behind you in view at all times and at any decision point (corner, deviation, and obstacle):

- Wait for the following vehicle.

- Indicate where to go (use indicators if appropriate).

- When acknowledgment is received, then proceed

Drive at your COMFORTABLE and SAFE speed. Generally, keep 4-6 vehicle lengths distance between vehicles and keep the convoy moving.

On steep inclines / obstacles:

- Proceed one vehicle at a time. on very steep or difficult terrain:

- Call the next vehicle through when you are clear.

All gates are to be left as they were found. The Trip Leader is responsible to ensure that the last vehicle knows to leave the gate open or closed.

Vehicles should not leave the convoy other than in exceptional circumstances and before doing so must obtain approval from the Trip Leader.

REMEMBER YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE VEHICLE BEHIND YOU

2019 Geelong 4WDClub

AGM/Presentation night

The AGM/Presentation night ,to be held on Wednesday the 12th June @7.30pm.To be held in conjunction with our monthly general meeting.

The club will provide pizza for tea starting at 6.30 pm

Following the general meeting and AGM we will have our presentation of awards ,to thank those members who have worked hard in the club throughout the year.

All Committee positions will be vacant on the night, all financial members are welcome to nominate for positions.

Please come along and have your vote on the in coming committee, and support the club.

More details TBA

GEEELONG FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUB
Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held at

Abe Wood Reserve corner of Edgerton & Evans Roads Lovely Banks

Wednesday June 12th @7.30pm

Nominations for Officers and Ordinary Members

Nominations of Members for election as Officers and Ordinary Members of Committee are to be in writing and signed by two (2) members together with the consent of the Nominee.

Nominations may be posted to (Geelong 4WD Club PO Box 976 Geelong 3220) or handed to the President on the night

Position.....

MEMBER NOMINATED..... SIGNED.....

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SECONDED BY..... SIGNED.....

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In loving memory of Helga Taft

29.08.1956 - 04.04.2019

Helga has been the treasurer of our club and was instrumental in organising many long distance trips including Central Australia and Googs Track along with many trips to the High Country.

Our love and thoughts are with Bill, Chris, Dan, Andrew and their families.

Helga will be deeply missed



FUNNY CAPTION CONTEST

Come up with the funniest caption for the photo below and you could win a Club Voucher for use at the bar. Please send your funny caption entry to the Editor at editor@geelong4wdclub.org.au



Funny Caption Award for April
Shez Tedford



The Winning Caption

Driver training course
Bannockburn style
Hey Mum, Dad won't let
me have a go
Cheers Shez

MONTHLY MEMBER AWARDS

Come along to a general meeting at the Clubrooms and you are in with a chance to win the monthly member door prize. Each Month all financial members names will go into the draw. If the member is in attendance they will receive a Club Voucher to the value of \$10.

'Fines' are issued for members not wearing their name badges to meetings. Other fines may also consist of breakdowns or breakages on club trips. You could even be fined for silly things you may do on trips as well.

The fines are tallied up and the person with the most fines at a general meeting is the recipient of the 'Pyst N Broke' award. All fine monies are collected and tallied up and at the AGM each year and we donate it to the RFDS from the club.

Pyst N Broke Cam Hamann



Door Prize Bruce Whitten



POSITIONS VACANT

With fabulous support from our club members, we have an almost complete Committee for 2018-2019, however the following positions are still vacant. If you have ever thought of helping the club by volunteering for a committee position, now is your chance. If you would like to fill one of these roles please chat with club president, Byron Willey, or any of the committee team.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

The Assistant Secretary role is to:

- Assist the Secretary with his/her duties.

- Coordinate Guest Speakers, displays or other forms of interest items at General/Special Meetings.

- Keep the notice boards, photo boards and other visual displays updated in the Clubrooms.

ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE

The Association Representative role is to:

- Attend meetings of the Victoria Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs (Inc) representing the Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club.

- Provide written and verbal reports to the Club on VAFWDC meetings.

- Advise the Committee on sensitive issues facing the four wheel drive fraternity.

ASSISTANT TREASURER

- Assist the Treasurer with his/her duties

CLUB NOTICES

MEMBER CONTENT

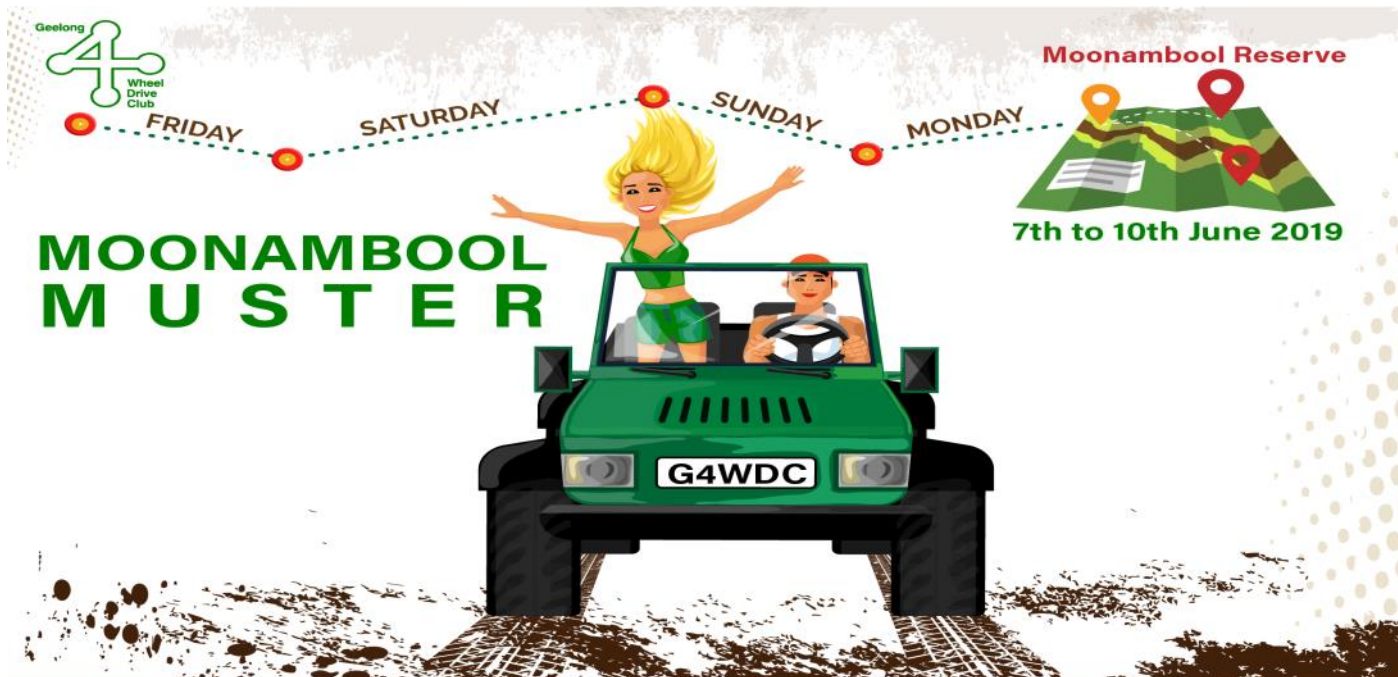
Members are invited to send through their photos and trip reports for our Driveline magazine and website. Most of us take a few photos whilst on a trip, Please send them through so all members can enjoy.

Send Magazine Content to: editor@geelong4wdclub.org.au

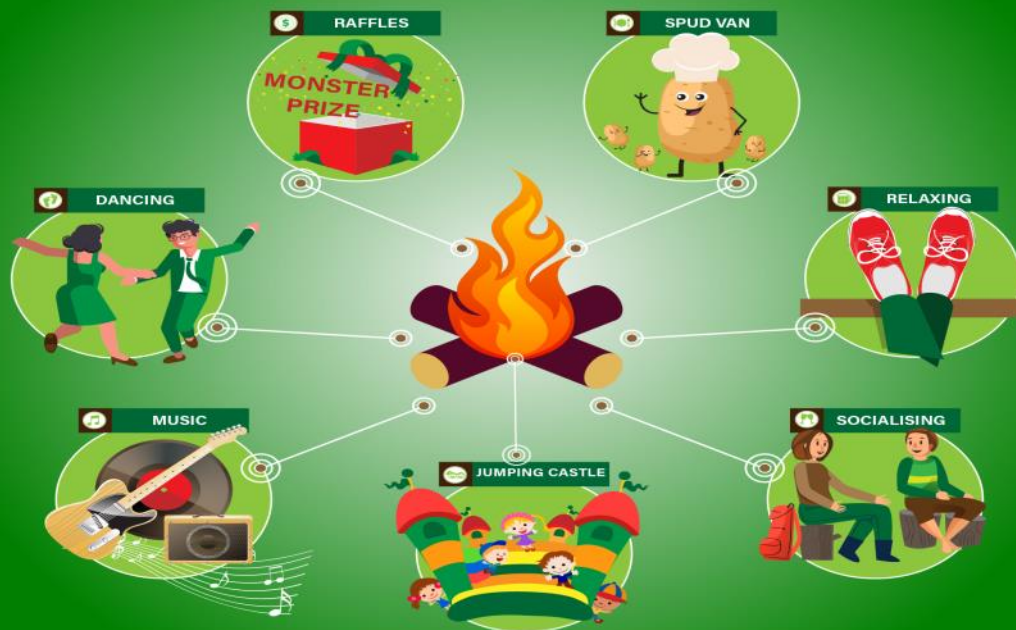
Send Website Content to: webmaster@geelong4wdclub.org.au

Be sure to regularly check the club website for news, upcoming trips, trip reports, photos and club forms.

www.geelong4wdclub.org.au



ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG AND OLD



ON-SITE CAMPING & FACILITIES



Bookings please phone Allie Hamann on 0427997796

There will be plenty of trips going out over the course of the event weekend, to suit all levels of driving capabilities. There will be experienced trip leaders to guide and help drivers. We encourage everyone to come along and enjoy the weekend .

Moonambel Clothing

You can now order your Moonambel clothing for this year. The colour is navy blue Clothing available will be Hoodies, t shirts and polos. You need to contact Hip pocket to place and pay for your order. (03) 5222 4744. I would suggest you order ASAP to make sure your clothing is ready for the event. Beanies will be available to purchase at the event for 10.00 each.

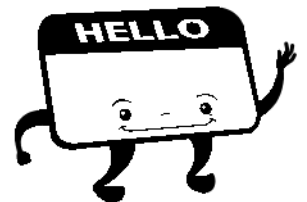
DON'T FORGET YOUR BADGE

Wearing your badge to all meetings, events and community activities makes it easier for everyone to become more personal and build friendships. It doesn't matter if you are a new or old member, please wear your badge

MOVED HOUSE OR CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS?

If you have moved and / or changed your telephone numbers or email

address, please advise the club so that all our correspondence will reach you. With all the great trips and functions going on you need to stay in touch. The club magazine Driveline is now emailed to those who have a current email



Blaze Aid

As posted on our website and closed Facebook group, volunteers are now being requested to assist with Bush Fire relief in fire effected areas of Gippsland working with the Blaze Aid organization.

Club members are invited to be involved with work allocated by Blaze Aid whilst working to assist farmers and land owners as required with removal and repair of fencing, cleaning up debris etc.

Clubs are also invited to display club banners etc showing support from the Four Wheel Drive Club Community

Bunyip show is on this weekend so no need to rush down immediately butt please make contact and arrange times that suit.

Contact Jainee 0401 783 034

Address: Bunyip Showgrounds and Recreation Reserve

Co-ordinator: John Anderson 0412 382 184

Sue Anderson 0407 834 443 and

Assisting: Debbie 0408 368 361

Assisting: Jainee 0401 783 034

Email: blazeaid.bunyip@gmail.com

More information available on website

<http://blazeaid.com.au/bunyip-2019/>

Kind Regards

Driver Trainer

Upcoming Accredited 4WD Training – Club Member

SISODRV302A Drive and Recover a 4WD Vehicle

Four Wheel Drive Victoria has over thirty years of driver training experience. We offer a range of public driver training programs to suit both novice and experienced drivers.

This course is designed for people who wish to gain the basic skill and knowledge in the safe operation and recovery of four wheel drive vehicles and require assessment and accreditation for workplace or other requirements.

Duration: Two and a half days (20 hours)

The theory will be Friday 3rd of May in Mitcham

The practical will be Saturday 25th May and Sunday 26th May

The practical will be held in the bush around the Bacchus Marsh & Lerderderg region (Camping out on

Saturday evening at Firth Park Campground in Lerderderg State Park -18 mins from Trentham)

Public Price \$880 per participant

Club Member Price \$395

Existing skills and knowledge may be recognised towards your qualification. This is done via a "Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)" process. Students are required to undertake a language, literacy and numeracy self-assessment prior to enrolling. Information on RPL and the LLN self assessment can be obtained by contacting the office on 9874-7222.

More course information is available at www.fwdvictoria.org.au or contact the office on 98747222 or email office@fwdvictoria.org.au

Four Wheel Drive Victoria (FWDV) is an accredited Registered Training Organisation (RTO 21605)

The FWDV course code is DRV190526

Upcoming Chainsaw Course

FWPCOT2239 Trim and cut Felled Trees

Learn to safely handle your chainsaw while performing basic cross-cutting techniques

FWPCOT2237 Maintain chainsaws

Provides training in the safe use of engine or electrically operated hand-held chainsaws. It includes sharpening chains and completing routine and frequently required service requirements as well as periodic servicing.

This course is designed for people who want to gain information and skills on the safe use and handling of chainsaws. This course is a pre requisite for some employment opportunities with Parks Victoria and the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

Duration: Two days and one evening (20 hours)

Theory – Friday 24th May– on site at 7.30 pm

Practical – Saturday 25th May and Sunday 26th May

Course will be held on a property to be confirmed but will most likely be at Snake Gully near Ballarat.

Public price is \$880

Normal club member price is \$395

Special 4WD Club members subsidized price is \$280

Resources – you need to bring Australian Standard Certified safety helmet, which includes hearing protection and visor. Sturdy leather safety gloves steel cap boots, high visibility vest, chaps and/or chain saw trousers.

Bring own chainsaw in good working condition. (a chainsaw can be provided if requested prior to the course). Tools to suit your chainsaw (ie: file kit and wedges). 5 litres unleaded fresh fuel. BYO lunch. Clothing suitable for the weather conditions of the day.

More course information is available at www.fwdvictoria.org.au or contact the office on 98747222 or email office@fwdvictoria.org.au

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MVO Track Access

We remind you all that affiliated Clubs and Trip Leaders can access MVO tracks and plan trips that include them. There is a process to be followed to obtain access approval and details are obtainable from Four Wheel Drive

Victoria. Once access has been granted from Parks Victoria and FWDV, you are entitled to enjoy a unique 4WD trip in the bush, as only FWDV affiliated club members are allowed access to MVO tracks. Trip Leaders and clubs are encouraged to research which tracks are available and plan club trips accessing these MVO tracks as historically not many clubs have taken up the opportunity. The expectation from Parks Victoria is that clubs create a report on the condition of the tracks and terrain. More information can be found if you log into

SPONSORS INFORMATION

If you are thinking of making a purchase for your 4WD then make sure to support the companies who support our club. Like their Facebook pages to keep up to date with deals and sales.

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ARB GEELONG	(03) 5272 2611	arb.com.au/stores/arb-geelong/
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143 Marshalltown Road, Grovedale, Victoria 3216		grovedale@burson.com.au

CLUB CLOTHING

Club uniforms can be obtained by any financial member by going into **Hip Pocket** at 180 Latrobe Terrace, West Geelong - Phone 03 5224744.

Head on in and try on your size – in the Navy Blue only, produce your club ID card and place your order with the logos on and then pick up when ready. All prices include embroidery.

			
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Sit by the fire

Relax and unwind

Make memories

DRINK A COLD ONE

Camp with friends

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HOWS THAT HUT

Tomahawk Hut



The Original Hut



The Hut as it is Today



This beautiful hut is approximately 1115m above sea level. It is nestled beneath a canopy of towering gum trees and surrounded by lush tree ferns and other flora.

The original hut was built in 1927 by Arthur Dale, who was the first Mansfield Forestry Commission Officer. Arthur built the hut in just 16 days.

Although rebuilt a number of times Tomahawk Hut remains one of the oldest huts that were built for the forestry Commission in the Alpine region.

In 2007 using Bushfire Recovery funds, DSE completed a full rebuild of the hut.

It is a very peaceful place to stop for a picnic.

Tomahawk Hut is one of my personal favourites.

Shez Tedford

TRIP REPORTS

Easter Trip 19th April -22nd April Davies Plain Region

Trip Leaders Warren and Shez Tedford
Mark Mensch
Rory Tedford (Tail end Charlie)

Day 1

We left Geelong early on Friday morning. We refuelled in the tiny town of Buchan and continued on up to Black Mountain. After lunch we turned onto Limestone Creek track. This track is fairly steep and rutted in parts, and in wet conditions could prove a challenge. It is a fun track to drive.

Our first night camp was at the Poplars camp ground. We had no problems finding a good spot to camp. The Poplars is on the banks of the Murray River and is the highest vehicular access point to the Murray. The actual start of the Murray is just a few Kilometres further up. We got the fire going and settled in for a good night of laughs and chatter.

Day 2.

We arrived at the start of Davies Plain track but did a detour down Buckwong Track to see Buckwong Hut. This is a very popular camping area. It is a fairly steep descent and was a bit of fun. We came back out the way we went in and began our journey along the Iconic Davies Plain Track. This track is rated as a Double Black Diamond. It was dry when we crossed, however in the wet it would be challenging. This track is an early closure because of the altitude and extreme weather conditions.

We arrived at Davies Plain hut and stopped for a break. There were so many people out on the track making our journey a lot slower but none the less enjoyable. We continued down to Tom Groggin, crossing the Murray to stop at Tom Groggin camping area for lunch.

From there, we went back across the Murray and began our ascent to Mount Pinnabar. This is the highest 4WD track in Australia. The peak is 1727 Metres above sea level. From its summit you can see Mt Kosciusko to the east, Mount Beauty to the west and the Cobberas to the south. The views are simply breath taking. This track is a challenge even in the dry. It is one of the iconic tracks to conquer. It was extremely busy when we went up and it took us a good hour and a half to reach the summit. It was a perfect day with 360 degrees views. After some obligatory photos, we came down the ridge line on upper shady creek track from the summit. It is very steep with some clay sections. It is a lot of fun.

While we were coming down this side, we realised we had a problem with our vehicle, we hoped it wouldn't be anything too serious.

Our plan was to camp at Wheelers Creek Hut camping area Saturday night. That was not to be, it was packed out. We continued up out of the valley back to the Corryong -Benambra road. It was getting late and we needed to find another place to camp. We found a camp spot at the old Glen dart township site. Not to be, someone else had the same idea and there wasn't enough room for us. We continued back up the Gibbo range and finally found a great little camp spot on the Dart creek. Plenty of room and it wasn't long before the fire was blazing, and we were able to relax.

Day 3

We drove out onto the Benambra road for a short distance and then turned off, drove along the ridge and then dropped down onto the Gibbo River. This gave us another good track to drive without driving down all of the Benambra road. We crossed the Gibbo river and picked up the Benambra road for a short distance. Our vehicle wasn't responding well, and we needed to find somewhere to stop and check it over. We turned off and headed for the Mitta Mitta river at Taylors crossing. We drove a little further to Kennedys hut.

Here Warren checked the Vehicle and found we had disintegrated a rear uni joint. Warren removed the rear tail shaft so we could continue home. This meant of course we had no 4WD and it was impossible for us to continue on our planned tracks. The decision was made that we would head for home a day early. We came back to Taylors Crossing and Rory towed us across as the other bank is steep and we would have needed 4WD to get up. Even though we had to leave the area a day earlier we still had a great weekend, driving some great tracks and having a lot of fun.

Shez Tedford





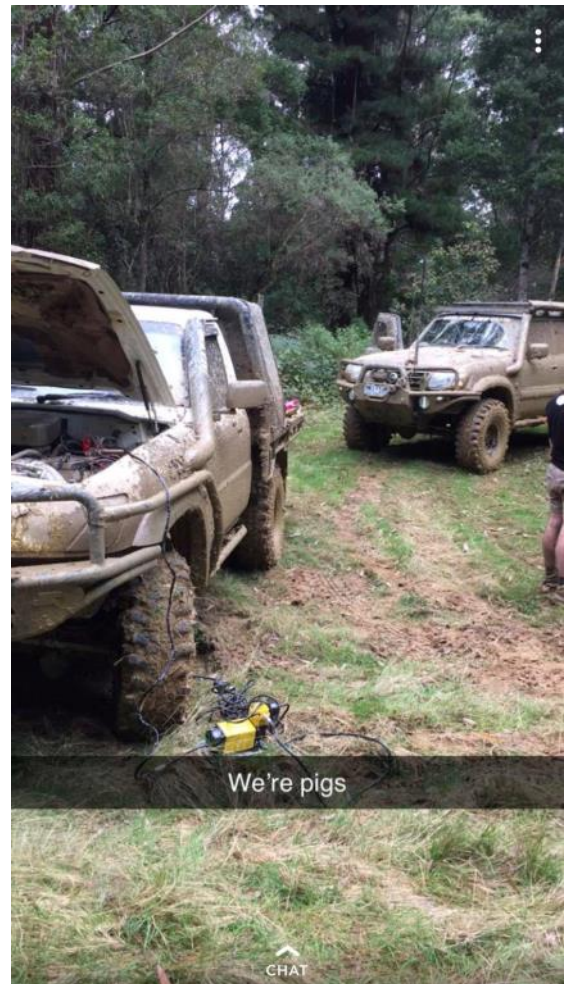
Otways hard over night trip

Participants;

Cam, Oakli, Iachie, Donna GQ Patrol Mitch GU Patrol Jimmy and Rylan GU Patrol Tim GU Patrol

We all met at the Bunnings in Waurin Ponds at 6pm and we were on the road by 6.15pm. After an hour and a half of driving (including an escort by Vicroads thru a planned burn off) we stopped for some fire wood and got into camp around 8.45, with a fire started and the swags rolled out we sat around the fire for the night enjoying each other's company. We woke up and we on the tracks by 9am Thursday morning, not far from camp we aired down and hit our first track with some deep ruts which was making us choose our lines carefully, with a few second and third attempts were needed by some. We then made our way to the main track we had gone to drive, at only 2km long it took us several hours to complete. With it considered "dry" at the moment it surely was wet and muddy, with deep bog holes after deep bog holes, the track saw each car reaching for the winch rope (some more than others hey Mitch). After we completed the track we drove to a nearby campground for lunch followed by us driving around trying to find a track we had heard of in the area but to no success, we then aired up and made our way to the Colac car wash to clean our cars and some radiators out as some of the cars were getting warm from the amount of mud that was blocking the radiator. We were all back in Geelong by about 5.30 on the Thursday night.





Geelong 4WD Christmas Party



Special visit
from Santa.

Friday 15th
November
To Sunday 17th November
2019

Come along for a great Weekend

This year we are going to have our annual xmas party in a different location. we will be having it at the Gellibrand Caravan Park. The park fees are; powered \$38.00 per night, unpowered \$34.00 per night. There are also cabins available for anyone wishing to book one of those. We will be running trips out from the park on Saturday morning/early afternoon and possibly Sunday. We will have a visit from the man in the red suit late Saturday afternoon.

There will be a BBQ tea Saturday night and we ask members who are coming, to bring a salad or sweet. The club will provide the meat.

Anyone wishing to come to the party is encouraged phone the caravan park and make their own bookings as early as possible. ph 52358357

For those who have children 16 years and under, please contact Shez Tedford with their age, name and gender so they can receive a gift from Santa all other members please let me know of their intention to attend.

I realise this announcement is very early but this is necessary to secure camp sites. The park does not require deposits, however, if you book and can't go ,the park would appreciate a phone call to cancel a booking.

.NB When making your booking please state you are from the Geelong 4WDClub.

Come for the Weekend or for the activities on Saturday 16th

2019 Christmas Party

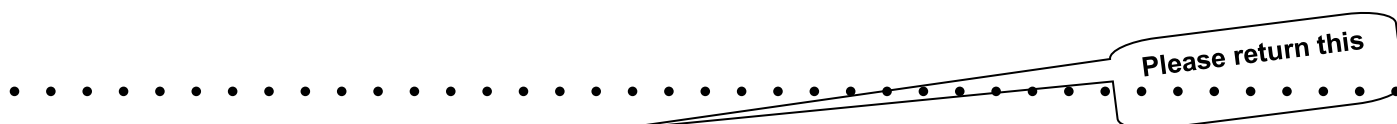
Please complete the form below and return it with money (\$10 per child) to a Committee Member by the **October General Meeting** so that Santa's helpers can organise the gifts.

If you wish to pay via Direct Debit, the club account is -

BSB: 033226 Account number: 160294

Account name: Driveline Geelong Inc: T/as Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club

Please make sure you put your **Family Name** in the reference section otherwise we won't know who is paying for gifts. & email details to secretary@geelong4wdclub.org.au.



Name:

No. of Adults:

We will be attending the Christmas Party: Yes No

We will bring along: Salad Sweet

Please Print

SURNAME	CHILD'S NAME	M/F	DATE OF BIRTH

If you can possibly help out either on the day or in preparation please let Shez or Committee know, the more that help the easier it is for everyone involved

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