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What's happening?

14th August 7.30pm	General Meeting	
28th August @ 7.30pm	30pm Committee Meeting	
Sat 3rd August	Anglesea Ladies & Learners Day	
27th—29th September	Big Desert	
1st—5th November	High Country Cup Weekend	
15 th - 17 th November	Christmas Party	
28th Nov—1st Dec Keliy's Hut Rebuild		
23rd Jan - 26th Jan 2020 Keliy's Hut Rebuild		

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. Please: If you have any trip reports (past or present) send them through for inclusion in the magazine.

For further info about upcoming Club Trips check the website: www.geelong4wdclub.org.au

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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: <u>info@geelong4wdclub.org.au</u> Postal Address: Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club PO Box 976 Geelong Vic 3220

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THE PRES SAYS



G'day All,

We still have a few trips going out over the coming weeks so keep an eye out as they get posted and get your names down.

I believe there is also some social events coming up too. Keep an eye out for those as well.

If there is any trips or social events you or your family would like to do, please have a talk to Dave H (trips) or Renee W (social) or any committee member and let us know and we will try and get it organised. This is your club too so let us know what you would like to do.

See you around Byron

President Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the General Meeting

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

Meeting Opened: @ 7.38 pm by Geoff Davey
Minuted by: Shez Tedford
Apologies: Byron Willey, Renee Willey, Johnny Atanasov, Keith Murdoch, Martin Brayshaw, Rick Neville, Danni Miller, Damien Miller, Adam Cameron, Matthew Mountjoy
Visitors:
New Members:
Jake Cook, Andrew and Debbie Kovak, George Pawlak and partner Tracey Wiffen .
Previous minutes: Minutes as per mag are correct. (P) Belinda Waller (S) Dave Hamann
Business arising from the Minutes:

No business Arising. . Correspondence in: No incoming correspondence . Correspondence out: Magazine and previous minutes. Business arising from the correspondence: None

Treasurer's report:As read out by Juanita Mountjoy(P) David Dixon(S) Werner Brocks

Editor:Lot of content for the mag is being received which is great. Funny Caption won by Beth Rogers . Public Relations: October meeting will be at Iron Man. Preceded by BBQ to begin @6.30pm Regional Rep: Position Vacant Social Co-ordinator: No Report Trip Co-ordinator: Past events: As per magazine Upcoming events: As per magazine Web Master: New Committee has been added to the web site. Some photos have been uploaded.

Association:

Please check the FWDV Face Book Page and Website as much of their correspondence is for viewing on these two social media platforms

General business: There was no business to discuss

Meeting closed:8.01 pm.Next meeting:Wednesday August 14th 7.30 pm .

Please send our Webmaster any photos you may have from trips.

UPCOMING TRIPS

3rd August	Day Trip Ladies & Learners Anglesea Area
Trip Leader	Cam Hamann & Oaklie Bird
Tail End Charlie	ТВА
Trip Classification	Easy
Vehicle Limit	10
Meeting Place	Bunnings Car Park Waurn Ponds
Meeting Time Essentials	Saturday 3rd August @ 900am Basic recovery gear, Rated recovery points and your Lunch

TRIP	
27th—29th September	Big Desert
Trip Leader	Tim Neville
Tail End Charlie	ТВА
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	10
Meeting Place	ТВА
Meeting Time	Leaving Thursday Night After Work 26th Sept Basic recovery gear, Rated recovery points, Operational Winch and MaxTrax if you have
Essentials	them

<u>TRIP</u>	
1st—5th November	Melbourne Cup Weekend Victorian High Country
Trip Leader	Dave Purdie
Tail End Charlie	ТВА
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	10
Meeting Place	BP Sevice Centre Avalon
Meeting Time	Friday 1st November @ 900am
Essentials	Basic recovery gear, Rated recovery points, Operational Winch and Sense of Humor This is a Traveler trip Swags or tents

<u>TRIP</u>

15th—17th November	Christmas Party
Trip Leader	Committee
Tail End Charlie	ТВА
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	Gellibrand Caravan Park
Meeting Time	Friday 15th November Powered Site \$38 /Night Unpowered Site \$34/Night Cabins Available
Essentials	Book Your Own Site Ph 0352358357

TRIP

28th Nov—1st Dec	Kelly's Hut Rebuild
Trip Leader	Shez & Warren Tedford
Tail End Charlie	ТВА
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	ТВА
Meeting Time	ТВА
Essentials	All PPE Gear Basic Tools Pillows Bedding & Towels

TRIP

23rd Jan—28th Jan 2020	Kelly's Hut Rebuild
Trip Leader	Shez & Warren Tedford
Tail End Charlie	ТВА
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	ТВА
Meeting Time	ТВА
Essentials	All PPE Gear Basic Tools Pillows Bedding & Towels

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 July Beth Rogers



The Winning Caption

Come on everyone, it's only 1 Little screw|

Beth Rogers

MONTHLY MEMBER AWARDS

Door Prize Winner Don Bird



Pyst & Broke Dave Purdie



PRESENTATION AWARDS 2019



Most Active New Member Bruce Whitten



Editors Award Shez Tedford



Runner Up Club Woman Allie Hamann



Runner Up Club Man Warren Tedford



Club Woman Shez Tedford



Club Man Cam Hamann



Dunny Seat Award Warren Tedford

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: <u>editor@geelong4wdclub.org.au</u> Send Website Content to: <u>webmaster@geelong4wdclub.org.au</u>

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 address. Please let a committee member know if you have changed any details. Geelong 4wd & Camping 324 Melbourne Rd North Geelong Ph 52779697

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		min@tyrepowergeelong.com.au

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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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HOWS THAT HUT

CRAIG'S HUT

Elevation:1450 Metres above sea level

Craig's Hut is located on the side of Mount Stirling just off Clear hills Track

The hut is accessed from the Circuit road via Clear Hills track, or for a more challenging drive, the hut can be reached via Monument Track or Howqua Gap Track which becomes Clear Hills Track. These tracks are all accessed from the Circuit Road and are 4WDtracks only.

There is a car park on the Circuit Road just before Clear Hills Track for those who do not have a 4WD.From here there is a walking trail leading up to the hut. The walk is approximately one Kilometre up to the hut.

Craig's Hut was built in 1981 as a movie set for The Man from Snowy River movie and subsequent sequel. It is arguably one of the most photographed and visited huts in the High Country, attracting thousands of visitors each year.

After its use as a movie set, Craig's Hut become so popular as a tourist attraction it was rebuilt in a more robust style.

On 1 December 2006 some unseasonably cold weathered delivered a good dusting of snow to the alps, low down onto the Circuit Road and at Craig's Hut.10 days later on the 11 December 2006, Craig's Hut was completely destroyed by ember attack from a devastating bush fire which ravaged the region. This is testament to just how changeable the weather can be in the mountains.

The hut was rebuilt later in 2007 and still stands today.

On a clear day the views of the surrounding alps are breath taking as are the sunrises and sunsets in this magical part of our beautiful High Country.

There is no access to this hut and most others in the region from Queens Birthday to Melbourne Cup weekend each year as part of Parks Victoria seasonal closures.

Shez Tedford





Craig's Hut Before Fires of 2006



Craig's Hut Rebuilt

TRIP REPORTS

Snow Trip 12/14 July 2019

Trip Leader: Warren and Shez Tedford

Tim Neville, Danni and Damien Miller, Adam and Sally Vallance, Matthew and Leah Taylor, Richard Brown and Amy Oberli

Mark Mensch, Geoff Davey, Bruce Whitten, Lachie Hill, Jimmy Halikias, Levi Brocks, Daniel Murdoch, Cam Hamann, Oakli Bird, Allie Hamann, Dave Hamann, Jake Cook, Rylan Bird and Ebony.

Friday 12th.

We arrived at the Jamieson Caravan Park on Friday lunchtime. Once everyone was unpacked, we went for what should have been a quick trip to fill in the afternoon, up one of the tracks above Jamieson. We had a few trees to clear off the track. One section of the track was a bit steep and rutted making for a bit of fun driving. We managed to get our cruiser a bit crossed up and needed a second go to get up. The track came out on the Licola Jamieson road and although it was a steep and quite slippery decent, everyone made it safely down.

Rylan had a problem with his front tail shaft and Cam bought a spare up with him on Friday night. We got the campfire started and after a BBQ dinner everyone mingled around the campfire.

Saturday 13th.

We began our day by cooking a big breakfast for everyone. Bacon, eggs and baked beans were on the menu to fill and warm.

Our convoy was 15, therefore we needed two permits for our trip up onto Mt Skene.

With the convoy split into 2 groups we headed up the Jamieson/Licola Road towards Mount Skene.

We had not gone far before we had our first tree down, the first of many.

At approximately 700 metres above seal level and well before the summit we began seeing our first glimpses of snow. We had a stop at Mount Sunday Road where there was plenty of room for all our vehicles to pull safely and legally off the road. Everyone enjoyed some snowball throwing and a chance to play in quite deep snow. I have not seen snow down that low before on any of our previous trips, it was amazing.

We still had many trees to clear before we arrived at the summit.

The conditions were not very kind to us. There was plenty of snow, however the weather was almost blizzard and very cold,1558 metres above sea level. We did not stay up there long.

We continued across the mountain and stopped at the campground near the South Road intersection for lunch.

The weather was even more unkind on this side of the mountain, with snow falling heavily in blizzard conditions. Our plan had been to continue from here across South Road, to Mt Selma and back to the Caravan park via Woods Point. We had made good time coming over the summit and so we decided to make the most of our permits and head back across the way we had come.

Snow was falling heavier, and it was impressive to see how much more snow had fallen in the short time we were gone. Cam had problems with his brakes and needed a roadside repair to get back to camp.

The fire was lit, and we prepared a BBQ dinner for the group.

Again, we all sat round the fire and had an enjoyable evening.

Sunday.

We began our day again with a hearty cooked breakfast before getting packed and ready to head towards Geelong. We headed out of Jamieson on the Jamieson Eildon road and soon turned off onto Mt Terrible Track. With everyone aired down we began our climb up to the summit of Mount Terrible.

There was plenty of snow making for some interesting driving as we neared the top. We had one large log across the track just before the summit that had been cut, barely wide enough for a vehicle. We needed to spot each vehicle to get them through without damage.

We arrived at the summit of Mt Terrible to find metres of deep, fresh and powdery snow.

The hut looked amazing with the deep snow all around.

I have been to this hut many times and this was the first time I had seen it with so much snow.

A few of our group had not been here before so it was great for them to see the hut. Unfortunately, the summit lived up to its name and we were deprived of the magnificent views this place can offer on a clear day.

We continued, with the thought of having lunch at Ryan's Spur Hut, (a little over an hour further down Mt Terrible Track).

We were not prepared for the amount and depth of snow on the track. Rain and fresh snow also made the track very slippery. It was a challenge to get through with some vehicles needing to be assisted down the steep sections. There was more snow here than up on Mt Skene.

It took us well over 2 hours to get down to Ryan's Spur Hut for lunch.

From here we turned onto the Camberville logging road and headed down onto Big River Road. We aired up and took the Big River Road back up onto the Marysville /Woods Point road and then headed for Geelong.

It was another successful snow trip weekend. There was a bit of everything this year. We were in snow for nearly all the weekend, which was awesome.

Thankyou to everyone who joined us for this weekend, making it so enjoyable.

Shez and Warren

















































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

Geelong 4WD Christmas Party

Special visit



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 **Oc-tober General Meeting** so that Santa's helpers can organise the gifts.

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

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<u>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.</u>

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Name:	No. of Adults:				
We will be attending the Christmas Party: Yes No					
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