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## What's happening?

<b>12th February BBQ @6.30pm</b> <b>Meeting Starts @ 7.30 pm</b>	General Meeting to be held at Club Rooms
<b>26th February @ 7.30pm</b>	Committee Meeting
<b>14th—15th Feb</b>	Mt Cole
<b>Sunday 16th Feb</b>	Go Karts & BBQ Lunch
<b>21st—23rd February 2020</b>	High Country Weekend
<b>6th—9th March 2020</b>	Murray River Track
<b>Easter 2020</b>	Beachport
<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. 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: <a href="http://www.geelong4wdclub.org.au">www.geelong4wdclub.org.au</a></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.

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## THE PRES SAYS

Happy new year to you all,  
I am filling in for Byron this month.

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Christmas and new year. Our thoughts this year go out to the many people who have suffered loss from the catastrophic fires in Victoria and across the country. The scale of loss of life and destruction of property is difficult to imagine. Other far reaching consequences include the many businesses that will continue to struggle due to loss of revenue, loss of habitat for wildlife and damage to our beloved high country.

It feels almost insignificant to return to routine club matters given this background and the magnitude of this devastation. There is no doubt that the damage in the high country will take years to recover and will influence the way we plan trips in the future.

However this is the time of year when a number of club trips are made, many of which are already planned. This provides an opportunity for members to really get to know each other. It would be great to see the newer members participating. These trips provide an excellent learning opportunity as our trip leaders and other experienced members have a wealth of knowledge which they are happy to share.

I look forward to seeing you on the tracks,  
Geoff Davey  
Vice President

# GENERAL MEETING MINUTES



## Geelong 4WDClub

**Meeting:** General Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> December 2019

**Location:** Abe wood Reserve Edgerton Road, Lovely Banks

### Agenda

1.Meeting opened @7.35 pm by Geoff Davey

1.Welcome to everyone present

( Vice President)

2.Welcome to any Visitors

3.Welcome to any new members

#### 2.Apologies:

Cam Hamann, Allie Hamann, Jimmy Halikias,Adam Cameron, Byron Willey, Renee Willey,Martin Brayshaw,Dave Hamann, Bruce Whitten, Beth Rogers, Rick Neville, Chad Barnes

3.Acceptance of the last General Meeting Minutes.

( Vice President)

Moved:

Tim Neville

Seconded:

Johnny Atonasov

**Business arising from the Previous General Meeting Minutes:**

No Business Arising

#### 4.Correspondence

**Correspondence in:**

(Secretary)

1.Invoice for our liquor licence renewal

Email from FWDV . They are looking for people who have driven one or more of the Iconic Drives to become part of a workshop group to evaluate how we can identify opportunities to improve their appeal.

An email was forwarded to members.

#### **Correspondence out:**

Latest Drive Line

Previous minutes

**5. Business Arising from the Correspondence:**

No business

**6.Treasurer's report:** Deferred

Moved:

Seconded:

**7.Editor:**

Mag is going well, please keep sending in photos  
Caption winner Shez

**8.Regional Rep.**

No report

**9.Pro:**

Our march meeting will be at ARB North Geelong.  
Work in progress on a new welcome pack

**10.Association Rep:**

No Report

**11.Social Co-ordinator:**

Rylan gave a brief account of the recent BBQ and night run

**12.Trip Co-ordinator:**

Past and upcoming trips as per the magazine

**13.Web Master:**

No Report

**14.Members Award:**

Rylan Bird

**15.PystnBroke Award:**

Johnny Atonasov

**16.General Business:**

- 1.We had a brief discussion how we can make our meetings more interesting. We would like to hear from our members, get their suggestions on what they might like to see happen at meetings. Such as more guest speakers or even members who might like to give a short talk on a subject that might be interesting to the members. Please have a think on this and we will discuss further at February's meeting
- 2.Geoff has given us an informative power point presentation on snake awareness to supplement our Guest speaker from Novembers Meeting
- 3.Geoff reminded members of the notice of motion which will be discussed at the Feb general meeting
- 4 Committee is reviewing the rules of Association. (Module rules) We are going to rewrite the rules so they will work better for our club. These will be presented to the membership for discussion when complete.

**Meeting closed:** 9pm

**Next General Meeting:**12<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## **Notice of General Meeting Geelong 4WDClub**

**Location:** Abe Wood Reserve Edgerton Road, Lovely Banks

**Date and Time:** Wednesday February 12th, 2020 at 7.30pm.

### **AGENDA:**

- 1.Meeting opening**
- 2.Apologies**
- 3.Acceptance of the minutes of meeting on 11th December, 2019**
- 4.Business arising from the Minutes**
- 5. Correspondence in**
- 6. Correspondence out**
- 7. Business arising from the correspondence**
- 8. Treasurers report**
- 9. Other Reports**
- 10. Notice of motion: Amendment to club membership fees.**

### **Background:**

The committee made a decision earlier this year this year to increase the club membership fees from \$110 to \$115. This was because the fees had not risen for several years but the 4WD Association of Victoria affiliation fees has risen during this time. The committee has now realized that this membership increase is not in strict compliance with our Model Rules of Association. This was an error made in good faith, however it requires rectification should the club be audited.

One option would be to return the \$5 to each member who has paid this year's membership.

This while possible would be a tedious and very time consuming process. Alternatively we could deduct the \$5 from the memberships already paid and donate that sum to a worthy charity of the clubs choosing.

The committee proposes the latter.

### **Proposed motion:**

That the club reconcile an error in membership fees for 2019-2020 (where \$115 was paid instead of \$110) by donating the additional \$5 per member to a charity chosen by the membership. This amounts to \$325.

Proposed by: Geoff Davey

Seconded by: Byron Willey

Note: a proxy form is attached and is also available on the club website, should members wish to appoint a proxy to vote on this or any alternate proposed motion.

### **11. General business**

### **12. Date of Next meeting**

**FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY**

I, \_\_\_\_\_

*(print name in full)*

being a financial member of the Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club (Driveline Geelong Inc) with a voting entitlement, hereby appoint

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(print name in full)*

being a financial member of the Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club as my proxy to vote and speak on my behalf at the annual general /special general meeting of the of the Geelong Four Wheel Drive Club to be held on

My proxy is authorised to vote: *(Tick appropriate box)*

On any matter. My proxy is authorised to speak and vote on my behalf as he or she sees fit

For a Motion

Against a Motion

At his/her discretion on the following Motion and on any amendments to the motion which may arise

Enter details of Motion :

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## 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](mailto:editor@geelong4wdclub.org.au)

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

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### **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.

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## UPCOMING TRIPS

### TRIP

<b>14th—15th February</b>	<b>Mt Cole</b>
Trip Leader	Cam Hamann
Tail End Charlie	TBA
Trip Classification	Hard
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	Bannockburn Lions Park
Meeting Time	6.30 PM Friday 14th
Essentials	Must Have good working winch and be fully self recoverable

### TRIP

<b>21st –23rd Feb 2020</b>	<b>High Country Weekend ( Mansfield Region )</b>
Trip Leader	Warren & Shez Tedford
Tail End Charlie	TBA
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	Buttercup camp 4 Buttercup rd Merrijig
Meeting Time	Friday 21st Febuary
Essentials	Traveler Trip no Trailers, Standard Recovery Gear, Good ATS Min, Snorkel

### TRIP

<b>6th—9th March 2020</b>	<b>Murray River Track</b>
Trip Leader	Dave Hamann
Tail End Charlie	TBA
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	TBA
Meeting Time	Leaving after work Friday
Essentials	Standard Recovery Gear, and fishing gear as required Contact Dave 0407354818

### TRIP

<b>10th—13th April 2020</b>	<b>Easter Weekend Beachport</b>
Trip Leader	Matt & Juanita Mountjoy
Tail End Charlie	TBA
Trip Classification	Easy/Medium
Vehicle Limit	Unlimited
Meeting Place	TBA
Meeting Time	TBA
Essentials	Standard Recovery Gear, Sand Traks And Flags

Members please watch our Facebook page and your personal emails for further trips and events that may be advertised .



## 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](mailto:editor@geelong4wdclub.org.au)



Funny Caption Award  
December 2019 Shez Tedford



## MONTHLY MEMBER AWARDS

Door Prize Winner  
December 2019 Rylan Bird



PYST N BROKE AWARD  
December 2019 Johnny Atanasov





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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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## Lovick's Hut

Elevation: 1484 metres above sea level.

The Lovicks first came into the Mansfield region in 1860 and were pioneers of cattle farming from the early 1900s.

Jack, Frank and George Lovick were the first people to take skiers onto Mount Buller. They did so on horseback.

The first Lovicks Hut was built in 1925 by Jack Lovick senior and was one of the original cattlemen's huts. The current Lovick's Hut was built in 1959 and is located on the Barclay Saddle, so named after Jim Barclay who was the manager of Wonnangatta Station.

The hut was rebuilt in 2014/15 and is still used today by the Lovick family, as a base for their horse trails rides. Lovick's Hut is surrounded by beautiful snow gums and mountain ash and on a clear day visitors are rewarded with magnificent views of Mount Buller, Buller Village and the surrounding alps.

Nearby Mount Lovick was named after Frank Lovick for his extensive knowledge of this region.

Charlie Lovick is a strong believer in mountain traditions and heritage. He believes all huts should be open and welcoming for everyone.

Like at many huts, many a tale and story have been told around campfires at this amazing hut.

Camping is permitted here and on a clear night the lights from the Mount Buller Village are visible. No clearer night skies will you find.

This area is seasonally closed from Queens Birthday weekend until track opening on Melbourne Cup weekend and even then, if the winter has been particularly harsh the track up to Bluff, Lovicks Huts (Bluff Track) and beyond can remain closed on an extended closure.

During the current fires Lovick's and Bluff Huts have had fire retardant dropped to protect them.

Shez

Reference. All information in this article was given to me when I met with Charlie Lovick





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# CAMPING RULES

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## NAP OFTEN

Watch the sunset  
Wake up smiling  
Sit by the fire  
Relax and unwind  
Make memories

## DRINK A COLD ONE

Camp with friends

## BE GRATEFUL FOR THIS DAY



# The Mount Stirling Snow Gum



This rather iconic snow gum stands alone on the summit of Mount Stirling at an altitude of 1700 metres above sea level.

Very few snow gums survive above 1700 metres and those that do are usually stunted and struggling.

This Snow gum is significant because of its altitude, its size and solitude and its claim for being the only snow gum on Mount Stirling. The tree is also subject to extreme weather conditions.

It is believed this beautiful snow gum is in excess of 500 years old.

The tree is recognised by the National Trust of Australia Register of significant trees.

Shez



## Four Wheel Drive Victoria

President's, Vice President's, Secretary's, Delegate's, Treasurer's & Board Member's,

Whilst the office is still officially closed until the 20<sup>th</sup> Jan, we thought it was imperative that we offer our support to those affected by the disastrous fires occurring across our state in the very recent past and present.

We are still trying to establish where we go to make the most impact in this regard, but we need to put the call out to all our members to at least think about offering support in donating things such as accommodation, camping gear, food, transport or whatever else is required to assist the unfortunate families and people who have suffered enormous losses.

We also need to rally our thoughts around acquiring hay to help the livestock around the state to support the farmers and others who have little or nothing to feed their animals. I know there have been some excellent work done before in this regard so am hoping we can once again mobilize an army of volunteers to assist in this very needy project.

Please come back to us with thoughts, ideas of a positive nature so we hopefully can get help to those in trouble at this time and moving forward.

President's, Vice President's, Secretary's, Delegate's, Treasurer's & Board Member's,

It is with great sadness that we pass on the news that Brian Lewis, former FWDV Treasurer and prominent member of the Toyota 4WD Club, sadly passed away yesterday, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

There will be a service held at Heritage Funerals in Wantirna at 1pm on Monday 20th January.

We look forward to seeing a strong contingent from our fraternity in attendance to honour a valued friend, member and colleague.

Regards,

Wayne Hevey

Chief Executive Officer

**Four Wheel Drive Victoria**

# GO KARTS ARE BOOKED

Sunday 16th Feb

Race 1 - 11am -12pm (arrive at 10.20)

Race 2 - 1pm -2pm

\$70 per person per race

At least 12 people per race, if you want to race in both you can, just let me know.

Club will supply a BBQ lunch & soft drinks between races, spectators welcome. Let me know numbers for catering.

All team races need to be 18+

(If any under 18 would like to race on the day contact Allie for details)

Cheers Allie

0427997796



# 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.

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