



SOUTHERN TRAILS

February 2019



ST4WD Club Trip: Merlya and Monkey Gum

Next ST4WD Club Meeting

Will be held on
Tuesday 12 February

at 7.30pm

*Canberra Deakin Football
Club*

3 Grose St, Deakin ACT

Guest Speaker

**Due to unforeseen
circumstances there will be no
guest speaker**

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President's Report – Andy Squire

It seems like only a few weeks since I had to prepare something for the Magazine. Perhaps because it was. Thanks to Michael Patrick for the quick turn-around in getting this edition out before the club meeting. Last month I took the easy route and went with what Matt had prepared, but now the pressure is on to come up with my own report..... so here goes.

It has been a hectic month for me, coming to grips with all the activities in progress and some of the not insignificant issues facing the committee at the moment. I have been on the committee before so appreciate how much all the members contribute, but it seems to be an even bigger responsibility as President. I congratulate all those who have gone before me on the work they have done, and the support shown by the existing members.

The majority of our sponsors have re-signed with a number upgrading their packages. Good to have them back on board for another 12 months. Remember, if you need something for your 4wd or camper, check out our sponsors first.

Planning for the 4WD Spectacular is continuing and I would like to thank Peter Czeti for stepping in to be the third representative from our club. The work done by the Spectacular Committee in organising such a big event is mind-boggling and indications are it's going to be another awesome one next year.

Work on our new web-site is progressing well with the bulk of the development work nearing completion. I have been advised that we are only a week or so away from it being made available for our testing. There are significant changes to the look and feel and the way in which membership management is handled. If all goes to plan it will be streamlined and simplified, but may require minor changes to our Constitution and By Laws regarding the Membership year - more on that later.

On the subject of our constitution, the amendments approved by the membership last year regarding our Not-For-Profit status have been implemented and approved by Access Canberra (ORS). The latest version of the Constitution and By Laws are available on the website.

The Significant Trips Sub-Committee is meeting again to continue planning for the proposed Cape York trip, so anyone with any information or advice I am sure your input would be welcome - have a chat to Alex Szabo.

Our membership is strong and continues to grow, and while we haven't hit record numbers they are the highest they have been for 5 or 6 years which is fantastic. The Trip calendar is filled with a variety of trips, including a number of new trip leaders, with a number of longer trips planned for later in the year - great to see. Hopefully the weather will hold (has held) this weekend and the High Country Frolic and a couple of recce's stayed safe and dry.

Don't forget that next Month (March) is the AGM. Members will receive email notification, but details can be found on the website after logging in.

I can't think of anything more to add, but if I have missed something (and probably did), firstly, sorry, and secondly, let me know and I will try and remember it for next month. Till then... safe travels.

Trips and Events – Michael Patrick

Start Date	End Date	Activity	Type	Leader
19-Feb-19	19-Feb-19	Pre Safe One Basic Driver Training Evening	Training	Joe Brigulio
20-Feb-19	20-Feb-19	Information Night River Crossing & Sand Driving Course	Training	Peter Butterfield
22-Feb-19	24-Feb-19	Safe One Basic Driver Training at Talooge Park	Training	Peter Butterfield
28-Feb-19	28-Feb-19	Trivia Night - Put your thinking cap on !!	Social	Lynne Donaldson
03-Mar-19	03-Mar-19	Brindabella Ramble	Grade 3	Rob Phillips
08-Mar-19	11-Mar-19	Mystery Trip	Grade 3	Glenn Watts
09-Mar-19	17-Mar-19	Balloon Spectacular	Event	Catherine Panich
09-Mar-19	11-Mar-19	Touring around Tilba	Grade 2	Rob Phillips
10-Mar-19	10-Mar-19	Backyard Explorer	Grade 3	Michael Loberger
16-Mar-19	16-Mar-19	River Crossing & Sand Driving Course	Training	Peter Butterfield
17-Mar-19	17-Mar-19	Bushwalk Mulligans Flat Circuit	Social	Andrea Szabo
30-Mar-19	05-Apr-19	Vic High Country	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
13-Apr-19	13-Apr-19	Bushwalk Booroomba Rocks	Social	Andrea Szabo
13-Apr-19	14-Apr-19	Talooge Workingbee	Muster	Peter Reynolds
16-Apr-19	28-Apr-19	From Dawn to Dusk - West to East - Simpson Desert Tour	Grade e	Scott Broadhead
17-Apr-19	17-Apr-19	Basic Training 4WD Vehicle Evaluation	Training	Peter Butterfield
19-Apr-19	22-Apr-19	4WD Club's Jamboree 2019	Event	Matt Maddigan
30-Apr-19	30-Apr-19	Pre Safe One Basic Driver Training Evening	Training	Joe Brigulio
03-May-19	05-May-19	"Safe One" Basic Driver Training at Talooge Park	Training	Peter Butterfield
12-May-19	12-May-19	Brindabella Ramble	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
16-May-19	16-May-19	Trivia Night - Put your thinking cap on !!	Social	Lynne Donaldson
TBA	TBA	Bush Skills Weekend	Event	?????
24-May-19	26-May-19	Intermediate Winching and Recovery Course	Training	Peter Butterfield
25-May-19	26-May-19	Talooge Workingbee	Muster	Peter Reynolds
25-May-19	25-May-19	Basic Winching and Recovery Course	Training	Peter Butterfield
01-Jun-19	31-Aug-19	The Red Centre 2019	Grade 3	Chris Nicholls
22-Jun-19	23-Jun-19	OziExplorer Nav X	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
13-Jul-19	13-Jul-19	First Aid Training	Training	Michael Patrick
13-Jul-19	14-Jul-19	Christmas in July	Social	Lynne Donaldson
19-May-19	19-May-19	Bushwalk Carillion to Jerrabomberra Wetlands Loop	Social	Andrea Szabo
20-Jul-19	21-Jul-19	Overnight At Mt Coree Campground	Grade 3	Matt Maddigan
24-Jul-19	24-Jul-19	Advanced OziExplorer	Training	Michael Patrick
10-Aug-19	11-Aug-19	Trip Leader Workshop	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
14-Aug-19	14-Aug-19	Basic Training 4WD Vehicle Evaluation	Training	Peter Butterfield
17-Aug-19	26-Aug-19	Flinders Ranges 2019 - An Introduction	Grade 3	Dim Veteri
22-Aug-19	22-Aug-19	Trivia Night - Put your thinking cap on !!	Social	Lynne Donaldson
31-Aug-19	01-Sep-19	Games Night at Talooge	Social	Sue Phillips
01-Sep-19	16-Sep-19	Getting to Cape York placeholder for EOIs	Grade 3	Matt Maddigan
07-Sep-19	08-Sep-19	Talooge Workingbee	Muster	Peter Reynolds
07-Sep-19	08-Sep-18	Chain Saw Awareness Training	Workshop	?????
11-Sep-19	11-Sep-19	Pre Safe One Basic Driver Training Evening	Training	Joe Brigulio
13-Sep-19	15-Sep-19	Safe One Basic Driver Training at Talooge Park	Training	Peter Butterfield
16-Sep-19	29-Sep-19	Cape York placeholder for EOIs	Grade 3	Matt Maddigan
22-Sep-19	22-Sep-19	Brindabella Ramble	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
28-Sep-19	13-Oct-19	Cape York (School holidays) placeholder for EOIs	Grade 3	Matt Maddigan
30-Sep-19	13-Oct-19	Getting home from Cape York placeholder	Grade 3	Matt Maddigan

Trips and Events – cont.

Start Date	End Date	Activity	Type	Leader
05-Oct-19	07-Oct-19	Wombeyan Caves and Yerranderie Township	Grade 3	Lynne Donaldson
09-Oct-19	09-Oct-19	Basic Training 4WD Vehicle Evaluation	Training	Peter Butterfield
19-Oct-19	20-Oct-19	Talooge Workingbee	Muster	Peter Reynolds
30-Oct-19	30-Oct-19	Pre Safe One Basic Driver Training Evening	Training	Joe Brigulio
01-Nov-19	03-Nov-19	Safe One Basic Driver Training at Talooge Park	Training	Peter Butterfield
09-Nov-19	09-Nov-19	Brindabella Ramble	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
15-Nov-19	17-Nov-19	Student Driver Trainers Validation	Training	Joe Brigulio
21-Nov-19	21-Nov-19	Trivia Night - Put your thinking cap on !!	Social	Lynne Donaldson
23-Nov-19	29-Nov-19	Victorian High Country Ramble Vers 4	Grade 3	Michael Patrick
30-Nov-19	01-Dec-19	Christmas Party	Social	Lynne Donaldson
07-Dec-19	08-Dec-19	Talooge Workingbee	Muster	Peter Reynolds



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SOUTHERN TABLELANDS 4 WHEEL DRIVE CLUB Inc

Annual General Meeting - 2019

In accordance with the Constitution, notice is hereby given that the 2019 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Southern Tablelands Four Wheel Drive Club Inc will take place at 7:30pm on Tuesday 12th March 2019 at the Canberra Deakin Football Club, 3 Grose St. Deakin ACT.

An important business item of the AGM is to elect our committee. In accordance with the Club's By-Laws, Full Members, Family Members (Spouses/Partners) and Life Members over the age of 18 are eligible to nominate for the committee and to vote at the AGM.

An office-bearer of the club and the spouse/partner or dependent of that member may not occupy a position as office-bearers of the club at the same time

Nominations for positions on the committee shall be made in writing signed by two members of the Club and accompanied by the written consent of the candidate (endorsed on the form of nomination and must be lodged with the Secretary (Secretary@st4wdc.com.au) Secretary by 2nd March 2019 (i.e. 10 days before the meeting).

The committee positions to be filled at the Annual General Meeting are:

President *	Vice President *
Secretary *	Treasurer *
Membership Secretary	Education Coordinator
Events & Trips Coordinator	Publications Coordinator
Property Coordinator	Public Relations Coordinator
Information Coordinator	General Committee Members (four positions)

(* office-bearer)

If there is only one nomination received for a committee position the person nominated shall be deemed to be elected.

If there is more than one nomination received for a committee position then a ballot shall be held. The ballot for the election of a committee member shall be conducted at the Annual General Meeting in such usual and proper manner as the committee may direct.

If insufficient nominations are received to fill all the vacancies on the committee then further nominations, made on the committee nomination form, shall be received at the Annual General Meeting.

The committee is established under the Club's Constitution. The By-Laws describe the committee structure including the responsibilities of committee members. Both documents are available on the Club's website or from the Secretary.

The following AGM related documents may be found in the members website (please login first) under **Members > AGM 2019**:

I Committee Nomination Form

I AGM Agenda

I 2018 AGM Minutes – Draft

I Constitution

I By-laws

The 2017 Financial Reports will be made available by 20 February 2018.

Club membership renewals for 2019 were due on 31st December 2018. If you have not renewed your membership by 2nd March 2019 you are ineligible to nominate for a Committee Position and you will be ineligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting on 12th March 2019.



SOUTHERN TABLELANDS 4 WHEEL DRIVE CLUB Inc

COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM - 2019

The Club's committee will be elected at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 12th March, 2019. Written nominations for committee positions must reach the Secretary at least 10 days before the meeting, i.e. by 2 March 2019.

Nominations are invited for the following positions:

- President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Education Coordinator
Events and Trips Coordinator
Information Coordinator
Membership Secretary
Public Relations Coordinator
Publications Coordinator
Property Coordinator
General Committee Members (Four Positions)

The Committee is established under the Club's Constitution. The By-Laws describe the Committee structure and responsibilities of Committee Members. Both documents are available on the Club's website or from the Secretary. Only financial members aged 18 years and over are eligible to serve on the Committee; this includes Full Members, Life Members and Family Members (who are the spouse/partner or dependent of a Full/Life Member).

NOMINATION

Name of Member Nominated:

Committee Position:

Proposed by: Name

Signature

Seconded by: Name

Signature

TO BE COMPLETED BY NOMINEE

I accept my nomination and acknowledge that I understand the responsibilities of the position for which I have been nominated. If elected, I undertake to discharge those responsibilities to the best of my ability.

I declare that I have not: been convicted of an indictable offence in the promotion, formation or management of a body corporate; been convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty punishable by imprisonment of three months or more; or been bankrupt or personally insolvent within the meaning of the Corporations Act.

Name

SignatureDate / / 2019

Extracts from the By-Laws:

Part III – Committee and Part IV – Organisation and Responsibilities

Part III – Committee

9. Office-bearers of the Club

The president shall be responsible for the general coordination and management of the club including:

- a) chair meetings of the office-bearers of the club; and
- b) chair meetings of the committee; and
- c) chair general meetings; and
- d) chair annual general meetings; and
- e) encourage courteous and considerate behaviour by members at all meetings.

The vice-president shall:

- a) deputise for the president in his/her absence; and
- b) nominate and brief delegates to national and regional association meetings with which the club is affiliated; and
- c) oversee and assist, where appropriate, the activities of the public relations team; and
- d) undertake duties as club insurance officer.

The secretary shall be responsible for:

- a) discharging statutory obligations as described in the constitution section 15; and
- b) receiving correspondence and distributing for action as appropriate; and
- c) preparing general correspondence consistent with committee policy; and
- d) compiling the agenda and papers, and preparation of minutes of general and committee meetings; and
- e) undertaking the role of returning officer for club elections, referenda and surveys; and
- f) legal contracts; and
- g) maintaining custody or control of club records, books and other documents; including determining, with the approval of the committee, record keeping requirements for the club.

The treasurer shall be responsible for:

- a) discharging statutory obligations as described in the constitution section 16; and
- b) budget analysis and review; and
- c) correspondence relating to financial matters; and
- d) financial management; and
- e) supporting the accurate record keeping of the club by creating and managing relevant records according to standard accounting practice.

10 Structure

In addition to the office-bearers of the club, the titles and duties of ordinary members of the committee are established as follows:

- a) Education coordinator who shall coordinate the activities of the education team;
- b) Events and trips coordinator who shall coordinate the activities of the events and trips team;
- c) Publications coordinator who shall coordinate the activities of the publications team;
- d) Property coordinator who shall coordinate the activities of the property team;
- e) Membership secretary who shall coordinate the activities of the membership team;
- f) Public relations coordinator who shall coordinate the activities of the public relations team;
- g) Information coordinator who shall coordinate the activities of the information team;
- h) General committee member (maximum four positions) who may be responsible for one or more tasks as agreed with the president. These tasks may include, but are not limited to:
 - i) organising venues and resources required for meetings;
 - ii) organising the general meeting such as, the physical venue, suppers, guest speakers, audio-visual presentations, demonstrations of equipment;
 - iii) arranging prizes for and organising the raffles at club meetings;
 - iv) assisting the membership team welcoming visitors and new members to club meetings;
 - v) managing club social functions and undertaking fund-raising activities;
 - vi) assisting in the provision of a calendar of social activities to integrate into the club events and trips calendar; and
 - vii) supporting coordinators in the discharge of their duties.

Part IV - Organisation and Responsibilities

11 Committee

See Part III - Committee.

12 Driver and Trainer Education Team

The driver and trainer education team shall be responsible for:

- a) developing driver training policies for approval by the club committee; and
- b) developing course structure, competencies and content for approval by the club committee; and
- c) implementing and delivering an education program for club members; and
- d) improving driver skills with particular regard to safety and environmental issues; and
- e) improving the standard of trainers; and
- f) providing a training program to integrate into the club events and trips calendar; and
- g) training club members wishing to participate in four wheel drive trips to a minimum driver skill standard, as defined by the committee from time to time; and
- h) supporting the property coordinator in the management of the club driver training facility; and
- i) supporting accurate club record keeping with the maintenance of training records.

13 Events and Trips Team

The events and trips team shall be responsible for:

- a) creating and maintaining the club events and trips calendar with input from other coordinator roles; and
- b) providing a program of ongoing driving trips to integrate into the club events and trips calendar; and
- c) publicising the established club policy and procedures related to the running of club activities; and
- d) supporting accurate club record keeping including maintaining a register of trip leaders and other trip records; and
- e) promoting the club's trainee trip leader program by fostering the interest of members in trip leadership; and

- f) seeking endorsement of all activities by the committee.
- g) supporting accurate club record keeping by creating and maintaining relevant records.

14 Publications Team

The publications team shall be responsible for:

- a) club publications and their dissemination; and
- b) managing and maintaining the official archive collection of club publications; and
- c) publishing member advertising to the club's web site; and
- d) encouraging articles from members and others on various topics aimed at promoting and encouraging the sport of four wheel driving for inclusion in club publications and on the web site; and
- e) overseeing the production of any promotional materials that depict club activities and which encourage and promote the sport of four wheel driving; and
- f) submitting to the committee for approval proposed major changes to material displayed in club publications and on the web site; and
- g) supporting accurate club record keeping with the maintenance of publishing records.

15 Public Relations Team

The public relations team shall be responsible for:

- a) all club pronouncements of a public nature including:
- b) written submissions to statutory authorities, governments, and other organisations and individuals; and
- c) press releases;
- d) and
- e) in consultation with the vice president, liaising with state and national four wheel drive organisations, national parks, forestry and lands authorities, emergency services, and other similar authorities; and
- f) ensuring that good relations are maintained between the club and other organisations or individuals; and
- g) overseeing the design, production and sales of club stickers, clothing, badges, logos, and posters; and
- h) providing a calendar of community based events to integrate into the club activities calendar;

and

- i) organising club participation in externally-organised community events, and other charitable and community service activities with a view to encouraging and promoting the sport of four wheel driving amongst the community; and
- j) soliciting and managing appropriate advertising from the business community; and
- k) submitting to the committee for approval an annual schedule of advertising charges; and
- l) supporting accurate club record keeping with the maintenance of public relations records including lists of advertisers and other public relations contacts.

16 Club Property Team

The club property team shall be responsible for:

- a) managing the club property Talooge Park, including:

- preparing policies on management and use for approval by the committee; and
- preparing and maintaining development plans for committee approval; and
- coordinating maintenance activities; and
- preparing budget proposals for any recurrent and/or capital expenditure; and
- managing the relationship between the club, its neighbours, local council and other relevant authorities;

and

- b) managing the club's assets by:

- maintaining a register of assets; and
- ensuring that assets are maintained in good working order; and
- ensuring secure storage of all assets; and
- overseeing asset use by club members; and
- developing budget proposals for any recurrent and/or capital expenditure on assets;

and

- c) arranging the competitive bulk purchasing of goods or the provision of discounted services relevant to the activities of the club; and
- d) supporting accurate club record keeping with the maintenance of property and asset records including listings of neighbours and other appropriate property contact information or records.

17 Membership Team

The membership team shall be responsible for:

- a) supporting accurate club record keeping with the management and maintenance of membership records; and
- b) Producing member lists from time to time as directed by the committee; and
- c) managing access rights to the club web site for all members upon membership approval by the committee; and
- d) promoting the club to prospective new members; and
- e) developing budget proposals and managing membership expenditure; and
- f) seeking committee approval of new member applications; and
- g) providing all new members with a club information package endorsed by the committee; and
- h) as soon as practical after 1 January each year, issuing a reminder to all persons whose membership has expired; and
- i) welcoming new members and visitors at general meetings.

18 Information Team

The information team shall be responsible for:

- a) investigating and recommending electronic information and communication systems to support the efficient and cost-effective operation of the club, including service providers and disaster recovery; and
- b) arranging, managing and certifying contracted information technology services and service providers; and
- c) maintaining and developing the club web site structure and content, email services, and other data repository services to meet agreed requirements, including the management of access control and editorial responsibilities; and
- d) providing technical support and user advice for the systems used in support of club operations; and
- e) maintaining a list of requested changes and desirable developments of information systems and recommending priorities; and
- f) developing budget proposals for recurrent and/or capital expenditure; and
- g) ensuring electronic information is managed in compliance with Commonwealth and ACT legislation and regulations as relevant to the club; and
- h) supporting accurate club record keeping by creating and maintaining relevant records.

Some New Gear from our Sponsor



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Michael Patrick recently bought one of these Jacks and reckons that compared to the old hi-lift Jack there just isn't any comparison. "The new JACK is easier to use and a hell of a lot safer".

But I think Michael likes it because it makes him feel young again – see what I mean, here is Michael helping out a friend who got bogged – definitely looks younger



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The pockets also have heavy duty mesh pockets for storage of quick items. For example, napkins, sauce sachets or whatever you need at quick reach. Housing all the utensils is ten pockets suitable sized for different utensils. These ten pockets have additional straps to keep your utensils from moving around. Also, incorporated is side slip pockets for small chopping blocks or other flat objects. A paper towel roll holder ensure you can keep your hands clean or a quick clean-up, it secures with easy slide steel buckles.

Dan Knox from ARB reckons that while this is ideal as a utility roll for your kitchen setup, it could also be used to store your tools, keeping your bush toolkit ready when you need it.

Oh yes nearly forgot – it also has a spot for the most important bit of Off-Road Gear



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CLUB BANK DETAILS

Bank: Bank Australia

Account Name: ST4WDC

BSB Number: 313 140

Account Number: 1213 0617

Members should use these account details in all transactions with the club, including for membership fees and clothing purchases when using direct deposit.

MEMBERSHIP MOMENTS

INFORMATION ON CURRENT MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Last Newsletter I reported that the club finished the year on a membership high with a total of 509 full and family members (and a total of 292 memberships). At the time I indicated that this maybe one of our biggest years, but asked members if they knew of other years with high membership numbers.

Long standing members Chris Nicholls has kindly gone back through the archives of history and found information that's shows that the highest number of members the Club has had appears to 632 members comprising of 346 memberships, which the club attained in 2002.

Chris was also able to find that we had 324 memberships in 1997, 332 memberships in 1998 and 309 memberships in 2004.

Many thanks to Chris Nicholls for going through his archives to find this information.

Current membership - 31 January 2019

Ordinary Members	-	213
Life Members	-	10
Family Members	-	159
Total Members	-	382

New Members

We have received 3 new memberships for the month of January.

The new memberships were:

- **Andy and Michelle Donnelly** - Driving a Mitsubishi Pajero
- **Ian Kelly** – Driving a Toyota Prado
- **Luke Guillot** – Driving a Nissan Patrol

Welcome to the Club all.

Please say hello to our new members and visitors if you are at the Club meeting - if you see a new face, make them welcome and say G'day.

A word of Thanks

Many thanks to Club members who have assisted throughout the year on the Visitors Table. Having other members on the table welcome and inform visitors about all we do in the Club is extremely helpful to me and is very much appreciated by the visitors.

Membership Renewals

Membership renewal are coming in at a steady pace but have slowed in the last few weeks. Approximately 207 memberships have been renewed to date. That does still leave nearly 83 members yet to renew. Please try to get your renewals in as soon as you can.

I still have a couple of renewals with no identifying information for me to allocate the renewal to the relevant member. If you have paid and not received a receipt and membership card, please contact me at membership@st4wdc.com.au.

A reminder of the fees for 2019

For members who joined in 2017 or before the membership renewal fee is \$100.

For members who joined in 2018 you may be eligible for a pro-rate membership fee for 2019. If you are not sure please email me and I can confirm your fees for 2019.

When paying your fees by electronic transfer please check you are using the correct Club account details and don't forget to include your name in the payment details.

MEMBERSHIP MOMENTS (CONT.)

INFORMATION ON CURRENT MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

Association Stickers

If you haven't got your 2019 NSW & ACT Association sticker, please see me at the meetings. If you need club stickers, I will also have those at the Club meeting

Membership Benefits

Please remember that a number of business in Canberra will give a discount to ST4WDC members when you purchase your 4WD and camping gear. Start with our sponsors, who are more than happy to see you.

Also, if you are applying for insurance for your 4WD, ask if they provide a discount for having completed a formal 4WD training course. A number do include Club 4X4 Insurance, who also offer a club discount. If your insurance provider does and you need an electronic version of your Basic Driver Training Certificate, feel free to scan your certificate you were given or contact me at membership@st4wdc.com.au and I can email you one (if you have completed the course of course!!!).

Demetrio (Dim) Veteri

membership@st4wdc.com.au



Club trip to Fraser Island - Photo courtesy of club member Scott Broadhead

First Ever Club Minutes



Southern Tablelands Four Wheel Drive Club

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SOUTHERN TABLELANDS FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUB

Minutes of meeting held at 129 Newcastle Street, Fyshwick, A.C.T. on Tuesday, 16th November, 1976 at 8.00 p.m.

All present were welcomed by meeting organisers, DEAN BENEDETTI and ROY WORTH and then introductions were exchanged.

APOLOGIES RECEIVED FROM: Rod Scott, Godfrey O'Neill, Neil Donoghoe, Max Chapman and Peter Mills.

The meeting was then opened by DEAN BENEDETTI who proceeded to explain to all present the aims and intentions of the Club, along with its benefits to intending members.

It was also put forward that an Interim Committee be elected at this stage so that the Club could commence to function and draw up its constitution and put its proposals into action.

The Secretary of the Landrover Club of the A.C.T., ALLAN DIXON, was then invited to chair the meeting, whilst nomination for the Committee positions were received and the subsequent successful nominees elected to office.

The Club would like to thank ALLAN DIXON for his assistance throughout the night.

COMMITTEE POSITIONS CALLED FOR WERE AS FOLLOWS:

PRESIDENT:

Nominee: ROY WORTH
Elected: ROY WORTH -

NOMINATED BY
Ian Boardman
Unopposed

SECONDED BY
Geoff Fisher

SECRETARY/TREASURER:

Nominee: DEAN BENEDETTI
Elected: DEAN BENEDETTI -

Ian Boardman
Unopposed

Gary Moore

EDITOR:

Nominee: IAN BOARDMAN
Elected: IAN BOARDMAN -

Dudley Nicol
Unopposed

Roy Worth

TRIP CO-ORDINATOR:

Nominees: WARWICK JOHNSON
PETER PHILLIPS

Ian Boardman
Roy Worth

Geoff Fisher
Ian Boardman

Elected: PETER PHILLIPS by vote 22/9.

ASSISTANT TRIP CO-ORDINATOR:

Nominees: WARWICK JOHNSON
PETER NOTT
GEOFF FISHER

NOMINATED BY

Geoff Fisher
Dean Benedetti
Ian Boardman

SECONDED BY

Mick Swain
Roslyn Nott
Peter Phillips

Elected: PETER NOTT by vote 25/6/3

It was agreed that only the above Committee positions be held until the Club substantiates itself.

With the Committee elected, the meeting was officially opened by ROY WORTH and applications for membership forms were passed around to all present; these were subsequently completed and handed in for acceptance to the Club at this meeting.

A total of thirty-five (35) applications were received. They are as follows, in alphabetical order:

BENEDETTI, Dean & Mary
BLANK, Willi & Erika
BOARDMAN, Ian & Mary
BOWMAN, Bill & Robyn
CALVERT, Leslie
CARNALL, Kevin & Karen
CHAPMAN, Max & Elaine
COLEY, Denis & Joan
COLLINS, Barry
DIXON, Allan
DONOGHOE, Neil & Lucy
DUGGAN, Michael & Kay
FLETCHER, Robert
FISHER, Geoff & Barbara
GRECH, Mario
GRANT, Robert
HARRIS, Ian
HENDERSON, Glen & Alison
JOHNSON, Warwick & Bev
KAZ, Peter
LENNOX, Danny & Patricia
LOGAN, Alan & Shirley
LOVE, Terry
LUSIS, George
MOORE, Gary & Kay
MILLER, Robert
NEIL, Iain & CUELL, Diane
NICOL, Dudley & Margaret
NOTT, Peter & Roslyn
PENTELOW, David & Ali
O'NEILL, Godfrey & Kerry
REID, Max
SMITH, Terry & Susanne
PHILLIPS, Peter & Christine
SHEPHERD, Harry & Pam
SLATER, Raymond
SWAIN, Michael & Mary
TIBBLES, Stephen & Debbie
TILLMANS, Wally
WORTH, Roy & Anita

Club Presidents 1976 - 2016

1976 – 1978: Roy Worth
1979: John Kelley
1980: Les Chapman
1981: Roy Worth
1981- 1982: Tony Fleming
1983 – 1985: Peter Greenwood
1986: Chris Nash
1987-1988: David Chaplin
1989 – 1990: Geoff Appleby
1991: Romas Miniotas
1992: Peter Sealy
1992 - 1993: Mark Adamson
1994: Graham McKenzie
1995-2001: Neil Telfer
2002: T. Stuart-Smith
2003-05: Richard Brand
2006-07: Peter Fenwick
2008-10: Rosemary Orr
2011-13: Greg Taylor
2014: David Whight
2015: Alan Jones
2016: Jim Anderson

Acceptance of the applications was moved by D. Benedetti and seconded by Ian Boardman.

NEXT MEETING: This was agreed to be held on Tuesday, 14th December, 1976, and all meetings from there on to be held on the second Tuesday of each month.

MEETING PLACE: This is still indefinite, but all members are to be notified by mail or phone as soon as the location is verified. Notification will also be made by classified advertisement in the Canberra Times under 'Motor Vehicles for Sale' on Saturday, 11th December, 1976.

FIRST ACTIVITY: A suggestion was brought forward by the Committee to hold as our first official event, a picnic-come get to know everyone affair. The event is to consist of approximately two hours moderate four-wheel driving to the arranged place and then a barbeque for several hours and then another moderate drive home. The event will be held as follows:

MEETING PLACE AND TIME: FLETCHER JONES CAR PARK, CIVIC, 9.00 AM, OR EUCUMBENE DRIVE & COTTER ROAD, DUFFY AT 9.15 AM SHARP. TRIP LEADER WILL BE ROY WORTH, TAIL END CHARLIE WILL BE DEAN BENEDETTI. VENUE IS THE JUNCTION OF GOODRADIGBEE RIVER & FLE- CREEK IN THE BRINDABELLAS. BRINDABELLA MAP 1:100,000. PROVISION IS AVAILABLE FOR TWO WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES TO ATTEND THIS TRIP, VISITORS AND FRIENDS WELCOME. BRING NECESSARY BARBEQUE EQUIPMENT, NO EXTRA FUEL REQUIRED.

CLUB'S POSTAL ADDRESS: A suggestion was put forward by Dean Benedetti that the Club use his present Post Office Box address. Acceptance was moved by Dean Benedetti and seconded by Peter Nott and carried.

CLUB FEES: The sum of \$8.50 was suggested as club fees and only a family unit to apply. Acceptance was moved by Roy Worth and seconded by Peter Phillips and carried.

CLUB BANK ACCOUNT: To enable the Club to have application forms etc. printed prior to 16/11/76, the sum of \$218.38 was loaned to the Club by DEAN BENEDETTI and a SOCIETY CHEQUE ACCOUNT opened at the C.B.C. Bank, Fyshwick. Acceptance of loan and bank account was moved by Roslyn Nott and seconded by Barbara Fisher and carried.

REIMBURSEMENT OF LOAN: Re-imbusement of the loan was moved by Ian Boardman and seconded by Barbara Fisher and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Payment of accounts and acceptance of report was moved by Allan Dixon and seconded by Dudley Nicol and carried.

AUTHORITY TO OPERATE ACCOUNT: A motion was put forward that Dean Benedetti and Roy Worth, along with one other member of the Committee be authorised to sign any Club cheques on the basis that two signatures must appear on all cheques. Acceptance of motion was moved by Barbara Fisher and seconded by Gary Moore and carried.

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An invitation from the President and the Secretary of the Landrover Club was tendered to all persons present to attend their Club's Slide Night at the Union Building, A.N.U., on Friday, 19th November, 1976. The invitation was to attend as visitors and not as contestants.

The meeting concluded at 10.30 pm after which coffee was served, followed by some short movies.

LATE NOTICE

THE DECEMBER MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN TABLELANDS FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUB WILL BE HELD AT THE SPANISH-AUSTRALIAN CLUB, 5 NARUPAI STREET, NARRABUNDAH (BEHIND HARMONIE GERMAN CLUB, OFF JERRABOMBERRA AVENUE.)

Me The Prado, October & The Black Cat

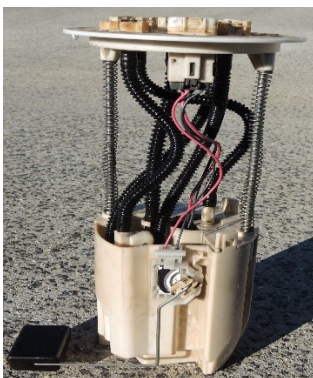
I wrote this article in 2016 and I have decided to reprint this with some updates.

Michael Patrick

Well it all started at the beginning of October. I was driving home on the Monaro Highway when the Prado started to lose power, I pulled over stopped the engine and had a look under the bonnet. Now you have to understand that looking underneath the bonnet is a man's thing. If you open the bonnet men will stand around looking inside at the engine, but the problem is 99.99999% of men have no idea what we are looking at. Well I had no idea so I tried to restart the engine but she would not fire, so I rang up NRMA and had the Prado towed to Monaro Offroads and warned Rod and Michael that the truck was on its way.

A couple of days pass and I ring up Michael who advises me that there were no error codes recorded and they were still investigating but they had disconnected the fuel tank and attached the fuel line to a Jerry can and the engine fired. They then transferred the 20 litres of fuel to the fuel tank and the engine fired. I had run out of fuel. The fuel gauge was reading 75% full on the second tank, faulty fuel gauge, faulty fuel sensor. Another couple of days' pass, phone call from Rod they have found the cause.

The Prado has two ninety-litre fuel tanks and when the computer senses the fuel is getting low it starts a fuel transfer pump which runs for a couple of seconds and starts a Venturi effect. Well this pump has failed. The cost for the pump was \$1,269 but if I had a Prado 150 series the pump would have cost \$500 (go figure). Total repair cost \$2,119. Please note the reason it took so long to find the cause of the fault is that many issues could cause this problem.



Prado Fuel Transfer System

My Prado is back on the road all is good, well no! I had given Tinia a gift voucher for her birthday which was a visit to a Podiatrist. No worries a \$95 present. Nope not to be, add another \$1,000 to the bill. Turns out she has major problems with her feet.

Then my Stihl chain saw was stolen from my garage

All is good, well no! I saw a small puddle of oil under the rear diff. Crawl underneath the Prado,

yep oil leak coming from the rear diff. Ring up Monaro Off Roads, talk to Rod and book her in. I drop the truck off at Monaro Off Roads and Rod and Michael swear all will be good. Nope not to be! I get a phone call from Rod (I dread Rod's phone calls now) the diff has to be rebuilt as some of the bearings have failed. Total costs of repairs \$1,536.

All this happened in October and where will I get the money from, so I thought I would sell one of the dog's kidneys and this was the reaction I got. So much for a man's best friend



Oh well \$#@%\$# happens or I killed a black cat.

Further to this story more fun has been had.

I had heard of these Radar Renegade mud terrain tyres and as I was up for new tyres I bought 5. They ran well but at 20000km they started to fall apart with the tread separating from the tyres. I went back to the supplier but was advised that the warranty was for 12 months, no luck there. I tried to contact the Manufacturers but no response. Now running BFG's

Whilst down in Dargo running the High-Country Ramble I went to start my truck and there was an enormous squeal coming from under the bonnet. Well had a look and the bearings had gone in the alternator. Limped back to Bairnsdale to get a new one.

Six months later I was noticing that the starter motor was laboring to start. Looked like the main battery was failing. Nooo it was the starter motor killing the main battery. New starter motor.

I am now at 180,000km on the clock and hoping no more problems.

Michael Patrick

Camp Cooking Recipes

Apple Cobbler Delight

Ingredients

1 cup self raising flour
1 cup plain flour
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 1/2 cups sugar
220 grams butter
1 x 800g can pie apples
Handful of sultanas

Method

Melt butter slightly, place all ingredients in a bowl and mix together. Place in round cake pan and place inside of your camp oven or line with tin foil. Shovel some hot coals on a flat surface in the shape of the oven, then place the camp oven on top of the coals. Place another shovel full of hot coals on top of the oven and cook until golden, approx 20-30 mins.



Camp Cooking Recipes

One Pan Omelette

For a good, hearty breakfast that fills up everyone before a fun-filled day of camping and 4wdriving.

Ingredients

4 rashers of bacon, roughly chopped
A handful of mushrooms, chopped roughly
6 eggs beaten (salt and pepper to season)
Handful of cherry tomatoes cut in half
Generous handful of spinach
Grated cheese
Butter or oil.

Method:

Heat up a medium size fry pan with butter or oil.

Add bacon and cook until it begins to crisp (5-6 minutes).

Add the mushrooms and stir for a further 5 minutes.

Drain the excess liquid from the pan and make sure the mushroom and bacon is evenly spread.

Pour the eggs carefully so that they fill in the gaps between the ingredients.

Add the tomatoes and spinach.

Top with cheese.

Cut slices of the Big Breakfast Omelette straight from the pan and enjoy.



Social Committee News

What a successful 2018 - 1st year of the social Committee was. We had various social activities up on the calendar which were well supported. We would like to thank everyone that came along to the events and had fun. These events are relaxed and gives us a chance to get to know each other better and perhaps make new friendships.

We look forward to 2019 and a busy fun year ahead, the following activities will be put up on the calendar.

1. Bush walks
2. 2. Trivia nights
3. 3. Picnics
4. 4. Ten pin Bowling
5. 5. Christmas in July
6. 6. Day drives
7. 7. Christmas party

A special thanks to ARB Fyshwick for supporting us throughout the year and for donating raffle prizes for the Christmas Party.

If you have any ideas we would love to hear from you.

Looking forward to seeing you all on a trip or a social occasion.

Social committee

Club Clothing



<i>Polo Shirts</i>	\$38.00
<i>Chambery Shirts</i>	\$45.00
<i>Jackets</i>	\$110.00
<i>Hoodies</i>	\$45.00
<i>Rugby Tops</i>	\$50.00
<i>Caps</i>	\$15.00
<i>Bucket Hats</i>	\$15.00
<i>Beanies</i>	\$20.00
<i>Name Badges</i>	\$10.00



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