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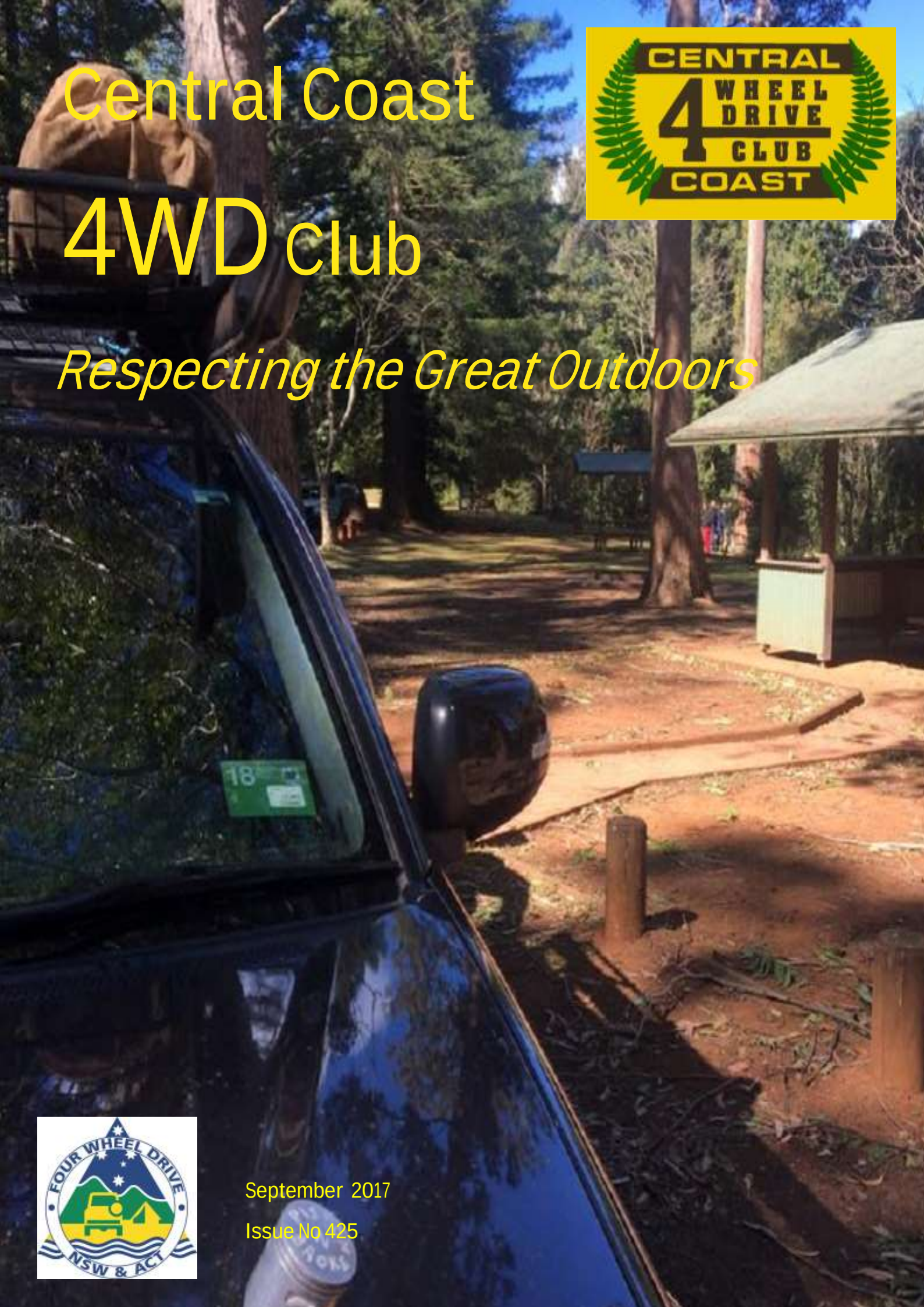

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CLUB MEETINGS

Club meetings are held on the SECOND THURSDAY of each month at the Tuggerah Public School Assembly Hall, Old Pacific Highway, Tuggerah, at 8 pm. Members are invited to bring their friends to the club meetings and outings. THERE IS NO MEETING IN JANUARY OF EACH YEAR**.**

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee meetings are held on the SECOND MONDAY *after* the general meeting. Woodbury Park Community Centre, 1 Woolmers Cres, Mardi. Meeting time 7:30pm

MAGAZINE INFORMATION

Any information or articles of interest are welcomed by the editor and can be emailed to editor@cc4wdc.org.au Please ensure that your articles and trip reports are sent to the editor as soon as possible so they can appear in the next magazine. The cut off date for production is the last Thursday of each month.

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Neale Simpson

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President's Report

Presidents Report September 2017

The AGM is now behind us and we were fortunate enough to fill all roles except for Club Secretary. If you feel you could spare a few hours each month and management committee thenwould like to be a part of the please give me ring to find out a bit more about the club secretary's role. Please remember that without the volunteers the club can't operate.

I really need to thank the outgoing committee members for your efforts last year and welcome back the people who decided to run again. Also welcome to the new faces on the committee. A lot of work was done last year and it was an extremely busy year for members, volunteers and committees. The club has undergone a period of rapid change and progression. The plans of the committee were to better align the club with modern technology and ideas but at the same time find better ways to embrace the traditional values of this great club. Ongoing financial security for the club was also a matter that the committee was determined to deliver.

I was fortunate to have been able to work with a committed group of committee members who brought some varied skill sets to the forum which made it possible for us to deliver what I believe are strong results.

Congratulations to Scott Sheldon for being voted Club Member of the Year 2017 and also to Faye and T.C for trip leaders of the year. All three are very deserving recipients.

We have the Central Coast 4wd and Camping show fast approaching. It's held over September 22, 23 & 24th and Ken McDonald is on the hunt for some helpers to set up and run the event for the 3 days so if you can help out then please contact Ken.

Hopefully this year we can focus on having fun and enjoying the club more. There are plans in place for a much busier social calendar, we have a few more dollars in the kitty and hopefully we can get on with the business of having a good time.

Finally just a small reminder that when on Club functions and events please ensure you have a good time, drink responsibly, be respectful of others and take your rubbish back to your camp with you at the end of the night.

That's it from me, hopefully I will catch you out on the tracks.

Craig Green

President ……. Central Coast Four Wheel Drive Club.

Editorial

Hello my little Spring chickens,

Well Spring has sprung and hopefully we will soon see the last of the Winter chills. This means warmer and longer days and the sweet smell of diesel fumes as we all get out on the tracks and into the bush. There are a few great events coming up such as the Mingara show, First Aid course, and Octoberfest. All of these things should be getting you keen to dust off the Winter cobwebs and get out there, trying something new, and enjoying our great club.

Speaking of trying something new, we are still looking for a new secretary for our club. If you have a bit of spare time and want to invest it in a worthwhile cause please consider it. Being a committee member is a fun, challenging and very rewarding job. You get to meet a lot of interesting people (and a few weird ones!) and get a real sense of satisfaction knowing that you're part of something that is making a difference to the community. So please, give it a go.

The great camp oven cook-off and working bee weekend has just been and gone, and it was a great week-end. Beautiful warm sunny days to enjoy, and great company. The taste testing was a lot of fun and there was much laughter and merriment around the campfire later that night. This included one of the funniest husband/wife exchanges I have ever heard in my life. I'm afraid I can't elaborate much on that (what goes on tour stays on tour), but for amusement value it is certainly in the lead so far this year.

Before I sign off for another month I'd just like to remind everyone that I am always looking for new things to publish in the magazine. Please don't be shy. If there is something you'd like to share, or a funny story to tell, please drop me a line at editor@cc4wdc.org.au. The more the merrier, as they say.

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General Meeting

Thursday August 10th, 2017

Held at: Tuggerah Primary School, Tuggerah

Meeting Opened: 8:02 pm by President, Craig Green

Attendance: As per the Attendance Book

Apologies: Peter Glenndinning, Trevor Banks, Garry Hutchinson, Bev Fort, Barry Vines, Joyce Hollins, Bob Montgomery, Monica Porteous, Helen Tanner, John Bryce, Roz Simpson, Clarissa Brightmore & Glenn McCreadie, Tracey Murray, Sue Maginnity, George Cook

Visitors: As per attendance book ,

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting of Thursday 13th July 2017 were tabled.

Motion: **"That the minutes of the previous General meeting as printed in the monthly magazine be accepted."**

Moved: Jo Jelly Seconded: Steve Farmer CARRIED

Business Arising from Previous Meeting

1. Our new constitution has been registered
2. Clarified that nominees for Club Person of the Year received by email did not preclude nominations on the night of the AGM. The intent was to provide some background to some members who may not be aware of what other Club members have been doing
3. Member of floor felt that these awards have been getting downgraded in recent times and was concerned that Trip Leader nominations were not fulfilling the rules of the Club. Suggested that trip leaders who run any trip receive a badge to publicise that they have run trips.

Correspondence Inward

Inward - post

1. Bank statement, EFTPOS statement, term deposit rollover notice
2. Central Coast Community Information Directory record update request
3. Referral agreement for our signing, Club 4x4
4. Letter from a member about behaviour at the Christmas in July weekend

5. Thank you card from Marilyn & John Middleton
6. CareFlight flyer and newsletter

Inward – email

1. New member enquiries, renewal payments and miscellaneous membership stuff
2. Email from a member expressing dismay at delay in receiving their 10 yr membership plaque
3. Three emails from members over an incident that occurred at the Xmas in July weekend.
4. Nomination email for Club Person of the Year
5. NSW/ACT 4WD Assoc
    a. DTU Newsletter – June
    b. Receipts for payment of Assoc fees
    c. Insurance Certificate of Currency from Aust 4WD Assoc
    d. Jamboree 2018 notice and application form
    e. 4WD Now August newsletter
6. Hunter Region
    a. Invitation to next NSW ACT 4WD Assoc quarterly meeting – Sat 19th August
    b. Urging Clubs to have their say about what they want from the Association
    c. National Parks Biodiversity Day flyer
7. Convict Trail Project July newsletter
8. ED Connect invoice for school hall hire
9. Dept of Fair Trading registries lodgement – confirmation that our new constitution has been registered and accepted
10. Port Macquarie 4WD Club July 17 newsletter
11. Partnership rollout info sheet Club 4x4
12. Advertisers
    a. Sydney 4WD Adventure Show flyer.
    b. Former member has a fully kitted our 100 Series Landcruiser for sale on Carsales.

Outwards

1. Responses to membership and new member enquiries
2. Lots of Committee business
3. Submission to Dept of Fair Trading for registration of our new constitution

Motion: **"That the Inwards and Outwards Correspondence as presented be accepted and dealt with."**

Moved: Neale Simpson Seconded: Lisa Good CARRIED

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Jim tabled the Treasurer's report. Thanks to VP Ken for filling in and Pres Craig for doing the books whilst Jim was on leave. $27K in total in account. Thanks to Committee for hard work to turn around finances and special thanks to Lisa O'Donoghue for her assistance in getting the accounts done.

Motion: **"That the Treasurer's Report as presented be accepted."**

Moved: Paul Kelly Seconded: Stephen Murray CARRIED

Treasurer Jim then presented the bills for payment and requested that they be approved for payment.

Motion: **"That all bills for payment as presented be paid"**

Bills tabled were: $225.01 for Hall hire, $60 for community hall hire, $45 for badges and engraving

Moved: Steve Farmer Seconded: Dennise Green CARRIED

Membership:

Assistant Secretary Steve Farmer requested the meeting's endorsement of the following applicants for membership to the Club:

Moved: Steve Farmer Seconded: Dennise Green CARRIED

Presentations:

President Craig presented new member packs for: Emma Hughes

Driver Training Unit:

$416 was raised at Xmas in July + $500 from the Club and another $150 donation for prostate cancer research. A great effort for all.

Next Stage 1 on 20th August & 15th October has spaces available

Next Stage 2 on 16th September has spaces available

Certificates presented to:

Stage 1: David Leggett

Stage 2: Nil

Advertising:

- Club 4x4 coming on board with an advertisement
- Link on our website in the members area
- They will provide a 5% discount on good rates to members

Editor:

- Keep the stories coming in.
- Dungog calendar comes in landscape so unless it gets re-typed it can't be turned into portrait.

Merchandise:

- Plenty of winter stuff but no mankinis (?). Apparently, one was worn at Xmas in July!

Lease Manager:

- New battery required for lighting

Delegates Report: Neale

- Read out minutes from HRFWD Association meeting

Assistant Treasurer

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Last committee meeting held: 24th July 2017 at the Woodbury Park Community Centre, 1 Woolmers Crescent, Mardi

Business Arising:

1. Talking to Coast Shelter about a food drive
2. Working bee at lease coming up soon
3. New Club brochure has been printed with our advertisers on it as well. Talk to Faye if you would like one. Another great job by Faye

Next committee meeting to be held on Monday 21st August, 2017, 7:30pm at the Woodbury Park Community Centre, 1 Woolmers Crescent, Mardi

General Business:

- Alaina Murray is currently in hospital and Life Line has been a wonderful support to her. Stephen Murray would like to suggest a donation to Life Line
- Can we get more day trips running to help get more members involved? Visitor supported this as new people need to learn from those with more experience. Some sugestions raised were:
    a. If we can get trip logs passed on to the trip leader we can build up a log of trips that others could use. Getting compatibility between logs from different GPS units has been the challenge.
    b. Use Club's Facebook page for recce notices as a social trip not a Club sanctioned one?
    c. Publish trip logs with photos on website so members might do their own trip.

  This will be discussed at the next Committee meeting.
- North Coast (around Grafton) seems to be closing down quite a few campgrounds
- Audit report from Monica says our books are good but there were a few recommendations to tidy up some processes
- The complaints we received about some incidents at the Xmas in July party will be discussed at the next Committee meeting.
- Should the Club consider closing out the Pissed and Broken cup as is this still an acceptable thing to be promoting?

Social Co-ordinator Extraordinaire:

- October long weekend at the Weleaser – karaoke fancy dress with outfits starting with the letter D
- Preparations for the November Xmas party has commenced. You can register on the website and a form is in the magazine.

Trip Master: Faye covering for Aunty Bev

- Upcoming trips in calendar and magazine

Trip reports:

1. Watagan Day Trip – President Craig – interesting day with some not often seen sites and a few challenging tracks
2. Xmas in July – Wombat – Sat night festivities and games on a very mild night with trips Sat & Sun. Thanks to Neale and all his helpers for putting on a great weekend.

Piston-Broke Trophy: 3 nominees this week but with a bit of influencing from the President it went to Tony Clarke (check the photo in the August mag)

Pissed and Broken Cup: Candidates from the Xmas in July weekend (and the days before) meant it went to Scott Good for a great Wednesday effort

Up Coming Trips As per the calendar

Upcoming Events As per the calendar

Items for Sale

- Nil

Fun Fines:

- No badges
- Trevor Banks for bending an axle on Adam's trailer when collecting wood for Xmas in July
- TC for breaking his side mirror on a tree
- Steve for reversing his Ford Ranger ute about 1km down a track and hitting a couple of trees on the way
- Alison for her phone ringing during the meeting
- Spotto copped a few fine fines however he was out sleeping in the car (well he does get up at about 3am each morning to go to work)
- Alan Bull for going walkies at midnight

Raffle: Yvonne filling in for Joycey

(Unfortunately quite a few of the prizes were alcohol based! – see the comment in general business re the pissed and broken trophy)

Meeting Closed 9:15 pm

Next General meeting will be held on Thursday, 14th September 2017

The minutes of this meeting were recorded by: Scott Sheldon, Secretary

Meeting Chairman

President Craig Green

Central Coast Four Wheel Drive Club Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday August, 10th, 2017

Held at: Tuggerah Primary School, Tuggerah

Meeting Opened: 9:35 pm by President, Craig Green

Attendance: As per the attendance Book

Apologies: As per the August general meeting

Visitors: As per the visitors register

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the previous AGM meeting of Thursday, 11th August, 2016 were tabled.

Motion: **"That the m**inutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on 11th August, **2016, as read, are confirmed"**

Moved: Bruce Close Seconded: Scott Good CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes:

Nil

Inward Correspondence:

Nil

Outwards Correspondence:

Nil

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Jim presented his report which was tabled, including the Auditors Report. Jim gave thanks to his wife Lisa for her assistance and support throughout the year with this role.

Motion: **"That the Treasurer's Report and Auditors report of the Club's record books, includ-**ing the Financial Statement for the year 2016/17 is accepted as a true and accurate report as presented be accepted.**"**

Moved: Dennise Green Seconded: Steve Murray CARRIED

Motion: **"That the President's Report for 2016/17 as read is accepted."**

Moved: Neale Simpson Seconded: Faye Goodman CARRIED

General Business:

Faye Goodman spoke to the members and nominated Scott Sheldon for Club Person of the Year

At this time, Bruce Close and Scott Sheldon were invited to take the Chair and conduct the election of officers for the ensuing year, with Scott Sheldon recording the minutes. All positions were declared vacant and the election commenced.

There were no proxy votes tabled.

ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

COMMITTEE	NOMINEES	ELECTED
President	Craig Green	Craig Green
Vice President	Ken McDonald	Ken MacDonald
Secretary	No Nominations	Vacant
Public Officer	No Nominations	Vacant
Treasurer	Lisa O'Dononhue	Lisa O'Dononhue
Membership Officer	Steve Farmer	Steve Farmer
Trip Master	Bev Fort	Bev Fort
Magazine Editor	Scott Good	Scott Good
Public Relations/Advertising	Faye Goodman	Faye Goodman
SUB-COMMITTEE	NOMINEES	ELECTED
Quarter Master	Peter Glendinning	Peter Glendinning
Assistant Treasurer	Lisa Good	Lisa Good
Refreshment Officer	Rowena Trezise	Rowena Trezise
Social Coordinator	Jo Kelly	Jo Kelly
Raffle Coordinator	Joyce Hollins	Joyce Hollins
Purchasing/Merchandising Officer	Alan Bull	Alan Bull
WeLeaser Manager	Paul Kelly	Paul Kelly
Webmaster	Steve Farmer from floor	Steve Farmer

At this time, President Craig took the Chair and thanked Bruce and Scott for conducting the elections and recording the minutes. Craig also thanked the outgoing Committee for their efforts over the past year and welcomed the incoming Committee members.

Following the election of the Office Bearers for the 2017/2018 year, a ballot was held by members in attendance at the A.G.M to determine "Club Person/s of the 2016/17 Year" and "Club Trip Leader/s of the 2016/17 Year "

"Club Person of the Year 2016/17 was awarded to: Scott Sheldon

"Club Trip Leader of the 2016/17 Year" was awarded to: Tony Clarke & Faye Goodman

With no further business, the meeting was closed at 10:10 pm.

Meeting Chairman

President Craig Green

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Please note, though, that supervision is by far the best protection you can give your little ones. Don’t assume that “somebody” will watch over them, because it has been known to happen that “somebody” may assume “anybody” is paying attention when, in fact, “nobody” is looking.

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Faye and TC

Club person of the year. Scott Sheldon

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Upcoming Trips Guide

Date	Event	Class	Trip Leader	Telephone	Limit
16th September	DTU Stage 2	C	Neale Simpson	0404 843 445	
22—24 September	Central Coast 4WD Cara-vanCamping and Boat Show	E	Ken McDonald	4359 1772	No Limit
28th September	Bio Diversity Day	E	Brock Smith	0439036077	No Limit
30th September—2nd October	Brindabella Ranges	C	Tony Goodman Faye Clark	0411 090 653 0423 008 628	8
30th September—2nd October	Octoberfest—Fancy Dress Theme “D”	E	Jo Kelly	4340 2900	No Limit
30th September—2nd	Coolah Tops Adventure	C-D	Natalie Duncan	0410697553	12
15th October	Ladies Day Out	C	Faye Goodman	0423 008 628	10
15th October	DTU Stage 1	D	Neale Simpson	0404 843 445	
13th-15th October	4WD Adventure Show	E	N/A	N/A	No Limit
28th—29th October	Mount Yengo	C	Tony Clark Faye Goodman	0411 090 653 0423 008 628	10
23rd October -- 5th November	Victoria Explorer	C-D	Jaan Oitmaa	4339 7010	TBA
3—6 November	Homebush 4WD Show	E			
18th November	DTU Stage 2	C	Neale Simpson	0404 843 445	
27th December 2017—6th January 2018	Victorian High Country	C-C+	Tony Clark Faye Goodman	0411 090 653 0423 008 628	8
29th March—2nd April 2018	2018 4WD Easter Jam-boree	E	Bruce Close	0414 246 607 wom84t2005@hotmail.com	No limit

HRFWDC EVENT CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT	PHONE
17th June	Basic Training Awaba	Peter Wade	0417 750 150
16th July	Clean Up Aust. Day Uffington S.F.	Noel Skimmings	
7th August	HRFWDC at TBC	Brock Smith	0439 036 077
12th-13th August	Advanced Training Awaba/Stockton	Peter Wade	0417 750 150
19th-August	4WD NSW & ACT August Quarterly Meeting	Brock Smith	0439 036 077
26th-27th August	Slippery Rock Rd Working Bee	Brock Smith	0439 036 077
28th September	Bio Diversity Day	Brock Smith	0439 036 077
9th October	HRFWDC at Beresfield	Brock Smith	0439 036 077
14th October	Basic Training Awaba	Peter Wade	0417 750 150
4th December	HRFWDC at Beresfield	Brock Smith	0439 036 077

When	Event name	Description	Location	Contact
Regular films, markets and auctions				
Various	James Cinema	James Cinema shows films throughout the year. Check jamestheatre.com.au or visitdungog.com.au for details, as well as the James Theatre and Visit Dungog Facebook pages	James Theatre 6 Brown Street Dungog	jamestheatre.com.au
Weekly on Saturday From 8.30am	Dungog Growers Stall	Fresh produce grown by local farmers, market gardeners and backyard growers. Every week you will find different, super-fresh vegetables, fruit, herbs, cut flowers, honey, eggs and vegetable seedlings. Much of the produce is fully organic or chemical-free.	CWA Hall side court 199 Dowling Street Dungog	Jo New Mob: 0425 334 153
First Saturday 8am – 1pm	Dungog Community Markets	Local farmers and artisans bring their fresh and seasonal produce to the Dungog market for the community. Stalls include handmade arts & crafts, jams, relishes, vinegar's and preserves, candles, organic soaps, hand woven garments, plants, church kitchen and seasonal farmer produce. New stallholders welcome.	Presbyterian Church grounds Dungog	Chris Adams Ph: 4992 3433
First Sunday 9am – 12pm	Vacy Farmers Fresh Produce Market	Fresh locally grown produce available for sale	Vacy General Store & Post Office	Ian or Jo Ph: 4938 8138
First Saturday From 9am	Ed's Country Auctions	Auction of household ware, collectibles, push bikes, saddles etc Hot food and drink available.	Dungog Showground Dungog	Eddie Rumbel Mob: 0408 921 810
First Sunday	Paterson Gallery Markets	Local people and local produce including buskers, arts and crafts such as hand made jewellery and candles, bric-a brac and farm produce. Sausage sizzle also available.	Paterson Gallery Paterson	Cath Varcoe Ph: 4938 5632
Third Sunday 8.30am – 2pm	Gresford Community Markets	A monthly market selling local produce, bric a brac, cakes, plants, clothing, arts & crafts. A friendly affair & a fun place to browse	Beatty Hotel East Gresford	Delma Lawrence Ph: 4938 9589
Last Saturday 8am – 2pm	Clarence Town Community Markets	A monthly market with stalls including handmade arts and crafts, selections of jams, pottery, candles, soap, hand woven garments, quality arts and crafts, gourmet food and lots more. Produce from local farms in the area is also on sale. Come and join in this great day out for the whole family. Something for everyone.	Clarence Town	Helena Morris Ph: 4996 4109 For advertising in market flyer Dannii Ph: 4996 3379 or E:claromarkets2321@gmail.com

July				
Saturday 8th 10.30am	Stroud Brick Throwing Competition	Stroud Brick and Rolling Pin Throwing Contest is an annual event held in July between the four townships of Stroud in the world - Stroud in Gloucestershire, England; in Oklahoma, U.S.A.; in Ontario, Canada, and here in New South Wales, Australia.	Stroud Showground Stroud	Ph: 4994 5221
Saturday 15th 10am – 3pm	Rail Motor Society Open Day	An opportunity for the general public to view the operations of the Rail Motor Society Depot and Museum at Paterson	Webbers Creek Road Paterson	Michael Walsh (Secretary) E: trms-sec@bigpond.com
Saturday 22nd **Sunday 23rd**	Team Penning & Arena Sorting	A team of three riders is given 60 - 90 seconds (depending on the class) to separate three head of specifically identified cattle from a herd of around 30 head.	Showground East Gresford	Paul Huggerson Ph: 4995 6150 or 0414 345 805
Sunday 30th 10am – 3pm	Peek into the Past	Come and see working vintage machinery. Tocal Homestead comes alive with the sights and sounds (and smells) of yesteryear. It is a wonderful old fashioned day out for all the family. Grandparents will reminisce, there's nostalgia.	Tocal Homestead Tocal Road Tocal	Sandy Earl Ph: 4939 8901
August				
Sunday 6th 9am	Dungog Dash or Dawdle, Prams or Pooch	A fantastic community fun run, where everyone from every fitness level can be involved and enjoy our beautiful natural environment. There is a 6km dawdle – walk or fun and a 12 km dash. There is also a Prams and Pooches event with 4 laps of the showground – so the whole family can be involved. This is a fundraiser for Dungog Shire Community Centre.	Dungog Common & Showground.	Allen Shrimpton Ph: 4992 2091
Saturday 19th 10am – 3pm	Rail Motor Society Open Day	An opportunity for the general public to view the operations of the Rail Motor Society Depot and Museum at Paterson	Webbers Creek Road Paterson	Michael Walsh (Secretary) E: trms-sec@bigpond.com
Saturday 19th **- Sunday 20th**	Thunderbolts Trail Race	The Thunderbolt Trail Race presented by Salisbury Lodges, runs through patches of untouched forest in the Barrington Tops National Park. The course takes you winding past cascades, eucalyptus, across and through subtropical delights of the scenic Williams River valley, while entering an enchanting patch of ancient rainforest.	Salisbury Road Salisbury	0400 235 437
Friday 25th - **Saturday 26th**	Gresford Campdraft and Rodeo	Come and experience the fast moving action and skills of a professional rodeo competition with bull riding, steer wrestling and bare-back bronco riding. The Gresford Rodeo promises no less than ten hours of pure entertainment.	Gresford Showground Park Street East Gresford	Tracy Merchant Ph: 4938 9309

Saturday 26th –Sunday 27th	Quiltarama	This is our 10th Quiltarama and we're planning for it to be bigger and better than ever. There will be a wonderful display of beautiful quilts along with patchwork and quilting supplies stalls and other craft stalls to tempt you. You can sit and rest for a while, enjoy a coffee or tea with a selection of sandwiches, scones and some tasty slices available.	Clarence Town Senior Citizens Day Care Centre and School of Arts Hall Clarence Town	Judy Flannery Ph: 4996 5514 or anjflannery@bigpond.com
Sunday 27th 8am – 2pm	Le Tour de Glen William	A bike ride around 'the loop' from Glen William through Clarence Town and Glen Martin (27km) and back to the school or a shorter option (10km). There will be market stalls, local produce, entertain-	Glen William Public School 717 Glen William Road Glen William	Donna Ph: 0428 255 944
Sunday 27th 8am – 1pm	Paterson Car Boot Sale & Spring Fair	Turn your trash into cash, free up the spare room, even test market your craft skills.Buskers welcome at no charge! Sell your vehicle, old farm machinery,garden tools and equipment,camper trailers,left over building materials. Make room in the shed.	30 Queen Street Paterson	John Mob: 0408 468838
Friday 28th & Saturday 29th	B & S Ball	The only 2-day B & S Ball in NSW Come for the Friday Night Warm Up Party OR for the Saturday Night B&S Ball. Saturday B&S Ball	311 Upper Monkerai Road Monkerai	Ph: 4994 7047
September				
Friday 1st & Saturday 2nd	AGOG	Agog! A Feast of Foreign Films, returns to the James Theatre Dungog	James Theatre 6 Brown Street Dungog	
Sunday 3rd	Down Memory Lane	The Thrill of it All - a housewife's sudden rise to fame as a soap spokesperson leads to chaos in her home life.	James Theatre 6 Brown Street Dungog	Tina Overton Mob: 0448 749 989
Friday 8th – Sunday 10th	Dungog Pedalfest	Dungog Pedalfest is hosted by Dungog Rotary Club, a fantastic family event to explore the beautiful area of Dungog Shire & surrounds.	Dungog Showground	Jim Norris Ph: 4992 3213
Friday 8th – Sunday 17th	Dungog Arts Society Annual Exhibition	Total Prize Pool $5,000	Art Studio (Side Entrance) 96-102 Dowling Street	E: dungogartssociety@gmail.com

Saturday 9th 8am – 1pm	Anglican Church Market Day	Handmade jewellery", quality arts and crafts, cooking and bric-a-brac	Anglican Church grounds Dungog	Margaret Flannery Ph: 4992 1839
Friday 15th - Saturday 16th	Stroud Rodeo	The Stroud Rodeo is a premier event included in the top Ten in Australia attracting over 800 competitors and 1000 entries. Events include Bull Riding, Bronco Riding, and Barrel Racing. A full camp	Stroud Showground Cowper Street Stroud	
Saturday 16th 10am – 3pm	Rail Motor Society Open Day	An opportunity for the general public to view the operations of the Rail Motor Society Depot and Museum at Paterson	Webbers Creek Road Paterson	Michael Walsh (Secretary) E: trms-sec@bigpond.com
Saturday 16th – Sunday 17th	Wirragulla Annual Polo Tournament	Wirragulla Polo Club will host the hunter polo challenge – an event that unites country folk & urbanites, all seeking the sociable, relaxed, weekend fun that only a polo tournament can provide.	Tabbil Creek Dungog	Mob: 0405 027 680
Saturday 23rd Sunday 24th	Team Penning & Arena Sorting	Rex Fernance Memorial Dungog. A team of three riders is given 60 - 90 seconds (depending on the class) to separate three head of specifically identified cattle from a herd of around 30 head.	Showground Dungog	Mob: 0499 212 862
Saturday 30th	Oktoberfest	Come and enjoy a great day out. German food for sale sausages, sauerkraut, pies. A great collection of cakes and strudels, tea and coffee, German beer, wine and soft drinks. No BYO	Wallarobba Hall Wallarobba	Wallarobba Hall Facebook page
October				
Saturday 21st 10am – 3pm	Rail Motor Society Open Day	An opportunity for the general public to view the operations of the Rail Motor Society Depot and Museum at Paterson	Webbers Creek Road Paterson	Michael Walsh (Secretary) E: trms-sec@bigpond.com
Sunday 22nd	Annual Dungog Rumble	Enjoy a family day out looking at the Custom Classics, Hot Rods, Restored Vehicle and Motorcycles. On the day there will be a free sausage sizzle, live music, raffles and giveaways.	Bank Hotel Dowling Street Dungog	Dutchy: 0407 207 185 Mick: 0418 730 693
Friday 27th - Sunday 29th	Clarence Town River Country Hoedown Festival	The 2017 event will encompass a range of country and general entertainment, to be held at various venues around the Clarence Town area.	Clarence Town Reserve Queen Street, Clarence Town	Ph: 0408 255 939
November				
Saturday 4th From 6.30 pm	Prawn and Chicken Night	The famous Prawn & Chicken Night is on. Dinner Dance with our favourite band "Just Us" Bookings essential includes a 3 course dinner.$35 BYOG, glass & nibbles.	Wallarobba Hall Wallarobba	Barbara Ph: 4995 6273
Sunday 5th	Down Memory Lane	It's a Wonderful Life (1946). On Christmas Eve in Bedford Falls, frustrated and desperate George Bailey (James Stewart) is visited by a guardian angel.	James Theatre 6 Brown Street Dungog	Tina Overton Mob: 0448 749 989

Friday 10th – Saturday 11th	Dungog Agricultural Show	Celebrates and promotes local agriculture, camp drafting, grand parade, wood chopping, miss showgirl, trade displays, dairy cattle, animal nursery, poultry. Bring the family & enjoy a day at the show.	Dungog Showground Dungog	Owen Nicholson Ph: 4995 3214
Saturday 18th 10am – 3pm	Rail Motor Society Open Day	An opportunity for the general public to view the operations of the Rail Motor Society Depot and Museum at Paterson	Webbers Creek Road Paterson	Michael Walsh (Secretary) E: trms-sec@bigpond.com
December				
Sunday 31st	New Years Eve Celebrations	A family event with food, drinks, stalls, fire works, children's entertainment, rock, blues & country music, dancing, face painting and lots more. Gates open 4pm fireworks 9pm. Proudly supported by Rotary & local businesses.	Tucker Park Paterson	Adele Mob: 0419 277 783

Christmas Party

Saturday 25thNovember 2017

Registration Form

If you wish your child (15 and under) to receive a present from Santa, Please complete the following

Member #	Surname	First Name	Boy	Girl	Age

Please note that only children attending will receive a present

If you are staying for dinner please fill in the following-

Club Members$20per Adult

Kids Free!

Visiting Adults $30 per person

Visiting kids/grandkids $25 for Santa present

Please note– No Refunds

Name……..

Member Number ……..

Number of Adults……

Number of Children……..

HUMOROUS OBSERVATIONS

How to start a fight.

One year, I decided to buy my mother-in-law a cemetery plot as a Christmas gift…

The next year, I didn't buy her a gift.

When she asked me why, I replied,

"Well, you still haven't used the gift I bought you last year!"

And that's how the fight started.....

My wife and I were watching Who Wants To Be A Millionaire while we were in bed.

I turned to her and said, 'Do you want to have Sex?'

'No,' she answered. I then said,

'Is that your final answer?'

She didn't even look at me this time, simply saying, 'Yes..'

So I said, "Then I'd like to phone a friend."

And that's when the fight started...

When our lawn mower broke and wouldn't run, my wife kept hinting to me that I should get it fixed. But, somehow I always had something else to take care of first, the shed, the boat, making beer… Always something more important to me. Finally she thought of a clever way to make her point.

When I arrived home one day, I found her seated in the tall grass, busily snipping away with a tiny pair of sewing scissors. I watched silently for a short time and then went into the house. I was gone only a minute, and when I came out again I handed her a toothbrush. I said, "When you finish cutting the grass, you might as well sweep the driveway."

The doctors say I will walk again, but I will always have a limp.

My wife sat down next to me as I was flipping channels.

She asked, "What's on TV?"

I said, "Dust."

And then the fight started...

My wife was hinting about what she wanted for our upcoming anniversary.

She said, "I want something shiny that goes from 0 to 180 in about 3 seconds.

I bought her a bathroom scale.

And then the fight started.....

HUMOROUS OBSERVATIONS

Saturday morning I got up early, quietly dressed, made my lunch, and slipped quietly into the garage. I hooked up the boat up to the van and proceeded to back out into a torrential downpour. The wind was blowing 80kph, so I pulled back into the garage, turned on the radio, and discovered that the weather would be bad all day.

I went back into the house, quietly undressed, and slipped back into bed. I cuddled up to my wife's back; now with a different anticipation, and whispered, "The weather out there is terrible." My loving wife of 5 years replied, "And, can you believe my stupid husband is out fishing in that?"

And that's how the fight started....

My wife and I were sitting at a table at her school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunken man swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table.

I asked her, "Do you know him?"

"Yes", she sighed,

"He's my old boyfriend.

I understand he took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear he hasn't been sober since." "My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"

And then the fight started...

My wife was standing nude, looking in the bedroom mirror. She was not happy with what she saw and said to me, "I feel horrible; I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment.' I replied, "Your eyesight's damn near perfect."

And then the fight started...

After retiring, I went to the Social Security office to apply for Social Security. The woman behind the counter asked me for my driver's Licence to verify my age.

I looked in my pockets and realized I had left my wallet at home. I told the woman that I was very sorry, but I would have to go home and come back later.

The woman said, 'Unbutton your shirt'. So I opened my shirt revealing my curly silver hair.

She said, 'That silver hair on your chest is proof enough for me' and she processed my Social Security application.

When I got home, I excitedly told my wife about my experience at the Social Security office. She said, 'You should have dropped your pants. You might have gotten disability too.'

And then the fight started...

I rear-ended a car this morning...the start of a REALLY bad day! The driver got out of the other car, and he was a DWARF!!

He looked up at me and said 'I am NOT Happy!' So I said, 'Well, which one ARE you then?'

That's how the fight started.

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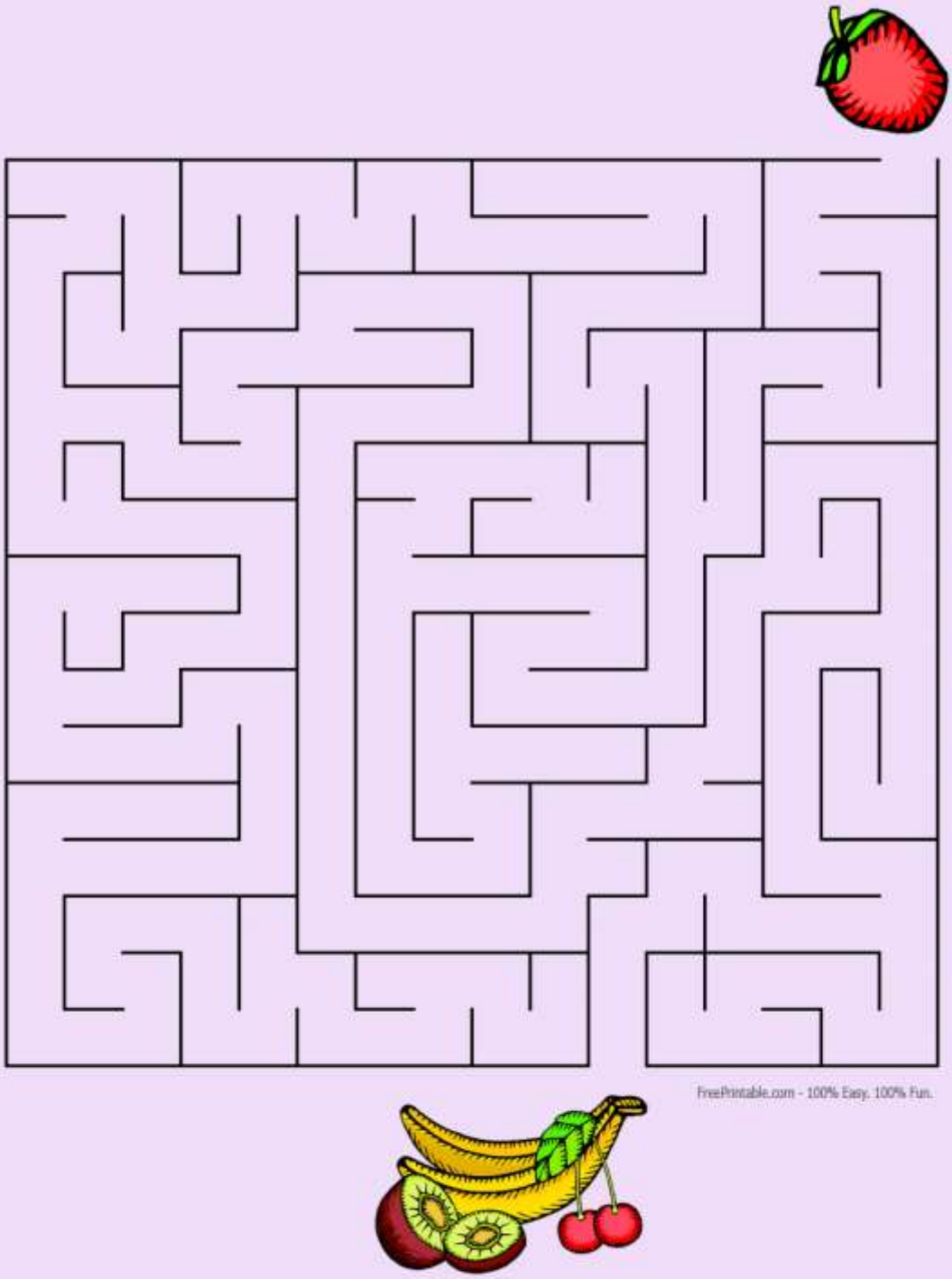

Baby Animals Word Search

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Word List

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Kid
Lamb
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Bunny
Fawn

Kit
Cub
Calf
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Chick
Piglet
Colt

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Duckling
Gosling
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Central Coast 4WD, Caravan & Camping Show

Central Coast 4WD CARAVAN CAMPING SHOW

22, 23 & 24 September, 2017
@ Mingara Recreation Club
Tumbi Umbi

With over 110 sites, good food, great entertainment, the Central Coast 4WD, Caravan & Camping Show is great value for the whole family!

Some of the fabulous attractions include:

- more than 100 caravans & motorhomes
- 60 camper trailers
- lots of 4WDs
- tents and accessories
- interesting gizmos
- great holiday ideas
- rides for the kids
- lots of food stalls

The Central Coast 4WD, Caravan & Camping Show will be staged at the very popular & centrally-located Mingara Recreation Club with it's large parking areas & fabulous club facilities, visitors will be able to experience a most enjoyable day out.

:: show details
:: exhibitor list
:: online magazine
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5th Great Show

* CENTRAL COAST 4WD, CARAVAN & CAMPING SHOW - A GREAT FAMILY DAY OUT *

Volunteers needed to help man our stand at the show.

Contact : Ken McDonald 4359 1772

Meeting Dates 2017

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- General Meeting
- Committee Meeting
- Membership Fees Due
- Ladies Craft Night

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BIODIVERSITY DAY AT BLUE GUM HILLS REGIONAL PARK

Free fun for families

Thursday 28 September, 10am-3pm, Blue Gum Hills Regional Park, Minmi Road, Minmi
(back-up day in case of cancellation Thursday 5 October)

- Free BBQ lunch
- Win great prizes
- Interact with live native animals
- Learn about bats, bees and birds
- Free native plants
- Crazy animal photo booth
- Free activities and craft
- Learn about biodiversity
- Nature walks
- Meet other nature lovers
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- Learn about volunteering in nature
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TRIP BOOK-IN PROCEDURE

1. You must personally book in.

2. If you book in early you must confirm that you still intend going no later than two weeks before the trip. If you do not confirm your position will be re-allocated

3. If you are unable to attend please notify the trip leader as soon as possible so that someone else has the opportunity to fill the position.

4. It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to contact the trip leader the night before the trip. This will enable you to confirm your attendance, and also check that the trip hasn't been affected by weather conditions.

5. Trips can only be booked once they have been published in the Club Magazine. A sign in sheet will be available at each monthly meeting.

TRIP CLASSIFICATION CODES

A. This class of trip is considered to be extremely difficult. Participants will have to be experienced at travelling over difficult terrain. An amount of winching and/or towing will almost definitely be required. Participants will be required to bring along basic recovery equipment. The trip leader will have the right to reject a request to go from someone who is considered under experienced.

B. This class of trip is considered to be a moderate to difficult trip. An amount of winching and/or towing will almost certainly be required. Under extreme weather conditions, this trip could develop into a class A trip.

C. This class of trip is considered to be a moderate trip. Various sections of this trip will require cautious driving in order to negotiate your way. In most circumstances winching and/or towing will not be necessary

D. This class of trip is considered to be a relatively easy trip. In is unlikely that any winching and/or towing will be required

E. This class of trip is considered to be very easy. Little or not four wheel driving will be required and these trips usually consist of easy to reach base camps, scenic tours, social events, etc.

IMPORTANT NOTE: ALL A, B, AND C TRIPS YOUR VEHICLE MUST BE ABLE TO ENGAGE LOW RANGE. These classifications codes are A GUIDE ONLY.

Louth Races

Barry and Joyce	Prado and Van
John and Helen	Prado and Van
Simon and Cheryl	BT50 and Van
Bev	Prado and Trailer
Pete	Cruiser and Trailer
Gary	Everest and Trailer
Dave and Heather	Cruiser and Trailer
Trevor	Ranger and Trailer

After coffee at the meeting place we then proceeded to Louth with overnight stops at Dubbo and Cobar.

We then spent four nights at Trilby Station outside of Louth, camped by the Darling River with a good fire each night and a room to admire the sunrise in the morning, as the long drop had no door and looked out onto the surrounding bush for the perfect view. While at Trilby we spent one day for a circuit drive to Tilpa and a day at the races with Garry being the only winner at days end. On the last full day some went for a drive out to the old homestead where Barry was to get a flat tyre while others vegged out and spent time restraining Helen from wanting to check the yabby traps every half hour. This resulted in some nice yabby meat as an appetizer to our second group roast meal. Also in the afternoon some attended the yabby races at the homestead. Unfortunately, Dave and Heather had to return home so we were to farewell them and miss them for the rest of the trip.

After Louth we then moved on to Lightning Ridge for three nights.

The first day was spent with a group drive out to the Pub in the Scrub, Glengarry Hilton for lunch, sheepyard flat and the War Memorial while the second day was at the discretion of each person to pursue their own goals to finish of the day with a lovely pork roast for the evening meal provided by Bev. Each day had a different show put on by the bush poets Mel and Suzie

with the first using Poppa Smurf (Pete) as the patient and the rest of us with sore tummies from laughing so much.

When we left the Ridge with changed plans and headed north to Hebel for coffee with homemade pies and scones the size of a damper, then west to Thallon for a lunch stop by the water followed by a viewing of the fantastic artwork on the nearby silos .

Mungindi was then a short drive to set up camp by the river for the cold night ahead with a walk through the town and a chance to watch Joyce try to scale the road barriers at the bridge.

The next morning we proceeded to Burren Junction for the night with a swim in the thermal pool and a good camp fire that night only to be wokken at 3am by a passing train that seemed to be having troubles with his horn turning off.

The next morning saw us move onto our last highlight of the trip, Agquip at Gunnadah.

We found sites at the showground to settle in for the next day's walking at Aquip (32 hectares). This was my first time at this event and I was surprised by the size and amount of big toys you could have on a property along with all the other stands and stalls involved with clothing,

tools, 4x4 equipment etc., it took a full day's walking to cover the site and would have been good to stay another just to take a more relaxed view at what I missed.

Dinner that night saw us at the pub along with fellow members Neil, Greg and their mate Darren as they had come up for the show on the next day.

The next day saw us lose Bev and Peter as they stayed on for one more day while we made for home and the end of a great adventure with thanks to Barry and Joyce for all the work in planning and organizing this.

Trevor Banks

CENTRAL COAST 4WD CLUB

19-20 AUGUST 2017

CELLS RIVER TRIP

Tony Clark and Faye Goodman (Trip Leaders)	Challenger
Michelle & Dave Edwards	Prado
Bruce Close (aka Wombat)	Navara
Greg and Bev Douglass	Patrol
Jim and Caroline Eacott	Iveco
Mick Ellis and Clare	FJ Cruiser
Alan Bull	Patrol
Glenn and Clarissa McCreadie (Tail End)	Patrol

Saturday morning had us all up bright and early to meet in balmy Gloucester at 9am. Everyone was on time and after a quick breaky at the pie shop we were on our way north. We passed through some very pretty countryside following the Bundook Rd and crossing the Manning River, then briefly along the Nowendoc Road before hitting the dirt on the Knodingbul Forest Rd. (Sorry TC if I get some of the road and place names mixed up!)

We climbed along this easy (but incredibly dusty) dirt road for most of the morning stopping briefly at Dingo Tops for a quick morning tea while adjusting to the cooler temperature. (This is a large grassy area with good toilet facilities that would make a good base for possible future trips exploring this area). Things started to get serious after we left the Knodingbul Rd and headed west for Blue Knob Lookout. The track became steeper and narrower for a while as we looped and climbed to the Lookout, where we were rewarded with great views including some distant forest fires.

Continuing on the Cells Jeep Trail, we crossed the Cells Rivers on several occasions, up and down some steep rocky terrain. We hadn't gone too far before the convoy came to a standstill due to a fallen tree. Armed with chainsaws the team worked quickly to move it- the exercise repeated multiple times during the trip with great teamwork!

Jim and Caroline's Iveco provided a few extras challenges due to its height – on at least one occasion unnamed members were found trimming low slung branches whilst perched on the rooftop!

Lunch was had at "The Hilton" – a ramshackle fos-sickers ? hut along the way. The track looped back on itself and we headed for the Causeway Camp Road where we set up camp for the night at Maxwell Flats a small but flat, grassy area with toilets. The temper-ature plummeted as the sun went down so the campfire was lit and an enjoyable evening was had by all sitting and chatting around the flames.

The next morning we headed off early leaving the tents set up to dry. Back up to the Knodingbul Road but this time off on another track and after descending some rugged terrain and crossing the Cells River again we discovered an old gold stamper battery and some other ruins hidden in the forest – It is fascinating what can be found in such remote loca-tions!

Everyone enjoyed a bit of time exploring the area on foot looking for more signs of civilization.

Re-tracing some of our route from the day before we headed back to camp to pack up and have a quick cuppa.

Hitting the road again we travelled south via Knodingbul Rd, Dingo Tops Rd and Potoroo Rd which was very narrow and less maintained. We found ourselves at Potoroo Falls for lunch but due to time constraints didn't walk to the Falls them-selves.

The trip wound up as we headed south on the Knodingul Rd yet again. As we hit the tar just west of Wingham the group split and we all headed home our separate ways.

Thanks to TC and Faye for an enjoyable trip with great scenery, some challenging driving and a bit of history as well! Thanks also to Glenn and Clarissa for Tail End duties.

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Driver Awareness Training

Stage One

Dates for 2017— all sessions start at 8 a.m. and run until approximately 4 pm

Sunday 20th August 2017
Sunday 15th October 2017

Where: Cooranbong Community Centre, 614 Freeman's Drive, Cooranbong.

What to bring: Food and drink for the day, a pen, basic recovery gear and a readiness for learning.

What to expect:

Stage One training is an introductory course to 4WD. The day is split into two parts, initially at the community centre and involves theory, starting with the basic mechanics and safety knowledge of a 4x4.

Morning Tea break allows the trainers to work with each participant and their vehicle, locating and identifying the necessary safety equipment in their truck.

The next session outlines driving techniques over various terrains and an introduction to club protocols.

After lunch we move into a practical training session allowing you to practice your skills in a safe, supervised area. This session will cover the essential safety technique of a stall start recovery, followed by practice in picking a line in assents, descents and basic rock steps.

Driver Awareness Training

Stage Two

Dates for 2017—sessions start Saturday 8 am, with additional opportunities on Sunday

Saturday 16th September
Saturday 18th November

Where: Club Lease 'We-Leaser' Dungog.

What to bring: Food and drink for the two days, however, dinner is provided on the Saturday night. Vehicle checklist from Stage One training and recovery gear.

Recovery Gear: Front and Rear recovery points, snatch strap, bridle or tree protector, dampener and rated shackles.

Please note, that a trainer will accompany you during the practice drive and there must be a seat available in your vehicle.

What to expect:

Stage Two training is a full day of practical exercises completed as a team to expand on the knowledge gained in Stage One training.

We further investigate aspects of vehicle maintenance, practising pre-trip inspections and completing a tyre change.

After morning tea, we revise the stall start recovery and simulate simple snatch strap recovery techniques- this is where you finally get to use all that wonderful gear you've brought along.

In the afternoon we head out the back gate and put our training into practice. Taking the back tracks through the State Forests we complete rutted and rocky tracks and simple water crossings.

Prior to dinner, we complete a simple revision assessment as a group.

Upon completion of Stage Two, you will be prepared to undertake the NSW and ACT 4WD Association Accreditation certificate, a nationally recognised qualification.

Brindabella Ranges

30th September-2nd October 2017

Trip Leader:	**Tony Clark 0411 090 653**
	Faye Goodman 0423 008 628
Where:	**Brindabella National Park**
When:	**Saturday 30th September—Monday 2nd October 2017**
	(October Long Weekend)
Meet:	**10.30 am. McDonalds Yass Service Centre, (Take Yass Valley Way exit off the Hume Highway)**
	Approximately 4 hrs from the Central Coast
Class:	**C Grade.**
Bring:	**Food and drinking water for three days, usual recovery gear, bag of firewood, warm clothes, full tank of fuel at meeting point.**
Cost:	**Campsite is free. Cave Tour costs: Adult** - $20 **Concession** - $16.50 **Child:** (5-15) - $13 **Family** (2A 2C) - $53

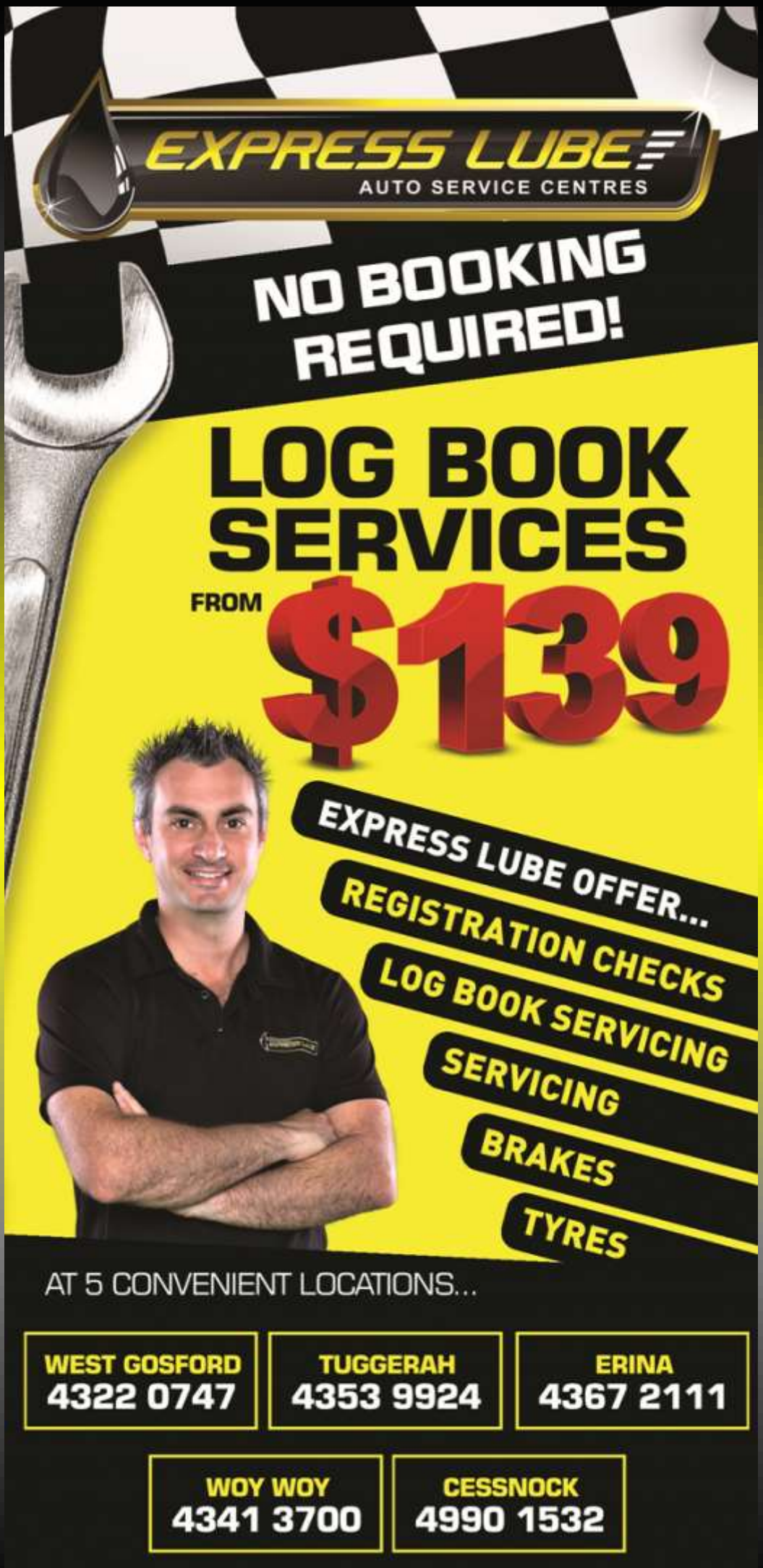
Starting from Yass, we will head to Wee Jasper before checking out Carey's Cave and the Swinging Bridge Reserve. We will then head into the Brindabella Ranges before making a steep descent to the Goodradigbee River and then onto McIntyres Hut where we will make our base camp for the two nights.

On Sunday we will explore the Brindabella National Park with its steep, slippery and interesting terrain and visit Mt Coree at nearly 1500 metres. (If the track is open).

The Trip will end at Cotter Dam near Canberra on Monday afternoon, approximately four hour's drive from the Central Coast.

The final details of the route are subject to a reccy that is being done pre-trip and there may be some small changes due to changes in road and weather conditions.

It can get slippery so make sure your all terrain or muddie tyres have good tread. It may be cold so warm clothing and bedding is essential.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Victorian High Country

27 December 2017-6 January, 2018

Trip Leader:	**Tony Clark 0411 090 653**
	Faye Goodman 0423 008 628
Where:	**Alpine National Park, Victoria**
When:	**Wednesday 27 December, 2017-Saturday 6th January, 2018**
Meet:	**8.30 a.m. Corryong Bakery, 27 Hansen Street, Corryong**
Class:	**C-C+ This trip is not suitable for camper trailers**
Bring:	**You must be fully prepared for remote area travelling with sufficient food for ten days, drinking water, winter and summer clothing, recovery gear, shower tent, toilet, snorkel or car bra and at least 100 litres of fuel.**
Limit:	**8 vehicles**

The Victorian High Country is home to some of the most challenging, interesting and famed four wheel drive tracks in Australia. The breathtaking Alpine National Park is the realm of towering mountains, mighty rivers, high-altitude meadows filled with stunning wildflowers, historic huts and a great diversity of wildlife.

Our trip will commence from Corryong. We will first explore the Eastern side of the High Country, travelling the Davies Plain Track and climbing Mt Pinnibar, Victoria's highest mountain and the highest driveable place in Australia. We then plan to travel through Omeo to Dargo where there will be an opportunity to refuel.

Next we will make our way through the Western side of the high country exploring some spectacular places. Depending on weather conditions we plan to travel through Kellys Hut, Dingo Hill, Caledonia River Track, Howitt Plain, King Billy, Bluff Hut and Craigs Hut . Or we may incorporate the Wonnangatta Valley and Zeka Spur in place of the Caledonia River Track if the weather is hot. We hope to spend our last night at Lake Cobbler and will aim to exit the high country at Myrtleford on Saturday, 6th January, 2018.

The route will be flexible and may change at any time due to track and weather conditions. It is a rolling trip so you must be prepared to pack up and be on the road early most days. Please feel free to call us if you need any more information. We will be holding an information sharing session in October for participants to run through the agenda and vehicle preparation requirements in more detail.

Note: This trip notice contains a number of hyperlinks, just click on anything that is underlined to take you to a website with more information.

Coolah Tops Adventure

Trip leader: Natalie Duncan Mob. 0410697553

Meeting place: Northbound Caltex servo. Olivers carpark.

Meeting Time: 9:30AM

Date: 30th September to 2nd October 2017

Trip grade: C-D

Number of vehicles: 12

Hello all. Come along on a scenic and historical trip around this wonderful park. Enjoy the views of the Liverpool ranges and water falls, the largest native grass trees, home to the tallest snow gums and stringy bark gums and the array of wild life. We will be doing some driving and some bush walking to a view.

Most of the walking is easy, except the trail to the Lava caves (Lava caves only done if group wish to).

We will be staying at the barracks camp ground which is free, and camping trailer friendly.

Ladies Day Out

TRIP LEADER: **Faye Goodman 0423 008 628**

WHEN: **8.30 am, Sunday 15 October 2017**

MEET: **Tuggerah McDonalds—Anzac Road, Tuggerah**

WHERE: **Watagan Mountains to Wollombi**

TRIP CLASS: **C - please call me if you are unsure of what conditions to expect**

VEHICLE LIMIT: **10—kids very welcome**

BRING: **Usual recovery gear, drinking water, morning tea**

Ladies, its time to get your Fourbies out and join us for another day in the Watagans. The ladies day out is always a great opportunity for us to get to know one another and hone our four wheel driving skills in a supportive environment.

We will start from Tuggerah and head up into the Watagans via Yarramalong and follow some interesting tracks to a lookout, where we will have morning tea, before heading down into the Wollombi Valley via "Pink Ribbon" track with a stop off to view some interesting carvings. We will be at Wollombi Pub for a late pub lunch and then make our way back home on the tar via Bucketty and Kulnura.

Mount Yengo via the Watagans

Trip Leader:	**Tony Clark 0411 090 653**
	Faye Goodman 0423 008 628
Where:	**Yengo National Park, West of Wollombi**
When:	**Saturday 28th October—Sunday 29th October, 2017**
Meet:	**9.00 am Tuggerah McDonalds, Anzac Road Tuggerah**
Class:	**C**
Bring:	**Food and drinking water for two days, usual recovery gear. Bag of firewood, full tank of fuel at meeting point.**
	National Park Camping fee apply. $34.85 per campsite (2 people)
Limit:	**10 Vehicles. This trip is not camper trailer friendly**
Minimum Requirements:	**Stage 1 awareness**

We will head up Yarramalong Valley to The Basin and continue down the Pink Ribbon track via some rock carvings, that you may have seen from a previous trip, to Wollombi for lunch at the Tavern.

After lunch we'll head up to Finchley Lookout then along Howes trail to Mt Yengo and set up camp.

Next morning while the tents are drying we'll be heading around the Mt Yengo circuit trail, that I have been waiting 5 years to revisit……This twisting and turning track takes you right around the circumference of Mt Yengo. (I've been wanting to go back to Mt Yengo ever since we sold our old

Challenger 'Olive' - It was her last club trip!) Blue Gums campground at Mt Yengo is a nice, grassy site and only accessible to people who have pre-booked a campsite so its very peaceful.

After our drive we will make a leisurely pack up and head off for home. If we have time we could return back the way we came or just head straight home along Great North Rd. to Somersby.

Booking the site will be your responsibility (we can send you a link to the booking site)

Note If you can't make it for the whole weekend, you are welcome to join us for the Saturday drive only and make your own way home from Wollombi. (please let us know ahead if you want to do this)

Dunns Swamp- Wollimbi NP and Bylong Creek 4 x 4 Park

Combo Trip

Date and meeting place: Wednesday 1st till Sunday 5th November 2017 Caltex servo M1 Wyong 9.30am.

Trip leader: Natalie Duncan

Number vehicle numbers: 12

Camping cost: Dunn Swamp $6.00 per adult per day, $3.50 per child

(5-16yrs) and Bylong 4x4 park $15.00 per adult per day and $5.00 (5-14yrs) and under 5yrs free.

No pets allowed at Dunn Swamp

For the Bylong 4x4 park there is a waiver form that can be printed from the website.

Hey there guys and girls.

Finally, the warmer weather is in sight so come along to my action packed mid-week and weekend trip.

The Trip will kick off by visiting the Dunns Swamp – Wollimbi NP on the Wednesday setting up came in the main camp area Gunguddy camp.

The main camp area is only for tents and parking is nearby and for the softer version of camping there is a camper and caravan area nearby and can be walked to and from each area.

This part of the trip will be for relaxing in the sun doing some kayaking, canoeing and swimming, with a few bush walks to the head of the weir.

For the second stage of the trip we will travel to Bylong Creek 4 x4 park to test our skills.

I recommend that participants have their stage 1 and stage 2 driver training for this part of the trip as the tracks are graded from easy to hard yeah!!!!!

All the family is welcome if you decide to join the group for the weekend, you can even bring your mutt.

At each of these locations there are loo's, bring your own food and water, recovery gear.

At Bylong 4x4 park beer o'clock time will have to start no earlier than 5pm due to park rules.

P.S. The trip will start by going to Dunn Swamp NP on the Wednesday and leaving on the Friday mid - morning. Please bring a bag of wood.
Second part of the trip is to Bylong 4x4 park, arriving on the Friday lunch time and no wood is needed as we are allowed to collect on the property.
For the Bylong 4x4 park I will need numbers no later then 48hrs before the start of the trip.
Fuel stations are available in the nearby town of Rylstone, 30mins form Dunn Swamp.
I have been to Dunn Swamp NP, but have only called and asked about info for the Bylong 4x4 Park.

VICTORIA EXPLORER

Leader: Jaan Oitmaa 4339 7010

Dates: 23rd October — 5th November

The trip will explore diverse parts of Victoria and will include 4 of the designated 'Victoria's Iconic 4WD Adventures'(see www.iconic4wd.com.au). The first few days will be on the Murray, in the Echuca area, with the River Red Gum drive. From there we will head to the Grampians to explore some of the drives there. Next will be the Otways area, including the Great Ocean Road and tracks in the Great Otway National Park. Heading home we will take the Snowy River Rd. through Buchan, with a side trip to the McKillop's Bridge area. The tracks are generally rated easy.

Vehicle Limit: 6, caravans/camper trailers OK, except for the last part, where trailers may need to be left at Buchan.

Class: C-D

There will be some 4wd driving, but the main focus is exploration and photography.

For more information phone me, or send me an email at

j.oitmaa@unsw.edu.au

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4WD EASTER JAMBOREE

Black Diamond Recreational 4WD Club in conjunction with NSW & ACT Four Wheel Drive Association would like to invite all affiliated club members to attend our Jamboree being held at Easter 2018.

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J18 Application Form

30th March 2018 – 2nd April 2018

Site opens from Midday Thursday 29th March

Personal Details:

Name of Affiliated Club Member: _____

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Email: _____

Mobile: _____

Vehicle Details:

Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Rego: _____

Club Details:

Name of Affiliated 4wd Club: _____

Contact Details of Club Representative (Preferably Club Secretary) _____

Will you be camping with your Club or Individually? Club ☐ Individual ☐

Cost: : (includes camping for duration of Jamboree)

Vehicle: $100 Adult $50 (17 and Over)

Child $30 (5yr to 16 &11 months) Infant (under 5 Free)

I have read and agree with the attached terms and conditions and consent to adhere to all rules and regulations set out by the Jamboree committee and its representatives.

Signature: _____

Thank you for your Application, further details will follow upon verification of Club /Membership Details
Please email completed form to jamboree2018@gmail.com or post to Po box 709 Kiama NSW 2533

Nsw & Act Four Wheel Drive Association Jamboree 2018
Terms and Conditions

Thank you for your interest in the 2018 Jamboree
The Organisers, 4WD NSW & ACT, hereinafter called the Association, and Black Diamond Recreational 4WD Club Inc, hereinafter called the Club, wish to provide a weekend of fun, safe and family-friendly 4WD activities. In the interests of everyone's safety and enjoyment, all attendees must agree to the following Terms & Conditions. Failure to adhere to these Terms & Conditions will lead to eviction from the site, with no refund of any fees paid.

TERMS & CONDITIONS
On entering the site, attendees are deemed to have accepted the following Terms & Conditions.

- Attendees agree to comply with all signs and reasonable instructions issued by event officials and NSW Police and act in a socially acceptable manner at all times. Police officers may patrol the site at any time and issue infringements for traffic (including blood alcohol limits) and other offences.

- Attendance is restricted to financial members of clubs which are affiliated with the Association.

- The following are expressly banned from the venue:
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    - Glass containers of any sort
    - Pyrotechnics (fireworks)
    - Chainsaws
    - Animals and pets (other than registered assistance dogs)
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- The Organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to or evict any attendee from the Site who:
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Club clothing is a great way to promote our club and show your support for responsible 4WDriving and the clothing is good value.

Contact: Allan Booth on 0404 729 704

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Our windscreen stickers are made by one of our club members, Chris Newbold and donated to the club. Thank you Chris!

OUR CLUB WEBSITE

Click here to visit our club website www.cc4wdc.org.au

The website is a great resource with information about our club as well as club magazines, up coming trips, past trips, FAQ's and memorabilia. If you have anything you would like to contribute please email publicity@cc4wdc.org.au

CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE

Find us on

Our Club Facebook page now has close to 1000 followers and is a great place to view recent club trips, videos, photos, tips, information about state forests and national parks. Just search on Facebook for Central Coast 4wd club and "Like" our page.

CLUB FACEBOOK MEMBERS GROUP

This is a closed Facebook group that is only open to current financial members of our club. It is a great place to post your trip photos, have a general chat and discuss all things four wheel driving!.

To join, search for ***CC4WDC members group*** on Facebook and click the blue button "Join Group"

Your request to join will then be submitted for approval by one of the Admin team who will check that you are a financial member and then approve your request.

FOUR WHEEL DRIVE NSW & ACT ASSOCIATION

The Four Wheel Drive NSW & ACT Association has its own website with information about the association and its current activities

- Click here to go to www.4wdnow.com
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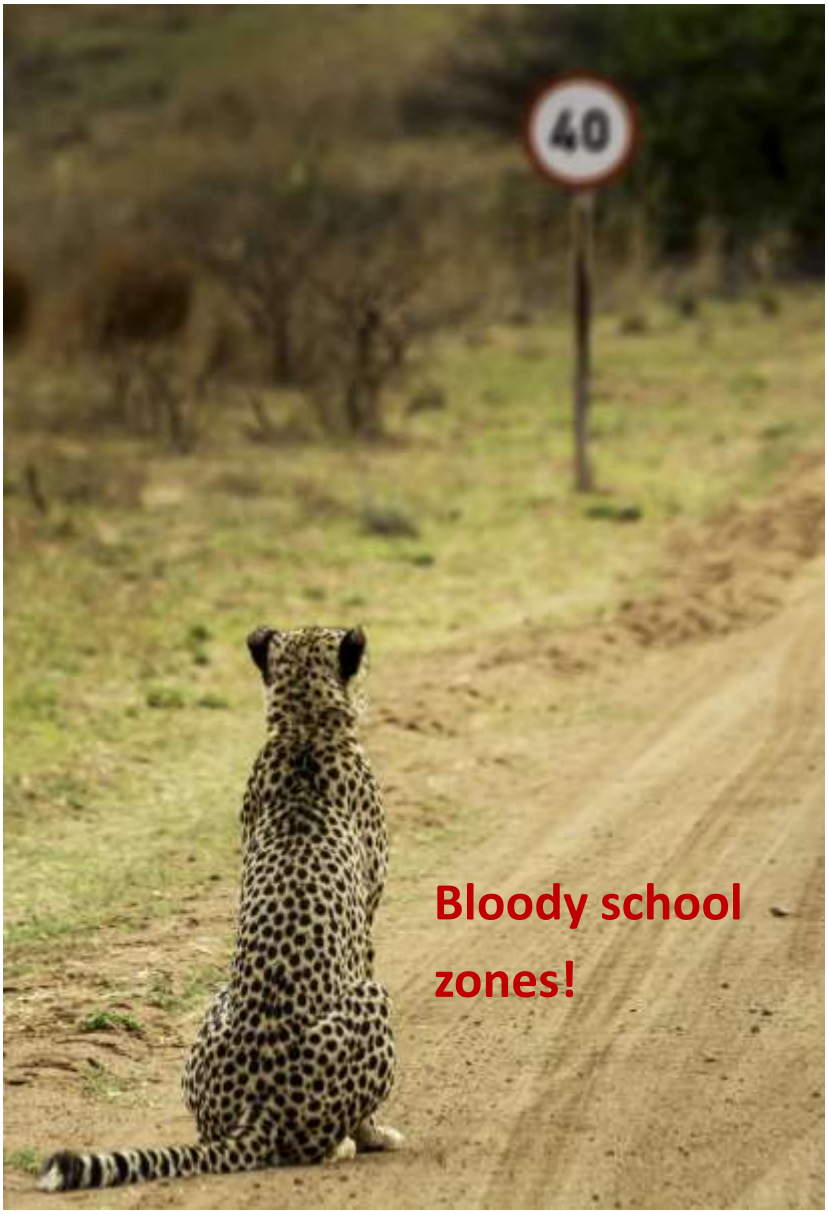

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