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# TRACK TORQUE

March 2016  
Newsletter



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# WANGARATTA 4X4 CLUB

## Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club Committee Members

President	Tom Barnard
Vice President	Andrew Brown
Secretary	Kate Burke
Treasurer	Helene Martin
4WD Victorian Representative	Vacant
Membership Officer	TBC
Merchandise Officer	Peter Burke
Newsletter Editor	Andrew Brown
Property Officer	Graeme Martin
Publicity Officer	Kate Burke
Trip Coordinator	Damian O'Connor
Minutes Secretary	Bill Willett
Committee Member	Glenn Norton
Committee Member	Richard Rhodes
Committee Member	John Haring

## Non Committee Positions

Training Coordinator	Tom Barnard
Sergeant at Arms	Damian O'Connor
First Aid Officer	Richard Rhodes
Social Co-ordinator	Damian O'Connor
Web Master	Paul L'Huillier

**WEBSITE:** [www.wangaratta4x4club.org.au](http://www.wangaratta4x4club.org.au)

**The Wangaratta 4WD Club** has evolved from a few members in 1983, to a membership of over 80. The Club is made up of individuals and families who are interested in responsible Four Wheel Driving. There is no restriction on the make or type of four wheel drive vehicle, and there is always plenty of variety and camaraderie amongst members.

**Where we live:** Members live all over the North East and beyond, including from Benalla, Beechworth, Corowa, Glenrowan, Milawa, Albury, Wodonga, Wangaratta, Goorambat, Tatong, Langwarrin, Molyullah, Myrtleford, Mount Beauty, Mulwala, Yarrawonga, Stanhope, Violet Town, Melbourne, Rosebud and Overseas (England).



Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club is a member of the Victorian Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs.

**Affiliations:** Members of our club are proud to be part of the Adopt a Hut Program and work with Parks Victoria to look after Top Crossing and Lake Cobbler huts.

We are also affiliated with the South Coast Four Wheel Drive Club based at Wollongong, and the Four Wheel Drive Club of WA. Current members of the respective clubs are entitled to Reciprocal Membership.

**Membership:** Single or family \$100.00 p.a.

**General Meetings** are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, generally at the North East Car Club Rooms, Tarrawingee Recreation Reserve, commencing 8.00pm. There is no meeting in January. Please refer to the club calendar. **Visitors are always most welcome.**

**Track Torque:** Newsletter Contributions may be forwarded to ...

**Editor : Andrew Brown**

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**Editorial Deadline – Usually 1<sup>st</sup> of the month. This is your newsletter so be a part of it and send any articles of interest, comments, birthdays, etc, to the editor.**

**Advertising:** \$100.00/yr. Please contact the editor for further details.

*Disclaimer: The opinions expressed in the articles in this newsletter are not necessarily those of the editor or of Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club Inc. The editor reserves the right to delete any section of any article, or reject any article, which has been sent in for publication in the Newsletter.*

**Front Cover: John Haring in the bush, "Training Day"...circa...2014**

# The Presidents' Page

Greetings members and friends,

It seems like Summer has finally graced us with its presence. Although we have had a taste of the heat this year, this seems like a hot start to Autumn is what we are getting. Even though the season has changed, please remember the bush is still quite dry and is quite dangerous, which means our camp fires need to be suitably secure.

As our AGM approaches, it is an exciting time for our club as we wonder what the committee will look like going into 2016. When you think about this remember the club starts with you and without you it can't reach its full potential. Now is your time to stand up, be counted and take on a position to help your club carry on in its vibrant ways. With a heap of positions vacant going forward, there is sure to be one suited to you. So don't delay, get your nomination in now. We look forward to seeing you on the committee in the year to come.

This last year we have seen a lot of good things from our club. As a club we have given the top Crossing and Cobbler huts a makeover, travelled right across Australia from the central deserts, to Cape York and everywhere in between. We have had our great birthday bash, a very successful training weekend as well as experiencing some great guest speakers at our general meetings. I am sure looking forward to what the next 12 months has in store.

I would like to take this last opportunity to thank each and everyone who has helped out on the committee and in all other areas this last year. I have enjoyed each and every minute of it and am very thankful.

Looking forward to the next 12 months,

Tom



Photo: *Tom Barnard leading the troops...(Ed.)*

## CLUB APPAREL

Club Tee Shirts, badges, jumpers, windcheaters, etc. are available from STEER Clothing – 15 Baker St, Wangaratta [new address]. Contact person is Bruce Steer. Phone: 03 5721 7773.  
(The club shirt should be a dark green with gold embroidery.)

**Please Note:** Pete “Burkey” Burke has a limited number of new design Club Tee Shirts available at a discounted price.

These will be available at the AGM Meeting, Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> of March.

### Club Badges

New Club Members who have not yet received their Club badges or any other club member who would like to order new badges at \$10.00 each, please email Peter Burke (Burkey) our Merchandizing Officer and let him know exactly what you require. Burkey's email address is: [bettabuilt@westnet.com.au](mailto:bettabuilt@westnet.com.au)

## Member's Page

## Open Forum

Hello everyone,

Just a reminder to follow on from my introduction of the “Open Forum” in the August 2012 newsletter, please feel free to contact me if you have something to sell through the club or have an idea you would like to have discussed at the General Meeting or brought to the Committee. (Please send newsletter advertisements straight to the Editor. *Email address above.*)

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## Wangaratta 4X4 Club General Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2016



### Meeting Minutes

**Present:** As per attendance Book.

**Apologies:** John Haring, Damian O'Connor, Paul Kelly, David Cousins.

### Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved Peter Burke/Monica French that minutes of the previous meeting be confirmed.  
Carried.

**Business Arising:** Nil.

### Correspondence In:

- Show us your Wheels brochure.
- Nissan News for Dec. and Feb.
- Western 4x4 Driver.
- Newsletter High Country Huts.
- Calendar, High Country Huts.
- Emails re repair of High Country, Huts Park Vic.
- Email Warby Walkers Club re High Country Hut repair.

**Correspondence Out:** Nil.

### Treasurer's Report:

General Account has credit balance of \$9,702.53

Term Deposit Accounts have credit balance of \$3,040.38

No Accounts to pay.

Moved Virginia Robinson/Monica French that Treasurer's report be adopted. Carried.

### Reports:

- Tom thanked Damian re his effort and work on repair of the High Country Huts.
- AGM coming up next meeting. Nomination forms need to be signed if the nominee will not be attending the AGM. Forms must be signed by nominee. Tom, Helene, Peter & Kate have a combined Officer participation of 16 years and will not be seeking re-election, but will always be available to help and advise new Officers.
- Merchandise: Peter Burke has excess supply of club "T" Shirts for sale at competitive prices. Contact after meeting.

### Trip Reports:

High Country Huts trip was well attended and fixed everything fixable. Report in Newsletter.

### Up Coming Trips:

- Wang Swap Meet. Wangaratta Showgrounds, Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2016.
- Vic 4X4Drive Wheel Show, Wandong Park Equestrian Centre, 21<sup>st</sup> Feb, 2016.
- Gastronomic Delight Trip. Albury Wodonga and Wangaratta Clubs combined. More the merrier. 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. Report in the newsletter.
- Mid Week Trip. Bruce Gooday.

- Buckland & Beyond. Decision pending. Would be the long weekend 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> March. Should be a good weekend if going ahead. Contact Noel & Irene for further info.
- Craig Cheetham Trip. Report newsletter.

**Sgt at Arms:** Nil.

**Guest Speaker:**

Michael Bruce, Manager ARB Albury gave a very informative talk on new ARB products.

- Has been Manager for past five years, with ARB for past 15 years and involved with 4X4 since he was 19 years old.
- He is always surprised about what is to be seen.
- ARB constantly developing new stuff. Having to design alternatives or add ons to combat the increased electronics being put into cars.
- New Suspension BP51, (BP = by pass). Designed over 7 years in conjunction with Old Man Emu people. Adjustable in both compression and rebound. Shock absorber can be tuned from Tar to rough road ride, allowing for the best ride in all conditions. Currently linked to 200 series and 79 series vehicles. Around \$4,000 fitted.
- Smart Bars. Found a lot of steel tanks were cracking with the warping of the mounts in rough terrain, so making polyurethane fuel tanks which are far superior to other steel and plastic tanks, and much lighter.
- Lot of evidence of over-weight vehicles on the roads and police and traffic inspectors becoming more critical when testing.
- “D” Shackles. Some controversy re the necessity of Yellow Pin. Should have Manufacturer’s name and strength clearly showing on the side to be absolutely sure.
- Safety chains to prevent caravans and trailers coming off cars should have a rating stamp every 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> link.

**Meeting Closed:** 9.03pm

**Wangaratta 4WD AGM  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

**Held at the North East Car Club Tarrawingee Recreation Reserve Tarrawingee.**

**Meeting opened:** 8.50pm

**Attendance and Apologies:** as per General Meeting

**Minutes of previous meeting:** held 11<sup>th</sup> March 2014

***Moved by: Tom Barnard Secoded: Neville French Carried.***

**Outgoing President’s Report :** Attached.

***Vote of thanks to Andrew Brown with acclamation was passed by Ian Barry.  
Carried.***

**Treasurer’s Report**

Audited financial statement still at the Auditors but will be ready for next meeting.

General Account: \$10,074.58  
Term Deposit Account: \$2,469.90

Outgoing President vacates the chair in favour of Allan Wallace, who chaired the meeting for the election of the 2015/16 office bearers.

Allan thanked all club members and committee for their efforts for the past year, endorsing Ian Barry's comments re: Andrew Brown, and declared all committee positions vacant:

## **Election Of Office Bearers:**

### **Executive Officers**

**President:** Two nominations received, Tom Barnard, nominated by Kate Burke and Sec. Andrew Brown & Chris Penniceard, nominated by Steve Fuller and Sec. Damian O'Connor. A vote was taken by showing of hands and the elected nomination was Tom Barnard.

**Vice President:** Andrew Brown nominated by Helene Martin and Sec. Graeme Martin. Elected

**Secretary:** Kate Burke, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Graeme Martin. Elected.

**Treasurer:** Helene Martin, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Damian O'Connor. Elected.

### **Committee positions**

**4WDV Rep:** Chris Penniceard. Volunteered. Elected.

**Membership Officer:** Steve Fuller, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Andrew Brown. Elected.

**Merchandise Officer:** Peter Burke, nominated by Kate Burke and Sec. Barry Burns. Elected.

**Newsletter Editor:** Andrew Brown, nominated by Kerrie O'Connor and Sec. Tom Barnard. Elected.

**Property Officer:** Graeme Martin, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Neville French. Elected.

**Publicity Officer:** Kate Burke to be approached.

**Trip Coordinator:** Damian O'Connor, nominated by Peter Burke and Sec. Kate Burke. Elected.

**Minutes Secretary:** Bill Willett, nominated by David Blore and Sec. Monika French. Elected.

**Committee Member:** Glen Norton, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Kate Burke. Elected.

**Committee Member:** John Haring, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Peter Burke. Elected.

**Committee Member:** Tim Meeks, nominated by Tom Barnard and Sec. Neville French. Elected.

### **Non Committee Positions**

**Training Coordinator:** Tom Barnard.

**Sergeant at Arms:** Damian O'Connor.

**Social Coordinator:** To be decided.

**Web Master:** Paul Le Hullier.

**First Aid Officer:** Richard Rhodes

Allan Wallace vacates the chair in favour of Tom Barnard.

**New President's address:** Tom thanked those present for their confidence in him as their new President. Tom explained that his focus would be trips, trips and more trips, for Social, training and working for the good of all 4X4 drivers and enthusiasts. It was important to enjoy the club and its activities and each others company in all aspects. Happy members are contented and willing to put in.

**General Business:** Membership and costs were explained fully. Non Members on trips will be charged \$10 per trip per person to cover insurance. Three trips allowed before needing to become a fully paid member. Training needs to be for members only and to qualify for membership, person needs to attend two meetings and one trip so as to familiarise themselves with the workings of the club, and the club with them.

**Setting the fees for the coming year:** Recommendation from Committee that new Membership Fees remain at \$100.00 plus Joining fee of \$20 to cover badges etc

***Moved Monika French, Sec. Allan Wallace*** ***Carried***

Recommendation from Committee that Sponsorship advertisement costs in the newsletter move up to \$100 per annum.

***Moved Neville French, Sec. Peter Burke*** ***Carried***

**Meeting closed:** 9.55pm

## **Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club Inc. Notice of Annual General Meeting 2016**

The AGM of the Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club will be held on Tuesday 8th March 2016 in the North East Car Club rooms at Tarrawingee. The meeting will commence at 8.00pm. The election of office bearers for 2016-17 will be held at the AGM.

Members are invited to use the form below to nominate candidates for the various positions. If nominating for one of the six Committee positions, nominees should express a preference for any one, or several, of the tasks listed below the nomination form. The incoming President will allocate tasks to committee members according to expressed preferences and to circumstances from time to time. The position of Sergeant at Arms is determined by a separate process and is not necessarily held by a committee member.

The composition of the current committee, and the allocation of tasks to committee members, can be found on the inside cover of the club newsletter.

**Completed nomination forms** should be forwarded or handed to the **Secretary** prior to the commencement of the AGM. Election to positions will be by a show of hands on the night.

**Please note that only paid up Club Members are allowed to vote.**

Would you also note that there are many positions that are being vacated this year.



They are:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
  
- 4WD Vic Rep
- Membership Officer
- Merchandise Officer
  
- Property Officer
- Publicity Officer
- Trip Coordinator
- Training Coordinator
- Web Master

Use this Form to nominate yourself or someone to a position and please hand your nomination forms to the Secretary prior to the commencement of the Annual General Meeting.

There will be Nomination Forms at the front desk prior to the AGM.

## Nomination Form

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Position</u></b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> President</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vice President</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Secretary</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Committee (6)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nominee:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nominated by:</p>
		<p style="text-align: center;">Seconded by:</p>

### Committee preference:

<input type="checkbox"/> 4WD Vic Regional Rep	<input type="checkbox"/> Editor	<input type="checkbox"/> Meeting Program
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Property	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Coordinator
<input type="checkbox"/> Training	<input type="checkbox"/> Trip Coordinator	<input type="checkbox"/> Webmaster

# Victorian High Country Huts Association

## VHCHA

For information about huts please visit the VHCHA website : <http://www.vhcha.org.au>  
 This site has further information on the Victorian High country huts and activities associated with each area.  
 Our club is a member of this organisation, with (TBA) our representative.

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*FWDV Delegates Brief Sheet to be read out at Club Meetings, and printed in Club Magazines.*

**Ed:** This is an abbreviation of 4WDVic's notes sent earlier this month...

**February 2016**

### **GENERAL MEETING**

The March 5<sup>th</sup> General Meeting to be held at the FWDVic offices in Greythorn, will have as our guest speaker Bradley Fauteux CEO Parks Victoria. Also members of the newly formed Ministerial Advisory Committee from DELWP & PV will be joining us to answer questions regarding important issues important to us all. Please inform your members that they are most welcome to attend and take part in the day's events. This is an opportunity to meet and speak with hugely important players in our partnership, showing their commitment to our cause. Here is an opportunity for you to come and have input into your Association and to see what goes on around the different clubs from around the state. **Please advise the office as soon as possible, if you would like to attend, so that we can cater for you. Don't miss this important opportunity.**

### **CLEAN UP THE BUSH PROJECT**

The Clean up the Bush project recovery and removal stage will take place over the weekend of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> of April in the Nerrina State Forest area, five minutes north of Ballarat. This follows on from the successful search weekend held in early December last year. Since then, however, there has sadly been a significant increase in the rubbish dumped over the Christmas/New Year break. Household waste, building materials, car bodies, tyres, televisions and whitegoods are among the rubbish to be collected. We are looking for volunteers to come and take part; people from Parks Victoria, DELWP, FWDVic and a multitude of 4WD clubs. If you would like to be a part of this weekend, **please contact the office** so that we can arrange catering and allocate areas. Hot showers, flushing toilets, a flat, grassy camping area, and four catered meals are all included. And after all the hard work, there is the satisfaction of a job well done and knowing we have made a difference.

### **DISCOVER FOUR WHEEL DRIVING**

"Discover Four Wheel Driving, A guide to recreational four wheel driving in Victoria" is a new publication produced by FWDVic in collaboration with Parks Victoria and DELWP. This booklet supercedes the "Travel Companion" that was produced annually. It contains a wide range of information relating to: four wheel driving; camping; trip planning and preparation; vehicle preparation, maintenance and recovery; and a host of other topics. This is to be distributed to all affiliated club members and associates, and will be made available to a wider audience soon. It is available for collection from FWDVic now. Please contact the office to get yours.

### **CAMP HOST**

Already this year, a number of clubs have conducted successful Camp Host weekends. This program puts club members in specific camping areas to be a presence and interface between the public and the various stakeholders. It has been shown that when a Camp Host is held, hoon behaviour and vandalism is reduced in the vicinity. One of the requirements of Camp Host is the collection of survey data from the campers in the assigned area.

Carrying out these surveys allows an interaction and to find out why people go to that place and what they want and expect. It can be a great recruitment tool as well. Get your club involved and have a fabulous experience at the same time. For further information, contact the Four Wheel Drive Victoria office.

## OTHER EVENTS

**Victorian Four Wheel Drive show:** A very successful day was had at Wandin on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> of February. We shared the marquee with Parks Vic and Affinity Insurance, and spoke to myriad people about so many topics, directing most towards the various clubs that had a presence there. Get your club involved and you will find it a great recruiting tool.

**Explore Australia:** FWDVic will have a stand at this event, to be held May 27 – 29, at the Melbourne Showgrounds. Our involvement in events like this make the public more aware of the activities of four wheel drive clubs and assists clubs in recruiting new members. We are hoping for a good attendance by club members and by the general public.

## REGIONAL REPS MEETING

A meeting will be held of the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> of May at Bendigo. This meeting is the first for the year and will bring together land managers from Parks Victoria and DELWP and Regional Reps from the various areas and clubs around the state so that we can work together co-operatively to maintain access to the bush and tracks. It was with regret that the meeting scheduled for October last year had to be cancelled due to the fires in the Cobaw Ranges.

## FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

FWDVic, in conjunction with National First Aid, regularly holds First Aid courses. If it has been some time since you last updated your qualifications, then now might be time to consider doing a refresher or new course. You never know when you might need it, and you might just save somebody's life, maybe even someone you know and love. Please contact the office for further details.

## OFFICE RELOCATION

The task of identifying suitable premises for the relocation of the FWDVic office is proving to be a long and complex task, defining our needs against what any property offers. This remains ongoing and while a number of venues have been looked at, we have not yet secured a location. Negotiations are underway with a number of parties for a property in Donvale, not too far from our current site. Stay tuned for further news.

## MINISTERIAL 4WD ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A Ministerial advisory committee has been formed to advise the Minister for the Environment on all matters Four Wheel Drive. We are pleased to announce that FWDVic has a seat on this committee giving us a voice at the highest levels. The first meeting has been held and was a very positive atmosphere.

## NEW TREASURER REQUIRED

Recently, our treasurer for the Association, John Farlow retired from the board, leaving the position of treasurer vacant. Under the rules of governance, this is a position that must be filled. **If you think you or somebody you know has the skills and qualifications to fill this position, please contact the office for further information.** We most sincerely thank John for the hard work he put in as treasurer, turning the financial situation of the Association around in such a dramatic way, and in such a short time. We will miss his commitment and hard work and express our appreciation to him.

## NEW PARKS VICTORIA CEO

Parks Victoria has a new CEO, Bradley Fauteux. Bradley comes to us from Ontario, Canada, bringing with him a wealth of knowledge and experience. He was manager of Ontario Parks and was responsible for more than 82,000 sq km of a wide variety of parks. We look forward to working with Bradley and the staff of Parks Victoria in a continuing, strong relationship. Bradley will be our guest speaker at the **General Meeting on March 5<sup>th</sup>**. Please be there to show our **STRENGTH IN NUMBERS**.

## WHAT IS THE WORTH OF THE WORK WE DO?

In a recent news article, the new CEO of Parks Victoria spoke frankly about the issues facing the Department, particularly in regard to cuts in funding and staff. As cuts bite deeper, it affects the ability of the Department to function and maintain the areas they are responsible for. Consequently, it becomes easier to close, rather than maintain a track. Based on the figure that a days labour by a volunteer is worth \$250, the time and material resources provided by affiliated club members, working on projects such as: track clearing; Clean up the Bush; Camp Host; and many other activities, amounts to more than **\$1.3 Million** so far this financial year. This represents a huge contribution and means that the funds saved here can be employed more gainfully to allow us our continuing access to the bush. Is it appreciated and acknowledged? It most certainly is!!



## Four Wheel Drive Victoria

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# Trip Reports:

There have been no reports of trips sent in this month...

## CLUB CALENDAR 2015

Remember club trips are not set in stone so there will be times when trip dates will be changed to suit members and the weather.



### 2016 – Trip & Event Calendar

Date	Trip/Event	Location	Rating	Contact	Notes
<b>March</b>					
Tue 8 March	<b>ANNUAL General Meeting</b>	NE Car Clubrooms, Nolan Rd Tarrawingee Recreation Reserve	-----	The Secretary: E: info@wangaratta4x4club.org.au Tel: (03) 5762 8196	7:30pm for a 8pm start.
12-20 March	Buckland & Beyond	Upper Buckland Valley	<b>X</b>	<b>Website:</b> < <a href="http://www.bucklandandbeyond.com/">http://www.bucklandandbeyond.com/</a> >	This is conducted as a multi-club event under the banner of 4WD Vic.
<b>April</b>					
29, 30 April & 1 May	Albury Caravan, Camping, 4WD, Fish & Boat Show	Albury Showgrounds-Mate St Albury.	-----	<b>Website:</b> < <a href="http://www.murrayriver.com.au/event/1613-caravan-camping-4wd-fish-boat-show/">http://www.murrayriver.com.au/event/1613-caravan-camping-4wd-fish-boat-show/</a> >	
<b>August</b>					
19-21 August	National 4x4 Outdoor Show & Fishing & Boating Expo.	Melbourne Showgrounds	-----	<b>Website:</b> < <a href="http://4x4show.com.au/MEL/">http://4x4show.com.au/MEL/</a> >	

\*TBA = To Be Announced

*Last update: 6/3/2016*

#### Trip Grading

**GREEN (X)** — *Easy* — Sealed roads or good unsealed tracks with limited 4WD driving expected.

**BLUE (X)** — *Medium* — Low range may be needed with a snatch recovery possible. Obstacles and hazards should be negotiated by vehicles without assistance, although some assistance may be required.

**BLACK (X)** — *Difficult* — Steep or rutted terrain. Considerable low range driving. Snatch or winch recoveries may be required. Minimum tyre requirement – All Terrain or better but more aggressive tyres may be specified at the discretion of the trip leader.

**Double BLACK (XX)** — *Extreme* — Steep, rutted terrain or rock hopping will be encountered. Winch and aggressive tyres are mandatory on all vehicles.



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