

*“Responsible Four Wheel Driving And Family Touring”*



# TRACK TORQUE

NOVEMBER 2021  
Newsletter



## Inside this issue:

**The President's Page**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**Trip Reports**  
**Advertisements (Sponsors)**  
**Trip Calendar**

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



## WANGARATTA 4X4 CLUB

### Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club

#### Committee Members

#### Executive-

President	Neville Sonogo
Vice President	Irene Jones
Secretary	Beryl Strang
Treasurer	Mick Maher

#### Other Committee Members-

Newsletter editor	Bev Maher
Publicity Officer	Bev Maher
Trip Coordinator	Damian O'Connor
Membership	Manfred Wagner
Graham Abotomey	
Sue Abotomey	

#### Non-Committee Positions-

Training Coordinator	Dave van Zanten
FWDV Representative	Dave Van Zanten
Web Master	Andrew Brown

#### WEBSITE:

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

**The Wangaratta 4WD Club** has evolved from a few members in 1983, to our current membership of over 30 families. 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, Howlong 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 affiliated with Four Wheel Drive Victoria.

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.

**Membership:** Single or family \$80.00 p.a. **Temporary Membership:** \$15.00 (Three trips)

**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:** Bev Maher - [editor@wangaratta4x4club.org.au](mailto:editor@wangaratta4x4club.org.au)

This is your newsletter so be part of it and send in any articles of interest, comments, trips, birthdays etc.

**Editorial Deadline:** - 1<sup>st</sup> of the month

**Advertising:** \$100/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*

## THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT – NOVEMBER 2021.

It is a great feeling to know that we can now start to plan to be out and about and hopefully have border restrictions relaxed. For many, family reunions will be organised after so long not having the freedom to do so. While zoom has assisted us in communicating during this time I will not be disappointed to see it go to the back burner hopefully to remain there.

The December BBQ meeting and weekend at Stringy Bark Creek will allow us to catch up with members we have not been able to socialise with for such a long time. Keep the dates free.

As roads and venues will be hectic for a while, if travelling and socialising keep safe.

President.

Neville Sonogo.

### Club Contact Details

Name and Position Held	Mobile Number	Email Address
Neville Sonogo (President)	0427 251 576	nsonogo1@yahoo.com
Beryl Strang (Secretary)	03 5728 1825	jbandbj.strang@bigpond.com
Mick Maher (Treasurer)	0419 533 898	mick@maher.net.au
Damian O'Connor (Trip Coordinator)	0417 526 175	damnkez@people.net.au
Bev Maher (Editor Track Torque)	0419 533 898	editor@wangeratta4x4club.org.au



## Wangaratta 4x4 Club Meeting Minutes

- **Date** - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October
- **Location** – North East Car Club rooms, Nolan Road, Tarrawingee Recreation Reserve.
- **Time** – 7.30 p.m. for an 8.00 p.m. start.

<b><u>Present</u></b>	Sue & Graham Abotomey, Lesley Temme, Gary O’Keefe, Barry Richardson, Neville Sonogo, Chris Sonogo, Monica French, Neville French, Manfred Wagner, Narelle Cula, Bev & Michael Maher, Gill Sydes, John & Beryl Strang
<b>Kurt &amp; the Car Club provided the QR code for check-in</b>	
<b><u>Apologies</u></b>	Jeanette & Allan Wallace, Irene Jones, Dave & Fiona van Zanten, David Blore
<b><u>Guests (welcome)</u></b>	Daniel Marchesi, Jaymee Williamson, Subir Carrick
<b><u>Approval of Minutes</u></b>	Moved: Minutes of May 11 <sup>th</sup> as circulated be approved - Monica Seconded: Mick <span style="float: right;">Carried</span>
<b><u>Business Arising from Meeting</u></b>	Nil
<b><u>Correspondence In</u></b>	WAW: statements, June, July August but being discontinued & term deposit notices, July & August.
<b><u>Correspondence Out</u></b>	FWDV: info re stickers : any guidance on meetings?
<b><u>Acceptance of correspondence report</u></b>	Moved: Beryl Seconded: Chris <span style="float: right;">Carried</span>
<b><u>President’s Report</u></b>	Nil
<b><u>Treasurer’s Report</u></b>	Mick presented account balances to members.
<b><u>Acceptance of the treasurer’s report</u></b>	Moved: Mick Seconded: Sue <span style="float: right;">Carried</span>
<b><u>Calendar/Proposed Trips</u></b>	1. Track clearing: Graham reported the trip was full at 9 vehicles. Meet at Whitfield parks Office at 09.00 on Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct. (coffee at 8.30 for early birds). Aiming for King Hut for Sat. night; Parks Vic to provide dinner; attendees to pre-register at Parks Vic; need WWC card plus Chainsaw ticket for those wielding them; return to Whitfield approx. 4 p.m. Sunday.  2. Fiona & Dave re Tassie: a river camp for those travelling to Tassie in 2022.

	<p>3. Harrow: there seems little chance the Sound &amp; Light show will proceed, as the group requires permission for about 80 people inside the hall. This is very unlikely to happen in current lockdown conditions.  Moved: Mick  Seconded: Chris "That we cancel the S &amp; L show bookings for Club members who were to attend." Carried.  Chris suggested a partial trip to replace part of the Harrow trip. A note to members to inform them of the cancellation and of the shorter trip to Melville Caves on Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. to be sent as an "Update" by Beryl.</p> <p>4. David Blore: late Nov. David's trip is full. It will go ahead – unless the Federal election is called for the 27/11<sup>th</sup>. In which case, David will make another date.</p> <p>5. Christmas: Stringybark Camp on 3/4/5 December proposed. Agreed by Meeting. Details to be added to the next track Torque and a "Save the Date" to be added to the "Update."</p> <p>6. BBQ general meeting. Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> will be the date of the traditional BBQ meeting at Tarrawingee Car Club Rooms. The Club will provide the meat. Members to B.Y.O chair, drinks &amp; a salad or sweet to share.</p>
<b><u>Training</u></b>	Driver proficiency certificates provided by Dave were presented to Manfred, Gill, Gary J and Howard (in absentia).
<b><u>Merchandise</u></b>	New Club printed shirts: the idea of organising a Club shirt with photographic prints was discussed last year and has been followed-up by Sue & Graham. Images, sizes & costs will be advertised to all members. Shirts to be ordered and paid for before the Club order is placed.
<b><u>Editor Newsletter</u></b>	Please support Bev by sending in reports &/or photographs of any trips you have made.
<b><u>Trip Reports</u></b>	<p>1. Graham reported on the trip he and Sue made to Queensland and back, travelling and catching up with friends and relations. He mentioned Kidman Way, Bourke, Cunnamulla, Toowoomba, Brisbane, Maryborough, Bundaberg and a cattle station at Tambo, where they were temporary caretakers. They included Emerald, Charters Towers, Townsville, Mackay, Rockhampton and Kingaroy on the trip before belting through N.S.W., with a permit burning a hole on the road south.</p> <p>2. Bev told us about the mostly unplanned trip they enjoyed around western N.S.W and South Australia. The planned trip was to W.A. but closed borders, barricades and cannon were in the way. Broken Hill, Silverton, the Flinders ranges where Hawker and Willow Springs were the bases. The Sky Walk was a 4x4 adventure 😊. With an eye on ever-changing regulations, they circumnavigated the Eyre Peninsular then headed to Port Augusta. In Roxby Downs they were informed they were in lockdown. Fortunately, the supermarket was within the allowed distance from the caravan park! They ended up in Pinnaroo, waiting for the permit to allow them straight home: do not pass Go, do not collect \$200, just get tested!</p>
<b><u>4WD Vic</u></b>	<p>FWDV: stickers posted last Thursday  : "We have received a number of calls from Clubs regarding the Covid vax situation. The Association can only advise that we will adhere to all Government guidelines and ask our clubs to do the same. At this time there is no mandate regarding vaccination for us to follow."</p>

<b><u>General Business</u></b>	<p>1. Vaccination status of participants on Trips, at meetings etc. As above from FWDV and the legal position is currently unclear for community groups. A “Straw Poll” at the Meeting indicated a clear majority of attendees would be in favour of mandatory vaccinations.</p> <p>2. Club trailer: needs a new home, as the Sonego’s are relocating to Bendigo (by early Jan 2022).</p> <p>3. Thanks to Kurt for his untiring efforts in preparing the Club rooms for our meetings.</p>
--------------------------------	---

Meeting closed at: 8.45 p.m.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

## **CLUB NEWS**

### ***COVID PROTOCOLS REMAIN IN PLACE FOR ALL CLUB ACTIVITIES***

***Everyone has a role to play  
in slowing the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19)***

***Before you attend any Trips or Attendance Meetings:***

*If you are feeling unwell you should stay at home. If you have symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), however mild, you should get tested.*

### **COVID GUIDELINES FROM 4 WHEEL DRIVE VICTORIA**

The Association has been provided with the following information as Guidelines for Clubs and activities. We will provide further updates as details come to hand.

As always, the Association will adhere to all COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines as outlined by the Chief Health Officer and we ask that our Clubs and members do the same.

Please also see the attached guide for acceptable proof of COVID-19 vaccination status.

The overarching rules are:-

- metro Melbourne and regional Vic come under the same rules
- masks are mandatory indoors, but no longer required outdoors
- **A QR code check-in system must be used**, or alternatively, Club events must be registered with the Club and accurate information about dates, location, attendance etc maintained
- Outdoor settings are set at DQ2 (one person per 2 square metres) for up to 500 people.

- **Every person attending a Club trip or event must either be fully vaccinated (i.e. two doses) or have a medical exemption.** The Trip Leader (ie organiser of the event) must view evidence of full vaccination or medical exemption for every person attending a Club event.
- Members may be asked to send evidence of vaccination or exemption prior to the trip or event or be asked to show it on arrival.
- Members and visitors who are not vaccinated, have only had one vaccination or those who are not prepared to disclose their vaccination status will not be able to participate in Club trips and events.

**These are government requirements, and Clubs are required to ensure they are followed.**

- If members choose to get together and socialise, but the event is not registered with the Club, then it is considered a private gathering, and different rules apply. In this case, social and recreational gatherings outside are limited to 30 people including dependents. The Club has no responsibility for private social gatherings.

Regards,

*Wayne Hevey*

Chief Executive Officer

**Four Wheel Drive Victoria**

RTO 21605

Tel: (03) 9874 7222

Mob: 0437 911 356

Email: [ceo@fwdvictoria.org.au](mailto:ceo@fwdvictoria.org.au)

## **CLUB SATELLITE PHONE-**

Club currently has Satellite phone which is available to be used for Club events or other Trips.

Usage and Data costs to be borne by user

Currently Craig kindly pays for a monthly plan, to avoid each user needing to set up a new plan & SIM card for any use. Anyone who uses the phone pays for that monthly cost and for the cost of any calls (currently \$2 per minute/50c texts)

Club trips have first priority for use, then individual Club members.

Booking Contact is: Craig Cheetham [crackles101@gmail.com](mailto:crackles101@gmail.com) / 0428 538 478



More members receiving their Driver Training Certificates-  
Gill Sydes and Manfred Wagner with President Neville Sonego ( Gary and Howard absent)

CONGRATULATIONS !!!

## **CLUB SHIRTS**

YAY to all members!

Sue & Graham have sourced these amazing shirts.

Details as follows:

Fabric: UV, breathe able, quick dry and colour fast (as in 'fishing' type shirts)

<u>Cost:</u>	Long Sleeve	\$72.50
	Short Sleeve	\$67.50

**SPECIAL PRICE IS BEING OFFERED FOR ALL ORDERS SUBMITTED PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 30th (This will be a one-off deal at present)**

**COSTS OF BOTH SHIRTS HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO \$50 PER EACH CLUB MEMBER**

ALL orders to Sue Abotomey: [susieabotomey@hotmail.com](mailto:susieabotomey@hotmail.com) or text 0424 914 200

PAYMENT TO: WAW BSB 803 070

Account Number: 29894S18

\*Please note that payment must be made before orders are processed.

**DETAILS OF SHIRTS AND SIZING CAN BE SEEN BELOW**





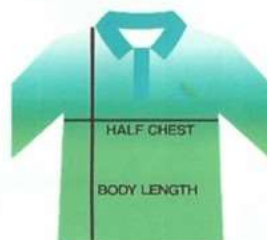
ADULT POLO SHIRT SIZE CHART (cm)

SIZE	XS/8-10	S/10-12	M/12-14	L/14-16	XL/16-18	2XL/18-20	3XL/20-22	4XL/22-24
Half Chest	45	50	55	60	63	65	68	70
Body Length	65	70	74	76	78	80	82	85
Sleeve Length (short sleeve)	22	23.5	25	26.5	27	27.5	28	29
Sleeve Length (long sleeve)	57	59.5	62	64.5	66	67.5	69	70.5



ADULT POLO SHIRT SIZE CHART (cm)

SIZE	5XL/24-26	6XL/26-28	7XL	8XL	9XL	10XL
Half Chest	73	75	77	80	82	84
Body Length	87	88	90	91	92	92
Sleeve Length (short sleeve)	29.5	30	30.5	31	32	32
Sleeve Length (long sleeve)	72	73.5	75	76.5	76.5	76.5



**NEW HOME FOUND FOR OUR CLUB TRAILER-**

Thank you so much to Gary Jordan for his generosity.  
Sincere thanks to Nev & Chris who have housed the trailer in recent times.



## PRE - TRIP REPORTS

### PLEASE NOTE CURRENT 4 WHEEL DRIVE VICTORIA REGULATIONS FOR ALL CLUB TRIPS AS PER CLUB NEWS

#### 1. WIMMERA WANDER- HARROW TRIP

by Chris Sonogo

PLEASE NOTE ABOVE ORIGINAL TRIP WITH THE HARROW LIGHT SHOW HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS

**BUT**

“HARROW” MARK 2 IS PROPOSED AS FOLLOWS:

Chris has outlined the following few days away in leu of the Harrow Trip Starting November 3<sup>rd</sup> to ? 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> – depending on everyone’s time frame

We will meet at Melville Caves in the Kooyoora State Forest just east of Inglewood. We can stay there for all 5 nights or move on to Hard Hill, a free camp near Wedderburn, if we want to after a couple of days. I’m not sure how busy Melville Caves will get on the weekend. There is some good walking around the caves, historic goldfields towns to explore, a couple of interesting drives and an open garden day on Sunday to choose from.

This is a touring trip rather than a 4wd one, a chance to get out in the fresh air and socialise after our loong break.

Any questions, ring me on 0428251576 or Nev on 0427251576.  
See you there,

Chris.

PLEASE BRING WOOD EVERYONE

## 2.FAR EAST GIPPSLAND TRIP – NOVEMBER 2021

Trip leader: David Blore

Emergency Contact: (outside of trip): ☎ Kay Blore 0433 209 396

Tail end Charlie: TBA

Trip leader contact details: ☎ David: 0407 885 410, email david.blore@gmail.com

Start Date: Monday 22 November 2021 (or 2022 or 2023 .....)

Meeting place: Myrtleford just past the Bakery, 9 am Monday 22nd

Trip duration: expected to be three to four nights away, returning Thursday or Friday night depending on routes selected and progress

Trip rating: Medium-Hard (I haven't recced the area so have no first-hand knowledge of track conditions)

Type of tyre tread required: All-Terrain at a minimum, with better than 60% tread.

Fuel requirements/places to purchase fuel: Full tank ex Orbost; 500 km touring range required.

Minimum recovery gear required: Snatch straps, shovel etc

Winch required If you have one    Wheel chains required No

Fire restrictions: Might be some restrictions. Plan for the possibility of a Total Fire Ban, i.e. no campfire or open fire cooking.

Type of Accommodation/camping: Tent-based, locations not confirmed at present.

Maximum number of vehicles (first in gets a placing): 6 vehicles

Personal equipment requirements: Gear for very hot as well as possible cold and wet conditions.

### Trip Details:

We will be travelling to the East Gippsland region via Mt Hotham, Omeo and Orbost. The intention is to travel on both the Bowen and Deddick Trails; if time permits and all are happy possibly we might return via the Cobberas Trail. This would be a big week of travel however.

There are several scenic locations to visit; we will encounter steep tracks (with a few very steep sections), with numerous river crossings of varying depth.

Drivers must be experienced in 4wd driving in steep terrain; vehicles must be mechanically sound, have low range and good tyres as noted above. Weather will be significant to the difficulty or otherwise of the trip; wet weather could affect river depths and may result in a change to the planned route.

If extreme fire weather or heavy storms are forecast, the trip will be postponed.

Expressions of Interest: Contact David to reserve your place. First come first served.

**Note again:** Trip will definitely be postponed if bushfires are active in the High Country.

## TRIP CURRENTLY FULL

## 2. STRINGYBARK CREEK CAMPGROUND- CHRISTMAS CAMP

This year's Christmas gathering will once again be held at Stringybark Creek.

**Stringybark Creek Rd**, Archerton GPS: -36.86903 146.20166

Cost: Free

The **Stringybark Creek camping** area is a beautiful spot. There are drop toilets, picnic tables and fire pits. Large areas and both are shaded or open and grassy. This camping area is right next to a memorial to three Police Officers who were shot dead by Ned Kelly and his gang in 1878. Awesome place to spend weekend. ... Suitable for all types of vehicles and camping set ups.

Dates- Friday Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday December 5

BYO everything

**FRIDAY NIGHT-** If anyone interested in going to **TOLMIE PUB** for evening meal, please contact Sue Abotomey asap on [susieabotomey@hotmail.com](mailto:susieabotomey@hotmail.com) or text 0424 914 200, so she can confirm numbers for a booking.

**PLEASE NOTE 4 WHEEL DRIVE VICTORIA REGULATIONS RE COVID  
ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED**

## 3. TASMANIA TRIP – MARCH 2022

by Dave and Fiona Van Zanten

<b>Trip Title:</b>	<b>2022 Joint Club Tassie Tour</b>		
<b>Trip Dates:</b>	6/03/2022	25/03/2022	
	<small>From</small>	<small>To</small>	
<b>Trip Leader:</b>	Fiona and Dave	van Zanten	0400 936 113
	<small>First Name</small>	<small>Surname</small>	<small>Contact Info</small>

<b>Trip Rating:</b>	Easy Final trip	planning to be confirmed. Planning base camps with our camper and day trips from those locations.
---------------------	-----------------	--

Select rating then add notes if needbe

<b>Number of Vehicles:</b>	No limit
----------------------------	----------

<b>Suitable for vans/trailers:</b>	Yes. If you wish to tow a camper or caravan I suggest you book the ferry ASAP. On our last trip to Tassie bookings for the return trip were booked out quite quickly.
------------------------------------	---

## Trip Proforma

We expect that by March next year Covid will be under control and hope that it won't play a part but be aware that some bookings can't be cancelled and don't include Covid refunds so you may wish to consider travel insurance to cover such situations.

<b>Vehicles Must Have:</b>	Tyres	Highway	Winch	No
For any off road event each vehicle must have UHF Radio, approved recovery points front and rear and a snatch strap with dampener as a minimum. If you are not self sufficient with recovery equipment check to see if you can borrow club property or ask the trip leader if there is someone with whom you can buddy up.	Lift	No	Snorkel	No
This is mainly a touring / social trip, nothing other than a UHF for convoy chat is required. We hope to do a bit of 4WDing, nothing extreme. Anyone wishing to join us in that will need basic recovery gear.				

<b>Trip Notes:</b>	We have a rough itinerary planned at this stage. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome to do the whole trip or portions of it with us. We've been to Tassie a couple of times and there are things we've seen and wish to re-visit, some we don't wish to re-visit, and lots still on the 'to do' list, etc but together we can all plan a trip that suits and hopefully keep it a bit flexible so we can work in with
<b>Fuel and Supplies:</b>	There is generally fuel available as required whatever the weather throws at us.

*Fuel required, fuel availability, cater for how many meals, spare parts required, etc*

<b>Permits, Camp fees, etc</b>	At this stage the ferry booking is the main thing to get sorted. The trip dates above are the dates of our ferry booking. Much of our camping will be at free sites or locations where charges are minimal.
--------------------------------	--

Send this completed form to the trip co-ordinator and the magazine editor. Ensure you enter the trip into the Proposed Trips and Events area on the web site forum or ask the trip co-ordinator to do so for you.

If you wish to go on this trip, ensure you register with the trip leader.

**Am I going? Yes / No**

**Have I registered? Yes / No**

**2022 Tassie Trip - Rough itinerary outline v2**

Date	From To		Staying at
1	Sunday 6-Mar-22	Home to Devonport	Overnight on boat
2	Monday 7-Mar-22	Devonport to Peggs Beach (Stanley) Falls 58Km / Stanley	Peggs Beach \$13 111 Dipp
3	Tuesday 8-Mar-22	Peggs Beach (Stanley) Cabins (shared 4 berth) \$95 263 via Corinna, Savage River	Cradle Mountain Waldheim
4	Wednesday 9-Mar-22	Cradle Mountain Cabins (shared 4 berth) \$95 Dipp Falls	Cradle Mountain Waldheim
5	Thursday 10-Mar-22	Cradle Mountain to Strahan Campground \$6 137 stage show???	Macquarie Heads
6	Friday 11-Mar-22	Strahan Campground \$6 Hogarth falls / Cruise? / Train?	Macquarie Heads
7	Saturday 12-Mar-22	Strahan to Derwent Bridge Lake St Claire) \$0 126 via Nelson Falls	Lake King William (or pay at
8	Sunday 13-Mar-22	Derwent Bridge to Liffey Falls Liffey Falls	Lower Liffey Reserve \$0 121
9	Monday 14-Mar-22	Liffey Falls Mount Field Nat Park (non powered) \$16 187	Mount Field Campground
10	Tuesday 15-Mar-22	Mount Field Nat Park Campground (non powered) \$16 Russell, Marriotts, Lady Baron,	Mount Field Nat Park Horseshoe Falls
11	Wednesday 16-Mar-22	Mount Field Nat Park Campground (non powered) \$16 Day trip to Gordon Dam 250Km rtn	Mount Field Nat Park
12	Thursday 17-Mar-22	Mount Field Nat Park to Bruny Is Neck \$30 146	Camping 3 nights at The
13	Friday 18-Mar-22	Bruny Island Veh <6m towing any length \$85	Bruny Island Ferry return.
14	Saturday 19-Mar-22	Bruny Island	Bruny Island Cruise \$290
15	Sunday 20-Mar-22	Bruny Island to Motts Beach \$0 Sth of Southport	Cockle Creek Campground

16	Monday 21-Mar-22	Motts Beach to Hobart	Dunalley Hotel \$0 via
		Tahune airwalk	
17	Tuesday 22-Mar-22	Hobart to St Marys	Little Beach campground \$0
18	Wednesday 23-Mar-22	St Marys to Little Blue Lake	Weldborough Hotel &
		Campground \$20	
19	Thursday 24-Mar-22	Little Blue Lake to Beaconsfield	Beaconsfield Recreation
		Ground \$0	
20	Friday 25-Mar-22	Beaconsfield to Devonport	Overnight on boat
21	Saturday 26-Mar-22	Home	

TOTAL Km 2,845  
Fuel Cost per litre \$1.80  
litres / 100Km 18.00  
Fuel cost for trip \$921.78



## TRIP REPORTS

### TRACK CLEARING – CANCELLED ALTERNATE TRIP

By Damo

Since track clearing was cancelled last minute, 7 vehicles decided to still get away. We headed up to Cobbler, lead by trip leaders Graham and Sue, then back down to stay at Bennies campsite overnight.

We all set up camp then enjoying a few yarns and happy hour around the campfire mid-afternoon, while Manfred cooked us a nice cheese and bacon damper to share around for afternoon tea before dinner time.

We had a couple of rain showers but not much in it, then Sunday morning after packing up camp, we headed for Paradise Falls, but when we got there, there was nearly the whole population of Melbourne there and we were dodging vehicles left right and centre.



We stopped and walked down a bit to see little Paradise Falls, before having a lunch stop across from the Cheshunt shop/bakery. Then we headed off again up around the Black Range, and around Meadow Creek before ending a great trip with an ice-cream at the Oxley store. Another great trip had been had by all.

Thanks again to Graham and Sue for leading the trip and also the rest of the members that went as well.







## 2021 – Trip & Event Calendar

### NOVEMBER

TUESDAY November 2nd	Committee Meeting	Wangaratta Club		<b>ZOOM</b>	7.00pm start
TUESDAY November 9th	General Meeting	Tarrawingee Car Club Rooms		<b>NOTE REGULATIONS REGARDING NEED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED</b>	8.00pm start
TUESDAY November 3rd – November 8th	Melville Caves in the Kooyoora State Forest	As per Updated Pre-Trip Report		Chris Sonego <a href="mailto:sonego48@yahoo.com">sonego48@yahoo.com</a>	<b>SEE PRE TRIP REPORT</b>
MONDAY 22 <sup>nd</sup> November- ? ~ 3-4 nights	<b>FAR EAST GIPPSLAND TRIP</b>	Details as per Pre-Trip Report		David Blore <a href="mailto:david.blore@gmail.com">david.blore@gmail.com</a>	<b>SEE PRE TRIP REPORT</b>

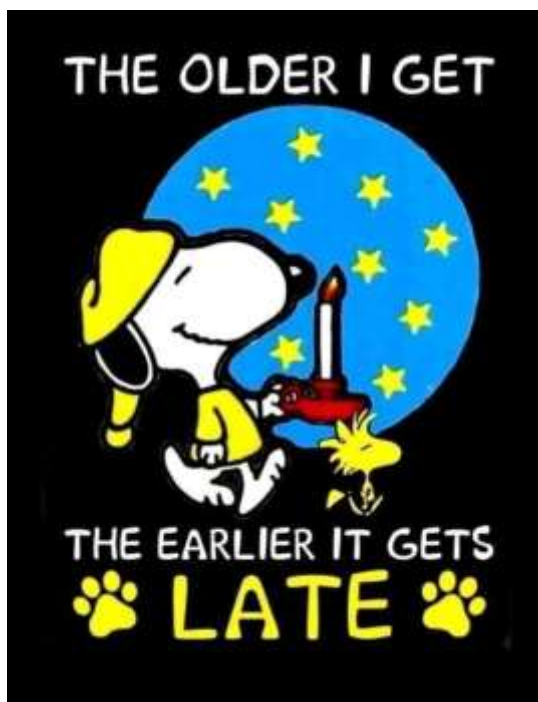
### DECEMBER

TUESDAY December 7th	Committee Meeting	Wangaratta Club		<b>TBC</b>	6.00pm start
TUESDAY December 14th	General Meeting <b>XMAS MEETING</b>	Tarrawingee Car Club Rooms		<b>BBQ @ CLUB ROOMS MEAT PROVIDED BYO CHAIR, DRINKS &amp; UTENSILS SALADS &amp; SWEET TO SHARE PLEASE NOTE 4 WHEEL DRIVE VICTORIA REGULATIONS RE COVID</b>	6.00pm start

FRIDAY December 3 <sup>rd</sup> to SUNDAY December 5th	<b>STRINGYBARK CREEK CAMP</b>		<b>BYO everything</b> <b>More details to follow</b> <b>TOLMIE PUB OPTION –</b> <b>SEE PRE-TRIP REPORT</b>  <b>PLEASE NOTE 4 WHEEL</b> <b>DRIVE VICTORIA</b> <b>REGULATIONS RE COVID</b>	
---	-----------------------------------	--	--	--

## JANUARY 2022

TUESDAY January 4th			<b>NO MEETING</b>	
TUESDAY January 11th	General Meeting	Tarrawingee Car Club Rooms	<b>TBA</b>	8.00pm start



WHAT DO YOU CALL AN  
ALLIGATOR IN A VEST?



AN INVESTIGATOR.

**W4C** **WANGARATTA 4WD CENTRE** **ARB** 4X4 ACCESSORIES

**YOUR LOCAL ARB STOCKIST!**

*Visit our Showroom for all your 4wd & camping needs!*

**We also Service & Repair all Size Vehicles!**

183 Tone Road Wangaratta  
Phone: (03) 57222 979  
Email: [info@wangeratta4wd.com.au](mailto:info@wangeratta4wd.com.au)  
[www.wangeratta4wd.com.au](http://www.wangeratta4wd.com.au)

**HOT**



**CAR WASH**

**UPHOLSTERY CLEANER**  
**VACUUM CLEANERS**  
**4WD RAMP**  
**BENALLA**  
0428 622 823

**WANGARATTA OFF-ROAD AND CARAVANS** **IRONMAN** **KOKODA** **Roma** **DREAMSEEKER**



**Iron Man Wangaratta** - 1-3 Norton St. Wangaratta 0357 212 943 Stocking Iron Man 4x4 products.  
Specialising in Off Road trip preparation and 4x4 fit outs plus Off Road caravans and Campers.

**DAVID BATTIN**  
*Electrical and Wangaratta Trailer Sales*



**(03) 5721 7611 / (03) 5721 4439**

# TRACK TORQUE



NOVEMBER 2021



---

*Wangaratta Four Wheel Drive Club*

---

A0001052D  
PO Box 494 Wangaratta 3676  
[www.wangaratta4x4club.org.au](http://www.wangaratta4x4club.org.au)

*“Responsible Four Wheel Driving And Family Touring”*

---