

Trip Reports:

Wangaratta Outdoor Leisure Show 2015

The Wangaratta Outdoor Leisure Show was once again held at Apex Park at the end of February. The club manned the display tents over the weekend with the O'Connor's, the French's, Tom Barnard, Noel Robinson and Chris Penniceard and guest Dee Brown helping out on Saturday and Damian O'Connor, the French's, Tom Barnard, Chris Penniceard and the Burkes on Sunday.

Saturday proved to be quite a hot day with Sunday having milder conditions. Damian returned around 10.00pm Saturday night to lower the tents and pack away some of the display items due to an impending storm which fortunately didn't fully eventuate except for some strong wind and rain. Thanks for that Damo - it was much appreciated and Graeme and Helene say don't worry about waking them up - it's all good - anytime. But that's a fine.



Photo: Steve keeps an eye on the log...

Steve and Tracey Twomey were there helping out Simon Christie and his crew with demonstrating all sorts of four wheel driving feats negotiating logs, boulders and showing amazing flex using ramps. They also took the public for rides in their vehicles to experience firsthand the thrill of being in a four wheel drive. Unfortunately Steve bent some steering components during the demonstration over the boulders. That's a fine.

Photo: Up and over those obstacles...

There were a number of interesting display tents at the show with other members of the club manning their own. Noel and Irene Ham had their Tailgate Campers site which generated a lot of interest. Next time you see Noel displaying his camper, make sure you ask him to close it up as he loves nothing more than to show how it's done. Hahaha.



Graeme and Helene Martin had their Alpine Gourmet Goodies site, serving delicious food. Burkey and Tom tried a piece of my calamari cooked by Graeme and gave surprised nods of approval. This was amazing as Burkey absolutely hates calamari and I believe Tom is not a fan either. Well done Alpine Gourmet Goodies!



Photo: The stand and our intrepid members chatting with the crowd... "Where are you off to Neville?"

Despite the days being lovely, the crowd number was down considerably from the previous year however; over the two days the club had a large number of inquiries which was a great effort. Many thanks to those who helped out making it a fun and sociable weekend.

Photo: Simone Christie in "The 40"

Photo: Obsession and the 40 take a 'rest'...



Photo: Member's vehicles

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