

WANNEROO WANDERERS 4WD CLUB

CONVOY PROCEDURE

- 1. Fuel tanks must be filled prior to start of trip.
- 2. Before moving off from a designated departure point the trip leader will appoint a tail-end charlie.
- 3. At **All** turn-offs, vehicles shall wait until the following vehicle is aware of the former's intention. Periodical checks for the following vehicle must be made as per convoy procedure.
- 4. Persons leaving the club convoy MUST notify the trip leader and if possible give details of their intentions.
- 5. No vehicle in the convoy is to pass the lead vehicle.
- 6. When travelling in convoy on the open road, the distance between vehicles shall not be less than 6 vehicle lengths, and keep the vehicle behind in sight at reasonable intervals.
- 7. At nature stops the rule to be followed is ladies to the left gents to the right.
- 8. In recovery procedures to avoid injury to personnel the drivers of the vehicles involved shall ensure that the immediate area is cleared.
- 9. All persons travelling in convoy must be inside a vehicle

CODE OF ETHICS

- 1. Obey restriction on use of public lands. Respect national parks and other conservation areas, (i.e. Calm, Water Authority, Fire Authorities).
- 2. Obtain permission before driving on private land. Leave livestock alone and gates as found.
- 3. Keep to existing tracks where possible.
- 4. There shall be no deliberate destruction of trees, shrubs or wildlife. Respect our wildlife, stop, look and observe but never chase animals.
- 5. Use a well worn campsite to minimise impact on the environment.
- 6. No firearms to be displayed or used in campsite or prohibited areas.
- 7. No unofficial competition or displays of "4WDing" shall take place during trips without permission of the trip leader.
- 8. At club functions members shall obey verbal instructions and visual signs erected by the organisers.
- 9. Drive very slowly within camp area.
- 10. When ansereing the calls of nature, members are asked to take the shovel and bury the result at all times, Ladies are respectfully requested to dispose of their paper hygienically. (i.e. rubbish container or campfire).
- 11. Keep the environment clean. Be perpared to carry out all the rubbish you take into unserviced areas.
- 12. All members are requested to comply with the above codes.

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Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month (except in January when it is held on the second Wednesday, and AGM in September which is a dinner function). Meetings are held at Warradale Hall in Landsdale – 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start

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ABOUT THE CLUB

WANNEROO WANDERERS 4WD CLUB INC

The Wanneroo Wanderers 4WD club is an enthusiastic group of people who have banded together to enjoy 4WD trips and excursions while conserving the natural bush ecology.

Club membership comprises families and individuals of all ages. The range of club activities caters for the novice as well as the experienced drivers. Activities include social functions, day drives, weekend and extended trips both on and off road at various times during the year.

Club members use a range of camping options from tents, troopies, camper trailers and caravans. The club has no preference to the make of 4WD vehicle owned. Personal and vehicle safety during club events is of the utmost importance. Where possible proposed trips are thoroughly planned and surveyed in advance.

The club is an affiliated member of the WA 4WD association and we support the aim to promote 4WD vehicle owners as responsible, community spirited people concerned with conservation and the environment.

The club Meets at the Warradale Community Centre, Warradale Terrace, Lansdale on the first Wednesday of each month except for January when it is held on the 2cnd Wednesday commencing at 7:45pm.

Visitors are always welcome to attend meetings and club events. Prospective members are encouraged to attend two club meetings and two club activities before applying for membership.

If you wish to obtain further information about the club, please feel free to contact us at

Wanneroo Wanderers 4WD Club Inc.

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EDITORIAL

Hi folks

Welcome to the Winter edition of the mag. Once again theres been lots of enjoyment for all with various trips and social get togethers, all of which have been well attended

Im off on the extended 6 week trip through WA, SA, NT and QLD before returning home via the Tanami and down the Canning Stock Route. That should make for a good read in the Spring edition.

Meanwhile here at home there is the Long Weekend trip, a couple of day trips and the Hot & Spicy night coming up. Thanks to Marlyn for stepping in as the Social Co-Ord while the lucky Karen & Archie and Joe & Elissa are travelling the States

I hope you enjoy the read and thanks to those who contribute

regards Barb Editor Wanneroo Wanderers Magazine Barbiem8@westnet.com.au



Looking forward to having a coldy here soon

TRIP & SOCIAL REPORTS

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The Sid Brown Memorial fishing competition has been and gone and the event was marvellously hosted by Tony Downe at Buffalo Beach.

It was attended by Joe and his brother Mark, Kym, Paul, Phil and of course Tony.

The camp site was Belvedere Camp ground across the estuary from Australind, and for the most part was mossy free.

Joe, Mark arrived on the Thursday and found a nice big site that would accommodate all of us and Kym arrived on Friday followed by Paul and Tony on Saturday.

It was pretty low key on the Saturday, with some sussing out of potential fishing spots for the Sunday comp and a general check out of the beach conditions and a drive to the Bunbury inlet.

Saturday's weather was perfect and a test fish was attempted to heck out if any fish were biting, alas they were not, we all hoped that it was not an omen for the following day's competition.

The afternoon was spent around the camp. In the late afternoon Phil arrived with a very large parcel of fish and chips from the Binningup café. He must have had some sort of premonition that there would be no fresh fish on the camp table that night.

Not long after Phil turned up Tony and Paul camp back from their luckless fishing escapade and Tony had some scouring noises coming from his front wheel.

Off came the wheel in no time with Joe's super-duper cordless rattle gun, but nothing was found, and whatever the problem was, we will never know.

Now that we were all around the camp, a few drinks, a few yarns (not the fishing sort) were told and we were all looking forward to Sunday's comp.

Sunday we were all up reasonably early and headed off down to Buffalo Beach to a spot that Tony and Paul had identified the previous day.

Cars backed up to the water, fishing gear, bait and camp chairs came out along with the club gazebo and Wanneroo Wanderer's banner.

I would not say competition was fierce but the tidal surges did cause those parked on the lower side a couple of anxious moments.

Lines were in the water by 8.00 O'clock, and the fish were not exactly going off, most got a few nibbles but not much worth keeping.

We all persisted as there was a lot at stake.

Phil managed to land the first decent herring, followed by another and another over the morning and a couple of Whiting. The others were wondering what was going on, as all were using the same bait and fishing with-in 10 metres of each other, who knows but by late morning it was clear that Phil was going to be the winner and talk had already begun about the venue for next year's event.

As Phil, had caught most of the fish it was only fitting that he fillet them all while the rest of the team contemplated what might have been and planned for an attack next year.

The wind was getting up by midday, so we all helped pack up and trucked back down the beach. Phil continued on back to Perth (only sucker amongst us that has to work, teach him for catching all the fish) and the rest went back to camp.

Phil's motto is "Veni Vidi Vici".















Wanneroo Wanderers 4WD Club Willow Springs Trip, WA Labour Day long weekend, 1 – 4 March 2019

Introduction

The Willow Springs campsite is located in East Nannup Forest, 23 km from Nannup or 35 km from Bridgetown, on Brockman Highway, to the unsealed Gold Gully Road turnoff and then further 5 km on Gold Gully Road. This beautiful little place, secluded and set among the tall karri and jarrah trees is hidden away from all except casual Bibbulmun Track walkers or Munda Biddi cyclists (both tracks pass by the campsite), and an occasional vehicle that passes by.

Camping is free and dogs are allowed. Two fire pits (no fires were allowed during our stay, unfortunately), two picnic benches, and a recently completed bush toilet and the walkers' shelter with a water tank, are the only amenities in the camp. There is enough room for about a dozen caravans.

The campsite is surrounded by unsealed logging tracks, providing ample opportunity for exploring the area by car. Other activities are bushwalking and cycling, as well as kayaking on Blackwood River or in Donnelly River village dam.

There is no mobile phone coverage in the camp and one has to drive closer to either Nannup or Bridgetown to get connection.

Friday, 1 March

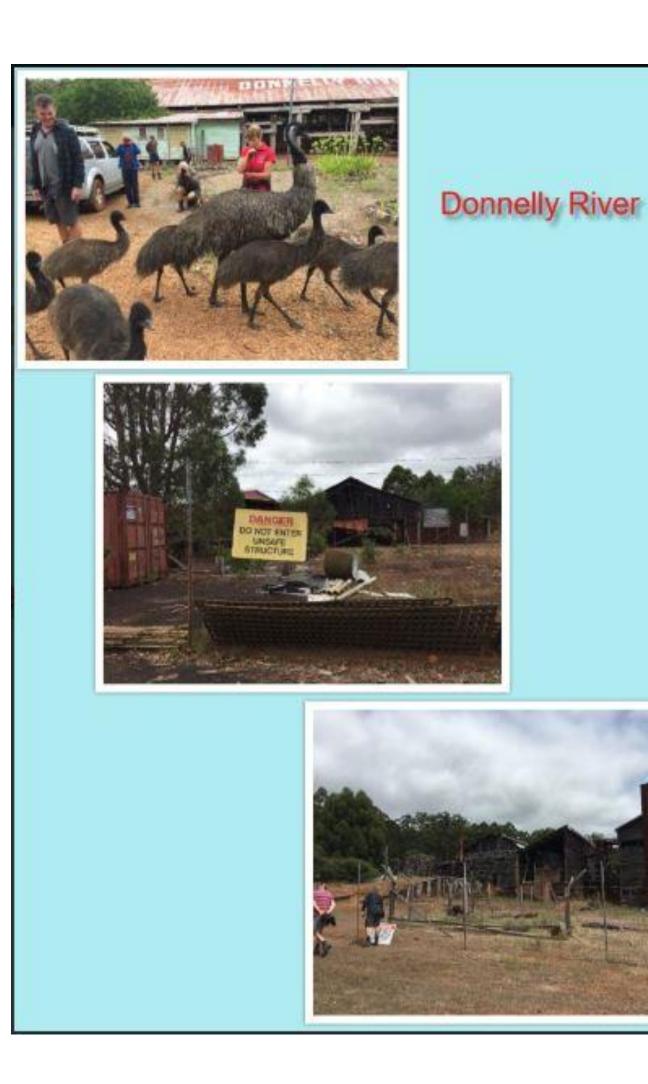
The trip for which only two couples signed initially, saw eight couples taking part: Sue and David, Kerri and Steve, Debbie and Paul Brophy, Leslie and Bob, Jenny and Tony, Mirella and Paul Di Giorgio, Allison and Allan, and Audrey and Vlado.

The arrival at the campsite was planned for Friday. With the Nannup Music Festival happening over the weekend, there was a chance that the campsite becomes more crowded that one would hope for. Fortunately, Sue and David arrived on Thursday and watched out that the rest of us had a place to camp.

Audrey and Vlado arrived at noon (just around Friday midday) while Kerri and Steve arrived an hour later followed by another caravanning couple, Sue and Don (not WW members). A little bit later, Debbie and Paul reached the camp, followed by Leslie and Bob who had left the camper trailer behind and were pitching their trusted tent instead. Jenny and Tony were the last to arrive during the day.

As members were busy setting up their chairs, tables and other camping essentials, few went into the surrounding bush for a bit of walking and exploring before the happy hour. It was a beautiful day, warm enough for March flies to come out looking for a bite. After the sunset it became a bit chilly and, after dinner, some campers disappeared in their enclosures to seek warmth under the blankets while the braver ones continued with the conversation until a little bit later, but not too late.

Alison and Allan arrived around 9 p.m. and parked their caravan in the middle of the camp, leaving the final adjustments to be done in the daylight.



Saturday, 2 March

At around 10 a.m. Mirella and Paul arrived, just as the convoy of six was about to leave for a drive, so we waited until Mirella and Paul had set up their caravan and were able to join us. Sue and David went up the road on their own, to catch the elusive Telstra signal.

The day plan was to wander around the area and follow the numerous tracks through the forest. Kerri and Steve led the convoy of now seven cars through the maze of forestry tracks. Our first stop was the Donnelly River timber mill village – Donnelly River Mill, or Donnelly River Village as it is referred to.

The old steam timber mill, heritage listed and currently owned by the State Government, still stands, but just. The timber structures had been decaying since the mill stopped operation in 1978 and Bunnings Brothers handed the mill, with all the machinery in working condition, to the State Government for the community benefit. The mill museum used to open for visits until the structures had deteriorated to a point when it became a hazard. A tall fence runs all around the facility, with noticeboards warning of dangers lurking within posted all along the fence.

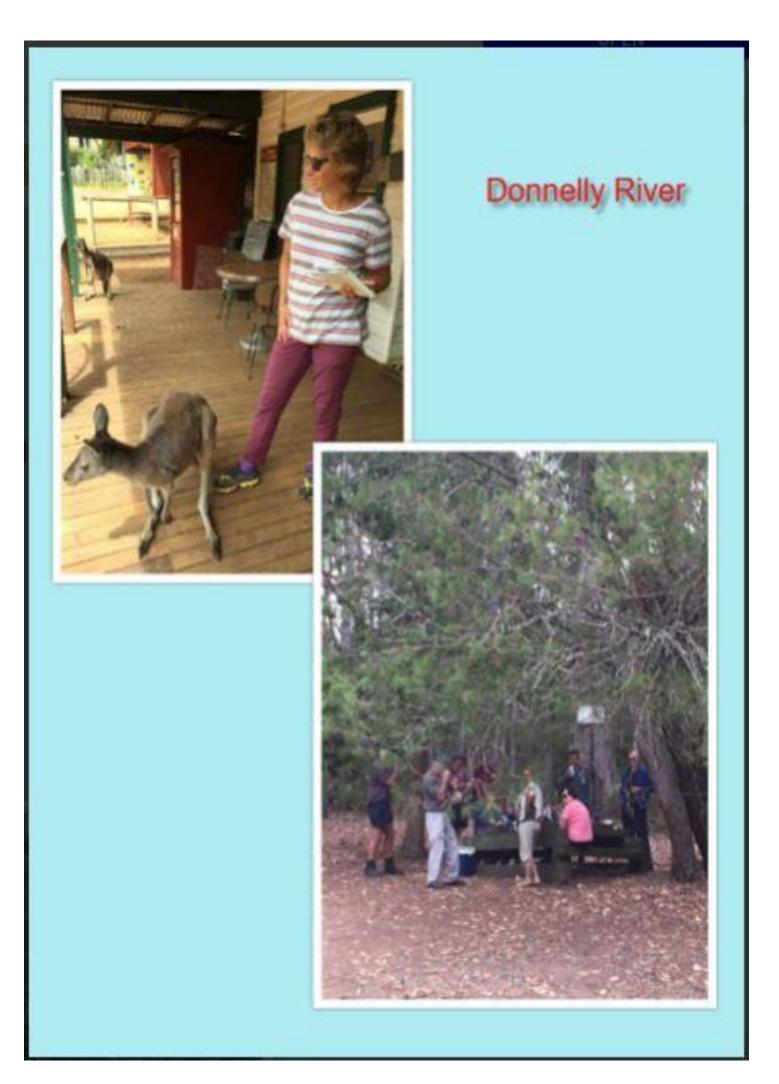
The village was built in 1950s for the workers at the Bunnings Brothers timber mill. It had 35 workers' cottages, school, butcher shop and a general store. Nowadays, cyclists, walkers and motorised tourists have replaced workers and their families. The cottages are used for accommodation, the school building has become a bunk-house for Bibbulmun track walkers and Munda Biddi cyclers, the butcher shop is a school holiday screening theatre while the general store, the village's focal point, has become a café, a social gathering place and a store for visitors and guests.

The café front was very busy with emus and kangaroos anxious for food handouts (bags of feed can be bought in the store). Other wildlife, like possums, kookaburras, magpies, parrots and blue fairy wrens, have also been reported visiting cottages. Another point of interest, for kids in particular, is the 50 metre flying fox sprung under the tall karri trees in the middle of the village.

This is a beautiful spot to visit and stay for those wishing to escape the modern life; there is no mobile phone coverage, and the only sounds that can be heard are the nature's ones. For those wanting to know more, there are village's web pages at <u>www.donnellyriver.com.au</u> and one of the videos featuring the place can be seen by following this link: <u>https://youtu.be/VCsOxDo6Ufg</u>

From the village, Steve took us to the nearby dam, were we sat for lunch. The dam, which is only five minutes walk from the village, is used both for swimming and canoeing as well as village's water supply.

During the lunch, we discussed the today trip's next leg. Back at the camp, Steve got from Don (the non-WW camp resident) coordinates of a notorious local spot. It was an old farm said to be haunted by ghosts of two brothers who at the beginning of the 20th century drained a swamp in the area and farmed potatoes. In 1907, at the time of a potato glut, brothers' fortunes turned from bad to worse and one of the brothers shot the other, then killing himself.



After the lunch, Steve led us to the spot marked by the coordinates he got from John. We parked our cars by the edge of what looked like it once was a cultivated field and which now turns into a swamp during wetter months. The area, outlined by decaying timber fence posts and taller shrubbery, was overgrown with scented weeds and low bushes. The troupe embarked on to the search for the farmhouse remains and the elusive fig tree that we were told was growing on the farm, but found nothing except few overgrown drainage canals, a rusty hopper and remains of an old stock loading ramp. Both the house and the fig tree had eluded us.

Back at the camp, it was happy hour time, and while the ladies were engaged in a lively conversation, men were working out the finer points of the OziExplorer navigation aid, with Paul Di Giorgio taking up the challenge of making it work on Steve's laptop with the help from Tony's map set. Allan took out the bright yellow Wanneroo Wanderers banner and set it up between two appropriately spaced trees.

As the evening was getting cooler, few couples sought protection under blankets after dinner, while the conversation in the camp continued for a while.

Sunday, 3 March

Kookaburras and cockatoos announced another crisp morning and a couple of walkers set on a four-hour walk, taking Bibbulmun Track's south route. They planned to be back in the camp by lunchtime and, to join the group for the afternoon drive. When they returned to the camp at around 11:30, Kerri and Steve were already back from their bike ride on Munda Biddi trail and Steve had a story to tell.

On the way back from their ride, Kerri and Steve found two cars parked in the middle of the camp, the twin-cab ute's canopy open. Two men were (it looked like) checking one of the aft tyres pressure, while two women were looking on. They were waiting for Kerrie and Steve to continue their ride, but when they didn't, the two cars left. Was it a genuine stop to check the tyres, or an opportunistic attempt to relieve us of some of our belongings?

While the cyclists and walkers were on their morning explorations, Leslie and Bob had packed their tent and left to visit Bob's relative in Donnybrook, and Sue and Don had also packed up and left for their next destination.

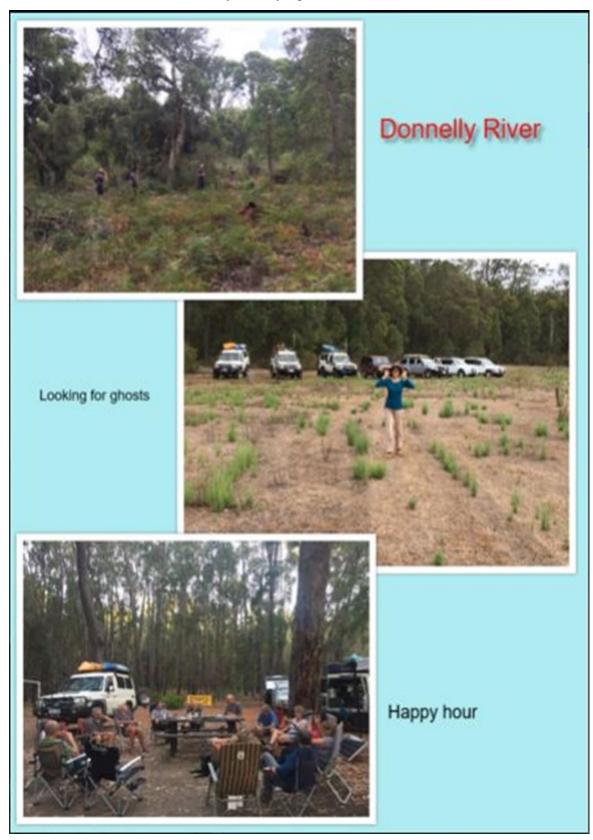
The rest of campers joined together for a trip to Bridgetown, to test the Blackwood River waters with their kayaks. Don had given Paul Di Giorgio the updated ghost farm coordinates, so, after Bridgetown, the group followed the route to the haunted spot and came back to the camp to report that, not so far from where we were searching yesterday, they had found few rocks, possibly the homestead remains, and the fig tree, but no figs.

A young couple, Joey and Nash, with two sons arrived in the early afternoon and after pitching their tent in almost the same spot were Leslie and Bob's had theirs, left to check the sights.

As there were still few hours left in the afternoon, Kerri and Steve together with Audrey and Vlado went to try some of the tracks, hoping for a challenge. Steve took us to the powerline track that runs north of the camp, stretching kilometres towards Nannup. The track was well graded and seldom used. Fortunately, the sloped sections had deep ruts cut by rainwater, so

we did have a bit of fun. To top it all, at one point we had to leave the powerline track, as the way ahead was signposted as being reserved, and took a downward slope with only ruts and no track. All ended well and Vlado didn't embarrass Pajero. We continued to drive around on fairly good logging tracks, up and down the hills forested with pine and karri before returning to the camp for our last happy hour.

The weather was warming and the conversation was flowing, helped by pizzas, non-gluten and otherwise, baked by Mirella and Jenny. After the dinner, the group met again at and continued with the conversation. The night was pleasant and bright, and the sky above lit by distant satellites and crisscrossed by low flying bats.



Monday, 4 March

The young couple had packed their tent and left quite early in the morning. One by one, couples started appearing from their respective enclosures and started packing. Some were in a hurry to get out quickly while the others were taking their time.

The first to leave were Alison and Allan, but were back soon to warn us of a scrub fire on the side of Gold Gully Road, between the powerline track and Brockman Highway. Tony and Paul Di Giorgio went together with Allan to have a look at the fire hoping to extinguish it. When they came back, the packing continued with much more vigour as everyone was a bit concerned and wanted to get on the way as quickly as possible.

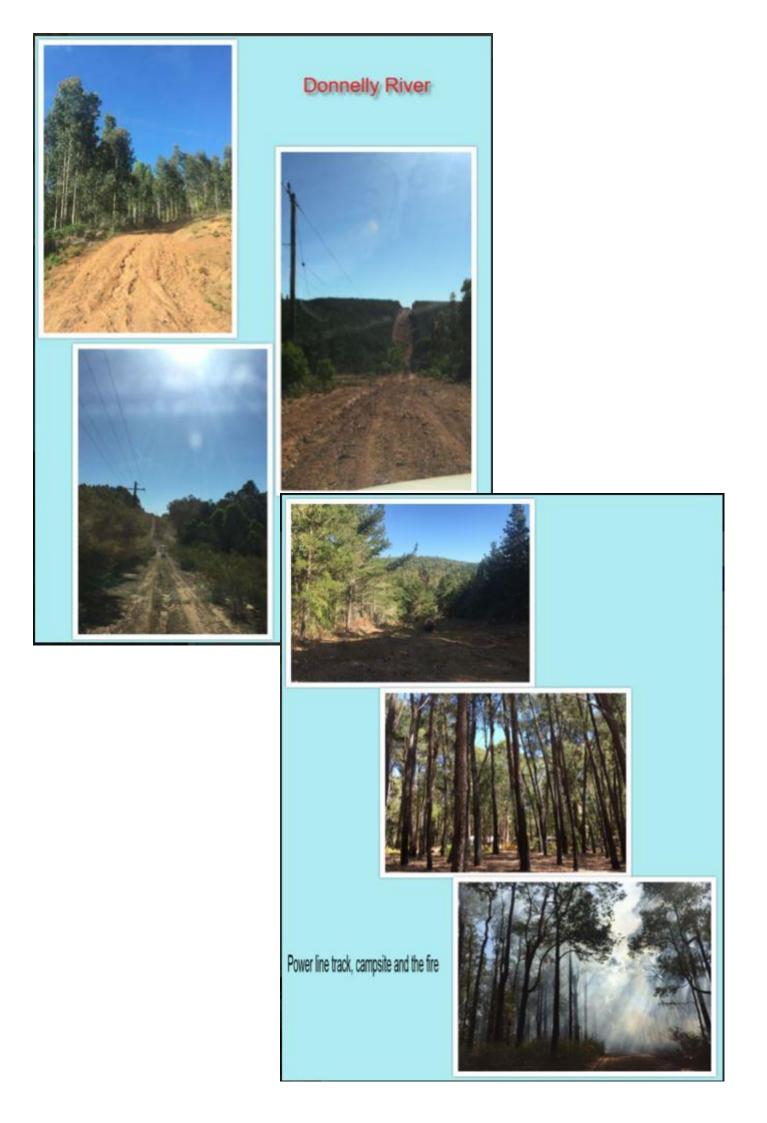
Kerri and Steve were first to leave, followed by Audrey and Vlado, Debbie and Paul Brophy and finally, Mirella and Paul Di Giorgio. Sue and David, together with Tony and Jenny stayed back and hopped to find another place for a night, to avoid the end of long weekend traffic.

As we were driving on Gold Gully Road, we passed the fire and could hear the noise of helicopter rotors above our heads. Checking later on the State's emergency website, the emergency teams were on site and the fire was being observed. Fortunately, no big damage was done.

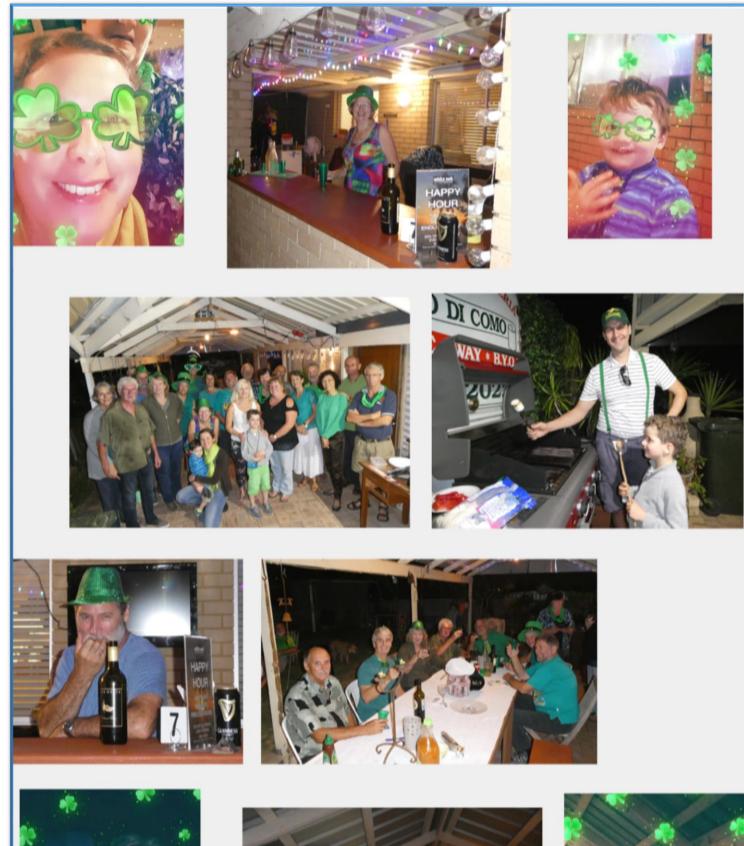
End Note

What looked to be shaping up as an ordinary event, turned to be a wonderfully peaceful trip of relaxation and historical discovery, with a bit of worry added for the end. Even though nobody got bogged or lost, and nothing broke down or fell off, we still had an enjoyable long weekend.















Mandurah Crabbing Weekend

The Corderoy's were the first of the 9 vans to arrive staying until Monday afternoon.

It was very hot on Wednesday and Thursday need the aircon on to stay cool. By Friday

the weather had started to cool down and the wind then picked up. We seemed to have

the best spot i.e. with awning and privacy shade to keep out of the wind.

On the Friday night 10 of us went out on the Floating Bar and within a few minutes we saw

Dolphins. It was a bit windy and cool on the water depending which way the boat was sailing.

For \$5.00 it was a bargain, we all took along some nibbles to share and purchased a few drinks.

6 people stayed on board for a further trip at no extra cost just another bottle of bubbles and beer for the boys. The boat took a different course through the canals and estuary and it did start to get cold by the time we got back to the jetty.

Saturday morning 7 girls had a Morning tea at the Adult Secret Garden. Freshly baked Scones jam and yummy cream. It was a Beautiful garden with fantastic company.

Crabbing is what the weekend was supposed to be about. Only 6 crabs caught that were size and were caught by Ken and Achie from Ken's little fold up boat. Unfortunately for those with scoop nets the crabs were just undersize.

After a small taste of the steamed crabs. 12 of us headed out to the Indian Restaurant in town for a great meal then back to the Corderoy's , for after dinner drinks.

It was a great weekend lots of relaxing and social interaction.

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Mandurah crabbing weekend

Including Friday night Happy Hour Cruise and campover at Miami Caravan Park





WW's - Inaugural Putt Putt Championship @ Wembley Golf Club April 2019

This year after a fine suggestion by Kerri, for something different we headed off for a Putt Putt competition at the great garden setting of the Wembley mini golf course (essentially to delay the move into the splendid bar for drinks & food overlooking the lake). With 18 players signing up we headed off to the 1st hole.

1st surprise – Kerri announced special rules - couples had to split... maybe simply Kerri's excuse to get away from me, or possibly to prevent marital chaos as the more competitive types couldn't compete side by side? We formed 4 groups, 2 of 5 players & 2 of 4 players.

I was 1st to tee off and promptly sank a hole in one. Celebrations were short lived as in true WW style.. it was announced "well done, you can write the bloody trip report for that!"

There were regular bouts of spontaneous cheering signalling another of what were many 'hole in one's' scored throughout the evening, split with cheering at someone else's dramatic fail as a ball entered a water trap, or went out of bounds.

Special mentions go to -

- Greatest use of the club (ie. Highest score): Karen, marginally ahead of a few challengers... or was she simply the most honest one on the night?
- Most 'hole in ones': Joe & Phil managed 4 x 'hole in one's in the 18 holes
- Best 1st Nine: Phil 18
- Best 2nd Nine: Joe 19
- Over best score: Steve & Phil tied on 46 Woo Hoo...Champions till 2020

All agreed a great new event, together with excellent food, drink.

Thank Kerri for coming up with a new exciting social evening, and we look forward to next year.

Steve W.

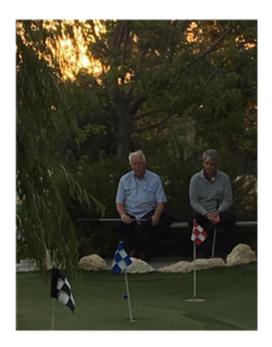
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Mini Golf evening @ Wembley Golf Course











Easter Trip 2019 Millers Point 19/4/2019 - 24/4/2019

Trip Leader – Phil Anderson

Contributed by Kym Batten

We were not sure when we could make it down to Millers Point due to family matters, but as it turned out we were able to travel on Wednesday 17th. We left late and arrived at Millers point around 5:30pm and expected to find a couple of other members already on site. This turned out not to be the case.

After finding the camp host, he guided down to a larger camp site which already had another caravan on this site. The couple from Queensland were happy to share their site.



The next morning, the camp host came down and asked if the other couple would move to a better site to allow our large contingent to fit more readily into the confined space. They were very obliging and happily shifted for which I felt guilty, but they were fantastic with several members visiting them and thanking them.



On the Thursday, I went to a nearby hill to send out emails and make contact advising that we had a camp site. We also received the news that Bob & Leslie and Archie& Karen would also not make it. Later in the day, Joe & Elisa arrived. Joe managed to knock the reverse leaver on his awning off on a nearby tree, which we fixed later to enable them to put out their awning. Next to arrive was Steve & Kerry with a very sick Land rover.



Contrary to regulations, were allowed to have a fire with plenty of firewood to be found nearby and a pleasant evening was had around the fire.

Good Friday saw the arrival of Steve Bly & Jackie followed by Phil & Judy Anderson. Also, the weather had turned for the worse and the camp site had become a little muddy with Elisa seen doing her Pepper Pig impersonations and jumping in muddy puddles. A quiet day ensured as everyone chilled out. Friday was also Joe's Birthday, we celebrated with Smashed meringue Strawberries and cream







On Saturday, the weather had cleared a little and we took a drive into Bremmer Bay. Not much to see here and general store had a line up for fuel. Joe & I needed to get fuel and cash. We struggled to find an ATM, eventually locating it at the resort. Phil, Judy, Kerry & Steve, managed to locate a coffee shop several kilometres out of town. Joe, Elisa, Glenda & I went back to



camp calling into Tozer's Bush Camp to check out the camp site. The Camp Site was quite full, but not particularly inviting. A lazy afternoon ensured.

On Sunday saw the arrival of Easter Bunny & most of the group went for a drive to the beach and inlet sandbar. Glenda & I Stayed in camp and went for long walks and collected firewood. On this little excursion, Steve Bly managed to get the Hilux hopelessly bogged, necessitating an extraction. Apparently, the sandbar appeared hard, but once broken through the crust was like quick sand underneath. Steve and Kerry passenger with The Andersons as their car was still not firing on all cylinders.



Vlado & Audrey arrived today and set up camp. That night an enjoyable evening was had around the fire with Elisa proving a great damper.



On Monday, a leisurely breakfast and then a day drive. We tried several routes to get to beach without luck, before detouring the long way around to finally reach our destination. Driving onto the beach, we stopped for lunch. Joe managed 40 winks while Phil, Judy, Glenda & Jackie all went for swim. Brrrrrrrrrrrr. After leaving the beach, the intention was to follow the coast back to a main track and then back to camp. It took us

while to find the track as the location of the tracks did not initially match the GPS, but we soldiered on. We had a few steep climbs necessitating low range. We followed the track



which was little way north of the coast and as we were about to turn further away from the coast, Vlado suggested we go down to the beach for a look. Phil obliged and shortly after found himself on the beach with no way to get back. This necessitated a tow. We hooked



up the Mazda to the Lux and I quickly became alarmed that the pull was not going to plan as I could see the lux beginning to roll. I reversed up and got Phil to try and get up the hill with a different line to try and straighten the vehicle. Again, hooking up the tow began just inching our way up. Dropped the BT50 into low range and the lux came straight up. After Packing up, Phil decided he had had enough

excitement for one day and as it was getting late, we took a short cut to a main gravel road

and then onto camp. A couple of members took advantage of the fire by cooking their meals in the camp ovens.





Tuesday Morning most members packed up and left to go their own way, leaving Vlado & Audrey. Phil and Judy went to Albany as did Steve and Kerry to try and get the Land rover to fire on all cylinders. Steve & Jackie headed to Esperance, while Joe, Elisa, Glenda & I headed to Katanning for Lunch and then onto Dave and Penny's for the night.









An email from Steve & Kerry

Great news, car all fixed after visiting a few mechanics in Albany, found a Land Rover specialist @ 30k out of town working from home. Was injector wiring harness & he had a spare, so now to enjoy a few relaxing days in Albany. Thanks for a great Easter everyone

WW EASTER 2019

A few of the lucky retirees (and members who got annual leave on Maundy Thursday) headed to our destination Millers Point early, with rumors that camping would be at a premium due to the Easter and anzac exended break. Great work Kim and Glenda on securing our spot on Wednesday and huge thank you to the lovely couple who then moved to a different location so we could all fit. Although they seemed very happy with their new spot and the fact they got 1 extra night free accommodation from the Camp Host.

Joe & Elise arrived a few hours earlier than us on Thursday morning and we 'limped' into camp with a sick disco for around the last 100km mid afternoon. Blue skies and warm temperatures greeted us and we enjoyed a lovely walk around the area for our home for the next 5 nights. Lovely first campfire for the year to end the day.

Good Friday saw the arrival of some wet and windy weather, but we were camped in a lovely sheltered spot, so didn't worry us 'caravaneers' too much at all. Phil & Judy arrived @ 3pm followed by Steve & Jacqui in their tent a bit later in the day. The weather didn't stop us from enjoying yet another lovely campfire.

Easter Saturday morning we all took a drive into Bremer Bay, Steve & Kerri had to car pool with Phil & Judy due to their sick disco. Some got petrol and supplies, some went to the markets and some just did a bit of a sightseeing around Bremer Bay. The weather was on and off a bit miserable and no one managed to pick up a Saturday paper as apparently they don't get them down there any more.....

Waking up to a cool but sunny start, a few of us indulged in a delicious cooked breakfast on Easter Sunday morning then headed off for a day drive, except for Kim & Glenda, there was a rumour they didn't want to get their car scratched!! Phil lead us on a bit of a scenic mystery drive before we finally made it on the beach where the inlet meets the ocean. We had been listening to the ocean swell from our campsite a few km's away, but were impressed to see how big, powerful and beautiful it was. We parked up on the beach for a couple of hours and a few of us enjoyed a leisurely walk or read with our feet in the lovely white sand. It was decided that we would try and return back to camp via the other side of the inlet, as we could see quite a few camper trailers on the beach and thought it maybe an easier/wider track than where we came in. Steve Bly however decided he would like to stay a bit longer and proceeded to get 'stuck' on the way across and luckily Joe came to his rescue with his winch. Not long back and camp and it was hello to Vlado and Audrey who joined us and set up camp, waiting until the rain had cleared before heading down. Thanks to Kim & Glenda again who had the fire on its way ready with some nice hot coals for Steve & Kerri's delicious roast lamb Sunday dinner.....I might add though, it was quite a challenge to keep the 'seagull' (Joe) from stealing the food from our plates as I tried to dish it up.....yes Joe is was as delicious as it looked and smelt and YOU (not Elise) will need to practice making a roast in your camp oven next trip!

Easter Monday morning saw gorgeous weather conditions continue for another adventure out in the cars. Steve & Kerri decided to stay back at camp and had a lovely relaxing day, well we did go for a few walks and ride up the 7km hill on our mountain bikes for phone reception. Phil is going to report on the activities in a separate report. We did get into trouble for not having the fire ready when everyone returned, but it was such a glorious sunny day, we didn't feel it necessary.....but with

the coals still warm, it only took a minute or two to get it going for another lovely evening around the campfire.

So Tuesday morning saw most of us (except Vlado and Audrey who decided to stay on for a couple more days) pack up and head either home, further east or in our case, drag our caravan up the hill in 4WD with our poor sick car and limp into Albany for repairs. Luckily for us we have friends who have a holiday house there and our caravan fit perfectly into their back yard. We also ended up being very lucky, eventually, after several stops at mechanical establishments to ascertain what was wrong with our disco (Steve originally though we may need a new injector), we got the name of a ex Land Rover Mechanic who works from home @ 20mins out of Albany who had the right computer tool to confirm that it was only the injector harness that was broken – and he had 3 in stock!!! A quick cash job (we had to scrape up all the cash we had on us in the car, which was just enough) and we had a car as good as new and could then enjoy the next few days in Albany with still amazing weather to end off a lovely Easter/Anzac extended break...

Kerri & Steve

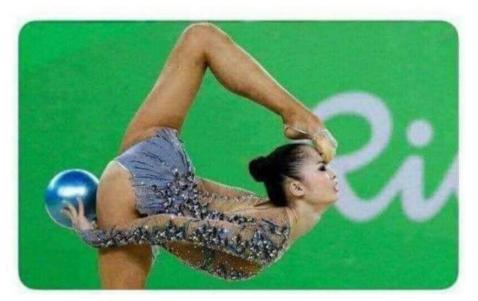


FUNNIES



I'm almost certain there's an easier way to blow up a balloon





FUNNIES



I don't know much about politics but there should only be 2 parties. One on friday night and one on saturday night

OMG, I'M RICH!

Silver in the hair, gold in the teeth, crystals in the kidneys, sugar in the blood, lead in the butt, iron in the arteries and an inexhaustible supply of natural gas. I never though I would accumulate such wealth!



UPCOMING EVENTS



2019 EVENTS CALENDAR

Wanneroo Wanderers 4WD Club Trip and Social Events - Fridge Flyer

| Date | Event | Leader |
|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 7.45pm First | | |
| Nednesday of the | | Warradale Community |
| nonth | Monthly Club Meeting 2019: Jan 9 (2nd Wed of month), Feb 6, Mar 6, | Centre, Southmead Dve, |
| excl Jan, Sept) | Apr 3, May 1, Jun 5, Jul 4, Aug 1, no Sept mtg, Oct 3, Nov 7, Dec 5 | Landsdale |
| | | |
| anuary 6th | New Years Brunch - Watermans Beach Park. 9.30 (no dogs) | Karen Lind |
| anuary 20th | Ledge Pt - Moore River Day Run | Steve Morris |
| anuary 25th-28th | Australia Day long weekend, Pemberton (for the last time?) | Karen Lind/Linda Zeffert |
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| February 9th | Valentines Day, Lower Chittering (campover) | Ron and Angela Francis |
| | Sid's Perpetual Fishing Trip, Buffalo Beach/Belvidere camp area (day | |
| ebruary 23rd-24th | only or overnight) | Tony Downe |
| | | |
| March 1st-4th | Willow Springs (Nannup/Donnelly forests) | ТВА |
| March 16th | St Patrick's Day celebration | Barb Lynch |
| March 22nd - 24th | Crabbing Weekend - Estuary Hideaway CP (south of Mandurah) | Karen Lind |
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| April 6th | Mini Putt Putt Golf. Wembley Golf course | Kerri Waterman |
| April 19th - 28th | Easter / Anzac trip Miller's Point (Near Bremmer Bay) 4-10 days | TBA - Multiple leaders reqd |
| | Dardanup Heritage Park / Taralea Farmstay / Ferguson Valley / link up | |
| May 18th - 19th | with Collie Day run on Sunday | Tony Downe |
| May 19th | Collie Day Run | Tony Downe |
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| lune 1st - Jun 3rd | Long Weekend trip. Wheatbelt Rocks | Phil Anderson |
| | Extended trip. Great Central, Uluru, Mt Dare, Simpson Desert, | |
| | Birdsville, Bulia, Alice Springs, Tanami Rd, Halls Creek, Canning Stock | |
| lune 1st - July 16th | Route (no trailers, no dogs) | Steve Bly |
| une 22nd | Hot and Spicy Night | ТВА |
| | | |
| uly 14th | Day Run - Byford/Jarrahdale/Mt Wells | Lesley Armstrong |
| luly 27th | Xmas in July at Hillside (stay before and after ok) | Penny Clark |
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| August 10th | Wine and Cheese night | TBA |
| August 24th - 25th | Wildflower trip - northern wheatbelt | ТВА |
| Sept 7th | Annual General Meeting - Hillarys Yacht Club | John Lyford |
| | Long weekend trip - Greenbushes Area | ТВА |
| | | |
| Oct 5th - 7th | Kulin Bush Races 25th anniversary (alternative-Landor Bush Races) | Karen Lind (or Barb Lynch) |
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| Nov 8th - 10th | Four Wheel Drive Show (club to have stand in WA4WDA tent?) | |
| Nov 16th - 17th | Very Amateur Golf Weekend - Ledge Point | Karen Lind |
| Nov 30th | End of Year dinner | Karen Lind |
| | | |
| Dec 8th | Xmas barbeque | Kym Batten |
| f you have further suga | estions, please advise the Trip coordinator, Phil Anderson or Social coordinator Ko | aren Lind |
| | ng will add further events for the second half of the year | |

CLUB EQUIPMENT LIST

| ITEM | MEMBERS NAME | DATE REQUIRED | DATE RETURNED | PASSED ON TO: |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| EPIRB | | | | |
| GAZEBO X 2 | | | | |
| CLUB BANNER | | | | |
| LONG HANDLED SHOVEL | 3 | | | |
| SHORT HANDLED SHOVEL | | | | |
| CHAINSAW | | | | |
| CHRISTMAS TREE | | 0 | | |

NOTE: THIS LIST IS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW

BIRTHDAYS

| Date | Name | Date | Name | Date | Name |
|------|-----------------|------|---------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | January | | February | • | March |
| 7th | Bob Heasman | 14th | Ray Willis | 2nd | Dave Melbourne |
| 11th | Marian Granland | 18th | Judy Anderson | 6th | Jenny Downe |
| 22nd | Paul DiGiorgio | | | 12th | Steve Waterman |
| 28th | Marlyn Corderoy | | | 14th | Angela Francis |
| | | | | 20th | Archie Lind |
| | | | | 30th | Mirella DiGiorgio |
| | April | | May | | June |
| 11th | Keith Granland | | | 4th | Tony Downe |
| 12th | Ron Francis | | | 5 th | Chris Scarce |
| 18th | Jan Setlak | | | 21st | John Lyford |
| 20th | Joe Arrigo | | | | |
| 26th | Alan Clark | | | | |
| | July | | August | | September |
| 6th | Glenda Batten | 21st | Lyn Willis | 1 st | Linda Zeffert |
| 9th | John Setlak | 26th | Sue Melbourne | 1 st | Kym Batten |
| 24th | Ray Zaetskey | | | 5 th | Steve Morris |
| 26th | Barb Lynch | | | 5 th | Ray Scarce |
| | | | | 19 th | Carol Clark |
| | | | | 20^{th} | Audrey Heasman |
| | | | | 21 st | Phil Anderson |
| | October | | November | | December |
| 1st | Dave Clark | 5th | Elisa Arrigo | 7th | Sue Morris |
| 4th | Karen Lind | | | 19th | Gabbie Zaretskey |
| 6th | Kerri Waterman | | | 24th | John Corderoy |
| 7th | Penny Clark | | | | |
| 27th | Mark Bolton | | | | |

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED ON VEHICLES ATTENDING TRIPS

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

SUITABLE TOW POINTS FRONT AND REAR OF VEHICLE

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

- 'D' SHACKLES (Minimum Specificatoin: BODY 13mm PIN 16mm)
- TOW ROPE AND OR CHAIN
- SNATCH STRAP
- SHOVEL
- SPARE TYRE (Same as other 4 tyres on vehicle)
- TYRE INFLATER AND TYRE PRESSURE GAUGE
- BASIC TOOL KIT TO SUIT VEHICLE
- JACK, JACK HANDLE, JACKING PLATE
- WHEEL BRACE
- 10BE FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - (BFE Type fitted to vehicle within easy access to driver)
 - FIRST AID KIT

SPARE RADIATOR HOSES AND FAN BELTS

- JUMPER LEADS
- WATER (Enough to REFILL cooling system)

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT SUBJECT TO NATURE AND DURATION OF TRIP

OIL, SPARK PLUGS, POINTS, CONDENSER AND COIL

- FUEL FILTER
- TYRE REPAIR KIT
- HIGH LIFT JACK
- RADIATOR BLIND
- AXE OR BUSH SAW

THE ABOVE MANDATORY EQUIPMENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE SAFETY OF VISITORS AND MEMBERS, SHOULD RECOVERY OF A VEHICLE BE NECESSARY.