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EDITOR REPORT

IAN COTTERILL



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- Culburra Beach Social Weekend
- Jenolan State Forest - 2011

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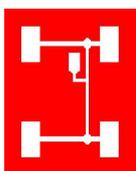
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This Month's Cover photo:

The driver training group, Feb 2020 taken by Jake Cox



Closing date for next month's magazine:
END OF CURRENT MONTH

Hi Everyone

I hope you're all well and have been managing to keep yourselves busy during these times. Despite the lack of track and travel action of late, we have a surprisingly packed magazine this month, although there is a small "flash back to 9 years ago". Interesting how some things don't change for some members :)

Thanks to Jake Cox who's wrote his first trip report featured this month. I am sensing an undertone of Dad's opinion on vehicle manufacturers but he's managed to keep the fellow Japanese manufacturer on side thankfully. Also thanks to Adrienne Vukovic for the Culburra social weekend report complete with great photos.

One from the archives this month is Jenolan State Forest, 2011, thanks to Kirsten for picking some out and thanks to Neil (again) for writing.

This month with the absence of meetings, we have no raffle winners or driver of the month, so we've added Corona Mods, thanks to the suggestion from Daniel Waive. Both his and my rig are featured this month (ok, Dan's is more of a full-blow feature but that's ok), however I am looking for input amongst the member community here for things you've gotten up to during this lockdown. Have you been tweaking the truck, sorting some new camping hack or done an awesome 12 volt setup which is worth sharing? If so, we'd like to hear about it if possible, so drop me an email at editor@awdc.com.au

Stay safe, hopefully normality isn't far off! Cheers, Ian.

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Note: Bistro meals are available
VISITORS ARE MOST WELCOME!

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Are generally held on the fourth Wednesday of every month commencing at 7.30pm. Should Club members wish to attend please contact the President or Secretary to confirm the date and venue.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Is held in conjunction with the October Club General Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP FINANCIAL YEAR

The Membership financial year is from 1 July to 30 June.

NOMINATED CHARITY FY 2020/2021

All funds raised by the Sergeant-at-Arms for misdemeanours, real or imagined, will be donated to **Fight on the Beaches**



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PRESIDENT REPORT

JOHN RINALDO



Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the May 2020, AWDC magazine. Well it looks like the restrictions we have had over the past few months maybe slowly withdrawing. While the AWDC is still in stand-by mode, here's what you can do.

You can dream. You can plan. You can think about your next trip and how you're going to go about it. You can make a list of places you want to go to for the next few years and the things you want to do there and you can prioritise them.

This is great news. After all, one of the most enjoyable aspects of travel has always been the anticipation. If you just take off tomorrow and begin your holiday then and there you miss out on such a huge part of the experience: the dreaming, the thinking, the planning, the booking. The sense that this is all going to happen soon, and that you don't really know how it will pan out.

That's a wonderful thing and now we all have plenty of time to do it. Maybe it could be to lead a club trip? As we saw just prior to lock down – Michael de Zwart, organised an overnight trip to Culburra Beach. Which goes to show the trips don't have to be too technical or serious – sometimes members just need a leader and a destination.

You may have all read my last email, I am sure a copy has been included in this month's magazine. The AWDC committee have still been busy doing the online meetings and keeping the club ready to restart at any time.

John Rinaldo

President





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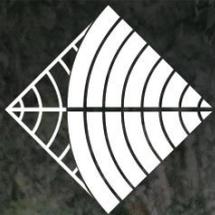
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VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

IRVING UNDERWOOD



Dear Members,

Our club's March meeting was held at one of our sponsor's premises, Battery Business. I would like to thank Clive and his team for their generosity in supplying both the BBQ, their time and donations for our raffle prizes. Each year we have our meetings with our sponsors we learn there is something new or improved is in the market and this meet was no different.

I mentioned at Battery Business that our "next meeting will see a slightly different format". I didn't quite foresee how different that would be. It wasn't held at all! I trust you and your families have kept well since we last spoke. A frustrating few weeks. However the alternative is not worth contemplating.

Future meetings and activities:

As soon as we are able, the long awaited results of the **Christmas Party survey** will be presented. As previously mentioned, an extremely worthwhile exercise, where the results will assist the Committee in implementing change resulting in a healthier membership base.

Andrew from **Berrima Diesel, one of the Club's sponsors** was also due to present at our meeting in April. This has been postponed to a later meeting. The date which will be advised in due course.

Another evening of intrigue we are all looking forward to is **Scott Parkin's** voyage in designing and constructing his brand new camper. Given the isolation, Scott has been able to give more focus and energy to the programme of completion. So this presentation may occur sooner than we expect.

As usual, if you have any suggestions on presentations to the Club members for our monthly meetings, please forward them to me at vicepresident@awdc.com.au.

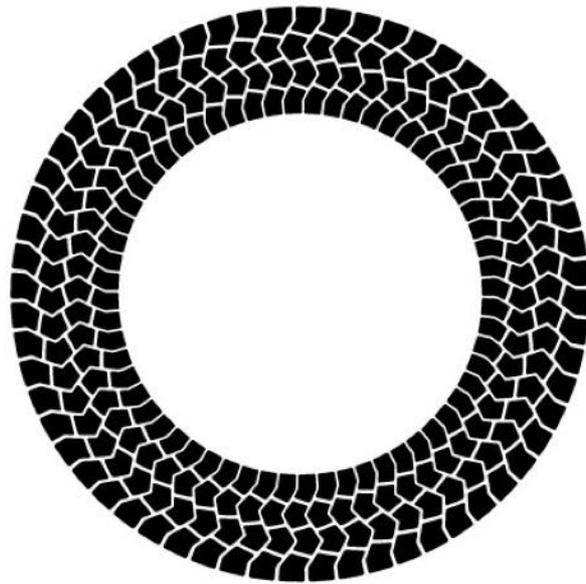
Quote of the month:

"Rules are for the obedience of fools and the guidance of wise men". Harry Day, The Royal Flying Corp, First World War fighter ace..

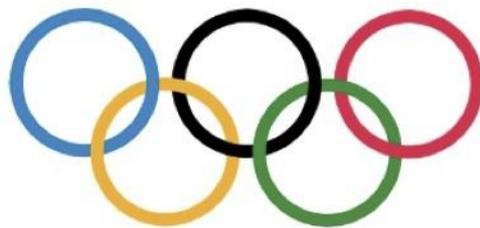
See you at the next meeting. Keep well.

Irving





AWDC 2020



The IOC (Internal Organising Committee) is busy preparing for the biggest sporting event of the year; the Mike Bell Memorial Trophy.

AWDC 2020 – Gearing up for Gold

When? 18th / 19th – 20th September

Where? Who knows? (Not even the IOC yet!)

What? A weekend of 4wd skills, navigation challenges and games, all with an Olympic twist

Who? You!

Find a driving team, pick the country you will represent, decide on a team name, and choose a team mascot.



WEBMASTER REPORT

BRIAN SOMMERVILLE



Giddy

Last month's photo was Point Perpendicular on the south coast. Great spot to visit and if you game you're can try a bit of abseiling or rock climbing.

Ian has asked for a easy to do mod while we're all in wait mode. How about changing all the interior lights to LEDs? Map reading lights, main interior lights, sun visor lights. Easy to do just visit eBay or your local Autobarn, SuperCheap or Jaycar with all the bulbs you have taken out and get replacements. Not sure how to get to the globes, just look in your manual or check on YouTube. It's worth the effort and you'll never have to worry about a flat battery from leaving the door open. One tip, some LED's only operate one way around. So if it doesn't work try it in the other way.

From June 1 you will be receiving your membership renewal via email. Preferred payment is via Credit/Debit card online via our secure payment page. **If you are first year member, please make sure you click on Balance Due in the bottom right hand corner of your profile to receive your prorata discount.** If in doubt just call or email me before hitting the pay button.

And don't forget, all members will receive a 25% discount off their renewal fees.



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Cheers
Brian

PS This month's mystery picture is where?



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MEMBERSHIP REGISTRAR REPORT

ALISTER HAYES



Membership Report

There has been no change on our membership numbers, so I am please to say we have 305 members.

At the last committee meeting we have decided to keep our membership renewals effective from the 1st of July and Invoices will be going out at the end of May. We are going to reduce the renewal fees by 25% this year and the next committee may extend the discount for the following year if the lockdown continues.

If you are a first year member your second year rebate still applies with the 25% discount.

If you have any issues with your membership renewal please contact me so I can sort out any problems.

Alister



Reminiscing. Glen Helen Gorge August 2019 Photos by Liz Hayes

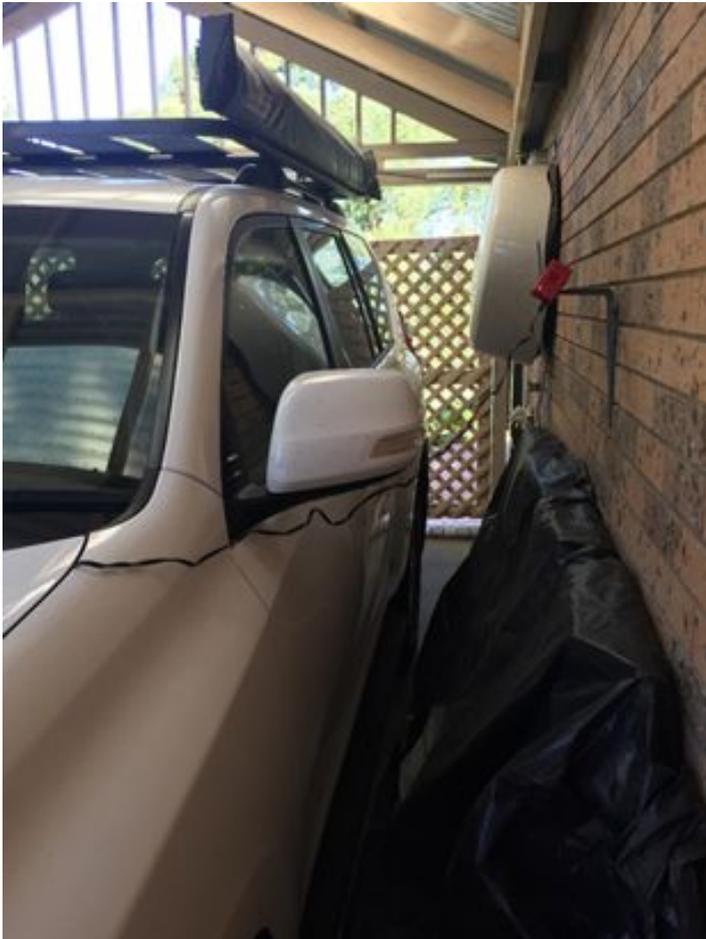


SECRETARY

HAROLD ZEV



Onecharger Battery Guardian - Raffle prize won at the March meeting, donated by Battery Business comes in handy during these times when the 4WD sits idle, with nowhere to go.





To sign up to National Parks and Wildlife:

<https://www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/alerts>. When this is all over Parks will be back in full swing and ready to go, so get in now so you are on the list for these great opportunities.

Programs of Interest from our partners and others

The State Library of NSW has begun a collection drive of COVID-19 material and would like as many people possible to assist. The Library is collecting posters, flyers, digital media and mail-outs appearing in your local neighbourhoods in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

While many people will eventually discard this material, it provides invaluable information about this significant event impacting our community and nation. The Library collects this ephemeral material, as well as online content including websites, digital ephemera and social media posts, to help tell our stories to future generations. Please put this material aside for the Library and they will send a 'call out' for you when the Library reopens. Also, did you know all NSW residents can sign up for a free Library card online and access e-resources and e-books from anywhere in the state?

Taronga Zoo has launched Taronga TV – featuring live feeds from different animal enclosures, keeper talks and behind the scenes tours and videos. Love it!

Open Volunteer Activities

There are currently a few open activities that are looking for help: Photos for the Saving our Species program (SoS) Digivol – Malleefowl

Would you like to contribute your own photos to the DPIE library?





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- For school teachers, there's WilderQuest in the Classroom
- At home try WilderQuest for kids and families
- Or check out our WilderQuest Nature Discovery App on the App store

Read the newsletter for more details on these projects.

Exciting times ahead

As always we are working on member benefits and the VIP program is central to these. Please sign up so you are ready to take opportunities as they come.

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Greater Sydney Region Meeting
 Venue: ZOOM Meeting. **27-04-2020**
Minutes taken by: Darren Calleia
Chair: Wolfgang Lerchner
Meeting Opened: 7:15pm

Subject	Details	Action
Attendance	Darren Calleia (Triple Diamond), Stella Joseph (Jackaroo) Nick Joseph (Jackaroo), Shane McClymont (Crossed Up), Wayne Gray (Macarthur), John Hurcum (Jackaroo), Colin Robinson (Jackaroo), Matt Smith (TRAX fellowship), Wolfgang Lerchner (Triple Diamond), Craig Thomas (Triple Diamond), Maggie Thomas (Triple Diamond) Phillip Favaloro (TRAX Fellowship), Barry Caudle (Sydney Jeep), Rolland Rosenstraus (Nissan Patrol), Robert Matysiak (Sturt), Anthony Woods (Macarthur) Cheryl Woods (Macarthur), Brian Bird (CWF), John Hocking (Subaru), David Wellham (Subaru)	
Apologies	Kelly Thomas, Nigel Ward, John Beard, Tony Ellery	
Corrections	Nil	
Minutes	Previous minutes proposed an accurate record of previous meeting. Moved: Barry Caudle Second: Stella Joseph and John Hurcum, All in attendance were in favour.	
Business Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 	
Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With COVID-19, not a lot is happening but have been planning a lot. • Have been looking at fees and how we can help the member clubs. Can't do much with the Insurance component however, we won't be charging the National Component. Looking at the 3 months of this financial year, and the first three months of next financial year, there is/ has been not really much happening and we can afford to give a one off discount on the association fee. This will be an approx. 50% reduction so we are looking at roughly \$7.85 plus insurance (\$4.60) The overall total will therefore come in at \$12.55 per member (for renewing clubs). • Training has been pretty quiet for obvious reasons. • Still want members to get onto (log in to) the VIP Portal on the National Parks site. National Parks will still be closed for a while, even when restrictions are lifted because they went into the COVID-19 climate immediately on the back of the fire activity. They are still trying to get places opened. • Youdales Hut in Werrekimbi NP (a favourite of Craigs) burned down during the fires which is a real shame. It is a Park that has gated entry and a campsite for about 6 vehicles. Craig is trying to get access to it for a working bee scenario and then be able to drive through it out the other side as a bit of a "reward". • It will take some time for places to start to open up. • Have been in contact with the Minister for Tourism. Looking to see what can be done to help with the tourism push to the effected regions. 	

Executive Cont'd...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dan Levy has had a stroke of late and is in a coma, he will is not expected to make a recovery for SOME time – this will have an impact on changing rules in relation to 4WD modifications • Paul Tool will be good contact in coming months. • Mt Airley response: rejected and will need to go back to the Regional Advisory Council. This is not all together TOO bad but another slowing in the progress. • Everything is fairly quiet on clubs font with everyone closed/ suspended due to COVID however may clubs have been approached by a “new association” called “ARMA”. Clubs are advised to ask questions. Find out who is involved with this “New Association” and make an informed opinion. There trying to close up National 4WD Council - and redirect funds to ARMA. The founding members of ARMA are the remaining “National” representatives and with NSW no longer in National, we don't have a voice. 	
DTU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getabout doing some LIMITED training, zoom meeting imminent 	
Adventure Show	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Original September date, an October date and November dates are all bouncing around. It is all up in the air at the moment. Possible alternate locations for the show have been discussed (because of dates) but Dragways will now pretty much give us whatever date we want. • Peter Woods has asked that we contact the minister for tourism and minister for health to try and work out WHAT we can have and WHEN. 	
General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tristate (organized by Jackaroo) has been canceled due to COVID. Will be run again next year at Easter. Due to cancellation and in lieu of refunds, there has been a collection of approx. \$1500 which has been directed to be donated to town of Delegate to their Bush Fire Brigade. • Club Rego: Member from Subaru owns a 1985 Subaru - Blue slip is needed. It is quite a long process, (doesn't get done too quickly). Craig is also in the process of getting a 60 Series Landcruiser onto Club Rego and will let David know the process. There is a reasonable summary on the ACMC website. Need to get paperwork together, bundle it and send it to a PO Box, which then gets stamped and returned, for you to then go to RMS. 	
Close/ Next meeting	<p>With no further business, meeting closed at 7.51pm Next meeting: 25-05-2020 location TBA (Likely to be via Zoom)</p>	

TREASURER REPORT

PAUL BRENNAN



Here is a quick update of our financial position:

- Cash at bank \$12,190 (30th April)
- Term deposit \$51,200

Funds raised for “Fight on the Beaches” charity remains at \$1,614.

All refunds have been processed through to the Maralinga trip and the First Aid Course participants.

The club is in a healthy financial position, despite the uncertainty of COVID19. Membership renewals are usually sent out in May and the Committee will advise the club members soon

It’s good news that restrictions are being relaxed, so hopefully we will get back to 4WDing and camping soon.

Stay safe and keep your spirits up.

Until next month ...

Cheers
Paul

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Profit and loss	YTD	YTD
ABN: 45485086298	Apr-20	Apr-19
Income		
Membership	23,058	26,613
Advertising	2,600	3,400
Shop sales	702	2,084
Raffles	1,049	2,888
Interest	1,210	1,230
Grant received	-	1,250
Total Income	28,620	37,465
Cost of Sales	624	2,398
Gross profit	27,996	35,067
Expenses		
<u>Club activities</u>		
AGM - raffle costs and expenses	7,660	5,846
GM - raffle costs and expenses	1,046	1,906
Mike Bell Trophy costs and expenses	1,107	857
Swagman points prizes	850	400
Christmas party	2,634	2,803
	<u>13,297</u>	<u>11,813</u>
<u>Training expenses</u>		
Driver training	3,177	3,446
First aid training	1,809	1,210
	<u>4,986</u>	<u>4,656</u>
<u>Other expenses</u>		
Association Fees	3,407	3,534
Computer Software	576	267
Credit Card Fees	494	539
Depreciation	418	219
Donations	250	1,450
Filing Fees	75	74
General Expenses	939	-
Insurance	1,020	874
Postage & Stationery	361	195
Rent Meeting	875	1,100
Website	1,481	1,529
	<u>9,896</u>	<u>9,781</u>
Total Expenses	28,178	26,250
Operating Profit/(Loss)	(182)	8,817



AWDC Sydney Inc.			
Balance Sheet			
ABN: 45485086298	Apr-20	Dec-19	Jun-19
Assets			
Westpac Bank Account	11,166	11,264	20,192
Westpac Debit Card	1,024	835	155
Westpac Short Term Deposit	51,200	50,000	50,000
Raffle Float	130	130	100
Trade Debtors	-	-	-
Plant & equipment	2,500	2,500	2,500
Accumulated Depreciation	(637)	(470)	(219)
Shop Float	107	107	117
Stock on Hand	5,437	4,623	4,910
Total Assets	70,926	68,989	77,755
Liabilities			
Advance Deposits - Club Activities	-	224	-
Advance Membership Fees	-	-	7,390
Accrual - Drive4Life	-	2,126	870
Accrual - Fight on the Beaches	1,614	407	-
Advance Deposits - Trophy	90	-	-
Advance Deposits - 1st Aid Course	-	-	-
Sundry Creditors	-	-	90
Total Liabilities	1,704	2,758	8,350
Net Assets	69,223	66,232	69,404
Equity			
Current year earnings	(182)	(3,173)	8,817
Retained earnings	65,068	65,068	56,251
Members Funds - Pre Inc	4,336	4,336	4,336
Total Equity	69,223	66,232	69,404



TRIP CO-ORDINATOR REPORT

JOC MANNES



A month with no 4WD trips. At least another month who knows.

Serious stuff Not a lot if anything. Apologies if you have received an automated email or two. I am still waiting for a reply from those who booked the first aid course so the treasurer can refund you.

Maybe Ian is inundated with trip reports but my trip ended just 10 minutes ago so here goes

Galston the 45th day of isolation the year 1 DC.

Participants..... a pair of size 107cm Loewe work fatigues (complete with matching deep velcro pockets and colour coordinated beige Caterpillar work boots).

The restrictions meant that a long distance commute was out of the question, luckily this meant my non-car fridge policy was justified. A mere 10 metres back to the beer fridge was all that would be required. My trustee vehicle roared across the pebble approach (ie driveway) ready to air down.

Usually photos don't tell the true story. This time seeing is believing. Yes the tyres are bald but the headlights on that thing are enormous. A full spaceframe chassis. Ready to roll..... Oh and the power (1 person) to weight Ratio outstanding.



This was the hill we had come to Conquer. Again great photography Trees give you the gradient and Just look at that loose surface.





An easy first slope. The low profile rubber doing its job after all.



A quick respite to bask in the glory of Success and then the adventure continued



It all felt good, despite the lack of lockers and an open centre diff.

Hold on the driver has failed to spot the massive log coming up underneath the passenger side rear tyre!

An instant later and it was near tragedy. Luckily no one was hurt.



Several hours and cold beers later the vehicle was recovered.



It was time to head for the summit.
A hairy side slope and precipitous cliff
Did little to dismay the driver.

Crikes! Next time don't be so over
confident , that tyre is popping off the rim.



The summit was reached and a rehydration
session was instigated.



Engine braking proved elusive on the
descent, there were suspicions raised of
excessive engine lubrication.



Due to the modular construction of the vehicle repairs could be made in the field and progress continued.

Next our illustrious trip leader found more excitement in the form of an elevated crossing utilising two massive irrigation pipes.

Fortunately the oversize wheel track was helpful and everyone was guided through without incident.



The final play area of the day lay ahead: Gum Tree Rock! What an awesome destination. The approach needed a near vertical approach angle. Once on top there was only room for one vehicle to turn at a time... one nearly backed right over the rear cliff! Everyone agreed the long views into the valley below from the top were worth it!



The End..... We can but dream



Last month I included a teaser shot of the new vehicle (Prado sold already).

Here are some more.....



Side Slider



Transfer Box Guard



Hmm Have to work on the ole wheel travel.
Tyre very snug in that wheel arch

Stay Safe and Look after each other and try and laugh at least once a day. Joc

Australia.....bloody brilliant place.

..... righty -oh it's time for self medication DT style
Slug of toilet duck, tonic (quinine) and illuminated golf balls yum!



My patio view

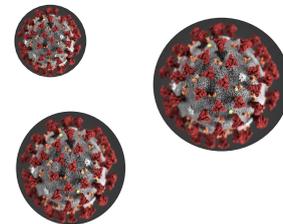


Zoom in on Lara if you must!



CORONA MODS

Project FJ – Ian Cotterill



During these times of being isolated, we find ourselves with plenty of time at home to tinker with the 4x4, sort the camping gear, make some changes etc. The plan with this small feature (which I'd like to make permanent albeit with a name change later) is for people to share updates they've made to their car, camp setup, spread some ideas and another chance to engage with the club.



I'd like to introduce Project FJ, which follows in the footsteps of my trusty (now sold) 95 series Prado. I picked this Cement Grey example up completely stock, exactly as I wanted except the standard-sized Falcon Wildpeak A/T tires

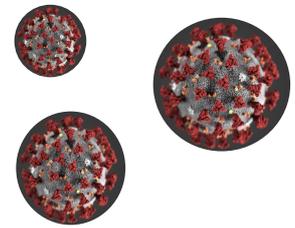


First up, essential mods for this car. Off to Traction 4 in Artarmon for ARB sliders to protect the sills, a 120L Long Ranger fuel tank (now giving the car a massive 192L total), an Old Man Emu 2" suspension lift and finally ARB recovery points up front as I do not yet want a bar on the front.



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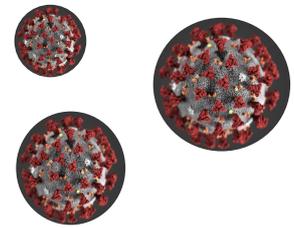


On a cheaper not, I've also added a smaller radio antenna for the radio, and a rear hinge-mounted CB radio antenna out back.



CORONA MODS / FEATURE

Project 200 - Daniel Waine



Daniel Waine purchased his 2014 LandCruiser Sahara (pre-DPF update) in Silver from new. Having always wanted a LandCruiser, he know it would be kept for a long time and is a solid platform to build a great tourer capable of taking the kids away on long trips, with the Simpson and Cape York in the pipeline. Once the kids are too old to want to come along (they are still young) then he will probably downsize to an FJ, Jeep Wrangler or similar.

The car is likely to stay in the family until it dies, which will be a long time fingers crossed! Mods have been added over the last 6 years as time and budget have allowed. He has done some of the mods himself where he could, but got others to do stuff he doesn't trust myself with - eg electrics! It's getting close to being finished.

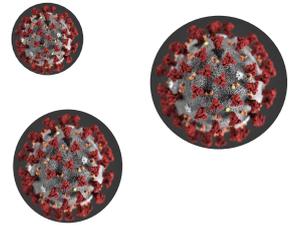


The ARB deluxe front bar was supplied and fitted by our sponsors ARB Artarmon who also fitted a GME radio, the TJM snorkel (chosen due to it's preferred appearance) and OME 2 inch lift with 200kg constant rear load spring. It has an Outback Accessories rear bar plus spare wheel carrier and double jerry can holder fitted by Opposite Lock in Rockdale. He Doesn't keep spare wheel day-to-day on car to save weight plus it means he can still use the rear camera - just.



The Stedi lights that adorn the ARB bar were purchased online but fitted by Battery Business. They've not been used yet, but they look nice and shiny.





Custom drawers which mount to third row seat (which have been removed) mounting. No drilling required. The drawers were picked up second hand for \$150 on Gumtree from an ex-chippy - they're brilliant except the space for fridge is very narrow and limits fridge choices (first world problem eh?). The cargo barrier was bought online and installed by ARB Artarmon.

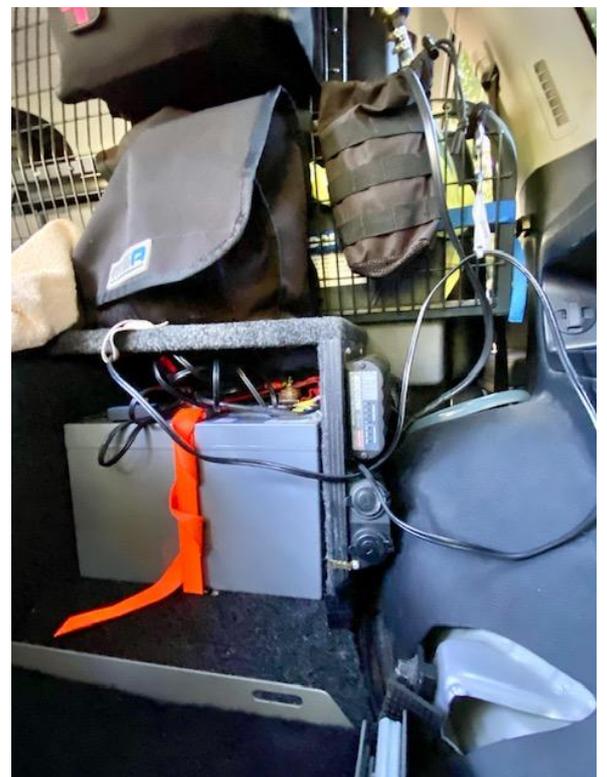
The external tyre pressure monitor was picked up from Supercheap Auto. It has been used off-road for 4 years without a problem. Replaced a similar unit (Fobo brand) which became unreliable.

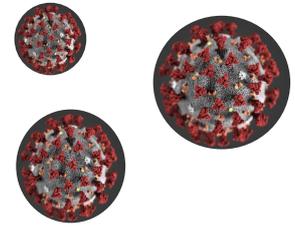


He has kept the standard tyre size (18inch) this time (car was still in warranty) but will likely will go one size bigger next time probably sticking with the BFG ATs as he's had no issues with them so far.

The auxiliary battery system comprises a 120A AGM, Redarc charger incl solar input and a couple of cig-outlets. It's installed behind the fridge slide in rear.

The installation was completed by some dude who was hanging around Battery Business and seemed like he knew what he was doing ;) aka Brian Somerville... who did a perfect job and managed to keep a straight face while Dan asked him every dumb 12v electrics question he could think of at the time.





A corona mod, the attic storage net. This is a combination of custom size net purchased online from Raingler USA plus three small ratchet straps to fill in gap behind to cargo barrier and either side to the mounting points.

Mounting points use actual cargo barrier, cargo barrier mounts that replace the third row roof handles, and the third row seat belt retractors mounted high on C pillar. Hasn't been used on the tracks yet though.



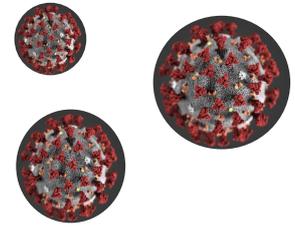
Another corona mod – he installed an MSA 4x4 inflatable lumbar bladder in drivers seat frame. Have used it for years – and claims it's one of the best things he's done to the car. The 200 Sahara model comes with lumbar support from factory but nowhere near enough (claims he's got a very average back) so this modification adds much more support and is brilliant.



Up front, he's installed Sandgrabba style mats. He's had actual Sandgrabbas before but much prefers these ones in the front. Still using the original Sandgrabba's in the rear though.



In a page filled with things done during these times of Corona isolation, Dan has used his Rhino Rack platform as an additional storage device in the garage, and a handy place to store the awnings and jerry cans up and out of the way. He's suspended it from the garage roof with trusty ratchet straps and a few chains (just in case). It hasn't fallen on the wife's car yet which is a bonus!!



A velcro storage pouch purchased from Mr Swagman has been installed and attaches to underside front of drivers seat. It's the perfect place to store hand sanitizer, gloves, masks etc.

He's added an OBD outlet device (plugs into OBD slot as shown and sits up under the footwell) which locks the doors when car is put into drive and also retracts the side mirrors when car is locked. Cost around \$70 online. Dan can provide details if people are interested, so far it's worked perfectly.



To round out the feature, a 40L water tank has been installed behind the second row of seats and secured to the cargo barrier with straps. It steals a couple of inches of rear legroom but kids haven't noticed (yet). They do ask what the sloshing noise is though...



CAMP MEAL

ROAST PORK IN THE CAMP OVEN



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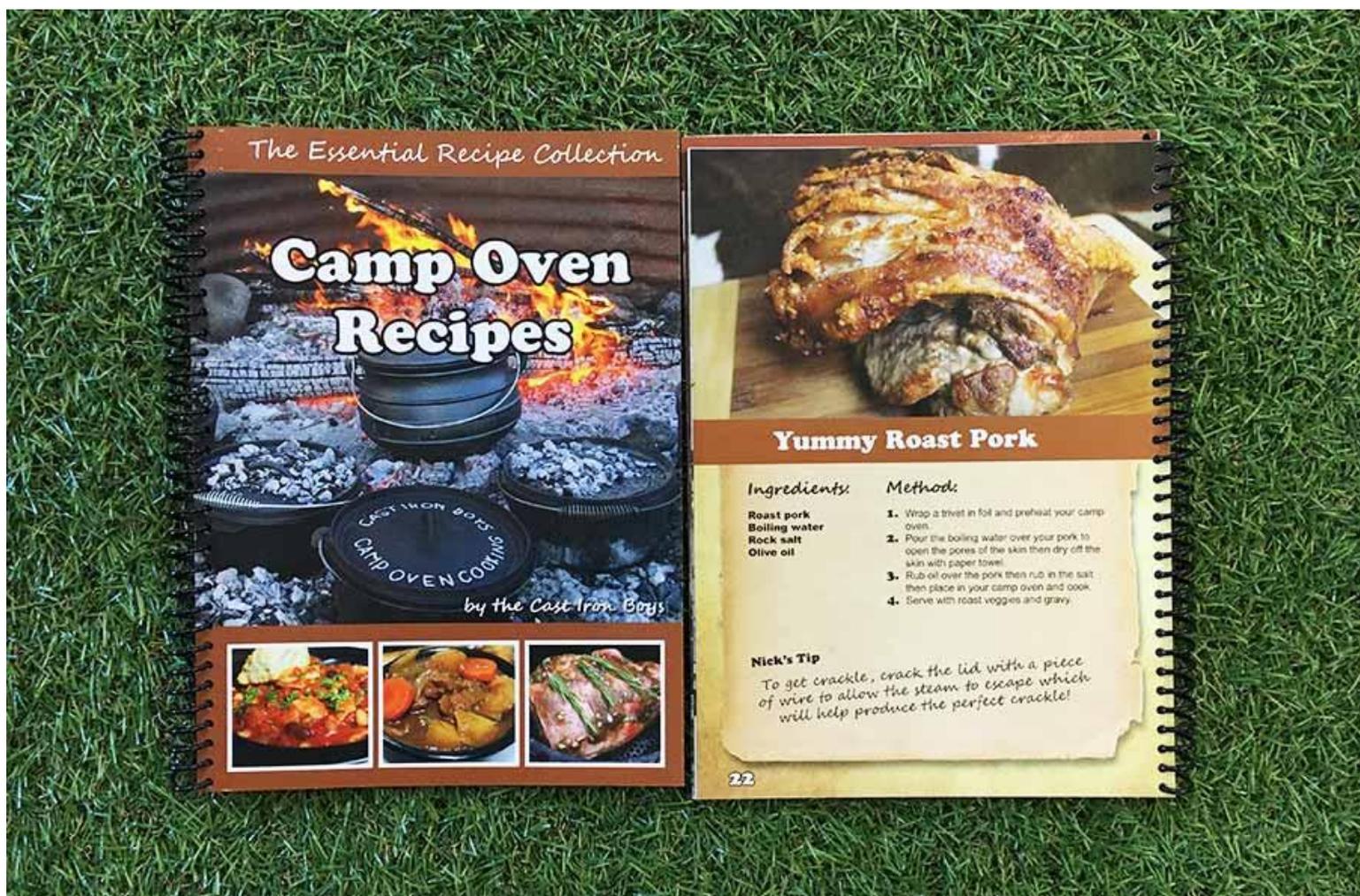
How to Cook Roast Pork in a Camp Oven

by [Mick Viller](#) on [22nd April 2016](#)

Is there anything better than a juicy pork roast with crispy crackling, and crunchy-but-soft-in-the-middle roast vegetables? The answer, of course, is no. Nothing is better. But getting these things just right in a camp oven can be tricky – but not impossible by any stretch!

Today, I'll show you an easy method that works every time! Follow this step-by-step guide and you'll be the master of roast pork in the camp oven in no time.

This is a slightly revised version of the *Yummy Pork Roast* recipe featured in the Camp Oven Recipes cookbook by the [Cast Iron Boys](#).



Ingredients

- 2kg pork – whichever cut you prefer
- Olive oil
- Rock salt

Method

Step 1: Prepare your camp oven

Light your briquettes or light a fire. Wrap a trivet in alfoil and place in the bottom of your camp oven.



The camp oven is ready to go with a foil covered trivet.

Step 2: Pre-heat your camp oven.

It is important to place your roast in a hot [camp oven](#). I use about 14 briquettes on top and 10 or so under to preheat the camp oven.



Tip: You will need to keep changing the coals or briquettes when they start cooling down, to keep up the constant heat in the camp oven. Go [here](#) for more tips on heat control.



Here's the camp oven with 14 or so briquettes on top and 10 underneath.

Step 3: Prepare the pork

There are so many ways to prepare your meat for cooking – this is how I like doing it. Firstly, I dry the pork with a paper towel. Then I oil it and cover in crushed rock salt. Then place it into a preheated camp oven for about 20 minutes.



The pork has been dried and is ready for salting before popping the lid on top.



Step 4: Crack the lid of the camp oven!

Moisture will build up in the camp oven, it's important that you let it out. After the first 20 minutes, crack the lid using a piece of wire or a folded up piece of alfoil.

Simply place under the lid – doing this will allow the steam to escape and help create that perfect crackling you are looking for.



The remaining cooking time will vary depending on how big the piece of meat you're cooking. As a rule of thumb, give each kilogram an hour – a 2kg roast will take 2 hours.



Step 5: Dinner is done!

Serve with your favourite veggies and gravy.



Doesn't look half bad, does it? Delicious with a rich gravy, spuds, beans, corn, and pumpkin.

If this article has got you excited to try some new recipes in your camp oven, then check out the recipe for making [damper here](#), or for making some delicious [roast lamb here](#) too.

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DRIVER TRAINING

February 15-16 2020

Attendees

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Jake Cox - Author

Dave Knight

Meg Stuart

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Kathy Sewell

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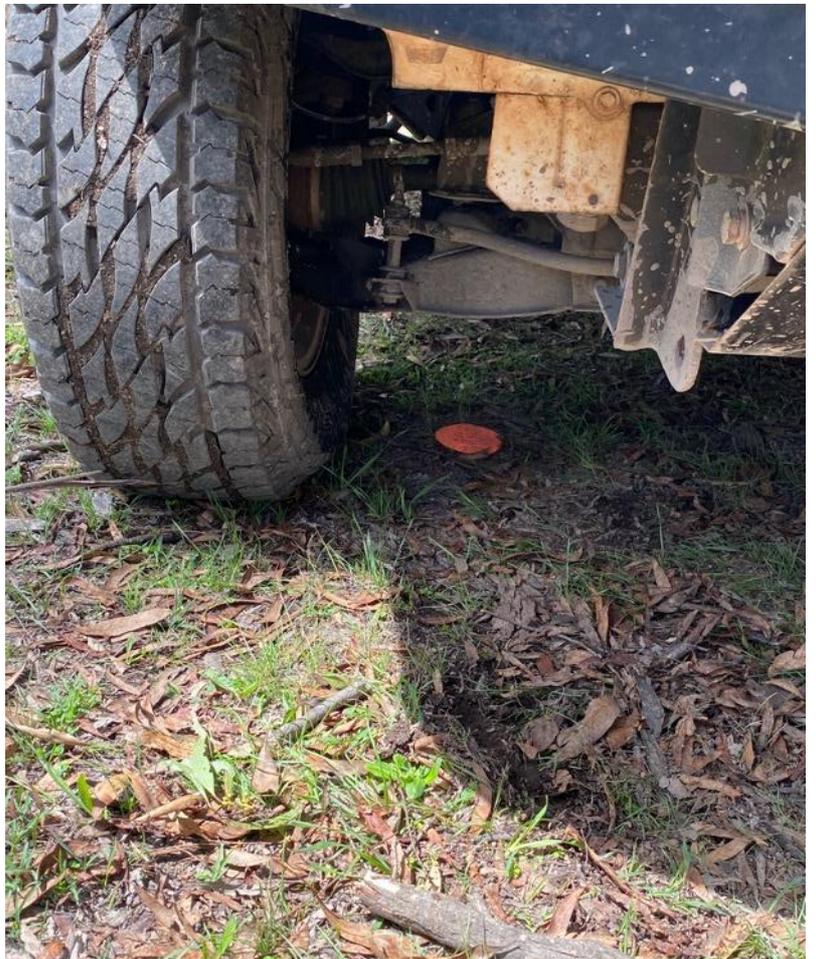
Susan Hunt

Fiona Telfer

I went to driver training with dad. We did some wheel placement and some snatch strapping. Then we did some stall recoveries, and then a hill climb and I took some videos with my drone. Then we went to a new camp because the old one had been burnt in the bush fires. At camp I got bitten by a bull ant. It really hurt!!

On Sunday we went to the Cocks River. After the Cocks River the Jeep Broke done but that's kind of normal. Then we went into town. Dad ripped the handle off a Land Rover but that's normal too.





CULBURRA BEACH SOCIAL WEEKEND

March 20-22 2020

Attendees

Adrienne Vukovic, Toyota Prado 120

John & Rebecca Rinaldo, Toyota 79 Series

Maureen & Keith Twin, Isuzu D-MAX

Bruce & Toni Wilson, Ford Ranger

Brian & Kirsten Sommerville, Toyota 100 Series

Arthur & Vicki Papanicolaou, Ford Ranger

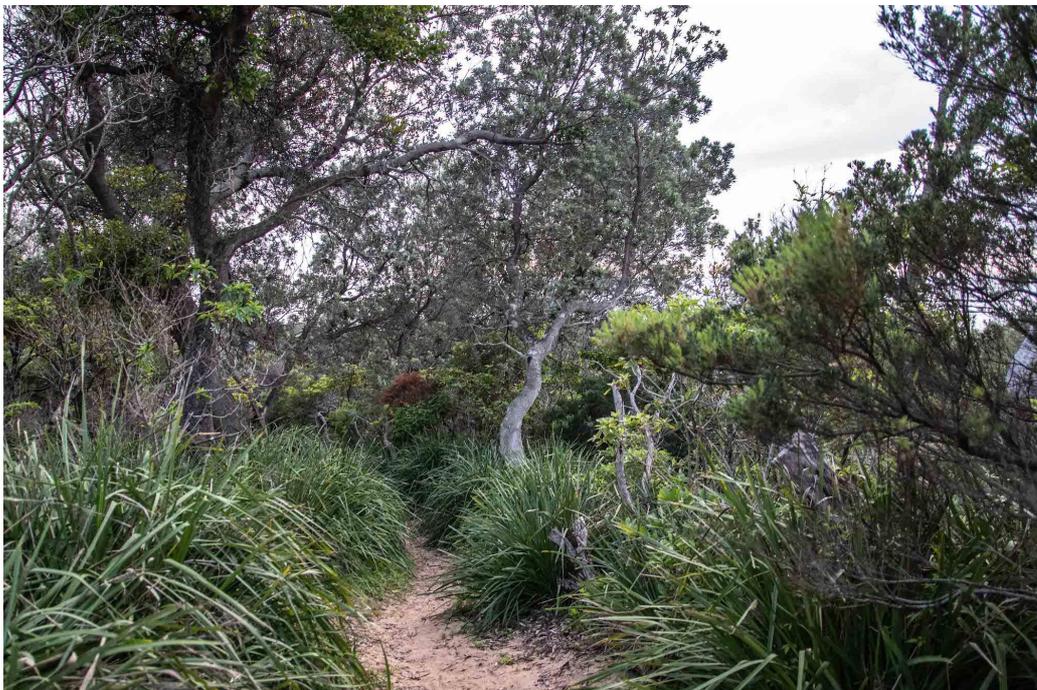
Michael & Jenny de Zwart, Toyota 200 Series

Organised by Michael and Jenny

Sunday excursion lead by Brian

Trip Report & Photos by Adrienne

The idea of spending money in a bushfire impacted area was sound, until it wasn't. Perhaps we left our run too late? Michael and Jenny weren't to know what Covid19 madness was coming when they picked the date for this club social excursion to the beaches of our South Coast.



On arrival, the camp ground was making noises about non-essential travellers being evicted, shops were already not opening as normal, local markets were already cancelled. Despite limited dining options, as a group, we managed to eat out both evenings, and a few managed to breakfast in town Saturday and Sunday.





Our group of nine at the Chinese restaurant on Friday night pretty much had the establishment at full occupancy, based on the 4m square requirement for social distancing. The Corona beers ordered were either amusing or in poor humour, depending on your disposition. As it turns out, we would be the last dine in-customers for who knows how long in the restaurant, as they changed to take away only the following day.



Saturday, the days activities were largely uncoordinated. I contributed to the local economy by acquiring a replacement auxiliary battery, which has long been on my to do list, others went in search of the illusive groceries that were harder to get in Sydney. Still no loo paper though. Most took a stroll on the beach at some point. A posse went for a walk up to the Crookhaven Heads light, and back down the beach to our camp.



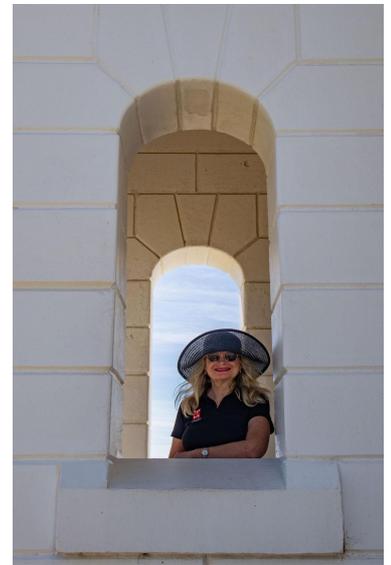


Until non-shared nibbles on Saturday evening, our full entourage of 13 availed ourselves of the Bowling Club shuttle service, 6 at a time, (plus me, a designated driver) to dine in the club bistro. Food was excellent, and portions were huge. Again, the club was already doing mostly takeaway service, and the tables had been shifted to offer huge spacing between those few customers wanting to eat in.



Sunday had all 7 cars departing camp for a tourist drive to Point Perpendicular and the defence managed Beecroft Peninsula. The short walk to the lighthouse is well worthwhile, and views over the mouth of Jervis Bay are impressive.





We did our best to comply with the newly minted social distancing rules, especially outside our group, however, some demonstrated that community safety signs clearly do not apply to them.





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The last full group stop was Honeymoon Bay, on the way out of defence territory. This beautiful bay enticed some in for a swim, made me wish for my snorkelling gear, while the others enjoyed a shaded spot on the sand. Unlike Bondi on the same day, where throngs in close quarters caused the subsequent closure of many beaches, groups on the Honeymoon Bay beach were all well spaced, and even in the water, we kept our distance.



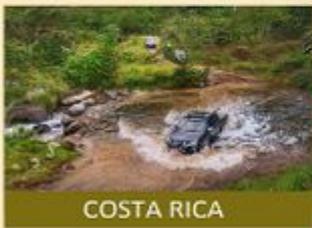
After the beach stop, our convoy began to disperse. For those remaining, Currarong offered a single take away shop and another stunning beach at which to enjoy the food. Marauding seagulls kept us company while we ate. By this point, we were all aware this may be the last club excursion and gathering for some time, so perhaps we lingered a little before going our separate ways.



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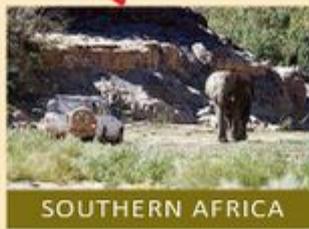
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Trip—Jenolan State Forest

2nd – 3rd April, 2011

The Crew:	Mark Kortink	Pajero (trip leader)
	Harold Zev & Mike Hurwitz	Pathfinder
	Chris Walker	Hilux
	Michael & Sky Walker	Mitsubishi (must be the smallest one they make)
	Martin Dowden & Steve	Patrol
	Simon & Penny Hunter (+2)	Prado
	Neil Follett	80 Series (author & 'tail end charlie')

We met at the Hampton Halfway Hotel Motel (Pub)

No one stayed at the Hotel, probably because one of the good things about Mark's trips is the very civilised starting time, 10.00am! I did notice some bacon & egg rolls and coffee being consumed. Everyone was on time except for Jason King, when it got to 10min past Mark got on the phone to see where Jason was, apparently he had sent an email a couple of days earlier saying he couldn't make it, but we don't know when it went.....

So we all headed off through Hampton and turned left and headed up to Mt Bindo. This is where the fun started. Mark had to break out the winch to get Michael to the top.





All Wheel Drive Club of Sydney



Finally we were all at the top of Mt Bindo.

The trek down the other was not that easy for some.....
Being 'tail end charlie' I didn't see a lot of the action but I heard the banter on the radio "I almost tipped over" came from the Prado (no names mentioned here).

I did see the 'Little Red Mitsubishi' with at least one wheel well in the air a few times.
After lunch we headed over to Jenolan State Forest and found some more ruts.



Trip—Jenolan State Forest (cont'd)

After a tour through the Forest we arrived at the Rest Area, corner of Jenolan Caves Rd & Duckmaloi for lunch.

After lunch we headed over to Jenolan State Forest and found some more ruts (see bottom right picture).

We arrived at the Little River camp area around 2.30pm so decided on a short excursion to fill in time.

Mark led us down an interesting little track beside the river and did a loop and ended up above the campsite and heading down the little river fire trail back towards camp.

As tail end Charlie I was just turning into the track when Mark came over the radio calling a stop, apparently there were some huge mud holes. I waited for what seemed an eternity and finally they all returned, seems I missed some fun in the mud, cant remember who but someone got a bit 'stuck'.....

Anyway back at camp and we all set up our tents and then the clouds rolled in so we set up the big tarp, lucky we did as it drizzled rain well into the night. Mind you the weather didn't slow down the intake of the red fluid.

Next morning we inspected the damage.....
Damn.....both sides.

The 'wild life' was everywhere!

So we headed off up the Little river fire trail, this time from the bottom, it wasn't long till we got to the same bog holes as yesterday.

Mark showed us a bit of sideways action, even with max trax there was no getting through this way.





Trip—Jenolan State Forest (cont'd)

So reverse is the better option eh.... OK, So lets try going around the bog hole.....success !

What, another bog hole and stuck again. Time for the winch, too easy eh!

In the interests of preserving what's left of the track it was decided to turn around and NOT try to drag all the vehicles through here.

So we headed off to explore Jenolan a bit more. We tried to get out to Giralter rocks as the views are reported to be spectacular. Unfortunately the Ranger said the track had just been graded and he wanted it to let it 'dry out' a bit more before any vehicles drove on it.

We ended up down near the famous 'rut' track and stopped here for lunch.

The Ranger here again, he was removing an old track sign (Waterfall creek fire trail) and putting up a new sign in its place 'Mini Mini Fire Trail'.

Left is a photo of the start of the trail that used to go down the 'rut' track. The ranger said it will never be open again.....another track gone! (picture below)





Trip—Jenolan State Forest (cont'd)

From here we headed along Waterfall creek fire trail and noticed some brand new metal gates had recently been installed, I guess some day they will be locked.

We had just climbed up from the valley and I heard over the radio “Mark, there’s smoke coming from under your car!”

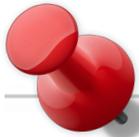


Turns out there was a heap of leaves on top of the muffler and they were glowing red hot, almost flames.

So we headed back to Jenolan Road and had lunch around 12.30 at the Trophy campsite location. I didn't get any photo's but there were half a dozen kids on motor going around and around and around and around us, nothing like a bit of peace and quiet eh.

So we aired up and headed for home.

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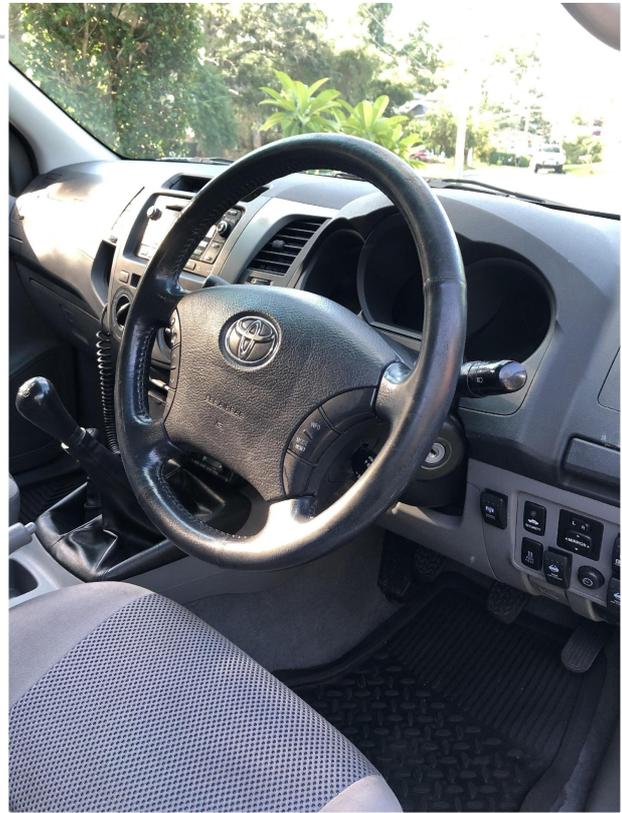
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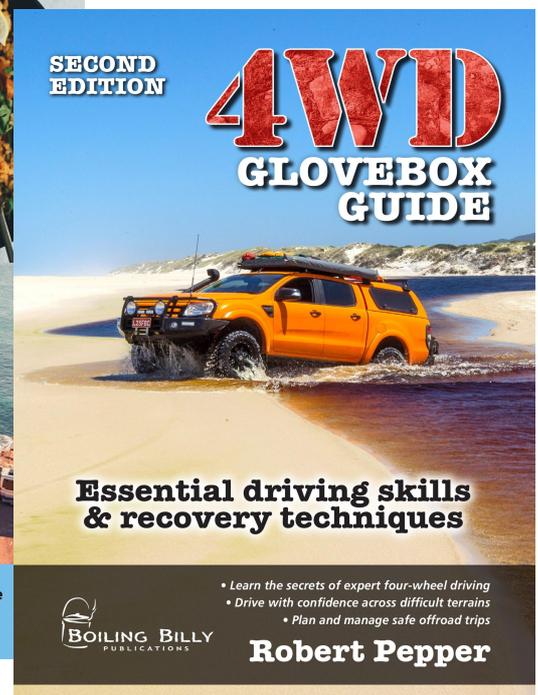
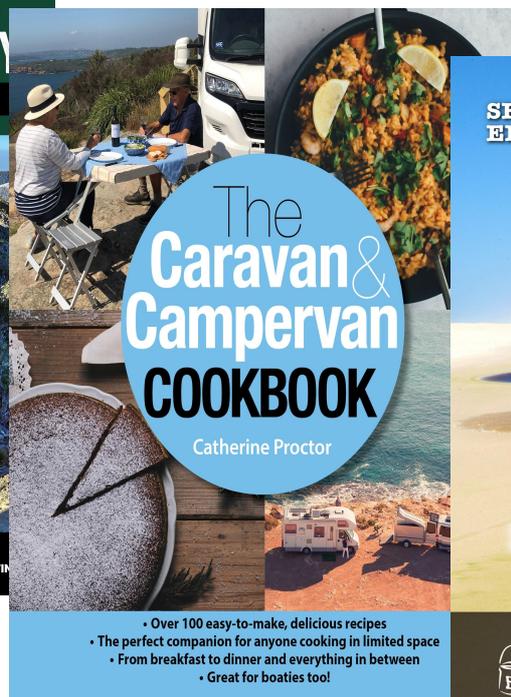
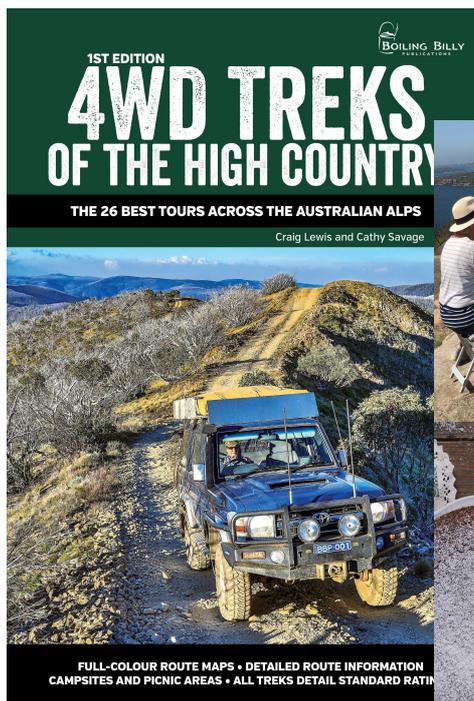
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