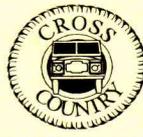
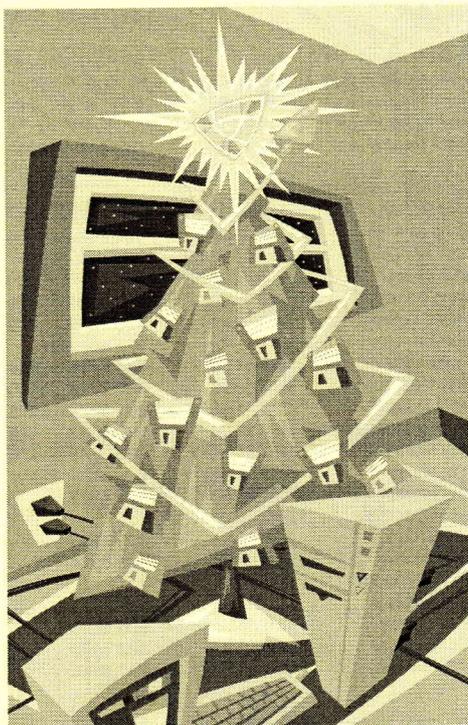




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EDITORIAL RAMBLINGS

Well, this is the final Chronicle for 2001, and I can have a month off as there is no January issue to prepare for - the next Chronicle you'll be getting will be at the start of February 2001.

Had a quick look at the trip summary for the Battle Hill camp out between Christmas and New Year and there must be at least a dozen trips that sound like the sort of trips I'd like to do - unfortunately time just won't allow me to go on them all but I'll definitely look at doing some.

Thanks to all those whose trip reports, etc to the Chronicle have made it the newsletter it is - rest assured that it can only be as good as the contributors make it. I hope everyone has a great holiday break, and I'll no doubt see some of you out on the various planned trips. And don't forget—DRIVE SAFELY!

Alan...



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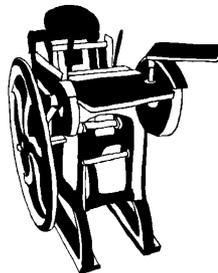
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President's Piece

What a wonderful celebration of 30 years of the Club, superbly well organised and embraced by Members and ex-Members alike. Starting with a photo-shoot in some pretty appalling conditions, reruns of some of the original Club trips, unveiling Bob's memorial at Rally-woods, a movie night and finally the 30th Dinner. Truly magical.

For me at least, the dinner proved memorable in more ways than one. I had always felt that I had my finger on the pulse, I knew what was happening in the Club, there were no surprises – well it just goes to show how wrong you can be. I have never known a secret to be kept by Committee – there's always someone who'll drop you a hint – that is until now. The best kept secret I have ever known was the new Life Member list – so excellent to see so many people who have given up so much to aid the Club being recognised. And of course the secret best kept from me !

What can I say but a most appreciative THANK YOU !

Hope to see many of you at Xmas in the Park over at Battle Hill. There's a packed calendar of events to take the fancy of any an ardent 4WD'er, so join in and make this another memorable occasion in the Club's history.

With that in mind, I can think of nothing else to say. Rather than drone on it seems best to simply wish you all the very best of Yuletide greetings. So from myself and all the Committee a very Merry Christmas and a joyous and prosperous New Year.

Andy

EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS.

Please note that the following equipment is required on all Club trips:

Front and rear tow hooks
Shovel
Fire extinguisher
First-aid kit
Basic tool kit
Tow rope
Roll bar for all open / soft top vehicles



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If these items are not present in your vehicle at the beginning of a trip, the trip leader has the authority to exclude you from the trip.

TRIP/CONVOY RULES

1. The trip leader is always in charge. Please recognise their authority follow their instructions and give him/her the respect they deserve
2. No dogs or firearms
3. Guests on a Club outing are the responsibility of the Club member who invited them
4. No drinking and driving
5. Keep the vehicle immediately behind in sight. This is particularly important when you come to a turnoff. There is no excuse for vehicles taking the wrong track because of the driver in front not obeying this rule
6. Keep your position in the convoy i.e. no passing
7. Watch the vehicle spacing on public roads so that public vehicles can pass in safety
8. Make sure the vehicle in front has cleared an obstacle before you attempt it
9. If you must leave the convoy, inform someone
10. Respect the environment
11. Expect to provide a write-up and / or photos for the Club news letter from time to time if you participate in Club trips.

Fire Extinguishers

A reminder from our Safety Officer that the Club's fire extinguisher specification has a minimum size required of 0.9 kg dry powder or 1 litre foam.



And also, a reminder - members should have their fire extinguishers checked yearly, and Wormalds in Cuba St Petone will do service free.



Sacred Images

Taking my lead from the Department of Conservation and Ngai Tahu, I have decided that my trusty Nissan is sacred to me. Accordingly, I have instructed the Police and the Land Transport Safety Authority not to photograph it without my express permission.

(letter in the Sunday Star Times a few weeks back)

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New track in the Akatarawas Kango Cres breaks cover

In the global search of Osama Bin Liner, terrorists punched through a new track in the Akatarawas.

This small group of people whose identities must be disguised (Kram, Nhoj, Ydna and Werdna) finished a cutting to access a route that Roger and Grant had walked earlier this year.

In October Grant ran a trip called the "New slippery forest" as what he called a hard yakka trip. The hard yakka turned out to involve using picks and shovels to try and open up this new route. After a couple of hours of hard labour they had marked the way off the existing track but it wasn't enough to be us able. However these men of honour thought that this was worth finishing which lead to them to return a month later.

This time although there were only five of them they were carrying three truckloads of equipment, which included: two kango hammers and two generators (thanks to Mark Stockler, Jason Parkins and Howard McCabe), a chain saw and a stack of recovery gear. A few hours of their time had widened the cutting enough for a vehicle but still left it a bit steep and very soft underfoot. However the recovery gear was broken out and rigged up and Werdna's truck was up the bank and following the ridge up.

Upcoming Events

December 29-30: Omarama region tag-along. One day sheep station tours for high clearance vehicles. \$60 per vehicle or \$100 for both days. Alpine Lakes 4x4 Adventures. Contact Murray Waters, 025 658 6249 or 03 458 9544.

January 25-28: Kaipara Coast Kaper, Kaukapakapa Primary School & Land Rover Owners Club, Auckland. Contact the school 09 420 5477.

January 27: NZ4WDA National Trials Round 2, Pio Pio, South Waikato 4WD Club. Contact club for details.

February 1-7: NZ Adventures Ultimate South Island Safari. Fully guided, 7 days Picton to Cromwell off-road. Best of the South Island, plus Otago goldfields. Email info@nzadventures.co.nz

February 6-9: Urewera Safari. Mahia Hunt, East Coast 4WD Club and local communities "off-year" alternative to Motu Safari. Approx \$150 per vehicle. PO Box 11, Wairoa.

February 8-10: Kumho Tyres Tough Truck Winch Challenge, near Matata, Bay of Plenty. \$195 per vehicle. Contact Pete Weatherly, 24 Marshall St, Kawerau, fx 07 323 6830 or email lynette.pete@xtra.co.nz

February 16-17: Hunterville Lions Club 4WD Experience. Hunterville. Touring suitable for all 4WDs with low-range. Contact Bernard Lilburn, barnyard@manawatu.co.nz or Alex Dalgety on 06 322 8460.

February 16-18: Waikawa/Switzerland High Country 4x4 Jamboree. Three days visiting various stations in Southland. Contact Doug Christie 03 208 8209, fax 03 208 7050.

February 24: NZ4WDA National Trials Round 3, Hawkes Bay 4WD Club. Contact club for details.

February 25-27: High Country Cruise. Easy 4WD safari from the Coast to Coast organisers. Ph. 03 547 7706.

March 8-10: GPS Treasure Hunt. GPS navigation & challenging driving from the Coast to Coast organisers. Ph. 03 547 7706.

March 2: Rangiwahia 4WD Trek. Around the northern Manawatu area. Contact Kate Gee-Taylor 06 328 2701.

March 15-17: Kawhia Safari. Beach, bush & back country. Suitable for all vehicles with dual range, family oriented. \$120 per vehicle. Contact Dave Saunders on 07 871 7200, fax 07 871 8303 or email dsilas@xtra.co.nz

March 16: NZ4WDA National Trials Round 4, Ohakune in conjunction with Northern / Central zones trial. Contact NZ4WDA for details.

March 21-24: Largest gathering of Land Rovers the greatest distance from their birthplace in the world, Glenorchy. Contact Dick Watson 03 441 1321, e-mail: mountainlandrovers@xtra.co.nz

March 31: NZ4WDA National Trials Finals, Taupo 4WD Club. Contact club for details.

April 7: NZ4WD Show, Auckland Polo Club, Clevedon. Contact Sam Parker on 09 478 4771, email sam@adrenalin.co.nz

April 25-28: Tough-Tough. Challenging driving from the Coast to Coast organisers. Ph. 03 547 7706.

April 26-28: Rotorua Lakes Safari. Geyserland 4WD Club schools find raiser, cost likely \$150. Info carterne@zfree.co.nz or Rotorua Lakes Safari, c/- PO Box 2085, Rotorua.

Details in the column appear courtesy of Sam Parker, publisher of the New Zealand 4WD and Sportvehicles magazine. Potential participants should contact the organiser; CCVC cannot take responsibility for any changes or inadvertent inaccuracies.

SAFETY CHECKS

As a reminder our club inspectors are:

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The chain saw was fired up and a lot of fallen timber and old stumps were removed and the route was opened up. Kram pulled up to the new cutting and drove back and forward on the ramp to pack it down a little before having a serious try at the slope. He got up under his own power went up the track and turned around and drove it in the opposite direction as well. He recommends that people winch up the cutting to avoid spinning holes in it or are pulled up with snatch blocks and wire ropes until it packs down a bit more.



Finally all they had to do was name this new track, which took a surprisingly long time. Kango was obvious but then what: Street? Drive? Crescent it was, although technically it is probably an avenue. So next time you're down in Dick's Yard, Puketiro forest have a go and thank those unknown men for their labours.

George junior

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News from our Welfare Department

A very big thank you to all who attended the club's 30th anniversary celebrations. At our dinner, awards went out to:

Those who have suffered behind the scenes, putting up with the committee work when we should have been doing stuff elsewhere: The lovely Karen Vruink, The beautiful Audrey Jones, The wonderful Raynor Mulhare and The darling Gary Young.

Current Life Member badges (plus 30, 20 and 10 year badges) went to Bob Jeffery (Heather), Tom Adams, Tony Street, Vern Lill (Sue) and Bruce Mulhare.

30 Year Membership badges (plus 20 and 10 year badges) went to Graham Barr, George Bean, Peter Boniface.

20 Year Membership (plus 10 year badges) went to Ross Perkins, Rod Paterson, Mike Gall, Steve Lacey, John Hughes, Phil Lewton, Ron Johnson, Rod McEwen, Colin James and Deane McMillan.

10 Year Membership badges went to Antony Hargreaves, Mark Wolstenholme, Steve Mitchell, Jim Johnson, Peter Tilby, Terry Barr, Leon

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Zwetsloot, Peter Osborne, Tony Brown, Ron Wadham, Colin Landy, Dayal Landy, Gary Young, Glenda Young, Andy Cockroft, Lynn Philip, Doug Sergeant, Craig Smith, Dave Henry, Jack Mayne, Dave Owles, Stuart Blyth, Ted Colgan, Terry Collins, Derek Wilkinson, Derek Smyth, Garry Ledbury, Ross Farnell, Gary Muir, Glenn Clark, Jeff Sayer, John Robinson, Terry Collinge, Terry Collinge and Ross Alcock.

Please note they are in no set order and those who couldn't be there to accept their badges will have them presented at club night in December or they will be sent to you. Also if you think that you should have been in one or more of these groups and some how missed out please get hold of Glenda Young.

Another high light of the night was announcing of new life members and again in no set order went to:

For outstanding work behind the scenes in the past. Without this devotion the club would not be as good as it is today. Leath Bean

For outstanding devotion to the club in the past. George Bean

For 20 years of committee work, holding most major posts including 6 years as president. Mike Gall

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For 20 years representing the club at national trials, also for work as zone delegate and at DEC meetings. All the help on so many vehicles and advice on driving techniques. Steve Lacey

For committee work holding most posts including zone delegate, help with Deadwood's, help to start the away and night trips and always promoting 4x4. Graham Barr

For all that he has done from committee work, to being our Senior Statesman, for all the help with the public trips and fundraisers. Always putting the young bucks in there place with his mighty NISSAN. Uncle Ron Wadham

For ten years of dedication to our club and to four wheel driving throughout the north island. For all the years on the committee and for leading the way to keep our tracks open. Andy Cockroft

So we now have 12 life members. Please note many other things were said about these people on the night.

It will be a night to remember for those that attended. Meeting up with old friends to swap stories from the past and renew old acquaintances seemed to be the order of the night.

A great night had by all.

Glenda

Membership Discounts

The following companies in the Wellington are offering very generous discounts to Club Members. A more detailed list will follow, but the companies include:

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Please show your membership card to obtain all discounts.

Club Member Trades, Services and Supplies

A few years ago it was suggested that we have a listing of club member's trades and services so that if anyone was looking for a trades person then they could refer to the Chronicle and give club members the chance to get additional business. So if you'd like to include your business on our list please contact the editor on 564 3045 or email newsletter@ccvc.org.nz

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Shiny 4x4: *More difficult family trips, for shiny wagon drivers with some experience who want more challenge and don't mind minor bush marks etc on their vehicles. Vehicles will only qualify for Shiny 4x4 trips if they have mud tyres, tow hooks and all the normal required equipment per the club's safety policy. This applies to prospective members and visitors too.*

Club 4x4: *Modest Hard Yakka trips, for drivers with suitable fully equipped SWB vehicles who don't feel ready for a full Hard Yakka.*

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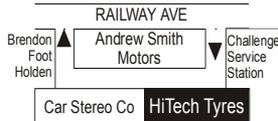
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Inaugural CCVC trip Orongorongo Coast (Saturday 3 November 2001)

This was a re-run of the first ever trip done by the club 30 years ago.

The weather forecast was for a rainy weekend. The day started at the Avalon TV Centre car park, in pretty heavy rain. We arrived to find many vehicles already there, neatly parked in multiple lines fashion, a la waiting for the Cook Strait ferry at the terminal. We were all waiting for the *Evening Post* photographer to arrive to take a commemorative shot of the club's current members and their vehicles.

Apparently, there was a similar picture taken for the local newspaper 30 years ago at the start of the club's inaugural trip – at the Wainuiomata Hill Road. To take a picture at the same place will now obviously be impractical. The present venue chosen proved to be well thought out, for the said photographer suddenly appeared on top of the Avalon TV Centre building. On the call to turn on the headlights of all the vehicles (I suppose we need to be visible through the rain!), the requisite picture was duly taken and the trip could then start.

It turned out that about half of the vehicles that turned up at Avalon came for the photo shoot only (thanks everyone). Nevertheless, the complement that eventually went to the trip was a big convoy too. With all the heavy rain, we

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thought it would be quite an interesting trip. No sooner after we reached the Wainui coast, the rain stopped, and the weather was pretty dry for the rest of the trip – *almost* to the end.

Just past the Orongorongo gate, we stopped and waited for everyone to arrive, and to let down the tyres. By this time, it was nearly one o'clock in the afternoon, and most had started to munch their lunches – even before the drivers' briefing. After the briefing, we duly set off again. Shortly afterwards, we arrived at the seal colony. As it was out-of-season, we didn't see any seals. But we stopped for a wee while for the rest of the group to finish their lunches. (This was the scheduled lunch stop after all).



We then proceeded east along the coastal track. Along the way, we stopped by the low sand hill near our BBQ site to have a play. No problems here on the sand hill. Further along, we soon arrived at Ocean Beach. Taking to the beach, we continued to head towards the sand spit across from Lake Ferry. Most vehicles had to increase the speed on the beach to avoid getting bogged. However, about one or two kilometres



from the end of the spit, I and a number of other vehicles got sunk into the soft sand. Everyone went out to let down the tyres even further, while others helped with digging and gentle towing. Soon, everyone was on their way again.

The group eventually returned to the BBQ site. Since it was still early, we went up the small inland valley beside the low sand hill, and found some seriously steep tracks and mud where a number had a play. Meanwhile, John Vruink and his helpers were setting up the club marquee and the BBQ by the coastal track, while others gathered driftwood for the bon fire.

The BBQ dinner with sausages, steak, salad and bread was certainly appreciated by all. While everyone was eating, a Mitsubishi ute was seen stopped by the sand hill. It turned out that the ute had blown a tyre and the hub was also damaged. Even after taking time to change the wheel and fix the hub of the ute, there were still pretty of food left. (Later in the evening, the Mitsubishi ute was seen to redeem



itself by ferrying a truckload of driftwood to replenish the bon fire.)

After dinner, we started gathering around the bon fire. The heat from the bon fire kept us warm as the southerly started to arrive. At least it was still dry. Soon, it became dark. People brought out their fireworks and the kids certainly enjoyed themselves.



The fireworks lasted for about half-an-hour (certainly a lot longer than those ones organised by the Wellington City Council on Guy Fawkes night the following Monday). Just as we were putting out the bon fire, the rain that had stayed away for our entire time at the coast returned. We started to head back for the night drive.

By the time we arrived back at the Orongorongo gate, the rain was so heavy that it was decided that, for safety reasons, we would not go via Cattle Ridge (that will need to wait for another trip), but returned home via the Coast Road.

All had a very enjoyable trip. Thanks to John Vruink for leading the trip and to the numerous other helpers for a well-organised event.



First Aid Kits

TO ALL TRIP LEADERS

The club now owns four (4) comprehensive first aid kits. These kits are available to be carried by trip leaders as a back-up emergency kit to supplement those carried by all individual vehicles.

Would all **TRIP LEADERS** please contact me to arrange for collection / issuing of these kits prior to each trip.

WAYNE JANSEN - SAFETY OFFICER
Phone 025 467 935



Gary Adie

We would like to extend our condolences to the family and close friends of Gary Adie who passed away on Sunday the 18th of November.

Gary was any early member of the club who did a lot of behind the scenes work in event sponsorship and promotion.

He passed away in true style, peacefully at Terawhiti Station looking out to sea after helping with a Scout fundraiser.

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The winners of the Golden Kiwi's for this month are Gavin Holden, John Vruink, Glenda Young, Dave Jones, Bruce Mulhare, Gail Osman and Brian Bootton.



The winner of the Gumboot award for this month is Eric Bon for some dramas over a retaining wall that threatened to collapse.

The winner of the Orange Roughy award for this month is Eric Bon for exploits related to the events leading to the Gumboot Award.



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Disaster..! It seems that the full Wellington City Council last night voted not to keep the South Coast road open, despite the recommendations of the Council Committee that we had made representations to. There is to be a 12 month monitoring period, to determine the effects of poor driver behaviour and damage to the environment.

Please URGENTLY pay attention to this issue.

If going around the coast:

- ◆ PLEASE respect other users; slow right down and give way politely.
- ◆ PLEASE don't go up the hillside, even though other vehicles have left clear tracks there.
- ◆ PLEASE don't drive over vegetation.
- ◆ PLEASE politely explain these things to other users you see there

The club will work out our approach for the coming year after we have a discussion with the WCC planner, who is a person we respect. If you'd like a copy of our submission to WCC, please contact me.

Regards...

Grant Purdie -Land Access Officer



NATIONAL COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE

2001 / 2002 CALENDAR

Round	Host Club	Date
Ladies World 4x4 Trial Championship	South Waikato	25th November 2001
1	Wanganui	9th December 2001
2	South Waikato	27th January 2002
3	Hawkes Bay	24th February 2002
4	National Competitions Committee (To be held in Ohakune) Combined Northern/Central Zone Trial	16th March 2002
5 (NZ Final)	Taupo	31st March 2002 (Easter)

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NEW MEMBERS



The following people, subject to trip sheet and safety checks will be welcomed to the Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc this month as new members:



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Hmm. I think Mark Wilson (of CCVC) has one of these. Something to do with a V8 FJ40, a dodgy handbrake, the steep hill at Red Rocks, a car full of kids and an empty drivers seat. He could have won the Olympic sprint that day...

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THE FAMILY DEADWOOD SAFARI 17/11/01

This trip was part of the Club's 30th Anniversary events and we all met at the Rallywoods gate at 9.30am on a very pleasant day. There was a lot of vehicles as two trips were being run - a Club 4x4 led by Bruce Mulhare and Colin Landy doing the Staircase and the Rock Garden and a Shiny 4x4 led by Ron Wadham covering some good tracks in the Akatarawa's.

We had over 20 vehicles in the shiny group and Ron took us into the block off Bulls Run Road and we immediately went right up an unnamed track which, like a lot of tracks in this area, would have been a lot more challenging if it was wet. However it was mostly dry today and we covered a lot of ground. In no particular order - Perhaps Road, The Pram Track, Toetoe Road, Clarke Creek Road, Hydro Road and several others.

It was a good tour - very sociable with a few stops and time to grab a coffee and chat. For the first time that I've been up the top of the Hydro Road all the vehicles in the group drove through under the top pylon and up the steep wee climb before turning and returning down the track after a break.

We had lunch at the Orange Hut where Glenda saved Ron's life when the backrest he was casually reclining against gave way and Ron would have flipped over backwards had Glenda not saved him. It was a few moments later when Glenda admitted that it was her added weight which actually dislodged the rail - she should've been writing this report! I overheard several of the women commenting on how much they enjoyed the toilet with a view during the lunch stop.

Found the only slippery bit of the day on a downhill stretch of the Pram Track and later on stopped at the old mill site where I gained the dubious honour of being nominated, unfairly as usual, to write this report. It's always a challenge to attempt the steep rutted climb up off this area and after Matt Paulin was defeated by it, Ron (once again) showed us how to drive it properly. We'd really stopped for another coffee so everyone was standing around chatting and watching, cameras at the ready, when I thought - Give it a go, why not? I'd been up and down it once before in the dry. There's a big step for the left front wheel about a third of the way up which defeats you if you don't have diff locks, so it was pretty predictable that I had no chance. Never fear, I'll drive around the back and come down it! Piece of the proverbial.

Once you're into it from the top there's no turning back, but it's OK, just a bit steepish. Gee that water rut in the middle's deep now - got to straddle that, OK I'm over it, easing down, concerned about the right hand wheels getting

close to the rut when the bleedin lefthand front wheel does its own thing and follows a contour and throws itself as deep into the rut as it can get. Being a good team member the lefthand rear wheel jumps in after it. I can hear the gasps from the watching gallery - Barbara (down the bottom having a coffee), couldn't look.

It was all over in a second and the Pajero was solidly locked in that rut, tilted over to the left at more than 45 degrees, jammed solidly by the doors against the rut. We had to dig a small trench for the front wheels to follow and dig away right along the lefthand side before it came free with a bit of a push. Dents (aka memories) in the front guard and both doors, but relatively minor. A number of our group planning to follow had now decided they preferred the view from below.

About two minutes later the Club 4x4 trip came out of the trees above the same descent and proceeded down it. Most were guided by several of my rescuers watching the rogue left front wheels. (Wayne J. screamed all the way down as a passenger with Pedro). But it was John Lau and Mark Wilson who had us running for cover (well almost) as they were also sucked into that rut. It was far more dramatic in a short wheelbase vehicle as the back end desperately wanted to beat the front down the hill by going over the front and got up to a metre off the ground before the rut trapped them. Mark was left with the right front wheel barely touching the ground and both rear wheels up in the air. Some good photos taken for the record! Bruce bravely backed up to pull him free - bravely because Mark found another hole and almost bounced over on top of Bruce while they were still stropped together. Good acceleration there Bruce! Fantastic effort by the Suzuki driver following Mark though - a very precise drive and safely down and a collective sigh of relief.

Found our way from there back around to Rallywoods where John Vruink's got the fire on and a barbeque ready to go. The idea was to stay the night if you wanted but with it being so close to home and a Test on the next morning only the rum drinkers stayed. Yep - John and Wayne. No not John Wayne, I said John and.... aah, never mind.

Another great day - thanks for the trip Ron and the barbeque from John.

Neil and Barbara
K177.



Above: A couple of photo's taken on the Odlin's Road trip in November - the optional side track which Marcus led.



This report was written by my 12 years old brother in law who went with me on this event.

Oleg Mikhalyak

Sunday 18th at the round 3 of CCVC- there was occurred one of those "Oups" moments that happened on the last obstacle of the competition.

The car had driven on the hill (like 100 degrees) on too fast speed and had jumped, landed on the side ,rolled over and got back on-to their wheels.

Wind screen, window were broken into peaces, it was a good conditioning on the way home. Most conditions of the road were mud.

It was light raining.

A Tried and True Turkey Stuffing Recipe

- 2 cups bread crumbs
- 2 chopped onions
- 2 cups popcorn
- 1 tabs salt
- 1 tabs herbs
- 1 teas hot pepper

1. Clean turkey
2. Mix stuffing with milk.
3. Stuff bird and bake for 5 hours at 350C or until the popcorn pops and blows the a**e off the turkey and across the kitchen floor.

Merry Christmas

Committee Meeting Highlights

- ◆ **Treasury** - Subscriptions - virtually all in now. All budgets progressing according to budget.
- ◆ **Land Access** - Roger Seymour elected to committee looking after Belmont Regional Park. Commercial operator looking at running tours on Eastern Hill firebreaks.
- ◆ **Trip Planning** - Planning for the holiday period well advanced with most lower North Island clubs running a trip or two.
- ◆ **Entertainment** - 30th Anniversary celebrations all went according to plan and the organisers deserve a big pat on the back for a job well done.
- ◆ **Assets** - new trailer will be started soon. Material obtained to start ramp for RTI measurement.



Below is a message that has gone around the NZ4WD email forum - can neither confirm nor deny the truth contained within:

A bit of useful information I received today. The Police will be giving instant fines for all infringements over the Xmas period. The infringement they are going to concentrate on the most, is people not carrying their licences with them. They will issue you with a \$55 instant fine if you get caught without it on you. They said there will be no excuses. They will also issue instant fines for the usual things like no seatbelts, no WOF, no Rego.

I was also told they are issuing fines for not correctly displaying the number plates, rego stickers, WOF, and all indicators and lights. This means covered up by mud etc, which directly affects us, so make sure you clean these when you finish 4wding, before you hit the road.

So be warned, this is going to be a Nationwide Campaign, called Operation Impact!!

A Big Thank You...

...to everyone who came along and helped with the South Coast Clean-up on Saturday 1 December. Another successful day with a significant amount of litter and flotsam removed from the coastline. Many thanks to all..!

Cheers - Grant.



Does this look like anyone we know???

Meredith's Poem

Up and over
Through and round
Rough and rugged
At one with the ground

Gasp and groan
Curse and swear
Grin so wide
Hey! We went there.

Down and up
Mud and rain
Through the bog
And through the drain!

They learnt to power
They learnt to slide
They followed on
Some closed their eyes

Trek and trail
Road and river
They're off again
Bound for something bigger

Rain and rain
Grins and smiles
They trekked up rainbow
And gave thanks to Fred.

Orongoronga Coast Inaugural CCVC Trip 30 Years Ago 3/11/2001

We had planned to meet at the Avalon Studios for the 30-year anniversary photo shoot. The day turned out to be miserable with heavy rain covering the Hutt Valley area. Still about 58 vehicles turned up and the result is visible on the November Club magazine cover. About half of those who attended the photo shoot also decided to go on the Orongoronga coast trip. We left the Avalon studio site about midday because the photographer was also running late. A little surprise was in store as the convoy followed the Wainuiomata coast road. The ground was dry near the coast and the sun shining. Great stuff, we were looking forward to a dry day.

After the trip checking procedures by the farm gate we followed the coastal track and stopped to spot any seals. I am told that there were two somewhere in the rocks. We continued along the track to where the sand play area was and most had fun climbing over ridges and getting up a sandy hill. We found out later that we were not to drive up that particular hill, but by then a number of vehicles had done so.

We followed the coast onto Ocean beach where the sand was really fine gravel which made the going harder for heavier vehicles. Engines got hot and several vehicles bogged down in the soft ground. I managed to dig the Nissan in down to the chassis and was pulled out by Barry in the end. I carried long wooden planks to get out of this situation on my own accord, but in this instance a lot of digging would have been necessary to get weight under the wheels. So for time sake I got pulled out. Some vehicles managed to drive further to the river mouth on Ocean beach. Apparently the ground was even softer there.

We turned round and were several times bogged in soft patches. But each time we were able to continue. I found it somewhat nerve wrecking driving in fourth or third low and feeling the vehicle slowing down and the engine unable to deliver the power to keep the momentum going. In some instance I pushed on till the engine almost stalled. Then it was first low to crawl forward and building up speed on firmer ground till the next soft spot.

We arrived at the picnic spot and found a sheltered site. The barbeque and food were good and enjoyed by all. Afterwards we made a logfire near the high tide watermark, enjoyed chats and good company. As darkness fell, fireworks were let off which provided some entertainment. Some kids were shooting at each other with small light balls, which made me think of burn injuries and their treat-

ment. Those were my thoughts harking back to the recent St. John's first aid training. Some unexploded fireworks that were thrown into the bonfire also caused a bit of excitement.

The rain had held off all day until about 9:30pm when it started to hose down. After extinguishing the fire, we left that area and followed the track back. In the dark and rain we stopped for a while near the rocky area while Ron found the track through the area. The rain was really heavy all the time and it was not realistic to attempt Cattle Ridge after coming off the coastal track. The combined effects of low cloud, darkness and slippery conditions all added to a recipe for disaster. It was about 10:30pm when we arrived back at the farm gate.

We drove back slowly on low tyre pressure along the Wainuiomata coast road and found that the usual service station was shut. The good thing was that the heavy rain and water on the ground had almost washed all the mud off the vehicle by the time we got home after a very enjoyable day.

Many thanks John for the running this most enjoyable trip.

Lutz Wolters - K137



Leath Bean and John Vruink cut the CCVC 30th anniversary cake

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.



Trip Information Sheet

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Name: Wairarapa Surprise

Venue: Wairarapa

Category: Shiny 4x4

Trip Leader: Grant Purdie

Phone: 04-233 1192
021-612 216

Callsign: K 71

Bookings Required: No Yes

Book with Trip Leader by or at: Club Night
12 Dec 2001

Limited Numbers: No Yes 25

Trip Meeting Point

McDonalds in Masterton

Meeting Time

Date: Sat 15 Dec 2001

Time: 9:00 am

Drivers Briefing

Date: Sat 15 Dec 2001

Time: 9:10 am

Trip Departure

Date: Sat 15 Dec 2001

Time: 9:15 am

Expected Finishing Point

Masterton

Date: Sat 15 Dec 2001

Time: 5:00 pm approx.

Fuel required for: _____

Kms / Days

Fuel available at: Masterton

Food required for: _____

Days

Food available at: Masterton

Drinks required for: _____

Days

Drinks available at: Masterton

Land Access Fee: \$5.00

Per vehicle/day

Camp Fee: Nil

Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
 Light rain/wind ok
 Rain, hail or snow "We go"
 Subject to landowners discretion
 Listen to radio cancellation service on Newstalk ZB 1035AM at: _____

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
 Some bush marks possible
 Some damage to sills & corners possible
 Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
 Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
 Average drivers
 Experienced drivers

Dry Wet

Pets:

- No
 Yes
 Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
 SWB only
 Club Radio Required

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
 Recovery stop, Shovel
 First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
 Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
 Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
 Any tyres suitable
 Mud tyres preferable
 Good mud tyres essential
 Winch required
 Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

- | Mostly | Some | Optional |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Beach or sand |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rocky or river boulders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Creeks, small rivers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Deep rivers, water holes |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Average ascents/descents |
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Notes:

Wairarapa Club are kindly hosting us, they have organized the trip and have provided all the details for this trip info sheet. The whole trip is off-road and there is space to park trailers. Phil Foothead will be our guide.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



Trip Name: Ladies Training Day

Venue: Akatarawa Forest **Category:** Training

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Leader: Lynn Philip **Phone:** 021- 159 -2491 **Callsign:** K5

Bookings Required: No Yes **Book with Trip Leader before:** _____

Limited Numbers: No Yes

Trip Meeting Point

Totara Park Bridge

Meeting Time **Date:** Sun 16 Dec 2001 **Time:** 9:30 am
Drivers Briefing **Date:** Sun 16 Dec 2001 **Time:** 9:45 am
Trip Departure **Date:** Sun 16 Dec 2001 **Time:** 10:00am

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____ **Time:** _____

Expected Finishing Point

Totara Park Bridge

Date: Sun 16 Dec 2001 **Time:** 4:00 pm

Fuel required for: 1 Days **Fuel available at:** Upper Hutt

Food required for: 1 Days **Food available at:** Upper Hutt

Drinks required for: 1 Days **Drinks available at:** Upper Hutt

Land Access Fee: \$15.00 Per vehicle/day **Camp Fee:** Nil Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
- Light rain/wind ok
- Rain, hail or snow "We go"
- Subject to landowners discretion
- Listen to radio cancellation service on Newstalk ZB 1035AM at: 08:30, 09:00, 09:30 10:00

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
- Average drivers
- Experienced drivers

Dry Wet

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery strop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
- Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
- Any tyres suitable
- Mud tyres preferable
- Good mud tyres essential
- Winch required
- Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

- | Mostly | Some | Optional |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Average ascents/descents |
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Notes: Ladies only please, this is your chance to brush up your skills without the human handbrake!
Offer to wash the truck , that way you're sure to be allowed to take it along!

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Name: **Family Tour**

Venue: *Long Gully & South Coast* Category: *Family Shiny*

Trip Leader: *Mark Wilson* Phone: *04-973 -4782* Callsign: *K 63*

Bookings Required: No Yes Book with Trip Leader before: _____

Limited Numbers: No Yes _____

Trip Meeting Point

Mud Cycles Car Park Karori

Meeting Time Date: *Sat 5th Jan 2002* Time: *9:30*
Drivers Briefing Date: *Sat 5th Jan 2002* Time: *9:45*
Trip Departure Date: *Sat 5th Jan 2002* Time: *10:00*

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____ Time: _____

Expected Finishing Point

TBA

Date: *Sat 5th Jan 2002* Time: *16:30*

Fuel required for: *1* Kms / Days Fuel available at: *Wellington*

Food required for: *1* Days Food available at: *Wellington*

Drinks required for: *1* Days Drinks available at: *Wellington*

Land Access Fee: *\$5.00* Per vehicle/day Camp Fee: *Nil* Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
- Light rain/wind ok
- Rain, hail or snow "We go"
- Subject to landowners discretion
- Listen to radio cancellation service on Newstalk ZB 1035AM at: _____

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
- Average drivers
- Experienced drivers

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only
- Club Radio Required

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery stroop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
- Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
- Any tyres suitable
- Mud tyres preferable
- Good mud tyres essential
- Winch required
- Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

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Notes:

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Name: Odlins Sidetrack Work Party

Venue: Odlins Rd. Category: Shiny 4x4

Trip Leader: Marcus Steeneken Phone: 04-565-1707 Callsign: K 33

Bookings Required: No Yes Book with Trip Leader before: _____

Limited Numbers: No Yes _____

Trip Meeting Point

Akatarawa Saddle

Meeting Time Date: Sun 13th Jan 2002 Time: 9:30

Drivers Briefing Date: Sun 13th Jan 2002 Time: 9:45

Trip Departure Date: Sun 13th Jan 2002 Time: 10:00

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____ Time: _____

Expected Finishing Point

Akatarawa Saddle

Date: Sun 13th Jan 2002 Time: 16:30

Fuel required for: 1 Kms / Days Fuel available at: Upper Hutt

Food required for: 1 Days Food available at: Upper Hutt

Drinks required for: 1 Days Drinks available at: Upper Hutt

Land Access Fee: Nil Per vehicle/day Camp Fee: Nil Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
- Light rain/wind ok
- Rain, hail or snow "We go"
- Subject to landowners discretion
- Listen to radio cancellation service on Newstalk ZB 1035AM at: _____

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
- Average drivers
- Experienced drivers

Dry Wet

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only
- Club Radio Required

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery strop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
- Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
- Any tyres suitable
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- Extra recovery gear an advantage

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Notes: *Please bring tools*

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.



Trip Information Sheet

Trip Name: **WRC SUNSET TRIP**

Venue: **BATTLE HILL**

Category: **FAMILY SHINY**

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Leader: Ron Wadham

Phone: 04-563 7907

Callsign: K55

Bookings Required: No Yes

Book with Trip Leader before: 18 Jan 2002

Limited Numbers: No Yes

Trip Meeting Point Carpark at Battle Hill Regional Park, Old Paekakariki Road

Meeting Time Date: Sat 19th Jan 2002

Time: 17:30

Drivers Briefing Date: Sat 19th Jan 2002

Time: 17:45

Trip Departure Date: Sat 19th Jan 2002

Time: 18:00

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____

Time: _____

Expected Finishing Point

As above

Date: Sat 19th Jan 2002

Time: To be advised

Fuel required for: 1 Day

Fuel available at: Hutt, Porirua, Pauatahanui

Food required for: 1 Day

Food available at: Hutt, Porirua, Pauatahanui

Drinks required for: 1 Day

Drinks available at: Hutt, Porirua, Pauatahanui

Land Access Fee: Nil Per vehicle/day

Camp Fee: Nil Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
 Light rain/wind ok
 Rain, hail or snow "We go"
 Subject to landowners discretion
 Listen to radio cancellation service
On Newstalk ZB 1035AM at _____

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
 Some bush marks possible
 Some damage to sills & corners possible
 Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
 Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
 Average drivers
 Experienced drivers

Dry Wet

Pets:

- No
 Yes
 Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
 SWB only

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
 Recovery stop, Shovel
 First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
 Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
 Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
 Any tyres suitable
 Mud tyres preferable
 Good mud tyres essential
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Notes: * We will be part of the Wellington Regional council summer program, taking passengers in our vehicles up to the top of the hill for the sunset. **Volunteers please contact Ron for details.**

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Name: The Steep Loop

Venue: Akatarawa Forest Category: Hard Yakka

Trip Leader: Roger Seymour Phone: 04-586-2518 Callsign: K 110

Bookings Required: No Yes Book with Trip Leader before: 23/01/2002

Limited Numbers: No Yes _____

Trip Meeting Point

Maungakotukutuku Gate

Meeting Time Date: Sat 26th Jan 2002 Time: 9:00

Drivers Briefing Date: Sat 26th Jan 2002 Time: 9:15

Trip Departure Date: Sat 26th Jan 2002 Time: 9:30

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____ Time: _____

Expected Finishing Point

Maungakotukutuku Gate

Date: Sat 26th Jan 2002 Time: 16:30

Fuel required for: 1 Kms / Days Fuel available at: _____

Food required for: 1 Days Food available at: _____

Drinks required for: 1 Days Drinks available at: _____

Land Access Fee: \$15.00 Per vehicle/day Camp Fee: Nil Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
- Light rain/wind ok
- Rain, hail or snow "We go"
- Subject to landowners discretion
- Listen to radio cancellation service on Newstalk ZB 1035AM at: _____

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
 - Average drivers
 - Experienced drivers
- Dry Wet

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only
- Club Radio Required

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery strop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
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- Any tyres suitable
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Notes:

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.



Trip Information Sheet

Trip Name: Training Module #1 plus Trip

Venue: Akatarawa Forest **Category:** Training

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Leader: Andy Cockroft **Phone:** 04-972 5558 **Callsign:** K26

Bookings Required: No Yes **Book with Trip Leader before:** _____

Limited Numbers: No Yes

Trip Meeting Point

Totara Park Bridge

Meeting Time **Date:** Sat 9 Feb 2002 **Time:** 9:30 am

Drivers Briefing **Date:** Sat 9 Feb 2002 **Time:** 9:45 am

Trip Departure **Date:** Sat 9 Feb 2002 **Time:** 10:00am

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____ **Time:** _____

Expected Finishing Point

Totara Park Bridge or Bulls Run/Moonshine Road

Date: Sat 9 Feb 2002 **Time:** 4:00 pm

Fuel required for: 1 / Days **Fuel available at:** Upper Hutt

Food required for: 1 Days **Food available at:** Upper Hutt

Drinks required for: 1 Days **Drinks available at:** Upper Hutt

Land Access Fee: \$15.00 Per vehicle/day **Camp Fee:** Nil Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
- Light rain/wind ok
- Rain, hail or snow "We go"
- Subject to landowners discretion
- Listen to radio cancellation service on Newstalk ZB 1035AM at: 08:30, 09:00, 09:30 10:00

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
- Average drivers
- Experienced drivers

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only

Dry Wet

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery strop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
- Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
- Any tyres suitable
- Mud tyres preferable
- Good mud tyres essential
- Winch required
- Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

- | Mostly | Some | Optional |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Clay or mud |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Rocky or river boulders |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Creeks, small rivers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Deep rivers, water holes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Deep mud holes |
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Notes:

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Trip Information Sheet



Trip Name: **Whitemans' Wander**

Venue: **Whitemans' Valley** **Category:** Club 4x4

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Leader: Antony Royal **Phone:** 04-238 4589 **Callsign:** K94

Bookings Required: No Yes **Book with Trip Leader before:** _____

Limited Numbers: No Yes

Trip Meeting Point

615 Whitemans Valley Rd

Meeting Time Date: Sunday 10th Feb 2002 Time: 9:30
Drivers Briefing Date: Sunday 10th Feb 2002 Time: 9:45
Trip Departure Date: Sunday 10th Feb 2002 Time: 10:00

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____ Time: _____

Expected Finishing Point

Date: Sunday 10th Feb 2002 Time: 4:30 approx

Fuel required for: 1 Kms / Days **Fuel available at:** Silverstream

Food required for: 1 Days **Food available at:** Silverstream

Drinks required for: 1 Days **Drinks available at:** Silverstream

Land Access Fee: \$10.00 Per vehicle/day **Camp Fee:** Nil Per person/tent/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
 - Light rain/wind ok
 - Rain, hail or snow "We go"
 - Subject to landowners discretion
 - Listen to radio cancellation service
- On Newstalk ZB 1035AM at 7:30

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
- Average drivers
- Experienced drivers

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only

Dry Wet

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery strop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
- Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
- Any tyres suitable
- Mud tyres preferable
- Good mud tyres essential
- Winch required
- Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

- | Mostly | Some | Optional |
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Notes: The property is in the middle of Whitemans Valley so you can approach it from either end.

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Trip Information Sheet

Trip Name: **GENTLE ANNIE FAMILY TRIP**

Venue: **Ohinewairua Station, Taipahe** Category: **Shiny 4x4**

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Trip Leader: John Vruink

Phone: 04-567 1142
025-439 981

Callsign: K37

Bookings Required: No Yes

Book with Trip Leader before: 21 Feb 02

Limited Numbers: No Yes 20

Trip Meeting Point

Ohinewairua Station, Taihape

Meeting Time

Date: Fri 22 Feb 2002

Time: 08:30

Drivers Briefing

Date: Fri 22 Feb 2002

Time: 08:45

Trip Departure

Date: Fri 22 Feb 2002

Time: 09:00

Alternative Meeting Point

Date: _____

Time: _____

Expected Finishing Point

Ohinewairua Station, Taihape

Date: Sun 24 Feb 2002

Time: 15:00-16:00

Fuel required for: 250/2 Kms / Days

Kms / Days

Fuel available at: Taihape

Taihape

Food required for: 2 Days

Days

Food available at: Taihape

Taihape

Drinks required for: 2 Days

Days

Drinks available at: Taihape

Taihape

Land Access Fee: \$10.00 Per vehicle/day Camp Fee: \$5 Per person/night

Weather restrictions:

- Dry day only
 - Light rain/wind ok
 - Rain, hail or snow "We go"
 - Subject to landowners discretion
 - Listen to radio cancellation service
- On Newstalk ZB 1035AM at _____

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

- No damage likely
- Some bush marks possible
- Some damage to sills & corners possible
- Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
- Body damage from rocky/dirt banks expected

Trip suitable for:

- Novice drivers
- Average drivers
- Experienced drivers

Dry Wet

Pets:

- No
- Yes
- Only if kept in vehicle

Vehicle type:

- Any vehicle
- SWB only

Vehicle requirements:

- Tow hooks, front & rear
- Recovery strop, Shovel
- First aid kit, Fire extinguisher
- Roll bar / cage for soft/open tops
- Roll bar / cage for all vehicles
- Any tyres suitable
- Mud tyres preferable
- Good mud tyres essential
- Winch required
- Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Average ascents/descents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> Steep ascents/descents |

Notes: Limited accommodation (35 beds), first booked gets the beds. Plenty of space for tents.
Map of location available Club Night or phone Trip Leader.

Trip Database

From: 1/12/2001 To: 31/5/2002

Trip Start Date	Days	Trip Name	Trip Category	Trip Place	Trip Leader	Status	Trip Notes	Trip ID
Sat 01/12/01	1	South Coast Clean-Up & BBQ	All	Red Rocks & South Coast	Tony Brown	H	Help develop managed access by helping with CCVC's voluntary clean-up day.	600
Sat 01/12/01	1	South Coast WCC Site Visit	All	Red Rocks & South Coast	Grant Purdie	H	Identify sensitive areas and plan work to protect.	639
Sun 02/12/01	1	Kids' Christmas Party	Special	Rallywoods	John Vruink	H	See details in November Newsletter. Rain-off date is 9 Dec.	614
Tue 04/12/01	1	Land Access Committee Meetings	Meetings	Purdie Residence	Grant Purdie	A	Postponed.	509
Sat 08/12/01	1	Novice & Co-Pilots' Day	Gymkhana	Humes Farm	Lynn Philip	A	Postponed due to wet weather making tracks too dangerous.	482
Sun 09/12/01	1	Training Module 4 & Trip	Training	Cannon Point, Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C		492
Sun 09/12/01	1	South Coast Surfcasting Trip	Family Shiny	Wellington South Coast	Neil Blackie	C	Limited numbers, bookings required. Subject to weather.	525
Tue 11/12/01	1	ARAC	Meetings			C		517
Wed 12/12/01	1	Club Night	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	C		498
Sat 15/12/01	1	Wairarapa Surprise	Shiny 4X4	Wairarapa	Grant Purdie	C	Guests of Wairarapa Club. Bookings required.	589
Sun 16/12/01	1	Ladies' Training #2	Training	Cannon Point, Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C	Ladies only, no human handbrakes.	581
Thu 20/12/01	1	Safety & MSNZ Cmtee	Meetings	Purdie Residence	Grant Purdie	C		515
Thu 27/12/01	7	Battle Hill Camp & Trips	Special	Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C	ARAC-sponsored week, with clubs throughout the region invited. Full details elsewhere in newsletter & on web site.	562
Sat 05/01/02	1	Family Tour	Family Shiny	Long Gully, Red Rocks	Mark Wilson	C		621

Trip Start Date	Days	Trip Name	Trip Category	Trip Place	Trip Leader	Status	Trip Notes	Trip ID
Sat 12/01/02	9	West Coast Wander	Not CCVC	South Island	Shaun Pollard	P	Shaun is our coordinator. Buller club is running it - contact Shaun for details and to book.	462
Sun 13/01/02	1	Odlin's Side Track	Club 4X4	Odlin's Road	Marcus Steeneken	C	Can we get closer to that picnic spot?	622
Sat 19/01/02	1	WRC Sunset Tour	Shiny 4X4	Battle Hill	-tba-	C	Our turn to help Battle Hill, please provide seats for passengers on the evening trip up to Puketiro Road, and a bit further this time.	598
Sat 26/01/02	1	The Steep Loop	Hard Yakka	Akatarawa North	Roger Seymour	C		623
Wed 30/01/02	1	Committee Meeting	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	C		542
Sat 09/02/02	1	Training Module 1 plus Trip	Training	Cannon's Point, Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C		624
Sun 10/02/02	1	Whiteman's Valley Family Trip	Club 4X4	Whiteman's Valley	Antony Royal	C		620
Wed 13/02/02	1	Club Night	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	C		585
Sat 16/02/02	1	Night Drive & BBQ	Family Shiny	-tba-	-tba-	P		583
Sat 16/02/02	1	Night Drive & BBQ	Shiny 4X4	-tba-	-tba-	P		629
Thu 21/02/02	1	Safety & Motorsport Committee	Meetings	Purdie Residence	Grant Purdie	C		587
Fri 22/02/02	3	Gentle Annie Family Trip	Shiny 4X4	Taihape	John Vruink	C	Bookings required. Max 20 vehicles. Accommodation - first in first served.	619
Sat 23/02/02	1	Down & Up in the Dark	Hard Yakka	Akatarawa Forest North	-tba-	P		630
Sun 24/02/02	1	Club Champs Round 4	Club Champs	-tba-	Ian Hendra	P		591
Wed 27/02/02	1	Committee Meeting	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	P		588
Tue 05/03/02	1	LAM Committee	Meetings		Grant Purdie	P		597

Trip Start Date	Days	Trip Name	Trip Category	Trip Place	Trip Leader	Status	Trip Notes	Trip ID
Sat 09/03/02	1	Training Module 2 plus Trip	Training	Cannon's Point, Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C		625
Wed 13/03/02	1	Club Night	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	C		606
Sat 16/03/02	1	South Coast Clean-Up	All	Red Rocks & South Coast	-Iba-	P	Help develop managed access by helping with CCVC's voluntary clean-up day.	601
Sun 17/03/02	1	Family Day	Family Shiny	-Iba-	-Iba-	T		631
Mon 18/03/02	1	Trip Leaders' Forum	Special	Petone Working Mens Club 7:30 pm	Grant Purdie	P	Trip Leaders only - please book with Grant.	568
Wed 27/03/02	1	Committee Meeting	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	P		618
Fri 29/03/02	5	Te Kumi Easter Trip	All	East Cape	Andy Cockroft	T	Via Motu this time.	563
Fri 29/03/02	5	Easter at Foxton	All	Foxton Beach		C		607
Sat 06/04/02	1	Training Module 3 plus Trip	Training	Cannon's Point, Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C		626
Wed 10/04/02	1	Club Night	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	C		636
Wed 24/04/02	1	Committee Meeting	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	P		633
Sat 04/05/02	1	Training Module 4 plus Trip	Training	Cannon's Point, Akatarawa Forest	Andy Cockroft	C		627
Wed 08/05/02	1	Club Night	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	C		637
Wed 29/05/02	1	Committee Meeting	Meetings	Petone Working Mens Club	Andy Cockroft	P		634

Xmas in The Park – 2001/2002

Trip Summaries

Thursday 27 December

Long Trip, Long Day

A Family Shiny trip exploring all the major tracks throughout the Akatarawa Forest. A gentle start to the Xmas in the Park festivities.

Otaki Scramble

The Tararua Club's hard yakka up the Otaki River. Departs early, and Tararua are renowned for a punctual departure. Limited to 20 vehicles, so be in early to register

Friday 28 December

Orongorongo Coast

A gentle stroll along the South and East Coast around to the Wairarapa. This Family Shiny trip can get you around to the Wairarapa for you to set off and do some more exploration, or return via Orongorongo Station for a round trip

Exercise Yer Winch

This is a Club 4x4 for those looking for some winching practice. Unless you have unlimited horsepower and 36" tyres, it's almost guaranteed that you'll need a winch or a quick pull. If you don't have a winch of your own, make sure you team up with someone who has.

Steep Down & Up

If you've never been on a trip with Colin Landy, then let me just say that Hard Yakka doesn't even begin to describe it! Visit some of the hairiest places in the Akatarawa Forest in a no-holds-barred big-boys exploit... You have been warned!

Saturday 29 December

Hayward's Meander

Valley Club host this gentle cruise for Family Shiny trucks along some wonderful private blocks to the South and East of Battie Hill. Promises to be a really terrific day.

Terawhiti & Red Rocks

Billed as a Shiny 4x4, this will still be hard going around the Wellington South Coast. Windy City Offroaders are the hosts to guide you around past the seal colonies and out into some of the most beautiful and rugged terrain around.

Gymkhana

An opportunity for the mud fanatics to try their hands at a reasonably serious competition. This Club 4x4 event is a one-off aimed to test you and your vehicle. Maximum 20 entries, so be in quick.

Otaki Scramble part Deux

The Tararua Club's re-run of their hard yakka up the Otaki River. Don't forget, departs early, and Tararua are renowned for a punctual departure. Limited to 20 vehicles, so again, be in early to register

Sunday 30 December

Family Trek

Featherston Family 4WD Club host a Family Shiny trip exploring the Valley View and Hukinga Forests. Low key, high value trip with plenty of stops for photos and fostingking.

North Range Road

A long-distance away trip to the Manawatu visiting the unpredictable North Range Road, and perhaps Takapari Road. This is a Shiny 4x4 trip, with lost of road miles to get there, but well worth it nonetheless.

The Boggy Downhill

A Club 4x4 onto the infamous 24 hour track. Taking the downhill route can take anything from 2 to 20 hours. When we get back is anybody's guess, but this is an unforgettable challenge to even the biggest truck. Winches are a must, if you don't have one, at least team up with someone who has!

Triple Treat

Another extreme hard yakka led by Colin Landy, exploring three favourite spots within the forest.

Monday 31 December

Terawhiti Station

A Family Shiny cruise exploring the largest Station in the Greater Wellington area. Visit disused goldmines (weather depending) and explore Wellington's rugged south coast from the easy side.

Hukinga Hang-ups

Looking around the Hukinga Forest for all those difficult to get to places, a Shiny 4x4 day that should be lots of fun.

Three Steps to Heaven

A surprise tour for those now familiar with Colin Landy's style of extreme adventure. This is billed as a combined Club 4x4 and Hard Yakka – I know which I think it'll turn out to be!

New Year's Eve Celebrations

Starts from 18:00 till well after midnight. Join us in the marquees for food and drinks (sorry BYO). A barbeque will be on hand if needed.

Tuesday 1 January

Short Day's Family Trip

A late start for all those revelers suffering from the previous night's excesses. A gentle family trip exploring the central high-points of the Forest.

Half Day Winch Trip

Running the "Exercise Yer Winch" trip in reverse should be lots easier, but don't underestimate the start of this one. A Club 4x4 trip for those still hung-over, just to get the circulation going again.

Wed 2 January

Ron's Ramble

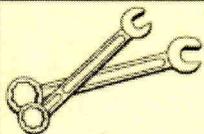
No-one has any idea where this trip is heading, least of all the trip leader, Ron. The last day winds up for the Family Shiny devotees with a recap of some of the magical places you've discovered during your stay with us. Requests to revisit parts of the forest will be welcomed.

Trees & Mud

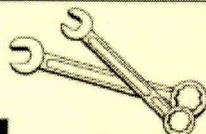
As the name implies, lots of trees and lots of mud exploring a set of newly-opened tracks through Puketiro Forest. A Club 4x4 with the emphasis on 4x4.

Colin's Capers

The final of Colin's Extreme Yakka trips. No idea where, why or how, all Colin will say, is "Don't expect to get home early"!



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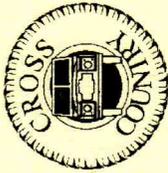
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