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THE PRESIDENTS PIECE

And here we are the end of the year! Where did it go?

I hope you can make it along to the December Christmas Club night. There will be a Buffet Christmas meal before club night replacing the standard dinner options. Please ensure you book if you are coming and let us know if you can no longer make it so we can update the numbers.

For club night we are having some movies and there are plenty of door prizes for those that get a ticket. Larger prizes have been kindly donated by Epuni Motors and Repco. There will also be plenty of smaller items such as car stickers, club clothing and books to win.

We held the first Christmas camp at Rallywoods last weekend. It was something that the club did on a regular basis when members of the club first purchased Rallywoods in the 70s. The idea of camping at Rallywoods has been on the cards for a few years. We couldn't book the green hut but Terry kindly offered the use of his lawn. Thank you for your hospitality Terry! There is talk of booking Rallywoods for next Christmas and talk of bringing back some of the activities that were done during the camps. So watch this space. We will give plenty of notice next year.

We have 3 new trip leaders in training so hopefully this will mean more trips. We also have a few committee members looking into access to a few other tracks and the possibility of a trial trip to some new land near Akiko in the New Year. This is a place that the club used to visit on a regular basis so will be good to be able to get access to a far in that area as a base.

Also the Magazine is a bit light this month due to lack of stories. If you have been on a trip please put down one or two words (it doesn't have to be much) and a whole bunch of photos and send it through to me. We are making the process of uploading photos and stories easier, this should be rolled out in the new year with a club google drive being set up. So watch this space.

Stay safe and enjoy the holidays!

Miss Muddy Penne
CCVC President



PRE-CLUB NIGHT CHRISTMAS DINNER - Wednesday 13th Dec

Come along before the December Club night for a Christmas Dinner.

Book through Wild Apricot and pay on the night.



Christmas

Buffet Menu Two

Salads
Tossed, Coleslaw, Beetroot

Mains
Hot or Cold Ham off the bone
Roast Chicken
Roast Pork with Apple Sauce
New & Roasted Potatoes
Seasonal Vegetables
Vegetarian Options

Desserts
Meringues with Fresh Cream
Fresh Fruit Platter
Christmas Cake

\$40 per person



SOME OF THE CLUBNIGHT PRIZES



CLUB CLOTHING

Mike Oliver is now in charge of club clothing. There will be samples available to view on club night. Watch this space for new items.

Cap Navy/White	\$18
Beanie Navy 3059	\$18
Hoodie - Pullover Navy - Unisex	\$67
Hoodie - Zip Front Navy - Unisex	\$76
Soft Shell Jacket Black Mens & Womens Sizes	\$110
Dri Gear Polo Shirt Navy/White Mens & Womens Sizes	\$55.50
Crew Neck Cotton T- Shirt Navy - Mens & Womens sizes	\$20
Oilskin Jacket Mens Only Size	\$172.50
Oilskin Vest Mens Only Size	\$149.50
Wool Jumper Mens Only Size	\$124

<http://www.cvc.org.nz/Club-clothing>

Clothing Delivery.

The preferred method for clothing delivery is to have the products shipped to you by courier directly from the embroiders. There is a charge of \$11.50 for this (built into the system) however it means that you will receive the products within a day or so of them being produced by the embroiders.

There is also an option to pick up the goods at (say) club night however, the clubs preference is to have them forwarded directly to you.

Payment for Goods.

Payment for the goods is currently set for "online only" allowing you to use your credit card (or Paypal account) and the funds will be automatically credited to the Clubs Paypal account.

Other payment methods are not currently available through the website however, if you need to make payment using another method, please discuss the issue with the Store Manager Mike Oliver

CENTRAL ZONE CLUB TRUCK CHALLENGE

Central Zone Club Truck 4x4 Challenge 2023/24 Round 2

hosted by the Wellington Jeep Club

Judd's Farm, Haywards Hill
18 February 2024



Enter this skill-based event in your warranted and registered 4wd vehicle. Drivers must be NZFWDA members and wear a helmet.
Entry fee is \$30 per driver.

Meet at Britton's House Movers on corner of Haywards Road, (SH 58) and Harris Rd.

Sorry no onsite camping, we are using a new site with tight access.

This is a working farm please don't bring any dogs.

You will need to be at Britton's Yard by 9.30am, where trailers will be left.



Questions or entry to agee@xtra.co.nz



TRIP CATEGORIES - A REMINDER OF WHATS CALLED WHAT

Below are the categories as they will be going forward. Note: Regarding attendee requirements if you have been doing Shiny 4x4 trips under the old rating then you are able to attend Scratchy 4x4 class trips.

The Trip Categories are now:

Touring Class (Scenic/social/touring)

Novice drivers, with little or no four wheel driving experience being needed.
Easy driving on sealed and unsealed roads, no rough tracks but vehicles should have reasonable ground clearance.
Vehicles must be AWD or 4WD
Can have road or all terrain tyres.
No equipment or vehicle modifications required.
No damage expected.

Family Shiny (4WD introduction)

Novice drivers, with little or no four wheel driving experience being needed.
Farm/Forestry tracks with some medium ascents/descents, sand driving etc.
Vehicles must be a 4WD (not car, van or station wagon) with a low ratio gearbox and be suitable for "off road" driving.
Road or all terrain tyres (unless specified otherwise by the Trip Leader for that particular trip).
No equipment or vehicle modifications required.
Possibility of light scratches.

For all the following levels the below applies:

CCVC Members must have completed the CCVC training and all vehicles must have a current CCVC inspection sticker.

If not a CCVC member, must be a member of another recognised NZFWDA affiliated club.

Must meet any specific vehicle requirements and be judged as being capable to participate in the level of the trip by the trip leader whose decision in this regard is final and non-contestable.

4. If planning to bring a vehicle that is not road legal you must discuss this with the trip leader to ensure there will not be any "legal" roads on the trip.



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MUD, SWEAT & CHEERS



Barry got the GUMBOOT award for trying to break into my car. - he thought was his car!



Scott got the Orange Roughy Award for breaking 2 x CVs on the McKenzie Trail.

Ad surprise Surprise Double D got the BS award because he couldn't get his story straight



TRIP CATEGORIES - Continued

Standard 4x4 (First level "Member Only" trip).

Drivers with some 4 wheel driving experience.

Off road tracks, some steeper terrain, rutted tracks and deeper mud.

Aggressive "All Terrain" or "Mud" tyres required with differential breathers and snorkels recommended as is some protection such as bull bar, steel side steps and underbody protection. recom-

Winches are not necessary on all vehicles but this will be at the Trip Leaders discretion depending
on weather and track conditions.

Some scratching is likely as is a chance of minor damage.

Scratchy 4x4 (2nd level tougher "Member Only" Trip)

Drivers must have participated in at least two (2) "Standard 4x4 trips and have moderate to sound 4 wheel driving experience.

Steeper terrain with slippery driving conditions, very rutted tracks, close obstacles to manoeuvre around and deep mud.

Recovery is likely to be required.

Vehicles should have higher ground clearance, extended differential and transmission breathers, snorkel, bull bar, steel side steps with underbody protection. Lockers or Traction Control and winch are recommended.

Larger and /or more aggressive tyres may be required.

The Trip Leader will list any specific requirements in the description of the trip.

Scratching and some vehicle damage possible.

Club 4x4 (Designed for "Tougher" trucks")

Drivers must have participated in at least two (2) "Scratchy 4x4" trips and are confident and experienced in all aspects of 4 wheel driving.

Rough tracks, muddy, steep and slippery terrain, rocks, deep water.

Winch recovery is likely.

Vehicles will need higher ground clearance, extended differential and transmission breathers, snorkel, bull bar, steel side steps with underbody protection, lockers and winch.

Larger and /or more aggressive tyres than used in previous categories will be required.

The Trip Leader will list any specific requirements in the description of the trip.

Vehicle damage is probable.

Hard Yakka (The most difficult trip category)

Drivers must have participated in at least two (2) "Club 4x4" trips and be very experienced drivers able to handle self recovery and the harshest of conditions where anything may arise.

Very steep, deeply rutted tracks, bottomless mud bogs and rock hopping will be encountered.

Heavily modified vehicle which will usually need 35" or larger aggressive mud terrain or Symex style tyres, lockers, winch, full bar work and roll protection.

The Trip Leader will list any specific requirements in the description of the trip.

Vehicle damage is likely.



DECEMBER 2023 TRIPS & EVENTS:

To book for trips now go to <http://www.cvc.org.nz/Public-Trip-Calendar>

Wednesday 13th PRE CLUB NIGHT CHRISTMAS DINNER

Wednesday 13th CCVC CLUB NIGHT

NAENAE BOWLING CLUB
5 Vogel Street, Lower Hutt

All Welcome
Penne Durdle

Saturday 16th SCRATCHY 4x4

WAIOHINE GEORGE

Dave DeMartin (aka DD) is keen to run trips every weekend but is struggling to find people who want to join him. He typically runs Shiny 4x4 trips but will look at running tougher trips in the future. Speak to him at club night if you want to get out. He is happy to tailor trips to club members experience level.

For more events refer to our
Website www.cvc.org.nz or our

Facebook page www.facebook.com/wellingtoncvc
www.facebook.com/group/wellingtoncvcmembers

JANUARY 2024 TRIPS & EVENTS

Saturday 13th STANDARD 4x4
ORONGORONGO MEMBERS ONLY

Sunday 14th FAMILY SHINY

AKATAWARAS
Monthly Trip - All welcome

Sunday 21st TOURING

STONEHENGE weekend trip

Saturday 27th FAMILY SHINY

ORONGORONGOs
Monthly Trip - All welcome

NOTE THERE IS NO CLUB NIGHT IN JANUARY!

Saturday 3rd—11th February

AWAY TOURING TRIP

Keep an eye on the website as new trips are being added all the time.

Keen to be a trip leader so we can run more trips? Talk to one of our current trip leaders about how to be one.

UPCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS

Friday 19th Jan - Monday 22nd Jan 2024
MANAWATU 4WD CLUB CHARITY SAFARI 2024

Hosted by the Manawatu 4WD Club over Wellington Anniversary weekend.

Tag a long trip suitable for all 4wd vehicles with a transfer box. We will once again be taking on the steep spectacular tracks around Ngamatapouri in the upper reaches of the Waitotara valley (the longest no exit road in New Zealand). Camping once again will be on the sports field.

More details will come in due course, but for now keep the weekend free and we will update as details come to hand.



CCVC LIFE MEMBERS

Tom Adams
Leith Bean
Stuart Brown
Andi Cockroft
Mike Gall
John Hughes
Heather Jeffery
Steve Lacey
Colin Landy
Phil Lewton
Bruce Mulhare
Raynor Mulhare
Peter Osborne
Ross Perkins
Grant Purdie
Neil Blackie
Ralph Dobson
Alan Donaldson
Ian Hutchings
Barry Insull
John Parfit
John Vruink
Mark Wolstenholme

ROLL OF HONOR

The Roll of honour celebrates life members of the club who have passed away.

Bob Jeffery
George Bean
Peter Boniface
Ron Oliver
Vern Lill
Steve O'Callaghan
Ron Wadham
Owen Farqhar
Ron Johnson
Graham Barr
Tony Street

CLUB OFFICERS

President	Penne Durdle
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Club Captain	Frank Allan
Secretary	Shaun Ross

GENERAL COMMITTEE

Competition Officer	Ralph Dobson
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Entertainment Officer	
Central Zone Delegate	John Vruink
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CLUB NOTICES

CLUB MEMBERS ONLY CLOSED FACEBOOK PAGE

Some members have found the link broken. This will be because the email the CCVC has for you is different from your Facebook email. If you want to join then just send your Facebook email to:

missmuddypenne@gmail.com

Club members are using it as a way to share photos of trips—I know not everyone uses Facebook but if you do and haven't managed to sign up it's a good way to see what other members are up to.

CLUB ASSETS

The Club has purchased various assets over the years, mainly for use on Club events or to facilitate the smooth running of the Club. At the discretion of the Committee these assets may be borrowed by Club members for non-club purposes. An approach for use should be made to the Clubs Asset Manager, Duncan Grocott, <mailto:assets@ccvc.org.nz>

The main assets are:

Marquee
Water pump/blaster (useful for cleaning trucks)
Six handheld radio's on club frequencies (used on training days)
Portable gas BBQ

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to the following new/returning members:

Brian Aoake
Jay Logan
Peter de Joux
David Calcinai
Henare Royal
Shona McNeillage

Please make them all feel welcome

WANT TO PLAY A BIGGER PART IN THE CLUB?

Think of joining the committee or training to become a trip leader. If you think you would like to have a more of a role in the club speak to one of the committee members to see how you can help.



TRAINING:

Training takes place on every trip and Trip Leaders will try to provide support and instruction (as appropriate) to prospective and new members attending each trip.

This may be done either by the trip leader or by having an experienced Club Member take the individual "under their wing" (so to speak) for the period of the trip.

Training events for specific aspects of 4WD'ing will be organised by the Club from time to time.

As from the effective date of this document, attendance at a Club driver training event will no longer be a prerequisite to joining the club.

Members will be required to have attended a Club training event, as determined by the Club from time to time, prior to being able to participate in any trip with a category of "Shiny 4x4" or above.

VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

Safety is paramount in everything the club does and to this end the Club has a vehicle inspection regime where members vehicles are inspected by appointed CCVC Vehicle Inspectors to ensure that the vehicles meet the specific requirements as set out in the various Club documents (e.g. CCVC-SAFETY-0002 Minimum Standards for Tow Hook Mounting).

A vehicle inspection sticker is valid for two (2) years from the date of issue. CCVC requires that all CCVC Members vehicles participating in any trip category other than Touring Class trips have a current CCVC Vehicle Inspection sticker. Members vehicles not having a current sticker displayed cannot participate in trips/events.

The Trip Leader/Event Organiser has no discretion in this regard except: Exemption to the Inspection Sticker rule above may be given for trips where the nature of the trip involves minimal or no off road driving and a CCVC certified vehicle is not really required in order to participate in the trip (e.g. Trips/events that have been given a "Shiny 4x4" category in order to exclude non members).

As from the effective date of this document, having a vehicle inspected and obtaining a vehicle inspection sticker for the vehicle will no longer be a prerequisite to joining the Club. Members and prospective members can judge for themselves which trips are appropriate for them however the Trip Leader has the final say as to whether a person or vehicle can participate in any trip or event.

It is recommended that novices on Family Shiny trips and Members new to the Shiny 4x4 category make themselves known to the Trip Leader so they can be allocated a "buddy" to guide and assist them during the trip.

VEHICLE INSPECTORS

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NB: Please remember to call and make an appointment before turning up for an inspection!



MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTIONS

This is your magazine so it can only be as good as the contributions you make!!

We need any articles, trip reports, photos, puzzles, technical items, "How-to's", etc. these are to be in the hands of the editor by the end of each

calendar month.

Please email to

missmuddypenne@gmail.com

DISCLAIMER: The opinions expressed in this magazine are those of the contributors and not necessarily those of the club, it's executive or committee members. Publication of maintenance techniques or mechanical modifications should be weighed against generally accepted procedures and the Club should not be considered an authority in this area.

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CCVC CLUB MEMBERS PHOTOS & VIDEOS

We are always keen to share club member's trip photos and videos at club night, in the club magazine and on our Facebook page

Here are some simple guidelines to make it easy for everyone:

- Pick your best 6 to 10 photos
- Save the images as a jpg
- Please resized to 1920 x 1080 pixels (or use a lower resolution on your camera)
- Please don't put the photos on a website in an email or in a pdf file as it makes it hard to extract the images.

We are always looking for 4WD related video clips, PowerPoint presentations, YouTube listings, etc. that can be shown on club night – we have the technology!

CLUB NIGHT CONTENT:

Vicki needs all material by 7.00pm on the Friday night prior to Club night to allow sufficient time to prepare the data show. If you have any questions please contact Vicki

Please Email them to photos@ccvc.org.nz – most email systems have a limit of 10MB so use an online service like files.fm or put them on USB key or use the CCVC google drive.

Contact details: Vicki Teulon at teulonv@gmail.com

MAGAZINE & SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT:

Penne needs trip reports, photos and any other content by the 1st of each month to allow sufficient time to put them into the magazine. Thanks to those who contributed content to this months magazine. The best format is as a word document in Arial Narrow 10.

Please email missmuddypenne@gmail.com. Or upload to the CCVC google drive.

CLUB RADIO CALL SIGNS

The Club uses a series of radio call signs in the Kxxx series to meet our licence requirements. Once you get on a trip you soon know what call sign is tail end charlie etc for the day. But basically if you don't yet have a Call Sign you are not authorised to use the Club radio licence.

Call signs are available to financial members on request to database@ccvc.org.nz

So if you have purchased a suitable radio for CCVC use, make sure you get a call sign allocated



