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Cover Photo: Taken at this year's Deadwood.



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Editorial Ramblings

Hi there

Lots to read in this months mag— especially the article about the new club radios and the plans to implement them.

Also please note that there is to be some discussion about the 60k project at the next club night so come along and see what's what.

Alan...

December Interclub trip

Dates to be advised, hosted by the Manawatu 4WD Club with all central zone members invited. Please contact Ralph (email nzfwdadelegate@ccvc.org.nz) for more details and bookings. NZFWDA Central Zone are contributing some monies to minimize costs to participants.

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Phil Lewton
Raynor Mulhare
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Position	Name	Home Phone	Work Phone	Cellphone	Email
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Club Captain					

General Committee Members

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Land Access					
New Members					
Newsletter					
Publicity					
Safety Officer					
Trip Coordinator					

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Position	Name	Home Phone	Work Phone	Cellphone	Email
Assets					
Club Night Photo's					
Help desk					
Membership Database					
Track Maintenance					
Trophies					
Webmaster					
Welfare					

The club meets at 7:30pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month
at the Petone Working Mans Club, Udy Street, Petone.

MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTIONS

This is your magazine so it can only be as good as the contributions you make!! We need any articles, trip reports, technical items, "How-to's", etc to be in the hands of the editor by the end of each calendar month. Please post to 34a Hine Rd Wainuiomata, fax to 04 914 8366 or email to newsletter@ccvc.org.nz

SAFETY POLICY

Should any members fail to return from any outing, four wheel drive or otherwise, whether as a club member or as a private individual, the following person/s should be contacted in the first instance:

Rodney Bracefield - 234 8887 (Hm), 577 8033 (Wk) or 027 548 8808
Jim Johnson - 938 9404 (Hm) or 021 389 404 **Gavin Holden - 0274 249 1959**

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

For Sale

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Upcoming Events

Nov 15-16: 7th Annual Ahuroa Volunteer Fire Station Fun Run. Presented by the Rodney Off-Road Club, 1 1/2 days of good 4wheeling, limited to 60 vehicles with challenging stuff for those that want it. For more info contact Nigel England on 021 743 869 or Brent White on 09 423 9244, 027 430 8065 or b.j.white@xtra.co.nz by Oct 30th.

Nov 23: North Shore Swapmeet. North Shore & Norwest 4x4 Clubs combined swapmeet to be held at Beaufort, off Paul Matthews drive, Albany from 9.00am.

Nov 23: Awatere Valley Family Fun Run. Traversing Arapiri, Mt Cormael & Stronsky Stations it's a day trip onto high country stations not normally open to the public. Low range and min of AT tyres, BBQ lunch available for \$10/\$5. Cost is \$30 with proceeds going to help fund defibrillators. Contact alan@versatileblenheim.co.nz

Dec 07: National Trials. Round 3, Thames

Dec 05-14: Rain Forest Challenge. Terengganu state, Malaysia www.rainforest-challenge.com

Jan 18-24, 2008: Kauri Coast Safari. Advance warning, contact Michelle Griffiths on 09 439 0221, email kauricoast4wdclub@yahoo.co.nz or visit www.kauricoast4wdclub.co.nz

Jan 25, 2009: National Trials. Round 4, EBTBC

Feb 22, 2009: National Trials. Round 5, Shore 4 Wheelers

Feb 06-08, 2009: Waikaia Biannual 4x4 Event. The ultimate high country experience in Southland. Contact waiakaia4x4@yahoo.com or PO Box 7, Waikaia 9745, Southland.

Feb 06-08, 2009: Jeep Jamboree. The 2009 Jeep Jamboree, held in Taupo. Registrations are limited, see www.jeep.co.nz for details.

Feb 27-29, 2009: Mata School 4WD Trip. For further details contact Kitrina Turnbull 06 864 7007 or Grant Brew 06 867 0222.

Mar 06-08, 2009: Hereworth Rangeland 4WD Trek. Location under the Ruahines, numbers limited to 120 vehicles and there are bookings in already. Contact Mark Warren, Hillseekers 4WD or drop an email to hillseekers@xtra.co.nz

Feb 07-08, 2009: Papanui Junction Hall & School 4WD Trek. Two days on high country stations. For more details & entry forms please drop an email to papanuijunctionschool@xtra.co.nz

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

Tramlines of the Akatarawa Forest - Karapoti Tram

A Tramway line was used to bring timber out from the upper reaches of the West Arm of the Akatarawa River (probably into as far as what we know as the Hukinga) to a sawmill sited at Karapoti on the Akatarawa Road.

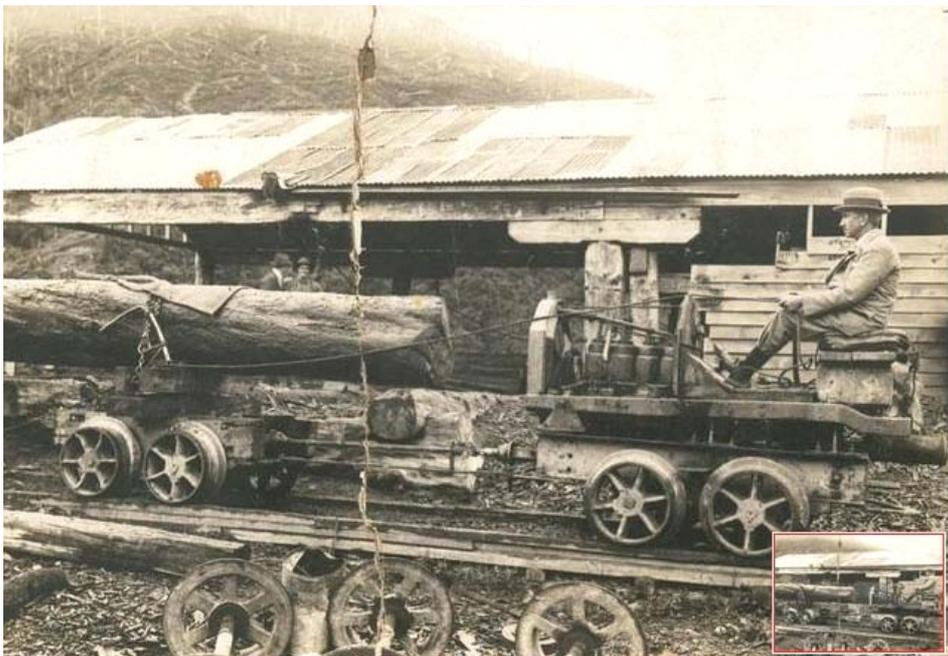


It was some seven to eight kilometres long and the existing access road up the Karapoti gorge is constructed along the old right of way. There is nothing left at all to suggest that a railway ever existed here other than the easy grading and curvature of the road.

This photograph (left) shows a log being transported on rails in bush, somewhere between Campbell's Mill, Karapoti and the Hukinga.

Prices Flat is probably named for sawmiller C.T. (Thomas) Price who sold his mill at Hikunga to George Campbell in 1916. George was joined by his brothers Jack and Bob in 1920. Hikunga Road also called Campbell Mill Road is now Karapoti Road west off Akatarawa Road 11km north of Upper Hutt

This photograph (right) shows a tractor on a track at Campbell's Sawmill, Karapoti. The driver is formally dressed and in position on the seat, so it is likely posed. The photograph shows part of mill building and hill behind. The tractor was built by Naltrans (Motor Engineer - Wellington) using a Cadillac motor engine adapted for hauling timber etc on train track at Campbell's Sawmill. A trial proved unsatisfactory and the machine was not purchased.



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Access required crossing two unbridged streams. Below is a photo of the original 'Pioneer Bridge' on Mill Track at Karapoti, near Campbell's Mill. Here the stream branches to property of Mr. McGhie, Akatarawa.



The whole area is now vested in the Wellington Regional Council for public use as a recreational area.

FOR SALE

1992 Isuzu Mu

Turbo Timer

Rhino roof rack (black)

A great runner & quite ballsy

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Not warranted nor registered due to non use as it has been parked up the driveway for ever and a day (we have 3 children now and have never gone 4 wheel driving so someone else can enjoy it for that use). All reasonable offers considered. **Please email joahern@clear.net.nz**

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Club Night Notices

New Club Radios

The radio project is still on schedule as published in last month's magazine and there will be some information at the November clubnight where we will be finalising our first bulk order for the club.

See the details further on in this issue (see below)

Timetable for deciding on the preferred supplier(s) and placing the first bulk order:

- 17 October: Receive proposals, which will be evaluated by the project team and a recommendation formed
- 29 October: Committee Meeting to approve supply and pricing
- 31 October: Confirm and advise supplier(s), advise pricing to members, start taking orders
- 12 November: Club Night and taking last names for first bulk order
- 14 November: Place initial bulk order

60k

The 60k subcommittee will be giving an update at the November clubnight, to let everyone know what has been achieved since the last update and the position that the club is in currently.

As you'll see, it's now time to review our objectives in the light of today's information, so Honourable President Paul will be facilitating a discussion amongst members once we've got all the information from the update.

So do come along and participate!

E Band Radios

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The Vertex wholesaler will not supply individuals, but if you want to buy something suitable (from Trade me or whatever) the requirements for technical compatibility are given below. Buyer beware!

DETAILED PROGRESS TO DATE

Following on from the Club's decision to upgrade our radio system to E-Band, the club committee has approved the results of the project team's tendering process and has agreed the preferred supplier and pricing of E-Band sets for club members.

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Club Sub-Committees

The club has the following sub committees running currently:

- **60k:** Terrance Broad, Ron Johnson, Bruce Mulhare, Grant Purdie, Antony Royal, John Vruink & Mark Wolstenholme
- **Club Recovery:** Rodney Bracefield
- **Competition:** Roger Seymour
- **Deadwood:** Roger Seymour
- **Emergency Comms & Radio:** Grant Purdie, Rodney Bracefield, Jim Johnson, Phil Lewton, Rick Smith & Mark Wolstenholme
- **Land Access:** All trip leaders
- **Police Search & Rescue (SAR):** Jim Johnson and Gavin Holden
- **Safety:** Brent Samson, Carl Furniss, Ray Harkness & Grant Purdie
- **Trip Leaders Forum:** All trip leaders
- **Web Project:** Grant Purdie, Stefan Cook, Andrew Farmer, Charles Odlin, John Parfitt, Mike Stevens & Marcel van Dorrestein

The club also has the following external organisation liaison people:

- **Akatarawa Recreational Access Committee:** Ralph Dobson, Charles Odlin & Grant Purdie
- **Dept of Conservation Head Office Liaison:** Paul Adams
- **Foxton Beach Coast Care:** Bruce Mulhare, Grant Purdie, Russell Stevens & John Vruink
- **Friends of Belmont:** Roger Seymour
- **Greater Wellington Regional Council:** Grant Purdie
- **Horowhenua District Council:** Grant Purdie
- **Tread Lightly!:** Ralph Dobson
- **Wellington City Council:** Grant Purdie & Barry Insull



National Trial Competition 2008/2009 season calendar

The 4X4 Competitions main season is between Labour weekend and Easter every year. The trials for the year are listed below and each link will provide you with information, and will be updated as information is available.



Round 1

Date: 11 October 2008
Club: CCVC
Location: Wellington
Zone: Central Zone

Round 2

Date: 9 November 2008
Club: Competition Committee
Location: Central North Island- date approx
Zone: Central Zone



Round 3

Date: 7 December 2008
Club: Thames Valley 4WD Club
Location: Thames
Zone: Northern Zone

Round 4

Date: 25 January 2009
Club: EBTC
Location: Whakatane
Zone: Northern Zone



Round 5

Date: 22 February 2009
Club: Shore 4 Wheelers
Location: Auckland
Zone: Northern Zone

Round 6

Date: 8 March 2009
Club: Nelson 4WD Club
Location: Nelson
Zone: Southern Zone



Round 7

Date: 15 March 2009
Club: Mid Canterbury 4WD Club
Location: Canterbury
Zone: Southern Zone

Round 8

Date: 22 March 2009
Club: Land Rover Owners Club Otago
Location: Otago
Zone: Southern Zone



Round 9

Date: 11 April 2009
Club: Mt Egmont 4WD Club
Location: New Plymouth
Zone: Central Zone

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As CCVC club members, you may purchase these new sets through the club, as set out in this article.

The club has selected Vertex radios from Signals NZ Ltd, model VX-2200 for vehicle-mounting and model VX-351 hand-held. Vertex is the commercial grade brand of Yaesu, which is a well established and very respected manufacturer of two-way radios. Brochures with pictures and details for these models will be on our Member-Zone as soon as we receive suitable electronic copies.

We found that there was no advantage in trying to get a high-spec model for trip leaders and a low-spec model for everyone else; all the sets will be the same. We'll just programme the extra channels needed for trip leaders. We will also be programming a "privacy tone" system to avoid hearing other users, along with a "open channel" for communicating with others.

We need to get our first bulk order finalised at clubnight next week 12 November. We'll all get the best price if we can place a large order before the end of the year. Future purchases are also possible (at higher prices) and the Club will need to coordinate any future order. So in this email we're setting out the details and inviting you to place your orders.

Or you may prefer to find yourself a new or used set from somewhere else. If you do, then it is important to follow the club's specifications or you may find your radio is not compatible with the club system. More at the bottom of this email about your own purchases and the specifications.

PRICING

As expected, we have been able to get better pricing than the examples we had earlier this year.

With our Vertex wholesale deal, the price of sets depends on the number ordered – the larger the order, the lower the price. And we have pricing for 2008, with higher pricing for 2009.

Prices incl GST for vehicle sets VX-2200 for the rest of 2008:

\$555 each for 25 sets
\$547 each for 50 sets
\$531 each for 100 sets
\$516 each for 150 sets

Prices incl GST for vehicle sets VX-2200 for 2009:

\$571 each for 25 sets
\$563 each for 50 sets
\$547 each for 100 sets
\$531 each for 150 sets

but don't be surprised if the world economic situation changes the 2009 prices.

Prices incl GST for hand-held sets VX-531 for the rest of 2008:

\$523 each for 25 sets
\$488.50 each for 50 sets
\$475.50 each for 100 sets
\$461.25 each for 150 sets

Prices incl GST for hand-held sets VX-531 for 2009:

\$539 each for 25 sets
\$503 each for 50 sets
\$488.75 each for 100 sets
\$475 each for 150 sets

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Our bulk order can be a mixture of vehicle sets and hand-helds, the numbers will combine. In other words, if we get an order of say 85 vehicle sets and 15 hand-helds, the 100-set price applies to them all, \$531 and \$474.50 respectively.

The club would prefer people to have vehicle mounted sets for normal trip convoy use, as these give much better performance because of more power (25 watts vs 5 watts) and external aerials. Also there are some safety concerns about holding a hand-held while driving off-road. You can get various accessories like a handheld cradle and accessory microphone/speaker; we have prices for those too.

Basic accessories available for which we have prices are:

Vehicle sets:

Additional speaker \$30.50
Extra mounting kit \$28.39 (waiting for exact details)
New vehicle antenna \$72.30 (for order of 50 or more)

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Handheld sets:

External Microphone/Speaker (coil cord type) \$70.19

Extra rechargeable battery \$126 (2000 mAh LI) or \$118 (1800 mAh LI)

Car kit (incl 12v Charger) \$76 (230v charger supplied as standard)

You'll be able to see the full details in the Signals proposal on the MemberZone shortly.

INSTALLATION

The VX-2200 is more compact than the ancient Tait A-Band sets most of us have been using. The specs in the brochure give the dimensions as 165W x 45H x 155D mm. You may find that this allows you to mount the set into a DIN or similar sized opening in your dashboard. Otherwise you would use the mounting bracket supplied. You can buy additional mounting brackets too, for moving the radio between vehicles. But it is up to you to install the radio when it arrives and has been programmed.

There are sets on the market where the front panel can be mounted separately to the body of the set. These are more expensive so we do not have club purchase arrangements for these. You are welcome to source your own however, in which case don't overlook the club's specifications below.

Your existing A-Band aerial may work for your E-Band set, the length of the whip just needs to be reduced to an exact new length. It is important that your existing aerial base, co-ax cable and connectors are all in good condition though, and you may need an adaptor or new plug at the set end of the existing cable. You can bring your truck to the "radio day" that we're planning (see below) and the experts in our team can check your installation and give you advice on the quality of your setup and what needs to be done. They'll also trim your existing aerial whip for you. If you don't have an exterior A-Band aerial, then you'll need to buy an external aerial kit that is suitable for E-Band. We can arrange to provide these too, or you can source your own.

The VX-2200 has a front-mounted speaker, which suits an in-dash mounting. Optional external speakers are available if required.

To assist club members with installing their E-Band radios, the project team will be organising a "radio day" where you'll be able to bring your truck and get advice on installing your set if you haven't installed it already, and on your 12v power supply and aerial. The team expects to be able to test those things for you and tell you if you need to improve anything. Also the team may be able to put the plugs on the ends of the cables for you. They will not be doing your installation for you though!

There are firms around who you can pay to install your radio if you don't want to do it yourself. We'll give you further details once we've made arrangements with them.

We'll advise further about the date and arrangements for the radio day.

ORDERING

To get the most favourable prices for everyone, orders need to be made through the club. The committee has decided that a \$500 deposit is required with your order. Once we know the number of sets in the order, we'll know the price, then ask you to either pay the difference when collecting your sets or we'll refund if necessary in the case of hand-helds.

Ian Hutchings has kindly offered to coordinate orders, so all order and all payments will need to go through Ian.

Order:

- via email to ian.hutchings@xtra.co.nz and which set you'd like (and any accessories);
- or by giving Ian your order at clubnight.

Orders will be confirmed with a number once completed.

Pay your \$500 deposit to accompany your order:

- by internet banking to 03-0518-0068704-00 (see below);
- or by giving Ian a cheque at clubnight.

Cash is not preferred, however if that is your only option, then Ian will accept that at clubnight. Make sure you get a receipt from Ian, as this is our record of your payment.

For internet payments or direct deposits, please make sure you put a reference on your payment so that we can see who paid it, and put that same reference in the email to Ian. Otherwise we'll have some orphan payments, just like we get every year with subs payments.

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DELIVERY

At this stage we think it will be best to deliver sets to members somewhat in advance of the radio day, so that you'll have a chance to install them (or get them installed) then at the radio day the team can connect aerials, do that testing and give advice.

We'll let you know how you can take delivery once we've worked out the details, bearing in mind that the team needs to programme them before delivery (radio qualifications are needed to do this).

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Any not delivered prior can be delivered at the radio day.

PURCHASING YOUR OWN SETS

Members who wish to purchase their own new or used sets are welcome to do so. It is important that any set you purchase complies with the club's specifications otherwise it may not be compatible with the club system. Make sure it is VHF "E band" (150 TO 156 MHz) with CTCSS. Sets that are UHF, or Fleetlink/Teamtalk type are no use. Amateur radio equipment does not generally meet the licence requirements. If in doubt, ask one of the radio team.

But if buying from a supplier the Club Spec is...

For all sets:

- Legally compliant in New Zealand
- VHF FM, 12.5 kHz channelling, NZ licensable.
- Minimum frequency range: E band
- Preferred range: 136 - 174 MHz
- CTCSS tones set per channel
- Computer programmable
- Microphone with lead and plug
- Speaker, internal with option for external
- Wiring and plugs for aerial and 12v power

Additional specs for members:

- Minimum channel programmable capability: 6
- Minimum 10 watts RF output

Additional specs for trip leaders:

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- Minimum frequency range: 136-174 MHz
- Minimum channel programmable capability: 50
- Minimum 25 watts RF output
- Programmable or direct access DTMF tone capability (not mandatory)

You will need to get the set programmed to the club's frequencies (ENX14 and ENX18 with CTCSS Tone A2) . The project team may or may not be able to help you with this, depending on what you've bought and what programming system it uses. Normally a commercial supplier will programme sets before selling them – for private sales you may have a challenge.

We'll put our RFP document on the MemberZone, so you can see the full details of the specifications.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

The information in this email will be published in the November issue of the club magazine. It will also be on the MemberZone.

We'll also publish our RFP (request for proposal) and the Signals proposal on the MemberZone, so you have access to all details including accessories details and prices.

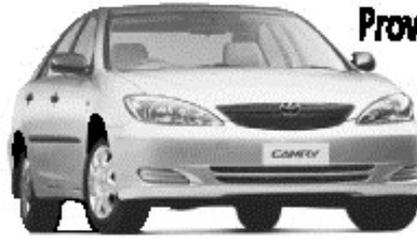
Once we've placed the bulk order we'll send out update emails with details of:

- actual prices
- anticipated delivery date
- delivery arrangements
- arrangements for the radio day
- any other news or information.

If you have any queries, you'll have a chance to raise them at next week's clubnight Wednesday 12 November or you're welcome to email the Emergency Comms and Radio Team via Grant.Purdie@pragmatic.co.nz who will pass your questions to the most appropriate person to reply.

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Comes with extensive spares package including 2 x longfields, 2 x alternators, starter, spare diff gears (all these parts brand new), parts motor, g/box, t/case. Chromoly rear axles (new - haven't got around to fitting them yet), spare HEI dissy (happy to discuss price reduction with successful bidder if spares not required...)

Problems I know about:

- Oil leak r/f axle seal (have new h/d seal which should fix it)
- Motor not revving as it should - suspect it's the LPG reg (had to replace it since when it ran better) - think it's under fuelling under high load. Have air/fuel gauge and sender (included but not fitted) which should prove this...
- dog clutch on winch wont disengage - I just spool it out in reverse - have planned design change to fix this
- front springs could probably use a reset

Please contact Andrew on 04 567 6677 or 027 444 6803

Australian Adventure (part 1)

By John Parfitt

Australia is big, some might say "bigger than big" (but then they could be talking about the egos of Australia's sports people.....)

I recently had the opportunity to travel by vehicle from Brisbane via the Red Centre to Perth thanks to Ray Harkness, whose excuse for another month away from home was that he wanted to reposition his vehicle, which is a Toyota Troupie high top "Bushcamper", from the East to the West coast in preparation for future trips to Western Australia with his wife, and for me the opportunity was far too good to turn down.

One could write a novel about where we went and what we saw but I will keep it as brief as possible and dish it out in small chunks, which will at the least give Alan a "filler" for the magazine.

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Some basic statistics from the trip: 33 days (total), 8,900km's, 1,200ltr's diesel costing \$2,300 and yes, we are still talking to each other.

There is a cost to everything and for me it was a weeks shopping on the Gold Coast with my wife prior to meeting up with Ray and Elizabeth, who had just been to Cape York and back over the previous month.

We dropped the girls off at the airport for their flights home (don't ask Ray his opinion of Pacific Blue) and headed west out of Brisbane on our adventure with the first really significant place of interest being Camerons Corner (store for sale if you want to get away from it all) which we reached via Goondiwindi, Cunnamulla and Noccundra at each of which we had stayed overnight. We then continued on via Bollards Lagoon Station (Bore Track) to Innaminca.

The Strzelecki Track took us to Lyndhurst and then via the Oodnandatta track to a bush camp just south of William Creek, passing through Marree (where the Birdsville and Oodnadatta tracks meet) following the Old Ghan Railway and stopping to look at Lake Eyre on the way. The Birdsville Races had been on that weekend and there was a lot of traffic on the road coming down from Birdsville which we encountered until we passed the track turn off at Marree.

Coober Pedy was our next stop where there was the compulsory purchase of Opals for those left at home and a chance to refill the water tanks and hit a real supermarket for extra supplies.

From Coober Pedy we travelled via "The Breakaways" and "The Painted Desert" to Oodnaadatta where we stayed the night at the caravan park (such that it is) run by the famous "Pink Roadhouse". Its famous because, for 100's perhaps 1,000's of km's in all directions, the owner has erected road signs pointing out places of interest and various tracks and these are often the only signs of any sort found out there. He also rescues vehicles from the Simpson Desert and has a large workshop in which he can effect the required repairs.

Old Andado was our next overnight stop which we reached via Mt Dare (new bar / restaurant / shop for anyone that has been there) travelling along the Binns Track. Old Andado is on the edge of the Simpson Desert and although there is a homestead and camping facilities, including toilets and showers (cold), there was not a sole to be seen and no sign that there had been anyone there for sometime. The desert scenery around that area is spectacular and we had a brilliant sunset and sunrise while we were there. This was also the first day that we encountered serious "bull dust" caused in this case (we have been told) through the movement of drilling equipment along these marginal tracks and leaving huge ruts in the sand that eventually fill with the fine choking "bull dust".

Onward then via Santa Teresa to Alice Springs for a few days in civilisation before we started the next part of our adventure.

It had taken us 10 days to reach Alice Springs travelling an average of 360km per day with the longest daily distance being Goondiwindi to Cunnamulla at 492km as it had been too wet to stop that day. Roads had been good, sealed until Noccundra, with both the Strzelecki and Oodnaadatta tracks being in really good condition

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Club Email Addresses

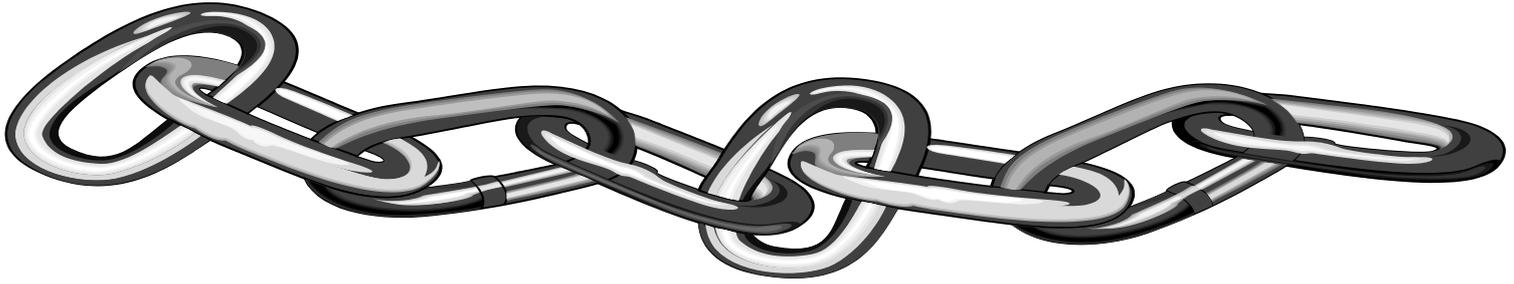
Are you a new member? Do you get the News emails from the club? Do you have access to the club's website member-zone? If not then have a word with a committee member as these are all ways in which the club communicates with it's members. Some useful email addresses are:

- Webmaster@ccvc.org.nz (general web site queries)
- Lists@ccvc.org.nz (person who administers the list servs)
- Trips@ccvc.org.nz (Trip Coordinator)
- Newsletter@ccvc.org.nz (to send stuff to the newsletter editor)
- Database@ccvc.org.nz (membership database administrator)
- Access@ccvc.org.nz (Chairman of the Land Access Management Committee)
- NZFWDAdelegate@ccvc.org.nz (NZ Four Wheel Drive Association delegate)
- Treasurer@ccvc.org.nz (club treasurer)
- Welfare@ccvc.org.nz (club welfare officer)
- David.coxon@xtra.co.nz (Club night photo submission)
- Helpdesk@ccvc.org.nz (any general questions)

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despite having been closed a week prior due to rain. Both the Bore and Binns tracks had been fine although a bit cut up and narrow in places and definitely requiring 4wd. Not somewhere to take your caravan or trailer, as the Aussies tend to do. Call it an "offroad" trailer, camper or caravan and they think they can take it anywhere and at any speed and then they wonder why it or their vehicle break.

Next time Alice Springs to



Odlins Road 25.10.08 - Ant Reid

Well the time had come for another play in the mud, so I rang Charles & booked myself in. Then the search started for a winch bitch/co driver & a suitable one was found in the form of a boy racer from my work who wanted to see what I talked about with such glee at work. Needless to say he now thinks we are all nuts for what we do to our trucks, although I must admit my truck took some big hits during the day & is now lighter due to the loss of certain attachments.

I set off early to allow my boys some 'rest stops' on the way up the Akatarawa Hill road even though I had given them sea legs I thought the road would get the better of them, needless to say the little buggers proved me wrong & we arrived without any stops.....but very early. Never mind, it gave me time to start trip preps as in airing down & re-organizing the back so nothing bounced around too much. The rest of the trucks arrived & we ended up with 2 Mighty Cruisers, 1 Zook, 1 Jeep & way down the back behind everything else 1 Pajero.

Briefing came & went & off we set. Not having been up this track before it wasn't long before we started hitting some deep ruts & angles. One particular little hazard saw the trucks in front of me go high left along the top of a rut so I decided nahhhhh & went through it & took some paint off the left side along the bank & a garnered a rather scared look from the co driver seat. Hehe he had no idea! We carried on & went off the first side track through some heavy bush, when I went to check my side mirror to make sure Terry was behind me in the Jeep I discovered it was no longer attached, hmmm ahh well didn't use it much anyway. We then all tramped down a side track & watched Terry in the Jeep come down & go back up as it was a bit slippery but he managed without any issues, a bit of mud flew here & that was all.

Off we went through some more bush & I heard another noise I didn't want to hear, that of my roof rack being torn off by another bloody tree branch, I stopped & hopped out to look for it & found that it had been pulled out of the tracks & not broken but I could only find 1 of the clips to hold it on, ahh well didn't use it much anyway. After another wee while we came to a spot, which, as he was going through Mike had a wee slide into the rut on the left, so when it was my turn, I gave it a little extra gas & got past it with no drama, however in the next wee section I had a BIT more drama, I tried a similar action again but slid down to the left & I'm fairly sure I bounced off the bank back onto four wheels & then managed to drive out of it with some new paint scratches, at that point I think my boy racer damn near shat himself as did my boys & to be fair as did I, ahh well didn't need all that paint anyway.

The rain had started to fall by time we got to our lunch spot so we munched that down & headed back off. A few more side tracks were ventured down, one of which at the bottom got the better of Mike with him popping a tire out of the beads, so a break was had while they took it off, stamped it back on & pumped it back up before Terry lost a cylinder & decided to leave the group & fight another day. So we were down to four, we carried on until we heard Graham say he had been hung up in the Zook so Charles hooked on a strop & gently moved off, well, behind Graham was Mike in his Cruiser & then it was me. I saw Grahams truck bounce above the roof height of Mikes truck with a loud BANG, we got out & looked but no damage was incurred so all were happy, sounded damn good though. We weaved our way along the tops & down into another valley only to be meet by a large slip which we decided not to try & go round or clear this time, so we all did 500 point turns & headed back up.

Mike had a power loss issue at this stage & after a bit of coaxing along it came right. We got to the first decent

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climb out & Charles headed up & then it was my turn, I got past the really tricky step but couldn't get grip going over a wimpy bit so a certain nameless Pajero backed down & gave me a bit of a yank over it & then told me via PRS that we would drive to the top with the strop still on. My co driver watched as I sped past him & had a rather large bounce off the wall which pushed my side panel in a tad, but I made it up without really needing any more help. Everyone else got up & we carried on. Not to many more decent stories saw us heading back down the main track to come out. We passed a couple of vehicles, 1 of which was near the end & happened to be a brand new looking crossover wimpy wannabe 4x4 with Big Chill Distribution on the side, we commented on what the boss would say if he got stuck & had to be towed out. Anyway out we came & parked ourselves over the road to air up & so forth. Charles and Graham headed off & then the Big Chill vehicle came out & parked next to us. I asked him what his boss would say & he replied HE was the boss so that answered that question. So another trip was over I was able to drive home so a good result, cheers to Charles for the trip & just wait for the next installment.

Ant Reid.

Husband Store

A store that sells new husbands has opened in New York City , where a woman may go to choose a husband. Among the instructions at the entrance is a description of how the store operates:

You may visit this store ONLY ONCE! There are six floors and the value of the products increase as the shopper ascends the flights. The shopper may choose any item from a particular floor, or may choose to go up to the next floor, but you cannot go back down except to exit the building!

So, a woman goes to the Husband Store to find a husband. On the first floor the sign on the door reads:

Floor 1 - These men Have Jobs. She is intrigued, but continues to the second floor, where the sign reads:

Floor 2 - These men Have Jobs and Love Kids. 'That's nice,' she thinks, 'but I want more.'

So she continues upward. The third floor sign reads:

Floor 3 - These men Have Jobs, Love Kids, and are Extremely Good Looking. 'Wow,' she thinks, but feels compelled to keep going.

She goes to the fourth floor and the sign reads:

Floor 4 - These men Have Jobs, Love Kids, are Drop-dead Good Looking and Help With Housework. 'Oh, mercy me!' she exclaims, 'I can hardly stand it!'

Still, she goes to the fifth floor and the sign reads:

Floor 5 - These men Have Jobs, Love Kids, are Drop-dead Gorgeous, Help with Housework, and Have a Strong Romantic Streak.

She is so tempted to stay, but she goes to the sixth floor, where the sign reads:

Floor 6 - *You are visitor 31,456,012 to this floor. There are no men on this floor. This floor exists solely as proof that women are impossible to please. Thank you for shopping at the Husband Store.*

PLEASE NOTE:

To avoid gender bias charges, the store's owner opened a New Wives store just across the street.

The first floor has wives that love sex.

The second floor has wives that love sex and have money and like beer.

The third, fourth, fifth and sixth floors have never been visited

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Akatarawa Recce & Track Clearance

Sat 15/11/2008

Organiser: Charles Odlin

Description: Recce & Track Clearance ready for Christmas Trips

Category: Club 4X4

Trip location(s):
Akatarawa Forest

Trip leader: Charles Odlin
Home phone (04) 562-8657 Cellphone 021-372-990
Assistant trip leader - Grant Purdie

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):
Totara park bridge

Trip fee \$15.00

Finishing point(s):
Where we started...

Dates:

Book by... Thu 13/11/2008 20:00
Meeting time Sat 15/11/2008 09:00
Drivers briefing Sat 15/11/2008 09:00
Finish Sat 15/11/2008 16:30

Fuel required for: 50 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Rain, hail or snow "We go"
Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

Heavy bush marks & scratches expected
Some damage to sills & corners possible

Trip suitable for:	Dry	Wet
Novice drivers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Experienced Drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pets: No
Food: BYO Food
BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear
Recovery strop, shovel
First aid kit, fire extinguisher
Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops
Low ratio gearbox
Good mud tyres essential

Track type:	Mostly	Some	Optional
Dirt roads and tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay or mud	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average ascents/descents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steep ascents/descents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The Trip Leader is required by the Club Committee to turn away vehicles or drivers that do not comply with Trip Categories, or any special conditions indicated on this form.

Access to land is a privilege, not a right. Please comply with instructions from Trip Leaders and at all times respect the properties we drive on. Remember: "Abuse it and we'll lose it"

Notes: BOOKINGS REQUIRED Limited numbers so first in first served.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Keep New Zealand Beautiful Clean Up Trip - Wellington

South Coast

Sat 15/11/2008

Organiser: Barry Insull

Description: KNZB South Coast Clean Up

Category: Family Shiny

Trip location(s):

Wellington South Coast/Red Rocks

Trip leader: Barry Insull

Home phone (04) 234 - 7757 Cellphone 0272404530

Trip fee \$0.00

Bookings are not required.

Meeting point(s):

Owhiro Bay Quarry Car Park

Finishing point(s):

Where we started...

Dates:

Meeting time Sat 15/11/2008 09:30

Drivers briefing Sat 15/11/2008 09:30

Finish Sat 15/11/2008 13:30

Fuel required for: 60 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK

Subject to landowners discretion

Listen to radio cancellation service

on NewstalkZB 1035AM from 07:00

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

No damage likely

Trip suitable for:

Dry Wet

Novice drivers

Average drivers

Experienced Drivers

Pets: No

Food: BYO Food

BYO Drinks

BBQ Provided

BBQ Food Provided

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strop, shovel

First aid kit, fire extinguisher

Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops

Low ratio gearbox

Club radio preferred

PRS radio preferred

Any tyres suitable

Mud tyres preferable

Track type:

Beach or sand

Mostly Some Optional

Average ascents/descents

Dirt roads and tracks

Clay or mud

Creeks, small rivers

Steep ascents/descents

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Notes: Part of the clubs annual KNZB clean up week activities. A short off road Drive first if weather permits then 2 - 2.5 hours of clean up followed by a BBQ at one of the Red Rock batches at the end of the day. Maximum effort required.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

This Highway won't be forgotten - POSTPONED

Sat 15/11/2008

Organiser: Paul Adams

Description: A repeat of last years trip to Whangamomona

Category: Shiny 4X4

Trip location(s):
Whangamomona

Trip leader: Paul Adams
Home phone 04 905 2343 Cellphone 0275941343

Trip fee \$0.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):
Whangamomona Hotel SH43

Finishing point(s):
Where we started...

Dates:

Book by... Tue 11/11/2008 00:00
Meeting time Sat 15/11/2008 12:00
Drivers briefing Sat 15/11/2008 12:05
Start Sat 15/11/2008 12:15
Finish Mon 17/11/2008 14:00

Fuel required for: 300 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK
Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

No damage likely
Some bush marks possible
Some damage to sills & corners possible

Trip suitable for:	Dry	Wet
Novice drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Experienced Drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pets: No
Food: BYO Food
BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear
Recovery strop, shovel
First aid kit, fire extinguisher
Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops
Low ratio gearbox
Club radio required
Good mud tyres essential
Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

	Mostly	Some	Optional
Dirt roads and tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clay or mud	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average ascents/descents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gravel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Creeks, small rivers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Deep mud holes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steep ascents/descents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Notes: Bookings Essential. Trip fee \$25.00 per day. Accommodation extra (hotel, motel, motor camp etc). Supplies and fuel available at Stratford (70km). 3 day trip based at Whangamomona Hotel. Visit Aotuaia Station and Te Wera Forest and other points of interest in the area including the Whangamomona Road if it is open. Contact TL for accommodation information.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



CLOSED- FULLY BOOKED, CCVC Driver Familiarisation Day

for Prospective Members

Sun 16/11/2008

Organiser: Steve Mercer

Description: 4WD Vehicle Familiarisation day for prospective members

Category: Family Shiny

Trip location(s):

Wellington South Coast

Trip leader: Steve Mercer

Home phone 042331121 Cellphone 0274422898

Trip fee \$0.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):

Find out when you book

Finishing point(s):

Where we started...

Dates:

Book by... Mon 10/11/2008 00:00

Meeting time Sun 16/11/2008 09:00

Drivers briefing Sun 16/11/2008 09:00

Finish Sun 16/11/2008 16:30

Fuel required for: 40 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK

Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

No damage likely

Trip suitable for:

Dry Wet

Novice drivers

Average drivers

Experienced Drivers

Pets: No

Food: BYO Food

BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strop, shovel

First aid kit, fire extinguisher

Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops

Low ratio gearbox

Any tyres suitable

Track type:

Mostly Some Optional

Average ascents/descents

Gravel

Beach or sand

Dirt roads and tracks

Clay or mud

Creeks, small rivers

Steep ascents/descents

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Notes: Bookings essential. A booklet will be sent out and MUST be read before the trip. \$80 Familiarisation day and subscription fee (which includes the trip fee) will apply to non-members/visitors.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



Chainsaw Training for Trip Leaders (tbc)
 Sat 22/11/2008
 Organiser: Brent Samson

Description:

Category: Shiny 4X4

Trip location(s):
 To be revealed

Trip leader: Brent Samson
 Home phone 042323087 Cellphone 021 478 633

Bookings are required.

Trip fee \$15.00

Meeting point(s):
 Find out when you book

Finishing point(s):
 Find out when you book

Dates:

Meeting time Sat 22/11/2008 09:30
 Drivers briefing Sat 22/11/2008 09:30
 Finish Sat 22/11/2008 15:30

Fuel required for: 50 kms.

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:
 No damage likely
 Some bush marks possible

Weather Restrictions:
 Light rain/wind OK

Trip suitable for:	Dry	Wet
Novice drivers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average drivers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Experienced Drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pets: No
Food: BYO Food
 BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear
 Recovery strop, shovel
 First aid kit, fire extinguisher
 Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops
 Low ratio gearbox
 Club radio preferred
 PRS radio preferred
 Good mud tyres essential
 Winch preferred
 Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:	Mostly Some Optional		
Dirt roads and tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average ascents/descents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gravel	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Notes:

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



Akatarawa's with DC - Sun 23/11/2008
Organiser: David Coxon

Description: Family shiny in the Akers with David Coxon

Category: Family Shiny

Trip location(s):
Akatarawa Forest

Trip leader: David Coxon
Home phone 045674501 Cellphone 0274510361

Trip fee \$15.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):
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Finishing point(s):
-tba-

Dates:

Meeting time Sun 23/11/2008 09:30
 Drivers briefing Sun 23/11/2008 09:30
 Finish Sun 23/11/2008 16:30

Fuel required for: 80 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK
 Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

No damage likely

Trip suitable for:	Dry	Wet
Novice drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Average drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Experienced Drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pets: No
Food: BYO Food
 BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear
 Recovery strop, shovel
 First aid kit, fire extinguisher
 Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops
 Low ratio gearbox
 Any tyres suitable
 Mud tyres preferable

Track type: **Mostly** **Some** **Optional**

Dirt roads and tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average ascents/descents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steep ascents/descents	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Notes: BOOKINGS REQUIRED

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Trip Information Sheet



Chainsaw Training for Trip Leaders (tbc)

Sun 23/11/2008

Organiser: Brent Samson

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Description:

Category: Shiny 4X4

Trip location(s):

To be revealed

Trip leader: Brent Samson

Home phone 042323087 Cellphone 021 478 633

Trip fee \$15.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):

Find out when you book

Finishing point(s):

Find out when you book

Dates:

Meeting time Sun 23/11/2008 09:30

Drivers briefing Sun 23/11/2008 09:30

Finish Sun 23/11/2008 15:30

Fuel required for: 50 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

No damage likely

Some bush marks possible

Trip suitable for:

Dry Wet

Novice drivers

Average drivers

Experienced Drivers

Pets: No

Food: BYO Food

BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strap, shovel

First aid kit, fire extinguisher

Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops

Low ratio gearbox

Club radio preferred

PRS radio preferred

Good mud tyres essential

Winch preferred

Extra recovery gear an advantage

Track type:

Dirt roads and tracks

Mostly Some Optional

Average ascents/descents

Gravel

Creeks, small rivers

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Notes:

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



Winch Practice - Sun 23/11/2008
Organiser: Neil Blackie

Description: Winch Practice - Limited numbers
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Category: Shiny 4X4

Trip location(s):
-tba-

Trip leader: Neil Blackie
Home phone 045870456 Cellphone 0275109801

Trip fee \$15.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):
-tba-

Finishing point(s):
-tba-

Dates:

Book by... Wed 19/11/2008 00:00
Meeting time Sun 23/11/2008 09:00
Drivers briefing Sun 23/11/2008 09:15
Finish Sun 23/11/2008 15:00

Fuel required for: 20 kms.

Weather Restrictions:
Light rain/wind OK

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:
No damage likely

Trip suitable for:	Dry	Wet
Novice drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Average drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Experienced Drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pets: No
Food: BYO Food
BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear
Recovery strop, shovel
First aid kit, fire extinguisher
Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops
Low ratio gearbox
Mud tyres preferable
Winch required

Track type:	Mostly Some Optional		
Dirt roads and tracks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Steep ascents/descents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Notes: BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL. Opportunity to get some winch practice and learn whether it works and how to use it before you seriously need it. Some theory/opinions provided. Vehicle numbers will be limited to eight.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



Central Zone Interclub Trip - Sat 06/12/2008
Organiser: Manawatu 4.W.D. Club Inc.

Description: Central Zone trip organised by Manawatu Club **Category:** Club 4X4 to Hard Yakka Club

Trip location(s):
Find out when you book.

Trip leader: Ralph Dobson
Home phone (04) 526 - 5119 Cellphone 025946699

Trip fee \$0.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):
Find out when you book

Finishing point(s):
-tba-

Dates:

Book by... Thu 20/11/2008 19:00
Meeting time Sat 06/12/2008 00:00
Drivers briefing Sat 06/12/2008 00:00
Finish Sun 07/12/2008 00:00

Fuel required for: 0 kms.

Weather Restrictions:
Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

Trip suitable for:	Dry	Wet
Novice drivers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Average drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Experienced Drivers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Pets: No
Food: BYO Food
BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear
Recovery strop, shovel
First aid kit, fire extinguisher
Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops
Low ratio gearbox

Track type: Mostly Some Optional

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Notes: BOOKINGS REQUIRED nzfwdelegate@ccvc.org.nz Saturday - club truck event. Saturday evening - BBQ Tea & night river run. Sunday - shinny run through windmills. Camping out - site details available when booking.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



Central Zone Interclub Trip - Sat 06/12/2008

Organiser: Manawatu 4.W.D. Club Inc.

VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Description: Central Zone trip organised by Manawatu Club **Category:** Family Shiny to Shiny 4X4

Trip location(s):

Find out when you book.

Trip leader: Ralph Dobson

Home phone (04) 526 - 5119 Cellphone 025946699

Trip fee \$0.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):

Find out when you book

Finishing point(s):

-tba-

Dates:

Book by... Thu 20/11/2008 19:00

Meeting time Sat 06/12/2008 00:00

Drivers briefing Sat 06/12/2008 00:00

Finish Sun 07/12/2008 00:00

Fuel required for: 0 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Trip suitable for:

Dry Wet

Novice drivers

Average drivers

Experienced Drivers

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

Pets: No

Food: BYO Food

BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strop, shovel

First aid kit, fire extinguisher

Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops

Low ratio gearbox

Track type: Mostly Some Optional

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Notes: BOOKINGS REQUIRED "nzfwdadelegate@ccvc.org.nz". Saturday - Fun trial with no damage. Saturday evening BBQ tea followed by night river run. Sunday - shiny run through windmills . Camping out - details available when booking.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

CCVC Driver Familiarisation Day for Prospective Members

Sun 07/12/2008

Organiser: Steve Mercer

Description: 4wd Vehicle Familiarisation day for prospective members

Category: Family Shiny

Trip location(s):

Trip leader: Steve Mercer

Home phone 042331121 Cellphone 0274422898

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):

Find out when you book

Finishing point(s):

Where we started...

Dates:

Book by... Mon 01/12/2008 00:00

Meeting time Sun 07/12/2008 09:00

Drivers briefing Sun 07/12/2008 09:00

Finish Sun 07/12/2008 16:30

Trip fee \$0.00

Fuel required for: 0 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK

Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

No damage likely

Trip suitable for:

Dry Wet

Novice drivers

Average drivers

Experienced Drivers

Pets: No

Food: BYO Food

BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strop, shovel

First aid kit, fire extinguisher

Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops

Low ratio gearbox

Any tyres suitable

Track type:

Mostly Some Optional

Average ascents/descents

Gravel

Beach or sand

Dirt roads and tracks

Clay or mud

Creeks, small rivers

Steep ascents/descents

The Trip Leader is required by the Club Committee to turn away vehicles or drivers that do not comply with Trip Categories, or any special conditions indicated on this form.

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Notes: Bookings essential. A booklet will be sent out and MUST be read before the trip. \$80 Familiarisation day and subscription fee (which includes the trip fee) will apply to non-members/visitors.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc.

Trip Information Sheet



VEHICLE CLUB
Wellington (inc)

Reccy Trip with Ray H in the Ackers

Sun 14/12/2008

Organiser: Ray Harkness

Description: Reccy trip in the Ackers - - BOOKINGS
REQUIRED

Category: Shiny 4X4

Trip location(s):

Akatarawa Forest - Fenceline Track

Trip leader: Ray Harkness

Home phone 049705348 Cellphone

Assistant trip leader - David Coxon

Trip fee \$15.00

Bookings are required.

Meeting point(s):

Totara park bridge

Finishing point(s):

Bulls Run Road - Moonshine

Dates:

Book by... Fri 12/12/2008 19:00

Meeting time Sun 14/12/2008 09:30

Drivers briefing Sun 14/12/2008 09:30

Finish Sun 14/12/2008 16:30

Fuel required for: 100 kms.

Weather Restrictions:

Light rain/wind OK

Subject to landowners discretion

Possible vehicle damage expected on trip:

Some bush marks possible

Trip suitable for:

Dry Wet

Novice drivers

Average drivers

Experienced Drivers

Pets: No

Food: BYO Food

BYO Drinks

Vehicle Requirements:

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strop, shovel

First aid kit, fire extinguisher

Roll bar/cage for all soft/open tops

Low ratio gearbox

Club radio preferred

PRS radio preferred

Good mud tyres essential

Track type:

Mostly Some Optional

Dirt roads and tracks

Average ascents/descents

Clay or mud

Rocky or river boulders

Creeks, small rivers

Steep ascents/descents

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Notes: BOOKINGS REQUIRED Reccy Trip so there may be some "standing around" involved. Also, bring pruning gear etc to make tracks suitable for "Family Shiny" trucks as required.



Trip Details

CCVC has a number of requirements for people participating in trips and events.

- Trip Categories and the pre-requisites for attending each category
- Trip and Convoy Rules
- Code of Conduct
- Equipment required
- Cancellation Service

Details are on the club's website www.ccvc.org.nz on the "Trips" page.

Club members can access more details in the club manual and members-only website.

Date	Name	Organiser	Category	Place	Status	Notes
November 2008						
Thursday 6th	60k Project Team Meeting	Terence Broad	Meeting - 19:30			
Saturday 8th	Akito with Big Jim - CANCELLED	Jim Johnson	Shiny 4X4 / Club 4X4	Akito	Tentative	Bookings required
Saturday 8th	Guy Fawkes Trip and Bonfire Evening	John Vruink	Family Shiny	Wellington South Coast	Confirmed	Bookings required
Monday 10th	Trip Leaders Forum	Neil Blackie	Meeting - 19:30 - 22:00	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Wednesday 12th	Club Night	Paul Adams	Meeting - 19:30	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Saturday 15th	Akatarawa Recce & Track Clearance	Charles Odlin	Club 4X4	Akatarawa Forest	Confirmed	BOOKINGS REQUIRED
Saturday 15th	Keep New Zealand Beautiful Clean Up Trip - Wellington South Coast	Barry Insull	Family Shiny	Wellington South Coast/Red Rocks	Confirmed	Maximum effort please
Saturday 15th	This Highway won't be forgotten - POSTPONED	Paul Adams	Shiny 4X4	Whangamomona	Confirmed	Bookings Essential. 3 day away trip.
Sunday 16th	CLOSED- FULLY BOOKED, CCVC Driver Familiarisation Day for Prospective Members	Steve Mercer	Family Shiny	Wellington South Coast	Confirmed	Club Members are encouraged to come along and help with the day.
Monday 17th	Club Search & Rescue	Rodney Bracefield	Meeting - 19:30 - 22:00			
Saturday 22nd	Akatarawa's with DC	David Coxon	Family Shiny	Akatarawa Forest		
Saturday 22nd	Chainsaw Training for Trip Leaders (tbc)	Brent Samson	Shiny 4X4	To be revealed	Tentative	
Sunday 23rd	Chainsaw Training for Trip Leaders (tbc)	Brent Samson	Shiny 4X4	To be revealed	Tentative	
Sunday 23rd	Winch Practice	Neil Blackie	Shiny 4X4	-tba-	Confirmed	BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
Wednesday 26th	CCVC Committee Meeting	Paul Adams	Meeting - 19:30	IBM Petone		

Date	Name	Organiser	Category	Place	Status	Notes
December 2008						
Saturday 6th	Central Zone Interclub Trip	Manawatu 4.W.D. Club Inc.	Club 4X4 / Hard Yakka	Find out when you book.	Confirmed	BOOKINGS REQUIRED.
Saturday 6th	Central Zone Interclub Trip	Manawatu 4.W.D. Club Inc.	Family Shiny / Shiny 4X4	Find out when you book.	Planned	BOOKINGS REQUIRED
Sunday 7th	CCVC Driver Familiarisation Day for Prospective Members	Steve Mercer	Family Shiny		Confirmed	
Wednesday 10th	Club Night	Paul Adams	Meeting - 19:30	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Sunday 14th	Reccy Trip with Ray H in the Ackers	Ray Harkness	Shiny 4X4	Akatarawa Forest - Fenceline Track		BOOKINGS REQUIRED Reccy Trip so there may be some
Saturday 20th	Sunset on Sutherlands 08	Paul Adams	Shiny 4X4	Sutherland's Track	Planned	Bookings Required.
Monday 29th	Orongorongo Hills	David Coxon	Family Shiny	Orgongorongo Ridges	Planned	BOOKINGS REQUIRED

Date	Name	Organiser	Category	Place	Status	Notes
January 2009						
Wednesday 14th	GW Sunset Tour #1	-tba-	Shiny 4X4	Battle Hill & Puketiro Forest	Planned	Details tba.
Sunday 18th	Northland Kauri Coast Safari 2009	Kauri Coast 4.W.D. Club	Event		Confirmed	
Wednesday 21st	GW Sunset Tour #1 Rain-off Date	-tba-	Shiny 4X4	Battle Hill & Puketiro Forest	Planned	Details tba.
Saturday 31st	Rotary Fundraiser (date tba)	Stewart Burrell	Shiny 4X4		Tentative	Details to be advised. date to be confirmed.

One morning the husband returns after several hours of fishing and decides to take a nap. Although not familiar with the lake, the wife decides to take the boat out. She motors out a short distance, anchors, and reads her book.

Along comes a Game Warden in his boat. He pulls up alongside the woman and says, 'Good morning, Ma'am.. What are you doing?'

'Reading a book,' she replies, (thinking, 'Isn't it obvious?')

'You're in a Restricted Fishing Area,' he informs her.

'I'm sorry, officer, but I'm not fishing. I'm reading,' she replies.

To which he replies, 'Yes, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment. I'll have to take you in and write you up.'

'For reading a book?,' she replies.

'You're in a Restricted Fishing Area,' he informs her again.

'I'm sorry, officer, but I am not fishing. I am reading,' she replies, again.

Again he says, 'Yes, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment. I'll have to take you in and write you up.'

'If you do that, I'll have to charge you with Sexual Assault,' says the woman.

'But I haven't even touched you,' says the game warden.

And she replies, 'That's true, but you have all the equipment. For all I know you could start at any moment.'

The game warden then says 'Have a nice day ma'am,' and he left.

MORAL: Never argue with a woman who reads. It's likely she can also think!

THIS COULD BE YOUR PAGE!

Go on – step outside your comfort zone and write something for the magazine. Even just a few sentences. You don't have to have been stuck or done anything embarrassing, the rest of the members just like to read your perspective on anything related to the club.

SO WHAT CAN YOU WRITE ABOUT?

How about a trip report? So you enjoyed the trip and would love to share your experiences but are not quite sure who was on the trip or where you actually went.

Call the trip leader and they will give you the details you need to tell your story. It can be as long or short as you want - even a couple of sentences will be well received.

Not sure you want to write a whole report, but want to share that silly / funny incident or dob a friend in? Send a mole report to mole@ccvc.org.nz and it might end up in "The Mole Report", a new section of the club mag.



Writing not your thing?

How about sending some photos for club night. We are keen to have a selection for photos for each trip so here are some guidelines to make it easy for everyone:



Try to pick your best dozen or so photos – we can't show too many on the night so lets make it the best ones.

Photos need to be with me before 8:30pm Monday night. That way I can set them up on Monday night and get them to John on Tuesday night so he can get them ready for Wednesday night.



If you can do so, resize the images to 1152 x 864 pixels (or use a lower resolution setting on your camera). This makes the images small enough to email to david.coxon@xtra.co.nz. Alternatively put your pictures on a CD and call me to arrange to get the CD to me. My contact details are:

463 4263 (w)

567 4501 (home before 8:30)

027 451 0361 (m)



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