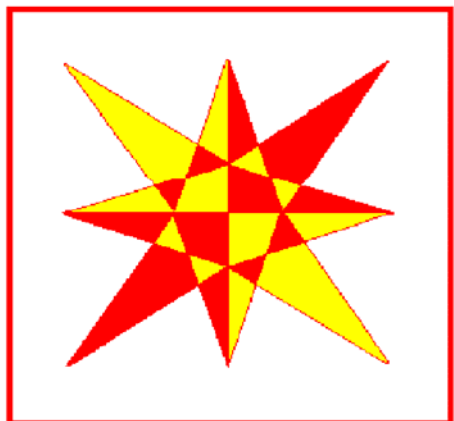


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CENTRAL HILLS 4WD CLUB Inc

newsletter



CLUB INFORMATION & NEWS

<p>INCORPORATION – the Club was formally incorporated on 13 March 1996</p>
<p>POSTAL ADDRESS – PO Box 1047, Mt Barker 5251</p>
<p>EMAIL ADDRESS - ch4wdc@chariot.net.au</p>
<p>TELEPHONE NUMBER – 0408 847 667. Phone is held by Secretary.</p>
<p>WEBPAGE – http://users.chariot.net.au/~ch4wdc/. Comments or suggestions should be directed to the Club Secretary via email.</p>
<p>GENERAL MEETINGS – are held on the fourth Thursday of each month (except December) at 7.30 pm in the CWA Hall, corner of Mann and MacLaren Streets, Mt Barker. Meetings normally feature a guest speaker (<i>see the Club Program within this newsletter</i>) followed by light refreshments.</p>
<p>COMMITTEE MEETINGS – are usually held on immediately after a General Meeting - any Member may attend a Committee Meeting.</p>
<p>MINUTES OF MEETINGS – detailed Minutes are recorded of all Committee and General Meetings, and are published in this newsletter (except financial and correspondence records).</p>
<p>NEW MEMBERS – receive an Information Kit (a CD) on joining the Club. This is available from the Membership Officer. It covers 38 topics, with a lot of general advice, and includes a copy of the Club's Constitution and By-Laws.</p>
<p>MEMBERSHIP NUMBER – is issued sequentially by the Treasurer when joining the Club. It lapses when the Member leaves the Club, and is only reissued if the same entity rejoins at a later date.</p>
<p>NAME BADGE – Members are requested to wear their name badge at Meetings. See Membership Officer for replacement.</p>
<p>SUBSCRIPTION FEES – annual Club fees are renewable by 30 June each year. Payment may be made at any Meeting prior to 30 June, or can be posted to the Club Treasurer by that date. The current membership fee is \$75, being prorata from January each year, and a one off \$15 joining fee. Members are requested to complete a Renewal Form each year so that Club lists are kept up-to-date. They are available from the Membership Officer or website.</p>
<p>PARTICIPATING IN CLUB ACTIVITIES – to do so, enter relevant details into the appropriate trip folder, and if you need further information, speak to the Trip Leader. If after registering for a trip, you then decide not to participate, please advise the Trip Leader ASAP. Please note – the Club insurance cover extends to only one vehicle per event/trip per membership. Participants are advised that there may be some degree of risk associated with four wheel driving and camping activities.</p>
<p>PHOTOGRAPHS – the Club Librarian is always seeking photos of Club events – please contribute to our albums.</p>
<p>CHANGE OF ADDRESS ETC - notify Secretary, Membership Officer & Newsletter Editor if changing postal address, e-mail address, or telephone number.</p>
<p>RADIO CHANNEL – the Club utilises UHF Channel 20 as it's prime channel.</p>
<p>DISPOSAL OF YOUR VEHICLE - please remove all Association and Club stickers from the vehicle, in case the new owner uses it in a manner that may bring discredit to our Club and the 4WD Movement.</p>
<p>SA ASSOCIATION OF FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUBS INC – the Club is a member of the SAAFWD, to which \$16 of annual fees is paid, plus \$8.00 for Public Liability Insurance (includes 50c GST).</p>
<p>FRIEND OF PARKS – the Club is a registered Friend of all SA Parks.</p>
<p>NEWSLETTER - the newsletter is normally distributed by electronic means. The deadline for contributions closes on the Sunday prior to a Club Meeting. Submit articles etc by email, on a 3.5" floppy disk in Word format or on paper (preferably typed). Receipt will be acknowledged of all articles emailed to editor by return email. Contact Editor via e-mail at</p>
<p>LETTERS TO THE EDITOR – a segment will be made available in every newsletter for any Member to have published any letter sent to the Editor.</p>
<p>REPRODUCTION – any of the articles herein may be reproduced by members of any 4WD Club, providing due accreditation is given to the author and in particular to FOUR-TOLD, the publication of the Central Hills Four Wheel Drive Club Inc.</p>
<p>DISCLAIMER – while all care is taken, no responsibility is accepted for the accuracy of information contained in this Newsletter. The views and opinions of contributors expressed herein are not necessarily those of the Editor of this Newsletter, or the Committee or Members of the Central Hills Four Wheel Drive Club Inc.</p>

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GENERAL INFO:

Member of the Year Trophy – if you have not already voted, there is a voting slip at the end of this newsletter. Please either email it to or give it to the Social Officer by/at the January Meeting.

Club Raffle – the winner will be drawn at the Annual Dinner in February, so buy your tickets at the January Meeting – it will your last chance to win a new air compressor.

GUEST SPEAKER INFO:

Rob will present a photo show on the Great Victoria Desert Trip at our January Meeting – 22 January.

COVER:

A lovely WA wildflower, taken by Karen during the 2007 GVD trip.

Insurance cover

Please note – the Club insurance cover extends to only one vehicle per event per membership – if you own more than one vehicle, only one will be covered

Club Executive

Club Committee:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretaries
- Treasurer
- Member
- Member
- Newsletter Editor
- Trips Coordinator

Club Officers:

- Driver Trainer
- Environment Officer
- Librarian
- Membership Officer
- Property Officer
- Social & Welcoming Officer
- Webmaster

Club Delegates:

- Aboriginal Liaison Unit Delegate (ALU)
- Driver Training Unit Delegate (DTU)
- Natural Resources Advisory Unit Delegate (NRAU)
- Association Delegate (SAAFWDC)

Association Office Bearers:

- State Secretary
- State Driver Training Officer

<i>CLUB PROGRAM</i>			
NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING		To follow immediately after next General Meeting	
<i>General Meetings – 4th Thursday nights</i>			
DATE	PROGRAM / GUEST SPEAKER		
22 Jan 09	Social evening – Rob will present a photo segment on the Great Victoria Desert		
26 Feb 09	Speaker to be organised – possibly on using a metal detector		
25 Jun 09	AGM		
<i>Club Trips & other Events</i>			
DATE/S	TRIP/EVENT	DETAILS	LEADER/S
4-20 Feb 09	Victorian Coast & High Country		
7-8 Feb 09	Music Festival	Wellington	
21 Feb 09	Club's annual dinner	\$26 ph, pay by/at Jan meeting 6.30pm Mt Barker Townhall 3 course roast dinner, with choices	
21 Feb 09	4WD theory		
27-29 Mar 09	SA 4WD Assoc AGM & camp	Burra	
18-20 Apr 09	Ngarkat working bee	SAAFWDC organised	
2 May 09 to ?	WA Coast trip	Trip full	
5-15 Jul 09	Broken Hill, Corner Country		

Club Diary - February 2009						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
						1.
2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.
	ALU Meeting					
9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.
NRAU Meeting			DTU Meeting			
○ Full moon						
16.	17.	18.	19.	20.	21.	22.
Club's 13 th birthday			SAAFWDC Meeting Terry birthday		Bob birthday	
23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	
		● New moon	Club General Meeting			

Central Hills 4WD Club
MEMBER OF THE YEAR
 Perpetual Trophy



The Central Hills 4WD Club Perpetual Trophy will be awarded each year to the person voted as Club Member of the Year. The award will normally be presented at the Annual Dinner in February.

Members will be invited to vote for a Member whom they consider to have worked willingly for the year towards the betterment of the club. That Member may be one with little spare time, but cheerfully donated that time to the Club.

There is a voting slip at the back of this newsletter - please fill it in and return it to the Social Officer.

One vote is offered per member, being only those members whose names appear in the current membership list in the magazine. (That is, each partner in a membership will have one separate vote.)



CLUB MUGS

\$7.00 each, blue only

Insulated, with lid

Contact Social Officer



OUTBACK SA - Publications available

see - http://www.oacdt.sa.gov.au/reports_and_documents



A sixth edition of northern and western UHF repeater towers in SA is now also available



Useful Web Sites
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A useful website – provides a spreadsheet and other information to choose the solar panel(s) needed to match the battery capacity in a 4WD and the anticipated drawdowns by the fridge etc.

http://www.campertrailers.org/solar_spreadsheet.htm

If you have any interesting web sites, how about sharing them with other MembersIan