

Jeep Club



of N.S.W.

NEWSLETTER
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JEEP CLUB OF NSW INC.

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**Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday
of each month (except January) at 8.00pm**

**Yennora Public School, Orchardleigh St,
Yennora.**

**Visitors are always welcome. Enter the School through the gate in Orchardleigh St. Drive around to
the rear of the school buildings.**

The ramblings contained in this newsletter are not necessarily factual and are the opinion of the writer only and do not necessarily represent the
view of the club as a whole.

COMING EVENTS



Please let the trip leader know of your attendance at least the Wednesday night prior to a trip.

MAY 17th to 18th	Mt Nangar and Mt Canobolas. Bathurst area. Friday Start. POSTPONED TO DATE TBA.	Ray
MAY 25th	CLUB SHOW. PENRITH MUSEUM OF FIRE CASTLEREAGH ROAD, PENRITH. 9.00am to 4.00pm. One day only. A chance to promote our Club. Participants needed. Contact Ken for more details. Organised by Association.	
JUNE 7th to 9th	Bendethra. Option Friday start.	Ray
5th JULY '08	JEEP CLUB OF N.S.W. Annual General Meeting. John's place. Followed by 4WD trip on Sunday.	
AUGUST 1ST TO 3RD	WATAGANS	LARRY
1ST 2 wks SEP	MUNGO N.P. & CORNER COUNTRY	Keith
SEP 25th to 28th	NATIONAL JEEP JAMBOREE. A Jeep only event. Venue is MORRISSET SHOWGROUND. Hosted by Cherokee Club, Assisted by Jeep Club of NSW. Further details contact Warren "Die Hard" Lewis.	

SEZ TH' PREZ



Hi all,

Winter is here, time to drag out the big jackets and woolly socks. A few good trips coming up for those that are game and will be well worth the effort. It would be good to see some new faces on trips, so check the calender and come along.

The website is up and running (<http://www.jeepclubofnsw.org.au>) so contact Mike (michael@michaelmcfadyenscuba.info) for access and send him any pics or stories you want added.

This Sunday (25th May) there is a 4wd club expo at Penrith's Museum of Fire, we will be having a small display and the opportunity to sell our club to others. It would be great to show that even though we may be a small club, we are active and enthusiastic 4wder's.

NB Don't forget the AGM is coming up soon, with a trip planned on the Sunday.

See ya
Ken

'07/'08 FINANCIAL MEMBER\$ ROLL



LARRY & PENNY STEWART
BRETT GALWAY
PETER JACKSON
BARBARA EPPLE
WARREN & CHERYL LEWIS
MICHAEL & KELLY McFADYEN
KEN BRUDERLIN
CLIFF & CAROLE CLIFFTON
GREG EMBREY

RAY & LIZ WYATT
HEINZ BENDINGER
KEITH SMITH
BOB MURPHY
JOHN GLASSFORD
LINDSAY SQUIRES
DAVE CAMILLERI
MATT RASDALL
ADAM & COLLETTE

RAFFLE PRIZES DONATED SO FAR THIS YEAR :-

KEN B.....LED torch & LED sticky light
RAY.....Butane burner

THE NEW ED'S EDITORIAL



Howdy all,

I have received some member profiles but there is still quite a few to come. It's only a fun thing, you don't have to be too serious, so send them in. Don't forget this also applies to partners as well.

If you spot something of interest send it into me and I will put it in the "FROM THE NEWS DESK" segment. It doesn't have to be related to 4WD's only, it can be anything that may interest other members or it may be just a good read.

Warren has got a wanted ad in the newsletter (see below). I've been told he is willing to pay top dollar.

See Ya,

Brettly.

FROM THE NEWS DESK

WANTED

5 – 16 X 7 inch 6 stud Nissan or Toyota wheels. Contact Warren Lewis.

Reccy to Mt Nangar and Canobolas SF/NP

With the planned trip postponed due to a lack of numbers, I changed my mind at the last minute and risked the wrath of the wife to accompany Ray on an investigation of an area not visited by the club before.

Ray and I headed off in his 80 early Friday morning and stopped a few times to grab supplies and maps along the way. We eventually ended up at Nangar and poked around an old farmhouse then went in search of possible campsites and climb the Mountain. We saw "Dripping Rock" but we were the only drips happening that day. The climb up was interesting, but nothing to hard and LR not needed.

The view from the lookout was quite good and we could see a fair way.

As the day was getting on and we hadn't seen any inviting campsites yet we decided to keep looking. After a few detours and backtracking, we were just about to head out of the park when we tried one more track that had a nice flat grassy area and plenty of wood allaying around. It should be noted that 90% of the gates were open which was quite unusual for NP's, we also never saw another human being in that 24hrs, so not a particular busy park. There were no flowing streams either. A few roos and wallabies but not much else.



On the Saturday, we headed out towards Mt Canobolas, it was a good drive sticking to the dirt roads between farms as we headed east. Most of the dams were near empty, a bit of a change from Dungog 3 weeks ago, with creeks flooded, etc.

We hit the state forest about morning tea and found a couple of fun hill climbs, very similar to Sunny Corner with pine forest and soil type (shaly stuff). That's when we heard the forecast of "snow showers in the high country" hmmm that's we're headed!



We did a bit more exploring and tried to find a fire tower, but it's either burnt down or overgrown.

We headed out of the SF and into the NP, we came across this gnarly little track that looked promising for a decent campsite, but in the end petered out to nothing after about 30-40 mins and a tree removal. Very disappointing.

Next stop was the Designated NP campsite, but upon arrival the gate was shut. No reason or sign why, just locked! It had only started raining that day so it seemed unlikely it was the weather. Anyway, we had a quick tour round the top, couldn't see anything as too much cloud, but there were several other vehicles enjoying the briskness.

We stopped for lunch at a picnic area a bit further down and had a good view over Orange and the clouds above us. That's when it started to sleet and we made the decision o head back towards Bathurst and checkout a place called Macquarie Woods run by SF.

On the way we found out that the SF maps are lacking in some details and roads that showed as meeting with others, did not. This was very frustrating. We eventually got there and found it a tad crowded with camper trailers and caravans. There was also no wood available and the fire pits looked decidedly small, as the temperature moved into low single figures.

There are several forest drives and worth a detour for lunch if you are on your way out west.

There are few spots on these drives to camp, if you ignore the "service track keep out" signs.

We found a picnic area that was empty and quick collected a store of wood for the night, (I even had some left over). The temp got down to about 1.5, but it was the

wind that made it really cool and difficult to keep warm. Although, chilli stir-fry and several Cougars helped take the mind off things.



Sunday morning we woke to clear skies and a biting wind. A quick breakfast and tour of the other half of the park, uncovered a few more campsites and a mob of about 50+ roos.

Not much else to see there, so we headed back to Sydney.

A long way to go, with not a great deal of park to access, means it would suit more of a stop along the way to somewhere else type trip, rather than a destination trip, if you know what I mean. But that's just my opinion.

Ken

JEEP CLUB OF N.S.W. MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING

9 April 2008

1. Meeting opened at 8:15 pm.
2. Present:

Heinz Bendinger, Michael McFadyen, Ken Bruderlin, Ray Wyatt, Lindsay Squires, Jacqui Gray, John Glassford Larry Stewart and Liz Wyatt

3. Apologies:
Keith Smith
4. Visitors:
Rowan Valentine
5. Previous Month's Minutes were read.
Moved: Heinz Bendinger
Seconded: John Glassford
6. Business Arising from Minutes:
Michael has not done the web site yet but promised that it would be up and running by May meeting.
7. Secretary's Report:
Correspondence In:
Newsletters from Central Coast, H-K News
Correspondence Out:
Nil.
Moved: Nil
Seconded: Nil
8. Treasurer's Report: as at 1 April 2008
Opening Balance: \$383.17
Income: \$118.00
Expenditure: 70.00
Closing Balance: \$431.17
Moved: Nil
Seconded: Nil
9. Trip Committee Report:
Discussions about planned trips
Anzac Weekend – 25 – 27 April – Nowendoc area – meet 8:30 am at Heatherbrae Maccas
 - 17 – 18 May – Mt Nangar and Mt Canobolas
 - 7 – 9 June – Bendethera – option of Friday as well
 - AGM Saturday 5 July – John's place
 - 1 -3 August – Watagans
 - 1st 2 weeks in September – Mungo NP to Corner Country
 - 25 – 28 September – National Jeep Jamboree at Morriset Showground
10. Association:
Ken presented some information about a Club open day at Penrith on 25 May. Agreed to book a spot, Larry said he would attend. Another email about a discussion paper about vehicle access in national parks. Appears to be an internal working document that changes little from existing situation.
11. Sergeant at Arms:
Nil
12. General Business:

Liz put forward some financial figures for the Club which showed that an annual fee of about \$70 was required to keep the Club financial. This will be advertised in April newsletter with the view of voting on it at the May meeting.

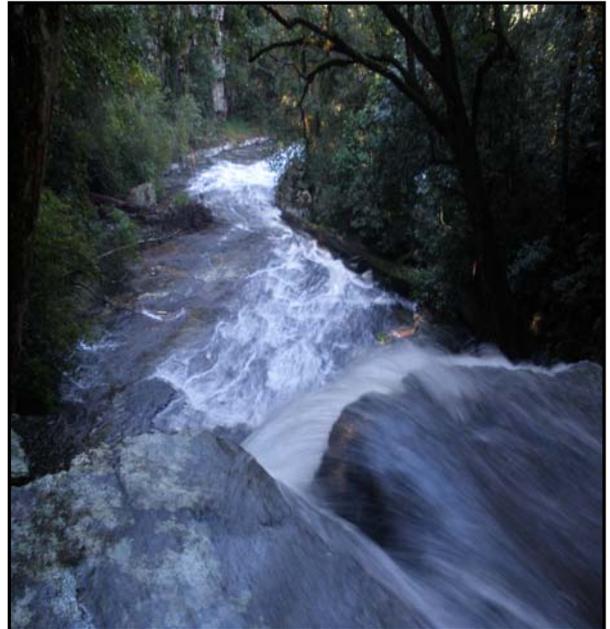
John advised that K-Mart were selling very cheaply gazebo shade tents.
13. Raffle won by Ken.
14. Meeting closed at 9:05 PM

TRIP REPORT

DUNGOG APRIL 25 TO 27

Despite the chance of the roads to Dungog being flooded everyone (5 Fourbys) turned up outside the pub at about 10am where I was waiting, lucky it wasn't open it would've been a good alternative considering the weather. Priority number one was to find a campsite that wasn't 6 inches deep in mud. After looking at a couple we decided on one and set up. After sitting out some lengthy heavy showers, fire wood was next priority and that just about had the day beat.

The next morning was perfect weather so we headed off to look at Jerusalem Creek Falls. They were working well after all the rain. As we were leaving the falls Ray heard something come over the cb, it was Gary and Rod from the Cherokee Club, they joined us for the day but that was cut short when a very loose front pinion bearing was noticed while we were having lunch at Berrico trig.



Directions were given and they headed off back to Booral where they were camped for the weekend. The rest of us headed off down a track that kept us entertained for a while a good one to go up another time in the dry. Since we were a reasonable distance from camp it was time to head back, easier said than done. After I had a bit of a moment [a bit of a moment? ED] crossing the Karuah and wasn't game to go back across that left us separated, after discussing the next plan of attack over the cb saw the club back track about 45min of driving to the next crossing. Which was fine after cutting some more fire wood we didn't get to camp till dark.

Brettly departed after we broke camp Sunday morning due to a disconnected sway bar, then we drove some easy tracks since there was not much choice due to wet slippery conditions. After some sightseeing and lunch I had one more little loop in mind, we should've

just went home. The track seemed to have been spiked, three of us got punctures all in the same position on the tyre, a bit sus. It's a shame the reckies Ken and I did couldn't be used we will have come back in the dry.

Matt.

MEMBER PROFILE

NAME-	Colette Hilder
NICKNAME-	Col
CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT-	My partner, kids & puppies
FIRST ROAD CAR-	Ford Escort
FAVORITE CAR-	Dodge Ram
FAVORITE 4WD-	Jeeps
BIGGEST REGRET-	Selling my jet ski
I WOULD NEVER EAT-	Liver,
FAVORITE MUSIC-	Sarah McLachlan
FIRST JOB-	Milk Bar
DUMBEST THING I EVER DID-	Drove my Jeep into a water hole without checking
BIGGEST HERO	My grandmother (mum's side) -
BIGGEST SPORTING HERO-	no one in particular
FAVORITE 4WD DESTINATION-	Watagans
BEST ADVICE EVER GIVEN-	Have fun
FIRST THING I DO WHEN I WAKE UP-	Check on my daughter
MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT-	Being pulled out of a bog hole by my brothers shitty Mitsubishi
FAVORITE MOVIE	Phar Lap
FAVORITE TV SHOW-	McLeods Daughters
FAVORITE COLOUR-	Red
FAVORITE DRINK-	Jack Daniels
FAVORITE JUNK FOOD-	Hot Chips
SOME MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN YOUR LIFE-	finding out I was pregnant, meeting Adam
MOST ANXIOUS MOMENT IN YOUR LIFE-	Birth of my daughter

MEMBER PROFILE

NAME- Adam Townsend

NICKNAME- Adman

CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT- Music

FIRST ROAD CAR- Poo-brown Camira station wagon

FAVORITE CAR- Aston Martin

FAVORITE 4WD- Jeep

BIGGEST REGRET- no regrets, some stupid decisions, but no regrets

I WOULD NEVER EAT- PEAS !!

FAVORITE MUSIC- Hmm...where do I start. Probably Sarah McLachlan among many

FIRST JOB- Weighing nails into 1kg bags at the local BBC hardware

DUMBEST THING I EVER DID- Teaching my 8 year old brother to ride his bike down 'The Big Dipper'. It did not end well.

BIGGEST HERO- My Dad

BIGGEST SPORTING HERO- Not bothered with sport. Maybe Norm from the "Life. Be in it." Ads...

FAVORITE 4WD DESTINATION- Definitely not Viv's property...! Anywhere up the Macleay River.

BEST ADVICE EVER GIVEN- Do whatever makes you happy.

FIRST THING I DO WHEN I WAKE UP- Shower...gotta have a nice hot shower, or a swim in the river if I'm out camping.

MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENT- When Dad caught me...well....you know...!?!?

FAVORITE MOVIE- Once were warriors.

FAVORITE TV SHOW- Top Gear at the moment. All Aussie Adventures and Goodies also rank highly.

FAVORITE COLOUR- Blue

FAVORITE DRINK- Brown Lemonade

FAVORITE JUNK FOOD- Pizza, KFC, Aporto, Nandos...

SOME MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN YOUR LIFE- Earning my Masters degree, Tuning the sound system at the Olympic stadium, rolling Big Red, meeting Colette, watching the birth of my baby girl...

MOST ANXIOUS MOMENT IN YOUR LIFE- Birth of Sarah