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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 email to newsletter@ccvc.org.nz or post to 34a Hine Rd, Wainuiomata or fax to 04 914 8366.

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Upcoming National Events

Feb 14: 2015/16 National Trials Series, Round 4

Hosted by Counties 4 Wheelers Club, and to be held at Glen Massey near Ngaruawahia. Go to www.nz4x4trials.co.nz for further information.

Feb 20: 4x4 Mad Mud Mayhem

The King Country 4WD Club invites clubs or individuals to our 4x4 MAD MUD MAYHEM at the Annual Ohura A P H & I Show at the Niho Niho Showgrounds, Ohura. Come for a SPIN. Contact KC4WD Steve (07)877-6886 Or Ross (07)871-9889 to register. No Quads

Feb 27: Glen Massey 4x4 Safari 2016

in conjunction with Glen Massey School and Cossie Four Wheelers Club. Glen Massey is approximately 10 mins west of Ngaruawahia. This is a family friendly tag-along event, Suited to all 4x4's with low range . It is a great day for all to enjoy, from beginners thru to experts. Funds raised will go to benefit the students of Glen Massey School. For more information please contact Andrew on email cozzie4x4safari@gmail.com or <https://www.facebook.com/GlenMassey4x4>

Feb 27: Porter Group Counties Classic Series Round 3

Hosted by Counties Manukau Offroad racing Club at Colin Dale Park, Manukau. For further details refer to www.countiesoffroad.co.nz/Links/Events

Feb 28: 2015/16 National Trials Series, Round 5

Hosted by Windy City Offroaders Club, and to be held in Masterton. Go to www.nz4x4trials.co.nz for further information.

Mar 25-27: Red Winch "King of Place" Winch Challenge

by Norwest OHV Club Inc and supported by Force4 and Red Winch. Competition will cater for 3 Classes of vehicles – Club, Challenge and Modified. Cost of entry is \$260 and entries are limited to 25 Trucks. Scrutineering will start on Friday morning and the competition will start around midday on Friday 25th March and continue through to Sunday 27th where things will finish off with prize giving. Camping onsite with BBQ's, hot showers and toilets provided. An all-day BBQ will be going for all competitors at the Hub. All drivers must be NZFWDA affiliated. Please note that this will be a non-spectator event. For an entry form and all inquiries email possumpalace4x4@gmail.com or call Ben Blyth 021 047 4318

Apr 02: Ararimu 4wd Safari 2016 Fundraiser

An offroad/farm safari around the Ararimu Valley and surrounds - aim to raise funds for the Ararimu community pool heating project. Suitable for all vehicles with some new and interesting land with great views. \$85 per vehicle (includes 2 lunches). For info see Ararimu 4wd on Facebook; email ararimu4wd@gmail.com or contact Jared 09 215 3859 for more information and entry form.

Apr 10: Suzuki Extreme 4x4 Challenge

This is the only event of its kind in NZ and is created and hosted by CowperTrucks. Held at 2278 SH3 Turakina it will feature the best of the best drivers & 4x4 Trials competition vehicles in the country. 15 trucks and crews have been personally invited to test their skills against 12 extreme 4x4 courses. Steep hills, vertical banks, massive jumps, mud and speed, combined with good food, easy spectator viewing and live commentary all makes for a fantastic day out with mates and family. The event will be filmed for TV and screened via 4 x 30 min programmes on TV3's CRC Motorsport show. See the Cowper Trucks facebook page for more info.

Some details in this 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.

Day 10 Punsand Bay to Moreton Telegraph Station

By Linda Millard.

We left camp at 7.30am as we knew we had a lot of ground to cover. No sleeping in on this holiday. Oh yes we did have one the day before when we went to the Tip!

We followed a 4WD track from Punsand Bay to Loyalty Beach and Seisia. Along the track we passed 10 tag-along trucks. We all managed to find spaces to pull over to let each other pass. We could hear their communications over the radio.

After further fuel and provisions at Bamaga and Seisia we met at the BP station for our morning team briefing. It had actually taken a while for all of us to arrive at the correct petrol station on the correct road!!

Our first stop was at the DC3 crash site near Bamaga Airport. It was easy to find and just off the track. The DC3 crashed there in May 1945 with a loss of six passengers. The wreck was fenced off to preserve it and there was a plaque commemorating the dead. This plane would have landed on an airstrip that was bulldozed flat red pindan dirt. The fact that this and other planes crashed near the runway in this area attests to what must have been less than perfect conditions for pilots at the time, no doubt due to the remoteness of the location.



Once we started again on the road south of Bamaga (Bamaga Southern Bypass Road) we noticed that there were termite mounds again amongst the dense vegetation; they had been practically non-existent for the three days previously.

(An interesting fact was that building wasn't possible on Prince of Wales Island near Thursday Island in Torres Strait because of the predominance of termites.)

We arrived back at the Jardine Ferry at 9.45. The authorities weren't interested in our tickets. They must assume that everyone who goes north must eventually come south again.

Because we had made really good time we decided to head to Captain Billy's Landing in the Heathlands Reserve eastern section for lunch. Howard had hired his vehicle through "Captain Billy's" Rental Company, so going there was mandatory for him. He had lots of challenges with his vehicle on the trip,

as mentioned by Ian in his Sherrif's report last month; for a start it was older and had done about 105000kms whereas our Britz ones had only done about 14000kms. We had been going to stay here but hadn't booked and had read that the campsite was only supposed to take 8 vehicles and we had 9 and campers needed to pre- purchase an e-permit like we did for Chili Beach and Eliot Falls.

The 27 km to Captain Billy's landing was a lovely was a really lovely track, narrow but very pretty, rainforest and heath. There was a good view of the coastal cliffs just before the track descended to the landing. On the route to Captain Billy's we clocked up 2000km for the trip. There were still 4 days to go at that point!

The concrete ramp, (now broken) near the only shelter, was installed by Comalco to allow the loading of cattle onto a barge for transport to markets at Bamaga and Weipa.

The story is that a government geologist Robert Logan Jack, who the creek is named after, met an Aboriginal man near here who introduced himself as "Captain Billy". Billy wanted to trade turtles and fish for the expedition's stores but Jack declined the offer. That night Billy and his men attacked the exhibition's camp. Hence the name!

Once we were back on the Bypass road we had a very fast trip to the entrance of Bamaga Station, where we had stayed on the way up, for a vehicle- team photo.



We decided that the best travel formula on the gravel dusty roads was to travel about 100- 110kms with no other vehicles in our convoy. It meant we all kept about the same distance apart allowing for dust and visibility. If we did come across another vehicle going the same direction it was often hard to pass because in the dust we couldn't see what was coming and the convoy got further apart and

out of radio contact with the next vehicle. Sometimes you had to wait for the next bitumen section and those were few and far apart.

We arrived at Moreton Telegraph Station early afternoon and after we put the tent up we went for a nature walk on the station to supposedly see a crocodile in a creek and many bird varieties. We could hear birds but it was probably too early to see them resting in the trees. There was a pet kookaburra outside the booking office that apparently had a broken wing so couldn't fly much. No crocodile however! Moreton Telegraph station was the original telegraph station building but was demolished in 1960 and replaced with the two elevated houses that are there now.

Ian told us a funny story about how he was to pick up the dual battery relay for his vehicle in either Bamaga or Seisia that had been supposedly ordered on Friday. It appeared that the girl had had a hissy fit after, or maybe before, breaking up with her partner and consequently the part hadn't been ordered.

We all cooked our meals on our cookers that night although some went off to the Happy Hour prior to that.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Members should now have all received their membership card for the 2015/16 year. However a few members need to update their address recorded in the membership database so the card can be sent out.

Its easy, <http://ccvcwellington.wildapricot.org> and log in (use the lost password routine if you need to) and update your address details.

The NZ4WD Association has now also printed membership cards and these will be available to pick up at Club night.

WHERE'S WALLY??

Well if you are talking about CCVC member Wally Simmers he may be preparing to receive his Queen's Service Medal.

Wally was recently recognised in the New Year Honours list for his long standing commitment to the community by the award of the Queen's Service Medal. Wally has been involved with a wide range of community activities ranging from the Karori Community Hall, Rotary, the church, the Heart of Karori project and the annual Karori Youth Awards. Recently he led the fundraising for the multi-million Karori Event Centre appeal.

Wally and Margot have been associated with CCVC for 15 years and have done several of the South Island trips. Most recently they were providing seats for the sunset tour.

So congratulations, Wally and Margot, for a truly appropriate recognition of your community service over the last 30 years or so. Well done!



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The potential return of the Concorde was undoubtedly one of 2015's biggest aviation stories.

Those swept-back wings and the signature nose-cone symbolised the ultimate in speed and luxury travel while the plane was in service across the Atlantic between 1976 and 2003.

So when a group called Club Concorde International announced in July last year that they'd secured a £40 million windfall to display two jets on platforms in the River Thames in London and the River Seine in Paris, there was much excitement about the return of supersonic travel.



That same group hopes to add to what they already say is a £120 million fund designed to get Concorde off the ground again – and says the idea of displaying the jets in two prominent locations would help raise even more money to make the project viable.

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So to celebrate the return of one of the world's most loved planes, here's our top-10 list of Concorde facts:

- 1.** Of the 20 Concorde planes built only 14 were ever in active use (the other six were used for testing) – seven were employed by British Airways and seven by Air France. The cost of developing and building the planes was not a commercial agreement between the companies – rather part of an international treaty between the countries.
- 2.** British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan originally removed the final "e" from the name of the British version of the plane to make it seem more English after falling out with France's leader Charles de Gaulle. The "e" was put back again by the UK's Minister for Technology, Tony Benn.
- 3.** Although the Concorde flew commercially from London Heathrow and Paris Charles de Gaulle airports to New York JFK, Washington Dulles and Barbados, the first test flights were Paris to Rio (March 2, 1969) and London Heathrow to Bahrain (April 9, 1969).
- 4.** The Concorde flew at more than twice the speed of sound or Mach 2 (around 2400kmh). The aircraft's fastest New York to London journey was 2hrs 54min and 45secs on January 1, 1983.
- 5.** Concorde flew at an altitude of between 15,240m and 16,900m (although it could go as high as nearly 18,300m) meaning passengers could see the curvature of the earth.
- 6.** Because of the heat generated by travelling at such high speeds, Concorde's frame expanded and stretched up to 20cm during flights meaning that paint and carpets had to be specially designed.
- 7.** Although there was no in-flight entertainment on board a Concorde, passengers did get to feast on gourmet meals served on Wedgewood crockery and drink fine Champagne. Mind you, tickets from London to New York typically cost the equivalent of \$US9000 at today's conversion rates.
- 8.** Concorde's wingspan was just 25.5m – less than half that of a Boeing 747.
- 9.** Concorde used up a tonne of fuel to reach takeoff speed, and that prominent nose-cone was modified to lower slightly so pilots could see the runway when coming in to land.
- 10.** When Concorde left service in 2003, British Airways retired the flight numbers BA001 and BA004, which had been for the London to New York return route.



You will all recognise the above logo, don't you? Well there has been a few changes to this business but it is still about and active in Downer Street, Lower Hutt. I am working on getting a new advert to include in the magazine but in the meantime we should still be patronising this and all the other club sponsors.

Kiwis on the Cape Day 11 Moreton Telegraph Station to Weipa

By Linda Millard

As we left the station gates we passed some walkers on the bridge. Little did we know it but we were to meet some of them again later in the day.

We travelled down the PDR but made a compulsory stop at the end of the Frenchman's track so we could see the sign that we missed on Day 5. The sign was parallel to the road and the words "Frenchman's track" looked like they had been written in twink. As we had been travelling about 120 kms an hour it was no wonder we missed it.

We turned into the road towards Weipa at Batavia Downs and encountered roadworks for a couple of kms. Two of the "B"-trains that we passed had Bramwell Station on the door. The manager at Bramwell Station had told us that the station also had the contract for maintaining the roads in the area.

On this road to Weipa we passed more kangaroos and wallabies, near the road, than we had seen on the whole trip to date.

Weipa (pop 3300) is a Bauxite mining town and the first signs of the mining could be seen on both sides of the road. Suddenly in the middle of nowhere a set of traffic lights appeared in front as the road crossed a huge haulage way. We only got about three vehicles through before it turned red again. We weren't actually waiting for any gigantic ore trucks however.

Weipa was established in 1962 as the service and dormitory town for the mine by Comalco. Bauxite was discovered here by Harry Evans as he was exploring for oil. His samples were analysed and eventually it was established that there were 3.6 billion tonnes of mineable bauxite in the area.

At Weipa the flat lying bauxite occurs as a 2m thick layer under a metre of topsoil. Prior to any mining taking place the vegetation cover is cleared and the topsoil removed for use in rehabilitating previously mined areas.

Seeds taken from the area prior to mining are replanted so the vegetation resembles the area prior to any mining starting. Most of Weipa's output is shipped to Gladstone in Central Queensland for refining into alumina and from there sent to other places in the world (Tiwai Point, Bluff being one).



We visited the Weipa Cultural Centre to look at the history of the area. The Dutch explorers arrived in 1606 and missionaries arrived around 1891. The aboriginal heritage of this area dates back thousands of years. However it was sad to see the aboriginals treated the way they were depicted in the film "The Rabbit Proof Fence." There was a comprehensive history of the development of the town by Comalco for the bauxite mining.

We checked into the Motor Camp, stocked up on food, had lunch, put up the tents and tried to get gas bottles for our cookers without much success. We had a bit of time to relax before the two planned trips later in the day. Some of the guys and Bernice went on a mines and town tour. Bus tours of the Rio Tinto Alcan mine site are conducted throughout the dry season. The highlight of that tour would have to have been reflecting on the sheer size of the mining equipment. The rest of us went on an Eco Sunset cruise on the Embley River and Roberts Creek. On our tour the two guides Frank who was of aboriginal descent and the driver of the boat shared their knowledge of the local wildlife and unique Western Cape eco system. We saw a crocodile in the wild while drinking champagne on the boat, lots of birdlife and then saw the most amazing sunset over the waters of the Gulf of Carpentaria. The people we passed on the bridge earlier in the day were on our sunset tour. We arrived back around 6.00 and cooked dinner.



G. Guy Motors

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Hi all, most of you will be aware of the journey that Jane and I have been on with Jane's health over the past 2 years since discovering she has Ovarian Cancer, this journey has had numerous challenges all of which we have overcome to date, the treatment Jane is on now is the Avastin program of treatment for her type of cancer, over this time we have appreciated the support of the Apparelmaster family and also the support services of doctors and cancer society along with the progress in treatments this has come about with the funding raised over the years.

To this end we (Jane and I) had wished to do something to be able to give something back for the support we have received and in the hope that it will allow research to make the necessary breakthroughs for future sufferers, we do not know how Jane will go but on balance we do know we have limited time and thus wish to maximise what we have.

We are entering a Rally called the "Shitbox Rally" which is run by Manheim Rallies of Australia and for the first time will be running this event here in New Zealand on the 12-20th February 2016.

we have entered a team and the proceeds will be going to Cancer New Zealand for research here in NZ, check this out at this site so you can see what it is all about www.shitboxrally.co.nz/

Our Team is called Calvin and Hobbes and we are just setting up our link/ pics etc and also a bank account for donations, we ask your support for this great cause as we all know of someone who is a sufferer in this area, we will get some really good coverage in this event, please let me know your level of support and we will advise details over the next week or so.

<https://shitboxrallynz-2016.everydayhero.com/nz/calvin-hobbs>

kind regards to all and thank you for your support in advance

Stewart and Jane Burrell

As we have in past years, CCVC will again be involved with the Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) Summer Events Program.

[GWRC Summer Events](#)

All events this year involve us providing seats for members of the Public participating in Council organised events. These events are an important part of the clubs relationship with GWRC and are also a great PR exercise as far as members of the public are concerned.

So, mark these dates in your calendar and if you are able to provide seats for some (or even all) of these events please register with the relative Trip Leader when a request is made.

Members of the public need to book directly with GWRC through their "Summer Events" website.

For all events a club radio is most desirable as we often have commentary via radio provided by the Park Rangers. If you do not have a club radio there should be some available to borrow for the duration of the event.

Events:

Saturday 13th February 2016 Belmont Sunset Tour No 2.

Saturday 27th February 2016 - Redwood Ramble

Taking members of the public to view the Redwoods in the Hukinga (3rd Crossing) area of the Akatarawa forest. Well worth the walk in if you haven't seen them.

Sunday 20th March 2016 - Akatarawa 4WD Tour

This year instead of the usual "tag-a-long" GWRC want to try something different. We will be taking up to 30 members of the public for a tour of the Akatarawa Forest. Lunch is at the Orange Hut but the rest of the route will be decided nearer the time in consultation with GWRC Rangers.

ALSO:

This year the Club is also involved in an event in association with Wellington City Council (WCC) as part of their "Parks
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Week 2016". Like GWRC, our relationship with WCC is very important to the club and your support of this event will be appreciated.

Saturday 12th March 2016 - Coastal 4wd Adventure

Taking up to 30 members of the public through Te Kopahou Reserve and around the South Coast.

[Wellington City Council Parks Week Coastal 4wd Adventure](#)

These events allow the club to cement and enhance our relationship with these Councils who allow us access to the land they manage. Please assist in the success of these events. The more members who participate the less each member will have to do in order to make these events a success.

There really is no excuse for not helping out in at least one of these events (unless of course your vehicle is one of the few with no spare seats).

Keep an eye out for requests for assistance from the various Trip Leaders.

See you there, John Parfitt - Trip Planning



CCVC Club Member's Photos and Videos

We are always keen to share club member's trip photos and videos at Club night.

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

Pick your best 6 to 10 photos , resized to 1152 x 864 pixels (or use a lower resolution on your camera)

Email them with a brief description of event, location, date taken and any notes you would like included to Dave Kibblewhite

email address: verda@xtra.co.nz

OR

Put on a USB stick and contact Dave to arrange collection / dropoff

Always looking for 4WD related video clips, Powerpoint presentations, YouTube listings etc that can be shown on clubnight – we have the technology!

I need all material by 7.00pm on the Monday night prior to Club night to allow sufficient time to prepare the data show. If you have a "ready to show" USB stick with sequenced, correctly rotated photos and or video or Powerpoint presentation ready to show , these could be given to me on the night but please contact Dave prior to arrange.

Any questions please contact Dave

Contact details	Dave Kibblewhite
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Kiwis on the Cape – Day 12 Wednesday 19th August

Scribe Glennys Feist

High cloud and fine weather (again) greeted us this morning. Vehicles and travellers were provided with fuel and coffee as required and we were soon on our way out of Weipa towards Laura. Around 9.30 we turned onto the Peninsula Development Road and enjoyed travel along a good road flanked by the sparse outback trees and termite mounds we had become accustomed to. We were now retracing our steps from the start of the trip but, of course, were not repeating the side-trips.

The vehicles had become well spread out to remove the dust menace. From time to time a kangaroo or wallaby hopped across in front of us. Around morning tea time we came upon Archer River Roadhouse – our campsite on Day 3. By now the day was becoming sunny and hot so an ice-cream was the order of the day. We set off after morning tea towards Coen.

After half an hour or so we reached the Quarantine Station. This time, as we were exiting the Cape, we had to undergo inspection. We all passed with flying colours – their main concern was mangoes and firewood. When the lid came off one of the chilly bins, the owners were confronted with another case of exploding yoghurt. This “exploding” phenomenon was occurring from time to time in chilly bins by courtesy of the corrugations etc. It was even known to attack a can of beer lolling in a chilly bin waiting to reward its master for a good days work.

On down the road for another half hour we made a right turn to Coen. Would the 7-day a week shop that was closed



and hot so an ice-cream was the order of the day. We set off after



on our visit nine days ago be open now? No. The sign now read “Closed today and tomorrow”. I guess that is all encompassing!!

We continued on out of Coen, still enjoying good travel and arrived at Musgrave Roadhouse - our Day 2 campsite – for lunch. We seemed to be 2 vehicles short in spite of a number of radio calls. They eventually trundled in after dealing to a puncture. We moved on after lunch and arrived, incident free, at Laura by 3.30pm. We had a choice of camping areas here and the final decisions saw 3 glamping at Quinken Hotel, 3 camping at Quinken Hotel camping ground and 3 camping at Laura camp

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ground. The Laura camp grounders were entertained by a kangaroo hopping around in an adjoining paddock and a kookaburra sitting in an old gum tree. One of the campers had to be restrained from insisting on keeping the rest supplied with hot water from the Ladies Washroom. Helpful though it was, decorum had to be maintained.

Campers and Glampers alike settled in well to their night's accommodation and enjoyed a warm calm evening. Some relaxed around a campfire and chewed the fat with some visitors from Adelaide while others solved a leaky



fuel tank problem with soap. The visitors from Adelaide were happy to join the Laura camp grounders around their campfire, as the Quarantine Inspectors had found their stash of firewood and allowed them to keep it only on the proviso that they burned it that night. So a rip roaring campfire was enjoyed by all. Some enthusiastic partygoers across the road serenaded these campers well into dreamtime but sleep soon won the battle. Tomorrow would be another day, new adventures.



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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.

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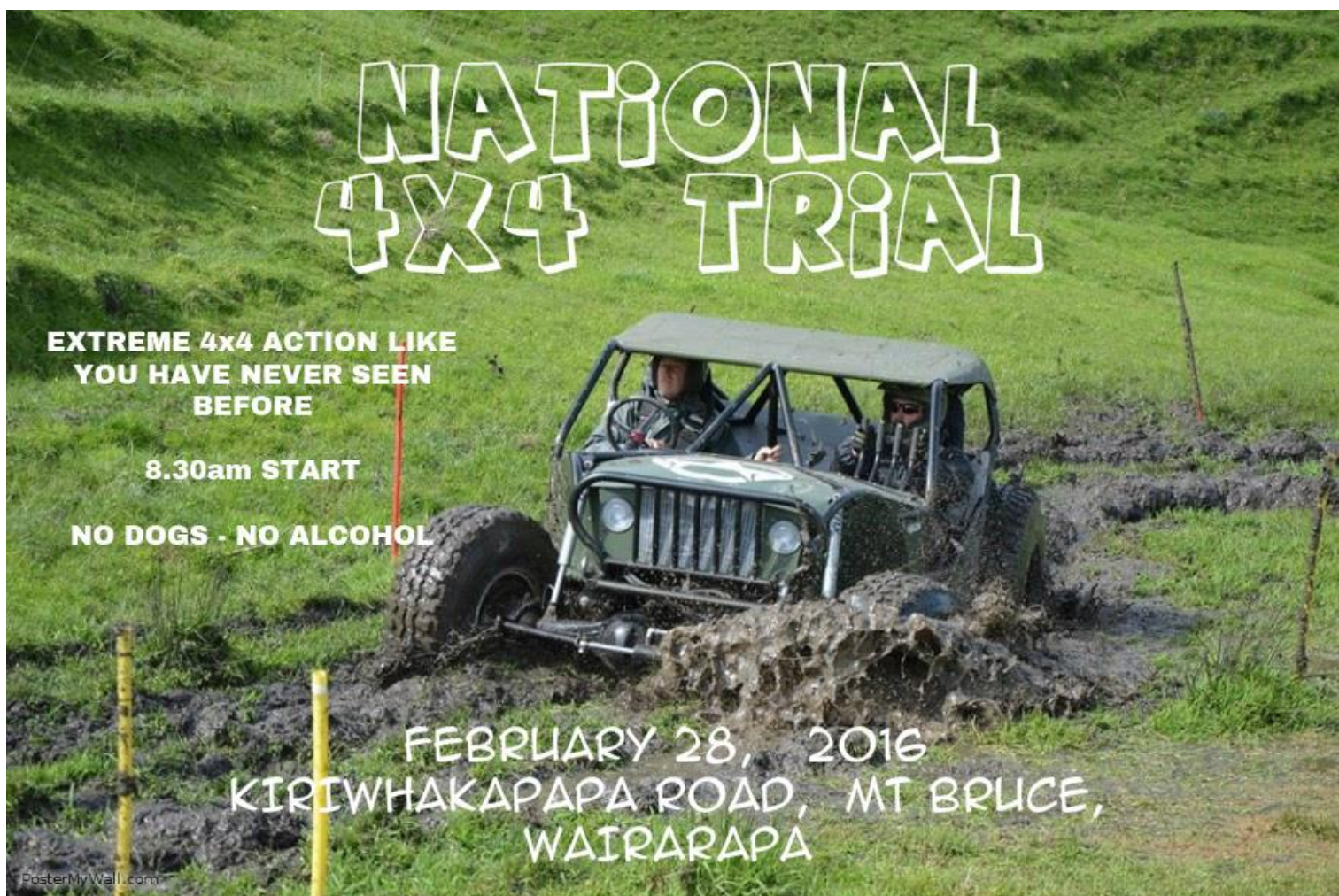
We are looking for a small number of members who are interested in joining a sub committee to look at ideas as to the future direction of the club and in particular:

Should (and if so how can) the club cater for "Soft roader " SUV type vehicles (without low ratio gearbox)?

Review the clubs joining procedures (which follows on from the above).

If you are interested in being part of this sub committee please contact:

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HELP WANTED

I need volunteers to help marshal a round of the National 4x4 Trials Series. Three years ago I asked and got a great response and would love for that to happen again. Book in Sunday February 28th, 2016 just north of Masterton in the sunny Wairarapa. Windy City Offroaders is hosting round 5 and we need your help in marshalling this event.

Previous experience preferred but anybody is welcome as training can be done very quickly. There will be a mini village across the road with heaps of competitors camping onsite which creates a great atmosphere. Lunch will be provided for the marshalls along with bottled water to keep you hydrated.

Please txt me (SKID) on [027 241 7757](tel:0272417757) or email at skiddynz@live.com to let me know if you are able to help, many thanks in advance .

SKID

Central Zone Club Truck 4x4 Challenge

2015/16 Round 3

hosted by the Wellington Jeep Club

Orongorongo Station

12 March 2016

Enter this skill based event in your warranted and registered 4wd vehicle.
Drivers must be NZFWDA members and wear a helmet. Land access fee is \$20 per vehicle, including spectators as well as entrants.



Farmhouse accommodation is available for Friday and Saturday night, camping is also available.

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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

Member Information:

Bob Jeffery	Steward 1982
George Bean	Treasurer 1972, 73, 74, 84, 81, 82, 84, Steward 1976
Peter Boniface	Not listed as a committee member
Ron Oliver	Initial President in 1971 the President 1972, 73, 74
Vern Lill	Committee 1974, 76, Steward 1975, Delegate 1977, 78, Vice President 1979, 80
Steve O'Callaghan	New Members Officer 1999 till 2015
Ron Wadham	Safety Officer 1997, 98, led many CCVC trips

CCVC Life Members

Tom Adams	Graham Barr	Leith Bean	Stuart Brown	Andy Cockroft
Owen Farghar	Mike Gall	John Hughes	Heather Jeffery	Ron Johnson
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Trip Categories

The following trip category definitions, plus any *additional* requirements specified on individual Trip Information Sheets, will be enforced, for safety reasons. Trip Leaders will turn away vehicles or drivers that do not comply. The vehicle and driver requirements given here are a summary of the full requirements listed on the club website. Please refer to www.cvc.org.nz for a definitive list of requirements.

For all Categories: All open or soft-top vehicles must have a roll bar or roll cage.

All Categories **other than Family 4X4** are for members only. Prospective members and visitors are welcome if they can demonstrate to the Trip Leader they are members of another club and have adequate experience.

Family 4X4:

Description: Family trip. These trips will be straightforward and will usually include some degree of guidance in driving techniques as necessary.

Drivers: Particularly suited to family outings and drivers new to off-road driving, this category is also open to anybody who enjoys this style of trip.

Members: Anybody is welcome, especially prospective new members.

Vehicles: An important objective is minimal challenge and minimal risk to vehicles. Club safety equipment is mandatory for club members; it is not mandatory for non-members although it is recommended for vehicles once their drivers have participated in one or two trips. All open or soft-top vehicles must have a roll bar or roll cage.

Shiny 4x4:

Description: More difficult family trips, for shiny wagons and drivers *with some experience* who want more challenge and don't mind minor bush marks etc on their vehicles.

Drivers: Must have some experience, particularly important are experience in stopping, failed hill climbs, steep descents and sidelings. Club members must have completed CCVC Driver Training and participated in at least 2 Family 4X4 trips after becoming a member.

Vehicles: Vehicles must have mud tyres, tow hooks and all the required equipment per the club's document "Vehicle Safety & Equipment Inspections". This applies to all vehicles on the trip.

Club 4x4:

Description: Challenging trips, for experienced drivers. There will be steep and challenging terrain, modestly deep water and mud, likelihood of bush marks.

Drivers: Must have experience beyond that required for Shiny 4x4 trips, including water crossings and vehicle recovery. Club members must have participated in at least 2 Shiny 4X4 trips.

Vehicles: Must have mud tyres, tow hooks and all the required equipment per the club's document "Vehicle Safety & Equipment Inspections". This applies to all vehicles on the trip. Accessories such as high-lift jacks, externally mounted spare tyre, bush bars and multiple jacking points are of advantage. Winches are often particularly useful. Generally a short wheelbase vehicle is better suited for the tight tracks.

Hard Yakka:

Description: Difficult trips with very challenging terrain and surfaces, where winching, digging, and vehicle damage are all a possibility!

Drivers: Experienced drivers only, must have approval of Trip Leader. Club members must have participated in at least 3 Club 4X4 trips.

Vehicles: As per the Club 4x4 category. In addition, a roll-bar or roll-cage is recommended for all vehicles on Hard Yakka trips. Often a winch is mandatory on a Hard Yakka trip; this will be specified on the Trip Information Sheet

Date	Name	Organiser	Category	Place
February 2016				
Monday 1st	Trip Leaders Forum	Steve Mercer	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-
Saturday 6th	Check out the Staircase - Bookings Required	Graeme Millard	Shiny 4X4	Akatarawa Forest - Devil's Staircase
Sunday 7th	GWRC Summer Program - Mt Climie 4WD Trips (Club Member Vehicles Only) - Members of the public must book with the GWRC Summer Program	Ray Harkness	Shiny 4X4	Mt Climie
Tuesday 9th	CCVC Club Night - 7:30pm, Petone Working Mens Club, Udy St, Petone - Visitors Welcome.	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-
Saturday 13th	GWRC Sunset Tour Number 2 - (Club Member Vehicles Only) Members of the public must book with GWRC as part of their Summer Program	Charles Odlin	Shiny 4X4	Belmont Regional Park
Sunday 14th	Akatarawa monthly trip with Frank A - Book with Frank (francis.a@orcon.net.nz)	Frank Allan	Family Shiny	Akatarawa Forest
Saturday 20th	Sunset Tour Back up date	-tba-	Shiny 4X4	
Sunday 21st	Orongorongo Monthly Trip - Book with John - jparfitt@clear.net.nz	John Parfitt	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area
Wednesday 24th	CCVC Committee Meeting	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-
Saturday 27th	GWRC Summer Program - Visit the Redwoods in the Akatarawa Forest - (Club Member vehicles only) Members of the public must book with the GWRC Summer Program	David Sole	Shiny 4X4	Akatarawa Forest - Hukinga Area

March 2016

Saturday 5th	CCVC Training Day for Prospective Members - Book with Morris (04) 566 - 6197	Morris Jury	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area
Wednesday 9th	CCVC Club Night - 7:30pm, Petone Working Mens Club, Udy St, Petone - Visitors Welcome.	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-
Thursday 10th	Upper Hutt City Council Parks Week event - (Club Member Vehicles only) - Seats required - Members of the Public need to book with Upper Hutt City Council	Steve Mercer	Shiny 4X4	Mt Climie
Saturday 12th	Central Zone Club Truck Challenge - Round 3	Wellington Jeep Club	Shiny 4X4	Orongorongo area
Saturday 12th	Wellington City Council Parks Week event - (Club member vehicles only) Members of the Public need to book through Wellington City Council	Barry Insull	Shiny 4X4	Wellington South Coast/Red Rocks Te Kopahou Reserve
Saturday 19th	Orongorongo Monthly Trip - Book with Morris (04) 566 - 6197	Morris Jury	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area
Sunday 20th	GWRC Summer Program - Akatarawa Tour - (Club Member Vehicles only) Members of the public must book through the GWRC Summer program.	Ian Groom	Shiny 4X4	Akatarawa Forest
Friday 25th	Easter in Otapawa - Early Bookings Essential	Graeme Millard	Shiny 4X4	Otapawa Station, Haunui Rd off Route 52, Tiraumea, (sign posted as you approach Tiraumea) - OR via The Alfredton Road toward the coast from Eketahuna view at http://www.otapawa.co.nz/farmstay.htm
Wednesday 30th	CCVC Committee Meeting	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-

April 2016

Saturday 9th	Akatarawas with Ian G - Book with Ian ipgroom@xtra.co.nz	Ian Groom	Family Shiny	Akatarawa Forest
Wednesday 13th	CCVC Club Night - 7:30pm, Petone Working Mens Club, Udy St, Petone - Visitors Welcome.	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-
Sunday 24th	Orongorongo Monthly Trip - Book with Morris (04) 566 - 6197	Morris Jury	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area
Wednesday 27th	CCVC Committee Meeting	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-