September 2015

SUBARU 4WD NEWS

Meetings of
THE SUBARU 4WD CLUB of WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.
are **normally** held at
7.30pm on the second Tuesday of each month at the

Rotary Hall, 55 Sandgate St., South Perth

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT September 2015

Fellow Members,

I had a great time on the Burrup trip – thanks Ian. And thanks also to Tom for chairing the August Committee and General Meetings in my absence.

At the September General Meeting, Daniel Feeney from Red Cross will provide us with some basic training on the use of the Club's new Defibtech Lifeline View AED (Semi-Automatic External Defibrillator). If you did not attend the Club's first aid course and you want to know how to use the Club's defib, you should attend this meeting.

The end of our Club year is 30 September. As I did in my last President's Report, can I ask you again please to use the Club website to lodge your Club Member of the Year and other Award Nominations. You can either click on the "Nominate for Award" button on the right-hand side of the individual trip page, or you can go to the Membership page, hover over the member you wish to nominate and click on the yellow star that shows up. Both ways you get to the same Awards page.

All awards will be presented at the Annual Dinner, which is the Club's "gala" event of the year, on Saturday 17 October, at the Dwellingup Hotel. Make your booking now!

The end of the Club year also means that your membership needs to be renewed. A Membership Renewal Form can be found on the Links page of the website. You do not need to be logged in to access it. I confirm fees can be paid by direct credit: http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au/uploaded/pdf/SUB849.pdf

Finally, if you are interested in being part of the WA 4WD Association (the peak 4WD body in WA), they have vacancies on their Committee for a Land Manager, Public Relations Manager and ordinary Committee member. These positions were not filled at their AGM on 17 August. Land Manager is a very important position, as this person is the primary Association contact point for WA Parks & Wildlife.

Regards,
Tony Richards

TRIP CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT September 2015

Hi All,

Hi all, we are getting into the best time of the year for camping and we have a good variety of trips planned. We were lucky with the return trip from Karratha to have an almost constant display of wildflowers. Some people at Mt Augustus reckoned it is the best it has been for 15 years.

So that you can see some of those wildflowers, we have the long week-end trip going to Warriedar with the option of going down early for those of you lucky enough to do so. We have been there before but bush camped. This time we are hoping to staying near the old homestead which has been restored by Track Care.

Then in October we have an overnight camp at Hi Vallee farm who specialise in wildflowers, and they will be conducting a wildflower tour for us on the Saturday afternoon.

A request from one of the members was to go and see a Rodeo so we have found one in Boyup Brook at the end of October with a Rodeo all day Saturday and music on the Saturday night. Put on your best country & western gear and join in.

If you have anywhere you would like to go just let one of the committee members know and we will see what we can come up with. Some requests we have had include Alice Springs/ Uluru as well as the Bungle Bungles/Purnululu. These are both big trips so I am after expressions of interest in either one to get things started.

Cheers, David.

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HARVEY DICKSON'S RODEO OCT 31st 2015

The Rodeo is on again this year at Harvey Dickson's Country Music Centre. 5km out of Boyup Brook, and promises to be bigger and better than ever! Gates open at 7.30am Saturday 31st October with the first Rodeo events starting at 9.30am. Come early and get your campsite set up as it's only $5.00 per person per night to stay where all the action will be!

Tickets can be bought online or purchased at the door: Adults: $30, Aged Pensioners: $25, Under 15 years: $5 and Under 4 years: FREE! A great day out for all the family with stalls, vintage caravans, a car and bike show and plenty of fun to had in side show alley.

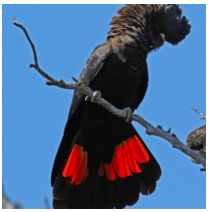
After the Rodeo action concludes the music and party starts! Make your way over to the Dead Horse Saloon and the stage area where the music will begin from 5.00pm till close at 11.30pm.

Harvey Dickson's has 3 Bush Camping sites, all in close proximity of each other. We plan to be staying at the Riverside Bush Camping Ground. This place is peaceful and pleasant. You have to share the camp with trees, kangaroos, rabbits and the odd emu. Just kick back and enjoy. Due to the fact that this camping ground is on the banks of the Blackwood River there is no power, toilets or showers therefore campers on this site need to be fully self sufficient.

Trip Leader: David Peck, 0402 177 886, trips@subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au

Join the trip on the Club website.

KAARAKIN BUSY BEE SATURDAY 19TH SEPT



Come to Kaarakin and help to give the Black Cockatoo facilities a general clean-up and have a fun day out.

The 4WD Association (on behalf of member clubs) has volunteered to help the Black Cockatoo Preservation Society with their regular busy bees at Kaarakin and our Club has offered to help on this date.

More information about what the Black Cockatoo Society does can be found on their website:
http://www.blackcockatoorecovery.com/

Meet at Kaarakin, 322 Mills Road East, Martin (turn right off Mills Road at the 4WD Association sign).

The 4WD Association will be putting on a SNATCH STRAP demonstration and a sausage sizzle.

Any queries, please give Tony a ring on 93867705.
Join the trip on the website: http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au

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WARRIEDAR WANDERING SEPT 26TH - 28TH LWE

Wander around Warriedar Station and surrounds. The historic homestead is located ~340 km from Perth in the Yalgoo Shire. A former pastoral lease, the station is now managed by DPaW, and the 4WD Association have done restoration work on the homestead and sheds.

There are numerous tracks to explore on the property passing through a variety of terrains from rocky

Warriedar Hill (546m) to sandy eroded creek beds and extensive salt lakes. The "Picata Joker" gold mine which operated in the 1940s is nearby. Many Spring wildflowers will be in bloom.

Have a look at Rob Griffith's aerial view of the homestead:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aMGuRm-PIeE

Jim is planning to go up earlier on Thursday as I would like to have a look around our old stomping ground of Lochada and Kadji Kadji and probably camping at Lochada, again depending on what is still there and other campers.

Then meeting rest of group at Warriedar on Saturday.

Join the trip on the Club website:

http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au

ANNUAL DINNER & AWARDS NIGHT
SAT 17TH OCTOBER

Come and join us at Dwellingup Hotel for a fun-filled night, great company and huge laughs!

VOTE NOW ON WEBSITE FOR YOUR FAVOURITE TRIP, TRIP LEADER, CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR AND SILLY AWARDS

http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au/uploaded/pdf/SUB1701.pdf

More details including meal choices on the website:
http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au
(e.g. Sticky Date Pudding - yum!)

Accommodation at Dwellingup website:
http://www.dwellingupwa.com.au/directory/accommodation

NOTICE OF CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

7.30pm at the Rotary Hall, 55 Sandgate St., South Perth

Committee Nomination Forms available here:
http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au/uploaded/pdf/SUB1702.pdf

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HI VALLEE FARM 10th - 11th OCT 2015

Join us as we spend the weekend at Hi-Vallee farm just north of Badgingarra near the Mount Lesuer National Park. It will be approximately a 3 hour drive from Perth.

Our hosts will be providing a guided wildflower tour on Saturday afternoon around the farm and surrounding bushland.

The farm has **wildflowers** (some endangered), native birds, bushwalking and photo opportunities.

We will be camping on the farm and toilets are available at the campground as well as cold showers. Hot showers are available at the homestead about 500 metres away. We will be having a campfire so bring your camp oven.

Join on the website: http://www.subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au

PERTH 4WD & ADVENTURE SHOW

6-8 November 2015

McCallum Park, Victoria Park

The Club has a stand in the 4WD Club section at this event to promote the joy of off-road driving in Subarus. The Committee will be asking for volunteers for various shifts at the stand over the week-end:

- Shift 1 is Friday 9.00 to 1.30;
- Shift 2 is Friday 1.30 to 6.00;
- Shift 3 is Saturday 9.00 to 1.30;
- Shift 4 is Saturday 1.30 to 6.00;
- Shift 5 is Sunday 9.00 to 1.00; and
- Shift 6 is Sunday 1.00 to 5.00

Entry is free for those helping on the stand.

Register on the Trips page on the Club website or call Tony on 9386 7705 or mobile 0414 224 734.

CLUB CALENDAR

September 2015

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Tue 1st: Committee Meeting
Sat 5th-Sun 13th: Woodland Woodlines - see website
Tue 8th: General Meeting
Sat 19th: Kaarakin Busy Bee p7
26 –28th LWE: Warriedar Station Page 8

October 2015

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Tue 6th: Committee Meeting
Sat 10th-Sun 11th : Hi Vallee Farm Wildflowers p11
Tue 13th: General Meeting
Sat 17th: Annual Dinner p9
Sat 31st: Harvey Dickson's Rodeo page 6

November 2015

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Tue 3rd: Committee Meeting
6th - 8th: Perth 4WD Show p 11
Tue 10th: Annual General Meeting & General Meeting
Sun 15th: Lancelin Dunes p 14

December 2015

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Tue 1st: Committee Meeting
Sat 5th: Xmas Party p 15
Tue 8th: General Meeting

January 2016

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Sun 10th: Beach Run
Tue 12th: General Meeting
23rd -26th: Australia Day LWE tba

SCHOOL AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

School Holidays: Sept 26 - 11 Oct, Dec 18 - Jan 31

Public holidays: Sept 28, Dec 25, Dec 28, Jan 1, Jan 26

Potential members are most welcome to come along on any Club activities before joining. Please phone the Trip Leader for further information.

Register with the trip leader if you are wanting to join a trip or social. Also contact the trip leader if you have to cancel, as we don't want to wait for someone who does not turn up!

Some trips are ideas only and may be subject to change. Some of the later trips need trip leaders – volunteers please.

TRIP PROMOTIONS/INFORMATION

LANCELIN DUNES SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

The Subaru 4WD Club wants to invite
XV, Forester and Outback owners to our
Annual Lancelin Dunes Trip.

This is a fun, safe day out to see what you and your car can do, in a controlled environment, with very experienced 4WD enthusiasts.

We'll demonstrate techniques to drive on soft sand and over dunes. Show how tyre pressure can affect your car's performance in sand, and if the opportunity arises, how to safely recover a bogged vehicle. We split into groups depending on experience and start off easy, progressing to something more challenging. Due to the way we run this trip, numbers will be limited.

This is a trip for all members in all model 4WD Subarus (except unlifted Libertys or Imprezas). Outbacks have had a few front clearance problems in the past, so if these owners have any concerns please contact the trip leader. Also it pays to remove the plastic splash tray under the engine if it has not already been replaced with a sump guard. Prospective, new and existing members are all invited to learn the capabilities of their vehicle and their driving ability.

For more information or to put your name down for the trip, either send an email to trips@subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au
or call Travis on 0422815737

TRIP PROMOTIONS/INFORMATION

SUBARU CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY 5TH DECEMBER

(Put this date in your calendar now!)

Come join your fellow club members for some Christmas cheer. Once again the Christmas Party will be at Jo's house, thank you Jo!.

Bring meat for a bbq and a salad or dessert to share. BYO drinks, soft or alcohol.
I will supply bread and plates/cutlery etc.
Most importantly bring your laughter.

It will start from 2pm with the bbq being lit about 5pm so if you have other engagements please feel free to drop in before or after. People are welcome to stay as late into the evening as they want.

I have a pool so bring your towel and bathers if you fancy a dip.

Register on the Club website & indicate for bringing a Salad or Dessert.

SUBARU CLUB MAGAZINE EDITOR POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BUDDING JOURNALISTIC CLUB MEMBER

Joy's two year stint as magazine Editor is up at the AGM in November. A replacement Editor is sought to keep the monthly magazine production flowing smoothly. Ideally you would have computer skills and some knowledge of Publisher but Joy is happy to tutor until you get the hang of it.

If you think this interesting position is for you, email:

editor@subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au

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TRIP & SOCIAL REPORTS

BURRUP ROCK ART TOUR/KARAJINI & MORE

By David Peck

Awards for Well-done, Not-so Well-done, or Just Plain Funny

- Tony for running out of fuel twice
- Tony for missing the turn off back to Mount Augustus campsite after watching the sunset.
- Raj & Deborah for conquering Mount Nameless
- Button pushing award for Karl who didn't know what all the buttons on his new car did
- Karl for getting lost coming down from Mount Augustus but accolades for radioing for help and thanks to Nina for going and helping him
- Keith for having a rock collapse under foot whilst on the edge of Kalamina Gorge and the small gum tree that saved him.
- David for not telling Keith he was driving Karl's car and Keith was looking around for him.
- Raj & Elsa for the flying mats
- Deborah for best CB radio message of the trip:

“ Don’t drive forward yet Joy, there is a three legged dog right in front of your car.”

TRIP & SOCIAL REPORTS

BURRUP ROCK ART TOUR 31 July to 7 August

Friday 31st July - Perth to Galena Bridge

There were 10 of us in 6 cars who all met at Muchea at 9:00am with some arriving quite early and a couple arriving a few minutes late. Ian & Nina were leading the trip, I was travelling as a passenger in Keith's car, also coming were Tony & Jeanette, Raj & Elsa. Joy and Deborah were travelling solo with Deborah doing her own thing in Karratha for a week before picking up her husband Chris who was flying in for the return trip.

There had been heavy rain overnight but it was not raining at the meeting point. Soon after we left the showers started and continued all morning. We stopped for morning tea at Cooramal just north of Badgingarra and the rain was constant.

There was debate about fuel and where to have lunch and it was decided that Tony & Jeanette would stop for fuel at Dongara and the rest of us would carry on to Geraldton but about 20km short of Dongara Tony called over the radio that his car had run out of power and he was stopping. We all pulled over and Joy provided 21 litres of fuel and the engine restarted. This is surely worth a silly award. We continued on and had lunch at the Dongara bakery and set off again just before 1:00pm.

Refuelled at 440 roadhouse just north of Geraldton and the clouds started to clear and by Northampton the skies were mainly blue but the wind had picked up.

We arrived at Galena Bridge on the Murchison River about 4:00pm and had a look at the camping area on the southern side of the river but it was either muddy or rocky and there were probably 30 caravans, motor homes, and camper trailers in all the good spots. We went across the old bridge and found that the other campsite was

nearly empty, probably because there was a dirt track leading in which looked worse than it was. It was a better spot and even had shelters and a toilet. We all managed to find a spot and took careful note of where the water was running down to the river before pitching our tents.

Deborah had some trouble with her radio and we unsoldered the end of the antenna lead but when Ian checked it with a multimeter he found there was still a short somewhere. So we spent the best part of an hour pulling the antenna to bits and trying to figure out how the lead was connected. The light was fading and it was nibbles time so we stopped for the night.

The spot we had chosen had a large bench with seats under cover which was handy as a shower came through before dinner.

We had a beef curry and Naan bread that Marian had made which was nice. It wasn't too cold and about 8:30 after people started wandering off to bed we noticed a fox coming down the track through the campsite, no doubt looking for an easy meal.

I went to bed about 9:00pm and there was a shower of rain shortly afterwards. We could hear the traffic on the highway as it was only a few hundred metres away and the trucks kept going all night.

To be continued.....

MECHANICAL MATTERS

Thanks to Adrian and Travis for alerting us to changes in WA Department of Transport regulations regarding the mounting of LED light bars. Where previously two light bars symmetrically mounted were required, it is now legal to mount a single light bar at the midline of the car but it must be below bonnet level (sorry no lashings of laser lumens from the roof rack or top of the roo bar).

An exemption that runs for three years from 8 August 2015 allows fitment of light bars subject to the following conditions:

– The LED light bar(s) must be installed at the front of the vehicle and not higher than the front edge of the bonnet.
– The LED light bar(s) must be installed horizontally and located symmetrically about the longitudinal centre line of the vehicle.
– The LED light bar(s) must be forward facing and positioned in a way that the light produced does not cause the driver of the vehicle discomfort, either directly or by reflection while in the normal driving position.
– The LED light bar(s) must only operate when the high beam headlights are in operation and must automatically turn off when the high beam headlights are turned off.
– A manual switch must be provided to allow the LED light bar to be deactivated, so that it is not on whether the high beam is on or off. This switch must be accessible to the driver of the vehicle from the normal driving position.
– The LED light bar(s) must only emit white light.
– The LED light bar(s) shall not obstruct the driver's view of the roadway more than 11 metres ahead of the driver's eye position when looking through the windscreen, with the driver's seat in the rearmost position.
– One or more (to a maximum of four) LED light bars may be fitted as additional driving lamps.

See the full regulation amendment at:
http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/mediaFiles/licensing/LBU_VS_IB_132A.pdf

Fitments that are allowed:

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Fitments that are NOT allowed:

Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Transport**
Driver and Vehicle Services

LED light bars **cannot** be fitted in the locations shown below.

CLUB NEWS

Check out the Subaru 4WD Club of Western Australia's Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/Subaru4wdClubWA

Thanks Rob and others who have made this a great page to Like.

AUGUST BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO:

Adrian Longwood,
Jim Wilcox and Ian Johnson

If you would like a birthday salutation in the mag send an email to

editor@subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au

EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT GRAB BAG

David Peck has assembled a bag for Trip Leaders to take on trips, particularly if they are going somewhere remote. The bag contains the Club Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) and the Emergency Personal Location Beacon (EPLB).

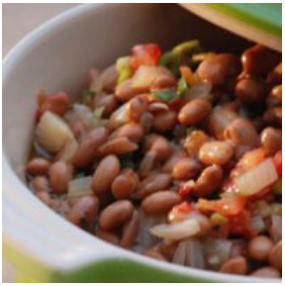
Contact David 0402 177 886, trips@subaru4wdclubwa.asn.au to arrange pick up.

MEXICAN BEANS

This is from Jenni's ***The Australian Vego Camper*** blog:
http://vegocamper.blogspot.com.au/

This recipe comes with the unusual twist of baking cocoa. The Mexicans used chocolate in cooking savory dishes. Rather than wasting totally edible and yummy chocolate I add baking cocoa powder.

Ingredients



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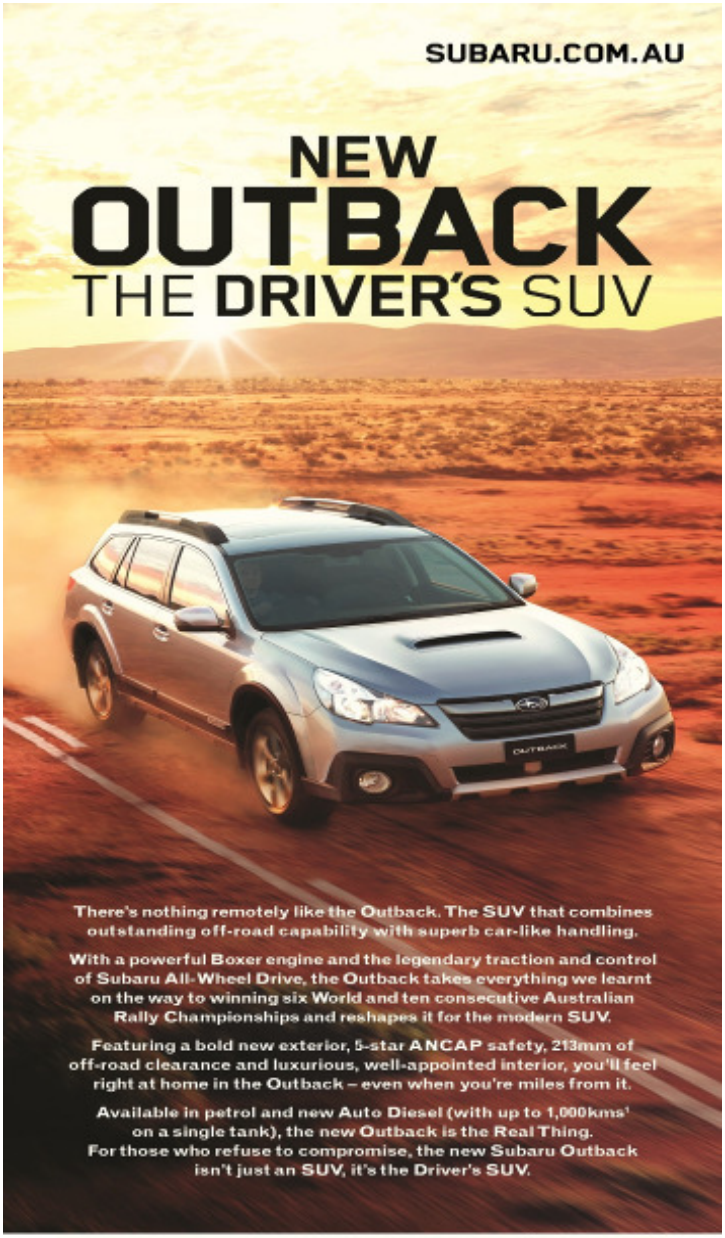
1 can four beans (or other beans), drained
1 brown onion, finely chopped
1 stick celery, finely chopped
1 medium carrot, finely chopped
2 cloves of garlic, finely chopped
1 can chopped tomatoes with juice
1 sachet tomato paste
1 tsp ground cumin
1 tsp ground coriander
1 tsp paprika
2 tsp cocoa powder (unsweetened) - yes, baking cocoa! dissolve in a little hot water
2 tsp flour (I use chick pea for its protein value), dissolve in a little water
salt and pepper

Brown onion, garlic, celery, carrot; add spices, beans, tomato. Add in cocoa, flour, extra water as needed and simmer for 15 minutes or so.

Optional: add grated cheese or a drained can of corn kernels

Serve with Mexican wraps, rice or even corn chips (Tricky to take travelling, too fragile).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