



Freedom All Wheel Drive Club of WA

A 4wd Club in Western Australia that is a mix of Compact and Standard 4wd's, seeking adventure.

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2018

General Contact Details: Postal Address: PO BOX 68 Gosnells 6110

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Meetings: 4th Monday every month - 7:30pm at East Victoria Park Family & Community Centre. Corner of Kent St and Gloucester St, East Victoria Park.

Visitors are more than welcome.



Hope everyone has a wonderful Easter with lots of chocolate and fun times with family and friends. Be safe, enjoy the great outdoors and happy 4WDiving

MEETING DATES FOR 2018

MARCH 26th	SEPTEMBER None
APRIL 23rd	OCTOBER 1st
MAY 28th	OCTOBER 29th
JUNE 25th	NOVEMBER 27TH
JULY 23rd	DECEMBER None
AUGUST 27TH	

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MAY 21st	AUGUST 20th
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CHRISTMAS PARTY IDEAS NEEDED



Do you want to have it in a park, go to a restaurant, river cruise, etc. Please bring your ideas to the next meeting, so we can start organising, get costs or make a booking if needed.

OLD ALCOA RAIL LINE DAY TRIP 4TH MARCH

A last minute decision to lead a day trip on Sunday of the Labour Day long weekend, turned out to be a good idea with seven member vehicles and three visitors attending. We met at 0915 at the Hogs Breath Café carpark in Kelmscott. The weather was a perfect sunny day with an expected max of 33c.

Everyone was keen to get going, and for some of us it had been too long between trips. After visitors had been given a personal details form to complete and a copy of convoy procedures, Michael ran through the plan for the day and what to expect.

Following a radio check, we left the carpark at 0935 with the visitors sandwiched between member vehicles. Adam kindly volunteered to be Tail End Charlie. We headed south along Albany Hwy and then continued on South West Hwy through Byford, very mindful of speed limits and double demerit points! The pillars on the side of the road where the old rail overpass was removed marks the start of the Old Alcoa Rail Line maintenance track. The turnoff is approx. 1 km north of Jarrahdale Rd.

Soon after turning on to the track, we noticed some cotton plants coming into flower and seed. None of us realized they even grew here! Thanks Andrew for the photo.



The track was an interesting drive following the rail line which was largely intact, but every now and again there was a section missing. Alcoa operated the Bauxite mine in Jarrahdale between 1963 and 1998 and the last train ran on the 26th February

Prior to Alcoa mining in the area, the railway was used to haul timber. The drive was easy enough, with some minor rutted and rocky sections and taking in some stunning bushland and forest.





After a following the train tracks for a few more kms, we detoured into Langford Park for a morning tea break of scones, jam and cream, chocolate beetroot cake, other goodies and a bit of socialising. The kids enjoyed hunting for pine cones and exploring the area. Someone even found an old bird nest that had fallen from a tree.



Behind the wheel again, we continued along the track till it met up with the Old Alcoa Rd and after turning on to the bitumen we headed into Jarrahdale and finished the trip at the Jarrahdale Tavern where we enjoyed a tasty lunch. The pub was packed to the rafters, but the perfect table was waiting for us when we arrived. Everyone had a fab day and thank you to all who attended for making our visitors feel welcome.



CLUB SHIRTS

Anyone who would like to order Club shirts or hoodies please see details below, the Club no longer does a bulk order, you can contact [Westate Embroidery](#) yourself and order and pay for your shirt individually.

Westate Embroidery – 9493 0349

Westate Embroidery have the club logo so you only have to advise which shirt you want and if you want your name embroidered on the shirt as well.

Details and prices are:

Men's shirt:

Item # 1309 – [Panorama Polo](#) – NVY/ASHE/WHIT (Men's Freedom) - \$27

Club logo embroidered - \$8.80

Name embroidered - \$4.40



Ladies shirt:

Item # 2308 – [Flinders Polo](#) – TEAL/BLK (Ladies Freedom) - \$27

Club logo embroidered - \$8.80

Name embroidered - \$4.40



Plus postage or you can collect from Westate in Maddington. Turn around time is 2-3 weeks .
Full sizing information is in the links provided .

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all Club Members that are celebrating their special day this month.

Growing old is mandatory; growing up is optional.

UPCOMING TRIPS & EVENTS



MYSTERY NIGHT DRIVE

SATURDAY 31st March

Ben will be leading a trip on Saturday 31st March - round trip covering approx. 300 kms. Further details and data base will be on the web page soon.

So if you are not away for Easter and looking for something to do, join Ben and Jodi on this mystery drive.

WA 4WD GATHERING - KALGOORLIE

June long weekend 2nd to 4th

Luke is the club contact for this event.

If you are thinking of attending this event you need to put your name on the FAWD data base along with the number of nights you are staying, if you will be attending the candlelit dinner, quiz night and free breakfast on Monday morning. The trips for the Sunday have been sent to everyone and you again need to nominate which trip (if any) you would like to participate in.

This information and fees are required no later than 27th April to give time for information to be collated and sent to the WA 4WD Association.

See flyer for this event (page 6, 7 and 8) for full details.



WINDMILL FARM—BRIDGETOWN

September long weekend.

Please advise Diane if you will be attending, as she needs numbers to book camp sites.

Tariff is only \$15 per night per person, and its suitable for camper trailers and tents but not caravans.



The WA4WDA Gathering at Kalgoorlie
Saturday 2nd – Sunday 3rd - Monday 4th June 2018
Goldfields Motorcycle Club Percy Road West Kalgoorlie

REMINDER

Please remind all club members of this event

Directions – when approaching Kalgoorlie from Perth turn right at traffic lights Anzac Drive then left at first road Broadwood Street then turn right Percy Road – entrance to Motorcycle Club approx.

200 m on right WA4WDA Teardrops will be at entrance

Cost of camping is \$50 from Thursday 31st May to Tuesday 5th June 2018 regardless how many nights you stay

There is no powered sites – generators will be permitted in an area set aside and times to be notified. Water is available to top up tanks but no permanent connection, there are showers and toilets, Club house for socializing (with fire inside), lawned area and verandah

One fire pit outside clubroom – no fires in camping area

It is a **NO DOG** event

Bar will be open so no BYO within the Clubroom area – ok BYO in camping area .

All activities will be held in the Clubroom

Planned Program

Saturday 2nd June 2018

Delegates meeting Saturday afternoon 3pm – 5pm (this is to let club members know what goes on at delegates meetings,

also for any questions club members have re Association)

DBCA Kalgoorlie hopefully will attend approx. 4pm

Will be held in the Clubroom

Saturday 2nd June 2018

7pm Candlelit Dinner – bring your own plates, cutlery glasses

Catered dinner: Beef and Chicken, Potato Bake, peas, carrots and gravy followed by choice of 3 dessert

The band “Powder Keg” will be playing 8pm – 11pm

Sunday 3rd June 2018 AM

8am 4WD Trips organised by Eastern Goldfields 4WD Club

See details on page 8.

Sunday 3rd June 2018 PM

7pm – 10pm

“Famous” Quiz Night will take place Sunday night

Lots of small prizes and Hampers for 1st and 2nd

Preferably 8 to a table

Monday 4th June 2018

Breakfast 7am – 8am

Bush Poet and Coffee Van

You can either leave on the Monday or stay until Tuesday

Hann Track trip will be leaving on the Tuesday – more info to follow

Planned trips for the Sunday are as follows:

Trips 1 & 2: Mt Hunt and lakes Red, Brown and Douglas. Each trip will start at opposing ends and meet in the middle for lunch, Lake Douglas. BBQ's available to cook lunch for those who wish to indulge. Hill climb up Mt Hunt, novice level ok and various hill climbs descents throughout. Medium difficulty which may increase depending on wetness of tracks. Pin stripping opportunities.

Trip 3: Out Ora Banda way. Hill climb at Mt Carnage, med to high difficulty, track can be rough will have more information on state of track after reccy. Hill climbs and descents into old mine, onto waste dump – easy to med, into pit – med to hard, limited parking at bottom so will need to limit vehicle numbers, 12 maybe squeeze 15. Will check and confirm. Stop at Ora Banda historical pub for lunch, maybe around 1-2pm. Can stop at Broad Arrow pub for those that wish. Pin stripping opportunities.

Trip 4: SUV suitable. Cave rocks, Widgiemooltha via Coolgardie, hopefully stopping at Coolgardie memorabilia display (still waiting on confirmation). Gravel roads, easy going.

Trip 5: No 4WD Sights of Kalgoorlie tour. Yet to confirm exact details but will/can include

Super Pit lookout, Mt Charlotte reservoir, Eastern Goldfields Historical society, museum, racing museum, Hannans North Tourist mine, plenty of cafes for those addicted to caffeine. Still waiting for some of these to get back so we can firm up exact details of the trip.

Trips 1, 2 & 3 I have done in my standard unmodified vehicle in varying conditions so should be able to be done by most.

Trip 3 some experience hill climbing would be an advantage.

Following the 2018 4wd Gathering the WA 4wd Association will be conducting a trip along the **Hanns Track and Great Central Road.**

Depart Kalgoorlie 1200hrs Tuesday 05 June

Return Kalgoorlie 1600hrs Thursday 14 June

Trip rating Easy/Medium

5 nights on the Hanns Track

This trip is limited to 12 vehicles, with priority given to those attending the gathering. If interested see further information that was sent out via our page and register your interest.

2018 TRIP PLANNER

WHEN	WHERE	TRIP LEADER
EASTER		
March 31st	MYSTERY NIGHT TRIP	Ben and Jodie
APRIL		
28th or 29th	SOCIAL FUNCTION	?????
MAY		
6th or 13th	MT DALE	Kay & Andrew
26th or 27th	SOCIAL FUNCTION	
JUNE		
2nd to 4th	Long Weekend 4WD Assoc Gathering—KALGOORLIE	Luke/Craig
23rd, 24th or 30th	SOCIAL FUNCTION	?????
JULY		
7th or 8th	CAR RALLY	Dayne/Linda
27th, 28th, 29th	CHRISTMAS IN JULY	Luke/Craig
AUGUST		
5th	JULIMAR FOREST	Tom
25th or 26th	SOCIAL FUNCTION	?????
SEPTEMBER		
9th	WANDOO	Lee
21st to 24th	Long weekend - BRIDGETOWN	Diane
OCTOBER		
7th	MOUNT DALE NIGHT RUN	
27th or 28th	SOCIAL FUNCTION	?????
NOVEMBER		
10th	BACK OF ARMADALE	
DECEMBER		
8th	CHRISTMAS PARTY	Committee

THERE ARE STILL PLENTY OF DATES AVAILABLE FOR ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO LEAD A TRIP OR ORGANISE A SOCIAL FUNCTION OR FOR THE KEEN ANGLERS A FISHING DAY.

TRADING POST

If any members have something they wish to sell, whether it be 4WD accessories, camping gear or any quality unwanted items, email the details, price and picture (optional) to :

lbarrett@iprimus.com.au

by the 15th of each month for inclusion in the next newsletter.

WANTED

TRIP REPORTS

PHOTOS

IDEAS

ARTICLES

RECIPES

HINTS

JOKES

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SOME HANDY CAMPING TIPS

TIP ONE: The guitar of the noisy teenager at the next campsite makes excellent kindling.



TIP TWO: Old socks can be made into high fibre beef jerky by smoking them over an open fire.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Bush Brekkie Wraps

Serves 4, preparation time 4 min, cooking time 12 min.

Ingredients:

4 Eggs
4 Rashes of Bacon
A handful of Baby Spinach
2 Small Mushrooms (Sliced)
4 Small Wraps
Salt & Pepper for taste
Cheese (for topping)

1. Chop up the bacon and baby spinach, slice the mushrooms. (Can be prepared at home to make it easier)
2. Oil the pan, add the mushrooms and bacon and cook until crispy,
3. Mix the 4 eggs with the chopped up spinach and salt & pepper.
4. Add the eggs and spinach mix to the frying pan and cook while stirring until cooked.
5. Serve on wraps and add cheese and tomato sauce to your liking.