

# Trail Track 4x4

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4X4 CLUB

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## Trail Track 4x4 Inc Committee 2009/2010

President  
Vice President  
Secretary  
Treasurer

Dan Muller  
Tristan Steinert  
Glenn Webb  
Brendan Jones

### General Committee Members

Adam Panozzo  
Pete Chalmers  
Rob Leonard  
Damian Berry  
Luke Mitchell  
Steven Shepherd  
Mathew Parker  
Shirley Leeder

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**FOR MAGAZINE CONTENT**  
**WILL BE DECIDED SOON**

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## Presidents Report

Well another month has passed & we have welcomed another 5 new members which gives us a current total of 42 members. Over the next month we have a busy schedule with the gymkhana at Matt's place, Adam Panozzo's trip & Gerard Buile's secret hard trip. Trail Track 4x4's Christmas party will be held on the 29th of November down the river at Noreuil Park – what a great opportunity to meet a few new people. I know it's a busy time of year but it's the best time to get out & go for a drive & a camp before it gets too hot. So if you would like to run a trip, go ahead & do it! There are a lot of people that want to go away & enjoy the bush. Remember it doesn't need to be a venture that takes the whole weekend, but it could simply be a few hours out for a drive exploring somewhere new.

It is time to start becoming wary of camp fires – so please remember your responsibilities out in the bush, and ensure they are extinguished before leaving camp.

Cheers,  
Dan Muller (President)

## Financial report

Financial Report 15/7/09 – 16/10/09

Incoming

41 joining fees @ \$50 each = \$2050.00

41 membership fees @ \$70 each = \$2870

Payment from Rd 2 Engel Challenge - \$600.00

Bank Interest \$3.11

Outgoing

Bank fees \$1.20

Internet fees \$101.50

Insurance \$280.50

Melbourne Show Accomodation \$780.00

Balance - \$4359.91



**All member items for  
sale can be viewed  
HERE**

## Want to join Trail Track 4x4 Inc?

To become a financial member of Trail Track 4x4 Inc, you need to attend two club events, (either 2 trips, 2 meetings or one of each), and then be approved by the committee.

You can mail your application to **P.O.Box 73, Albury NSW 2640**

or hand in to a committee member at a meeting.

Applications will then be approved or rejected by the committee and parties notified by mail.

Membership costs

Club a joining fee of \$50

Annual membership fee of \$70

One membership includes a family, couple or single person aged over 18yrs.

You can download an application form **HERE**

Please read or download the club constitution **HERE** to  
familiarise yourself with our club rules.

# Trail Track 4X4 General Meeting - 16 Sep 2009

Venue – Blazing Stump (Wodonga)

Meeting opened 7.38pm

Minutes – Motion true and correct  
Moved – Luke  
Seconded – Dave  
Vote – In favour

Apologies

Damien Berry  
Luke Mitchell  
Matt Delarue  
Glenn Webb  
Rob Lenard  
Rick Brewster  
Adam Jacob

Business – Nil

Treasurers Report Read.

Moved – Adam Panozzo  
Seconded – Travis Roseworne  
Vote – In favour

Correspondence – Nil

Chair Report Read.

General Business

1. Working Bee at Matt's property to repair fence. Date still to be set.
2. Adam Panozzo explained his forecasted trip details.
3. Gerard Buile explained his forecasted trip details, Dan Muller commented that 4WD TV might attend.
4. Dan Muller explained that 4X4 Action will be doing a story about the club in the future, no dates yet.
5. General questions and discussion was raised about the Gymkhana, members were asked to think about possible stands/events.
6. Dan Muller spoke about the possibility of starting a 4X4 Park at Winton. This was information passed on at previous meeting to fill people in.
7. Dan Muller thanked Rick and Shirley for their effort on the Club magazine
8. Dan Muller explained the Clubs position on Firearms.
9. Dan Muller raised the point of driver training and trip leader training.
10. Tristan Steinert raised the point of having the Club pre-purchase Club merchandise so that it was available to members when they ask. Will be raised again during the Committee meeting.
11. Dan Muller explained how the money from the Engel Rnd 2 Challenge sausage sizzle was used.
12. Travis Rosewarne asked if the club could organise Marshal training so that we were ready for the next Club hosted event.
13. Adam Panozzo raised concern about the RD2 Engel Challenge

End General Business  
Meeting Closed 8.36pm



After seeing t-man's post on the forum about the muddakhana I thought it would be good to go down for a look so we packed up the kids and a set of jungle trekkers (just in case) and off we went. When we got there, I had a good look at the track and thought "I can do that, it's only mud". We put the j's on and in I went.

I jumped in for the first run thinking "this is heaps of fun", but I hit the mud puddle too fast and filled the dizzy with lots of mud and water so she stopped firing properly. It got a belly full of gas and what a bang she made when it did fire. So first run, the car is dead sitting in the deepest hole, there in front of everyone. YEAH! So got pulled out and left in the paddock thinking how will I get the kids home. One of the other competitors came over and took one look under the bonnet, jumped on his phone and had a new air hose there in no time at all. We got it going again so... in I went again! Not as fast this time, going well until my front tire valve got ripped off. I had to drive off the track. "That's it for me" I said, but then I found another valve so in I went again (still haven't learnt yet). Going well then just lost all power in the big hole again.



So 3 starts, 3 d.n.f's.. WONT DO THAT AGAIN! All in all it was a great day and lots of fun. Maybe next year I'll take a car that I dont care about (maybe a pootrol ha ha ha ). There was a great turn out of 4x4's, lots of patrol's that did well. Quiney23, after watching for about 2 seconds, put his new hilux in. Have to say what a sight that was! Gee he did well, after 5 runs he came first in the 4cyl class. WELL DONE JEFF! After talking with jeff, found out that he didn't get away without damage.

As well, he has had to do both front and rear brakes (gee that mud just got into everything). So its been 4 weeks now since that trip and everyone I've spoken to is still trying to get the mud out.

Would like to add a BIG thank you to the Goulburn Valley 4x4 Club for putting on a great event and I will be there next year for sure.

Matt (daffy)



# FUTURE TRIPS AND EVENTS

## General Meeting

The next general meeting to be held October 21st at The Black Stump Hotel @ 7.30pm.

## Working Bee & Camp Out

We are looking at having a working bee at the club property to clear the fence line so we can put up a new fence. A couple of days of working & having a camp out with some driving in between. Date yet to be confirmed but would be September/October  
Its a great place for family camping as there are toilets & lots of firewood.

For more information and to post your interest click [HERE](#)

## Gymkhana - 24th & 25th October

Looking at running a Gymkhana style event on the club property so the whole family can have some fun. For those who want can come out on Friday night or Saturday morning  
The aim will be fun. There will be lots of different style terrain to drive on & also some novelty style things like blind folded driving with the navi guiding.  
You'll have to be a club member to come for insurance purposes

For more information and to post your interest click [HERE](#)

## Geehi Trip

Date :6th 7th & 8th of November

Leave : 6.00pm from the Stump

Trip Leader : Dan Muller

Contact Details : 0418578545

Destination : Geehi camping aera

Max Number of vehicles : No limit

Trip Rating : D & C

A - Extreme

B - Hard

C - Medium

D - Easy

E - Social

Vehicle Requirements :Basic Recovery Gear

Class of Trip : 1 & 3

1 - 4x4's

2 - Bikes

3 - Fishing

Trip Description : Leave Friday after work about 6.00pm head upto Geehi & make camp. Saturday go upto Davies High Plains then onto Mt Pinnibar & make our way back to Geehi. Sunday head for home after lunch & be home by 4pm a nice relaxing weekend

Approx Distance :500 - 600kms

Fuel : All the way

For more information and to post your interest click [HERE](#)

**Postponed**

## **November Secret Hard Trip**

Date :Possibly 13th & 14th November ?? Depends on 4WD TV

Trip Leader : Gerrard Buile

Contact Details : 0407578353

Destination : Secret

Max Number of vehicles : 10

Trip Rating : B

Vehicle Requirements : Winch (self recovery)- 1 Diff lock min - Off road Tyres - full recovery gear - high clearance -

Class of Trip : 1

1 - 4x4's

2 - Bikes

3 - Fishing

Trip Description : Leave Albury & drive for 1 & 1/2 hours to secrete location for a weekend of fun hard drive with a special little extra. Well as it happens 4WD TV want to do a feature for Trail Track 4x4 Club on this trip. Webbie has talked to Simon & he said they will come on this trip Just need to confirm dates. If you would like to come but don't have a capable car I'm sure there will be a few spare seats so put your name up as a passenger.

Approx Distance : 400kms

Fuel : Glenrowan

For more information and to post your interest click [HERE](#)

## **Nunniong Plains and Cobberas Trail**

Date : Tentatively Sat 14th and Sun 15th November 2009

Trip Leader : Adam Panozzo

Contact Details : 0427 208 415

Max Number of vehicles : 5 plus trip leaders' vehicle

For more information and to post your interest click [HERE](#)

## **Club Christmas Party**

Date : 29/11/09

Destination : Noreuil Park on the murray

Club Trip / Forum Trip : Club Trip

Everyone welcome

More details to come

For more information and to post your interest click [HERE](#)

## **12th of December ARB Open Day**

ARB are having an open day

We as a club have been invited to attend to display or club

The traction travel trailer will be there as well as some reps

The other 4wd club have also been invited

Will talk more about it at the next meeting

# The story behind my toyeighty.



With child number 6 on the way the eb fairmont 7 seater just wasn't going to cut it anymore, what to do?? We found a Toyota Tarago but the motor needed work so I was getting that on the go when the boss at work asked if I would you like to go to a 4w driving training weekend with the boys from cooper tyres. So off we went to Braidwood to the great divide tours training facility.

Well needless to say, wow, what fun! Got back on Sunday night with the bug set in for 4w4.

After a look in the border mail I saw an 80 series toyota 8 seater on gas for \$11,500. I took the afternoon off work (thanks to the boss), and drove to Yarrowonga to have a look. Loved it! It fit all the needs for the tribe to fit in, cheap to run on gas, talked the owners into taking \$10,000 cash and now I had a nice stock 80 to start 4wdriving with. First thing to do was get some tread, so on went the 265/75/16 cooper st's , then took the side steps & rims in for powder coating. Off with the alloy bullbar and hit with a can of gloss black. The springs and shocks had to go, so in with some 2" Old Man Emu shocks & some extra load springs, thanks to the boys at ARB. A customer passing through town had a 10,000 pound t-max winch he said he never used. That was soon mine for \$450. A quick home mount and I could go more places. Safari snorkal for fathers day (thanks kids), then back to ARB for a roof rack.





Next on the list was a bit more lift, so I rang Dane at Twin City Engineering and got some 2" lift body blocks. With the new stereo & UHF in, it was starting to be a good rig. A change to some 285/75/16 cooper stt's with some 34"x10.5"x 16" jungle trekkers for the tougher trips.

With the love of a good woman, it was time to choose some mags. I went with the kiashu 2 16x8 allied 4x4 alloy wheels and thats where she stand's now.

It's booked in at ARB for a rear locker and an the list of mods goes on(or is just a wish list) but work and a bit of love under the bonnet and i will be content for a while..

ARB compressor, but still some bar

Matt (aka daffy)..



# Happy Birthday

## November

Sara Tommas-Scammell	1st
Megan Booth	7th
Brian Tyler	9th
Barrie Bruce	11th
Teresa Booth	12th
Aiden Mitchell	16th
Harry Lukjns	17th
Karmen Lukjns	18th
Travis Rosewarne	19th
Heidi Benaim	23rd
Mathew Parker	25th

## October

Rhylie Jones	1st
Luke Gardiner	3rd
Linda Delarue	3rd
Sophie Panozzo	4th
Elisha Bardy	6th
Ashley Bailey	6th
Steven Shepherd	12th
Ben Booth	17th
Kaye Donkers	17th
Garry Brew	20th
Peter Lea-Smith	25th
Benjamin Berry	29th
Brendan Jones	29th
Blake Booth	30th

from all of us at Trail Track 4x4 Inc

## Welcome to our newest members..

### Members

**Peter Lea - Smith & Bec Searle**  
**Travis Rosewarne & Stephanie Bolem**  
**Alex Tobin**  
**Dean & Jenny McIvor**  
**Brandon & Toni Braybrook**  
**Robert & Glenda McPherson**

### Forum Name

**BGUNIT**  
**Travsteph**  
**Tobes**  
**DeanoM**  
**Noodle**  
**haymaker**

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