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As a member of the NZFWDA, you become an integral part of this effort to ensure that present and future generations can continue to enjoy our country in four wheel drive vehicles.

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Photo courtesy of John Hickey - Tool box talk at the 2015 NZFWDA National Conference.

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# 2015 NZFWDA Conference

23 MAY 2015, COPTHORNE HOTEL & RESORT, LAKEFRONT, QUEENSTOWN

Reporting by John Hickey.



## NZFWDA Executive

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– Neville Dunton

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– Jenny Croasdale

**Northern Zone President**

- John Hickey

**Northern Zone PRO**

- Tony Burgess

**Central Zone President**

- Max Wheatley

**Central Zone PRO**

- Brent Samson

**Southern Zone President**

- Russell Quin

**Southern Zone PRO**

- John McDonald

## NZFWDA Competitions

### Committee

**National Competitions Officer**

- Ron Sturme

**Secretary**

- Rachel Lobb

**Northern Zone Steward**

- Bruce McGregor

**Steward**

- Brent Samson

**Treasurer**

- Stacey Gwynne

**Scrutineer**

- Shane Hazelden.

The Conference commenced with an introduction by National President Neville Dunton. He reminded everyone that at the previous AGM the roles of Secretary and Treasurer had been combined into one position to be held by Wendy Johnson. Wendy resigned from her position in February this year (2015).

There were problems with the constitution which stated that these positions could not be co-opted. Neville said that this was a sign that the constitution needs to be further revised. Jenny Jordan agreed to take over the role of Treasurer and Database Manager with Kath Jaggard as National Secretary. In the space of about three weeks, after accepting these positions, Kath and Jenny both suffered health problems and had to stand down. Neville told us that with the help of his office administrator Jenny Croasdale, he had managed to construct the accounts and forward them to the Association's Accountants.

### AON - Association Insurers - Tina May

The first presenter was Tina May from Aon/Oamaru. Tina explained that she dealt with specialist underwriters who are specialists in motor vehicle accidents. She said the underwriter for the NZ4WD policy was a specialist

Vero Liability Company which only dealt with liability matters and not with general insurance.

She explained that the NZ4WD insurance was: third party property damage only; only for sanctioned events; not a one on one vehicle insurance or group insurance cover; for Directors and Officers of the Association.

When asked by one of the members about the recovery of vehicles, particularly at Four Wheel Drive parks (Woodhill in Auckland), she said that whoever was doing the recovery was putting yourself on the line. When asked about a fire in a forest, she said the question from the insurer would be: Is it a sanctioned event - are the members sanctioned for it? It must be sanctioned and publicised to members.

Tina said that insurance companies love paper trails. When questioned about other activities, she said that Search and Rescue or similar training should be logged as a club event. (There were comments from the floor that if there is a formal search and rescue activity or police activity, then we should be given formal documentation to record vehicle details and vehicle mileage, etc. (apparently this is for calculation and reimbursement of fuel etc.).



In answer to Brett Whytes question about Recce's (reconnoitre runs) Tina said that it still needs to be a sanctioned event with a paper trail.

Tina then asked about vehicle insurance, whether members would want to obtain insurance through some specialist policy. She explained that there were some specialist insurers such as Prestigo, which only insure motor vehicles and caravans. One delegate said that for his vehicle he had to provide a list of accessories. Peter Vahry raised the \$60 off road cover that his Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club has obtained through NZI which covers a driver, not a vehicle, for third party only and does not require Warrants of Fitness or Registration but does require that the vehicle is safe and also covers the towing of another vehicle.

There was a considerable discussion about what sort of cover would be appropriate and sought by the members. Whether there needs to be a formal valuation process, coverage of accessories, a need to cover elements such as gymkhanas as well as trial events, classic vehicles and non road vehicles.

### **DOC - Simon Alefiosio-Tuck**

The next speaker was Simon Alefiosio-Tuck from the Dunedin office of DOC - he is originally from the Bay of Plenty, so has an understanding of issues from other areas.

Simon is the Ranger for Partnerships in one of the southern regions. He explained that there had been a change of structure at DOC into:

- \* Service (dealing with tracks, huts, opossums etc.); and
- \* The Partnership team (dealing with community group(s)), etc.

Simon explained that this meant that in many areas there was a splitting of the roles and that the agreement of both is required to progress matters. DOC realised that there were conservation issues about biodiversity recreation, for recreation, DOC want a gain in people using the conservation estate. He said that this is not a traditional role, it is more about getting people out onto conservation land.

There was a discussion about use of DOC land and access to it, because it is easy to buy four wheel drive vehicles. There are drivers who are



not part of Four Wheel Drive Clubs out there and their behaviour tars us all.

Simon said that DOC was maintaining a large amount of land, with Conservation Management Strategies (CMS) attempting to manage these assets. He said the community conservation partnership fund has been set up with \$26 million to be spent over five years. About \$8.5 million in the first year has been spent in over 100 groups, including \$700,000 to New Zealand Recreation Consortium (a partnership of Federation of Mountain Clubs, New Zealand Deer Stalkers Association and Trail Fund New Zealand). There is a Back Country Recreation fund and a Huts and Tracks fund, groups can apply now to get money to repair DOC assets - the fund has to be used on DOC land.

Simon explained that the Outdoor Recreation Consortium resources included three different types of agreement that were required by DOC, as management agreements before work could be carried out on DOC land:

- a letter for simple work;
- a Low Risk Management Agreement where DOC insures;
- a Medium Risk Agreement where the (non DOC) manager insures.

One of the issues was third party assets, for example if a hut is built, DOC has to factor into the hut the ongoing cost of maintaining it because all of those ongoing costs are treated as depreciation in DOC's books.

So an asset provided free to DOC becomes a liability for them, he talked about the possibility of a community group paying for the construction of a hut and then maintaining it.

When asked about toilets he said there are maintenance issues. He said if a truck can get there then the cost of emptying it, etc. is a lot less. Otherwise alternative arrangements are needed such as helicopters or people taking out their own waste.

Simon explained that there is a DOC list of outstanding maintenance in the Back Country (called AMOS) and this can be found on the [hutsandtracks.org.nz](http://hutsandtracks.org.nz) website. Some of the items listed include minimally maintained huts which are looked at by DOC two yearly. He said that DOC is seeking community maintenance because it cannot do all of these things and maintain everything itself. (So clubs can seek permission to do the work and drive there to do it).

There was then a discussion about the need for health and safety plans, he said there is a DOC Health and Safety Plan example on their website.

He suggested that community groups work with local office to progress matters. Any community work will need to meet DOC's standards which are based on:

- \* Health and Safety Act requirements which are imposed on them by that Act, not by DOC's legislation;
- \* New Zealand Standards (NZS);
- \* Regional or Council plans and the

Building Act.  
He pointed out that DOC have to apply for Resource Consent and Building Consent - we were reminded of Cave Creek (not far from Queenstown) during the discussion.

Once a person is on the DOC Estate, the volunteers are deemed professionals and DOC is liable. Recently there had been a case of a death of a volunteer and DOC had been prosecuted for this.

There was a discussion about recognising the risk and Neville Dunton commented on the issues about training and the need to link with the Partnership Ranger and other groups.

Simon then discussed a Memoranda of Understanding and agreed that they could be helpful particularly given the rotation of DOC staff. He said that a paper trail is important and keeping a record of correspondence is helpful.

Simon also recommended to us the Standard New Zealand Tracks and Outdoor Visitors Structures handbook in the DOC GIS map site - this does not show paper roads. He also referred to Myparks as a useful website.

There was a discussion about DOC tracks and whether they can be graded so that people know whether a track is hard or easy, suitable for shineys or only for very tough trucks.

That also involved discussions about maintenance. Simon indicated that a national standard might be helpful but DOC's general approach to tracks was to provide information but they don't normally police matters unless there is extreme risk.

The National Recreation team includes Sean Sweet (Four Wheel Drive contact) in the Waikato office.

## LVVTA

The LVVTA liaison Ken McAdam sent his apologies because he was unable to attend. His report included advice that from 1 July 2015 electronic stability control will be required for all new vehicles and from 1 March 2016 to all used vehicles imported.

### CLUB RUNS, TRIPS, SAFARIS AND FUN DAYS

#### The Law

##### Adventure activities

- Include off-road driving
- Do NOT include activities provided by a sports club to members

The Health and Safety in Employment (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2011

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### Club Runs Risk Assessment

#### Checklist

- Description of event
- Marshals
- Briefing
- Make drivers responsible for
  - Vehicle safety
  - Personal safety

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### Cover for Visitors

- Official club run (even for charity event)
- Trip Records kept
- Constitution allows day members
- Fee charged
- Association Insurance covers
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party not vehicle
- Aim is for membership or 4 WD promotion
- Indemnity
- Club run so club controls

John Hickey 2015 ©

John Hickey gave a "Toolbox" presentation with commentary by Neville Dunton on Adventure Activities-Adventure Activities including off-ride driving but do not include activities provided by a sports club to members.

Charity Runs - the usual Club requirements need to be met. If there is a special club run such as a charity event, all trip records need to be kept. The Constitution should allow day members. If not, there may be problems about cover. A fee should be charged. The fee could be a nominal charge if it is a safari. The Association's insurance should then cover event and day members but it only covers third parties and not vehicles. The aim should be to

promote membership or four wheel driving. An indemnity and waiver should be obtained but this could also put an obligation on the driver to have a safe vehicle and to act safely. Charity events need to be club run so the Club controls them and not third parties such as Rotary or Schools. There should be a risk assessment for such matters including a checklist describing: the event; marshals, briefing, making driving responsible for vehicle safety and personal safety. Vehicle grading should not be a safety check as a reminder about convoy rules.

A-Framing-This is for a temporary towing of unregistered unwarranted vehicles but they must still be safe.

Towing Vehicles and Rescues-You should not rely on a four wheel drive park or farm or the other driver. You should have your own cover. The Association insurance does not cover vehicles. You should ensure that members have public liability insurance and third party cover. It is the driver's responsibility to have a safe vehicle and a safe driver and to act accordingly. The best practice would be to get a signed indemnity. For a Club Run, that can be in part of the ordinary club paper work trip sheets.

For other towing, you might want to get the driver of the vehicle to be told to sign, releasing you from any liability.

### Risk Management

#### Risks

- Accident
- Injury
- Failure of vehicle
- Get into difficulty



#### Measures

- Limit numbers
- Safety belts
- Vehicle grading (not a safety check)
- Appropriate course
- Driver skills
- Marshalls
- Convoy rules

John Hickey 2015 ©

### A-Framing

NZ Transport Agency Fact Sheet 27

Temporary towing of unregistered and unwarranted vehicles

- For repair or WOF
- Distance considered
- Minimal risk to public
- Must be safe



John Hickey 2015 ©

### Towing Vehicles and Rescues

#### Insurance

Don't rely on

- 4 wheel drive park
- Other driver
- NZ4WD insurance covers
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> party claims not vehicles
- Ensure members have
  - Public Liability Insurance
  - Third Party cover
- Driver's responsibility
  - Safe vehicle and safe driver
- Indemnity?



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# 2015 NZFWDA Conference continued

There is to be a raised vehicles workshop in August in Wellington.

## **Constitution.**

Neville Dunton spoke about the Constitution. He explained that when he first took office the Constitution was stated to be as at May 2002 which meant that a number of remits since that date had not been incorporated into the Constitution. Those changes have now been made by Neville and John Hickey and an updated Constitution registered.

He said that the Constitution needs to be modernised and that the inability to appoint new executive members when there are vacancies was a case in point.

There was a discussion about the data base – and Neville stated that he was concerned about what needed to be done to get it working better, does it accurately reflect club membership and the need to manage relationships and messages. Clubs need to check their members' email addresses and update their

information because if they fail to do so there can be difficulties in communicating.

Neville explained that there needed to be six levels of communication:

- \* Association to member;
- \* Association to clubs;
- \* Association to zone;
- \* Zone to club;
- \* Zone to members.
- \* Club to member;

There was then a discussion about the annual Association accounts. Neville explained that as he understood matters, in the past there had been problems getting one full set of accounts to cover all zones and competitions because of different financial years and different financial information but that he considered that the accounts this year cover all of this.

Some of the variations have been caused by timing issues, particularly year end payments going into one year or another. In accordance with the Constitution, fees need to be paid by 30 April in each year [Article 6(b)].

There was a small loss this year of about \$2,500 which was covered from Association savings.

There was a discussion about whether there should be an emergency levy or increase of the levy to \$35, to catch up a failure to increase the levy over recent years it has not been raised since the GST increase to 15% so the GST increase has been absorbed.

There was also a discussion about the use of the Zone funds which are intended to cover track maintenance within a zone, systems for competition events and whether the website needs development - which it was recognised was well managed by Peter Vahry.

In summary, this year's Conference involved more discussion than recent years. Thank you to the organisers particularly Kath Jaggard and Neville Dunton.

Also thanks to NZ4WD Magazine for morning tea and providing free magazines and a subscription prize.



*Neville Dunton speaks to NZFWDA delegates.*

# 2015 NZFWDA AGM

24 MAY 2015, COPTHORNE HOTEL & RESORT, LAKEFRONT, QUEENSTOWN

Reporting by John Hickey.

***These notes are not intended to be a substitute for the formal minutes which will be issued by Craig Lilford who stepped into the role of secretary/minute taker for the AGM.***

There were reports provided by Central Zone Max Wheatley and Brent Samson. (Sorry Max and Brent I didn't record more.)

For Southern Zone Russell Quinn talked about the 3 CMS strategies and working with DOC and recreation. Within the Zone there were track maintenance trips with DOC approval. Southern Zone is trialling telephone conferencing because of the wide geographic spread of its members (Nelson to Southland).

Russell also thanked Neville for what had not been an easy year and for his putting together of the accounts.

Simon Bishop the Competition President talked about a number of the competition events and how there had been a number of accidents. There are issues about the number of competitors and competitors of various classes. He said the new Swan scoring system was working well but the competition people need more help. He said that the competition Executive needed to make things easier for host clubs. There are 6 trial dates set for Northern and Central Zones.

John Hickey summarised his dealings in the Northern Zone - access is an ongoing issue.

Neville said that the Executive was cohesive and united in acting for the members of the Association. He spoke about his role and obligation to uphold the Constitution and the updating of the Constitution. He said that there was a gap in the Constitution and the need to deal with this for insurance purposes meant that that was why amendments were proposed.



***Inside the NZFWDA AGM***

He also talked about illness in the executive being a problem and how that had identified the lack of ability to co-op helpers when required.

Because of the difficulties regarding the Treasurer's function when Wendy stood down, he had not been able to co-opt to an external person so he assigned it to himself, and then got his office administrator Jenny Crosdale to work with him on accounts and had this checked by Leanne of Markhams.

Given the changes in the executive he has sought job descriptions and handover arrangements so that people would know what was required of them and how to deal with matters.

He talked about the big issues particularly in the Northern Zone where there had been losses of land access and room for agreements to develop links with DOC. He told the attendees that John Hickey had been engaged to prepare a formal indemnity for clubs to use.

Roger Seymour as the National PRO spoke about the focus on DOC and its restructuring and he

felt that there was a similar attitude in the Wellington and Hamilton offices. He said each of the Zones were different with Auckland being crowded and losing land and that putting more pressure on remaining land with Central and Southern both having plenty of land in places.

He commented on the DOC agreement being looked at by the executive and how we had tried to shrink it to deal with the essential issues.

Brent Samson, Wellington Zone PRO then spoke about the DOC forum in June/July.

There were questions about Trail Torque advertising which is being priced.

On the Constitution, there were discussions about the proposed remits to amend the Constitution:

- \* To provide for day and family membership because the Constitution was unclear on these points; and

- \* To make some changes to the timetables.



Both resolutions were passed unanimously.

There was then a discussion about life members and the process required for this. As part of that there were questions about life members being charged Association membership fees (which should not happen).

A motion was put forward to appoint Kath Jaggard and Ces Horan Life Members. Kath in the Northern Zone has been National Secretary and covered many other roles in the Association and the wider four wheel drive community.

Ces Horan is well known in the four wheel drive community in his many years of four wheel driving. He has helped in many ways including maintenance of Maratoto and other tracks, marshalling at events outside his zone and numerous other activities.

Both Kath Jaggard and Ces Horan were appointed life members on a unanimous vote of delegates.

There was an election of officers (the Zone Presidents and Zone PROs and National Competition President are all elected at zone level):

- \* Neville Dunton was nominated and declared President
- \* The National PRO position was contested between Roger Seymour and Peter Vahry with Roger Seymour being elected.
- \* For the secretary there was one nomination of Bobbie Kincaid (editor of Trail Torque and the former publisher of NZ 4x4 Action magazine).
- \* For Treasurer, there was one nomination of Jenny Crosdale, (member of Bay of Plenty 4WD Club).

There was no proposal to change the membership fee which remains at \$30. There was no formal proposal for an Application fee to be charged. The Zone fee was not changed.

The Zone split is to be \$6.00 plus GST for this next financial year.

Next year's conference is set for 21 and 22 May 2016 in Wellington.



Young Person of the year:  
**Rachel Buckthought.**  
**Rachel was presented with the trophy at the InterClub Champs between Wanganui and Mt Egmont.**

## News

### McMinn Trophy awarded at NZFWDA Annual Meeting

MAY 25, 2015

Neville Dunton, the NZFWDA national president (left in photo) presented the McMinn Trophy for outstanding contribution to our recreation to John Macdonald at the 2015 annual meeting of the NZFWDA. John is the Southern Zone public relations officer and was responsible for organising several successful 4x4 touring events around the South Island and raising the profile of the NZFWDA.



This article was posted by [Peter Vahry](#) (66 reads)

# 4x4 Events/Trips/Runs

Email your events to [editor@nzfwda.org.nz](mailto:editor@nzfwda.org.nz)



All due care has been taken entering these details, NZFWDA cannot take responsibility for any changes or inadvertent inaccuracies. Potential participants should contact the event organiser.

## 19-20 JUNE 2015

Round 1 - MAINLAND WINCHING SERIES in Nelson.  
See [www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz](http://www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz) for info.

## 5 JULY 2015

Central Districts 4x4 Club of Feilding are holding a 4x4 swap meeting plus a show and shine at Manfeild Park Feilding in the stadium. Gate opens at 9am- 4pm. There will be something for everyone who is interested in 4x4 vehicles with new and old on display or for sale, winches, tyres, lights, accessories and much more! Displays of winch trucks, National competition trucks, club displays with prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd as judged by the public, show & shine, plus swap / sell of 4x4 parts and accessories. There will also be a Military restoration club display and NZ Four wheel Drive Association Inc presence.

## 18-19 JULY 2015

Round 2 - MAINLAND WINCHING SERIES in Christchurch.  
See [www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz](http://www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz) for info.

## 14-15 AUGUST 2015

Round 3 - Mainland Winching Series in Dunedin.  
See [www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz](http://www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz) for info.

## 16-17 OCTOBER 2015

Round 4 - MAINLAND WINCHING SERIES in Timaru.  
See [www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz](http://www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz) for info.

## 25 OCTOBER 2015

Round 1 - 2015/2016 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIALS in Whanganui. See [www.nz4x4trials.co.nz](http://www.nz4x4trials.co.nz) for info.

## 24 - 25 OCTOBER 2015

BATTLE OF THE PALACE - Teams Event hosted by Norwest OHV Club. For well set up Club Trucks working in teams of 3 to complete stages over 2 days. Camping and Facilities onsite. Cost \$360 per Team. Requirements: Winch, Extreme Mud Tyres, NZFWDA Affiliation, Rated recovery points. Contact: Ben at [possumpalace4x4@gmail.com](mailto:possumpalace4x4@gmail.com) for entry forms and info.

## 13-14 NOVEMBER 2015

MANUKAU WINCH CHALLENGE.  
See [www.manukau4wd.org.nz](http://www.manukau4wd.org.nz)

## 21 NOVEMBER 2015

Round 2 - 2015/2016 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIALS in South Waikato. See [www.nz4x4trials.co.nz](http://www.nz4x4trials.co.nz) for info.

## 16 - 22 JANUARY 2016

NORTHLAND KAURI COAST SAFARI. Hosted by the Kauri Coast 4WD Club.

## 24 JANUARY 2015

Round 3 - 2015/2016 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIALS in Whakatane. See [www.nz4x4trials.co.nz](http://www.nz4x4trials.co.nz) for info.

## 14 FEBRUARY 2015

Round 4 - 2015/2016 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIALS in Counties. See [www.nz4x4trials.co.nz](http://www.nz4x4trials.co.nz) for info.

## 28 FEBRUARY 2015

Round 5 - 2015/2016 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIALS in Windy City. See [www.nz4x4trials.co.nz](http://www.nz4x4trials.co.nz) for info.

## 26 MARCH 2015

Round 6 - 2015/2016 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIALS in Egmont. See [www.nz4x4trials.co.nz](http://www.nz4x4trials.co.nz) for info.



### Mainland 4WD Winching

April 14 - Edited -

Good evening all.  
Updated info on this years Mainland Winch Challenge.  
We have 4 Rounds confirmed.  
Round 1 Nelson (Nelson) June 19 - 20  
Round 2 Christchurch (Sawyers arms road and Cust) July 18 - 19  
Round 3 Dunedin (Cedar Creek) August 14 - 15  
Round 4 Timaru (Makikihi) October 16 - 17  
Enter the Series now  
<http://www.mainlandwinchchallenges.co.nz/>



### Mainland Winch Challenges

P1030713Welcome to The Superwinch Mainland Winch Challenges web site, the South Island home of winch challenges. Six rounds of competitions from the top of the island to the bottom happen over a nine month time table, with every thing from Rocks,

[MAINLANDWINCHCHALLENGES.CO.NZ](http://MAINLANDWINCHCHALLENGES.CO.NZ)

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### NZ 4x4 Trials

Yesterday at 12:27pm -

CONFIRMED dates for trials are:  
Sun 25th Oct Wanganui (Labour weekend)  
Sat 21st Nov South Waikato  
Sun 24th Jan Whakatane  
Sun 14th Feb Counties  
Sun 28th Feb Windy City (Masterton)  
Sat 26th Mar Egmont (Easter)

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# News

**ORANGE HUT UPDATE:** Drainage has been laid in the car park, water has been laid across the carpark, the bbq pad is ready for concrete.

**THE DEVIL'S STAIRCASE** – some work has been done down to the creek. No reparation has been done to the Rock Garden, so will remain almost impossible for all but the most ardent 4WD to use as a through route. The Staircase is now officially closed until Labour Weekend.

Source: ARAC NEWS - Issue 8, May 2015.

LVVTA appointed Ken McAdam to the position of 'Training Officer'. The principle function of the Training Officer is to provide a direct one-on-one training and mentoring support role to the LVV Certifiers, in an ongoing effort to optimize consistency and general inspection quality across all LVV Certifiers throughout New Zealand.

Read more here:

[http://www.lvvtanews.org.nz/documents/newsletters\\_pub/LVVTA\\_Newsletter\\_2015\\_Jan-April.pdf](http://www.lvvtanews.org.nz/documents/newsletters_pub/LVVTA_Newsletter_2015_Jan-April.pdf)

Letters to the editor

## Volunteer drivers 'heroes of the day'

IN response to the editorial "In praise of volunteers" (ODT, 5.6.15), who are the unsung heroes in our midst, who work hard in the background, always stepping up to the occasion? Access Homehealth (Access) provides home-based services, supporting independent living and wellbeing for those who require personal care assistance at home. On Wednesday, when South Dunedin was transformed into a lake, under torrential rain, our support workers, who go out to assist people in their homes, were unable to move about the city by the usual means of transport.

Dunedin Land Rover Club members became our heroes of the day, willingly going out in horrendous weather and road conditions to "ferry" support workers to each client's house, a huge undertaking. Without the altruism of the club members many clients would not have received their much-needed support on Wednesday evening/night.

On behalf of Access and our clients, a massive thank you to the Land Rover Club drivers who came out and braved the elements, offering their own resources to help the community and also, thank you to the support workers who travelled with the club drivers. You gave such a high level of commitment to the Access clients.

Carol Gray

Area manager, Southern Region  
Access Homehealth  
Dunedin



42 Traverse Working Bee - Feb 2007



## Central Districts Club 4x4 Swap Meet

Central Districts 4x4 Club of Feilding are holding a 4x4 swap meeting plus a show and shine at Manfeild Park Feilding in the stadium on 5th of July 2015 with the gate opening at 10am and finishing at 4pm.

There will be something for everyone who is interested in 4x4 vehicles with new and old on display or for sale, winches, tyres, lights, accessories and much more

Displays of winch trucks, National competition trucks, club displays with prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd as judged by the public, show & shine, plus swap / sell of 4x4 parts and accessories.

Military Restoration Club display. NZ Four wheel Drive Association Inc --presence, come and find out the benefits of becoming a N.Z.F.W.D. Association member.

- Refreshments and food available on site
- Cost per person over the age of 14yrs \$5.00
- People wishing to swap/sell \$10.00 per person for vehicle/trailer (upon registration)
- Commercial display \$100 per site
- Club display \$50 per display-- this is also an opportunity for clubs to attract new members
- Show & shine per vehicle and one person \$5.00 (upon registration/payable at gate)

If you want to display, sell/swap, book a site, have a question, have a constructive suggestion, contact us by e-mail [cd4x4club@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:cd4x4club@hotmail.co.nz)

Applications of interest close 30th June 2015.  
More information at <http://centraldistricts4x4.co.nz/>



# 2014/2015 National 4x4 Trial Series

## Round Five Results

When: Sun 8th March 2015

Where: Central Zone

Host: Cross Country Vehicle Club Wellington (CCVC)

*Photos: March 2004, 2003/2004 National 4x4 Trial Series*

### C CLASS

1st	99	Phil CONWELL
2nd	199	Malcolm MCLEAVEY
3rd	588	Kevin HERMANSEN
4th	261	Darrell OSBORNE
5th	280	Rhys O'BRIEN
6th	485	Grant HARRISON
7th	402	Shayne TOWERS
8th	62	Steven THOMASON
9th	36	Archie GRIFFIN
10th	80	Clarrie VAZEY
11th	527	Gordon MACNAB
12th	653	Hayden MCGILL
DNF	106	David JULIAN

### D CLASS

1st	222	HAMISH AURET
2nd	476	Mitchell SEYMOUR
3rd	448	Scott BIGGS
4th	189	Neil MORATTI
5th	574	Zane EDLIN
6th	10	Graeme KINGSTONE
7th	536	Wayne BUCKTHOUGHT
8th	553	Rowan HUCKSTEP
9th	11	John COWPER
10th	460	Andrew GARNER
11th	777	Mike GEE-TAYLOR
12th	240	Stuart EARLE
13th	350	Dean FOSTER
14th	370	Dean WELLS
15th	35	Peter MURPHY
16th	202	Kevin GALBRAITH
17th	171	Ray RASING
18th	605	Shaughan WICKS
19th	149	Steve LACEY
20th	656	Sam THOMSEN
21st	523	Chris JAMIESON
22nd	65	John MCGONIGLE
23rd	800	Campbell HUSTON
24th	228	Russell BIGGS
DNF	42	Brian HOWAT
DNF	44	Phil CAMERON
DNF	50	Warren JEFFERY
DNF	211	Lorraine CHUNG
DNF	429	Sean FITCHETT
DNF	451	Aaron GUEST
DNF	632	Phil HOBART

### E CLASS

1st	636	Ash SENIOR
2nd	480	Glenn D'ATH
3rd	75	Rex MEALING
4th	564	Dean JONES
5th	312	Tim SNAPE

### F CLASS

1st	72	Dave HINTZ
2nd	90	Paul TAYLOR
3rd	96	Bruce GILMORE





## Round Six Results

When: Sat 4th April 2015

Where: Northern Zone

Host: Thames Valley 4WD Club

### C CLASS

1st	588	Kevin HERMANSEN
2nd	280	Rhys O'BRIEN
3rd	402	Shayne TOWERS
4th	199	Malcolm MCLEAVEY
5th	261	Darrell OSBORNE
6th	36	Archie GRIFFIN
7th	597	Brent WHITE
8th	62	Steven THOMASON
9th	485	Grant HARRISON
10th	324	Dan BARNETT
11th	527	Gordon MACNAB
12th	80	Clarrie VAZEY
DNF	99	Phil CONWELL

### D CLASS

1st	553	Rowan HUCKSTEP
2nd	448	Scott BIGGS
3rd	370	Dean WELLS
4th	11	John COWPER
5th	460	Andrew GARNER
6th	476	Mitchell SEYMOUR
7th	189	Neil MORATTI
8th	154	Martin WALTON
9th	42	Brian HOWAT
10th	429	Sean FITCHETT
11th	574	Zane EDLIN
12th	777	Mike GEE-TAYLOR
13th	375	Brent WARD
14th	222	HAMISH AURET
15th	171	Ray RASING
16th	50	Warren JEFFERY
17th	10	Graeme KINGSTONE
18th	101	Ray HILL
19th	451	Aaron GUEST
20th	438	Russell LUDERS
21st	656	Sam THOMSEN
22nd	350	Dean FOSTER
23rd	228	Russell BIGGS
24th	632	Phil HOBART
25th	149	Steve LACEY
26th	344	Trevor SWAN
27th	211	Lorraine CHUNG
28th	800	Nathan SMITH
DNF	44	Phil CAMERON
DNF	202	Kevin GALBRAITH
DNF	536	Wayne BUCKTHOUGHT
DNF	660	Tim SINGLETON

### E CLASS

1st	75	Rex MEALING
2nd	480	Glenn D'ATH
3rd	646	Brian HALL
4th	636	Ash SENIOR

### F CLASS

1st	90	Paul TAYLOR
2nd	335	Steve MORLEY
3rd	72	Dave HINTZ
4th	96	Bruce GILMORE
5th	433	Warwick FARMER
6th	43	Shane BEECH

## 2014/2015 National 4x4 Trials Series Awards

Best Presented Vehicle Central Zone - Ash Senior

Best Presented Vehicle Northern Zone - Brian Hall

Best Trial Central Zone - CCVC

Best Trial Northern Zone - Comps Committee

Sportsman of the Year - Ian and Jenni Templeton

## Congratulations

NZ1 Hamish Auret & Paul Barnes

2nd Scott Biggs and Steve Kitchener

3rd Phil Conwell and Paul Chapman

## Central Zone

1st Hamish Auret and Paul Barnes

2nd Phil Conwell and Paul Chapman

3rd Wayne Buckthought and Paul Green

## Northern Zone

1st Scott Biggs and Steven Kitchener

2nd Zane Edlin and Dan Cowper

3rd Shayne Towers and Ashley Clark

SOURCE: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/NZ-4x4-Trials/108953259216920?sk=wall&filter=12>

## 2015/2016 SEASON National 4x4 Trials Series

25 Oct: Wanganui

21 Nov: South Waikato

24 Jan: Whakatane

14 Feb: Counties

28 Feb: Windy City

26 March (Easter): Egmont

Check out footage from Jan 1990 of the  
Thames Valley 4WD Club Rally  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=7jTqsqtTd4Q&feature=youtu.be](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7jTqsqtTd4Q&feature=youtu.be)



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29 May 2015

Presidents  
Four Wheel Drive Clubs  
Northern, Central & Southern Zones

Dear Presidents

**RE: CLUB RUNS, TRIPS, SAFARI AND FUN DAYS ETC.  
HEALTH AND SAFETY IN EMPLOYMENT (ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES) REGULATIONS 2011**

1. As President of the Northern Zone of the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association, I was asked to provide an opinion about:
  - 1.1 **Public Rides:** Giving the public rides in four wheel drives at an event and people paying a fee for a ride around the track.
  - 1.2 **A Fun Day Out:** E.g. Taking IHC children and/or adults for rides as a fun day out for them.
2. I have provided an opinion to the relevant club, however the issues appear to affect most clubs so I am passing these comments on to you so that you may be aware of the issues involved and may discuss them with your members. Obviously in the circumstances this is provided on a pro bono no liability basis, as I will not know the circumstances of your trips or runs.

### The Issues

3. I consider the issues are:
  - 3.1 Whether such activities are adventure activities within the meaning of the Health and Safety in Employment (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2011; and
  - 3.2 What is the position about the Association's insurance?
4. You may find assistance by considering the provisions of the Regulations and the Health and Safety and Employment (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2011 Guidance for Operators as provided by the Department of Labour (March 2012).

### The Law

5. The Health and Safety in Employment (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2011, Regulation 4(4) state that:
  - 5.1 An adventure activity (Regulation 4(1)) means an activity:
    - (a) (i) That is provided to a participant in return for payment; and
    - (ii) That is land-based...; and
    - (iii) That involves the participant being guided, taught or assisted to participate in the activity; and
    - (iv) The main purpose of which is recreational...; and
    - (v) That is designed to deliberately expose the participant to a risk of serious harm and must be managed by the provider; and
    - (vi) In which:
      - (A) Failure of the provider's management systems is likely to result in serious harm; or
      - (B) That the participant is deliberately exposed to dangerous terrain; and
  - 5.2 Adventure activities listed in the schedule to the Regulation include off-road vehicle driving.
  - 5.3 An adventure activity does not include an activity provided by a sports club or recreation club to:
    - (a) A member of the club;
    - (b) A member of another sports club or recreation club under an agreement between the clubs;



- (c) A person who is not a member of a club if the activity:
  - (i) Is provided only to encourage membership of the club or interest in the club's activities or for the purpose of competition; and
  - (ii) Is provided to any one person no more than 12 days in any 12 month period.

### Public Rides

- 6. So I consider that charging a fee for public rides is likely to be an adventure activity which requires approval unless the club exemption in regulation 4(4) applies:
  - 6.1 I consider that the Club could have a membership day for new members (see above);
  - 6.2 If the Club's Constitution permits day members then this should mean your club is covered by the Association's insurance;
  - 6.3 I am aware that the National President Neville Dunton is lodging a remit proposing that the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Constitution be changed to refer to day members and that may clarify matters further. In the meantime I suggest:
    - (a) Day membership should be on the basis that:
      - (i) A fee is charged for day membership.
      - (ii) Day members do not have any voting rights;
      - (iii) A day member cannot go out with the club more than 3 times unless they become a full member.
    - (b) If a day member becomes a full member then the association affiliation fee should be forwarded to the Association.
  - 6.4 Please note that I consider that to have day members a club's constitution should specifically permit them.

### Fun Day Out

- 7. In relation to a fun day out, from time to time there are such activities by clubs. (I think it is great for those involved):
  - 7.1 A run should be in accordance with the objects of the NZ Four Wheel Drive Association i.e. to further and improve four wheel drive activities or incidental or be conducive to the attainment of these objects (Article 2 of the Constitution);
  - 7.2 The run needs to be an official club run to be covered by Association insurance – this insurance covers third party risks but not vehicles or passenger risks.
  - 7.3 So I consider that:
    - (a) The run should be an official club sanctioned run; and
    - (b) A fee should be charged but you do not need to charge much; and
    - (c) The aim should be to:
      - (i) Encourage interest in the Club's activities; and/or
      - (ii) The furtherance or attainment or promotion of Four Wheel Drive activities and perhaps by returning something to the community.
    - (d) The run needs to be recorded and run/trip records kept.

### Fundraising

- 8. From time to time we all participate in fundraising. I consider that for the purpose of the Adventure Activity Regulations any fundraising, run or safari or similar event needs to be run by a club as a club event with the club controlling the run. So if there is a fundraising for say a school or other charity, the school or charity cannot organise or run the Four Wheel Drive event.

### Insurance

- 9. For insurance purposes records need to be kept. I understand that the Association's insurers will allow clubs some time to update their rules to cover day and family members mindful of the fact that it is often only changed at an AGM. So the rules should be changed as soon as possible subject to each club's own rules.

### Risk Assessment

- 10. A risk assessment should be carried out for each four wheel drive – it does not need to be complicated.

Regards

  
JOHN HICKEY

Northern Zone President

New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association Inc.



## NZFWDA President

Neville Dunton

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The 2015 AGM and Conference was recently held in Queenstown.

Numbers of delegates were a little less than expected but that didn't inhibit the value of the various invited speaker sessions which this year covered possible opportunities to expand scope and cover of the NZFWDA insurance scheme and discussions and advice from DOC regarding the many opportunities which are becoming available to NZFWDA and affiliated Clubs to formalise enduring and sustainable management and access agreements in respect to DOC land.

A toolbox session led by Northern Zone President, John Hickey, covering issues such as Adventure Activities,

Charity Runs, A-framing, Towing vehicles and rescues was very well received and, I believe, was very illuminating and helpful for delegates.

The Constitutional Remits pertaining to Membership were passed unanimously and I am delighted to advise the nomination and resolution to appoint two new life members; Kath Jaggard and Ces Horan.

The National Executive have been returned to office with the addition of Bobbie Kincaid as National Secretary, and Jenny Croasdale as National Treasurer. Jenny Jordan has very kindly offered to continue her role as database administrator and we welcome Ron Sturme as the new NCO. I do want to acknowledge

the hard work and cohesion of the Executive of 2014-15; my thanks for a job well done and I look forward to more of the same in the coming year.

From a governance perspective the Executive have a number of issues to deal with in the forthcoming year including documentation of nationally applicable partnership agreements with DOC, review of the Constitution, review of database functionality, and of course, consideration of legislative changes, with the most compelling item being the Health and Safety Reform Bill which is presently being considered by Parliament.

Neville Dunton  
NZFWDA President



## Central Zone President

Max Wheatley

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By the time you read this the NZFWDA conference in Queenstown is over and done with. If you made it down, thank you for making the effort, if you didn't there is another conference next year. Remember conference is there for you, make the time to come along, learn something, make some new friends and enjoy your self.

### Off road

Since the last column I have been off road at least twice, both times for trips I lead. The first was a gentle river trip along the upper reaches of the Manawatu river ending with a quick trip to one of the high points in the Rauhiine Ranges, no more damage than a few wet carpets for me, others got a lot wetter!!

The second trip was up into a private forestry block high in the Tararua Ranges. Most of the pines have gone leaving a maze of forestry roads, pretty easy driving though. There is enough of the raw bush left to make for some

challenging driving and this trip we were able to get everyone to the high point with only the odd spot of winching. For me a few more scratches and the complete destruction of my drain pipe snorkel.

### In the workshop.

Not much happens there or for the next few months of cold weather. Repairs from the above trip though. I thought about remaking my drain pipe snorkel but decided to have a look at fitting the snorkel I made out of exhaust pipe for the RangeRover. Much to my surprise it fitted quite well, just a little less rake on the A pillar of the Discovery, trim a bit more out of the guard and that looks pretty good. I was able to move the flex pipe into the guard cavity making things a lot tidier in the engine bay as well, job done and I know I will not be breaking this snorkel any time soon!!

A few months back I wrote about how I had changed out the headlights on the

Discovery and how well that worked, I was wrong. They had never been used in anger but because I was later home than I expected from the above trip the last 20 minutes of the trip home called for the headlights to be on, well that lasted about 15 minutes and then plunged into darkness. I had done the job on the cheap not using relays like I knew I should and the extra strain of a few more watts of lighting was just too much for the marginally rated light switch and it gave up. So 4 relays, a fuse box, new headlight connectors, some wire and a bit of time solved that problem. But the poor switch just wasn't up to it. So now I need to replace that. Hopefully sort that before the next WOF.

That is it for this issue. Make sure you get out in the mud and snow of winter and be safe.

Max Wheatley  
Central Zone President.

The NZFWDA Executive are volunteers who administer the Association. Divided into three regional zone committees - Northern Zone, Central Zone, Southern Zone and a Competition Committee.





# NZFWDA Northern Zone President

John Hickey

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Hi All, since the last Trail Torque, we have had the Northern Zone General Meeting and AGM for the Northern Zone. To avoid the need for changes of chairs for the AGM the Northern Zone General Meeting was held first.

Work required to open Maratoto was completed by Earl Mathers, zone member who donated his time then passed on the hire costs. Thanks Earl.

There were discussions about Vandy's Road and work that was required. The Cozzy Club are likely to discuss that with the relevant Council. At the AGM, I was re-appointed as President, Russell de Luca Vice President, Tony Burgess as PRO and Eileen Austin as Secretary/Treasurer. I understand Maratoto has now been closed for the winter.

I haven't been able to do much four wheel driving recently but last week I ended up driving each of our vehicles on a different day (3 Land Rovers plus our cars).

My recent four wheel driving has been as part of the annual Auckland Council Te Rau Puriri tree planting. This year there were 1500 trees planted in good weather (not too hot). Good soil meant that we were finished early and

had a BBQ provided by the Auckland Council – (thank you Ranger Kim Severinsen and staff). Afterwards a group of us went up to the Prawn Farm, now part of the Council Park. On the way out of the farm, one of the LROCA members Melissa Laver spotted a hawk trapped in a net in the fish ponds.

The caretaker and Melissa's partner Peter rushed in to rescue the hawk and managed to free it from the net with a pocket knife. The bird was very quiet and accepted help without a protest. They have taken it to Bird Rescue in Titirangi. Hopefully, it will make a full recovery.

After that we drove down towards Highams Road. The Auckland Transport sign states that this is an unformed public road and then says on its map "no motor vehicles in one area". There seems no good reason for this. The track is fairly easy except where it appears to have been dug up by someone with a digger to prevent people driving it. There is also a fence sign saying "no motor vehicles beyond this sign" which is not an Auckland Transport or Auckland Council sign. We walked the rest of the track to the camp site with a local who had

been part of the protest against the Highams closing off the road. We viewed the bay and beach. There is a large implements shed and a toilet block which I am told are built on public land and also a generator with a wire across what I understand is the public land which appears to be dangerously low.

Part of the site includes a kitchen block, an outside eating area and behind that a large waste sump which I understand someone saw a rat and another person reported 3 mice. It seems an unhealthy and possibly unsafe and unsanitary arrangement. Hopefully, Council/Auckland Transport will follow through opening this up so that the public can have access along this paper road.

The AGM in Queenstown was a useful way to catch up on four wheel drive matters and to meet members from other zones. Many of the South Islanders prefer chains to mud tyres? Whether you are on paper roads or other land, I hope you enjoy your four wheeling.

Regards  
John Hickey  
President Northern Zone



## NZFWDA Secretary

Bobbie Kincaid

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How you doin'? I am your new Association Secretary, my name is Bobbie, I am a member of the Valley 4WD Club and based in Tauranga. A lot of you know who I am however for the newbies, I have been around the industry - recreation, hobby and commercial aspects of NZ four wheel driving for 14 years. I started 4x4 Action Magazine in 2003 and have been doing Trail Torque for the last two years.

I did not make the Conference or AGM - thanks John Hickey for the notes and Craig Lilford for taking the minutes! I met Brent on the side of the road to collect the Secretary stuff. I have set the email addresses, updated

the website and emails are coming in steadily. The Executive is going to have a web conference on the 21st of June, where we will be discussing the AGM minutes and regulations on all things topical.

In the mean time I would like to share with you a four wheel drive story. I got a call the other day, "there is a trailer stuck, can you pull it out?", no worries mate. There it was fully laden with misc items on an empty section - slight gradient, clay base, long grass. Hooked it up, towed it out to the road, then was asked to back it around the Jaguar, past the VW Polo, between the lamp post and on to the front lawn. Done.

Next, can you tow the furniture trailer to where you just pulled the other one from as the Amarok is on road tyres. No worries. Hook it up, back it down the road, past the parked vans and trucks, swing in to the drive - tight fit between the power and letter boxes. On to the grass, bit slippery, bit of gas, bit of wheel spin, traction, moving forward, beautiful! And stop. "Can we get you to line it up on this angle?" Sure, back it up, couple of rev's, forward, line it up and stop. Is that someone filming me on their phone in the distance? Smile and wave. Five speechless males, two trailers, one chick and a Nissan - priceless!

Bobbie Kincaid NZFWDA Secretary.



# Northern Zone Clubs



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### Whangamata 4x4 Club

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**Meet** Second Tuesday of month at 7.30pm  
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## NZFWDA ZONES

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Central Zone – Taupo to Wellington.

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## Central Zone Clubs



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### Mt Egmont 4 Wheel Drive Club Inc.

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**Meet** Second Tuesday of every month  
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## Southern Zone Clubs



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**Meet** First Wednesday of the month  
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### Nelson 4 Wheel Drive Club Inc.

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### South Island Niva Drivers Association (SINDA)

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 Christchurch at 7.30pm



# Kids Page

Can you spot the five differences?



## HISTORIC NZ EVENTS

1 June 1960 NZ's first official TV broadcast from Shortland Street in central Auckland, the transmission began at 7.30 p.m. and lasted just three hours.

7 June 1976 The first McDonalds appears at Cobham Court, Porirua.

2 July 1938 Electric trains come to Wellington.

18 July 1855 NZ's first postage stamps go on sale.

25 August 1920 Captain Euan Dickson completed the first air crossing of Cook Strait, flying a 110-hp Le Rhone Avro from Christchurch to Upper Hutt.

26 August 1866 After two bungled attempts and near disaster at sea, the installation of the first communications cable between the North and South Islands of New Zealand was completed.

## TONGUE TWISTERS

Can you can a can as a canner can can a can?

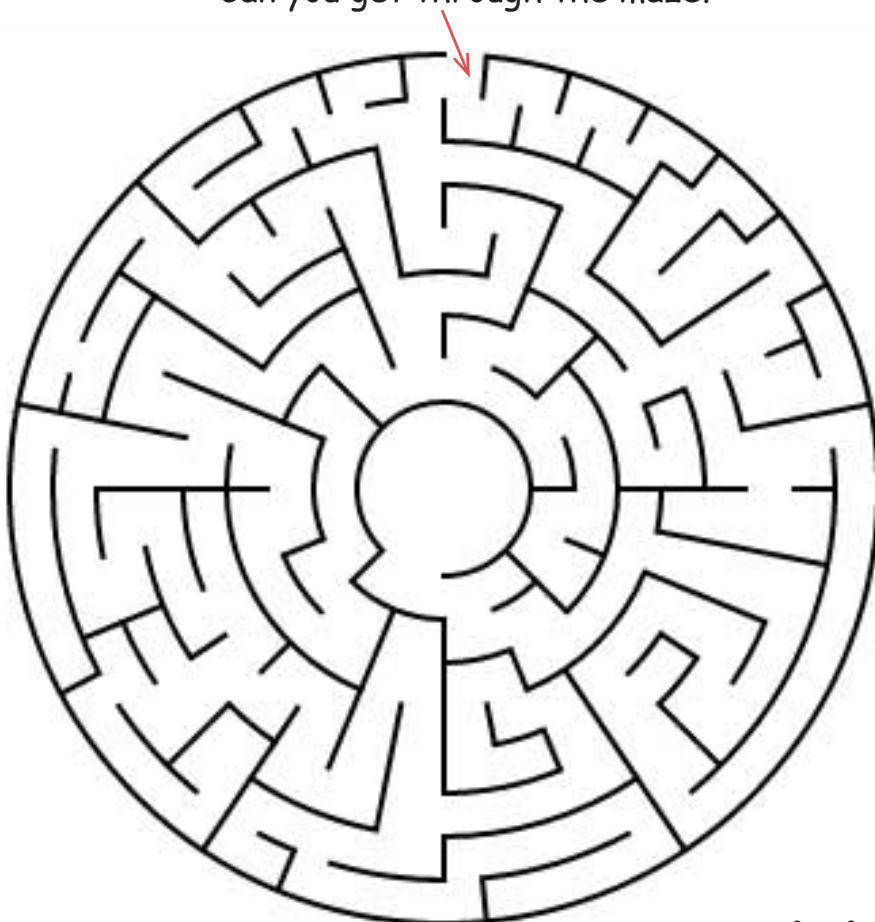
One-one was a race horse.

Two-two was one too.

One-one won one race.

Two-two won one too.

Can you get through the maze?



Spot the difference answers: 1 - Marshal in hi-vis appears in the middle of the image. 2 - New yellow flag. 3 - Camera on the left of the image disappears. 4 - blue flag disappears. 5 - Hill in the background grows.