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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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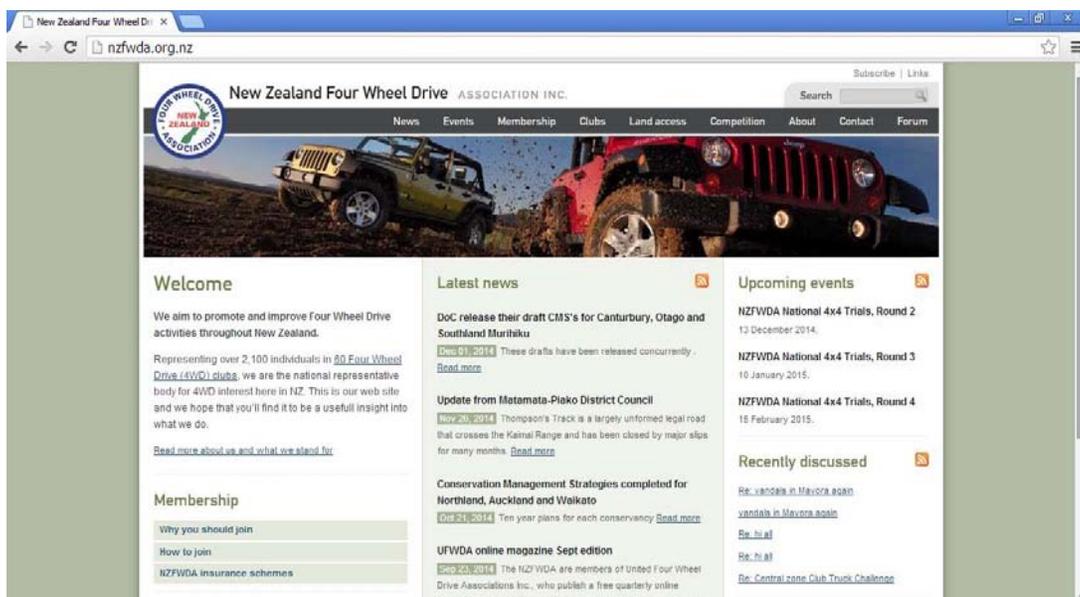


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In the News

4WD clubs turn out for Muriwai cleanup

Big tides and a poor weather forecast did not deter a big turnout of four-wheel-drive club members for their regular Muriwai Beach cleanup.

Drivers from The Norwest OHV Club, Land Rover Owners (Auckland) and Auckland 4WD Club had to take different access points to get to the beach safely.

"It was evident that the strong onshore winds and high seas had pushed a lot of debris ashore, but the bulk was assorted logs and seaweed, liberally sprinkled with bluebottle jellyfish," Auckland 4WD Club member Peter Vahry says.

Members also walked through gaps in the dunes where there was clear evidence of drinking parties and campfires with broken bottles cast everywhere.

"A real abuse of our coast," Vahry says.

But he says the rubbish collected was probably less than last year and appears to be steadily reducing.

The members picked up about 6 cubic metres of assorted trash, especially little pieces of plastics and glass.

The Auckland Council rangers treated the group of more than 50 workers to a barbecue.

Muriwai-based ranger Van Haresnape



Spruce-up: Linton Ivceovich throws rubbish into a skip during the regular Muriwai Beach cleanup by four-wheel-drive clubs.



Knotty problem: A tangled nylon fishing line is among a variety of rubbish Kinzsa Vahry picks up on Muriwai Beach.

says he was impressed with the fantastic turnout, which included a couple of wagons from a local club and an array of vehicles from veteran Land Rovers through to Cruisers.

He says the continuing support of the clubs is essential to having this regular event.



DIDYMO:

- can be present in its microscopic form or as a large population in bloom.
- Can live in a boat hull for weeks if the water is sloshed around.
- Can live in felt soled waders for 6 weeks.
- Water temperature does not effect it.
- The North Island is free of Didymo.

At the 2014 NZFWDA Conference Jeff Donaldson, National Operations Manager for the Freshwater Pest Partnership Programme informed us there are currently 187 waterways known to be affected by Didymo, but still over 400 waterways in the South Island NOT affected.



Freshwater Pests

Most of these pest plants are green vegetative plants which are VERY VISUAL. Didymo is **not**.

Any activity that involves getting wet in one waterway and then another risks spreading aquatic pests.

It's easy to take action to protect your patch and stop the spread of freshwater pests.

Be sure that you've done your bit to stop aquatic pests being spread.

CHECK, CLEAN, DRY

For more information please see:
<http://www.biosecurity.govt.nz/pests/didymo/cleaning>



2014/2015 National 4x4 Trial Series

Round One Results

When: Sat 15th Nov 2014

Where: Northern Zone

Host: Bay of Plenty 4WD Club

Driver	Class	Place	OA	Driver	Class	Place	OA
CONWELL Phil	C	1	4	GALBRAITH Kevin	D	20	26
TOWERS Shayne	C	2	9	HOBART Phil	D	21	28
HERMANSEN Kevin	C	3	12	SWAN Trevor	D	22	33
MCLEAVEY Malcolm	C	4	15	CHUNG Lorraine	D	23	39
OSBORNE Darrell	C	5	21	WALTON Martin	D	24	43
GRIFFIN Archie	C	6	25	JEFFERY Warren	D		
WHITE Brent	C	7	27	BIGGS Russell	D		
O'BRIEN Rhys	C	8	29	GUEST Aaron	D		
VAZEY Clarrie	C	9	31	SINGLETON Tim	D		
MACLEAN Robert	C	10	35	DUNTON Neville	D		
CRAWFORD Mike	C			LACEY Steve	D		
BARNETT Dan	C			EARLE Stuart	D		
				MCGREGOR Gage	D		

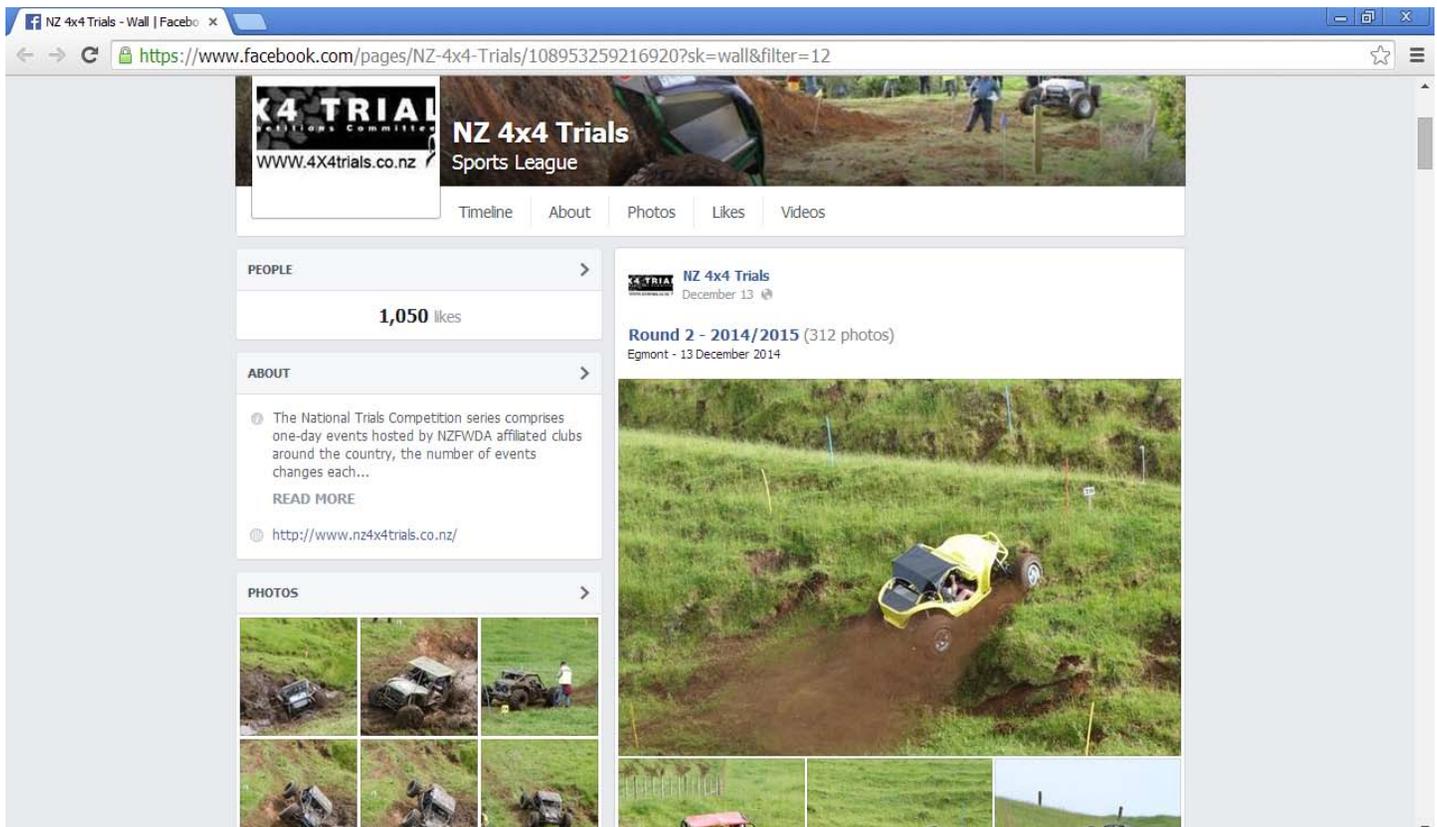
Driver	Class	Place	OA
AURET Hamish	D	1	1
EDLIN Zane	D	2	2
GARNER Andrew	D	3	3
HUCKSTEP Rowan	D	4	5
HOWAT Brian	D	5	6
FOSTER Dean	D	6	7
BIGGS Scott	D	7	8
HUNGER Bryce	D	8	10
COWPER John	D	9	11
LUDERS Russell	D	10	13
HILL Ray	D	11	14
RASING Ray	D	12	16
CAMERON Phil	D	13	17
GEE-TAYLOR Mike	D	14	18
MORATTI Arthur	D	15	19
MORATTI Neil	D	16	20
BUCKTHOUGHT Wayne	D	17	22
THOMSEN Sam	D	18	23
KINGSTONE Graeme	D	19	24

Driver	Class	Place	OA
SENIOR Ashley	E	1	32
D'ATH Glenn	E	2	36
MEALING Rex	E	3	38
HALL Brian	E	4	40
LE LIEVRE Pierre	E	5	42

Driver	Class	Place	OA
HINTZ Dave	F	1	30
MORLEY Steve	F	2	34
TAYLOR Paul	F	3	37
GILMORE Bruce	F	4	41
FARMER Warwick	F	5	44
BAYLIS Phil	F		



PHOTO: 2006/2007 NATIONAL 4X4 TRIAL SERIES, ROUND TWO, SOUTH WAIKATO, 26 NOVEMBER 2006



Round Two Results
 When: Sat 13th Dec 2014
 Where: Central Zone
 Host:
 Mt Egmont 4WD Club

#	Driver	Class	Place	OA	#	Driver	Class	Place	OA
99	CONWELL Phil	C	1	3	370	WELLS Dean	D	23	28
588	HERMANSEN Kevin	C	2	14	211	CHUNG Lorraine	D	24	29
199	MCLEAVEY Malcolm	C	3	20	434	LUDERS Russell	D	25	30
280	O'BRIEN Rhys	C	4	23	256	BOSTON Michael	D	26	32
402	TOWERS Shayne	C	5	24	523	JAMIESON Chris	D	27	33
578	O'BRIEN Haare	C	6	31	656	THOMSEN Sam	D	28	41
261	OSBORNE Darrell	C	7	34	65	MCGONIGLE John	D	29	42
597	WHITE Brent	C	8	36	149	LACEY Steve	D	30	43
36	GRIFFIN Archie	C	9	37	228	BIGGS Russell	D	31	45
62	THOMASON Steven	C	10	38	344	SWAN Trevor	D	32	50
485	HARRISON Grant	C	11	39	605	WICKS Shaughan	D	33	51
324	BARNETT Dan	C	12	49	676	MCGREGOR Gage	D	34	58
80	VAZEY Clarrie	C	13	53	65	MCGONIGLE John	D	35	
527	MACNAB Gordon	C	14	56	35	MURPHY Peter	D		
586	MACLEAN Robert	C	15		429	FITCHETT Sean	D		

#	Driver	Class	Place	OA
222	AURET Hamish	D	1	1
448	BIGGS Scott	D	2	2
476	SEYMOUR Mitchell	D	3	4
154	WALTON Martin	D	4	5
NZ1	HUNGER Bryce	D	5	6
460	GARNER Andrew	D	6	7
553	HUCKSTEP Rowan	D	7	8
536	BUCKTHOUGHT Wayne	D	8	9
574	EDLIN Zane	D	9	10
350	FOSTER Dean	D	10	11
44	CAMERON Phil	D	11	12
42	HOWAT Brian	D	12	13
101	HILL Ray	D	13	15
451	GUEST Aaron	D	14	16
777	GEE-TAYLOR Mike	D	15	17
189	MORATTI Neil	D	16	18
171	RASING Ray	D	17	19
10	KINGSTONE Graeme	D	18	21
50	JEFFERY Warren	D	19	22
11	COWPER John	D	20	25
240	EARLE Stuart	D	21	26
202	GALBRAITH Kevin	D	22	27

#	Driver	Class	Place	OA
480	D'ATH Glenn	E	1	40
636	SENIOR Ash	E	2	44
75	MEALING Rex	E	3	48
646	HALL Brian	E	4	52
564	JONES Dean	E	5	55

#	Driver	Class	Place	OA
72	HINTZ Dave	F	1	35
335	MORLEY Steve	F	2	46
90	TAYLOR Paul	F	3	47
96	GILMORE Bruce	F	4	54
433	FARMER Warwick	F	5	57



PHOTO: 2006/2007 NATIONAL
 4X4 TRIAL SERIES, ROUND ONE,
 DEADWOOD SAFARI.
 23 OCTOBER 2006.

Maratoto Track Update

Hi Members,

After the last issue of this magazine we had another Northern Zone meeting on 11 October in Huntly.

Shortly before this meeting Tony Burgess, PRO, found out from DOC that DOC had been dealing with the Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club on a proposal for the Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club to manage the Maratoto Track. The National PRO, Roger Seymour, had been dealing with DOC Head Office representatives. Roger had obtained from DOC two forms of contract that DOC was proposing be used: a simple, short form letter-type contract and a longer more detailed contract. The contract that DOC offered to Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club was a different long contract which we considered to be more onerous than the contracts obtained by Roger Seymour.

At the zone meeting on 11 October these matters were discussed and the Northern Zone resolved that any contracts should be between DOC and the National Association rather than individual Clubs. At the meeting we were also advised by Auckland Club that they had been notified that the track would not be open until certain remedial work was carried out.

We found out that DOC was proposing to keep Maratoto closed until work was done, which had been notified to the Auckland Four Wheel Drive

Club but not passed on to other clubs. At the zone meeting it was resolved that clubs be requested to keep the Association informed about any significant involvement with any local authorities regarding any important tracks. This is because if the Association does not know what is going on, we cannot help.

The day after the zone meeting, Sunday 12 October 2014, we had a National Executive Meeting in Wellington. I was able to update the National Executive on Waitawheta, Maratoto and Thompson's Track. There was considerable discussion on these issues because of our concern that these issues are important for the whole of New Zealand and not just the Northern Zone and because local authorities in other regions are likely to be influenced by these issues which may become precedents or provide guidelines for other Councils so they need to be handled carefully. So at the National Exec meeting we discussed the DOC contracts and the contract offered to the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association and Maratoto was "escalated" to a National Executive level.

On 20 October I attended the Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club meeting as Northern Zone President and a member of the National Executive. It was a very interesting meeting. I was able to explain my understanding of the Association's insurance policy, Maratoto,

Thompsons Track and Waitawheta. Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club explained their concerns about Maratoto and that they were keen that work be progressed to open the track. It was good to speak to some of the club members face to face.

Since those meetings I am pleased to report that there has been some progress with DOC being in agreement about the work that needs to be done at this stage and opening of Maratoto. Given the late notice, timing of the notice received from DOC (which means that at this stage the zone cannot yet approve the work and the whole thing is a bit messy because the next zone meeting is not until next year), I consider this to be substantial progress. It would not have been possible without help from the National Exec, particularly the National President, Neville Dunton and Roger Seymour, National PRO and Ces Horan who is likely to carry out the work.

It seems to me that the National Exec is working as a team and if the clubs within the zones can work with the zone reps, then we can all benefit. I am hopeful the track will be reopened before Christmas. We are now working on getting a written agreement on managing Maratoto for future years.

John Hickey
Northern Zone President.

For Sale

To advertise your four wheel drive bits, pieces or whole vehicles, please email editor@nzfwda.org.nz

4 X 4 Suzuki Speights Buggy, Competitive D class truck and stands out in the crowd. Use to be a LJ 80 but now very modified for NZ National 4x4 trials but also a great club truck. The main mods are Nissan 3L V6 petrol motor with Toyota SC14 super charger, Nissan auto, Hilux 3.9 ratio diffs front and rear with redline oil, coil suspension all round, 2 x air diff locks, 4 x skid steer brakes, Disk brakes front and rear, Hydraulic ram steering with hydraulic orbital steering box, Bucket seats with 4 point harness 3 inches wide seat belts, 6 point roll cage to comp spec, optima battery, comes with Kumho 833 tyres 35" x 12.5" x 15". Loads of other goodies done to this buggy. Heaps of spare parts. Redline oil in the diffs. This buggy is ready to run on club trips or in comps. Only been used 2 times in the last 3 years so time to sell and make room for new projects. Cost over \$40000 to built, over \$8000 parts just in the diffs and steering. Contact Dwayne 021 467 885 evenings. **\$14000**

BMW V12 5.4L Twin Turbo engine, solid lifters, mega squirt ECU & inter cooler. 480 hp at 7lb boost. 630hp at 12lb boost, only running on 7lb. Toyota Windom gearbox modified with extra clutches, in all gears, and modified valve body, with 3:1 ratio centre diff, AWD, 4WD switch and a high stall convertor. Nissan diffs, chromoly axles and cv's, Mark V Hydraulic locker front and rear, can disengage by wheel brakes, with no self energising from side gears. Alloy engine plate solid mounting motor in frame. Hydraulic steering with self centre orbital valve. Tuned shocks with adjustable airbag suspension Kirkey alloy seats with Vinyl wrap. Internal bead-locked alloy rims 35x12.5 x15 Federal Couragia M/T. Comes with spare bonnets and other parts. Open to any questions or offers!!! Contact Howie 04 5671471 **\$45000**
PA system for sale. Phone Paul 021 295 2814

4x4 Events/Trips/Runs

Email your events to 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.

10 JANUARY 2015

National Trial Series 2014/2015. Round 3 hosted by Competitions Committee. 300 Marshall Road, Rangiwhia. Approximately 11km from State Highway 1, via Otara Road, turn left into Mangamako Road (sign posted) then into Marshall Road, which is approximately 3km of metal road www.nz4x4trials.co.nz for info.

24 - 25 JANUARY 2015

Mapiu School Family 4WD Weekend Safari hosted by King Country 4WD Club. Base camp at Mapiu School Grounds. BBQ lunches for both days, a lamb Spit roast Dinner Saturday night and breakfast Sunday morning. \$200 per vehicle (2 people), Extras; Adults \$50, Under 12 \$25, under 5 free. Additional \$10 Insurance fee if not affiliated to NZFWD Association. All catering included in cost of trip. This event is a 'follow me' Safari for "shiny" 4WD Vehicles with a low ratio transfer box. The Safari will start at 9-00am Saturday morning with a Safety Briefing and trip procedures before we head off.

Register at www.kc4wd.co.nz or contact Steve Kernot, email contact@kc4wd.co.nz or phone 07 877-6886 or mobile 027 281-4433

FEBRUARY, 2015

Central Zone Club Truck Challenge 2014/2015 Series. Hosted by Desert Defenders, Ohakune - See <http://www.czctc.org.nz> for info.

15 FEBRUARY 2015

National Trial Series 2014/2015. Round 4 hosted by Hawkes Bay 4WD Club. www.nz4x4trials.co.nz for info.

1 MARCH 2015

Matariki Forests Whangamata - hosted by Whangamata 4WD Club. A one day charity event. Some steep stuff, bush stuff and some muddy stuff, not really a shiny truck event. Limited to 40 trucks. Ph (after 6pm) Kris 0274335070 or Gordon 021 385 385 all details and entry forms are on www.whangamata4x4.org or email whangamata4x4@gmail.com

08 MARCH 2015

National Trial Series 2014/2015. Round 5 hosted by Cross Country Vehicle Club Wellington. See www.nz4x4trials.co.nz for info.

14-15 MARCH 2015

Hokianga Safari 2015. Hosted by the Kauri Coast 4WD Club. Tracks for both Club Shiny's and tuff trucks. Full day of 4x4ing on Saturday and 1/2 day on Sunday. Dinner Saturday night, breakfast and lunch on Sunday provided. Lunches for Saturday available for order. Prices to still be confirmed. Proceeds to Northland Rescue Helicopter. Contact Serena aneres@xnet.co.nz or phone 021 159 2720 or 09 439 0064

APRIL 2015

Central Zone Club Truck Challenge 2014/2015 Series. Wairarapa. See <http://www.czctc.org.nz> for info.

03 - 06 APRIL 2015

Easter Winch Challenge. Force4 Novawin Winch Challenge. Possum Palace, Northland. Competition starts Friday afternoon, continue Sat and Sun. Finishing around 6pm Sunday night. There will be night stages for all classes, Club, Challenge, Modified. Camping onsite. Sanctioned by 4x4 Challenges NZ Inc. Contact Steve Reed

04 APRIL 2015

National Trial Series 2014/2015. Round 6 hosted by Thames Valley 4WD Club. www.nz4x4trials.co.nz for info.

MAY 2015

Central Zone Club Truck Challenge 2014/2015 Series. Wanganui. See <http://www.czctc.org.nz> for info.

23 - 24 MAY 2015

NZFWDA Conference and AGM. Queenstown.



2015 NZFWDA Conference & AGM
23rd and 24th May 2015
Queenstown.

Central Zone Club Truck Challenge

Round 3 - February, 2015 - Desert Defenders, Ohakune*

Round 4 - April 2015 Wairarapa*

Round 5 - May 2015 Wanganui*

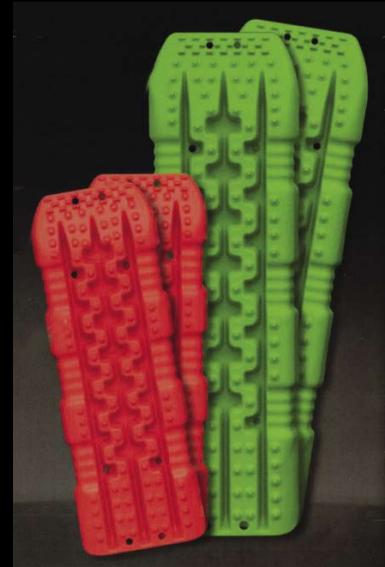
* Dates and locations to be confirmed. See <http://www.czctc.org.nz> for info.

WIN a pair of TRED Total extraction and Recovery device

NZFWDA members had the chance to win a set of these amazing devices, along with carry bags and recovery leach by submitting photos to editor@nzfwda.org.nz

NZFWDA was proud to be able to offer our members the opportunity to win TRED total recovery and extraction device including heavy duty carry bag and recovery leach (clipped to the device and your vehicle so you don't lose them in the mud or sand).

"I have recently been able to try out these devices and can report that they are very quick and easy to use, recently extracting my Jimny from a rather large hole without the need to winch out or dig my way out - given that the nearest anchor was further away than the length of winch rope I had on board. And I wasn't too impressed at the prospect of moving a big pile of wet sloppy mud with just one small shovel. The Tred 800 that I had strapped to the roof rack was easy to get down and had me on my way in less than 2 minutes. Very simple to use and very safe. I will now be carrying a set all the time and am confident that they will get a fair bit of use in the future."
Tony Burgess

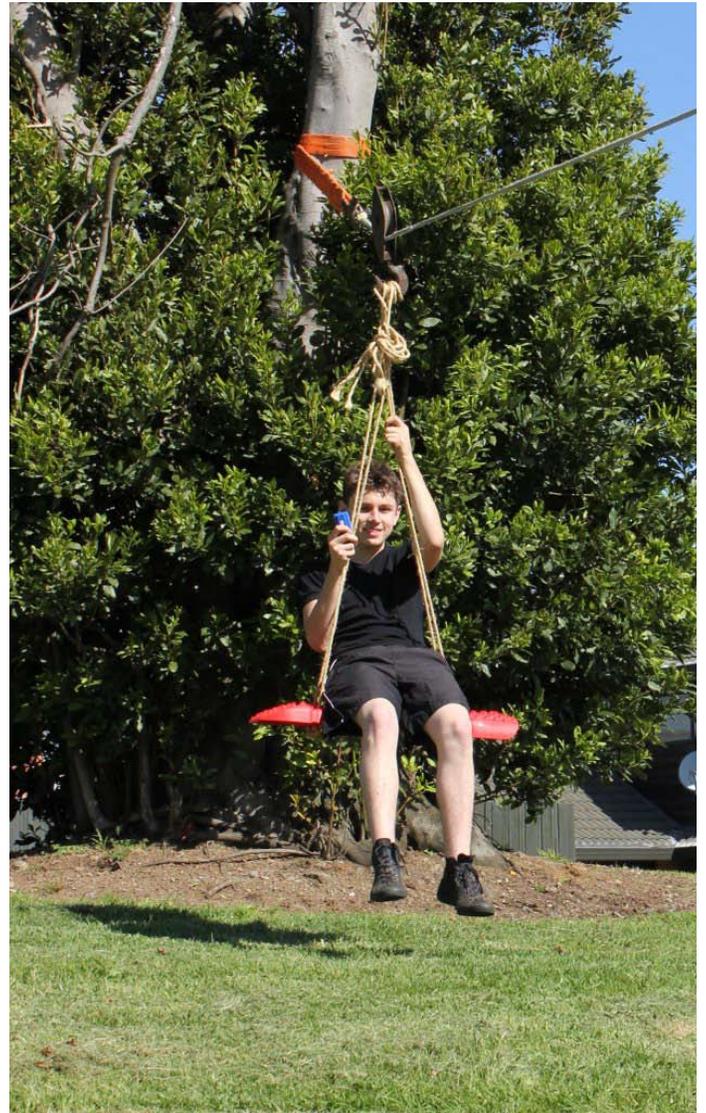


WINNER OF THE TRED TOTAL EXTRACTION AND RECOVERY DEVICE....

Colin Walkington, from Shotover 4WD Club, Queenstown.



Other photo entries

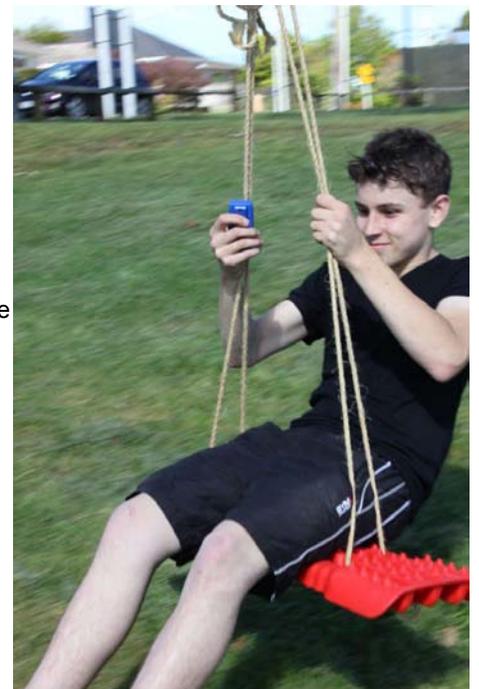


TREDS - Flying fox seat.

The flying fox is built using a snatch block, a winch, tree protector, rope, the TRED device and a tree. In the photo you can see the rider holding the winch remote so that he can control the speed of the ride.

Great trick next time you are on a club trip and want to entertain the younger (and not so young) kids for a while.

Just remember to have a way to stop the fox before it crashes into the bullbar!!!



it WAS NOT
that long
ago....



Lakes Safari, Rotorua, June 2006

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE FOUR WHEEL
DRIVE ASSOCIATION OF N.Z. INC.

It is my privilege to present the 6th annual report of the Four Wheel Drive Association of New Zealand. Our sport is continuing to grow in spite of the economic situation. Unfortunately it has had some effect upon the numbers of participants in both rallying and club activities. However four new clubs have been formed during 1979-1980. There have been and will be important decisions to be made at this Annual General Meeting which will have a lasting effect upon the sport. I should like to thank those clubs which have presented the remits concerning the zoning, and restructuring of the rally classes.

The Dominion Executive Council have met four times this year. I should like to thank the members of the Council for attending these meetings, and for their help and co-operation during the past year. With these rapidly changing times, the finances of any organisation are difficult and I thank Ron Williams for undertaking, and coping with, the finances of the Association.

Since the inception of the Association I would think that there would be no person who has worked harder for four wheeling than Fiona McGinnity. This has been Fiona's last term as Secretary and for the hours of typing, phoning and listening to all - we owe her many thanks.

There has been a dramatic fall off in the number of entries in the National Series. This has been due to many factors but the main cause is the economic situation of the country. To off set this situation it is proposed that this meeting consider a remit that would zone the North Island into regions. The clubs would then be responsible within their own region or zone for the running and support of the rallies. I would urge the clubs if zoning is passed, to support such rallies if they are to remain part of our sport.

During the 1979-80 there have been four new clubs formed. We welcome these new clubs and wish them well in the future. On the subject of new clubs, established clubs must look at their own rules and formation and make sure that new clubs are not formed at their expense. Some of the older clubs need to carefully examine their objectives and make

* in the Auckland area certain that members are actively involved in club activities and that all facets of four wheeling are fostered and exploited to the advantage of all members and that they in turn support these efforts by attending club meetings regularly.

A successful meeting was held between members of your Association and the Federated Mountain Clubs. For over two years we have worked at arranging this meeting. As a result the following points have been resolved:

1. The F.M.C. have agreed to have a liaison officer to act on behalf of our Association in the Management Plan for land usage in the Southland, Stewart Island Areas.

2. They have agreed that when the F.M.C. begin organising land management (that is the use of land for recreational purposes) they will make their decisions on this usage with the co-operative agreement of the Auckland 4 W. D. Clubs. While in no way have we won our battle with the conservationists many of whom are academically correct and they postulate idealistic theories but their practical application leaves much to be desired in our present way of life.

We now have access to the F.M.C. who are the most influential club in the country as

far as Land Management is concerned. I would consider this as the most important objective that the Association has attained this year.

Looking towards the 1980-81 season we have the proposed five day Jamboree at Ekatahuna in January 1981. After preliminary enquiries from clubs we find that more than 300 people wish to participate in this type of activity. The Wairapa Club would host the Jamboree and would be helped by clubs in the area. Some of the activities to be undertaken are outings, gymkhanas, fun rallies, film evenings etc. This type of four wheeling will I feel bring clubs closer together and provide more activity for a wider group of four wheel drive members and families.

I would like to thank all those people who have helped me as President, and the Association in general over the past six years.

In conclusion as President of the Association I believe that if clubs adhere to the objectives of the constitution and the recommendations and regulations of the Association then the sport of four wheeling in all its aspects will go from strength to strength, and will retain its position

of being the major motor sport in the country irrespective of increases in the price of liquid fuel.

May I wish you all happy and safe 4 wheeling.....

Bruce Pattie...President.....

Presidents Report from the 1980 AGM



Orange Hut, June 2007



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Neville Dunton

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I've been in the chair now for about six months and it feels as though I haven't had any opportunities to actually get out and do some real 4 wheeling! Apart from a few local Clubs' competitions, and a local LSARs exercise involving a coastal search for a missing person my four wheeling time has been spent involved in the affairs of the Association. My co-driver, Colin, and I, did get to compete in the first Round of the 2014-15 National Trial Series but unfortunately we suffered a bit of a mishap and we were a DNF.

The Executive regularly meet by skype or zoom and we have also had one face to face meeting in Wellington since the AGM. There always seems to be lots on the agenda and thus far this year the main items have been insurance, database, membership, tracks and access.

New track access and management agreements, particularly partnership type agreements with DOC, are starting to happen. National PRO Roger Seymour has led these initiatives and DOC have produced standard form agreements that we can use for different situations throughout the DOC estate. The development of these access and management / maintenance agreements offer us a means to secure our future use and access in a way which is sustainable for the long term.

As most of you will be aware the Auckland region has the largest population in the country. In terms of 4WD impact the region creates the greatest demands for access and, as many of the land tracks around the city get closed to 4WD access, the demands on tracks within easy

driving distance of Auckland increase. The usual South of Auckland haunts of Thompsons Track, Waitawheta, and Maratoto are all currently inaccessible; Thompsons is closed on the Matamata side by more than 20 slips, Waitawheta is closed following Regional Council serving notice of abatement on the land owner until remediation works are completed, and Maratoto remains unusable pending track remediation which should commence shortly. For Maratoto a new maintenance / management agreement with DOC is in process and we are hopeful a sustainable long term agreement will shortly be in place for this track. Thompsons and Waitawheta are much more complex and the costs of remediation are prohibitive for either the Zone or the Association to contemplate. There are other users than just 4WD and it may be that multi-user agreements are necessary to ensure our access is retained. As you will appreciate there are no easy solutions and things can get a tad frustrating especially for those who have been used to just getting out there and doing it. We live in a new paradigm where I believe patience, planning, and progress are all intertwined. There are many folk committing many hours of their time to achieve a satisfactory outcome, especially for Maratoto, and we are hopeful that a long term, sustainable agreement will be concluded concurrent with completion of necessary track remediation works, in time for the track to open prior to the upcoming holiday season (weather dependent as well).

Insurance continues to be surrounded by a myriad on misconceptions and expectations greater than what the Association's cover actually provides

for.

The NZFWDA insurance provides third party and statutory liability protection for the Association, Clubs, and members. It does not cover other entities' risks particularly if those other entities are commercial enterprises that have enlisted the assistance of 4WDs / members in the operation of their enterprise. Further, ignorance of legal obligation(s), negligence, or abandonment of duty of care will generally not be covered under the policy. We have recently had cause to examine what, if any, protection a waiver of liability or indemnity actually provides. John Hickey, Northern Zone President, and himself a lawyer, has made some interesting responses. Suffice to comment that the Association is currently preparing an updated information document setting out what the present insurance policy covers. Obviously the best protection you can have in terms of liability protection whilst participating in Club sanctioned runs is to ensure you are a paid up member of your Club and an affiliated member of the Association.

Planning is now underway for the 2015 Conference and AGM and I thought it might be useful to give everyone a heads up about date and location. Next year we return to the South Island; weekend of 23rd and 24th May 2015 is the date and location will be Queenstown.

Neville Dunton
NZFWDA 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

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Hi Four Wheel Drivers

After the last issue of this magazine we had another Northern Zone meeting on 11 October in Huntly.

Shortly before this meeting Tony Burgess, PRO, found that DOC had been dealing with the Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club on a proposal that the Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club manage the Maratoto Track.

At the Zone Meeting

The Northern Zone resolved that any contracts should be between the Association and DOC rather than individual Clubs. We were advised by Auckland Club that they had been notified that the track would not be open until certain remedial work was carried out. At the zone meeting it was resolved to keep the Association informed about any significant involvement with any local authorities regarding any important tracks. This is because if the Association does not know what is going on, we cannot help. (A separate update on Maratoto is also in this Trail Torque).

Thompsons

Members in the Northern Zone may know Thompsons Track is currently closed because of the land slips. The Matamata/Piako District Council seems to accept that it has some responsibility in this area and I understand from Council minutes that it was agreed that work should be carried out so the track can be opened. The District Council is likely to seek a contribution from the Four Wheel Drive community. The Council needs to be commended for its responsible approach to tracks. (The Council acknowledges that if tracks are closed, that will encourage people to behave irresponsibly and go around the gates.)

Waitapheta

The zone Vice President, Russell De Luca and Steve Witton, a zone member and civil engineer, have met with DOC about the Waitawheta Track. The Regional Council has I understand, issued an abatement notice on DOC so the track is closed. Steve Witton prepared an extensive report (about 93 pages) about 38 waypoints which it is suggested require remedial work. If all this repair work has to be carried out the costs would be substantial, so it is now a case of waiting to see how DOC progresses matters in its dealings with Waikato Regional Council. Thanks to Steve and Russell for their work on our behalf.

National Executive

The day after the zone meeting, Sunday 12 October 2014, we had a National Executive Meeting in Wellington (so two days of 4 wheeling but I didn't get muddy!). Executive meetings are often now by Skype but there are occasional face-to-face meetings, which are very helpful in sharing information. I was able to update the National Executive on Waitawheta, Maratoto and Thompson's Track. There was considerable discussion on these issues because of our concern that these issues are important for the whole of New Zealand and not just the Northern Zone and because local authorities in other regions are likely to be influenced by these issues which may become precedents or provide guidelines for other Councils so they need to be handled carefully. So at the National Exec meeting we discussed the DOC contracts and the contract offered to the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association and Maratoto was "escalated" to a National Executive level.

Club Meetings

On 20 October I attended the Auckland Four Wheel Drive Club meeting as Northern Zone President and a member of the National Executive. It was very interesting. I was able to explain my understanding of the Association's insurance policy, Maratoto, Thompsons Track and Waitawheta. They explained their concerns about Maratoto and were keen that work be progressed to open the track. It was good to speak to some of the club members face to face.

Since those meetings I am pleased to report that there has been some progress with DOC agreeing the work that needs to be done at this stage and about the opening of Maratoto. I am hopeful the track will be reopened before Christmas.

42 Traverse

The 42 Traverse has two working bees; on the weekends of 15/16 November and 29/30 November. Too often the work falls on a select few. Thanks to those who have helped (I had hoped to be there but unfortunately could not for other reasons.)

Rosehill

After all the meetings and work on Maratoto I finally managed to take my Land Rover 109 "Camel" off road. I joined up with about 97 others on the Rosehill Hill safari (run by the Manukau Club) and Tony Burgess. It was across part of Port Waikato area with some stunning scenery. Everyone agreed some of the clay tracks would have been very different if it had

rained that day. Very well organised given the large number.

Ahuroa

A week later (8/9 November) I joined the Ahuroa Volunteer Rural Fire Brigade fundraiser weekend run organised by the Rodney Off-Road Club. This time, because my Series 3 was being serviced, I decided to take my Series 1 107 (long wheel base, 5 door station wagon built in 1956). I was hoping to be the oldest vehicle there. Gordon England from Rodney trumped me with his 1951 Land Rover. My wife, Penny and I drove up on the Saturday morning, arriving just in time for the start. At that moment my battery died (it had been playing up – probably through lack of use). I was able to jump start it and drove all day without a problem. We split into two groups; the hard trucks and the rest. Mud tyres were required and, having driven the tracks, I can see why. My 48 year old Land Rover, long wheel base without power steering is always challenging to drive. I did get stuck once or twice to the amusement of those driving other marques. On Saturday night there was a dinner (part of the entry fee) and cash bar at reasonable rates.

There was a cooked breakfast on Sunday morning before we headed off for the day. It was a well-run event which I hope to do again. Thanks to those who towed me out! This was an organised and well-run event.

There were copies of cheques on the fire station wall showing the amounts paid to the Fire Brigade and a board showing the amounts donated every year since 2003 by the Rodney Club. Well done Rodney. One comment made to me by one of the senior members of Rodney Off-Road Club is how we need to be careful not to tear up farms when doing such runs because otherwise next year there will be problems getting farmers' agreement.

Ahuroa got me thinking about such runs being good for the charities involved, for the Four Wheel Drives and also good for the area, often bringing in outsiders who spend in the area. This is a useful model for other clubs.

John Hickey
Northern Zone President



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Last Central Zone meeting.

We held our last Zone meeting on the 4th of October, I was committed to another group and the Zone meeting was run by the Vice President Max Charman.

A quote for the supply of EPIRBs has been found and Brent is looking for some funding options.

Local tracks.

DoC has been spending money on the only public access track around the Manawatu, Takaparui Rd. I hope to get a chance to visit before Christmas. The work that has been done will be supporting access by 2WD vehicles thus removing the fun for us.

In the workshop.

WOF time again and a pass on the first inspection and a few warnings for next time. Nothing too hard, a brake hose and some brake pads.

Off road

Nothing much to report unfortunately but summer is coming which means at least a couple of river runs.

Will be starting to plan another GPS event for March or April. This will be like the last one in that it will utilise existing GeoCaches and markers put out on the day. I hope to make this event a little more off road orientated. If you are interested

in taking part, let me know and I will keep you up to date. I try to keep these technically simple so that you can compete with a simple hand held GPS that you can purchase on Trademe for less than \$100. All grid references are given in NZTM.

Christmas is soon upon us so make sure you take extra care on the roads.

Catch you next edition.

Max Wheatley
Central Zone President.



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Really haven't been able to put much together have been a bit crook. This may be of interest though...

<http://www.odt.co.nz/regions/southland/323238/vandals-shoot-mavora-hut>

Cory Saxton of the Landrover Owners Club (Otago) contacted DoC and volunteered

a working party to go in and fix/repair the hut. This has had a very positive response for DoC, Cory and Volunteers, they will be going in to the Mavora area to put things right. DoC have offered to provide the materials if the Club supplies the Manpower.

There should be some really good positive publicity come from the initiative. The

Southern Zone has offered some financial assistance if required to cover cost such as generator hire.

Good effort Cory we will up date on progress in the next TT.

Russell Quin
Southern Zone President.

CHARGING MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR RECOVERING THEIR VEHICLE.

Many of our members will be like me and have been asked to help out, or have come across members of the public who have broken down or got their vehicles stuck in remote areas. Most people are only too happy to help out in this situation and it is always a good idea to help out if you can.

However I have noticed lately that there has been a trend towards charging people for towing the vehicle. Many people see this as fair

and reasonable, but members need to be aware of the legal situation when charging for vehicle recovery or towing.

Generally you will need a vehicle recovery endorsement (V) where you provide a towing service for a reward of any form. What this means is that if you charge someone for towing their vehicle, (or receive a reward, including drink) unless you have a "V" endorsement on your licence, you could receive a Traffic infringement notice (Ticket) and be fined. I understand that this has happened in the past.

There are some exceptions, if you don't receive a reward, as is the case

with the vast majority of Club trips, there is no problem.

A person employed or contracted by a motoring association, or an insurance company where the towing or carrying is limited to the removal of a vehicle to a place of safety is exempt, but members should be very wary if charging members of the public for recovering a vehicle.

Further information can be found here. <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/factsheets/46/docs/46-v-end.pdf>

Tony Burgess,
FORMER NZFWDA President.



Northern Zone Public Relations Officer

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The last 3 months have been very busy on both the personal front and within my position in NZFWDA. What was intended to be an easy trip into Waiuku Forest became a bit more serious when my Jimny suffered significant damage after a multiple rollover accident. My thanks go out to everyone who comforted the people who were in the vehicle at the time, and to those who helped to recover the vehicle. This accident meant that I was not able to take part in either the Club speed day or Manukau Winch Challenge that I had intended to be taking part in, but I did get it mobile again for the Rosehill Safari that I was leading as a fund raiser for the local High School.

Update on track closures.

There has been a lot of work taking place by a lot of people to get Northern Zone tracks open as soon as possible.

Thompsons Track

As I reported in the last Trail Torque, we are working with council to get this area open again as soon as possible but it is unlikely much practical progress will be

made until mid summer. We will be calling for volunteers to assist with the opening of this track and are especially looking for experienced excavator and bulldozer operators. If you are an experienced excavator or Dozer operator and are able to give some time towards this project please contact me. Also if you are not experienced in this field, but still want to offer some time, please contact me as there is plenty to do.

Taieri Road/ Waitawheta.

Progress is being made towards getting Taieri Road/ Waitawheta open again but unfortunately Waikato Regional Council issued an abetment notice preventing the use of this track and getting it reopened will be a long process. We will not be giving up without a fight. Watch this space.

Maratoto/ Whangamata track (often known as the Wires Track).

Much better news on this area. Just a few hours ago I received confirmation that the Outdoor Recreation Consortium have approved funding from the Backcountry Recreation Fund to convert the existing

motorcycle track - known as Waipaheke Track, into a combined Motorcycle/ 4x4 track, extending the existing track by several kilometres making a much better experience for 4x4 vehicles and motorcycles alike. The track will end at an area known as Chris's memorial which offers extensive views over a wide area. We are currently gaining final quotes for this work as the conditions of this funding include gaining agreement from DoC, which is underway, but the work will need to be done this summer so looks like this will be one of my big summer projects, (along with getting the Jimny up to where I want it to be and a number of house maintenance projects).

Looking forward to seeing you all on the tracks.

If you would like further information please feel free to contact me on burgessst@xtra.co.nz or 027 479 2636 or 09 2983194.

Tony Burgess
Northern Zone Public Relations Officer

Road Closures



Thompson's Track - North Island - Update from Matamata-Piako District Council "Apparently there is a rumour going around that Matamata Piako District Council is not going to clear Thompson's Track and its going to be closed. I can confirm that this is totally incorrect. Can you please advise members that the track will be cleared this summer. Also, please reiterate to them to not take it upon themselves to start clearing the track. Cheers Engineering Officer - Roading Matamata-Piako District Council".

42 Traverse - Tongariro Forest, Central plateau, North Island. 4WD vehicle access on the 42 Traverse is open between 1 December and 30 April only.

Puketiro Road. As of 31 Jan 2014, the Puketiro side of the Zigzag is closed due to logging operations. For more details see <http://arac.org.nz/>

Waitawheta Track/Taieri Road is closed - SEE ABOVE FOR TRACK UPDATE.

The Polaris 4WD Park, Woodhill, Auckland closed - Summer fire risk. Reopens Saturday 11th April 2015.

This is not a full directory of four wheel drive track closures and members are urged to seek information from locals regarding the status of track access.



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Robbies Bar & Grill South Dunedin

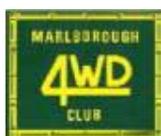
www.lrec.co.nz



Landrover Owners Club (Otago) Inc

PO Box 47 Dunedin
President Michael Adam : 03 454 5467
Secretary Russell Quin : 03 477 0004
russell.quin@spicers.co.nz
Meet First Wednesday of the month
7.30pm at Hurricane Rodders Inc
51 Victoria Rd, Dunedin

www.lroco.com



Marlborough 4WD Club

PO Box 519 Blenheim
President Tony O'Donnell : 021 960 636 :
antonyodonnell@ihug.co.nz
Secretary Helen Horton : 03 577 8480

www.marlborough4x4club.weebly.com



Mid-Canterbury Four Wheel Drive Club Inc.

PO Box 327 Ashburton
President Stan Van Heeswyck : 027 555 8855
president@ash4x4.co.nz
Secretary Michelle Ewart : 03 303 0855 :
bulltahr@gmail.com
Meet Last Thursday of the month, 8pm at
Club Rooms, Tinwald Domain,
Maronan Rd, Ashburton.

www.ash4x4.co.nz



Nelson 4 Wheel Drive Club Inc.

PO Box 228 Nelson 7040
President Gordon Jackett: gordon@4wdnz.net
Secretary Alf Russell : alf@4wdnz.net
Meet First Wednesday of the month at
Suburban Club, Tahunanui 8 pm.
(except January)

www.4wdnz.net

Otago Recreational 4WD Group

12 Byron Street, Mornington, Dunedin 9011
President Graeme Thompson : 027 483 4285
Graeme.Thompson@otagodhb.govt.nz
Secretary Greg Carroll : 03 486 1733 : gregc5nz@gmail.com

www.or4g.org.nz



Shotover 4WD Club

PO Box 1503, Queenstown
President Nick Hazlett : 021 176 0766
president@shotover4wdclub.co.nz
Secretary Leigh Carpe
secretary@shotover4wdclub.co.nz
Meet First Wednesday of the month
7.30pm at St John Ambulance
Rooms, Douglas St, Frankton,
Queenstown.

www.shotover4wdclub.co.nz

South Island Deaf 4x4 Club

c/- 6 Bellina Place Broomfield, Christchurch
President John Witchall : 021 048 5349
s.i.deaf4x4club@hotmail.com
Secretary JoAnne Williams
s.i.deaf4x4club@hotmail.com



South Island Niva Drivers Association (SINDA)

PO Box 34 Christchurch
Secretary Greg Barclay :
tzoperations@coincascade.co.nz
Meet Third Wednesday of the month at
Papanui RSA, Harewood Road,
Christchurch at 7.30pm

4x4 Event Results

SUPERWINCH MAINLAND WINCH CHALLENGE 2014

Photos: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Mainland-4WD-Winching>

MANUKAU 4WD CLUB WINCH CHALLENGE 2014

http://manukau4wd.org.nz/photos/links/Winch_Challenge_Winners.pdf

NATIONAL 4X4 TRIAL SERIES 2014/2015

<http://nz4x4trials.co.nz>

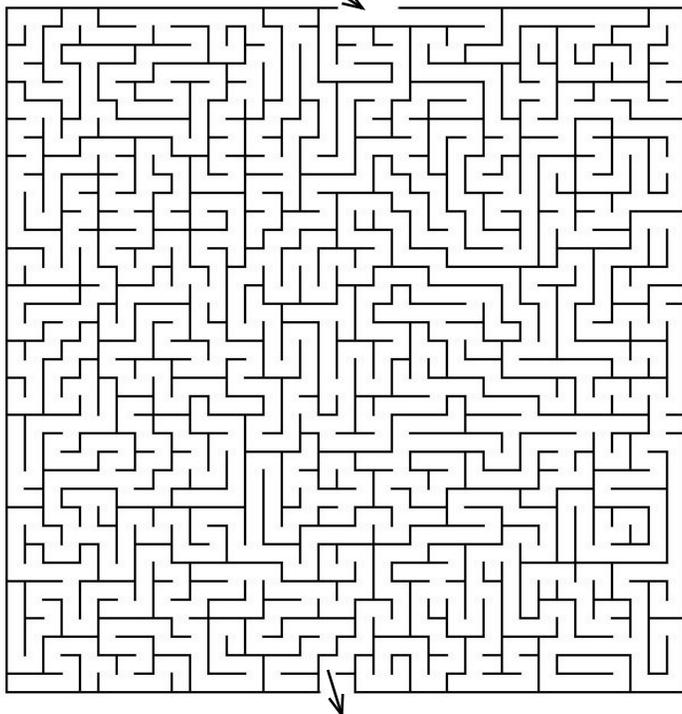


Kids Page

Can you spot the five differences between these photos?



Can you help the Suzuki through the maze?



Salt Dough

This has a similar texture to modelling clay.

- 225ml (1 cup) of salt
- 450mls (2 cups) of flour
- 225ml (1 cup) of water

Add the salt and flour together in a large mixing bowl. Gradually add the water until you have a dough-like mixture. You can add more water if needed.

Knead the dough thoroughly until it has a smooth consistency and is not sticky. For best results leave the finished dough to stand for 15-20 minutes before you begin modelling.

If you do not intend to use the dough immediately, either place it in a re-sealable polythene bag or wrap in plastic film to avoid it drying out.

You are now ready to start modelling!

FACTUAL?!

- Camels chew in a figure 8 pattern.
- Dibble means to drink like a duck.
- Cats have over 100 vocal sounds; dogs only have 10.
- It was discovered on a space mission that a frog can throw up.

JOKES

Question: What stays in the corner and travels all over the world?
Answer: A stamp.

Question: What do you call a fake noodle?
Answer: An Impasta