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# Club Truck Challenge

ROUND 3, 22 MARCH 2015, WAIORU.

HOSTED BY DESERT DEFENDERS OFF ROAD CLUB

Reporting by Andrew Gee.



*A good selection of the different vehicles that enter the Club Truck Challenge.*

Desert Defenders Off Road Club join the Club Truck Challenge.

Driving his Nissan Patrol, Steve won the first Round of the challenge to be held in Waioru, making him the third different winner in three Rounds. Desert Defenders Off Road Club did an amazing job hosting their first Round of the Club Truck Challenge (CTC), to them nothing was a problem. As soon as they knew what was required they set out to provide it. Camping was arranged at Karioi Domain and Desert Defenders rustled up a roast meal after we pegged out the hazards on Saturday afternoon. The Donalds farm was dry like the whole country this summer but had heaps of interesting terrain, free draining volcanic soil, nice views of Mt Ruapehu and a beautiful river flowing through. We ate our dinner in front of a raging campfire while Brendan Watchorn sat quietly enjoying his last weekend as a single man.

On Sunday we had 18 entries for this Round after a mechanical problem sidelined Dave MacGinnity the day before. With the return of the Robinsons there were four very modified Nissan Patrols entered for this Round. Some of these wagons took the level of modifications to

new levels, being fitted with fiddle brakes and rugged looking exo cages. There was also a lot of interested spectators who had travelled a long way just to see what the Series was about. Experienced competitor Hintzie helped by doing the scoring on the day, we kept all the vehicles in one group to help the new comers see how the more experienced competitors approached the hazards. Uniform Club shirts were much in evidence and making it look very much like a professional motorsport.

One of the organisers, Robert, was keen to enter without knowing what a CTC was about, so he had a borrowed ute, brought his brand new set of mud tyres and his helmet. On the day he thought better of it and rode around with me, pretty exciting for me as I don't usually use a co-driver. My goal for this day was the same as every day, to beat my fellow Jeep Club members and finally I was able to best Bruce and Don at this Round, I guess the very dry conditions and absence of bogs suited my Wrangler on 32 inch tyres. Cory Chammen from Levin 4wd Club was a new entrant to the Series driving a bob tail Surf. He drove carefully during the day but on the last big hill climb a hole or bump caused him to break his rear diff.



*Shona Stone from Mt Egmont 4wd Club pushes the Cruiser up a hillclimb.*



*Cody Chammen from Manawatu Club getting good articulation in his bob tail Surf.*



Bruce Tustin's Jeep under the watchful eye of Hintzy runs over a peg.



Peter Robinson from Manawatu Club does the off chamber corner in his Class 3 Nissan Patrol.



Don and Trish Morgan from Wellington Jeep Club going through the cross axle twister.

Greg Hart's Surf teetered on the top of a bank cross axled but was saved from a rollover by numerous spectators grabbing onto the high side of wagon while it was moved back to safety.

Kandy and Craig Mott are the face of Desert Defenders Cub and on the day they entered their LWB Prado in the event and scored a very reasonable overall result. I could hear Kandy's maniacal laugh as she leapt and crashed the Prado around the speed section. The speed section was probably Don and Deane's undoing as Don parked in a fence and

Deane got lost, giving them both bad scores. We dropped the last two hazards at the end of the day to give people a chance to break camp and start their drive home. Mark and Raewyn Watchorn made a welcome return to the Series and while not competing in this Round Mark had organised a resurgence in the Series and bought the CTC back to the attention of the NZFWDA Central Zone Executive.

Thanks to the small Desert Defenders Club for taking on running a Round of the Club Truck Challenge and making it a really enjoyable weekend.

| Name            | Club             | Score  | OA |
|-----------------|------------------|--------|----|
| Steve Stewart   | Feilding         | 145.05 | 1  |
| Ross Gregory    | Wairarapa        | 146.55 | 2  |
| Shaun Robertson | Manawatu         | 157.25 | 3  |
| Graeme Goble    | Mt Egmont        | 218.06 | 4  |
| Deane Whitton   | CCVC             | 229.30 | 5  |
| Craig Mott      | Desert Defenders | 236.39 | 6  |



Alan and Shona Stone share driving their Landcruiser in Class 2.



Steve Stewart from Feilding club flexes up his suspension on his way to winning this round.



Don Morgan bends his Taupo 1000 racer, the Jeep TJ5, around a hazard.



Deane Whitton of CCVC had won an earlier round in his Nissan Patrol. At Waiouru he had a problem free run.

The Series will begin again just after Labour Weekend.

The series website is [www.czctc.org.nz](http://www.czctc.org.nz) and you can ask any questions on the NZFWDA forum at [www.nzfwda.org.nz](http://www.nzfwda.org.nz), Go to the Events section and there is a posting for the Central Zone Club Truck Challenge.



Ross Gregory from Wairarapa 4wd Club drives this Jeep in Class 2 with cunning and skill.

# Club Truck Challenge

ROUND 4 , WAINUIORU, ORGANISED BY THE WAIRARAPA 4X4 CLUB, 26 APRIL

Reporting by Andrew Gee

This Round saw our best turnout of entries so far this year, 34 people entered. A good number of them were from the host Club and they were exactly the kind of people and vehicles the Series is aimed at, touring and family type machines. A lot of these people were mounted in Pajero, Prado and Patrol SWBs and I had the impression that all the drivers were having a go in another club event rather than wanting to especially compete in a Fun Trial. Our new friends from Desert Defenders Off Road Club were back for their second event, Kandy and Craig Mott dragged Robert Stout down south in a Bighorn he bought just to compete in CTC.

With the larger number of competitors the day was split into three groups to start at different hazards and run simultaneously,

this worked so well that most people had finished the original 14 hazards by lunchtime. A couple of the groups took a lunch break while members of their groups had to fix their wagons, for instance, we sportingly let Brendan Watchorn put his Pajero back together after it spat out a driveshaft. There were lots of mechanical problems in our group, Warrick went out early on with a classic spaghetti twist in the front driveshaft of his V8 FJ 40 and Reece blew a CV in his Surf on a bumpy hill. We had a new Club member in our group who was using his standard 80 Series Cruiser, while considered a large machine Shaun was able to complete a good number of the hazards while learning a lot about the capabilities of his truck. I would think that he gained more from competing in

the day than those of us that have done a lot of these events. Emphasising what I said initially about Club members giving everything a go; I saw a lot of people enjoying a day out four wheel driving irrespective of what the event was.

This property had wide open spaces which allowed room for four different speed sections including one which was run as a side by side drag race. Bruce and I lined up our Wranglers for a dogleg drag down to a donut around peg and back. Bruce wisely kept his distance from my wildly out of control drifting thanks to the low tyre pressures, thankfully bead locks kept the rubber on the rims. The handy river was used for a number of hazards, most of them having difficult climbs back out of the water.



Marty Green from Capital Cruisers Club takes the FJ40 through the cross axle hazard.



Shaun Browne of Wairarapa 4x4 Club had a good day out in his 80 Series Cruiser.



Hamish Wilson from the Wairarapa 4x4 Club takes the old Range Rover with the new diff through his last hazard for the day.



Warrick Hempleman uses Chevy power to roost water over himself.



Marcus and Lisa from Wellington Jeep Club run their M38 Jeep in Class 2.



*Lee Hutchby from Wairarapa 4x4 Club throws his Class 1 Suzuki around with skill.*



*Don and Trish Morgan from Wellington Jeep Club used a 42 Willys in this Round, still in Class3.*



*Peter Grey of Wairarapa 4x4 Club is an experienced Trials competitor and Club Truck regular.*

*Robert Stout from Desert Defenders drives the Club Truck for the first time.*



*Mike Rolls from Wairarapa 4x4 Club flies the Pajero to the blues and zero points.*



*Ross Gregory from Wairarapa 4x4 Club drives this Jeep in Class 2 with cunning and skill.*

Camping was arranged for the previous night at club member Hamish Wilson's nearby property, and he kindly entertained everybody in his lounge. Hamish also entered the event in a classic Range Rover which had the misfortune to blow its rear diff. No problem for Hamish who went home, fitted a replacement and returned to carry on for the rest of the day. Hamish has been around forever and his name appears in early NZFWDA history and minutes. Thanks to Wairarapa 4x4 Club for a great event .

| OVERALL RESULTS OF ROUND 4 |                  |        |    |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------|----|
| Name                       | Club             | Score  | OA |
| Don Morgan                 | Wgtn Jeep Club   | 97.04  | 1  |
| Marty Green                | Capital Cruisers | 106.56 | 2  |
| Geoff Butcher              | Wairarapa 4x4    | 127.06 | 3  |
| Alan Stone                 | Mt Egmont        | 166.73 | 4  |
| Tony Kilminster            | Wairarapa 4x4    | 172.19 | 5  |
| Bill Laing                 | Wairarapa 4x4    | 198.72 | 6  |



Series and Class 2 stalwart Brendan Watchorn pilots the Pajero out of a cross axle situation.



Lee Hutchby from Wairarapa 4x4 Club throws his Class 1 Suzuki around with skill.



Don Morgan drives the Willys easily through 60 points and hopefully on to the blues.



A good selection of the different vehicles that enter the Club Truck Challenge.



Bruce Tustin from Valley 4wd Club running his Jeep in Class 3.



Craig Mott from Desert Defenders uses the LWB to his advantage in climbing out of the creek.



Alan Stone of Mt Egmont Club, punches his Landcruiser through a hazard.



Chris McCabe from Windy City Offroaders uses V8 power to clear the hazard.

# Club Truck Challenge

ROUND 5 CENTRAL ZONE CLUB TRUCK CHALLENGE TURAKINA VALLEY

Reporting by Andrew Gee

Matthew Liang from Wairarapa gives it everything in the Nissan

Kevin Galbraith from Wairarapa 4wd Club pushes his Jeep up the hillclimb

Bill Liang from the Wairarapa 4x4 Club runs his Patrol in Class 2

Round 5 of the Central Zone Club Truck Challenge was held in Turakina Valley and run by the Wanganui 4WD Club in May. Sandra Sarginson, long-time competitor in the Series as Deane Whitton's co-driver, took on organizing this Round with help from Pete Murphy and other Club members. Thanks to Nathan for letting us use his land and also bringing his tractor, that was busy recovering vehicles all day. Turakina was a well placed spot for our competitors from Taranaki, Masterton, Wellington and our new mates from Waiorua. Our keen cadre of entrants is expanding and we now have a good number of people regularly travelling

to compete in all of the Rounds. This popularity has resulted in five good events being run this year.

The event was held just after the big storm that flooded out Wellington. The hazards that were pegged out were more to the standard of a National Trial, with longer and tougher tracks than we have used in the past. The wet conditions added another level of difficulty and required good tyres, and if you had Chevy V8 power to churn out the mud that helped too.

Early in the day Deane got the orange

Patrol slightly across the slope as he backed off a hill climb and rolled off a gnarly hazard that stopped a lot of people in their tracks. This hazard was a hill climb, tight turn, descent and then second climb, a lot of people didn't even get up

Steve Stewart from Fielding Club drives his Patrol out through the blue pegs for a perfect score.

Bruce trying one option on the ungraded sidling hazard, do you take the pegs or roll over?

Brendan Watchorn Club Truck Series and Class 2 stalwart on the final Speed Hazard in his Pajero.

Tom Wyeth drives his Jeep into the garage to finish the speed hazard.

Don and Trish Morgan punt the old Willys out through the blue pegs for a perfect score.

Don and Trish Morgan from Wellington Jeep Club used a 42 Willys in this Round, still in Class3.

Mike Rolls from Wairarapa 4x4 Club pushes the Pajero to the blues and zero points.

the first climb to have a go at the second climb that was crossed by sheep ruts. Deane's exo cage saved a lot of damage but he still lost the windscreen and being unable to stop the motor immediately as he sat upside down pumped out a lot of the sump oil.

We had a good turnout of National Trials competitors either watching or competing in warranted and registered vehicles, among them; Dave Hintz, Pete Murphy, Mark Smith, Brent Ward and Kevin Galbraith. Brent Ward lost a few of his teeth on his first hazard but carried on mainly in 2wd only using 4wd when necessary to the accompaniment of crunching from his poor front diff. The Jeep TJ Wrangler was the choice of the best drivers, at this Round seven entrants were in six of the vehicles. The ungraded sidling hazard required thinking and planning, did you take pegs and lose points or risk tipping over to stick to the marked route. There were two main alternatives, if you chose not to run down a few pegs the second possibility needed a steep climb and tight turn to exit out of

the blue finishing pegs. It provided some spectacular viewing and scary moments. The day finished with a barby while the results for the day were totalled up. A win for Marty Green who zeroed a number of hazards that needed V8 power to clear them. Don Morgan was second with side valve power in his Willys Jeep, a penalty for not wearing his helmet cost him dearly. Thanks to Wanganui Club for this excellent day and we look forward to the next Series starting in the Wairarapa on September 27.



Steve Stewart from Fielding club bends the big Nissan out of the creek hazard.



Peter and Sheryl Pope are long time competitors and event organisers headed to Turakina for another Round of the Series.



Mark Smith from Wairarapa 4wd Club goes for the blue pegs in the creek hazard.

| OVERALL RESULTS FOR ROUND 5 |                  |                  |       |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|--|
| OA                          | Name             | Club             | Score |  |
| 1                           | Marty Green      | Capital Cruisers | 381.8 |  |
| 2                           | Don Morgan       | Wellington Jeep  | 476.4 |  |
| 3                           | Andrew Gee       | Valley 4wd       | 486.4 |  |
| 4                           | Bruce Tustin     | Wellington Jeep  | 502   |  |
| 5                           | Brendan Watchorn | Manawatu         | 524.5 |  |
| 6                           | Peter Pope       | Wairarapa        | 604   |  |



Robert Stout from Desert Defenders is now a regular competitor in the Club Truck Challenge.



Graeme Goble from Mt Egmont club is a keen supporter of the Club Truck Series.



Marty Green from Capital Cruisers Club churns up the creek with his Chev.

The Class results for the whole 2015 Series have been posted on [www.sportsground.co.nz/czctc](http://www.sportsground.co.nz/czctc). Mark calculated the positions from your best three results in your Class. I calculated something different which I posted in my magazine article in NZ4WD magazine (thanks for your support over the season, Editor Ross). I used overall position because some of the Class 1 and 2 guys posted good results that beat Class 3 guys. I also used best four results because we had a good number of people who did all five Rounds and it seemed unfair not to support people who support the series. This combination makes me look pretty good!

So based on best 4 results and overall position for each Round I calculated Series overall positions as

#### UNOFFICIAL SERIES RESULTS (BEST 4 RESULTS)

| Place | Name             | Club            | Score (best 4) |
|-------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 1     | Don Morgan       | Wellington Jeep | 391            |
| 2     | Andrew Gee       | Valley 4wd      | 378            |
| 3 =   | Steve Stewart    | Fielding        | 377            |
| 3 =   | Brendan Watchorn | Manawatu        | 377            |
| 5     | Alan Stone       | Mt Egmont       | 372            |
| 6     | Bruce Tustin     | Wellington Jeep | 370            |

# Central Zone Club Truck Challenge

DO YOU HAVE A REGISTERED AND WARRANTED 4x4 AND  
WANT TO TRY SOMETHING DIFFERENT??



The Central Zone Club Truck Challenge is just that!!  
Negotiating obstacles around a set of pegs testing both  
the drivers skills and the vehicle

This Club Truck Challenge has been designed for the  
registered and warranted 4x4



There are 5-6 Rounds for the season  
At least 14 hazards are set at each Round,  
these are set for the longer and wider 4x4s  
and the idea is to negotiate these and get the  
least number of points on each hazard.

Any Club in the Central Zone Area could host a Round.

Look out for the Central Zone Club Truck Challenge Flyer and We will see you there.

Vehicles are grouped into 3 Classes  
Basic, Modified and Limited Modified  
(Class 1, Class 2, Class 3)

A full set of rules is available - just ask

Flyers and information is circulated  
before each Round with relevant  
information,

This is usually a day event.

Accommodation or camping could  
be available for those that travel

On the day, each vehicle is scrutineered  
You **must** wear a helmet while driving  
and the cost is

only \$20-00 each event you enter

This event has developed into a very  
successful and FUN day/weekend  
and the only prize  
at the end of the season is  
bragging rights.

Open to ALL Members affiliated to  
the NZFWDA

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# 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.

## 12-13 SEPTEMBER 2015

FORCE4 NOVAWIN TUFF TRUCK CHALLENGE. Run by Costa Plenty 4x4 Club.

## 27TH SEPTEMBER 2015

CENTRAL ZONE CLUB TRUCK CHALLENGE.  
Round 1 - Hosted by Wairarapa 4WD Club.

## 3 OCTOBER 2015

ANNUAL PAIRS TRIALS EVENT. Hosted by the Mount Egmont 4WD Club, Lower Durham Road, Inglewood. SCRUTINEERING will be at Buckthought Engineering, 179 Dudley Road Inglewood, Friday 2nd October 3pm – 5pm. Find a mate with any class truck and compete together on the day. Points will be added together for the grand total. Shineys and Club Trucks are also welcome. For entry forms, contact Natasha Thomason - [Natasha.Thomason@vector.co.nz](mailto:Natasha.Thomason@vector.co.nz) or for questions regarding the event contact Bucky – 027 479 8809

## 16-17 OCTOBER 2015

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

## 24 - 25 OCTOBER 2015

NOVAWIN 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.

## 25 OCTOBER 2015

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

## 31ST OCTOBER 2015

CENTRAL ZONE CLUB TRUCK CHALLENGE  
Round 2 - Hosted by Mt Egmont Club in Taranaki.

## 13-14 NOVEMBER 2015

MANUKAU WINCH CHALLENGE. Onewhero area. New areas for stages this year. Usual Classes including Manukau Class. See [www.manukau4wd.org.nz](http://www.manukau4wd.org.nz) for info.

## 14-15 NOVEMBER 2015

AHUROA VOLUNTEER RURAL FIRE BRIGADE FUND RAISER. Hosted by Rodney Off Road Club Inc. Club Shiny (Option 1): With great scenery and covering a wide range of amazing farm lands, with mud and hills. This trip has some road sections - need WOF and Reg. Tuff Truck (Option 2): Great mud and hill challenges with very small amount of roadwork. Suitable for non-Reg and Wof vehicles. \$170 per vehicle which will cover • Entry on the day for the driver and 1 passenger • Dinner for 2 on Saturday night • Cooked breakfast for 2 on Sunday morning. Extras 14 and over will be \$25 per person for dinner and breakfast. Children under 14 will be \$15 per child for dinner and breakfast. Conditions of Entry • All drivers must be a current member of a 4WD club affiliated with NZFWDA • No Dogs or Fire arms. • All vehicles to be equipped with the following, rated tow hooks, approved recovery strap, spade, mud tyres, fire extinguisher 2kg, first aid kit. A paddock is available for camping for Friday and Saturday nights. Limited to 60 vehicles. For more information see <http://forums.rorc.co.nz/viewtopic.php?f=8&t=2427> or email Anthony Barr: [rodneyoffroadclub@gmail.com](mailto:rodneyoffroadclub@gmail.com)

## 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 2016

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

## 14 FEBRUARY 2016

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

## 28 FEBRUARY 2016

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

## 26 MARCH 2016

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

## APRIL 2016

CENTRAL ZONE CLUB TRUCK CHALLENGE.  
Round 4 - Hosted by Manawatu 4WD Club.

## MAY 2016

CENTRAL ZONE CLUB TRUCK CHALLENGE.  
Round 5 - Hosted by Desert Defenders Off Road Club Inc.

## JULY 2016

Central Districts 4x4 Show - Manfeild Park Feilding come along and join fellow 4x4 enthusiasts.

# Press Release

To: Automotive Media  
From: Tony Johnson, CEO, Low Volume Vehicle Technical Association Inc  
Issue date: September 2, 2015  
Effect date: Immediate  
Re: LVVTA welcomes NZTA review of LVV certification system

## **LVVTA welcomes NZTA review of LVV certification system**

### **LVVTA welcomes the review**

The Low Volume Vehicle Technical Association (LVVTA) is welcoming the review that the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) is undertaking of the LVV certification system, and foresees that the outcome of the review could well provide opportunities to make further improvements to the LVV certification system that has been in operation since 1992. LVVTA has had a long and solid relationship with NZTA and its predecessors (which are Land Transport New Zealand, the Land Transport Safety Authority, and the Ministry of Transport) going all of the way back to the initial development of the LVV certification system which began in 1989.

### **NZTA's review of the LVV certification system**

Tony Johnson - LVVTA's CEO who was the initiator of the LVV certification system back in 1989 and has remained a key driver of it ever since - says that it is healthy for NZTA to review all of the vehicle certification systems in operation within New Zealand from time to time (which include WoF, CoF, Heavy, Repair, and Entry), in this case to ensure that the LVV certification system is operating as NZTA expects it to be. Additionally, LVVTA needs to have confidence that it is providing the level of technical rigour and LVV certifier performance oversight that NZTA requires. In order for NZTA to know whether they want the bar raised, left as it is, or lowered, they will obviously need to look into how the system is working, and then provide feedback to LVVTA.

NZTA wants to make sure that the various aspects of the LVV certification process are working well for everyone involved with the system; that the process is responsive and relevant, and that the technical requirements are sufficiently robust.

In order to determine where the LVV certification system is currently at in relation to where NZTA would like it to be, many of the key participants in the LVV certification process will have an opportunity to have a say about what they like and don't like in relation to the current system. NZTA will be inviting people who use the LVV certification system in some way to comment on it, and offer their opinions and ideas, through an internet-based questionnaire. This questionnaire is being independently managed on NZTA's behalf by Standards New Zealand.

### **LVVTA supports NZTA's system review**

LVVTA is very supportive of NZTA's desire to review the LVV certification system. The LVV certification system hasn't been reviewed by NZTA (or its predecessors) for some time, and it's vitally important that LVVTA clearly understands what NZTA expects of the system, and that both parties' thinking is clearly aligned.

Associate Transport Minister Craig Foss has said publicly recently, and quite rightly, that "The LVV certification process is about ensuring vehicles built from scratch or modified for a specialised purpose are safe to be on the road". Associate Minister Foss's view on road safety mirrors LVVTA's most fundamental operating principle. Johnson is adamant that LVVTA will continue to take its responsibilities seriously, remain vigilant, and do everything it practically can to allow enthusiasts and the modification industry alike to continue to modify and build vehicles within safe and sensible engineering parameters.

### **Development of the LVV system**

The current LVV certification system has been developed over 25 years, involving hundreds of technical experts from all walks of automotive engineering life during this time. A wide range of input into the system has been necessary because of the level of complexity and diversity associated with the certification of modified and scratch-built vehicles. By way of example, the LVV Standard 45-60 (Disability Transportation Systems) was developed over a period of eight years, involving a consultation process which included nine draft documents, five industry working group meetings, and input from approximately 300 people directly involved in the disability sector including modifiers, builders, importers, occupational therapists, health and medical specialists, users, formally-trained engineers, LVVTA's technical committee and staff, Lotteries Board, Taxi Federation, and key officials across four Government agencies.

It can be easily overlooked that the LVV certification system does much more than just developing technical requirements and over-viewing the LVV certification inspection process. LVVTA applies much of its resources into areas including product and component assessment, component testing, publicising known safety problems and risks, and providing technical support to system users and industry groups, including supporting the NZ Police's Serious Crash Unit and training front-line Police staff. One of LVVTA's current projects is the design and construction of a cyclic test rig for assessing the durability of critical aftermarket automotive components.

## Encouraging innovation

Every day, LVVTA deals with people wanting to do something in a new, unique, or innovative way, and so the LVV certification system has been designed to be flexible and to continuously evolve as trends change and new technologies emerge. That said, while the LVV certification system encourages innovation, we have to be mindful that not all innovators innovate well. Most members of the motoring public would rightly expect that if people are allowed to modify motor vehicles that there is a robust certification system in place to ensure that the highest practical level of safety is incorporated within those modifications in order to protect the public from the potential risks that could accrue from unsafe modification work. LVVTA's experience shows that many members of the modification industry in New Zealand do a very good job, and the quality players in the industry don't want to see others in this industry taking shortcuts and putting people's lives at risk.

## Continuous improvement

For these reasons above the LVV certification system has to be robust; - and it wouldn't have survived and continuously improved for a quarter of a century if LVVTA didn't take its responsibilities very seriously. 'Continuous improvement' can be a bit of a well-worn cliché these days, but this is something that LVVTA has genuinely strived for, and has consistently achieved. "I think everyone understands that it's better to have a system that demands a very high level of safety but still enables the hobby and the industry to prosper" says Johnson, "than to have a weak system that might provide an easy path in the short-term but fail in the long-term, leaving options for modifying vehicles in New Zealand that might be less palatable than what has been built up over the past 25 years"

## Meeting the challenges

NZTA and its predecessors have all wanted the bar - in terms of safety-based technical requirements - to be set at a very high level, and this has resulted in the heavily safety-focussed technical standards that have been developed by LVVTA and co-signed by NZTA during the past 25 years. In 2006 NZTA's predecessor LTNZ requested LVVTA put in place an in-house auditing regime to enable technical and administrative scrutiny to be applied to the certification documentation provided by LVV Certifiers when they apply for an LVV certification plate, and this led to the desk-top auditing ('form-set review') regime that has been in operation since 2007. In 2009 NZTA asked that an error recording system be implemented that would formally record technical and administrative errors made by LVV Certifiers, so that a view could be objectively made at any time of how each LVV certifier is performing in relation to his peers. This was introduced that same year and linked to the form-set review process, and has resulted in the formal recording of errors, which feeds quarterly into the continuously updated 'Error Report Summary'.

Johnson is confident that NZTA will be pleased with what they learn from their review of the LVV certification system. "I have no doubt that NZTA will find, under whatever level of scrutiny is applied, that the various systems and processes that have been developed and implemented will not only meet but exceed what the Agency has asked and expected of us over the past 25 years, as we've worked together to build the LVV certification system."

It's widely-known that LVVTA has worked very hard to do a top-level job of implementing the ever-improving system, and the resultant system is generally recognised as world-leading, both from the point of view of the regulator, and that of the enthusiast and industry users.

## Fresh thinking can be a big help

"The review should get some thinking and discussion going" says Johnson. "It's very easy in any process or system-based organisation to say that we do this or that, because we have always done it that way, and fresh ideas and discussion can often result in improvements to an organisation like this. Any ideas or opportunities to build upon what we have, and make it more user-friendly and relevant without compromising safety is always welcomed".



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# Low Volume Vehicle System Review

**Tony Burgess - NZFWDA Public Relations Officer (Northern Zone)**

Many of our members will be aware that there has recently been some negative press regarding the Low Volume Vehicle Technical Association (LVVTA) and the on-going court cases LVVTA has been involved with. The New Zealand Transport Agency is currently undertaking a review of the Low Volume Vehicle (LVV) certification system which was initiated by the New Zealand Transport Agency and will be undertaken by Standards New Zealand and appears to be as a result of a well-

organized campaign by a small number of people.

The New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association is one of the ten member associations that make up LVVTA and have been closely associated with LVVTA for many years and NZFWDA has already been involved in the review, and are likely to be more involved as the review progresses. At the same time, but quite separately, there is a LVVTA working

group looking at the rules surrounding 4x4 vehicles with lifted and otherwise modified suspension. The two reviews are not linked.

When I was a young apprentice I worked with a Mechanic by the name of Norman. Norman decided it was a good idea to put a 2 litre Cortina motor and gearbox into a Morris 1000, and then he turbo charged it. The Morrie had standard drum brakes, standard suspension, and standard

steering, standard narrow cross ply tyres, a plain steel dash board, and no seat belts. Norman was able to issue the vehicle with a WoF himself and it was legal to drive on the road, despite being a death trap. It was vehicles like this that came to the attention of the Ministry of Transport (as it was then) who then decided that vehicles like this needed to be regulated. Vehicle standards-based safety regimes were by then already in place throughout most other western countries, and our Government's plans to introduce vehicle standards into New Zealand was simply to drag New Zealand into line with the rest of the developed world, by introducing legislation to control the safety-related quality of vehicles imported into, and to a much lesser extent, manufactured, in New Zealand.

When rumours of this new Government legislation that was under development began to leak out, the New Zealand Hot Rod Association (Inc) (NZHRA) investigated what was going on, and learnt that the Ministry of Transport's proposals for how modified and scratch-built vehicles would be handled under the new regime wasn't going to be a palatable outcome for the hobby car enthusiast. The new vehicle standards-based regulations as originally proposed by the Ministry of Transport would have meant the end of New Zealand hobby car enthusiasts building and modifying vehicles.

During the late 80s and early 90s there was a core group of people who fought

long and hard to ensure that we did not end up like England and Ireland where it is almost impossible to drive a modified vehicle on the road. Many of this core group of people who fought so hard for the right to be able to build their own vehicle are still involved in the current LVV system. My personal belief is that many many people with road legal modified vehicles don't realise how much of a debt they owe to the people who worked so hard to develop the current LVV system.

LVVTA is committed to "promote and retain the right of New Zealanders to use motor vehicles on the public road that have been modified, or constructed in limited volumes, for sporting, recreational, special mobility or business purposes and NZFWDA strongly supports them in that. The current system allows us to make a wide range of modifications to our vehicles while still remaining road legal and safe, unlike many places overseas where modifications can only be completed by a professional. In the UK you can't even fit different springs yourself; it must be done by a registered Automotive Engineer.

The LVV system is not perfect and never will be, and I have heard the people who complain about the LVV system. However while these people are usually well intended, they are mostly complaining because they couldn't make the mod's they wanted to, and on closer scrutiny there is usually a very good reason why the modification isn't allowed.

So what can we expect from the review of the LVV certification system? As far as I can see, there are two possible outcomes. One possibility is that the existing system will be retained, possibly with some minor improvements. I hope this is the case. A second possibility is that the government will completely throw out the existing system and start again and bring LVV under direct government control. This can only be bad news for any vehicle enthusiast. I can't imagine in my wildest dreams that this Government will allow anything that will make it easier to do anything that could possibly compromise personal safety. As I sit here writing this I am also listening to Parliament debating the Health and Safety Amendment Bill. It is very clear that all government parties want more regulations to ensure personnel safety, not less.

I have heard people say that LVVTA could be replaced by another body that will have less control and make it easier to get your hobby vehicle road legal. This would be nice, but I am more likely to grow a third leg than the government allowing anything like this to happen. I really hope that we all support LVVTA and its staff and contractors. They are not perfect, but they are working hard to allow us to have the vehicles we want, and they are a hell of a lot better than the alternative.



BEN'S 40 SERIES



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I've been a member of NZFWDA since 1985 and I guess I, and other members who have been around for similar, or longer time, have seen a number of changes in how we get to enjoy our sport and recreation.

For most of the Association's existence we have benefited from the support of many volunteers most of whom have been members but a very large number have also been volunteers from other walks of life such as land owners, marshals or others who have provided volunteer assistance during our many National 4x4 Trials or Winch Challenge, competition events, local, Zone, or National 4WD safaris, in fact almost every aspect of our sport and recreation is possible only through the existence of the many volunteers who selflessly support us in "play".

Similarly the Association and our members have had amazing assistance from many, many landowners who have, also selflessly, allowed us access to their properties or tracks. Without diminishing the amazing support our sport and recreation has received from private landowners the Association has been blessed by also having very strong relationships with one of New Zealand's largest landowners, the Department of Conservation.

Over time we have faced a number of challenges around continuation of access to land and availability of volunteer assistance and, to a large extent, the Association has been able to achieve positive outcomes which have seen continuation of these most important "partnerships" and which have resulted in continued availability of land access and volunteer support.

These things are under threat once again through the development of the Health Reform Bill that was introduced earlier this year and has progressed through select committee stage and is presently before our parliament in a process known as first and second (and sometimes more) readings before being passed into Legislation. The rationale for this Bill and the proposed Act and Regulations that are being promulgated is not criticized; there have been some very sad instances of failure of health and safety practices in a number of

industries resulting in unnecessary death or serious injury. I am bound to comment that health and safety policies and procedures in many industries have been reduced to "tokenism" and the need for political intervention is probably necessary.

However, the H&S Reform Bill has morphed significantly from initially advised scope and intentions, and perhaps unsurprisingly, there are now quite a number of anomalies in the proposed Legislations that may negatively impact on our sport and recreational activities.

Principal concerns are aroused around definition of a place of work and the apparent inclusion of volunteer workers within the scope of the proposed Act. Further, it does seem that our traditional land access arrangements may also be threatened under the Legislation particularly in respect to access to "working farms". In fairness to the originators of the H&S Reform Bill, there does appear to be provision to exempt from the Act those parts of a farming property which are not specifically being "worked" but the devil is always in the detail when it comes to trying to determine if the politicians and their bureaucrats have actually appropriately defined places of work, or excluded places where work is not actually occurring such as on some backblocks of a larger farm property.

Personally I get concerned when I read that under the current proposals a worm farm is considered to be more dangerous than a working dairy farm.....

The Association has been active in attempting to understand and respond to the various concerns that the H&S Reforms Bill has raised. These things are not unique to what the NZFWDA does; there are many, many, volunteer-led sporting and recreational bodies in New Zealand, and almost all of these have identified similar concerns in terms of possible inclusion of volunteer supporters as "workers" under the proposed Legislation, and some reasonably ham-fisted attempts around definition of "work places" and ensnarement of these under the resulting Act and Regulations. A further concern is that volunteer Executive apparently cannot

be indemnified from possible legal challenge around a "workplace" Health and Safety event.

Your Executive consider the Bill may result in some unintended consequences which may unfairly result in loss of access to land or limit the many volunteers who assist us in our sport and recreation. We have mobilized around these concerns and, as you will see from Northern Zone President, John Hickey's report, the Association has communicated directly with relevant politicians and other similar volunteer organizations about our fears.

We don't know what the resulting Act or Regulations will look like, or, indeed, if the H&S Bill will progress in current form to become a new piece of Legislation. What we do know is that our activities will almost certainly require a higher level of detail around H&S Plans and identification of risks and steps that we might take to mitigate those risks. These things will take some time to flesh out in terms of just what may be required but I must say I am pleased to note the Competitions Committee has commenced development of a formal H&S Plan for our National Competitions, and others within the Association are also being proactive around these matters. The scope of any resulting Act and Regulations cannot currently be determined with any certainty but we are trying to ensure some fundamental items are specifically excluded, such as use of volunteer assistance, access to non-working parts of farm, or similar properties, and indemnification of volunteer officers or executive of the Association (including Clubs and Zones).

Compared to the above the printing of Membership cards seems almost anti-climactic but it is a matter that the Association has not gotten right for the last several years. The Executive have resolved to produce Membership Cards inhouse this year and we are currently preparing a print run for all active members whose affiliation fees have been paid as at 31st August. We are hopeful of being able to complete the print run and distribute cards to Clubs by end September.  
Neville Dunton  
NZFWDA President



# NZFWDA Northern Zone President

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Hi All,  
At the last Northern Zone Meeting on 18 July 2015 we were able to welcome the Hamilton District Four Wheel Drive Club to the Association.

In June the Association and DOC were alerted to the fact that the Taieri Road gates closing off the track for the winter had been removed. The gates were subsequently found to have been cut up and thrown over a bank. Russell De Luca, Zone Vice President contacted Hauraki District Council about matters and is trying to help DOC sort this out so that the track can be maintained for our use in other seasons. We all know how difficult it is to get access and how tracks have been closed off permanently. If we cooperate with keeping a track closed and unused during the winter then we are more likely to get access to that track in other seasons and that may help us to argue that we should get access to other tracks.

I have received National Association approval for a draft DOC Agreement for Maratoto and that has been sent to DOC for approval. I am waiting to hear further on this.

The Health and Safety Reform Bill has now had its second reading. We were alerted to the Bill after its first reading. No one should doubt that legislation is needed

for mining and forestry but the question is should legislation needed for these two industries also be applied to everyone else? There are concerns that the Bill is not just for businesses but includes what are called PCBUs which includes "an undertaking" and so can include clubs (whether registered incorporated societies or not) and also officers of Clubs. The Bill is complicated and the Executive have looked to form a view as to what should be done. (There are some exemptions but the question is whether they will affect four wheel driving and how the restrictions will affect us.) I have lobbied various parties and I hope at least some of you have lobbied your local MP and Ministers to exclude sporting organisations (on the same basis as the current Adventure Activity Regulations). So the Executive have done what we can in the limited time available given the current attempt to push the Bill through Parliament. Unfortunately by the time you read this the Bill maybe passed but there may still be an opportunity to have limited input into any regulations that follow so more on this may follow afterwards.

The National Constitution has been amended to incorporate the amendments passed at the AGM and has been circularised for signing and registration. The King Country Four Wheel Drive Club

is looking at work required to develop the Ngaroma Four Wheel Drive Park in the Pureora Forest.

It was good to see my recent letter to Clubs about towing being referred to by Ashley Lucas in New Zealand Four Wheel Drive magazine - thanks, Ashley.

On a personal note, 3 of my Land Rovers are doing well - I just need to put my capstan winch on my 107... The Landrover Owners Club Auckland had a recent run in the Polaris Four Wheel Drive Park. I was in a new area that we hadn't been into before which had more clay and mud. I had on my ATs which have a mud bias but not as good as my real mud tyres, so I got stuck and that made some good photo opportunities... I water blasted the Camel on the way home and then a week later hosed down underneath but it is still dirty and will need another water blasting to make it clean. Reminds me of a Club trip to SF70 near Taupo years ago when my daughters helpfully cleaned the dirty number plate afterwards and before the trip back to Auckland...

Happy four wheeling and cleaning!  
Regards  
John Hickey  
President Northern Zone



## Central Zone President

Max Wheatley

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Off road  
Fairly quiet winter but I do hope to get out for a bit of track clearing before too much longer and other things get in the way again.  
We have had a few clear bright days where I have looked out the window at the snow capped ranges and thought I should be there.

In the workshop.  
Nothing much happening there all the space is taken up by a trailer load of slow drying fire wood and a long term generator project.

Last Sunday we held an NZFWDA Executive meeting via Skype, see the

report published else where for the details. Next meeting is a face to face in Wellington in November.

Zone news  
The Central Districts 4X4 show and swap meet is over for this year. The accounts are all in and a small profit was made. The Club decided to hold this money over as seed money till next year when the event will happen again. Several lessons have been learnt and next years show will be bigger and better, so now is the time for your Club to start planning its display for next year. There will be bigger and better prizes to win!!

The very successful "Central Zone Club

Truck Challenge" that was set up by Mark Watchorn has had some minor changes and will now be organised by a sub committee made up from the Zone delegates, lead by Brent Samson. This group will build on Marks very successful formula to make it a bigger and better event. Keep your eyes open for flyers and emails to your Club but feel free to contact Brent directly.

That is it for this issue. Make sure you get out in the mud and snow of winter before it ends but 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.

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Meet Second Tuesday of every month

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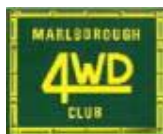
[www.lrec.co.nz](http://www.lrec.co.nz)



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### Nelson 4 Wheel Drive Club Inc.

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# Kids Page

Can you spot the five differences?

Q: a man arrived in a small town on Friday. He stayed for two days and left on Friday. How is this possible? ANSWER AT BOTTOM OF THE PAGE.



Q: What do you call cheese that's not yours? A: Nacho cheese!

Q: What musical instrument is found in the bathroom?

A: A tuba toothpaste.

## HISTORIC NZ EVENTS

4 September 2010 Magnitude 7.1 earthquake rocks Canterbury. The earthquake struck at 4.35 a.m. on a Saturday and was felt by many people in the South Island and the southern North Island. There was considerable damage in central Canterbury, especially in Christchurch, but no loss of life.

10 September 1914 Eruption on White Island, 10 miners were killed when part of the crater wall collapsed, causing a landslide

4 October 1957 Morris Yock trademarks the jandal. Inspired by an Asian example, Yock and his son began manufacturing this simple rubber footwear in his garage. The name 'jandal' combined the words 'Japanese' and 'sandal'

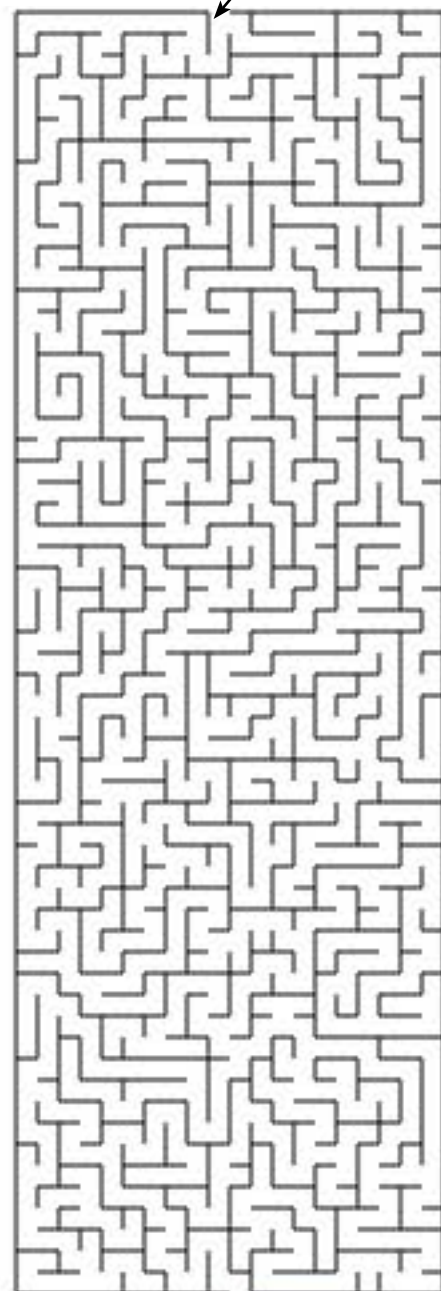
11 October 1861 First Cobb & Co. coach service runs to Otago goldfields. In its first venture from Dunedin to Gabriels Gully in Central Otago, Cobb & Co. reduced the time for the trip from two days to nine hours.

6 November 1908 The last spike in the North Island main trunk line was driven home by Prime Minister Ward at Manganuioteao, between National Park and Ōhakune. A regular express service between Auckland and Wellington began in February 1909.

13 November 1896 Mount Tongariro erupts at 12.40 p.m, Te Maari, a crater at the northern end of the Tongariro range, erupted spectacularly. It continued to erupt sporadically for nearly a year!

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Riddle answer: His horse's name is Friday!  
Spot the difference answers: 1 - Another navigator appears. 2 - Orange helmet loses stripes. 3 - Grill badge disappears. 4 - Shirt sleeve is missing patch. 5 - Fern in bottom left of the picture.