



WANNEROO WANDERERS 4WD CLUB



CONVOY PROCEDURE

1. Fuel tanks must be filled prior to start of trip.
2. Before moving off from a designated departure point the trip leader will appoint a tail-end charlie.
3. At **All** turn-offs, vehicles shall wait until the following vehicle is aware of the former's intention. Periodical checks for the following vehicle must be made as per convoy procedure.
4. Persons leaving the club convoy **MUST** notify the trip leader and if possible give details of their intentions.
5. No vehicle in the convoy is to pass the lead vehicle.
6. When travelling in convoy on the open road, the distance between vehicles shall not be less than 6 vehicle lengths, and keep the vehicle behind in sight at reasonable intervals.
7. At nature stops the rule to be followed is ladies to the left - gents to the right.
8. In recovery procedures to avoid injury to personnel the drivers of the vehicles involved shall ensure that the immediate area is cleared.
9. All persons travelling in convoy must be inside a vehicle

CODE OF ETHICS

1. Obey restriction on use of public lands. Respect national parks and other conservation areas, (i.e. Calm, Water Authority, Fire Authorities).
2. Obtain permission before driving on private land. Leave livestock alone and gates as found.
3. Keep to existing tracks where possible.
4. There shall be no deliberate destruction of trees, shrubs or wildlife. Respect our wildlife, stop, look and observe but never chase animals.
5. Use a well worn campsite to minimise impact on the environment.
6. No firearms to be displayed or used in campsite or prohibited areas.
7. No unofficial competition or displays of "4WDing" shall take place during trips without permission of the trip leader.
8. At club functions members shall obey verbal instructions and visual signs erected by the organisers.
9. Drive very slowly within camp area.
10. When answering the calls of nature, members are asked to take the shovel and bury the result at all times, Ladies are respectfully requested to dispose of their paper hygienically. (i.e. rubbish container or campfire).
11. Keep the environment clean. Be prepared to carry out all the rubbish you take into unserviced areas.
12. All members are requested to comply with the above codes.

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Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month (except in January when it is held on the second Wednesday, and AGM in September which is a dinner function). Meetings are held at Warradale Hall in Landsdale – 7.30pm for an 7:45pm start

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ABOUT THE CLUB

WANNEROO WANDERERS 4WD CLUB INC

The Wanneroo Wanderers 4WD club is an enthusiastic group of people who have banded together to enjoy 4WD trips and excursions while conserving the natural bush ecology.

Club membership comprises families and individuals of all ages. The range of club activities caters for the novice as well as the experienced drivers. Activities include social functions, day drives, weekend and extended trips both on and off road at various times during the year.

Club members use a range of camping options from tents, troopies, camper trailers and caravans. The club has no preference to the make of 4WD vehicle owned. Personal and vehicle safety during club events is of the utmost importance. Where possible proposed trips are thoroughly planned and surveyed in advance.

The club is an affiliated member of the WA 4WD association and we support the aim to promote 4WD vehicle owners as responsible, community spirited people concerned with conservation and the environment.

The club Meets at the Warradale Community Centre, Warradale Terrace, Lansdale on the first Wednesday of each month except for January when it is held on the 2nd Wednesday commencing at 7:45pm.

Visitors are always welcome to attend meetings and club events. Prospective members are encouraged to attend two club meetings and two club activities before applying for membership.

If you wish to obtain further information about the club, please feel free to contact us at

Wanneroo Wanderers 4WD Club Inc.

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EDITORIAL

Hi there from the new magazine editor!

First of all I have to apologise for having missed the deadline for the first edition since becoming the Editor

However, I am now on track and endeavour to have a magazine out at the beginning of each quarter (or season)

With that, this copy has a couple of reports from last year included, as well as the recent reports on trips and social events.

Please let me know if you sent in a contribution and ive missed it. I plan to be more prepared for the next edition (says me!!)

I hope you enjoy the read

Barb

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Wilbinga Sunday 22nd October

Contributed by Graham Issatt & Phil Anderson

For a week leading up to the trip the weather forecast was not pretty and would have kept most away, but the few hardy souls who put their hand up were rewarded with a beautiful sunny day out on the dunes.

The starters were Bruce (less Cherril who was entertaining family at home) Michelle and Graham and kids (in separate vehicles) Judy & Phil, Shane & Cheryl with kids and Cheryl's parents and Kristy a friend of Michelle and Graham's and her children.

We all met at McDonalds in Yancheop and led by Graham we headed off around 9.30. We headed Northwards for 5km past Two Rocks, hung a left turn of the road and stopped to air down to about 15psi. Kristy had some trouble with her right front dust cap which would not come off, and many of us tried but it looked like the valve would come out of the rim before the cap would come off of the valve.



So, with a Patrol with one tyre at road pressure we trekked off into the scrub. We arrived at some dunes which had 5 hill ascent tracks with varying degrees of difficulty, the most difficult track on the left and easiest on the right.

Graham had a few attempts at the middle track, but the soft sand beat him, but not for a lack of trying. Phil thought he should give it a go so let a bit more air out of the tyres and had a go at the second track from the left, and like Graham was also beaten after 3 or 4 attempts. Consequently we all took the easy track to the right and some went around the lower track and met the others on the other side.





After a couple of kms we came to the beach, and with a beautiful sunny day and no wind, the ocean looked amazing. We drove along the beach for a short while then back into the dunes to the top of a sand hill. The decision was made to have a “smoko” break and the kids could go sand boarding. Out came the sun screen as the sun had quite a bite and a very light breeze that seemed to keep the bugs away.

We had the place to ourselves for a while but then all hell broke loose as a convoy of 4-wheel drives exploded onto the scene and blasted up the dune and back around numerous times seeing who was king of the dune. An old Nissan or something like that was suffering from old age and fatigue and tried getting up the dune too many times to count (It may have succeeded eventually). We all know what it is like when a bunch of men see a sand dune that needs crossing, there are those who believe both feet on the accelerator is the way to do it, and then there is the slow and easy wins the race variety and all in between. We did notice that the Pajero’s managed the sand a lot better than the rest.

If that was not enough entertainment, some dirt bikes turned up and showed everybody up, even getting some serious air at the top of the dune with some great photos taken.

Too much excitement there, so off we went again through the dunes and through, what looked like a relatively easy track. However, trip leader Graham came unstuck at the top of the hill and was unable to go forward or back and needed a pull over the top. Phil volunteered but Michelle wasn’t having that as she wanted to pull Graham and his Patrol out with the **Suzuki**. Graham might not hear the end of that for some time to come I think.





So off we went again until we again came to the beach and lunch time. As it had been all day the sun shone brightly and out came the awnings and the kids hit the water. Judy and Phil even had a swim. We spent an hour here and reluctantly had to move on as the day was getting away from us. The plan was to be back at the main road by 3.00 and it was already after 2.00.

Back into the dunes and what seemed like a lot of driving we ended up at Wilbinga Grove to pump the tyres back up and say goodbyes.

It was a great day aided by fantastic weather and a very well led trip with a good mix of excitement, some challenges and some easy driving.



Social Brunch 14th January 2018

Brunch Anyone?

Well what a silly question. The answer was a resounding yes because, as per usual, the Wanneroo Wanderers' members produced another successful event.

This was our fourth brunch hosted by Karen and Archie Lind in Mandurah. The first two were held on the beach at Halls Head but we were exposed to the elements in particular that big yellow burning object in the daytime sky – bloody sun, and dogs were only allowed in a small corner of the picnic area.

Anyway Mandurah has been undergoing some significant changes and in particular the river foreshore. So for the last two years we have been enjoying our morning brunch under the shade on the river foreshore. What a spot, there is council supplied electric barbecues, gazebo, seating, lawn area, children's play facilities and then of course you have the water activities swimming, boating (canoeing, kayaking), swimming, crabbing more swimming and did I mention the swimming. If you need any confirmation just ask Leslie our resident water baby. Leslie, true to form, was in the water soon after arriving checking out the possibility of some tasty Mandurah blue swimmer crabs. Importantly, dogs are allowed and on this day Dave and Penny's baby had a great time.

The rest of us decided that the place to be was seated under the gazebo telling tall tales, spinning a yarn, wishing everyone the best for the New Year and generally having a relaxing morning with a great bunch of like-minded people.

Food anyone? HoHoHo Laugh out loud because bacon, sausages, eggs, coffee, and salads - bloody dieters – all appeared from the dark recesses of eskies, Engels and picnic baskets and the barbecues were lit. Yummy, what a feast amazing how a meal tastes so much better cooked out in the open air surrounded by friends.

The morning whiled away until club members had to start heading off, some had other commitments later that day while others were just going to return home and relax. Some of us, the stayers, returned the Archie and Karen's home for afternoon tea and cakes and hopefully wait for the afternoon traffic back to Perth to ease off a bit – success for us as we had a clear run that evening all the way home with no traffic snarls.

In all what can I say **YIPPEE!** another successful club event. The hosts, the area, the facilities, the attendees, the pets, the weather all were fantastic so bring on the next club function.

Joe and Elisa WW33

AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND - KEN & LINDAS PEMBERTON PADDOCK.

We had quite a number of reports come through, so I have compiled all reports together. I hope you enjoy the read.

January 25th 2018 From Marlyn

What a wonderful start to the weekend. We weren't the first to arrive the Melbourne's with their tent, unfortunately they will have to wait a while for their new caravan and the Granland's arrived the day before. We got there at lunch time with plenty of time to set up before the wave of caravan's campers and tent people arrived. It is always good to be in the peanut gallery watching others set up.

Thursday night was as usual noisy and fun with plenty of food for happy hour Karen's suggestion of only a certain number of people per night supplying happy hour was brilliant.

We went to bed earlier than some who continued to enjoy themselves for quite some time.

Marlyn Corduroy

Dave & I were allocated (by Karen) together with Keith & Marion to report on Day one Pemberton OZ day camping trip

Here's our bit

Sue & David Melbourne

David, Zeb & I arrived at Ken & Linda's in Pemberton on Wednesday, we thought we would get there before anyone else as we were tenting for the first time in 15 years and just a tad bit out of practice. Keith and Marion arrived an hour later and were set up before we finished. After a quiet night (well we thought it was, Marion thought she could hear a generator going on all night and wondered why the Melbourne's had a generator on all night, only to discover it was their fridge fan). After sharing the stretcher with Zeb - not the most comfortable sleeping arrangement, a lovely morning greeted us as Wanneroo Wanderers started arriving. John & Marlyn, Joe & Elise, Kim & Glenda, Karen & Archie, Alan & Carol, Paul & Mirella, Alan & Alison and Bob & Leslie arrived during Thursday. Happy hour on the deck provided the usual dribble and laughter. It was obvious another great Australia Day camp over with the wonderful hospitality of Ken & Linda in Pemberton had begun.

From Keith & Marion

We arrived at Ken and Linda's around 5.30. Linda was on her walk, we met her on the road in. She told us to make ourselves comfortable. She said Ken had a billiards game to go to that evening and we would see them in the morning.

Dave and Sue were there already, so we set up camp next to them. We had a bit of a yarn and a few drinks, had dinner and called it an early night.

Thursday morning we finished setting up camp while waiting for others to arrive, we slipped into town to do a bit of shopping. (LAMB CHOPS) etc. Keith made up a list for lotto, ended with \$95 WE WON WHAT jacky shot at sfa.

It was Marians's turn to do happy hour with others, which we all enjoyed.

ATTENTION Kym more of them one paragraph Long Johns are in order.



Pemberton Australia Day weekend Saturday 27th day run. From Phil

Our day began with drizzle however at 9.30am just as the rain started 9 vehicles left Ken & Linda's and headed north east on Vasse Highway. We headed down the very scenic Greys Rd to SW Highway. Some stopped for a photo shoot of swans in a dam/pond then off again and another right turn down the highway to Dee side Coast Rd. Turning south here onto the southern part of the 'Great Forest Trees Drive', we passed over Middleton Rd and had a stop at *Snake Gully* for a photo opportunity. Shay (Penny and Dave's granddaughter) wanted to know where the snakes were!!! There is a wooden walkway structure leading to a viewing platform with a great view across the small gully.

We carried on a little further and another stop and photo opportunity at Big Tree Grove where Bob was a fountain of knowledge regarding the surrounding flora. Shay and Ivy, capturing the magic of the surroundings went hunting for fairies.

A little further down the road and another right onto Preston Rd, then another right following the Forest Trees Drive route signage.

We arrived at Shannon campsite, which is a shadow of its former self with half the camp now a barren wasteland of bitumen and dirt. Thankfully part of the camp has been preserved and we decided a convenient spot to have a tea break.

It was decided to leave the northern loop of the 'Great Forest Trees Drive' for another day and head back to Dee Side Coast Rd and take a look at Moore's Hut.

The track in there was very well maintained, not what I remember at all. Bob & Leslie decided not to go to the hut, but continue on down Chesapeake Rd to check out some water crossings. The rest of us aired down our tyres and carried on to Moore's Hut.

There was quite a crowd there, even a couple of caravans. We stopped for lunch and a chat to some of the campers before taking the short drive to Coodamarup Beach. Another quick photo opportunity before taking Gardiner Rd back to Northcliffe for a well deserved icecream at the IGA.

The weather was very kind to us raining while we were travelling then stopping on cue when we stopped. Great day.

We made it back to Ken & Linda's for happy hour and snacks before the hot and spicy dinner.

Phil

From mark

I was dobbed in to write few words about the Sunday.

Sunday saw a few people packing up to head home, while around half the trip stayed on for another night. Mind you, it was not an early start for most after a big night. Most of the stayers spent the morning relaxing in the paddock, with a coffee and a good old chin wag to fill in a couple of hours before departure to lunch.

Lunch was at Jarrah Jacks Brewery. What a great spot, with sweeping views, good beer and food, and dog friendly. Lots more stories (and a few lies) being told over lunch. Then it was time to try out the grassy slopes using some bits of cardboard for a sled. This provided so much entertainment that even the staff came out for a laugh. Rufus and Zeb got in on the act, providing a tow down the hill (Steve cracking the whip) before bolting off into the vineyard at the bottom.

We progressively found our way back to camp mid-afternoon. Seemed like a nice day for a walk to the Gloucester Tree, or to just sleep off the big lunch. Before long for the deck was populated with noisy revelers, and happy hour was under way. Most agreed that dinner was out of the question after the big lunch, so a few nibbles and drinks eased us into the evening. Undeterred, our host's kitchen soon produced a pavlova, with most of us being unable to resist a slice or three (Joe!!). But it wasn't over yet, just as we were all getting a good sugar hit a second pavlova appeared (thanks Mirella) and we all dived back in for some more.

A great evening to end another long weekend with Australia Day thrown in for good measure.

Mark B

PEMBERTON – Sunday 28th From Carol & Alan

The day started bright and early for some – Paul and Tony set off to check out a potential camp site at Windy Harbor while other unfortunates had to return back to Perth. The remainder of us lucky people simply chilled out at Ken and Linda's lovely property with the exception of Russell, Kerry and Steve who decided to go bike riding (not sure how much actual riding was done though because I hear a coffee shop was the main target)

Linda had arranged with the local Winery/Brewery Jarrah Jacks for us to have lunch. I think we had 22 Wanderers and 6 Canine Campers too. The meals are huge, the drinks potent - one Wanderer was horrified to see that his beer was 6.8% (or so he said! Lucky he wasn't driving) All were well behaved Canines and Wanderers till Wanderers decided to toboggan down the hill on cardboard....needless to say Canines quickly became sleigh dogs and chaos was achieved!!!

On return to Ken and Linda's, some had Nanna Naps, while others went for Cake and Coffee on the decking. The evening finished with yet more Nibbles followed by 2 huge Pavlovas!!

Thanks so much Ken and Linda for sharing your lovely property with us all

Carol and Alan xx





Perth to Albany 4 WD track: Day run Sunday 18th February 2018.

The 4WD association has mapped a route from Perth to Albany, mostly off road. Clubs have been asked to drive sections and provide feedback. We tackled the Mundaring to Dwellingup section.

6 vehicles met at Mundaring Hotel carpark at 9am ready for a 9.30 start. Bob, Lesley, Adrian, Chris, Kym, Glenda, Ray Z, Chris, Phil and Judy set out toward the Mundaring Weir. The route took us below the weir and a further 10kms on the bitumen we took a left turn onto a gravel track. 20kms later we made a turn onto Brookton Highway then back onto the gravel heading toward Albany Highway. South to Sullivan Rock carpark and headed along Millers Log 4 WD track to Balmoral POW camp for morning tea. We discovered a shady camp /rest area which accommodated all cars comfortably. All enjoyed morning tea and yet again Lesley's 'home made slice. We continued on our way to Jarrahdale and then on to Serpentine Dam where we stopped for a photo opportunity at the dam. Onward bound again onto another track which took us to Scarp road to North Dandalup Dam. We stopped to enjoy the picnic area where, some went in, only to their ankles due to the warning signs of potential water borne bacteria, even Lesley was put off by the meningococcal warnings.

Down Marrinup Road and under the power lines and some real 4 Wheel driving coming up, rocky and rough in parts, and some very nice bush along this track which was not well used for a lot of it.

On to Pinjarra along the Pinjarra Williams Road where we all stopped for lunch at the local park next to the river.

Due to the lack of wind, this proved to be a very dusty trip for everyone except the trip leaders.

A very nice drive and looking forward to doing some more of this route.

FUNNIES

Two Irishmen were driving home one night from the pub when one asked the other to check if the car's indicators are working.



He promptly sticks his head out the window and says:

"Yes,no,yes,no,yes,no,yes,no"



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Calum and Belinda welcome you to Murchison House Station.
We hope you enjoy the adventure of discovering this beautiful property.
For the safety and enjoyment of all visitors and to preserve the tracks and campgrounds for the future, please observe the following conditions. If you have any specific questions please don't hesitate to ask.

CAMPING

There are lots of lovely places to camp. We will provide you with a map and some guidance about where you can camp when you arrive.

Downstream from the homestead there is a designated Shire Reserve 200m from the rivers edge. Camping is prohibited within this reserve. Please don't camp within 200m of the water's edge. If we see you camped on the Reserve, we will have to ask you to move your camp.

Leave all gates as exactly as found. Do not camp near stock watering points.
Quad bikes or dirt bikes are not permitted.
Firearms are also not permitted.

CAMP FIRES: Small, closely guarded fires are permitted except when the fire warning is very high or extreme. Fire bans are in place – 15 October – 1 March.

FISHING- is strictly prohibited *upstream(east)* from the homestead

RUBBISH- PLEASE do not litter!! You are required to take your rubbish with you.
Toilet paper- is unsightly and unhygienic so **PLEASE** do not pollute the camp grounds!! We prefer that you bring your own camping toilet, but alternatively please bury your waste.

Murchison House Station is a 350,000 acre (126,000 hectares) working station originally established by Charles von Bibra in 1858. We have lived on the property since 1997 and are the current owners and managers. Our primary industry is the trapping and selling of rangeland goats. Every summer we muster or trap up to 5000 goats. We also run a small herd of cattle as well. Tourism has become an increasingly significant part of our business. In addition to camping and 4WD access, quad bike tours, sand boarding and canoe safaris also operate from the homestead.

4WD ACCESS

Before leaving the homestead engage 4WD and reduce tyre pressure to 25psi.
Do not exceed 40km per hour driving around the Station, and beware of blind corners and oncoming vehicles.
Drive slowly over the causeway and through the homestead - **8km/hr through the homestead- VERY SLOW!!**
Arrivals for bush camping must be during office hours. **All** vehicles are required to register. Vehicle access through the homestead is restricted between **9pm and 7am**. That means access over the cause-way during these times is for emergencies only.

BE PREPARED: You are entering remote wilderness areas. It is your responsibility to carry adequate water/ supplies/ first aid/ recovery equipment. **Stay on well-defined tracks.** If in doubt as to the suitability of the track or the capability of the vehicle/driver **GO BACK.** Do not make any new tracks.

MHS is a working cattle and goat station. All tracks have been produced to facilitate station management. 4WD experience is required. Incidental damage to vehicles is possible.

Murchison House Station Management does not accept responsibility for loss, damage or injury. 4WD access is granted on the condition that visitors understand and accept this.

A MINIMUM \$250.00 CALL OUT FEE APPLIES TO ALL VEHICLES REQUIRING ASSISTANCE. RECOVERY FROM THE BEACH OR RIVER BED IS A MINIMUM \$500.00 FEE

When leaving please return the map to the office and be sure to sign out.
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY DIAL 000.

OFFICE HOURS: Times for office hours can vary and are noted on the board outside the office. Please make enquiries during those times by ringing the bell. When the office is closed the bell may be rung in an emergency.

CLUB EQUIPMENT LIST

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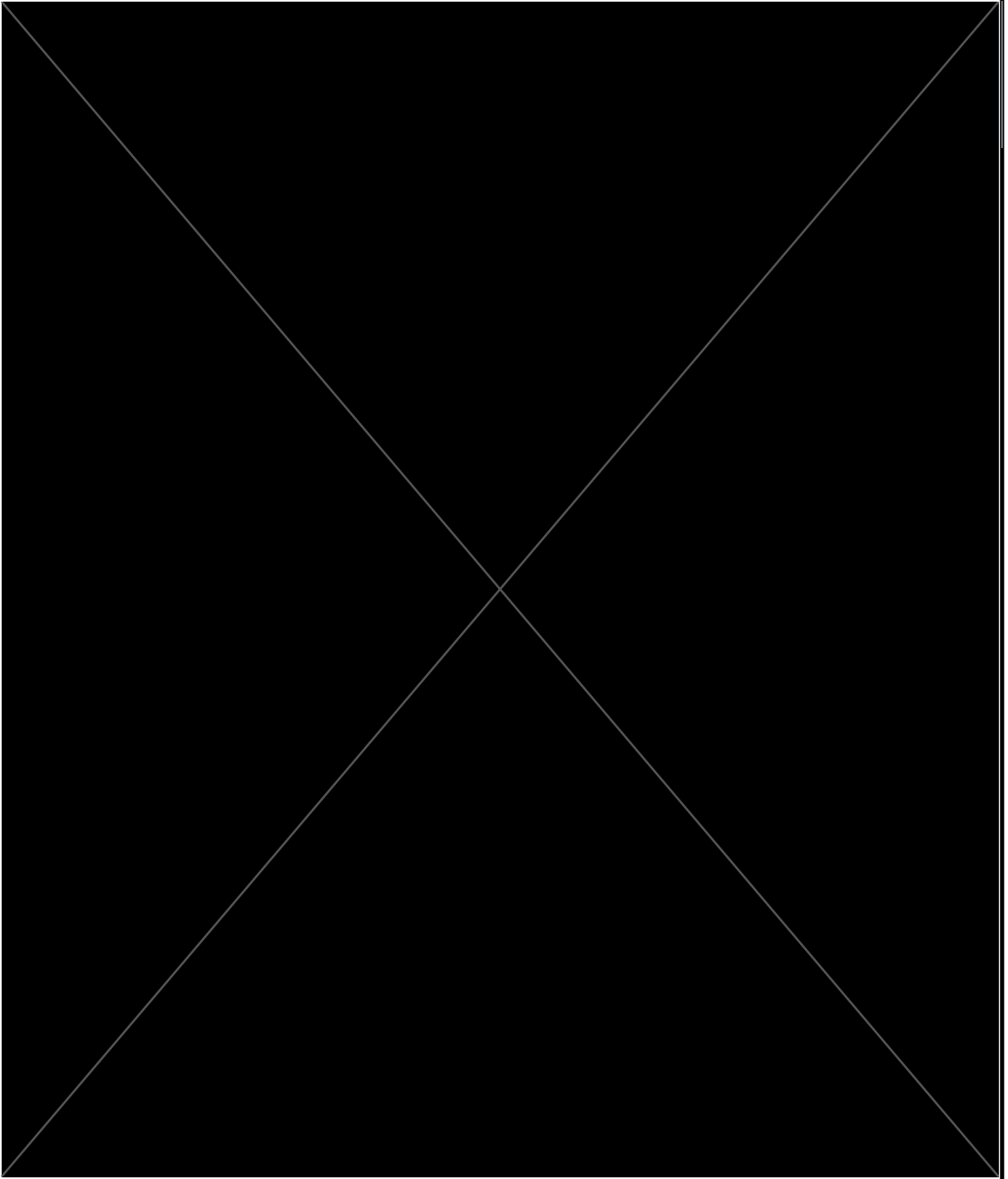
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EQUIPMENT REQUIRED ON VEHICLES ATTENDING TRIPS

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

SUITABLE TOW POINTS FRONT AND REAR OF VEHICLE

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

- 'D' SHACKLES (Minimum Specification: BODY 13mm PIN 16mm)
- TOW ROPE AND OR CHAIN
- SNATCH STRAP
- SHOVEL
- SPARE TYRE (Same as other 4 tyres on vehicle)
- TYRE INFLATER AND TYRE PRESSURE GAUGE
- BASIC TOOL KIT TO SUIT VEHICLE
- JACK, JACK HANDLE, JACKING PLATE
- WHEEL BRACE
- 10BE FIRE EXTINGUISHER
 - (BFE Type fitted to vehicle within easy access to driver)
 - FIRST AID KIT
 - SPARE RADIATOR HOSES AND FAN BELTS
 - JUMPER LEADS
 - WATER (Enough to REFILL cooling system)

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT

SUBJECT TO NATURE AND DURATION OF TRIP

OIL, SPARK PLUGS, POINTS, CONDENSER AND COIL

- FUEL FILTER
- TYRE REPAIR KIT
- HIGH LIFT JACK
- RADIATOR BLIND
- AXE OR BUSH SAW

THE ABOVE MANDATORY EQUIPMENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE SAFETY OF VISITORS AND MEMBERS, SHOULD RECOVERY OF A VEHICLE BE NECESSARY.