

# *ENews* Direct To Members

eNews is a monthly newsletter sent by Four Wheel Drive Victoria to all affiliated clubs. If you are not receiving this newsletter, please check with your club executives. It is also available to read on the Four Wheel Drive Victoria website, with a past archive of previous eNews also available.

# The latest news from Four Wheel Drive Victoria

# December 2023

# Four Wheel Drive Victoria Office Closure

Please note the Four Wheel Drive Victoria office will be closed over the Christmas and new year period. The office will be unstaffed from the Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of December and we will be back in full swing on the Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> of January 2024.





#### **FWDV Needs Your Volunteer Hours**

Our volunteers do a fantastic job helping the community with Four Wheel Drive Victoria projects such as Camp Host, Track Clearing and High-Country Hut maintenance among many other volunteer tasks.

Four Wheel Drive Victorian Volunteers have already achieved over 3,500 volunteer hours since July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023. With many more volunteering efforts to come in 2024 this is a terrific effort and thanks to everyone who has helped achieve this.

Please make sure to submit your clubs volunteer hours to <a href="mailto:projects@fwdvictoria.org.au">projects@fwdvictoria.org.au</a> and thank you to all our clubs that complete countless volunteer hours.

It is extremely important to Four Wheel Drive Victoria to be able to represent the hard work our amazing volunteers do on a regular basis.

Mansfield Alpine 4WD Club undertaking Track Clearing

# Seasonal Track Reopening

The majority of Seasonal Road Closures have now ended and tracks have been reopening subject to track condition. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 2023 many gates were reopened. Please note that some tracks have a longer closure period due to sensitive vegetation, conditions. You can check the listings for the extended closures on the Four Wheel Drive Victoria website, <a href="https://www.fwdvictoria.org.au">www.fwdvictoria.org.au</a>, under Resources -> Track Closures.



# Where did you go over the Holidays?

Four Wheel Drive Victoria are always after interesting articles for Trackwatch and to post and share across our various social media channels. Where did your club go over the Christmas break? Perhaps it was an interesting trip into the high country or your club rolled up their sleeves and put in some hard worked volunteer hours around Victoria. It is a great way to show your club off to a wide audience of potential members and interested people across the state. Please email any articles to <a href="mailto:projects@fwdvictoria.org.au">projects@fwdvictoria.org.au</a>, with your articles and high res photos, please make sure to attach photos separately.

#### Victorian 4WD Show

The Victorian 4WD Show is officially back for 2024! It will be held on Sunday, 18th February 2024 at Lardner Park. Hosted by the Land Rover Owners Club of Victoria, it is the longest running 4WD show in Australia and makes for a great day for all who attend. There will be plenty of great exhibitors in attendance so make sure Victorian4WDSHOV you get down and enjoy the day.





#### Lifeblood Blood Drive

Gear up for the final lap of the Four Wheel Drive Blood Drive! With a tire-less effort, our donors have already clocked 156 lives saved during the Blood Drive and a whopping 795 this year. Amazing efforts! This December, be the off-road Santa someone needs - rev up your giving spirit and make it a festive season to remember! Give the Gift of Life. Donors will get a limitededition festive bandage designed by Madeleine Stamer when they donate in December. It's Lifeblood's little way, on behalf of blood recipients and staff, of saying thank you. Join the team, make a pit stop for a good cause, and let your donation leave tire tracks of hope. Call 13 14 95 or book at www.lifeblood.com.au.

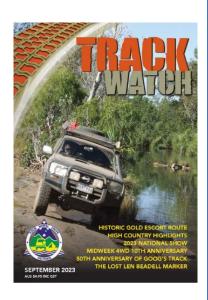


# Yarra Glen Outdoor Living and Caravan Expo

The Great Outdoors and 4x4 Expo has rebranded and is now the Outdoor Living and Caravan Expo. The next event is the Yarra Glen Show and will be attended by the Yarra Valley 4x4 Club! The event is to be held at the Yarra Glen Racecourse over the 12th to the 14th of January 2024 and with plenty of big name stall holders it will make for a terrific event. Be sure to get down to check it all out!

# Trackwatch Mailing Address

A number of Trackwatch magazines have been returned recently. If you have not received your copy yet, please make sure your club has the correct mailing details to be able to pass on to Four Wheel Drive Victoria so your copy of Trackwatch can be sent to the correct address. If you do not wish to receive a physical copy of Trackwatch please note that current and previous editions of Trackwatch are available on the Four Wheel Drive Victoria website. Please let your club know and email projects@fwdvictoria.org.au so you can be taken off the Trackwatch mailing list.



# High Resolution Photos for Media Use

Four Wheel Drive Victoria are on the lookout for as many high resolution photos of your club and cars out on trips, undertaking volunteer works including track clearing and camp hosts. Pictures of camp set ups would also be much appreciated. Both the person who took the photo and the club will be credited on each photo used and number plates will be removed from the photo for privacy. Please email projects@fwdvictoria.org.au with any photos you wish to submit including the name of who took the photo and the 4WD club. The location of the photo would also be greatly appreciated. These photos will be used on the Four Wheel Drive Victoria website and across Four Wheel Drive Victoria's social media platforms. A great opportunity to showcase



Convoy During the Regional Reps Weekend - Mark Currie

your club and the great times you and your club have!

# Four Wheel Drive Victoria Social Media

Did you know Four Wheel Drive Victoria has both a public Facebook and Instagram page? Both pages are updated almost daily and contain plenty of useful information that may be missed otherwise. Links to both sites are included below this article.

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