

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

July 2023

National Show Club Stands

The National 4x4 Show is on again at the Melbourne Showgrounds over the 18th to the 20th of August 2023. Four Wheel Drive Victoria would like to invite clubs to take up a stand at the show <u>free of charge</u>. It is a tremendous opportunity that we hope many clubs will take up. With record crowds through the show last year it will present a large base of potential members to promote your club to.

If your club is interested in this massive opportunity, free of charge, please email <u>projects@fwdvictoria.org.au</u>. We will get additional passes allocated for your club.



Furthermore if your club is unable to hold a stand due to various reasons but you would like to assist Four Wheel Drive Victoria at the show please email projects@fwdvictoria.org.au with your availability.



2023 Seasonal Closures

The DEECA and Parks Victoria seasonal closure are in effect for 2023. Seasonal Closures will run until the 2/11/23 for most tracks. Some tracks will have an extended closure period. Please have a good look over this list when preparing and planning for a trip and find alternate routes if you intend to drive any of these tracks. Seasonal Closures are implemented to help protect the environment where extra help is required to look after the tracks in the wetter months.

DEECA Seasonal Closures: www.ffm.vic.gov.au/closures-of-parks-and-forests

Parks Vic Seasonal Closures: www.parks.vic.gov.au/seasonal-road-closures

AFL Grand Final Weekend Camp Host

The AFL season is speeding along with Melbourne looking like they will be premiers for the second time in three years. If you don't wish to be at the MCG for the Grand Final to watch Melbourne beat Carlton there is an opportunity for your club to run a camp host on this weekend.

Acting as a point of contact in a campground for Parks Victoria and DEECA, as well as a helpful guide for those new to the area, a camp host allows your club the great opportunity to showcase its community values in assisting others and also works as a great promotional tool for your club in attracting new members.

If your club has an area in mind that they would like to hold a camp host please let the Four Wheel Drive Victoria office know, <u>projects@fwdvictoria.org.au</u>, alternatively a camp site can also be recommended to your club.

The Great Outdoor and 4X4

Shepparton Great Outdoors Show

The Shepparton Great Outdoors Expo is the next show up! The event is to be held at the Shepparton Showgrounds over the 1st to the 3rd of September 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!



Chainsaw Course Locations

Four Wheel Drive Victoria is constantly on the lookout for locations to run accredited chainsaw courses. If you or anyone you know has property with plenty of felled trees to be able to fill two days of chainsaw work, please let us know in the office. This will give us the opportunity to schedule and conduct more chainsaw courses.

office @fwdvictoria.org.au

Club Affiliation Vehicle Stickers

Four Wheel Drive Victoria are now in a position to offer the 2023 – 2024 FWDV stickers to all financial member clubs and ask clubs to have someone pick them up from the office if possible.

We look forward to seeing you soon, please bring donuts and we will supply the coffee!

Mt Skene Permit System 2023

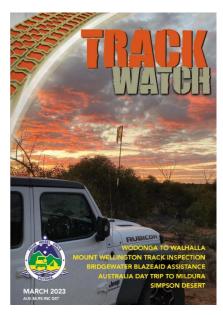
The Mt Skene permit system is now fully online. From June 1st the system will be open to members. You will be required to login the Four Wheel Drive Victoria website. If you have any difficulty logging in, please contact the Four Wheel Drive Victoria office. The Mt Skene permit will be located under Member Resources on the left hand side after logging in. The same rules and limits still apply (20 cars max per club per day, each day must be a separate permit, maximum of 80 cars on the mountain per day). Permits will be emailed through the website and must still be printed out and carried with the trip leader. Detailed instructions have been sent to club executives to distribute within your club. They can also be viewed on the permit application page.



Affiliation Fee Reminder

Affiliation fee reminders have been sent out along with member templates to update club records at the Four Wheel Drive Victoria office. Please make sure these are returned ASAP along with payment of fees which is now due. These reminders and notices have been sent to club executive email addresses, please make sure to check junk incase they have filtered there.





Trackwatch Articles Needed

We need interesting articles and high-resolution photos about your club for Trackwatch magazine. Trackwatch is distributed far beyond our clubs and is seen by many organizations as well as Government agencies and politicians, so it is a terrific way to show your club to the world.

Please email your articles and photos to projects@fwdvictoria.org.au

If you don't want to receive a hard copy of Trackwatch and would rather read it electronically, send an email to the Four Wheel Drive Victoria office, office@fwdvictoria.org.au. The latest 4 issues of Trackwatch are always available to read on the Four Wheel Drive Victoria website. www.fwdvictoria.org.au

Do You Log Your Volunteer Work? Track Clearing and Flood Assistance

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.

With many seasonal closure gates opening on the 27th of October there are many clubs getting out there to assist land managers in track clearing. There is also a big opportunity for clubs to assist in flood clean ups. Please make sure to submit these volunteer hours to projects@fwdvictoria.org.au and thank you to all our clubs that complete countless volunteer hours.

If your club has done any volunteer work including track clearing or flood assistance please fill in the volunteer hours form.

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

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