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UPCOMING TRIPS & MORE!

Jarrahdale Jaunt

Ross Mead

It finally happened. After being cancelled at the first attempt due to bad weather, the Jarrahdale Jaunt v2 went ahead on a fine day with 22 Subaru 4WD Club members and family gathering at the meeting point.

After introductions and a trip briefing, the first obstacle was to navigate our way through the major powerline works happening with traffic management restricting our access to the Jarrahdale Road.

From the meeting point, it was off up Jarrahdale Road to Jarrahdale. This was not straight forward.

See inside for more details





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President's Report

Deborah Thyne



I would like to extend my thanks to **Ross Mead** for acting in the President's position while I was away on the Big Lap Trip. The members on this trip had a wonderful time and reports, including a trip book, are currently being drafted so we can share our experiences and sights with members. Due to the length of the trip these reports may take a longer than usual to finalise but I am also looking forward to delivering presentations at General Meetings.

In accordance with Karl's wishes, a social event including lunch was organised by **Jo Norton** and held at the Bayswater Sea Scout Hall on the 14th of September. The hall allowed easy access to a grassed area outside on the riverbank and members were able to enjoy the warm spring sunshine. Karl's son Adrian, wife Bernadette and two sons joined us for this event. Members also shared their memories of Karl during his many years in the club. At the end Adrian asked to say a few words which included how much the club was a part of Karl's life.

The club **Annual Dinner and Awards** night is being held in York on October 26. This is up as a trip on the website if you would like to attend. Voting is now open for the Annual Awards, including silly awards. To make this a little easier for you members will have received an email inviting you to participate in nominations and voting. To allow time for collation have your voting completed by October 9 please.

For those who wish to travel back to Perth after the Annual Dinner in York a convoy will be available as far as the bottom of Greenmount Hill.

With the **Annual General Meeting** being held on 12 November, it is time to start considering who you would like to represent the club on the Committee in 2025. At the October Committee Meeting a proposal will be put forward to streamline and formalise the voting process for Committee Members. We will let you know the outcome of this at the **October General Meeting** on the 8th of October.

It is also time to start planning for trips in 2025 so please share your ideas on where you would like to go be it a day, weekend, or longer trip. There are members willing to work with you as a trip leader to help you with trip planning and on the trip.

See you out there in your Subaru!

Deborah Thyne
President
Subaru 4WD Club of Western Australia

Writing a Trip Report

Vanessa Carn



On each trip the leader will ask one or more of the members to write a report. If you can't write the report assigned to you, please let the trip leader know. Otherwise, send your trip report(s) in to the trip leader to review and collate as soon after the trip as you can.

Trip leaders please **include photos** with collated reports if you can. Send photos as **separate files**, or send a link to your cloud image storage (eg Dropbox) to share them. Do not embed them in the trip report document(s) as the image quality is reduced if you do.



Things to include with your report(s):

- Your name
- The trip name
- The date and day of the trip
- Photos - Please name & date all images -
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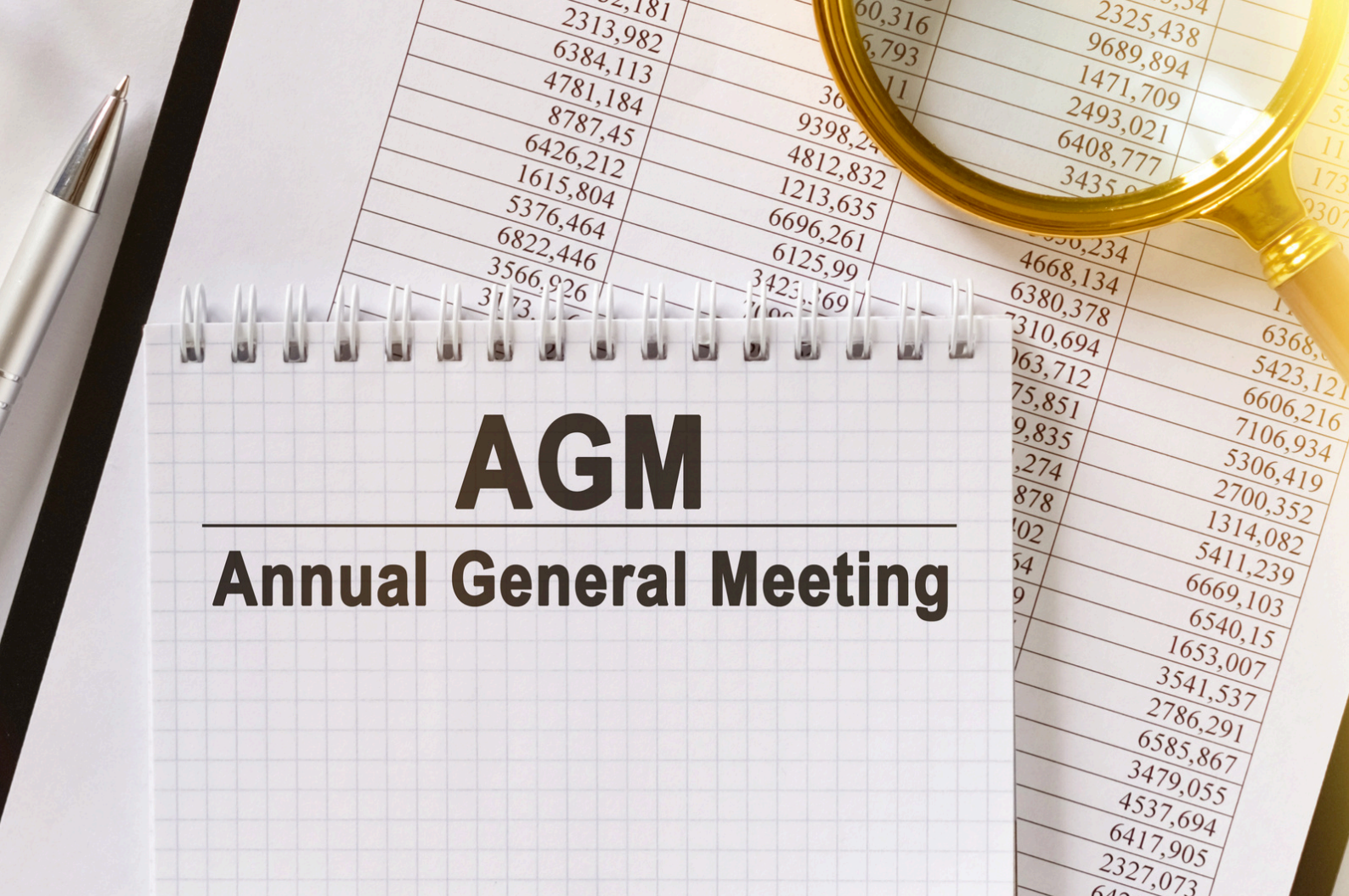
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Annual General Meeting



**NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
FOR THE
SUBARU 4WD CLUB OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.**

**TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2024
IN THE
CITY OF SOUTH PERTH LIBRARY MOPOKE ROOM AND
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE**

AGM FOLLOWS THE GENERAL MEETING WHICH STARTS AT 7.30 PM

**AGM AGENDA INCLUDES: PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT,
TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENTS,
AND ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS & COMMITTEE**

SUBARU 4WD CLUB OF W.A. INC.

CLUB MERCHANDISE – buy items at meetings



Bisley khaki 100% cotton long sleeve shirts (Mens and Women's sizes) are available at a subsidised cost of \$40 with logo (but no name) and \$45 with logo and name.

If you buy a shirt from Club stock with no name, you can have your name added later by taking the shirt to Hip Pocket in Balcatta and having it embroidered (on the spot if you ring first) at a cost of \$9.



Royal blue & white ("Contrast") polyester/cotton polo shirts (with pocket) are available at a subsidised cost of \$15



JBsWear Full Zip Polar Jackets (in Mens and Women's sizes) with logo (to be added) are available for \$36.

Details: 100% polyester for durability; 290gsm low pill polar fleece; 2 front pockets; and adjustable elastic hem with toggles.



Cap – royal blue and white. Logo to be added. \$15



Broad Brimmed Khaki Hat \$20



Royal blue and white ("Podium Bold") 100% polyester polo shirts (with pocket) are available at a subsidised cost of \$15.



Club stickers \$3



Embroidered Badges \$5



Navy blue beanies – \$12

The supplier of all Club clothing items is Hip Pocket Workwear & Safety, Balcatta.

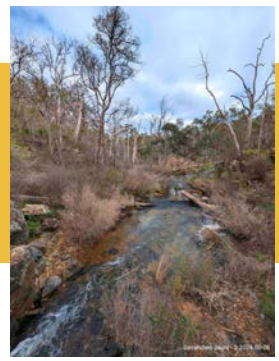


Flat pack neoprene can coolers – \$5

Jarrahdale Jaunt 2

8 September 2024

Various authors



Naomi takes up the story.

Having grown up in Jarrahdale as a child I thought a nice quiet easy drive up the hill on Jarrahdale Road, we'd be there in no time. Wrong! I should know by now that Ross doesn't always follow the main road. Shortly after starting off, we turned right on to Medulla Road which took us for a scenic drive through some beautiful rolling paddocks and farmlets. After several turns on different bitumen roads, we arrived at a closed gate. Ross proceeded to open the gate, and we all drove through, closing the gate behind us. This led us into the Serpentine National Park via back tracks.

Driving on gravel, windy tracks, rough at some sections, and deep gouges having appear after heavy rains. Deep puddles caused quite a splash, and Mary was in her element driving through, it was quite a sight and I'm sure her nephew did enjoy it too!! Too bad for the car behind her (us!) as it scored a new brown paint job. Eventually we came back out onto Jarrahdale Road just before the townsite of Jarrahdale and continued on our way.

From here, it was on to the Cemetery car park next to Stacey's Walk Trail. Parking was at a premium as a lot of other people had also decided to walk the trail. It was here that Tom awarded best word play of the day to Mark for is response when Ross advised that there were new toilets in the Cemetery should anyone feel the need. Mark's comment was that *'he wasn't dying to get there.'*

Cameras and water bottles in hand, everyone set off to explore the 1.9km **Stacey's Track**. This track traverses some beautiful virgin Jarrah forest as it heads downslope before crossing **Gooralong Brook**. The track then follows the brook downstream to the old Gooralong Park before returning back up the hill to its start point.



Staceys Track



Crossing Gooralong Brook



Tom guessing the Balgas age

Along the way, Ross explained how to identify the various forest tress and other plants including why the small tree *Persoonia Longifolia* got its common name of 'Snottygobble.' Maths lessons were also included when everyone had a go at estimating the age of various Balga's given the information that they grow about 1cm per year.

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Along the way, we visited the old Gooralong Park. This was one of the first farms in the Jarrahdale area and had its own water powered flour mill which was constructed by Joseph Batt.

Heading back up the hill to our cars, Ross asked us to identify why a small Marri tree next to the track had died. After a close inspection, various ideas were put forward from the group before he showed where a lightning bolt had hit the tree which is what caused its demise.

Back at our cars, it was time to head to the Serpentine Dam for lunch. Continuing with the days theme of not staying on the main roads, Ross led us along various tracks to get there. According to Tom, *'I wasn't actually expecting any off roading but there were some short sections involving puddles and one moderate hill climb which included loose rocks. At one point it seemed like Ross was leading us through the backyards of the local forestry personnel.'*

Fortunately, there was plenty of parking at our lunch location in the Serpentine Dam Lower Picnic Area. Samantha explains, *'We stopped for lunch at Serpentine Dam, where we chatted and laughed with fellow members and watched as friendly parrots eagerly interacted with other visitors.'*

Along the walk, we learnt that Jarrahdale was first settled in 1872 and was a significant contributor to the development and wealth of Western Australia. The timber industry in the area employed several thousand people at its peak and was one of the major industrial sites in the state during the latter part of the 19th century. A rail line was built from Jarrahdale to the new port of Rockingham to allow export of timber cut at Jarrahdale around the world. This was the second railway line to be built in WA. The first was built near Busselton, also for the transport of timber to port.

Jarrahdale blocks were cut and exported to Europe for paving of streets as they were quieter and provided more grip for the wagon wheels especially in wet conditions than cobble stones. Approximately 92,000,000 jarrahdale blocks were cut and exported from Jarrahdale in a 10-year period in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

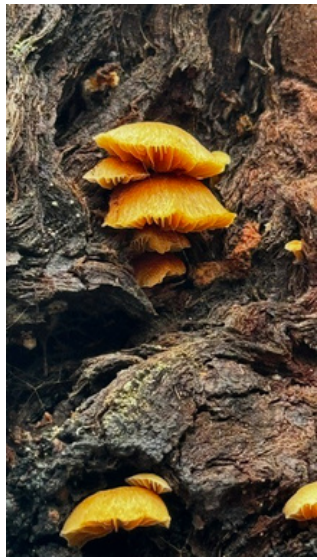
All the walking and talking had made some of us thirsty so after completing the walk, some headed off to the General Store for a reviving coffee and cake whilst others decided to head off home.

According to Ros:

Our recent tour through Jarrahdale and surrounds included indigenous and first settler's history. We learnt how to identify the various trees. A fun and informative day. Navigating the tracks would have been challenging if we hadn't had our expert guide so show us where to go ('No Through Road' equals there is always another way out).



Jarrahdale Town Walk



**(Clockwise from left)
Mary & Jarrah, Fungi, Old Mill Building, Local Resident**

This was such a lovely day. It has been a while since I have been able to go on club trips and this did not disappoint. It was the perfect combination of driving through bush tracks with muddy puddles to splash in and walking through beautiful green forest. Stacy's Track loop walk was a delightful adventure. I loved discovering tinny fungi that looked fascinating when I zoomed in on them with my camera. Finding brightly coloured wild flowers was special but best of all was hugging some giant jarrah trees.

After a drive over the Serpentine Dam wall, we had lunch at a picnic spot below the dam where we found some very friendly 28 parrots. We then explored a heritage walk in Jarrahdale town. Ross was full of knowledge of the natural environment and the history of Jarrahdale town site, which was fascinating.

Thank you Ross for a delightful day and for everyone else on the trip whose company was so enjoyable.
Mary Roberts



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- 2 Pressure Unit Types

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- Screw on or Clip on versions
- Valve Pin can be lost
- not compatible with in-built TPMS

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DIGITAL VALVE REMOVAL RAPID DEFLATOR

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- Simplicity - Helpful
- Value - Most expensive isnt always best
- Speed - Quick is good, but we aren't racing
- Reliability - Long lasting, No Batteries

Karl's Social Event

Saturday 14 September 2024
Joy Unno

It was a perfect, sunny day for a picnic as over 40 Subaru Club members assembled at the Bayswater Sea Scout Hall on the banks of the Swan River. We were here to enjoy ourselves due to the late Karl Boeing's kind donation and his request for Jo Norton to organise a social event for Club Members.

The location was perfect, where people could sit inside the hall in the shade or park themselves in their camping chair outside with a fantastic view of the river and Garrat Road Bridge. It was a wonderful opportunity to catch up and chat with many members that you hadn't seen for a while. Food catering was provided in the donation, with a good selection of tasty finger foods as well as providing for people with specific dietary requirements.



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One of the highlights of the day was that Karl's son Adrian, wife Berni and sons Benji and Felix were able to attend. After the first lunch course was done our President, Deborah Thyne, welcomed Karl's family and acknowledged Karl's donation that enabled members to celebrate his memory. Adrian spoke a few words, saying how he was glad he and his family were invited, and it was great to see so many members come to celebrate the occasion. Adrian said how Karl loved being with the Subaru Club people and going on trips, and that the Subaru Club was very important to his father. He said his father lived life with great enthusiasm, relating one time when Karl broke a vertebra in his neck and just carried on with his day. When Karl finally went to the doctors, they told Adrian that they had never seen this type of injury in anyone who was still alive.



Deborah then asked if anyone had a story to relate about Karl on one of the Club's trips. Quite a few people including Ray, Keith Low, Keith Wilcox, Nina, and David shared memories of Karl and his enthusiasm, cheerful outlook and generosity. Stories included Karl's habit of climbing on top of high objects including rocks, bridge railings, monuments, and mountains, Karl's ability to roll his car in the ditch on a Bight trip but then still carry on with the journey regardless, his great love of hiking that led to him becoming lost on Mt Augustus (to be rescued by Nina), and his great love of swimming even on his last trip, Karl's Beach run. Jo commented on Karl's generosity in buying everyone an ice-cream, even Chip the dog.



After the ice-cream story, Deborah segued into announcing dessert which included several flavours of Ice-cream. Jo suggested a sundae competition and immediately people were into it.

It was a great day, everybody had good vibes, and I think Karl's wish to provide a happy social occasion was well-and-truly fulfilled. Well done to Jo and everyone else who helped on the day.



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Tiptoe through the Tulips

31 August 2024

Uta Bauer



Every year Araluen puts on a Tulip festival with the help of many volunteers that plant the tulip bulbs and assist visitors to find their way around. We met our first volunteer at the car park gates who flatly refused us entry at a few minutes to opening even in spite of the pouring rain. It had been raining steadily the whole drive down and I was a bit apprehensive how this trip would go but we were lucky the rain held off from not long after we entered, until we were all ready to leave.

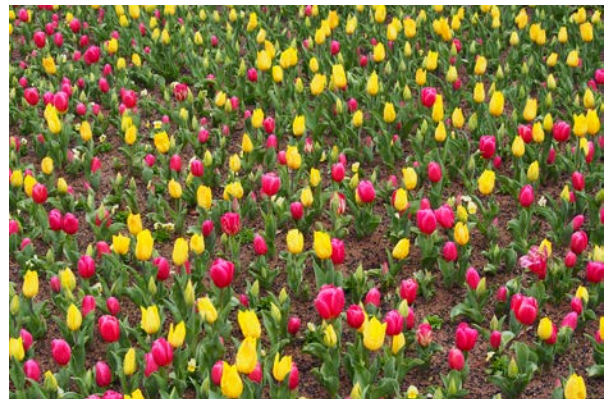
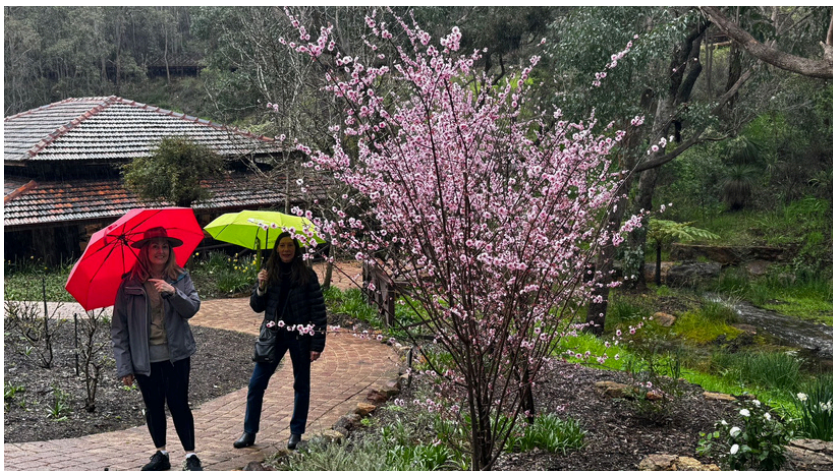
It was Mary's first trip in ages, so it was good to see her out, even if it wasn't off roading! She brought with her some young family members who by all accounts, enjoyed the morning exploring the park's surrounds, flora and fauna.



Robert, Wendy, Mary, Uta, Margaret and Ian



Alli alongside a bed of tulips



(Left) Alli, Uta and an ornamental cherry blossom

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After a quick morning tea stop at the Roundhouse Café, we wandered into the large lawn by the creek where the kids had fun exploring along the water's edge and up around the man made tiered waterfall. There were stalls and food trucks also to check out.



Uta and Mary by a large red camelia



Duck family



Fringed tulip



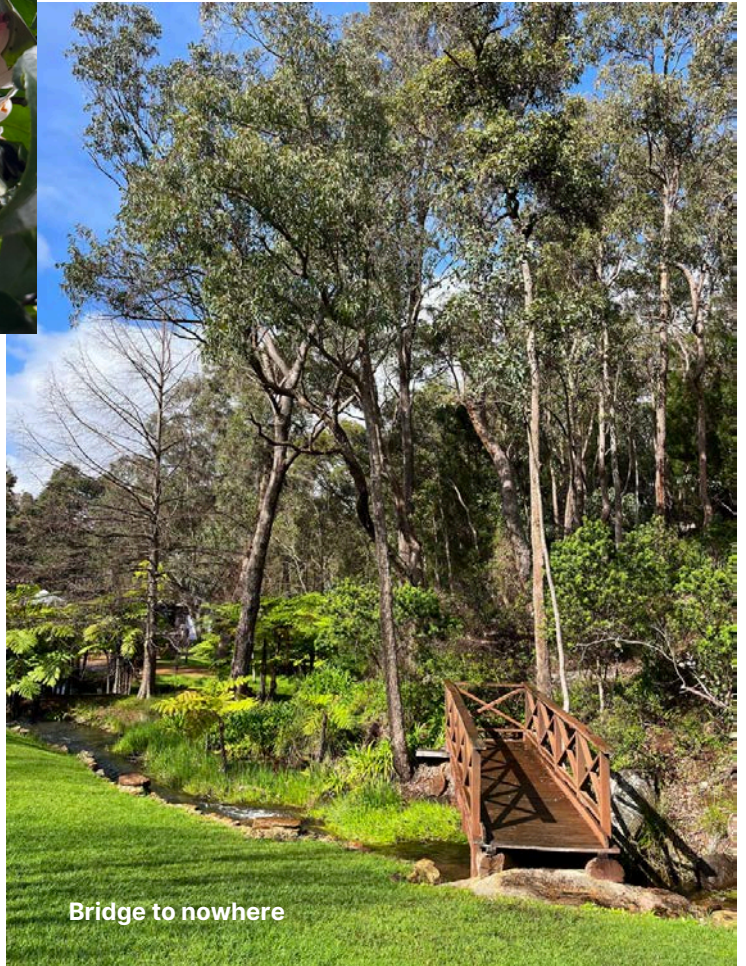
Stinton creek



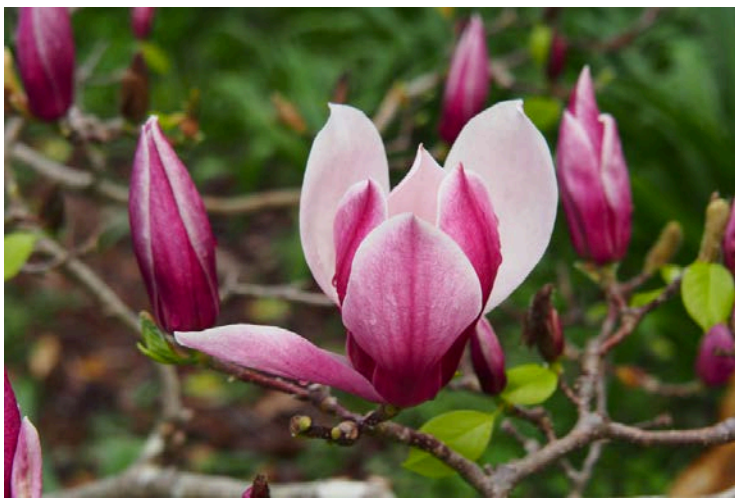
Stunning camelia



Mary with her niece and nephews



Bridge to nowhere



Beds of tulips were on display through the park along with plenty of other beautiful flowers including camellias, pericallis, magnolias and daffodils. We were probably a couple of weeks too early to see the display at its best, but it was still a good day out.

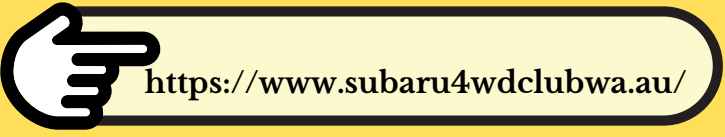
Some chose to eat in the newly reopened Chalet Healy Café while others found a couple of picnic table by the creek. Then the trek back to our cars and back home in pouring rain!

Photos supplied by Ian, Alli, Mary and Uta



Trips & Socials

Please refer to the club website for all dates & details



<https://www.subaru4wdclubwa.au/>

OCTOBER 2024

OCTOBERFEST
19 OCTOBER



ANNUAL DINNER & AWARDS
26 OCTOBER

NOVEMBER 2024

SUBARU CLUB STAND @ 4WD SHOW
8-10 NOVEMBER

MARTINS TANK OVERNIGHT CAMP
23-24 NOVEMBER



BELVIDERE & BUFFALO BEACH TRIP
24 NOVEMBER

CHRISTMAS GATHERING IN THE PARK
30 NOVEMBER

JANUARY 2025



LEDGE POINT 4WD DAY TRIP
19 JANUARY

AUSTRALIA DAY LWE - IDEAS NEEDED
25-27 JANUARY

Day Trip

UHF radios are required for all club trips. They can be hired from the club by indicating on the website when you put your name down for a trip or by contacting trips co-ordinator Adrian on 0424 723 558 or email trips@subaru4wdclubwa.au

FEBRUARY 2025

MYALUP - PRESTON - WHITEHILLS
BEACH DRIVE
16 FEBRUARY



MARCH 2025

GUILDERTON TO SEABIRD 4WD TRIP
30 MARCH



APRIL

EASTER TRIP IDEAS NEEDED (4 DAYS)
18-21 APRIL

EASTER+ANZAC EXTENDED TRIP (10 DAYS)
18-27 APRIL

ANZAC TRIP IDEAS NEEDED (3DAYS)
25-27 APRIL

MAY/JUNE

WA4WDA GATHERING IN ALBANY
31MAY - 2 JUNE - GET YOUR NAME DOWN EARLY

The Club is running trips for members in accordance with the latest advice issued by the WA State Government COVID-19 Guidelines.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Graeme Sexton



Hi All



I hope you have enjoyed your membership of the Subaru 4WD Club of WA during 2024. There has certainly been a lot on!

Annual membership of the Club commences on the 1st October each year and runs through until the 30th September the following year. To remain a member, club fees are required to be paid by no later than 30th December each year.

If you wish to continue as a member of the Subaru 4WD Club of WA, please now forward your membership fee for 2025 to the Club's Treasurer as detailed below. Please note that if you are a new member having joined the Club since 1st July 2024, your membership has been extended to include the 2025 Club year. If you are a Life Member of the Subaru 4WD Club of WA, thank you for your service, you are exempt from membership fees.

Annual fees are:

Metro member - \$50

Country member (including the City of Mandurah) - \$40

Social member (Only able to attend meetings and social events) -\$40.

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Fees can be paid by direct debit to the Club's bank account.

Details are:

Account name – Subaru 4WD Club of WA.

BSB – 036078 (Westpac)

Account Number – 289726.

Be sure to include your name with any payment.

I look forward to seeing you at club events for the remainder of 2024 and in 2025. Please contact me if you have any questions about your membership.

Regards

Graeme Sexton

Membership Coordinator

Email: membership@subaru4wdclubwa.au

Phone: 0407 999 268

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Join us for the **WA4WDA Associate Gathering**
weekend, hosted by Albany 4WD Club and WA4WDA.

This is a **Family Friendly Event** and open to all **Club Members, Family,**
and guests.



Quiz Night

Raffles

4WD day trips

And more....



When: **31st May – 2nd June 2025**

Time: **Friday from 2pm to Monday 10am**

Where: **Kalgan River Caravan Park**

247 Nanarup Road, Kalgan

BYO Everything you need for the weekend!

Limited Powered Sites. Unpowered sites & Cabins available.

BOOKINGS NEED to be made ASAP –

Phone: 08 9844 7937

Online: www.kalganrivercaravanpark.com.au

Please state the following on your booking– I am with the WA Four Wheel Drive Association and your club name.

MORE DETAILS TO COME CLOSER TO THE DATE!



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Chocolate Zucchini Slice

Combine:

1.5 cups raw sugar
1/2 cup vegetable oil
2 teaspoons vanilla
2 cups SR flour
1/4 cup cocoa (sifted)
2 eggs
1 teaspoon salt

Stir in:

2 zucchinis finely grated
1 cup milk chocolate chips

Bake in:

20 x 20cm cake tin for 30 to 35 minutes
180 degrees Celsius

3 tablespoons icing sugar sifted or fresh cream
over the top to serve



