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December 2024 - January 2025

LandCruising Australia Wide

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from your President

Hello Members,

What a great weekend at Port Elliot Showgrounds for the annual Christmas party. Congratulations to Pam and the Social Committee for another great event. Congratulations also to Beryl, who got the first prize in the Special raffle held there, much to her amazement and delight. Thanks to

Cornes Toyota for supplying the prizes.

The Constitution has been adopted by members at the November General meeting and is now to go to the office of Consumer and Business Affairs for their records. I plan to have copies of the Constitution and By-laws and Rules made available to members by a regular printing in the Newsletter, in the hope that members will read them and be aware of their content, such as "Convoy Rules" and "Membership" definitions.

There is still time to get involved with the Australia Day weekend excitement at Beachport. New regulations governing the access to the beach are now in place, meaning that drivers cannot exit the sand willy-nilly by driving over private property. So when you get into trouble, you will have the help from the rest of your TLCCSA members to get you going. Please book via Trybooking or speak to our Trips Coordinator asap.

(URL for Beachport is < https://www.trybooking.com/CSKSE)

Michael (and Ian), our Environment Officers, have set the dates for our annual cactus activities at Gum Creek, Moolooloo and Arkaroola. Please check further into the Newsletter for details and book in. I note that there is time between Gum Creek and Moolooloo for a quick visit to the Farina Bakery. That gives us an opportunity to confirm that their Vanilla Slice continues to top the list!!

Also note the Training Program has been set by our Education Officer for 2025. Please check in the current Newsletter for the detail and book early.

Finally, a reminder that the January meeting is on the third Monday of the month – Monday 20th January - as the fourth clashes with the Australia Day weekend and the Beachport trip.

May you all have a joyous and happy festive season, Safe Travels,



Vlad Humeniuk
TLCCSA President



The President and Committee Members wish to extend Season's Greetings to all members, sponsors and their families and thank them for their participation in Club activities throughout the year. May 2025 bring you good health and happiness.



The 20th January 2025 General Meeting will be held at ~ West Adelaide Football Club 57 Milner Rd, Richmond.

Open at 6.45pm. It is important that you book your spot - use booking code. https://www.trybooking.com/CWXDK



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Next General Meeting:

20th January 2025, 7.30pm, **West Adelaide Football Club**.

Trip Reports:

Guest Speaker:

Jason Sabeeney

Emission Targets Threat

Newsletter Articles Deadline: Friday 7th February 2025

Please ensure submissions are lodged prior to the deadline to support the newsletter timelines. Please send articles and separate original photos to:

newsletter@tlccsa.asn.au and remember to include the names of members when submitting photos.

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As part of the disclosure requirements for our Public/Directors & Officer Liability insurance, please contact a committee member with relevant information if you are or become aware that:

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- Any Director or Officer has ever been subject to disciplinary action, been fined or penalised or been subject to an enquiry in their capacity as a Director or Officer of the club or any other association.
- You have any knowledge or information of any incident, act, error or omission that may give rise to a claim of the type as would be covered by the policy,

Welcome!

The club would like to extend a warm welcome to the following new members for the month of December 2024.

- Janet Ahrens from Gawler
- Anthony & Tracey Blaser from Richmond
- Remo Nanni & Anna Ricci from Rostrevor
- Mark Ramage & Valerie Ramage from Fairview Park
- Anthony & Keera Tavelli from Mount Barker
- Jeff & Cathie Vincent from Happy Valley

May your membership to the club be a long and memorable one.

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club yearly calendar - 2025

January 2025

Mon 20^{th} ~ General Meeting, WAFC Fri 24^{th} - Tues 28^{th} ~ Beachport

February 2025

Sat 8th - Sat 15th ~ Victorian High Country Scenic

Wed 12th ~ New Members Night

Sun 16th ~ Summer Breakfast - Kenton Valley

Sun 23rd ~ Tyre Repair - Ironbank

Mon 24th ~ General Meeting, WAFC

March 2025

Sat 1st - Sun 2nd ~ 4WD Theory

Sat 8th - Sun 9th ~ Peake Sand Driving

Fri 14th - Mon 17th ~ Clean Up Australia - Coorong

Sat 22nd - Sun 23rd ~ Caravan Safety Awareness

Mon 24th ~ General Meeting, WAFC

Sun 30th - Sat 5th Apr ~ National Gathering 2025

April 2025

Mon 28th ~ General Meeting, WAFC

May 2025

Thur 8^{th} - Fri 16^{th} ~ Arkaroola Cactus Cull

Fri 16th - Sun 18th ~ Advisor Course - Morgan

Sat 17th - Sun 18th ~ Ascent / Descent - Morgan

Mon 26th ~ General Meeting & AGM, WAFC

June 2025

Fri 6th - Mon 9th ~ Bendleby Ranges

Mon 23rd ~ General Meeting, WAFC

Sat 28th - Sun 29th ~ Peake Sand Driving

July 2025

Mon 21st - Sun 27th ~ Gum Creek Cactus Culling

Sun 27th - Sat 2nd Aug ~ Moolooloo Cactus Cullling

Mon 28th ~ General Meeting, WAFC

August 2025

Mon 28th ~ General Meeting, WAFC

Sat 30th - Sun 31st ~ 4WD Theory

September 2025

Sat 6^{th} - Sun 7^{th} ~ Peake Sand Driving

Mon 22nd ~ General Meeting, WAFC

More Trips? - "You can help" Know of a place you'd like to visit & would like to share it with us? Think about it and let us know. If you're not able to be the trip leader for your suggestion, then the Committee will seek some one who may be willing to do so. So have a think about it and let us know about a weekend or long weekend trip.

Talk to our Trips Officer - Pin Needham (trips@tlccsa.asn.au)



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Special Offer for TLCCSA Members



trips

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Social Officer

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trip ratings

SCENIC: Bitumen & dirt roads, limited 4wding, lookouts, flora and fauna of the local area, other points of interest.

EASY: Mainly off bitumen on formed tracks, some 4wding, no steep inclines or declines.

MODERATE: Bush terrain, beach terrain, some inclines or side slopes, soft sand or mud areas, easy creek crossings.

HARD: Rough terrain, steep inclines, steep side slopes, rough creek crossings, possible towing and/or snatching.

DIFFICULT: Very rough terrain, very steep inclines, steep side slopes, slippery conditions, difficult creek crossings, some towing, snatching and or winching.

CLUB PROPERTY

To those valiant members who put their name forward to be a Trip Leader for remote areas may I please ask that when submitting your trip application form you email me your considered emergency equipment requirements, i.e. defibrillator/first aid kit etc.

We only have a limited number of items to loan out and if I have advance notice of requirements I can allocate and plan accordingly based on priority of use not first in best dressed.

Larry Coaker 0419230036 larrco119@gmail.com

events calendar

Register now via trybooking.com

1. Beachport 2025

Date: Fri 24th - Tues 28 Jan 2025

Leader: Pin Needham & Paul Hoskins

Convov: 20 vehicles (5 booked)

Rating: Extensive sand driving, ideal for those who have been to Peake.

Details: Equipment required - sand flag, shovel, tyre pressure guage, tyre pump, UHF radio and max trax (if you have them). Members can attend the Australia Day Breakfast hosted by the Lions Club on Sunday 26th.

Location: Based at Southern Ocean Tourist Park, Beachport. Minimum four nights, powered site \$46 per night, unpowered \$34 per night. NB: Prices subject to change for 2025

https://www.trybooking.com/CSKSE

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2. Victorian High Country **Camping Treck - Licola**

Date: Sat 8 Feb - Sat 15 Feb 2025

Leader: Craig Marchant

Convoy: 5 vehicles (5 booked)

Rating: Moderate - Difficult

Comment - Scenic tour of the Vic high country. Spend 5 days off grid, camping alongside rivers and enjoying the stunning scenery of the V.H.C. Traverse the many valleys and mountain tops, with lots of river crossings and exciting ascends and descends.

Day 1. Meet at Licola at 5pm utilising the complementary undercover BBQ area with its fire pit for dinner and drinks.

Day 2. Optional day trip to Walhalla. A well preserved 161-year-old historical town that has been used as a backdrop for several movies. Take a gold mine tour and do scenic walks around the town.

Day 3 to 5. Leave Licola and traverse the VHC Ridge line drives, ascends to mountain tops, descends to valleys and camp next to pristine rivers.

Day 6. Travel towards Jamieson on the all weather road that continues at elevation, providing stunning scenic

views. Camp along the Jamieson River, approx. 10-15km east of Jamieson.

Day 7. Rest day to do as you wish. Day trip to Jamieson, swim or fish the river, circular bushwalk or enjoy the tranquillity of relaxing by the river.

Day 8. Trip ends leaving the campsite at your leisure. Easy drive back to the bitumen via the Jamieson / Licola rd.

Must have A/T's with 50% tread. Recovery gear including 4 x traction boards if no winch and tyre repair kit.

https://www.trybooking.com/CTKAM

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NEW

3. Summer Brunch

Date: Sunday February, 16th, 2025.

Where: Home of Sue and Brian Stone, "The Birches" - 653 Kenton Valley Road, Kenton Valley SA 5233

What: Very Social

Numbers: unlimited (5 booked)

Cost: \$10 per head.

Detail: Come along and start the year with a Social Brunch at members, Sue and Brian Stones' home. A yummy brunch will be cooked by the Social Committee, and includes welcoming bubbles and orange juice.

10.00 a.m. Start. Bring your own picnic table, chairs, tablecloth, cutlery, crockery, glasses and decorations. Prizes for fanciful decorations. Meet old friends, make new friends. Everyone welcome. Please note this event will be cancelled if the day is declared "Extreme or Catastrophic Fire Danger."

https://www.trybooking.com/CXGMC

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4. Clean Up Australia Coorong NP & beaches

Date: Fri 14 - Mon 17 March 2025

Leaders: Michael Polacek Rating: Moderate - sand driving. Convoy: Unlimited

Comment: The Coorong is about 200km from Adelaide. Based at the Cantara Homestead there's plenty of camping area, or limited accomodation in the homestead, all with access to toilets and showers on site. CUA activity involves cleaning up the Coorong beaches and campsites. A well supported activity. Members usually arrive on the Friday beforehand (14th) to set up camp. Work is then carried out on the following day followed by a Club provided BBQ tea on the Saturday night. Possible clean up on the Sunday or a day of relaxation. Leave on Monday. Bring recovery gear, shovels, good gloves - footwear and sun protection.

Required - 2 trailers, markers, bags, good gloves for collecting rubbish.

Recovery equipment and compressor essential.

https://www.trybooking.com/CXKIG

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5. Toyota Landcruiser Clubs National Gathering 2025

Date: 30 March to 5 April 2025 **Location:** Mansfield Showgrounds Victoria

Leader: Vlad Humeniuk Convoy: 30 (26 booked)

Comment: The Toyota Land Cruiser Club of Victoria is planning an epic event to welcome you to discover the best of the Victoria Alps. Days filled with adventure and evenings around a campfire; an opportunity to share stories.

- Victorian High Country
- Discover Mansfield
- Drive the tracks
- Discover their unique property at Yarck
- Discover Bush Huts & Wineries

https://www.trybooking.com/CMHBR

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6. Arkaroola Cactus Cull

Date: 8 May - 16 May 2025

Leaders: Michael Polacek

Convoy: 30 people.

Rating: Scenic and moderate. Tracks accessing cactus areas and the trip on

the rest day will be moderate.

Arkaroola Station is 140 km east of Copley. This working bee is for 1 week of culling, identifying and recording jumping cholla cactus eradication efforts.

There are some quarters with toilets and showers. Caravan, camper vans and tents can be easily accommodated as there is plenty of room.

The station has some fantastic drives and a history to be explored.

https://www.trybooking.com/CXPAV

*** NEW ***

7. Bendleby Ranges

Leaders: James & Lin Edwards **Date:** Fri 6 - Mon 9 June 2025

Convoy: 20 vehicles

Rating: There are 200 km of tracks on the property with varying degrees of difficulty from easy to difficult in rough hilly country with some steep ascents & descents and great views of the surrounding area.

Detail: Camp will be at one of the remote bush sites, suitable for vans, trailers & tents. Camp sites have toilets and please bring your own firewood. You wil need to be self sufficient for food & water. Fees are \$90 for the weekend plus \$27.50/night per person, (\$82.50 pp for 3 nights). Please bring evidence of Basic 4WD experience especially ascent & descent training at either Morgan or equivalent. Rated recovery points & equipment are required.

https://www.trybooking.com/CXKKP

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8. Gum Creek Cactus Cull

Date: 21 – 27 July 2025 **Leaders**: Michael Polacek **Convoy:** 24 people.

Rating: Scenic and moderate. Moderate tracks accessing cactus areas and rest day trip is usually moderate. This working bee is for one week of culling, identifying and recording wheel cactus eradication efforts.

Come and join us on Gum Creek Station in the Flinders Ranges. We have been doing this for 16 years. Join our expert team and have some fun. Some accommodation available in the shearers quarters or bring your van, camper trailer, tent, etc.

Persons attending Gum Creek Station are most welcome to then continue down the track to Moolooloo after completion on 27 July.

https://www.trybooking.com/CXKIP

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NEW

9. Moolooloo Cactus Cull

Date: 27 July - 2 August 2025

Leaders: Michael Polacek **Convoy**: 22 people.

Rating: Scenic and moderate. Tracks accessing cactus areas and the trip on the rest day will be moderate.

Moolooloo Station is 25 km north of Blinman. This working bee is for 1 week of culling, identifying and recording wheel cactus eradication efforts.

There are fabulous shearers quarters with toilets and showers. Vans and camper vans can be accommodated as there is plenty of room.

The station has some fantastic drives and a history to be explored.

https://www.trybooking.com/CXKKC



10. Fraser Island (K'gari) Scenic 2025 EOI

Date: Saturday 30 August 2025 5:00 PM - Sunday 7 September 2025 10:00 AM

Leaders: Craig Marchant **Convoy**: 22 people.

Rating: Scenic and moderate

Comment: Your opportunity to visit the world's largest sand island. The main way around the island is via the beach, which is generally easy to drive on, with a 80kph speed limit. The inland tracks can be rough due to the volume of traffic. More remote tracks have the potential to be softer and rutted out, again simply due to traffic and not being maintained.

Start at Rainbow Beach at 5:00pm on

events calendar

Register now via trybooking.com

August 30, staying overnight at Rainbow Beach Caravan Park, 308 Carlo Road, Rainbow Beach Qld 4581 before taking the ferry at Inskip Point to K'Gari on the 31st. Bush camping with facilities except for 1 night. Be aware of the Dingos. Contact Trip Leader for detailed itinerary and more information. No Caravans or Trailers.

Essential gear- Long handle shovel, basic recovery gear, compressor, Tyre deflater. Desirable - Traction Boards. Permits are required for vehicles driving on K'gari as well as separate camping permits at designated sites and dates. There is a Ferry charge of \$140 return. Contact the Trip Leader for more details.

Also remember that Rainbow Beach is approximately 2200 Km from Adelaide, allow 2-3 days each way for this journey.

https://www.trybooking.com/CXKLA

*** **NEW** ***

11. Ralph Abbott Argadells 2025

Dates: Fri 3 - Mon 6 Oct 2025 **Leader:** James & Linley Edwards

Convoy: Unlimited

Rating: Moderate to Hard

Comment: Rocky ascents and descents with some steep sections. Beautiful views across the surrounding landscape to Port Augusta, Lake Torrens.

Argadells Station 2641 Ardenvale Rd, 28km North of Quorn. A working sheep property of 32 square Km's approx 360km North of Adelaide.

Various tracks ranging from Moderate to Hard. Must have low ratio and good clearance with 4x4 experience in ascent/descent.

Trip Details: Travel to Argadells on Friday 4 Oct. BYO everything. Camping will be at one of the property's bush sites (Wint's) so will necessitate being completely self sufficient. Suitable for semi offroad/offroad caravans, camper trailers & tents.

For those who wish to bring an onroad van, there is a Caravan park available at \$35/night (2 people) approx 5km from the bush camp.

Property access is \$50 per vehicle plus camping fee of \$15/adult/night.

We will order some firewood from the property (\$100 to be shared between the attendees once we have final numbers) but please bring a bag along to supplement this.

For more information see their website.

https://www.argadells.com.au/ https://www.trybooking.com/CXKLJ

GENERAL

Blaze Aid + Habitat for Humanity ~ Volunteer List

Requests from these organisations can occur at short notice so it's great to have a updated members list that we can call on.

Using TryBookings will give us an upto-date list to of members to call on at short notice.

Putting your name on this list does not mean you are committed every time to go, it depends on your availability at the time.

Volunteers are often required to assist with towing trailers & materials, clearing rubbish and debris, etc. Fuel costs are generally re-imbursed.

If you would like to help as requests arise, please register via the link below.

https://www.trybooking.com/BOEYF

LET'S DO LUNCH CLUB

An ad hoc group who occasionally lunch (or it could be dinner) together to keep in touch and make new friends.

REGISTER VIA TRY BOOKING to indicate your interest. When an event is organised the organiser contacts all those registered and if you are free and the restaurant/venue appeals, you book in. No pre-paying – no permanent commitment.

Restaurant organisation is to be shared amongst those registered, with an emphasis on trying new and varied menus.

https://www.trybooking.com/CHTKR

SHOW & TELL

Tell us about your favourite gadget or item that is very useful in the home or whilst on safari.

Each month, a member can demonstrate the item in order to share innovation and knowledge. Send an email to Pam Humeniuk **social@tlccsa.asn.au** for further details. She would love to hear from you.

That's all for now folks!

VALE DAVID WARD

Members are advised of the recent passing of David Ward. David and Kate joined TLCCSA in 2002 and were active club members. David took on the Membership Officer role for some 10 years and both he and Kate took part in a number of Club activities. We extend our heartfelt sympathies to Kate and family.

Pictured here is David (*light blue shirt*) helping stack lawn for the Pinery fire recovery efforts in 2016



training calendar 2025

updated Nov 2024



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FROM	то	ACTIVITY	WHERE	FEES	DEPOSIT	INFORMATION
Wed 12th Feb 2025		New Members Night	SCC	Nil		https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJL
Sun 23rd Feb 2025		Tyre Repair	Ironbank	\$10 per person	\$10 per person	Fee covers the cost of materials and refreshments https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJM
Sat 1st Mar 2025	Sun 2nd Mar 2025	Theory	TBA	\$20 per person	\$20 per person	https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJN
Sat 8th Mar 2025	Sun 9th Mar 2025	Sand + Winching	Peake	\$40 per vehicle	\$40 per vehicle	Property access cost \$40 per car. No cost for basic training for enrolled members https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJO
Sat 22nd Mar 2025	Sun 23rd Mar 2025	Caravan Safety Awareness	Barossa Valley	\$120 per couple		https://www.trybooking.com/CXPUF
Sat 17th May 2025	Sun 18th May 2025	Ascent - Descent	Morgan	NIL	\$30 per vehicle	No cost for basic training for enrolled members.Deposit refunded on Saturday night https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJP
Sat 28th Jun 2025	Sun 29th Jun 2025	Sand + Winching	Peake	\$40 per vehicle	\$40 per vehicle	Property access cost \$40 per car. No cost for basic training for enrolled members. https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJQ
Sat 30th Aug 2025	Sun 31st Aug 2025	Theory	SCC	\$20 per person	\$20 per person	https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJR
Sat 6th Sep 2025	Sun 7th Sep 2025	Sand & Winching	Peake	\$40 per vehicle	\$40 per vehicle	Property access cost \$40 per car. No cost for basic training for enrolled members. https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJS
Sun 28th Sep 2025		GPS (Theory & Practical)	SCC	\$20 per person	\$20 per person	Fee covers cost of refreshments. https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJT
Sat 18th Oct 2025	Sun 19th Oct 2025	Ascent Descent	Morgan	NIL	\$30 per vehicle	No cost for basic training for enrolled members.Deposit refunded on Saturday night https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJU
Sun 26th Oct 2025		Trip Planning	TBA	\$20 per person	\$20 per person	Fee covers cost of refreshments. https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJW
Sun 9th Nov 2025		Basic Wheel Change and Pre-departure	Ironbank	\$10 per person	\$10 per person	Anyone enrolled in the training program who has not completed these two elements. https://www.trybooking.com/CXKJX

TLCCSA training team

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GEOFF THOMPSONMURRAY McCLAY
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TRAINERS: Conduct driver training

ASSESSORS: Conduct driver training & assessment

NOTE: All training sessions are subject to the availability of Trainers, Assessors and the number of member nominations. Small cost for advanced training and non enrolled members.

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SERVICE PROVIDER OF THE MONTH

The "Turd Burglar" to the Rescue.

Tom and Rets departed Adelaide for our North Western Australian adventure on the 12th of August 2024. Whilst travelling to Port Augusta, I noticed that the Fuel Maintenance warning light illuminated. We stopped at Port Augusta and filled up at the OTR with good clean fuel (hopefully), next I went to the Toyota dealer and immediately obtained and replaced the fuel filter. We overnight camped at Lake Hart. Next morning we headed towards Coober Pedy and I noticed that the cruiser was really sucking fuel, (i.e.31ltr/100km). The fuel gauge was acting more like a fan than a indicator of remaining fuel. I pulled over on the side of the road still some 150km short of Coober Pedy into a farm access gate area. I poured into the cruiser 2 x 20 ltr jerry's of diesel. Whilst doing this a truck came of the property and asked if he could offer assistance, the branding on the truck was "The Turd Burglar". I explained the predicament and Millie and Mollie offered me a further 30 ltrs of diesel. I offered him a \$100 dollars for this and he did not accept anything, so I gave him a couple bottles of wine.

The previous night whilst setting up I noticed that my Grey Water tank on the caravan looked in a rather precarious position. I got under the van and checked this out only to notice that the three lashing strap welds, had all failed and the tank was only hanging on by the plumbing. Some quick ratchet strap placements made this a temporary fix.

I asked the good Samaritan Millie if he knew anybody in Coober Pedy who could do some welding for me. Sure enough Millie was the man. Into Coober Pedy we went, I found his service yard and he started to look at the van for me. I unhitched the van and dropped Rets in town so she could get a coffee, and peruse the various retail outlets as needed. He said he would be about 1-2 hours. I proceeded back to his yard, he was still working on the van. I left and finally returned 5 hours later. Job fixed, I asked how much

(expecting to pay at least \$500), he said \$100 I refused to give him this and increased this to \$150 and a carton of drink.

These good Samaritan's run their own business and is the local Septic Tank pump and disposal operator.

How fortunate we came across the "Turd Burglar".

Tom Garamy and Rets Foran "PAPAG 0"



CARRICK HILL TOUR

We gathered on Thursday 26 Sept, out the front of Carrick Hill, the former home of Sir Edward "Bill" Hayward & his wife Ursula, set on 100 acres in the southern suburb of Springfield and gifted to the people of SA by the Hayward Family (of John Martins fame).

After admiring the beautiful sandstone facade and the various sculptures, our 2 guides split us in to equal sized groups. Our guides took us in separate directions and we were shown the many wonders of the Ursula Hayward designed gardens,





such as:

Old gum tree –
The 200+ year old gum was near the driveway to Carrick Hill.

Momotaro sculpture - A gift to SA on 31 Oct 1986 from the residents of Okayama prefecture, as a symbol of friendship.



Old Mitcham Dairy site – The site has disappeared but there is an archeological dig underway. Various farming items are on display.









The Children's Storybook Trail – which included references

to many British classic tales such as Wind in the Willows, Charlotte's Web, The Hobbit, The Jungle Book and many more.





The Hedges – were pruned by Cliff Jacobs using hand

shears for 50 years from 1936 to until his retirement in 1986.

The Pear Arbor Planted in the 1930s by Ursula Hayward using the pleached "plaited" technique.

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The vista over St Michaels church – The gardens provided a view out to the Gulf over the church, which was attended by the Haywards every Sunday, just a short walk down the hill from their home.

Sculptures – including Squared Circle by Greg Johns in 1986, which changed shape from a square to a circle as you walked around it.



We rejoined at the front of Carrick Hill but then split again in to our two groups and entered through the Vestibule to be met by the two storey Great Hall with imposing dual wooden stairs and railings. They were bought by Bill & Ursula during their honeymoon in England and shipped back to Adelaide. One club group started downstairs and the other upstairs.



The many highlights and uniqueness of the home were:

The master bedroom – with the Oak tester bed. The ceiling with the intricate pattern using the Tudor rose and Lalique glass ceiling fittings, highlighting Ursula's love of French design.

The master bedroom's large ensuite – which during it's time was state of the art through it's use of art deco tiles. A full size glass shower, heated towel rails and other fashionable fittings.



The main dining room – which had a 10 seater British Oak table, where you could imagine Sir Laurence Olivier and Vivien Leigh having sat & dined during their visit. The guide mentioned that many interesting, artistic people had been guests over the years, and if you were not considered to be entertaining you did not receive a second invitation.







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The guest rooms – There were many guest rooms of varying sizes.

The artwork – throughout the home there were many busts, sculptures and paintings. The Friends of Carrick Hill volunteers over time rotate the paintings with a large stock of art retained in the attic. The busts on display included Professor Albert Einstein by Jacob Epstein in 1933 & First Portrait of Deidre by Jacob Epstein in 1941.





The staff service areas & communication system – being state of the art at the time.





At the end we regrouped and the majority of us headed off to the local Edinburgh Hotel, now better known as the Ed, for a mix of drinks, lunch and chatter.

Our thanks go to **Denise Malcik** for putting together another interesting and entertaining TLCCSA event.

If you would like to help at Carrick Hill, you may wish to consider becoming a Friend of Carrick Hill. Full details are available here:

https://www.carrickhill.sa.gov.au/support/friends

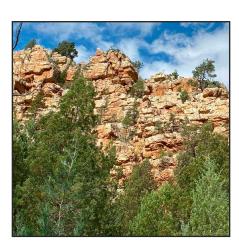
Written by Andrew Strain

Trip Report, Argadells - October 2024 by Chris Adams

October long weekend, and the chance to get out of the city on the Argadells trip. Our small group arrived at the property, just north of Quorn, at various times on the Friday, depending on distance travelled and ability to escape work commitment.

Leader James and Linley Edwards came from Whyalla, as did Leon, Charmaine and son Levi. Others came from down south, - Malen and Jan, Grant and Louisa, Leon and Michelle, Graham and Chris, and we set up at The Springs campground. It was a lovely site, and even had flushing toilets! A bit of fun was had finding a level site though. We were impressed by the campers who snuck in very late, and pitched camp without disturbing anyone. The track into our campsite involved lots of winding road, and steep drop offs on the side of the road, so would have been tricky to navigate in the dark. Very impressive, careful driving.

Saturday morning, in fine weather, we set out for Mt Arden, the first track we explored, of the many on the property. A challenging climb,



with leader James guiding us well. The wind was quite strong at the top, but we gained a magnificent view over the property, and out to Lake Torrens. Good downhill practice, as we came down "oh s..t hill", and back to camp for a lunch break.

After lunch we had a short drive to South Gorge, a magnificent rocky gorge which we explored on foot, Levi bounding ahead with his young legs.

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When we arrived back, we were met by Andrew and son Liam, who had been unable to join us until this stage.

Time for Happy Hour around the roaring fire, a box of red gum logs having been purchased from the property managers.

Sunday morning, we had to rise earlier, as daylight saving had ticked in. No complaints from these happy campers though. We set off again, this time in a north-westerly direction, and negotiated a couple of tricky rocky ascents, then we drove along the ridge top, gaining the feeling of wide, open spaces. From Mt Sprigg, we descended a long









slope, and then practiced the ascent several times, Charmaine doing a brilliant job, but unfortunately it wasn't recorded on camera. We returned to camp for a lunch break again, and then more afternoon driving, so that we could finish all the tracks on the property. Late that afternoon, we headed up to Mt Arden for sunset, taking a much more direct track than the first ascent. And we were successful in locating the two keen walkers, who had managed to get halfway before we picked them up.

Great comradery around the fire again that evening, we were a small but very happy group.



We saw some beautiful country, lots of plants were flowering, and quite a lot of wildlife was about. Many thanks to trip leaders **James and Lin**, who have stepped into Ralph Abbott's shoes to continue this fabulous annual trip. Make sure you put your name down for the next trip.

Written by Christine Adams





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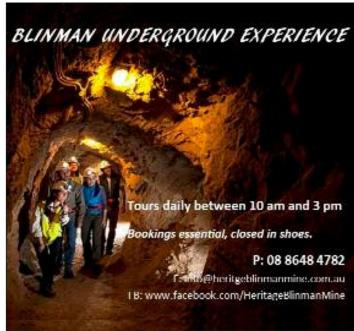






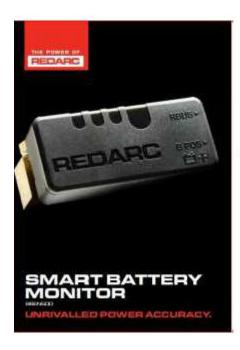












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Old Ghan Heritage Trail Signage Gets a Refresh - Outback Communities Authority Media Release

A major South Australian heritage trail is receiving a much-needed refresh. In this exciting Outback Communities Authority (OCA) initiative, throughout October the Toyota Landcruiser Club of South Australia (TLCCSA) will be installing upgraded signs along the entire length of the Old Ghan Railway Heritage Trail in South Australia, from Port Augusta to Pedirka Siding.



The Old Ghan Railway Heritage Trail is a significant tourist attraction developed in 2002 by David Tarr, with core funding from the South Australian Tourism Commission, and the Northern Territory Government for the section from the SA/NT border to Alice Springs.

Following the route of the Central Australia Railway, better known as the Old Ghan Railway, the trail consists of A-frame interpretive signs sitting on old railway trolleys, dotted at key sites along the 1200km route from Port Augusta through the Flinders Ranges, along the Oodnadatta Track and up to Alice Springs.

The signs, however, have suffered the fate of anything left to bake for 20 years in the unforgiving outback sun. Many signs are cracked and faded, and some are now

completely illegible. Given the

significance of the Old Ghan's story to the history and heritage of many communities in Outback SA, the OCA took it upon themselves to rework the heritage trail signage, conducting research to expand the stories told along the trail, and finding rich historical imagery and contemporary design to refresh the signs for tourism. Simone Brock, OCA Manager of Corporate and Strategic Projects, played a key role in this project and found it highly rewarding: "It's been fascinating to learn about the history of the Central Australia Railway and its significance in nurturing thriving outback communities during its heyday", she said. "I loved researching historic images and



being transported to a time when the railway was a lifeline for people living in the outback."

The 1200km railway from Port Augusta to Alice Springs was a vital lifeline for Australia's outback. Operating between 1878 and 1980, the railway played a pivotal role in trade and transportation, while also serving as a vital link connecting remote communities to the rest of the nation. This trail provides a glimpse into Australia's rich heritage, resilience, and unwavering spirit.

The logistics of installing signage in some of Outback SA's most remote locations called for an adventurous solution, so the OCA approached the TLCCSA to assist in the installation. The TLCCSA has a core group of active volunteers who have worked on many similar projects, including restoration of old buildings throughout the outback, and doing environmental

remediation and removal of pest plants in the Flinders Ranges. Pin Needham, TLCCSA Trips Coordinator, has organised multiple teams to undertake this complex project and briefed them on the practicalities of the project. "We anticipate some challenges in removing the old signs due to rusty fragile bolts and other cleaning difficulties. The OCA have been very helpful in the preparations & logistics for the project."



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Another Great Morgan Training Weekend.



Lots learnt with plenty of time to practice your uphill climbs, downhill descents and negotiating rock ledges. There are sections as well for practicing how to navigate your way through tracks with large wombat holes, how to pick lines, letting the traction control do its thing etc, so all good fun.

Thanks again to the trainers for organising this, training us and doing the assessments

Written by Craig Marchant













TLCCSA Club Awards 2024

At the November General Meeting the annual club awards for 2024 were announced. The social events trophy was presented by Pam Humeniuk to Susan Vordermaier. The club awards were presented by the General Manager of Cornes Toyota, Ben Coleman to Murray McClay (Training), Simon Critchley (Environment), Craig Marchant (Trips) and Helen Brettig (Club Champion). Congratulations to the very worthy recipients.







Helen Brettig



Simon Critchley





Murray McClay

Craig Marchant

Susan Vordermaier

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Better Together at Kyeema Conservation Park



Recently a team of 30 passionate people, including Rangers from National Parks and Wildlife Service South Australia, volunteers from Toyota Landcruiser Club of Australia (S.A.) Inc., crew from Arborgreen, and our own Second Nature staff - came together for a tree guard clean-up with a purpose.

The Highlights

4,000 corflute tree guards removed and recycled! These guards had done their job protecting young seedlings, and now the plants are thriving on their own.

Hardwood stakes saved for reuse, helping us prep for future planting projects.







Seeing previous years' plantings thriving after years of hard work and collaboration including Derwentia derwentiana ssp. homalodonta (Mt Lofty Speedwell), Veronica gracilis, Mentha diemenica (Slender mint) and Coronidium gunnianum (Pale everlasting daisy, pictured).

Second Nature have been working at Kyeema since 2007 to revegetate with more than 20,000 plants, including threatened flora species such as Allocasuarina robusta (Mount Compass Oak Bush). Toyota Landcruiser Club of SA has been part of our annual planting events for several years, and it was inspiring to have them back again for this important step in the project.



Mary-Claire King, Partnerships Manager with Arborgreen, summed it up beautifully:

"We believe that we are better together and helping remove corflute tree guards once they are no longer needed by the plant is so vital to a project's success."

Did you know? You can return used corflute guards to the Arborgreen depot in Mount Barker for recycling! While you're there, share your project stories with their team—they'd love to hear them.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone involved for your hard work on the day and commitment to caring for Kyeema and our environment.

Written by Second Nature



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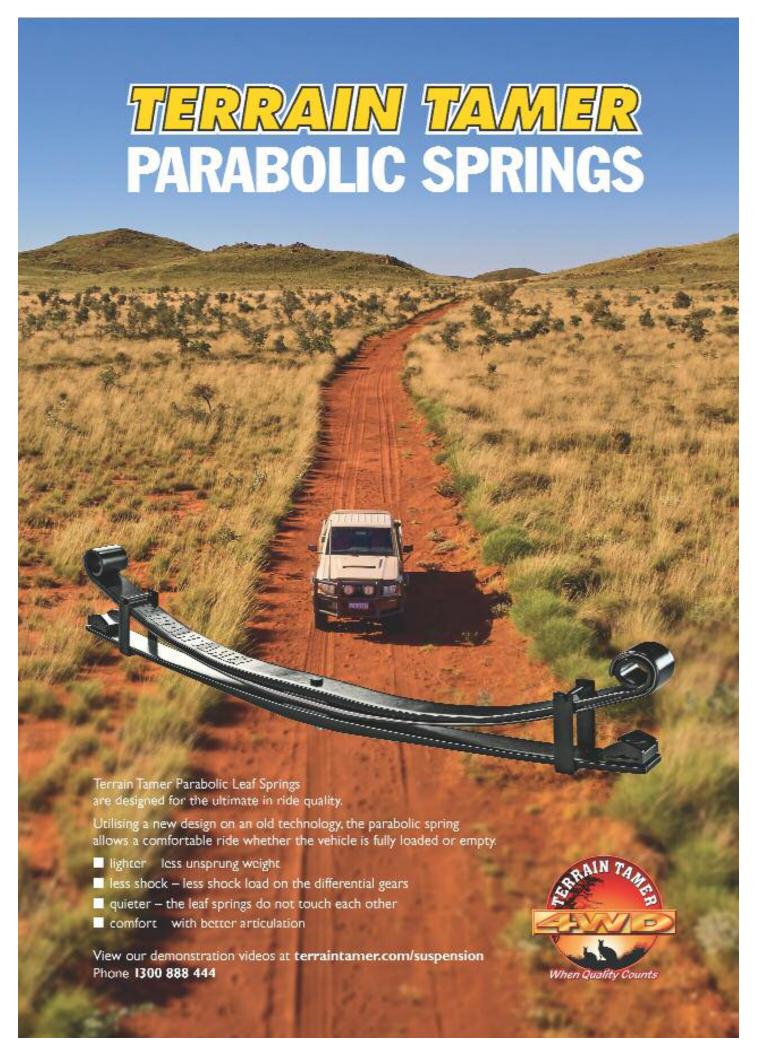
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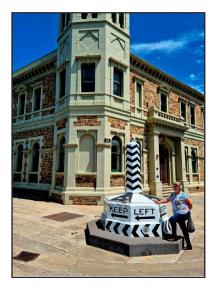
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Port Adelaide Heritage Bus Tour 30/10/24

On a perfect Spring Day, 18 intrepid explorers met at the Information Centre in Port Adelaide at 10am, to embark on a 2-hr guided bus tour, taking in the historical Port Adelaide and surrounds. Our tour guide Peter had direct family links to the Port's early settlers and also grew up in the Birkenhead Hotel, so he had firsthand knowledge to share. We navigated the streets, taking in many of the remaining hotels, (there were originally 44 of them!) along with wool stores, flour mills, docks and many beautifully maintained commercial and institutional buildings. We were told how Black Diamond Square was named after the Black Diamond Hotel



It's hard to believe that the whole area used to be covered in mangrove swamps, tidal mud flats and a narrow creek, inhabited by the Kaurna people, until in 1834 it was explored for the first time by Europeans. In



1836 Colonel William Light chose it as a suitable harbour for South Australia and Adelaide. However, by 1840 it had become known as "Port Misery", due to mosquitoes, the distance from Adelaide and very few amenities. Light's initial plans for a Grand Canal between the North Arm and Adelaide never eventuated, but we did get Grand Junction Road instead!

In the ensuing 150 years Port Adelaide grew and thrived as the shipping centre for Adelaide. Land was reclaimed, new

wharves were built, electricity arrived in 1889, houses and businesses grew. By 1911 it was the State's second largest city and it continued to grow.

By 1970 containerisation changed cargo handling methods and significantly reduced the local workforce size. Retail decline followed, eventuating in parts of Port Adelaide becoming empty and derelict.



Redevelopment of the waterfront was initiated in 1975, but didn't really get put into action until after 2002, when the "Newport Quays" consortium was unveiled and the rest as they say is history, giving us the new Port Adelaide of today, a mix of some of the best- and well-preserved heritage buildings in the State, along with a new vibrancy for the future.



As per TLCCSA standards, morning tea was included in our tour, with tea / coffee and Anzac biccies provided as we explored the Port Adelaide Historical Museum.

After we were delivered back to our departure point, we migrated to the Port Admiral Hotel for a well earnt and delicious lunch. What an enjoyable morning spent learning about the history of the wonderful state we live in.

Written by Sue Stone

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