

# THE BULLSHEET



Camping,  
Camaraderie ,  
Challenges  
& Cooking at  
Tallinga Downs,  
Peake  
10th-14th June



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Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month unless otherwise stipulated.

**THE MEETING LOCATION AND DIRECTIONS ARE ON PAGE 4**

NOTE ; No Meeting or Bullsheet in January

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## **Closing date for Bullsheet material**

The closing date for all entries and advertisements into the Bullsheet is the 20th of each month, to ensure that the magazine is collated and dispatched on time for your viewing prior to the next meeting.

Your co-operation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

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## *Spreading Bullsheet*



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**4WD CLUB**  
OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC

Hi Members and Friends,

Welcome everyone to yet another Bullsheet. That means this year is flying by and doesn't look like slowing down.

The new Club Website looks great and looks to be working nicely. Big thanks to Bruce and Paul for a mountain of work and countless hours making it happen.

There's plenty of good trips on offer over the coming months.

Don't forget I'm doing some 4x4 training at Peake on both Saturday and Sunday. Lots to go over so please let me know if you're wanting to be involved.

Don't forget to put your name in the trip sheets at the next meeting or get someone to do it for you.

Please put your name down and support the trips.

If you have any ideas on somewhere you'd like to go, please let us know.

It's also getting closer to our next AGM so let's start thinking about who you think deserves one of the awesome club trophies. Don't forget about putting your hand up for a committee position as well.

Until next month.

Paul Kinnear,

President

# *Editors Report*

Hi Everyone,

I hope that you are all well and haven't suffered from recent weather or health events .

The Club Trip Calendar is looking very busy for the next four months as after June we could very well have two trips a month up until the end of October.

That's terrific and thanks to the Trip Organisers for their efforts.

Our Trip Co Ordinator, Charlie is busy organising Guest Speakers for some meetings, once the AGM is over for another year.

I am looking forward to see who he has in mind.

My computer suffered a major hiccup after I had published last month's Bullsheet. Fortunately, I have been able to scramble back to some semblance of order.

It's vital to have a secure system with good virus protection and a regular back up protocol .

I had been a little lax in the back up area, but I was able to recover , eventually.

We have thousands of Club Trip photos and videos between the Members, so it would be terrific if you could sort through some, pick out the better ones and forward them to Paul Shinks, our Webmaster so they can be added to the Club Gallery. Please sort them into separate events, so that they can be put into the correct group.

Thanks to this month's contributors.

Bruce Mitchell

Editor

The next Committee Meeting will be held at on Friday 17th June 2022,  
at Debbies at Aldgate

Please arrive for a 7.30pm SHARP , START. Bring a BYO COVID Safe Supper





# The next General Meeting of the Subaru 4WD Club Of SA INC

will be held on Friday June 3 rd, 2022 , at 7.30pm at

Vietnam Veterans Federation Clubrooms,

The Yerbury Centre, Unit 1, 31/39 Norfolk Rd, Marion SA ,

at the REAR of the property on the ON THE RIGHT,


adjacent to the Marion RSL

Fielders Products Showroom is on the northern corner of Marion Rd. and Norfolk Rd.

Turn into Norfolk Rd & past Township Rd., on the Right ,is a park,

Turn Right into the wide park driveway, go to the Building at the rear RIGHT





**MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING**  
**HELD AT VIETNAM VETERANS CLUB ROOMS**  
**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

**MEETING COMMENCED 7:55pm**

Meeting chaired by Paul Kinnear, Welcome to May meeting

**Apologies**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** were read

Accepted Marcia Hannaford      Seconded Tim Paul all in favour

**SECRETARY**

Close contact Bruce & Gloria

Tasmania Andrew – Simpson crossing enquiry, sent website link.

Email update Eblen web site.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Accepted Peter Hosking      seconded Richard Temple      all in favor

Welcome Sarah nomination for membership accepted for next financial year.

**MEMBERSHIP** 32 paid up members 5 life members

**EDITOR**

Not much information for Bullsheet this month. Gladly accept contributions.

**COMING TRIPS**

May 27<sup>th</sup> 29<sup>th</sup> Dutchman's Working bee, booked out.

Peake LWE June 10<sup>th</sup> 13<sup>th</sup>

July 8<sup>th</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> Mount Remarkable

29<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> July Border Track

Willow Springs 20<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> August

August 26<sup>th</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> Dutchman's Stern

16<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> September Amazing Scavenger Barossa



## **MINUTES OF MAY GENERAL MEETING** CONTINUED

### **COMING TRIPS Continued**

Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Working Bee Mambray

Oct 4<sup>WD</sup> show 21<sup>st</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup>

Oct 28<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup> Dutchman's

### **PROPERTIES**

Debbie has the generator. Paul Kinnear has the photos, trophies. Paul Shinks has trophies tonight

will keep them as he gets them engraved.

Tim Paul returned the trestle table, thanks to Paul Shinks for putting it in the property shed today.

### **ASSOCIATION**

No meeting since our last General Meeting.

Formal minutes still to come.

### **VOLUNTEER**

Nothing to report.

### **WEB**

Up and running, committee page still to be done.

Bruce Mitchell went through the raffle prizes.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Cambrai wildlife – maybe visit or donate.

Morgan trip – bookings must be emailed, early October.

### **RAFFLE PRIZES DRAWN**

**MEETING CLOSED 8:36 pm**





# June

# 2022

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**COMMITTEE  
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# July

# 2022

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**Club  
Meeting**

**Robert  
Tink**

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**Deirdre  
Hosking**

**Bruce  
Mitchell**

**Wayne  
Fidler**

**Sarha  
DeJong**

**11**   **12**   **13**   **14**   **15**   **16**   **17**

**Marcia  
Hanna-**

**18**   **19**   **20**   **21**   **22**   **23**   **24**

**Leanne  
Hamilton  
-Kinnear**

**COMMITTEE  
MEETING  
TBC**

**25**   **26**   **27**   **28**   **29**   **30**   **31**

**Timmy  
Turner**



**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE  
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
THE SUBARU 4WD CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.**

**INCORPORATED**

**WILL BE CONDUCTED ON FRIDAY**

**1 ST. JULY 2022**

**FOLLOWING THE JULY GENERAL MEETING.**

**which begins at 7.30pm.**

**All positions will be declared vacant and  
NOMINATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED ON THE  
FORMS IN THIS MAGAZINE OR PRIOR TO THE AGM**

**PLEASE FORWARD NOMINATIONS TO THE  
SECRETARY. OR LEAVE WITH A COMMITTEE MEMBER**

**Bruce Mitchell**

**Secretary**

***subaru4wdclub@gmail.com***

**MEMBERSHIPS ARE DUE AT THE JULY MEETING**



## Committee Nominations

As is traditional at this time of year, nomination forms are included for committee positions, and for the annual awards for outstanding merit, or demerit. It is also traditional for club members to leave their nominations until the last possible moment, if at all. Let's break with tradition and see some nominations coming in early! Fill out the form in this month's Bullsheat, and hand to a committee member at the next General Meeting!! Also, if you have a trophy from the previous year, please give it to a committee member at the may meeting so that it can be prepared for the next worthy recipient.

### **President**

Oversees the club activities

Chairs monthly meetings

Writes presidents report each month for magazine

Name:-

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### **Vice President**

Stands in for the president as required

Other duties as directed

Name:-

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### **Secretary**

Collects, distributes and reports on club mail

Writes on behalf of the club as required

Gives official notice of AGM, extraordinary meetings and constitutional changes

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

### **Minutes Secretary**

Keeps minutes of all meetings

Maintains club records of all meetings

Name:\_\_\_\_\_



## Committee Nominations

### **Treasurer**

Makes and receives payments to and from the club

Maintains accurate financial records

Arranges banking

Provides a budget as necessary

Name:-

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### **Editor**

Receives material for inclusion into the club magazine , collates the magazine each month, and arranges for distribution of the Bullsheet magazine.

Updates the Email Distribution Database

Name:-

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### **Public Officer**

Name:-

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### **Technical Officers**

Names:-

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### **4WDSA Reps**

Names:-

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### **Google (Gmail etc) Account Administrator**

Name:-

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### **Social Media Co-ordinator**

Name:-----

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# Committee Nominations

## **Auditor/s**

Names:-

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## **General Committee**

Assist as necessary in the organisation and running of the club

Name:-

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## **Membership Officer**

Meets and greets new members and visitors at monthly meetings

Maintains membership list, names and addresses of current members

Forwards club information to anyone who inquires about the club

Processes new membership information and passes relevant information on to other committee members

Name:-

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# Committee Nominations

## Trip Co-ordinator

Encourages new trips and trip leaders, Co-ordinates with trip leaders

Receives information on proposed trips, Maintains trip board

Name:-

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## Advertising Liaison

Name:-

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## Environment Officer

Name:-

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## Volunteer Co-ordinator:

Co-ordinate volunteer activities, advise insurance officer, contact Parks, organise passes and maintain tools

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Properties Officer

Name:-

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## Microbats at Para Woodlands

Unless you know what you're looking and listening for, you may miss the shadowy blurs zooming overhead at dusk. Or assume they're moths. But they're much more likely to be small, nocturnal and cryptic microbats!

Weighing between 4 and 30 grams – about the size of a small mouse – they play a critical role in ecosystems as insectivores, mostly using echolocation (sonar) to find their prey. In turn, they are important prey species for animals like owls and snakes.

Microbats play an important part in controlling insect numbers, benefitting the health of trees and revegetated areas. They also benefit agricultural production, with bats preying on insect herbivores which helps increase crop yields and reduces the need for chemical pesticides.

Their widespread distribution and being high up in the food chain make them great bioindicators of ecosystem health.

So, it's very exciting that a recent bat survey conducted at Nature Foundation's Para Woodlands Nature Reserve as part of a Green Adelaide grassroots grant, recorded a number of microbats using Anabats (remote audio-recording devices). Because each bat species calls at a slightly different frequency with different inflections, the recordings can be analysed by computer and the different species present can be identified.

Several species were detected at Para Woodlands including Gould's Wattle Bat (*Chalinolobus gouldii*), Lesser Long-eared Bat (*Nyctophilus geoffroyi*), White-striped Free-tailed Bat (*Austronomus australis*) and Chocolate Wattle Bat (*Chalinolobus morio*).

This means that all our hard work of weed control and years of revegetation activities, including 100 plants this year, is transforming Para Woodlands into a valuable refuge on the outskirts of the northern suburbs of Adelaide.

Lesser Long-eared Bat (*Nyctophilus geoffroyi*) one of the species detected at Witcheelina Nature Reserve. Credit: Coral Johnston

[naturefoundation.org.au](http://naturefoundation.org.au)

Re Printed from "Nature Matters, Autumn 2022"

## BUYERS GUIDE - SOFT-ROADERS SUBARU OUTBACK

Subaru has upgraded its sixth-generation Outback wagon.

**The Outback drifted somewhat from its off-roading roots in the early 2000s, but the 2015 model had enhanced 4WD capability. Upgrades were introduced in 2016 and 2021.**



Subaru launched its fifth generation Outback with a suite of new technology, premium soft-touch interior trim and a feature-packed infotainment system with speech recognition.

The Outback shared the Liberty's five-star rating for occupant safety from the independent Australasian New Car Assessment Program (ANCAP), with a total score of 35.99 out of a maximum possible 37. This interesting story is too long to continue in the Bullsheet, so read the rest at the following link:-- ED

[https://outbacktravelaustralia.com.au/buyers-guide-soft-rovers/subaru-outback/?utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Outback%20Travel%20Australia%20January%202022%20Newsletter&utm\\_content=Outback%20Travel%20Australia%20January%202022%20Newsletter+CID\\_869f46190838085ca973910f305c0ce1&utm\\_source=OTA%20Mailer&utm\\_term=Subarus%20](https://outbacktravelaustralia.com.au/buyers-guide-soft-rovers/subaru-outback/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Outback%20Travel%20Australia%20January%202022%20Newsletter&utm_content=Outback%20Travel%20Australia%20January%202022%20Newsletter+CID_869f46190838085ca973910f305c0ce1&utm_source=OTA%20Mailer&utm_term=Subarus%20)

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# COMING

# TRIP

## Peake , Sandhills Trip

**Date June: 10th to 14th Long Weekend ,plus extra days**

**Trip Leader : Paul Kinnear: Mob: 0438 275 766**

**Difficulty: Driving , Learner to Experienced**

**Trip Sheets :** Names must be on the trip sheet, **PRIOR** to attending any Club trip

**Cost: \$20 per Day, per Vehicle, CASH**

**Where : Via Peake:** Refer to Map

**Meet :** At property, or by arrangement.

If you want directions from Peake, call Paul Kinnear , when you get there. Phone reception is excellent

You must be registered with Paul Kinnear to attend this trip.

**NO CASUAL ATTENDEES WILL BE ALLOWED TO  
PARTICIPATE OR STAY ON THE PROPERTY,  
IF NOT REGISTERED**

**BRING :** Camping Gear, food, water, drinks & Sand Flag,

You need to have recovery gear, fire extinguisher, shovel, UHF radio, either in car or hand held, . **BRING FIREWOOD**

Please call Paul to discuss further if you need more information.



# COMING

# TRIPS

## PEAKE TRIP CONTINUED

When registering please let Paul Kinnear know when you plan on arriving. Call on UHF 10 when you arrive at the property so we know to expect you.

Keep speed to 10km around camping areas and always see a trip leader before heading out for a drive.

**Motor Bikes , Quads & Trikes are not permitted under any circumstances and will not be allowed on the tracks so please don't bring them.**

**Information:** The usual fun in the sand, a great opportunity to learn new skills or brush up on old ones.

We will have Driver Training and the SubiKhana or similar. We are working on the details of the final program, with the possibility of karaoke Saturday night.

The nights around the campfire are always great social events  
Don't forget to bring some nibbles for happy hour





**PEAKE SANDHILLS MAP.** Travel from Taillem Bend on the Mallee Hwy. At PEAK , TURN LEFT into Stirling Well Rd, and follow red line on the map. Turn Right into property, just before Mobile Phone Tower (Leave Gates on property AS FOUND ) The last Flushing LOO is in Peake just past the intersection on the RIGHT, behind the Hall. It's usually clean







# COMING

# TRIPS Cont

## THE JULY VOLUNTEERING TRIP

Is At Mambray Creek, Mt Remarkable

**Dates : JULY 1st to 3rd**

**Where :** Via Highway 1, past Pt Pirie

**Trip Leader ;** Paul Shinks : Mob 0427 237 455

**Trip Sheets ;** Names must be on the trip sheet, **PRIOR** to attending any Club trip

**Meet :** In the Red Gums group camping area Friday night and then on Saturday we drive into the park proper to work until we go and set up camp and then start happy hour until late.

There will be lots of walking and work, so you must bring sturdy walking boots and bring your favorite strong work gloves if you have those.

You will need a quick prep lunch. We will be with the cars all day.

You must be self sufficient Saturday night, there are no facilities out there.

Be ready for some hard Yacka.

Make sure you bring fire wood to share

**BYO** Shelter, Food, Drinks Water, Very Warm Sleeping & Clothing Gear, Strong Boots, Hat, Long Sleeves, Sun Protection

Photo, Courtesy R,Tink



# COMING

# TRIPS Cont

## BORDER TRACK TRIP

**Dates : July 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Where :** Ngarkat Conservation Park

**Trip Leader :** Paul Ewins : Mob 0457 569 817

**Trip Sheets ;** Names must be on the trip sheet, **PRIOR** to attending any Club trip

**Meet :** At Tailem Bend Shell ,Friday @ 3pm, or at Pine Hut Soak Camp ground , at around 9.30 Saturday morning

**Camping :** Suitable for tents only, as stipulated by National Parks. We will set up Base Camp at Cox Windmill Camp for both nights. This is a bush camp. Be self sufficient

**Car Limit :** This trip is Capped at 10 cars, plus the Trip Leader

**B.Y.O :** Tent, Food, Drinks, Bedding, Recovery Gear, including Gloves, Snatch Strap, Shackles, Shovel , Air Compressor, Tyre Deflator, and Sand Flag.

**Notes :** Saturday we will head off and do the border track, heading up the centre track back to camp. There is no requirement to do the drive if you wish to stay at camp and chill out.

Sunday we will have a lazy pack up and head out via the centre track and Rabbit Island Soak.

If you have any question or concerns with the above please feel free to contact me.

Photo, Courtesy B. Mitchell





# COMING

# TRIPS Cont

## WILLOW SPRINGS TRIP

**Dates : August 19 th to 22 nd**

**Where : via Quorn to Willow Springs**

**Trip Leader : Paul Kinnear :Mob 0438 275 766**

**Trip Sheets : Names must be on the trip sheet, PRIOR to attending any Club trip**

**Meet : At Willow Springs, Friday unless you advised Paul otherwise. You can stay 2– 4 days**

**Bookings Close Friday 12th August**

**Camping :In a bush camp, with toilet, no power & close to the Station Homestead which has hot showers & toilets.**

**Costs, Two persons per Site : \$ 30 a night. More than 2 per site, \$8 each extra per night**

**Skytrek \$65**

**B.Y.O : Camper Trailer or Tent, Food, Drinks, Bedding, Recovery Gear, including Gloves, Snatch Strap, Shackles, Shovel , Air Compressor, Tyre Deflator.**

**Proposed Activities :Subject to change**

**Friday : Afternoon, Moralana Scenic Drive**

**Saturday : Blinman ,bakery, mine tour, hotel, historic town**

**Sunday : Skytrek**

**Monday : Chill , walking , do your own thing**



# COMING

# TRIPS Cont

## THE AUGUST VOLUNTEERING TRIP

Is At Dutchmans Stern Conservation Park

**Dates : August 26 th to 28 th**

**Where :** via Quorn

**Trip Leader :** Paul Shinks :Mob 0427 237 455

**Trip Sheets ;** Names must be on the trip sheet, PRIOR to attending any Club trip

**Meet :** At Park, Friday unless advised otherwise by Paul S

**Accommodation,** in refurbished Station Homestead & Shearers Quarters, with hot showers, toilets, kitchen & Beds

**B.Y.O** Food, Drinks, Bedding, Gloves, strong Walking Boots, Sun protection, Long Sleeves, Hat

Tasks include, attacking Boxthorn & Wheel Cactus, Pave behind Shearers Qtrs, outside dble doors, Entrance Rd clearing & Mesh at Nth end of Valley Track.

**Rewards :** Great company, food, scenery and the satisfaction of helping our underfunded Park Rangers.

Photo, Courtesy B. Mitchell



# COMING

# TRIPS

## ‘The Amazing Master Scavenger Hunt ’

**Dates: SEPT 16th - 18th**

**Where: Start at Kapunda -**

(actual locations are secret until the day ;)

**Trip Leader: Kyra Hughes Mob: 0488 195 152**

**Trip Sheets :** Names must be on the trip sheet, **PRIOR** to attending any Club trip

**Details :** Basically, based on shows like The Amazing Race, Taskmaster and a general love for scavenger hunts, I am planning a Club Trip for the fun of it! (To be finalized)

**Join in to try and conquer Kyra’s Devious Planning**

Prizes will be on offer and a small cost will be involved for participants (TBA).

Teams welcome and encouraged!

Games, clues, challenges and road blocks along the way!

Lunch at a yet to be determined location for the pit stop before finishing the event in the afternoon.

**Accommodation: Kapunda**

Camping at Kapunda Tourist Park Friday night, Saturday is the main event and stay again Saturday night for a relaxing amble home on the Sunday.

Bookings to be made on your own - advise them it is for the Subaru 4wd Club so they know as well. Cabins and powered sites also available





# COMING

# TRIPS Cont

## THE SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERING TRIP

Is At Mambray Creek, Mt Remarkable

**Dates : September 23rd to 25th**

**Where : Via Highway 1, past Pt Pirie**

**Trip Leader : Paul Shinks : Mob 0427 237 455**

**Trip Sheets ; Names must be on the trip sheet, PRIOR to attending any Club trip**

**Meet : In the Red Gums group camping area Friday night and then on Saturday we drive into the park proper to work until we go and set up camp and then start happy hour until late.**

There will be lots of walking and work, so you must bring sturdy walking boots and bring your favourite strong work gloves if you have those.

You will need a quick prep lunch. We will be with the cars all day. You must be self sufficient Saturday night, there are no facilities out there.

Be ready for some hard Yacka. Tasks include mapping Hoare Hound in link lands, clearing the "Subaru Track" and installing signs.

**BYO Shelter, Food, Drinks Water, Very Warm Sleeping & Clothing Gear, Strong Boots, Hat, Long Sleeves, Sun protection**  
Make sure you bring fire wood to share .

Photo, Courtesy R,Tink





# COMING

# TRIPS Cont

## THE OCTOBER VOLUNTEERING TRIP

Is At Dutchmans Stern Conservation Park

**Dates : October 28 th to 30 th**

**Where :** via Quorn

**Trip Leader :** Paul Shinks :Mob 0427 237 455

**Trip Sheets :** Names must be on the trip sheet, **PRIOR** to attending any Club trip

**Meet :** At Park, Friday unless advised otherwise by Paul S.

**Accommodation,** in refurbished Station Homestead & Shearers Quarters, with hot showers, toilets , kitchen & Beds

**B.Y.O** Food, Drinks, Bedding, Gloves, strong Walking Boots, Sun protection, Long Sleeves, Hat

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## INTERNET LINKS



### TOWING GUIDE LINK 2021-22

<https://www.caravanandcampingsa.com.au/assets/blog-images/caravan-industry-towing-guide-2021-compressed.pdf>

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## Turbocharged Subaru Outback a possibility for Australia

The brand claims it is working around the clock to bring the turbocharged Outback offered overseas to Australia.



[Justin Narayan](#)

08:54, 21 January 2022

**Subaru Australia** says it is furiously working "closely with the factory" to introduce a **more powerful, turbocharged version of its Subaru Outback** to satiate demand.

Internationally, the [Outback](#) is offered with a 194kW/376Nm 2.4-litre turbocharged flat-four – a detuned version of the engine found in the upcoming [2022 Subaru WRX](#).

Given high-performance versions of its wagon-turned-SUV range have been discontinued since mid-2021 – when stock of the previous-generation Outback's 190kW 3.6-litre six-cylinder engine option ran out – it's understood customers are looking elsewhere for an upgrade.

Speaking to Australian media at the launch of the new [Subaru BRZ](#), boss of [Subaru Australia](#) Blair Read said "The customer demand for this model in Australia has been heard loud and clear."

"We're working closely with the factory to try and deliver this for our customers."

Despite historically offering muscular powertrains in its SUV range, Subaru's powerful-yet-aging engines have been falling victim to the global emissions rules.

In 2018, the turbocharged Subaru Forester was discontinued, despite the powertrain representing around one-in-five sales in Australia alone.

In 2021, the six-cylinder version of the Subaru Outback was also discontinued, which also represented around 15 per cent of the model mix.

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## Munga-Thirri Simpson Desert in SA declared as national park, making it Australia's largest

With a million hectares more than its closest rival, SA can now say it has the country's largest national park – and Cleland and Deep Creek can boast status upgrades.



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South Australia is now officially home to the country's largest national park.

Munga-Thirri – Simpson Desert National Park, which was officially proclaimed on Thursday, encompasses 3.6 million hectares of largely pristine arid country – making it more than a million hectares bigger than our next-largest national park in Kakadu.

Joining Munga-Thirri are two more new national parks – Wapma Thura – Southern Flinders Ranges National Park and Lake Frome National Park. Cleland and Deep Creek parks have been upgraded from conservation parks to national parks.

The upgrades will grant more robust protection to Cleland and Deep Creek, both popular areas for day trips from the city and with interstate and international tourists.

Former Environment Minister David Speirs said the changes meant the state government had doubled the area protected as national parks in South Australia since coming into power, from approximately 3.90 million hectares to just over 7.9 million hectares.

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## Australia's largest National Park cont.

It is truly exciting that South Australia is now home to Australia's largest national park and along with our other changes this provides a significant boost to conservation as well as enhance our reputation as a world-class eco-tourism destination," Mr Speirs said.

"Our significant addition of land protected as national parks since 2018 includes areas right across South Australia from the Simpson Desert and Flinders Ranges in the north right through to Adelaide's second metropolitan national park at Glenthorne in the heart of the southern suburbs."



Orange desert landscape in the newly declared Munga-Thirri Simpson Desert National Park. Picture: Matt Turner

Wilderness Society South Australia Director Peter Owen welcomed the creation of the Munga-Thirri-Simpson Desert National Park.

"For over a decade the Wilderness Society has been advocating for a conservation corridor in the heart of Australia, allowing endangered animals and plants to move and adapt to a rapidly changing climate," said Mr Owen, who has been campaigning with the Wilderness Society to protect the region for more than a decade.

## Australia's largest National Park cont.

"This grand initiative is a significant step."

He said the Simpson Desert region was a special part of Australia, with "the world's longest parallel sand dunes, more than 900 species of plants and animals with continuous First Nations custodianship stretching back thousands of years".

"When rain transforms this remarkable landscape into temporary wetlands, thousands of birds from across Australia flock here to feed and breed," Mr Owen said.

Then native flowers burst into colour across the burnt orange sand, a beautiful garden that seems to stretch into infinity".



A thorny devil in Munga-Thirri Simpson Desert. Picture: Janelle Lugge  
However Mr Owen warned that the region was still in the sights of fossil fuel companies.

"Proclaiming a national park sends a strong signal that an area is too precious to put at risk," he said. "We hope fossil fuel company Tri-Star recognises this and withdraws their exploration proposal for the region, following the lead of BP, Chevron and Equinor who recently withdrew their drilling plans for the Great Australian Bight.

"If bulldozers were to rip through the Munga-Thirri's shifting sand dunes and drill into fragile groundwater tables like the Great Artesian Basin it will destroy this pristine wilderness forever."

Opposition environment spokeswoman Susan Close said she was unimpressed with the upgrading of Deep Creek and Cleland.

"These changes are typical Speirs hype over substance," Ms Close said.

"The changes are largely about the names of parks and designed to allow the minister to make an announcement without substantial changes to the protection of SA's nature."





## Australia's largest National Park cont.



### **THE CHANGES**

- A new national park for the Simpson Desert has been made through changing the legal status of the existing Munga-Thirri – Simpson Desert Regional Reserve and Conservation Park.
- A new national park in the Southern Flinders Ranges Wapma Thura – Southern Flinders Ranges National Park comprises the former Telowie Gorge Conservation Park, Wirrabara Range Conservation Park, Spaniards Gully Conservation Park and a discrete portion of Mount Remarkable National Park known as the Napperby block.
- Two existing conservation parks – Cleland and Deep Creek – upgraded to become national parks, with the Cleland upgrade also incorporating Eurilla Conservation Park.
- Lake Frome Regional Reserve in the Northern Flinders Ranges has been upgraded to a national park in recognition of its significance as a large salt lake.

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## How secure are the latches on your pop-top roof?

By [Marty Ledwich](#) • February 17, 2021

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YouTube Video Link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qy4jD21zM5k>

**After our recent story about the dangers of flying rooftop solar panels, RV Daily was contacted by Mr David Bush from UNISEG Products. He alerted us to similar problems occurring with the roofs of pop-top caravans & hybrid campers caused by the failure and subsequent decoupling of the over-centre latches installed on these vehicles.**

Mr Bush recognised this issue some time ago. His company, UNISEG, manufactures the patented Snap-Flat Latch which resolves many of the problems associated with the widely used over-centre latches. If you have a pop-top or hybrid style of camper, you really need to read this and check the latches on your camper sooner rather than later.

Most pop-top and hybrid caravans use four over-centre latches to secure the pop-top roof to the caravan when the van is not being used or when it is being towed. There are several problems and safety issues that can occur with the style of over-centre latches that are used on almost all Australian pop-top and hybrid caravans.

### **De-Coupling of the Latch**

If the latches aren't correctly secured into the over centre position or due to subsidence of the pop top's canvas sides during towing, the latches may de-couple from the catches. This can result in a potentially deadly accident if the roof lifts-up and blows away during towing.



## Pop-top Roof Latches cont.

That is exactly what happened to these poor drivers who's pop-tops blew off while travelling along the road. This first is from the USA while the second occurred on the Hume Highway in Campbellfield, Sydney. Fortunately, the drivers on the Hume Hwy travelling behind the camper were able to avoid colliding with the flying pop-top roof. The driver behind the fellow in the USA wasn't so fortunate.

### Latch Failure & Corrosion

Pictured below is the style of over-centre latch used on the vast majority of pop-top caravans. Their poor design & construction leads to several problems, including:

- The thin pop rivets used as the pivot pins fail because of their diameter size and wall thickness. They are too small and too thin and not made from 'construction grade' materials
- The use of pop rivets also causes the latch to be stiff in operation from new and creates a potential for personal injury when the latch handle is left protruding at a 90-degree angle to the body of the vehicle. The latch becomes difficult to use or inoperable due to corrosion or distortion and damage to the latch. There appear to be several causes including protruding latches being knocked, latches being over tightened and when collapsing the pop-top.

The steel construction of these cheaper latches can result in corrosion quickly setting in. Given Australians' love of the ocean and holidaying along the coast, this seems like a poor choice of material when, for a few dollars more, stainless-steel fittings could be used.



Typical over-centre latch used by many pop-top and hybrid camper manufacturers.



## **Pop-top Roof Latches cont.**

If all four over-centre latches aren't correctly disconnected before trying to wind up the pop-top, damage can be caused to the pop-top lifting cable mechanism. This can typically cost anywhere from \$200 – \$500 to repair.



Damage, corrosion or poor construction can cause over centre latches to protrude and cause injuries.

### **Solving the Over Centre Latch Problems with Pop Top Caravans**

Frankly, we are surprised that \$40 – \$80K pop-tops come installed with such poor quality over-centre latches that can be responsible for such dangerous outcomes.

UNISEG's patented Snap-Flat Latch resolves these problems through intelligent design and use of appropriate materials.

The Snap-Flat Over-Centre Latch prevents the accidental de-coupling of the latch from the catch plate due to the spring tension between them. The latch also reduces the likelihood of the latch not being disconnected properly as the user can see and hear the latch disconnect from the catch plate. This makes it almost impossible to leave a latch connected and prevents damage to the lifting mechanism.

The Snap-Flat Latch's unique design and the use of 304 stainless steel in the construction ensure strength and long-term durability.



## Pop-top Roof Latches cont.



Snap-Flat Latch retrofitted to a pop-top caravan

The image above shows the caravan version of the Snap-Flat Latch, which can easily be retrofitted to most pop-top caravans and hybrid caravans. The UNISEG Snap-Flat latches can be used in a variety of other situations. You can see further examples by [clicking here](#).

For more information or if you're interested in ordering Snap-Flat Latches for your camper, visit the website [www.snapflatlatch.com](http://www.snapflatlatch.com)

**Related reading: Flying Solar Panels – [The danger lurking on your RV's roof](#)**

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A pensioner drove his brand new BMW to 100 mph, looking in his rear view mirror, he saw a police car behind him. He floored it to 140 , then 150, ... then 155, ... Suddenly he thought, "I'm too old for this nonsense !" So he pulled over to the side of the road and waited for the police car to catch up with him. The officer walked up to him, looked at his watch and said, "Sir, my shift ends in ten minutes. Today is Friday and I'm taking off for the weekend with my family. If you can give me a good reason that I've never heard before, why you were speeding... I'll let you go." The Man looked very seriously at the police man, and replied :- "Years ago, my wife ran off with a policeman, I thought you were bringing her back." !!!The Cop left saying, " Have a good day, Sir "...





### Spell Checking at the Monastery

A young monk arrives at the monastery. He is assigned to helping the other monks in copying the old canons and laws of the church, by hand. He notices, however, that all of the monks are copying from copies, not from the original manuscript. So, the new monk goes to the Old Abbot to question this, pointing out that if someone made even a small error in the first copy, it would never be picked up! In fact, that error would be continued in all of the subsequent copies. The head monk, says, "We have been copying from the copies for centuries, but you make a good point, my son."

He goes down into the dark caves underneath the monastery where the original manuscripts are held as archives, in a locked vault that hasn't been opened for hundreds of years. Hours go by and nobody sees the Old Abbot. So, the young monk gets worried and goes down to look for him. He sees him banging his head against the wall and wailing.

"We missed the R! We missed the R! We missed the bloody R!"

His forehead is all bloody and bruised and he is crying uncontrollably.

The young monk asks the old Abbot, "What's wrong, father?"

With a choking voice, the old Abbot replies,

"The word was ... **CELEBRATE!**"





## THIS SHEET IS A QUICK GUIDE TO CHANNEL USAGE

Uhf radio is how we Communicate between vehicles on Trips, Guiding Vehicles Ac-

# THE CHANNEL CHEAT SHEET

CHANNEL	TYPE	OFFICIAL OR ACCEPTED USE
1-4	○	Duplex channels (output)
5	▲	Duplex channel: For emergency use only
6-8	○	Duplex channels (output)
9	■	General chat
10	Π	4WD clubs/convoys/national parks
11	▲	Call channel (use for initiating calls, then move to another channel)
12-17	■	General chat
18	Π	Caravanners/campers convoy
19-21	■	General chat
22-23	▲	Telemetry/Telecommand (used for automated data communications only)
24-28	■	General chat
29	≡	Road safety (Pacific Highway, Pacific Motorway: NSW and QLD)
30	■	General chat
31-34	×	Duplex channels (input)
35	▲	Duplex channel (input): For emergency use only
36-38	×	Duplex channels (input)
39	■	General chat
40	≡	Road safety (Australia-wide)
41-48	○	Duplex channels (output)
49-60	■	General chat
61-63	▲	Reserved for future use (restricted)
64-70	■	General chat
71-78	×	Duplex channels (input)
79-80	■	General chat

Legend: ○ Duplex (output), ▲ Restricted use, ■ General use, ≡ Safety, Π Groups, × Duplex (input)



## **The Subaru 4WD Club of SA is now on *Instagram***

**as `subaru4wdclubofsa`**

[https://www.instagram.com/invites/contact/?i=b44mxpl911ip&utm\\_content=n3aluyd](https://www.instagram.com/invites/contact/?i=b44mxpl911ip&utm_content=n3aluyd)

### **What is Instagram?**

Instagram is a free online photo and video sharing application and social network platform. Many people use it as a photo/video journal for friends and family to view. Businesses, clubs and organisations also use it to promote and share photos, video and other information.

### **Do I need an account?**

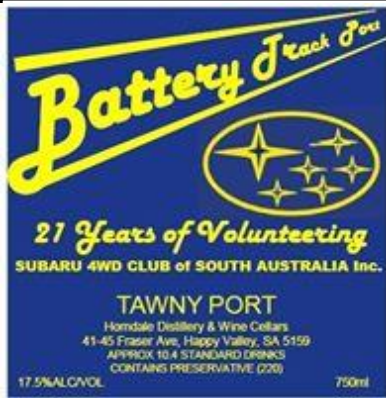
No. You can view a profile or account without downloading the Instagram app to your phone and creating an account. However, you will be unable to interact with or view the posts in detail like a regular user. If you create a personal account just for viewing the Club page, you can set it up as a private account.

### **How will the Club use Instagram?**

Simply as a photo/video journal of our activities past, present and upcoming for members and the public to view. It will be a great way to promote our club and interact with potential new members. Interstate Subaru 4WD Clubs are already using it and have a lot of content and interaction on their pages.

### **We NEED your photos and short videos**

Please send as many photos and video snippets as you can to the email address below so they can be uploaded, along with short blurbs explaining them. Please remember that this page is fully public, so if there are photos that you don't want made public, don't send us those.



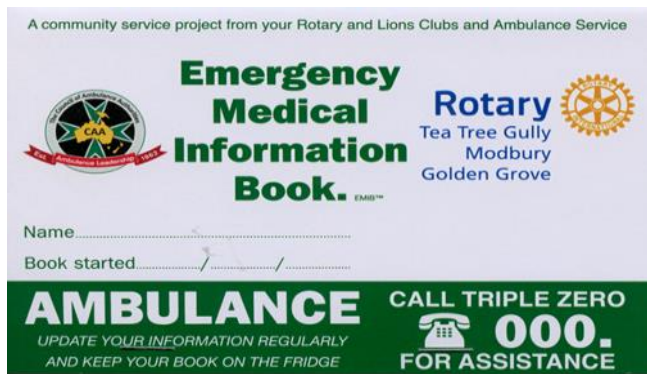
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**This book**  **saves lives!**



**The Emergency Medical Information Book** - contains all of your information and medical records which is needed if or when an ambulance is called and you need to be transported to a hospital.

When paramedics are called, a typical scenario is that distraught family members may be unable to give correct details of the patient's condition, or the medication they may be on. The paramedics physically have to collect all the patients medication in the house, try and obtain a medical history and take it to the hospital with the patient.

**This small book contains patient contacts, service or carer provider information, medications and any medical condition, so a paramedic is able to treat and ready a patient for transport to a hospital.**

### **HAVE ONE ON THE FRIDGE**

**Has a Magnetic plastic sleeve**





**SUBARU**  
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**Membership  
Application**

**FEES:**

Joining Fee: \$15  
Metro: \$60  
Country: \$50

**Renewals Due:**

1st meeting in July  
each year (AGM)

If this is a new member application, please do not send any money just yet as your application will need to be approved first by the committee.

**Subaru 4WD of  
SA Inc.**

**Postal Address**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Postcode \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ ('Bullsheet' to be emailed monthly)  
 Please tick here if you DO NOT want your details available to other club members   
 Interests \_\_\_\_\_  
 Partner's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Partner's Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children's Names \_\_\_\_\_ PTO if more space required  
 Children's Dates of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**Vehicle Details**

Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year \_\_\_\_\_ Colour \_\_\_\_\_ Rego \_\_\_\_\_  
 Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_

4WD Experience: None  Good  Average   
 Radio: UHF  AM  HF   
 None

**WARNING**

**Four Wheel Driving can be dangerous.**  
 Any person, member or otherwise, four wheel driving, learning to four wheel drive, undergoing four wheel drive training, riding in a vehicle being used for or in conjunction with four wheel drive training, or participating in any activity carried on by the Subaru 4WD Club of SA Inc. do so entirely at their own risk.

I, the applicant, have read or had read to me the above application and warning, and having understood same, consent to it's requirements.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A new membership form must be submitted and signed EVERY year

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2022-2023

<b>METRO</b>	<b>\$60.00</b>
<b>COUNTRY</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>HALF YEAR</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>JOINING FEE</b>	<b>\$15.00</b>

Memberships **ARE DUE PROMPTLY** on **1st July** & are in default if not paid by **30th September**.

Membership cards will be issued at meetings.  
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**THIS IS FOR YOUR OWN PROTECTION AND OURS!**

**Did you know that it is in the Club Constitution that your car must be maintained in good roadworthy condition with a minimum of 3rd party property insurance?**

**Do you have a fire extinguisher & RECOVERY KIT with you on club trips?**

**It's a club rule that you carry one of each.**



## Club Apparel

ENQUIRE WHEN THE NEXT ORDER FOR 2022 WILL BE ARRANGED

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