



Newsletter

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*4wd Club Display at the Repco
open day in Fielding*



What's been happening?

The Kiwi 4x4 winch challenge was held over queens birthday weekend with a turnout of 5 teams total and Dogg & Jase's team Palmy boys got first place well deserved guys! We also had a trip recently through san-torf forest and ended up with around 27 trucks on this trip which was a wicked turnout

For those who are doing trip reports or want anything put in the newsletter, send it on through to my email winchman350@gmail.com

See you out there in the mud;-)

Cheers, Shaun

Coming up

Monthly Meeting: Next meeting is Wednesday 13 June, 7.30pm at the WillowPark Tavern, Tremaine Ave.

Manawatu 4WD Club	
24 June	South Beach Wanganui & Tow Hook Inspection
29 June - 1 July	Pureora Forest Hard Yakka Trip
29 June	Club Trip. Trip Leaders: Greg Booth & Jase Hamilton

Events	
1 December 26 January 23 February 23 March	4x4 Trials Dates

Trip Info

If you are a club member and you have not had your vehicles tow hooks checked and put on the tow hook register, *that vehicle will not be allowed on club trips*. Prospective, new and visiting members can attend trips without vehicles being on the register. Please contact Lee Turner (021 834 819), Nathan Thomsen (0273036432), Bruce Gilmore (021815907), or Andrew Francis (0276864765) to arrange for your vehicle to be checked.

If you've got any ideas of trips or would like to put one on – awesome! Chat to a member of the committee about the details and we'll go from there.



Presidents Report June 2018

Well the year is flying by, June already and the start of winter. On a brighter note it's only a few weeks until the shortest day.

By the time you read this the club park and display day at Repco will be done and dusted. Hopefully you were able to come along on either the Friday or Saturday with your truck for a few hours.

Our shiny trip on the last Sunday of May was well attended. 27 trucks assembled in the carpark at BP in Bulls with the threat of a shower before we left. Fortunately apart from a skiff of rain during drivers briefing we didn't see it again for the rest of the day. This was the first time the club had been back into Santoft in a long time and we look forward to going back in again. We even had a driver come down from New Plymouth. Nigel was on the south island tour with me in the summer and was keen to join our shiny trip and catch up with the other members of our club who he got to know while on the south island trip. Also on the trip there were four potential new club members on their first trip. We hope they had a great day and become members.



Before the trip Jordan and I managed to get all the work done on his truck along with a custom made air box. Hopefully he keeps it with the black round things pointing down for a while. Not so much doing on my truck, just a new seal for my air box and a pair of new LED head lights. But it will need a little work coming up soon, the last time I was under the truck I noticed the lower trailing arms not looking too straight, oooops, don't know how that happened. I will replace with aftermarket strengthened arms.

On the dairy farm we are winding down to our minimum cow numbers for our season until we start spring calving again in mid-July. It feels like it's going to be a long wet cold winter if the past six weeks are anything to go by. I've been sharpening my auto painting skills and given some of the machinery a bit of a dulux makeover.

Nothing exciting on the committee at the moment but plenty coming up with our club hosting the national trials in December as well as our fund raising trip in March. Don't be shy at putting your hand up to help with these events.

We also made a commitment to host a trip on the last Sunday of the month, this is no mean feat and will be an achievement if we can do it for the whole year. Most of these trips will be low risk family trips but we will still be going on more challenging trips as well as our club competition throughout the season. I look forward to seeing you all out there with your 4wd!! If there is enough interest I will host another gymkhana for a play day. Flick me a message if you want me to make this happen.

In the past on our club night we had a lucky draw for a something or other gift. I have recently received some merchandise from Ravensdown Fertiliser and after giving it some thought and mentioning it to others it was suggested to restart the club night draw. So starting from this month for every club member attending our club night your name will go into a draw for a small prize. You will have to make sure you have signed the book on the night to be in the draw.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our next club meeting and on our trips. Don't be shy to come forward to introduce yourself. If your new to our club we hope you feel welcome.

Regards
Philip (Mr President)

Club Champs 2017 - 2018 Final Results

CLUB TRUCK		
PLACE	NAME	POINTS
1	Les Thomsen	298
2	Shaun Robertson	295
3	Caitlyn Thomsen	290
4	Lachlan Fee	280
5	Dan Burke	275
OUTLAW		
1	Stuart Earle	297
2	Sam Thomsen	297
3	Mitch Caldow	296
4	Dean Wells	291



Certificate of Achievement Club Champs 2017 Awards



Overall Champion	Les Thomsen
Men's Champion	Les Thomsen
Ladies Champion	Caitlyn Thomsen
Outlaw Cup	Stuart Earle
1st Nissan	Les Thomsen
V8 Cup	Les Thomsen
Production Cup	Dan Burke
Modified Vehicle	Les Thomsen
Standard Vehicle Cup	Lachlan Fee
The Triers Trophy	Mark Lambert
Hard Luck Trophy	Brendan Watchorn
Most Helpful Club Member	Stuart Earle

Club Champs 2017 - 2018 Results

ROUND 1						ROUND 2					
Driver	Class	Place	Class Place	Class Points	OA points	Driver	Class	Place	Class Place	Class points	OA points
Sam T	o	1	1	100		Stu E	o	1	1	100	
Mitch	o	2	2	99		Sam T	o	2	2	99	
Dean	o	3	3	98		Mitch	o	3	3	98	
Stu E	o	4	4	97		Shaun R	m	4	1	100	100
Les T	m	6	1	100	100	Les T	m	5	2	99	99
Jamie	m	7	2	99	99	Nathan T	m	6	3	98	98
Tyran A	p	8	1	100	98	Jamie	m	7	4	97	97
Shaun R	m	9	3	98	97	Caitlyn T	m	8	5	96	96
Nathan T	m	10	4	97	96	Tyran A	p	9	1	100	95
Brendan	p	11	2	99	95	Lachlan F	p	10	2	99	94
Caitlyn T	m	12	5	96	94	Dan B	s	11	1	100	93
Lachlan F	p	13	3	98	93	Shane J	o	12	4	97	
Keith B	m	14	6	95	92	Jordan	p	13	3	98	92
Dan B	s	15	1	100	91	Dan M	s	14	2	99	91
Kelsey	s	16	2	99	90	Marcus	p	15	4	97	90
Bryce I	s	17	3	98	89	Dean	o	16	5	96	
Chris S	o					Cam K	o	17	6	95	
Mark L	m					Brendan	p	18	5	96	89

ROUND 3						FINAL PLACINGS					
Driver	Class	Place	Class Place	Class points	OA points		Class		Place	OA Points	OA place
Stu E	o	1	1	100		Stu E	o	297	1	-	
Mitch	o	2	2	99		mitch	o	296	3	-	
Sam	o	3	3	98		Sam	o	297	2	-	
Caitlyn T	m	4	1	100	100	Dean	o	291	4	-	
Dean W	o	5	4	97							
Les T	m	6	2	99	99	Caitlyn	M	292	3	290	3
Shaun R	m	7	3	98	98	Les	M	298	1	298	1
Marcus	p	8	1	100	97	Shaun	M	296	2	295	2
Cam	o	9	5	96		Jordan	m	195	4	186	
mark W	p	10	2	99	96						
Daniel M	p	11	3	98	95						
Jordan L	m	12	4	97	94	MarkW	p	99		96	
Lachlan F	s	13	2	99	93	Dan M	p	197	1	186	
Kelsey	s	14	3	98	92	Brendan	p	195	2	184	
Dale		15	NM								
Daniel B	s	16	4	97	91	Lach	s	296	2	280	4
Mark L	m	17	4	97	90	Dan B	s	297	1	275	5
						Kelsey	s	197	3	182	

Bulls to Ratana

And bits in between

By Greg Booth

I don't quite know what it is but I seem to be getting to do the write ups lately ... must look into that.

Anyway the last trip on the 27th of May was another goodie put on again by our intrepid leader Phil Law. Met at bulls BP for trip sign in and driver brief, 27 trucks in all from little Suzuki Jimny through to a couple of utes (mitzi triton and a hilux) and on up to the usual big fatties like my cruiser and the nissans.

Plan was to head from BP and enter Santoft forest via a very expensive key Phil had obtained for the club (free of charge until it goes missing). Has been a very long time since we have been in this area so was real nice to be allowed back in there.



After some zig zagging around and doing a number of creek crossings (same 2 a couple of times but who really noticed that aye Phil) we ventured out of the forest and into Koitata Beach settlement stopping for lunch at the camp grounds, quite a small place with 27 odd trucks parked in there.



After lunch and a bit of a chat we headed to Waipu farm where we actually went when we did the Robina Dunlop Shipwreck trip a while back, making our way through the feed lots and out to the beach via farm tracks for a bit of a play in the dunes for those that wanted. Was surprised how well my whale handles in the sand to be honest, drove up a dune a little bit faster than I perhaps should of and had the old girl airborne for a couple of metres according to Jase. Had to do it again a couple times with Ella as navi this time, no damage yay!!!



After the play it was out onto the beach for a run up to the Whangaheue River and back onto farm tracks to Ratana, some ventured a little off the beaten track around the waters edge and found themselves in need of a tow, or winch out in a couple of places, there must be some pics floating around somewhere, but that's what its all about at the end of the day, having a go, stuffing it up , get laughed at , hopefully learning from it all within the safe environment of a club trip. Bloody Fantastic

Cheers

Greg

Committee Profile

Who: Dan Burke

Role: Extra Committee

And that means:... Helping the team with decisions and putting in my 2cents

Truck: Nissan Terrano

Favourite Tracks: Akaz Forest it was pretty cool, want to get my truck in there for a trip. Been co driver few times and it has amazing views and some good ruts!!

Favourite Trips this year: Fielding river trip with Pete

Known for: Hitting the limiter

Blurb: Hey everyone been in the club a few months now and really enjoying it. Meeting good people seeing cool trucks and tracks, also seeing how different everyone picks lines and tackles tasks at hand. Have learnt a lot with my own driving and also with doing recoveries.

Future goals: To finish the project truck and hopefully turn some heads with it! And put it to the test and hope to keep up with the top dogs in club champs and other events.



Palmy Boys taking first place in the Kiwi 4x4 Winch Challenge



Awesome Team Effort Guys!

Quick note from Dogg...

The Club owns a bunch of gear that is for use for members going on Club trips, This includes-

Pegs, pigtails, signage, PRS Handhelds, Gazebos, Long snatch strap, Long extension strap, Snatch straps, clipboards, toilet paper, stop watches, PRS and GPS...

If your running or going on a Club trip then your welcome to borrow any or all of the gear, Contact Dogg 021 130 7913 or rotordogg@hotmail.com to arrange it, prefer you pick up from Halcombe but some-times pick up in palmy can be arranged.



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