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Patrolling the Editor's Desk



Hi and welcome to your first Patrolling magazine for 2015. We have a bright and colourful edition to kick off the New Year with a new Advertiser's advert "Patrolapart" featuring in this magazine; Family Children's Picnic in the Park; Christmas Brekkie in the Park; two trip reports and a notice introducing our Facebook page, plus the return of our Recipe section from "The Duchess".

I hope you enjoy reading this edition and I am looking forward to receiving many interesting Trip reports, articles of interest to share and photo's taken during the year as they transpire. Hoping everyone manages to participate in Club activities and have a Great 2015.
Kate

30 YEARS AGO - 1984

FRASER ISLAND—CHRISTMAS 1984

After meeting Graham & Tina Reed and their friends Jeff & Linda at Gepps Cross mid afternoon on the Friday before Christmas, we said goodbye to some of the Nissan Club members who had gathered. We then departed for Broken Hill where we stayed in a Caravan Park over run with rabbits. Saturday we travelled about 1,000km via Wilcannia, Cobar, Gilgandra to Narrabri, where we booked into the camp site in town—right next to the Highway, but everyone was so tired we could have slept on the Highway without hearing the traffic. Sunday we travelled via Mooree, Goondiwindi, Kingaroy to Gympie, where we made ready for the Island.

Christmas Eve after buying out the shopping centre in Gympie and the shopping centre and hotel in Rainbow Beach (as if we needed to with what we brought from Adelaide) we made Gordon Elmers Island Barge at Inskip Point. After the crossing, we headed up the 75 Mile Beach to a point between the Maheno Wreck and Dundubara National Park Headquarters, where, next to a fresh water creek, we set up camp for our stay on Fraser Island. The beach we found had many egg and beer breaking gutters that must be navigated with the utmost care.

The next day being Christmas Day, we sat on the beach and ate and drank and ate and drank etc. and listened to Jeff's stereo, (2' high speakers and all) and did the normal Christmas day things. After our long drive from home, it was a very welcome rest day.

Each morning for the rest of our stay, we had an early morning swim in the sea and a rinse off in our fresh water creek and at night we would search out the cane toads and eels that lived in the creek. For the next few days we explored the Island and quite often had Happy Valley Pies for morning tea. We went to Central Station through some of the most picturesque Rain Forests we have ever seen, with Stag Horns and Birds Nest ferns growing high in the trees. Some of the Palm Trees disappeared into the sky with the Kauri Pines which are up to 40m high. At Central Station the crystal clear creek with a bottom of white sand appears to be dry until you ripple the water. After Central Station we travelled along the one lane tracks to Lake McKenzie where again the white sands lead into crystal clear waters of the lake, and Jeff showed us how to windsurf.

We explored back tracks through to McKenzie Jetty and Urang Creek, where I am sure every sand fly ever created lives, and all of them had a meal on me. We had a look around the old Commando Training Camp which was used in the 1940's. We walked into Lake Wabby from the beach, an easy 30-40minute walk to see the drifting sandhills around the lake and to let the tiny fish nibble on our skin while sitting in the lake. We floated down Eli Creek on our air mattresses and took a day trip around Indian Head and the sandhills behind Waddy Point and Orchid Beach Resort to Ocean Lake.

Whilst Tina & Graham, Jeff & Linda had to head for home, we had an extra day to look at Lake Bowarrady where the turtles feed from your hand and more tall Rain Forests exist. We left early next morning to beat the tide to the Ferry.

A big thanks to all for their company and to Tina & Graham on an excellent trip, one recommended for any 4X4 enthusiast and a big thanks to Jeff for his lifesaving.

Lorraine and Trevor Beythien.

Patrolling Magazine

Trip Reports, photos, and any items of interest are all welcome. Please forward to the Editor. Contact details on page 3.

THE DEADLINE FOR APRIL ISSUE IS:- 20 MARCH 2015

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COMING EVENTS 2015

Dates	Details	Leader	Confirmation Date
3rd - 6th April 2015	Easter—Skytrek - including Moxam's Hut working party	Andrew (NPC405)	
27th Apr - 25th May 2015	Venus Bay Fishing Trip	Janice (NPC 84)	
20-21 June	Peake—Sand Driving & Social Week-end		
28th June	Nissan Patrol Club—Mid Year Lunch		

UPCOMING SA EVENTS TO INSPIRE

- 13/2 - 15/3 *Adelaide Fringe* (adelaidefringe.com.au)
- 21 - 22 Feb *SA Wooden Boat Festival Goolwa Wharf District*
- 6 - 9 Mar *WOMADelaide* (womadelaide.com.au)
- 27/2 - 15/3 *Adelaide Festival* (adelaidefestival.com.au)
- 2 - 5 April *Coober Pedy Centenary Celebrations* (cooberpedy.sa.gov.au)
- April *Barossa Air Show* (barossaairshow.com.au)
- 18 - 24 May *Kernewek Lowender* (kernewek.org)
- 4th April *Cadell Harvest Festival* (cadell.org.au)
- 15 - 19 Apr *Barossa Vintage Festival* (barossavintagefestival.com.au)



LOOKING TO PLAN A TRIP OR PERHAPS A DAY OUT?

There are plenty of knowledgeable folk within our club who are more than willing to help you organize your intended activity whether large or small—Just ask the Trips Officer or a member of the Committee to help direct you.

All participants must register their name and vehicle registration on the trip sheet, or advise the trip leader of their participation. Registration is required to comply with the Club's public liability insurance policy. Visitors are welcome to join most trips and social events; simply register your name on the sheet in the trip folder or see the Trips Officer. Visitors must also sign the Club "Warning" forms if participating on a trip.

All participants must confirm with the designated Trip Leader by the Confirmation Date that they still wish to attend the event or trip. Failure to do so will indicate to the Trip Leader that you do NOT wish to participate.

If at the last minute you are unable to join a trip for which you have registered, please make every endeavour to advise either the trip leader or someone else joining the trip. This will ensure the group is not held up waiting for a non-arrival.

(Remember to complete your ICE form prior to commencing on your Trip.)

The Club recommends that members have RAA membership to cover mechanical breakdowns on Club trips, and ambulance cover from the SA Ambulance Service or your private health insurer to cover medical emergencies.

The President's Points



Hi Patrollers,

2015 has arrived and with great anticipation I have entered my 4th year as president.

I enjoyed the activities with the Nissan Patrol Club in 2014. I know that 2015 is going to be even better. As a club we can contribute and achieve anything we want to. Always remember if we have positive attitudes, we produce positive outcomes.

Already our Committee had our 1st meeting and looking at the year ahead we have some fun activities planned in 2015 for the Nissan Patrol Club. I would like to introduce and welcome our new committee members - John Day, (Treasurer) Maddie Day (Fundraiser) Andrew Jackson, (Committee) Phil Stanley (Committee) & John Kerr (FWDSA Delegate) to the fold.

Contributing and actively participating in the club is a great way of getting to know your fellow members. Please remember that the NPC is your club; therefore, please always feel comfortable to contribute any ideas you have and by actively participating you are helping to shape the club you want.

Breakfast in the park was well attended with over 40 people participating in a sumptuous breakfast.

The weekends at Murbko and Alcheringa would have been held by the time this is going to press, so, we will hear about them both in a later edition.

Please always remember...

A new year is on its way and the possibilities are endless - lets have some fun.

Happy travels,

Your Club President
Helen Richards (364)



Purchase of Defibrillator for NPC

A decision was made at the AGM to purchase a **Heart Start FRX Defibrillator**. Don Grigg purchased it and delivered it to Dave and Helen Richards. The Defibrillator will be taken along for the Murbko weekend. Pads are to be replaced each time it is used (Ambo's will issue a new pair of pads if asked). The Battery will last 4 years. A record is to be kept of how many times someone is shocked. (Ambo's need this information).



The Manual and Information book will be given to the Property Officer. **The defibrillator is to be part of the First Aid Kit and should be returned by whoever has it in their possession for each General Meeting when possible.**

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Pooncarie Cup and Mungo National Park October 3rd – 12th 2014

Trip Leaders : Kathy and Don Grigg, **Participants** : Pauline and Jim Byfield, Judy and Brian Cook, Geoff and Marie Dalitz, Roz and Frank Foster, Janice and Bob Lamkin.

Visitors : Sandra; Lyndon and Jo; and last but by no means least Jim (Kathy's brother) who assisted with our arrangements and led us to a great camp site on the River Darling.

The trip commenced at 4.00pm on Friday October 3rd in the main street of Pooncarie and after introductions and collection of our ICE forms Kathy described some details of the weekend and we proceeded to Millara Station and a Camp site on the banks of the Darling.

Following set up and fire wood collection we all relaxed and enjoyed drinks and nibbles before dinner.



Saturday morning by 11am we were all appropriately dressed and set off in convoy to the race course for the Pooncarie Cup.

In my opinion Kathy would have won the best dressed in a lovely outfit including fascinator that she had put together during the week.

Although the first race at Pooncarie was not until 1.45pm people were already betting on the Gold Coast, Morphettville, Randwick and Flemington. Food was available from the canteen, the bar was open and a stall with RM Williams clothing was available. Mainly our group bet on the races we could see at Pooncarie at the TAB, Book-makers, and you could join the Punters Club for \$20.



We had lots of fun cheering on our horses and most of us had collects during the afternoon. The Punters Club paid very poorly only \$7 for a \$20 bet.

After a full-on day, back at the camp we had Happy Hour, dinner and relatively early to bed.



Do you remember the song "There was a red back on the toilet seat when I was there last night"? In an unexpected start on Sunday morning, one of our group had been afflicted and the pain was really acute, an ambulance was called, she spent most of the day and into the evening in the Mildura Hospital and returned to camp much better on Monday. We were all pleased to see Jo return!

The Sunday morning event overshadowed the other reason for the significance of the day, which was that both Marie and Kathy had birthday anniversaries to celebrate. At happy hour that evening we toasted the birthday girls with bubbly provided by Don and chocolate dipped strawberries provided by Marie. We also raised our glasses to absent friends, Jo and Lyndon in Mildura.

Monday, our last day at Pooncarie, was spent canoeing, fishing, visiting the old wharf, weir, cemetery. Some also enjoyed a coffee at the Pit Stop.

Tuesday morning we packed up from the Station and moved on to Lake Mungo National Park via Top Hut Road; a good dirt road. We arrived by lunch time and at the Visitors Centre paid our fees and looked around at the historical displays.

We travelled to Main Camp and set up, a lovely area with plenty of shade. During the afternoon most of us did the

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Grassland Walk, with interpretive signage and also the Mungo Lookout.

On Wednesday morning we packed our lunch and were back at the Visitors Centre ready for the guided tour with the two Aboriginal women, Tania and Kiaminda, who were both exceptionally enthusiastic with local information. The walking tour started at The Walls Lookout and took us to the top of the iconic white sand hills known as the Walls of China. As we ascended, we started at layers of eroded soil which were deposited 40,000 years ago and ended up on the top of today's sand dunes. Fire places which had cooked fish, evidenced by the fish ear bones, and cooked emu eggs, evidenced by the shell fragments, were pointed out to us.

There were stone tool flakes and a recently exposed wombat skeleton to be seen on the way.

"The archaeological treasures of Mungo Man and Mungo Woman were found here at Mungo National Park and are carbon dated to over 40,000 years old. These human remains indicate that Aboriginal people inhabited the area during this time, and make this the oldest known site of human occupation in the southern hemisphere." *Quote from the Mungo Lodge brochure.*

Following morning tea we commenced driving the 70 km track around the area of the Lake. We stopped at the places where interpretive signs and short walks gave us more information of the history of the area. These included Red Top Lookout, Mallee Stop, Belah Camp for lunch, Round Tank which had been used as a feral goat trap, Vigars Well which had permanent water and had been a stop on a Cobb and Co. route and lastly the Zanci Homestead and Wool shed.



That evening we sat around the camp fire chatting and watching the total eclipse of the full moon, which went almost black with a slight reddish hue. It was interesting that the whole area was in complete darkness for quite a time.

Thursday was a free day with most people catching up on the Shore Walk, the Mungo Woolshed, and visiting the Mungo Lodge for a coffee.



On Friday morning we left Mungo to travel to Renmark Riverbend Caravan Park almost 300 km. We travelled toward Mildura on Arumpo Road another good dirt road for the area.



Saturday was a free day where the Griggs and Byfields did a quite demanding canoe trip in back waters and returning on the River.

Others visited Renmark areas including some free camping areas, Rose gardens, shops.



Saturday night was our big night out at the Renmark Club; a great place to dine and most of us chose the buffet and it was very enjoyable.

Over the last 30 odd years of being in this Club we have enjoyed many great trips and special thanks to Don and Kathy for another great trip and thank you to all participants for your company.

Janice Lamkin (NPC84)



Family Christmas Picnic with Santa 23rd November 2014

Once again the Nissan Patrol Club of SA has shown how well it can put on a picnic for its members this year (2014) being no exception.

At the "usual" place of Hazelwood Park, members started arriving about 10am. We were the first to arrive - which is a bit surprising!

"Santa's Cave" was soon put up and there were a few willing helpers to pump up all the balloons for the decorations around the cave. Many thanks to those who helped me.

It didn't take long for everyone to arrive and find a spot to put out the chairs and relax.



Soon the entertainment was on the way with Mr & Mrs Einstein in charge, and what a lovely job they did.

The children had first go at attempting to put a MaxTrax underneath the wheel of a Nissan vehicle whilst blindfolded. The MaxTrax was a small piece of card and had to be placed on a large picture of a Nissan Patrol. The adults then had a go.

Mr Einstein noted afterwards that right-handed people tended to place the Max-Trax under the front wheel (on the left of the picture). Left-handed people were the reverse. Mmm.. very interesting.

Mr Einstein helped the youngsters, encouraging them along the way. Mrs Einstein (who looked very similar to Jeanene) ably kept note of each person's results.



The tug-of-war got people off their chairs and soon there were 2 teams of men, followed by the ladies teams. This was all supervised by Brian Cook - making sure all participants were ready to start pulling.

Lunch-time came and went and it didn't seem too long before the arrival of the jolly gentleman in the red suit, accompanied by his wonderful helper (Mary Christmas?).

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The children soon abandoned the piñata once Santa arrived, much to the delight of them all. The children sat around eagerly waiting to see what Santa would find in his "sack" - seems he had presents and lollies to handout for them all. Santa's helper did a good job too.



Ice creams were handed out to all adults and children until there were no more left in the boxes!

We did have a good turn up this year. The weather was about 28deg and sunny - just a lovely day for sitting around under the shade of large trees, relaxing and chatting with fellow members and families. Soft drinks and some bubbly were also available.

By the time we left there were still a few people enjoying the afternoon.



This was another successful event and thanks must go to all who helped bring it together. Incidentally, the Park now sports a new toilet block - something that has been long overdue. It makes this Park even more attractive for picnic-goers.

Tricia NPC138

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FAMILY CHRISTMAS PICNIC WITH SANTA 2014

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3 TRAINS - 3 CITIES RAIL HOLIDAY - plus 2 Coaches thrown in

Tuesday 14 October, 10.15am saw 14 NPC members depart on the Indian Pacific for 8 fun-filled days on a, as the title says, 3 trains – 3 cities rail holiday. Because there were so many of us we took almost an entire carriage. This trip came about due to the eagle eye of Pat Trowbridge who saw it advertised as a special one weekend and organised not only the trip but added activities.

After the initial excitement of checking the cabins, en-suites and facilities it was time to sit back and watch the scenery go by, and to consume scones, jam and cream.

Travelling Gold Class on the Indian-Pacific from Adelaide to Sydney is quite special, as one has access to the Lounge car which provides unlimited complimentary drinks and the meals are served in the beautifully appointed Queen Adelaide Restaurant.



Our first stop at about 5pm was at Broken Hill where one could either visit Pro Hart's gallery or visit the Miner's Memorial which overlooks the town.

Again we were all greeted with scones, jam and cream! Then, back to the train to wait for dinner to be served..

On waking the following morning we were all trying to guess where we were when an announcement was made that due to a fierce rain/snow storm in the Blue Mountains which had brought down power

lines and closed roads, our train had been diverted during the night at Parkes. We were headed south to Goulburn and then would head northward to Sydney. Not a worry, it just meant that we saw more beautiful country.



All too soon we were arriving in Sydney and our first leg of the train trip completed – all that was required was to walk down Eddy Street and into the Great Southern Hotel on George Street.

Amongst the interesting things we did as a group in Sydney were 2 Captain Cook cruises on the harbor; one being a hop on hop off and the other a coffee cruise. Whilst staying in Sydney, others participated in such things as visiting the Power House museum, Madam Tussauds, the aquarium, riding the hop on hop off bus, walking The Rocks area, shopping in the nearby market and taking additional ferry rides.



Day four saw us heading back to the station to catch a coach. The rail line between Sydney and Goulburn was being maintained so there was no rail service. We again drove through beautiful green farming areas and small towns.

The next section of the trip was by rail on the XPT (eXpress Passenger Train) to Broadmeadows, half an hour out of Melbourne, and then coach again to the Melbourne Southern Cross Station (more track work).

Our hotel was not as close as the Sydney Hotel, but luckily Pat was able to secure two mini buses to transport us to the Travelodge Hotel on South Bank. We originally were staying at a more convenient hotel to the station, but Melbourne was hosting a huge Jehovah Witness rally which was attended by approximately 6,000 Witnesses so most hotels were booked out.

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The main group activity in Melbourne was the half day Puffing Billy steam train trip. We were collected by coach very early in the morning and travelled through the beautiful Dandenong Ranges. The first stop was at Grant's Reserve to enjoy hot scones with jam and cream. By now we had all become experts on Devonshire teas and this one did not disappoint. The added pleasure at this stop was to have an opportunity to feed the brightly coloured Crimson Rosellas, Sulphur-crested Cockatoos and King Parrots.



Of course the highlight of this day was the ride on Puffing Billy, the oldest operating steam train in Australia, which leaves from the picturesque village of Belgrave.

In our case we alighted at the Robert Menzies Station. A great trip but too short.



We were particularly fortunate that the driver of our bus was a walking encyclopaedia of the local history and sights.

He had a series of old photographs of the areas in which we were travelling through and he spoke continuously about each photo.

Everyone did their own thing for the remainder of the time in Melbourne which included visits to the ever popular Federation Square, riding on the free tram, rides on the hop on hop off bus, visits to the Queen Victoria market, visiting the Eureka Tower at night time and the Zoo.

Tuesday saw the mini bus arrive to take us to the Southern Cross Station to board the Overland for our trip westward to Adelaide. Not having been on the Overland for years we found it extremely comfortable, lots of leg room, and best of all, once you had ordered your meal it was delivered to your seat.

Conclusion: A wonderful trip, expertly organised and run by Pat and Des Trowbridge. Many thanks Pat and Des; it was great.

**Jeanene
NPC31**



Happy to be on Fort Denison - Karen; Gloria & Dave; Kate; Robyn; John; Pat & Des, Jeffery & Jeanene, Tricia & Colin & Lyn. (Absent: Photographer—Dave A).



NISSAN PATROL CLUB OF SA INC. - AGM

President's Report 2014



Wow! I believe it is that time of year again. It's time to look back and reflect on 2014. To look at what we have achieved and what we have planned for 2015. This year has flown oh so quickly.

I'd first like to start off with saying it has been an absolute privilege and honour to serve this great club as your President over the last year. As a club we share our knowledge, our thoughts and time with each other which continues to create such a positive atmosphere within the club and its members. I also am proud to be a member of this club, as the club provides such a feeling of belonging.

The Nissan Patrol Club has strength in its members who are willing to participate and take on active roles, including running of the club and attending club events and activities, so thank you to you all.

This year we have had an excellent range of club trips and social activities. There have been extended trips, day trips and our annual club events such as Murbko, Coorong CUA, 4WD Training and Theatre nights. All of these have been well attended. A highlight of 2014 was the Nissan Patrol Clubs 35th Anniversary held in July. What an achievement and great success that was. Again, this shows the participation of our club members who are willing to help and contribute their time, and ideas and help out.

Again, I would like to thank the committee members for their dedication, time and tireless work throughout the year, for without them, we would not have such a wonderful and productive club. Given this, and knowing full well the perils of singling out a few individuals and activities. So therefore as I asked for last year will you please take the time to thank these people at your next opportunity for their hard work and diligence in keeping this club running so smoothly. I would also like to say that the Committee that is elected tonight will continue to receive the love and support of the club.

I just want to say it warms my heart to have seen so many smiling children at the Family Christmas Picnic with Santa and I specifically want to thank all those members for coming and setting up and running the event to make the day the success it was. I also look forward to the Christmas Breakfast in the Park and the opportunity to share with each other our stories of 2014.

I am hoping 2015 will be a year of making things happen, bringing positive attitudes and thoughts to every member of this club. Always remember the club is the people and that means YOU.

We are now in the Festive Season. This is a time of joy, love and peace.

Both Dave & I wish you and your families all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year, and look forward to seeing you all in 2015!

Helen Richards (364)

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Hi Nissan Patrollers

This is my third year as Secretary and this year was a relatively quiet year for the Secretary.

Communications which involves simply by

Forwarding of emails etc. This makes my job so much easier and opens up the lines of communications between the committee and the club members as well as dealings with FWDSA and this gets the information out a lot quicker with positive results.

I have found this an exciting year with some excellent trips and hope next year there will be more trips to enjoy.

A thanks goes out to the Committee for their input to this club.

A special thanks to Jeff and Jeanene Schapel for the use of their home for our Committee Meetings.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year.

ALL THE BEST FOR 2015
Craig Wood



2014 AGM



Dallas—Winner of the Wine Judging



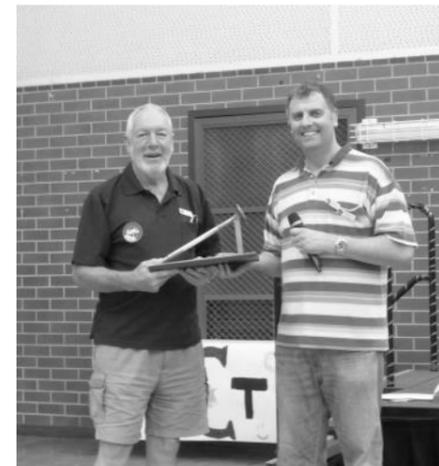
Pauline & Lyn sampling the various Whites



Everyone enjoyed the cheese & wine tasting after the AGM

ANNUAL TROPHY PRESENTATION 2014

THE GOLDEN SPIKE:- Awarded to Helen & Dave Richards for Leading the most Trips for 2014



The Burnt Valve:- Awarded to Bob Johnson—5th Gear on his Patrol



The Rubber Goods:- Awarded to - John Kerr who experienced a leaking tyre bead.



The Irish Tow Rope or Bogger Award: Awarded to - Rod Kitto for having been winched to safety!

Fishing Award:- Awarded to Alan Langer for Having caught 5 fish at Murbko.



Angelo listed the trips for 2015 and wished all of the members present a Happy New Year.

Breakfast in the Park 2014

Over 40+ members enjoyed our Annual festivities of "Breakfast in the Park" 2014. With umbrellas erected, barbecues lit; we all enjoyed our breakfast from homemade quiche, salmon rolls to bacon & eggs. Homemade Christmas treats were also handed around.



This year a choir of female members sang a rendition of the "We are Taking a Little Road Trip in Our new 4WD".



This event is always a hit with the club. It provides a final chance to wish everybody a Wonderful Christmas and A Happy New Year for 2015.

Helen Richards (364)



We're taking a Little Road Trip

(Sung to the Tune of "We wish You a Merry Christmas")

We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip,
In our new 4WDrive.
We're guided by the Garmin,
What fun will ensue.
The tracks are a winding,
We're enjoying the view.

We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
In our new 4WDrive
The campfire 's a blazing,
And stories are told.
Adventures are waiting,
All to unfold.

We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip,
In our new 4WDrive
We've just got a puncture,
So out comes the tools.
Tyre pressure is falling,
So pump up that wheel.

We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip,
In our new 4WDrive.
We've all had a great time.
But home we must go.
We're talking & laughing,
A great time by all.

We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip,
In our new 4WDrive.
We've made our destination,
The area is clear.
We're setting up the campsite,
For dinner is near.

We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip
We're taking a little road trip,
In our new 4WDrive.



RECIPES WITH THE DUCHESS

HEALTHY FRUIT CAKE Handy to have on Camping Trips

1Kg Mixed Dried Fruit
2 Cups Apple Juice—no sugar added
(can use 2 cups of any juice or Tea or Coffee)
Mix Juice with the fruit and stand for one hour.
Mix 2 cups of Wholemeal SR flour into the above.

Bake in a Moderate oven for approximately one and a half hours



FOR SALE

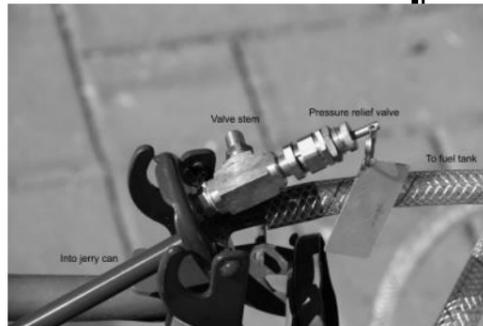
Nissan Patrol Club sticker: Large circle \$2.20.
Nissan Patrol Club cloth badges: \$3.00
Nissan Patrol Club Key Rings: \$5.00
Water Bottles: Light stainless steel, \$8.00 each or 2 for \$15.00. Contact Marina.



Tanami Pump Review

I finally got around to testing my shiny new Tanami pump, and it certainly lived up to reviews I had seen on the internet.

The pump consists of a powder coated body which incorporates a tube going to the bottom of the jerry can, a pressure relief valve which opens around 4 psi, and a valve stem to which you attach the pump. There is also a tube to which you attach the plastic tube which carries the fuel from the full one to wherever you are pumping to, in my case another jerry can, but which would normally be your fuel tank.



To ensure no sparks were caused by a build up of static electricity I connected the two jerry cans together using a battery jumper lead. Although it would be easier to use a compressor to increase the air pressure, for the demo I simply used a bicycle pump.

After a couple of pumps the fuel began to flow, and although it was necessary to keep pumping as the jerry can emptied, it took no more than a couple of minutes before all the fuel had been pumped out. Even with

hand pumping it was a lot less effort to use the Tanami pump than to lift the jerry can manually and pour the fuel from it into a funnel and thence into your fuel tank. If required you could easily direct the fuel into a filter funnel and then into the fuel tank if there was a suspicion of dirty fuel.

I believe I have made a very useful purchase, and cannot wait to try it out in the bush somewhere remote.

Rod Kitto
NPC 388



REMEMBER - when disposing of your old vehicle, please remove your club stickers, as the person you sell it to may not be as concerned with the do's and don'ts of four wheel driving as you are and therefore will give the Club a bad name.



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