

Wheels Deep

OCTOBER 2025



**Devonport 4WD Club
Newsletter**



Next Meeting
Tuesday 4th November
7:30 pm @ clubrooms
Cornelius Rd, Sassafras

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www.devonport4wdclub.com.au

THIS MONTHS FEATURED TRIPS

Bridport Bellingham & Bathurst

Upcoming Events

TBA

Invite Trekker Club for a trip

November 14-16

Trekka Club Christmas Invite to Riverside

November 28/30

Sandy Cape

December 13 Christmas BBQ

Mark Templars

TBA

Driving Event "Tour De Dane"

TBA

Club 50th

Jan 17/18

Winifred Weir Weldborough

Feb 20/21

Shakespears and Rocky Cape

March

\$1000 Challenge Trip

June

Finke and Simpson desert

July

Kurt/Kimbra all welcome Farina 18/7/26
Binns, Tanami, halls, CSR to Wiluna

August 18

Andrew & Leah to Cape York others welcome

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RECENTLY RAISED CLUB ROOM ISSUE

The toilet paper debate is a surprisingly contentious topic that has sparked passionate discussions for decades. The primary question is whether the loose end of the toilet paper should hang over the roll or under it. This seemingly trivial issue has implications for usability, hygiene, and even aesthetics.

When hung over the roll, it's easier to rip off a square of toilet paper. When dispensing toilet paper with it rolling over the top, the paper naturally pulls away from the roll and when you tear off a piece, there is also little chance of your dirty hand touching the roll, normally when people sit on the toilet, they want to apply minimal effort, When dispensing toilet paper with it rolling over the top, the paper naturally pulls away from the roll and when you tear off . The original toilet paper patent from 1891 shows the toilet paper going over the roll. That's tough to argue with. And, finally, some less scientific proof that toilet paper belongs over the roll: Take a look at the pattern on your paper next time you're in the bathroom. Any patterns or embossings are right-side up when hung over the roll. In the under position, patterns or embossings tend to be backwards or upside-down.a piece, there is little chance of your dirty hand touching the roll,"

The first supporting point for the "under" technique is that it offers a cleaner look. With the toilet paper closer to the wall and the paper hanging behind the roll, it does make for a more minimalist visual. If you have a pet at home who is prone to playing with the toilet paper, then you might want to give the "under" technique a try. Because the roll hangs against the wall, there's enough tension to keep the roll secure in its place.

Sometimes it just takes less accessibility to make us realize the consequences of our actions. This goes for wiping, too. Because the "under" method is a little bit more difficult to unroll, users are less likely to use excessive amounts of toilet paper when using the toilet.

BLAST FROM DA PAST



Test of endurance

This restored World War 2 jeep was in showroom condition yesterday and would have turned the head of any former Army man.

But the jeep probably won't rate a second glance this afternoon when it tackles the second annual Devonport 4-wheel Drive Club enduro.

The jeep will be driven by owner Bill Templar, of Devonport, who completed the jeep from two wrecks.

But while Bill will be the proud steerer, mechanic Les Charry (pictured) probably won't be so impressed when he sees the vehicle after its journey through muddy terrain.

The jeep will be one of about 60 four-wheel drive vehicles from throughout the State which will be competing in the event.

The enduro will be conducted on a 6 km course, with two competitive sections.

The second section will be a reverse grid and course.

Interest in the event is keen, with Devonport speedway driver Ted Eustace tipped to do well in his Suzuki.

Eustace, who won a major club rally last year, has spent about \$1500 remodelling his vehicle.

All four-wheel drive owners are invited to compete, with scrutineering at Doug Walton's service station till 9 a.m.

Three Bs', Bellingham, Bridport, Bathurst

Bellingham – Bridport. Ryan TL, Garth, Geoff, Matt M, Lyndon. 9.30 departure. Lots of rocks on beach.

Windy on top of big dune. Had a play and lunch at dune. Played on way to bitumen.

Some checked the pub was still good, others went straight home.

Lyndon had tyre problem.

Bathurst at club rooms. Lyndon, Ryan, Garth, Erin, Warwick. Quiet but enjoyable day watching the big screen. Eight ball, refreshments & BBQ.

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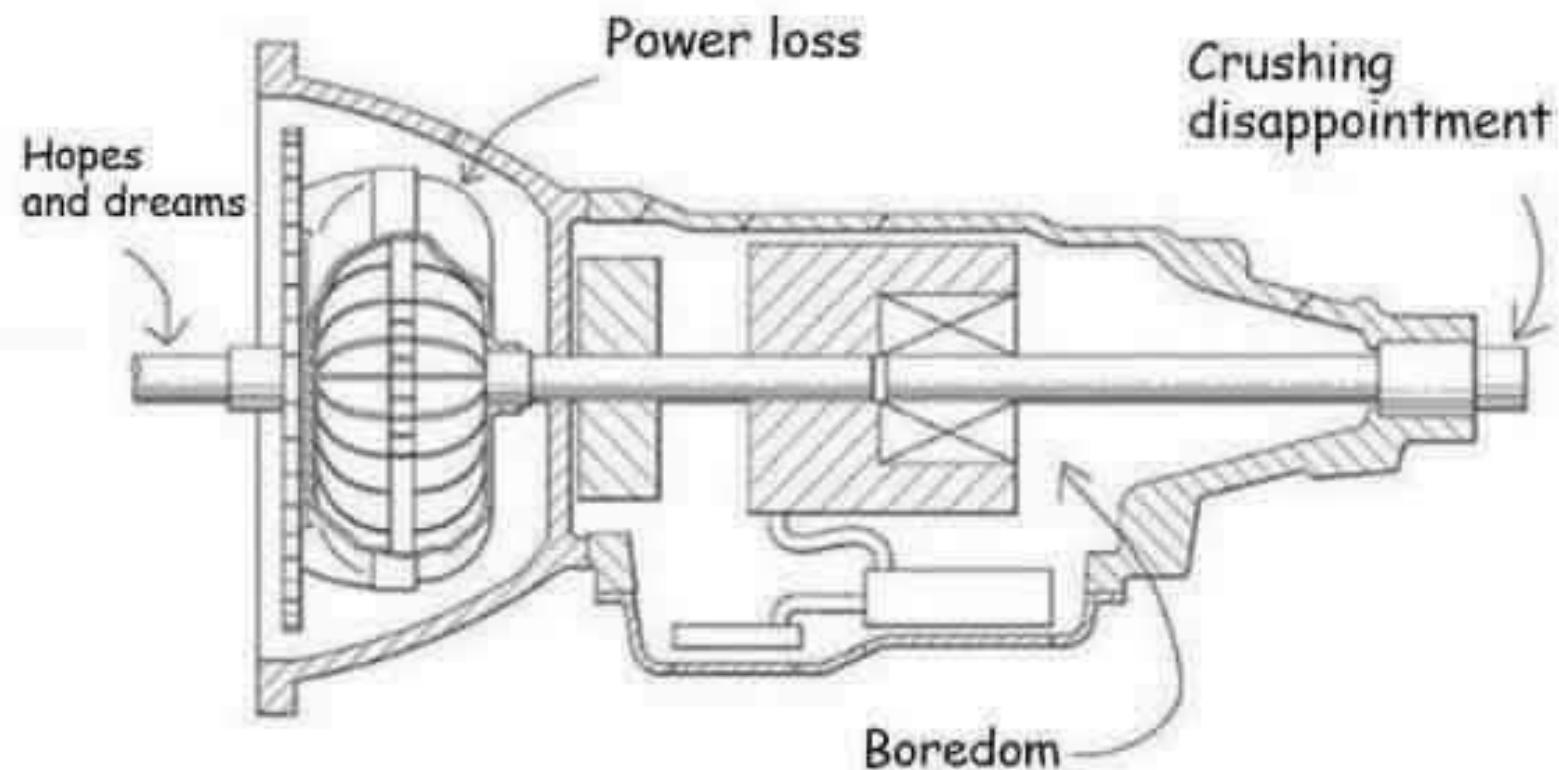
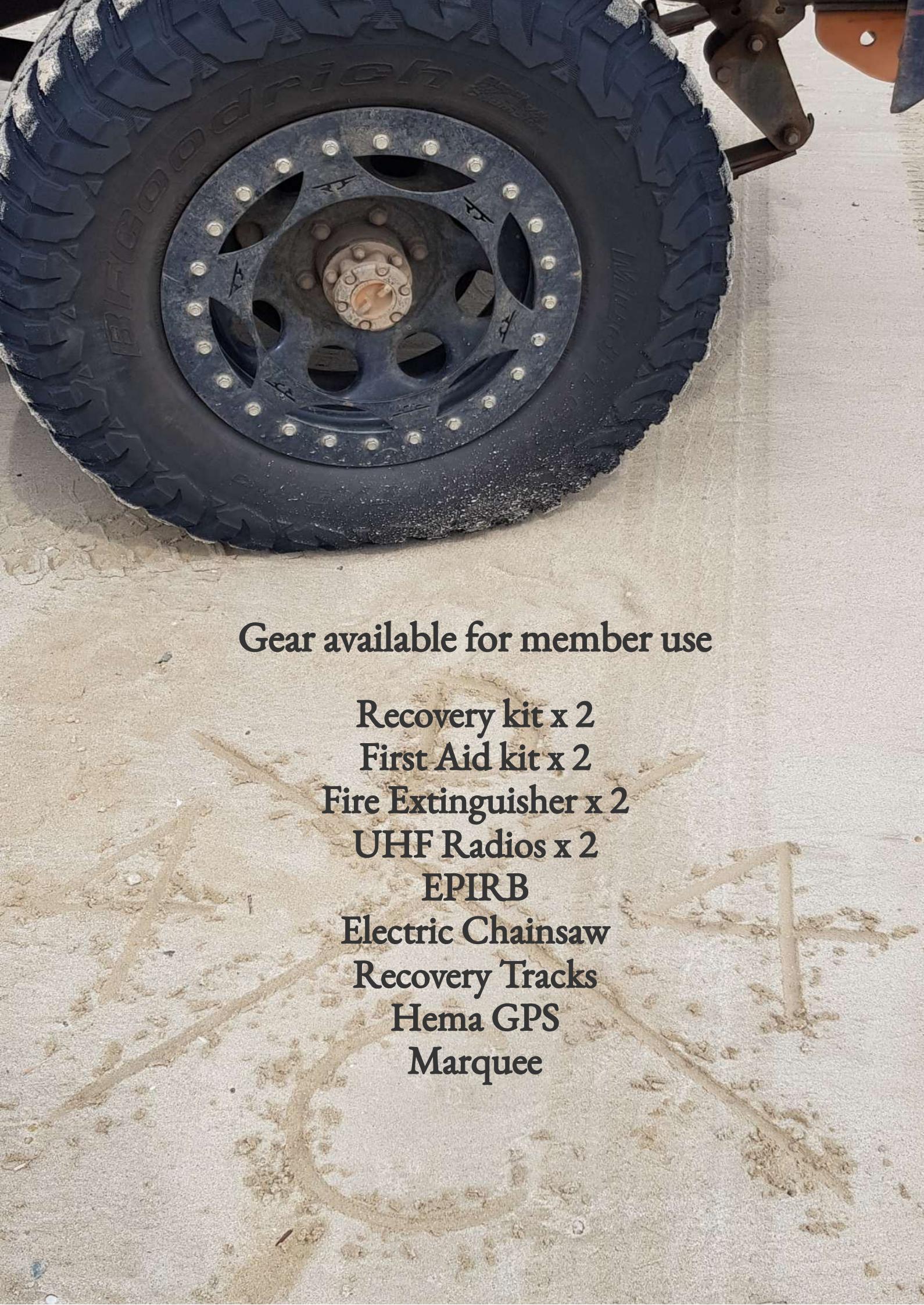


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Gear available for member use

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Blue - Medium

Vehicle with moderate lift and tyres

Driver with some experience

Black - Hard

Lift, Tyres, winch, expect scratches

Driver advanced experience

Double Black Diamond - Extreme.

Lift, tyres, winch, diff locks, expect scratches and possible damage



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