# Wynns Tasmanian Mud Run

The Toyota Four Wheel Drive Club of Tasmania Inc. held its 6th Annual Mud Run on Saturday 9th October, 1993 at Kellevie.

This year saw a few changes in the running of the event as we picked up Wynn's Tasmania as our Major Sponsor, with Mark Stewart Peter Finch 4WD, Hobart Bodyworks, Watkins Removals, 4x4 Tasmania, Hobart 4WD, Kingston Autos, Tommotive, Kings Towbars, A.B.S., Wreckair Hire, Bushranger 4WD and Tas Paints as other Sponsors for the event.

With Prizes offered for First, Second and Third places, for the 4 Cylinder, 6 Cylinder, V8 and Open classes, as well as a prize for the 1st Lady Driver, it made for a fairer and more serious competition.

The Mud Run was originally held to provide funds for the Dunalley Volunteer Ambulance Service who in return attend the meetings incase of any incident occuring. Fortunately, to date, they have only been spectators and have not had to put their services into action.

We also have on hand the Dunalley Volunteer Fire Service who spend the day frantically washing down each vehicle as it completes its run before heading back to line up for their second run through the course.

The Dunalley School P&F Assoc. also came along with caravan in tow and had a wide range of hot food and drinks for sale.

With all Voluntary Services in place and the Local Police present, the proceedings were given the go ahead and vehicles started taking their places in the starting chute. Each driver is breath tested so as to comply with regulations and each driver and passenger is issued a helmet as an extra safety precaution.

The vehicles have to complete a course approx. two kilometres long with the starting straight the least

demanding of four wheel driving expertees. The course continues along with a left hand bend which actually starts to sort out the over confident drivers, who put too much emphasis on getting to it than actually manouvering the vehicle around the bend, and usually end up taking it too sharp, finding themselves plowing over the boarder of tyres which acquires them extra points added to their final score.

Once around, they then have a winding section of about 3 sharp left and right turns, which proved, that with too much power and not enough steering lock, you will end up wide of the track and once again mowing down the boarder of tyres.

After completing the hair pin bends the drivers had the finish line well in sight, but looking at it was the easiest part.

With a well seasoned hole at the finish line and most vehicles starting to sound rather tired, power and good tyres are the only things that they can rely on to get them over the line.

With entrants from all over the State, the competition was serious with some competitors arriving with

the Four Wheel Drives on trailers. A couple of vehicles put on a spectacular display for the 1000 plus spectators who have full view of the proceeding by surounding the outskirts of the course.

A spectacular display was given by Gary Joclyn, driving a black Suzuki powered by a twin cam, turbo charged motor with Nitrous Oxide. Scott Rockliff with his Mid mounted 454 in a Hilux ute, raised some applause also.

Overall, another successful day was competed.

## Winning Positions:

### Four Cylinder

First Place – R. Dodge Second Place – P. Martin Third Place – W. Doyle

#### Six Cylinder

First Place – B. Tyler Second Place – S. Rogers Third Place – B. Martin

#### **V8**

First Place – J. Stevens Second Place – D. Grachen Third Place – S. Rogers

#### Open

First Place – S. Rockliff Second Place – P. Walters Third Place – G. Joclyn

#### Ladies

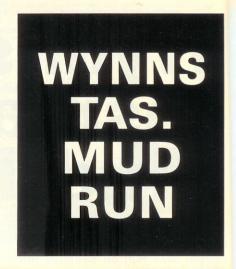
First Place - G. Toigo



Brent Tyler. His Toyota Landcruiser was 1st in 6 Cylinder Class



**Above:** Wayne Doyle, third in the Four Cylinder Class, gets his Toyota Hilux out of the last hole.





Above: Brad Martin in his Toyota Landcruiser came third in the Six Cylinder Class.



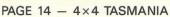
Above: Gina Toigo, in her SWB
Patrol was winner of the
Ladies Class.



Left: Scott Rockliffe (first in Open Class) heading for the finish line in his mid engined Hilux.

Along bottom of P14 and P15: Gary Joclyn in his Suzuki, powered by a twin cam turbo charged motor, thrilling the crowd as he negotiated most of the course with wheels off the ground.









Left: Syd Rogers who came second in the Six Cylinder Class.

Below

**Left:** Brent Tyler in the 'S' Bends.

Below

Right: Big Ford Utility thunders through the finish line.







Left: Paul Walters, (Second in the Open Class) driving a very modified SWB Toyota Landcruiser.





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