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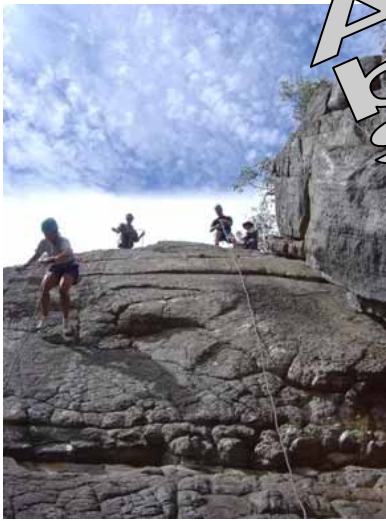
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Meetings Location:	Dandenong Library Stuart Street, Dandenong 3175

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Presidents Report April 2006

There will be no Presidents Report this month.
 Stay tuned for next months contribution by Daddio



Four Wheel Drive Radio Show
 "Talking Four Wheel Drive"
 Saturdays at 10.00m

The Corner

Just a couple of quick recipes this month...a shortcake and a slice to fill the munchies barrel..

APPLE SHORTCAKE

Cream ¼ lb of butter and 1.4 cup of sugar, add 1 egg and cream well again. Then add 1 ½ cups of plain flour and 1 teaspoon of baking powder, sifted together. Roll out.

Use half the pastry to line a greased sandwich tin.

Fill with cold apple or apricot and cover with remaining pastry.

Bake in a moderate oven until golden brown. Serve with cream.

And

AUSTRALIAN LEMON SLICE

125 grams butter

1 ½ cans sweetened condensed milk

¾ cup of coconut

Packet of shortbread biscuits

1 lemon – rind and juice

Crush biscuits, and add all the ingredients except the butter.

Melt the butter and add it to mixture

Press firmly into greased slice tin.

Refrigerate, then ice with lemon icing..

Enjoy..

VFWDC MERCHANDISE

For Sale

New Club Polo Shirts	\$25.00 ea
Polar Fleece ½ Zip Jumper	\$36.00 ea
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Minutes of the General Meeting 4th April 2006

The meeting was held at the Palm Plaza meeting rooms, Dandenong and opened at 8.20pm by President David Hughes who welcomed everyone to the meeting.

PRESENT: 29 members were present as per attendance book.

APOLOGIES: Derek & Janet Hymas, Neil & Norma Stephenson, Graeme & Judy Ralph, Andy Riordon, Joe Galovic, Paula Johnston, Aline Van Buiten, Yvonne Hempston, Anne Pettigrew, Maxine Ryan, Jill Boyle.

VISITORS: Brad & Tracy Giles were welcomed to the meeting.

TEA DUTIES: Thanks Ian & Gary.

RAFFLE: Thanks Peter.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of the March meeting as per Newsletter. Accepted; Sue. Seconded; Leigh.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS

MINUTES: Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Letters; 4wd Victoria re driver training
State Library, no February issue of newsletter received
Lets Go Camping, confirming 2nd May meeting to be held at there premises
Bell&Duke, Invoice for \$660 for 05 audit

Publications;

Toyota Land Cruiser Club
Land Rover Owners Club
Cooper Tires
Anaconda
Horsham 4wd escape
Meridian, new maps on cd
Aussie Disposals catalogue

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance 28/2/06 \$8594.55
Receipts
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Australia Post \$95.00
Bell Duke &Co \$660.00.....\$7942.55

Petty Cash	\$200.00
Cheque Acc	\$2220.38
Term Deposit	\$5522.17.....\$7942.55

EVENTS:

The only trip in the book is George's Kimberley trip.
Steve to try and do a day trip soon, will put something up on the yahoo web site.
Terry going to Warrnambool area, trip to be put in trip book.

Cameron Richardson from Toughseal was welcomed to the meeting, he then gave a presentation on his car care product "Toughseal" at the conclusion he generously donated a sample for the raffle.

Tea break was taken at 9pm.

Raffle; Peter Davies won the Toughseal
Isabell won the Easter hamper



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GENERAL BUSINESS:

Ian informed the meeting that Mark Fountain (son of late Rodney Fountain) won a bronze medal at the Commonwealth Games, suggested that an item be placed in the newsletter. He also queried the high cost of the audit. We will speak to Rodger about it.

Rosalie asked what was happening about a dance this year. We haven't got a date but it won't be this half of the year. We are still looking into it.

The Christmas party for this year is the 2nd December and Gilwell Park has been booked, the early announcement is for people to turn up this year.

A discussion took place about the new clothing supplier, a few caps were shown, sizes are required so that a decent order can be made as we are getting a good price, shirts and jackets are also available. Colour to be red or black.

The schedule for the next meeting on 2nd May at Traktrailer was read out

TRIP REPORT:

Anthony spoke on his recent Grampians trip. He described abseiling on the Sunday and the drive they did on the Saturday.

Paul spoke of assisting with the volunteer work to assist bushfire victims, they helped clear a driveway and then were refused the use of showers at the caravan park.

Steve spoke on the dangers of camping near trees and falling branches.

Meeting closed at 10.10pm.

NEXT MEETING AT TRAKTRAILER, BAYSWATER ROAD, BAYSWATER STARTING AT 7.30PM.

The newsletter is a bit sparse this month.

All articles received to date have been published. If any member has a contribution they would like to make for the next issue, please forward to anniesinternet1@iprimus.com.au

Thank You

To Ashley, John, and Michael.

Many thanks for your time and efforts on the February Proficiency Training Course.

The course was both informative and enjoyable, thanks to you guys.

I think everyone who attended really appreciated what you did.

Well done, and many thanks!

Gary Smith

Club Calendar at a Glance

Date Of Trip	Destination (more detail in forthcoming trips)	Contact
2nd May 2006	Club Meeting - Track Trailers 403 Dorset Rd Bayswater	David Hughes
2nd Dec 2006	Christmas Party - Gilwell Park	David Hughes
TBA	Rock n Roll Dance	Ian Warburton



Trip Report

Grampians

11th - 13th March 2006

On the 10th of March we went to the Grampians. It was a very, very, long drive. When we got there it was about 11:50 pm. We then got out of the car and to our surprise Stephanie, Madeline and Robert were still up so we had a play before going to bed.

The next day we went to get ice cream and went to Reid's Lookout and Baroka Lookout. The fires have damaged a lot of the trees.

John, Leanne, Maggie, Ashley and Paul and Robert went out to fix fences that were burned down in the fires. They came back very black.

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Signature: _____

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