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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc

Notice is hereby given that the 2010 Annual General Meeting of the Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc will be held on Wednesday 12th May 2010 at the Petone Working Men's Club, Udy Street Petone. The AGM will be in association with the May club meeting.

Ralph Dobson

Club Secretary.

Notes Regarding AGM.

Rule 21: Nominations of Candidates for Elected Positions:

- a. Each candidate for an elected position shall be a Voting Member, and shall be nominated in writing by one Voting Member and seconded by another.
- b. The nomination shall be with the written consent of the nominee, and is to be received by the Secretary prior to the Annual General Meeting. Nominations may also be received at the Annual General Meeting until such time as the Chairperson declares nominations closed.

Rule 39: Procedure at General Meetings (Proxy voting)

- c.proxy voting is not permitted.

Rule 37: Notice of Motion for General Meetings.

Any notice of motion for consideration by a General Meeting shall be sent in writing to the Secretary at least 20 days before the date of the General Meeting. Such notice shall include the full text of the motion and the names of the mover and seconder both of whom shall be Voting Members. A motion for which such notice has not been given, may be proposed from the floor only at the Annual General Meeting and then only with the consent of the Chairperson.



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Agenda

Cross Country Vehicle Club Annual General Meeting

To be held 12th May 2010 at Petone Workingmens Club, Udy Street, Petone.

QUORUM.....	Secretary
APOLOGIES	Chairman
MINUTES	
- Minutes available on the door	Secretary
- Accept? (<i>Minutes of 13.05.2009</i>)	
- Matters Arising	
OFFICERS REPORTS	Chairman
- President	
- Treasurer	
Annual Financial Statements	
Annual Membership Fees	
RETROSPECTIVE OFFICER REIMBURSEMENTS.....	Chairman
- President \$200	
- Secretary \$200	
- Treasurer \$200	
NOTICE OF MOTION to amend Clause 18(b) of the Constitution	Chairman
ELECTION OF CLUB OFFICERS	Chairman
ELECTION OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS.....	Chairman
ELECTION OF AUDITOR.....	Chairman
GENERAL BUSINESS.....	Chairman
CLOSE MEETING	Chairman

We (CCVC) have been advised by the Petone Workingmens Club that everyone who is not a member of the Petone Workingmens Club **MUST** sign in when they enter the club, including CCVC members attending Club Night etc.

This is standard procedure for licensed clubs and a legal requirement that this be done so please ensure you sign in as a visitor whenever you attend CCVC events at the Petone Workingmens Club (if you are not a member of PPMC of course).

It is very important that we comply with their request if we wish to maintain the good relationship we have with them.

Notice of Motion to be put to Members at the Annual General Meeting scheduled for 12 May 2010.

“That Clause 18 (b) of the Rules of the Club (the Constitution) be amended to allow for up to twelve General Committee members.”

The reason for this proposed change is that the Committee has found, over the five years that the new Constitution has been in effect, that two more positions are necessary to cover all the responsibilities and jobs to be done. To overcome this last year, two Club Officers also took on a role that would normally be handled by a General Committee member; this approach is not satisfactory for the future.

For clarity, the clause currently reads:

(c) The Club Committee shall comprise the Club Officers and up to ten General Committee members. The General Committee members shall be elected to particular positions as defined in the notice calling the Annual General Meeting, but these positions may be reallocated during the year if the Club Committee deems it necessary.

The proposed new wording is:

(c) The Club Committee shall comprise the Club Officers and up to twelve General Committee members. The General Committee members shall be elected to particular positions as defined in the notice calling the Annual General Meeting, but these positions may be reallocated during the year if the Club Committee deems it necessary.

The full Rules (constitution) document is available in the club’s online MemberZone, which is available to members only. It can also be viewed at the Register of Incorporated Societies.

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc



2010 CLUB OFFICER NOMINATION FORM

I wish to nominate the person below for one of the following positions of the Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Incorporated.

Tick one only

Club Officers	
<input type="checkbox"/>	President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vice President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Immediate Past President
<input type="checkbox"/>	Secretary
<input type="checkbox"/>	Treasurer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Club Captain
<input type="checkbox"/>	
General Committee Members	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Competitions Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Driver Training Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Entertainment Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	External Organisation Delegate – NZFWD Association
<input type="checkbox"/>	Land Access Manager
<input type="checkbox"/>	Membership Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	New Members Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Newsletter Editor
<input type="checkbox"/>	Publicity Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Radio Communications Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety Officer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Trip Coordinator

	Name (print)	Signature	Date
Person Nominated:/...../.....
Proposed By:/...../.....
Seconded By:/...../.....

Please complete this form **legibly** and return to the secretary (or committee member) so that it is in the secretary's hands by the time the AGM starts. You may post it to **CCVC, P.O. Box 38 762, Te Puni**; please ensure that it is posted in time for our final mail clearance on the day before the AGM. It would be preferred if it could be returned earlier if possible.



**Minutes of Cross Country Vehicle Club
Annual General Meeting 13th May 2009**
Petone Workingmens Club, Udy Street, Petone.

Meeting started at 8.15 pm

Quorum

It was agreed that there was a quorum present. No count was considered necessary.

Apologies

Philip Orchard, Ron Johnson

Minutes

Minutes of the previous AGM were read by the Secretary, these were accepted as being true and accurate.

Matters Arising

Nil.

Presidents Report

Presidents Report 2008/9

What a great year! In many ways far from expectation or fear, whilst trip numbers and participation are down on last they are no where near as far down as I expected and whilst we can't be immune from the world's financial meltdown we have done better than many.

For those with an eye to the numbers you'll see that the treasury is in fine shape, well managed and exceeding budget in a year where the cash flow has been huge; no small task to manage, we do owe our thanks to David Coxon for seeing this through.

Highlights of the year;

The Deadwood, He won't accept it but it really was a one man show with some stalwart help on the day but what a success it was particularly from the competitors perspective, would we do it again that way, probably not, far too much to ask of one person and indeed there are recommendations on the table to manage it differently next time but the event was a great success.

The 60k project? cautious and rightly so in the climate but the upside is the club has made a decision and the project team can construct a way forward from there.

There was of course the small matter of the club radio system, what an outstanding undertaking that was, must have been in the last three annual reports but this year we have a result, a very credible, well managed and well implemented one, what's more one that's future proofed and we are already seeing the benefits of that with detail changes as we go forward. If ever there's a group of or sub committee that deserves recognition there's one.

Trip leadership has had it's ups and downs but it must be recognised that trip leaders are the life-blood of the club and they do it for fun so when they're not available lets give them a break or better still, as we have seen in the second half of the year assist by becoming trip leaders ourselves, its certainly resulted in great new venues not so far from home.

On the down side First Aid has got away on us although the recovery is coming on nicely and there is work to be done amongst our sponsors and supporters, there's also opportunity to further grow our social function, The Annual Awards Dinner; this year will be the sixth where Coopers have been the lead sponsor and with such a good 'entertainment' package now, it's got to be the highlight of the year, seeing more of you there would be awesome, its not just about recognising the clubs achievers.

Committee has had a tumultuous year with much focus on radios perhaps at the expense of other issues and as happens at AGMs the committee membership changes; so I would like to recognise the contribution David has made as Treasurer, in our biggest financial year ever!, Charles for his efforts in Publicity and Neil as Club Captain, Neil's stepping out marking the end of nearly ten years of contribution to the club through the committee, Vice president, Captain, Comps officer and Secretary, awesome Neil, thanks for a major contribution. The upside of these losses is that there are number of members who have decided to increase their contribution to the clubs management and as they get elected on, I have every confidence in the clubs endorsement of the future contribution they will make.

So in essence a remarkable year and I would like to thank the committee members the trip leaders, the sub committee members and those who help the club work, for their huge contributions over the past twelve months.

Thank you
P. Adams

Treasurers Report

The treasurers report was distributed to the meeting.

David Coxon then gave an overview of the report noting that the annual accounts are being audited by Phil McConville and will be presented to the club soon.

"Moved that the treasurers report be accepted."

Moved: David Coxon Seconded: Paul Adams Carried

Membership Fees 2009-10

"That the membership fees for 2009- 10 be held set at; \$87.00 for an Ordinary Member and \$40.00 for an Associate Member."

Moved: Paul Adams Seconded: Ralph Dobson Carried.

John Vriunk moved,
"That the membership fees for 2009- 10 be held set at; \$90.00 for an Ordinary Member and \$40.00 for an Associate Member."

Moved: John Vriunk Seconded: David Coxon Motion Lost.

Retrospective Reimbursements

The following retrospective reimbursements were approved

President \$200.00
Secretary \$200.00
Treasurer \$200.00

Unanimous

Election of Club officers.

The following Club Officers were elected unopposed:

President	Paul Adams
Vice President	Grant Purdie
Past President:	Roger Seymour
Secretary	Ralph Dobson
Treasurer	David Kibblewhite
Club Captain	Charles Odlin – (Roger Seymour withdrew his nomination)

Election of Club General Committee

The following General committee members were elected unopposed:

Competitions	Roger Seymour
Training	Steve Mercer
Entertainment	John Vruink
NZ4WDA	Ralph Dobson
Land Access	Grant Purdie
New Members	Steve O'Callaghan
Newsletter	Alan Donaldson
Publicity	Stuart Burrell
Trip Coordinator	John Parfitt
Safety Officer	Brent Samson

Election of Auditor

"That Philip McConville be elected as club auditor."

Unanimous

Other business

Nil

Meeting closed 8.55pm



Club Email Addresses

Are you a new member? Do you get the News emails from the club? Do you have access to the club's website memberzone? If not then have a word with a committee member as these are all ways in which the club communicates with it's members. Some useful email addresses are:

- Webmaster@ccvc.org.nz (general web site queries)
- Lists@ccvc.org.nz (person who administers the list servs)
- Trips@ccvc.org.nz (Trip Coordinator)
- Newsletter@ccvc.org.nz (to send stuff to the newsletter editor)
- Database@ccvc.org.nz (membership database administrator)
- Access@ccvc.org.nz (Chairman of the Land Access Management Committee)
- NZFWDAdelegate@ccvc.org.nz (NZ Four Wheel Drive Association delegate)
- Treasurer@ccvc.org.nz (club treasurer)
- Welfare@ccvc.org.nz (club welfare officer)
- David.coxon@xtra.co.nz (Club night photo submission)
- Helpdesk@ccvc.org.nz (any general questions)

WHEN HELP IS NEEDED

Should any members fail to return from any outing, four wheel drive or otherwise, whether as a club member or as a private individual, the following person/s should be contacted in the first instance:

Anthony Reid 973 8262 or 027 273 6579 or 021 061 1831

Morris Jury 566 6197 or 027 494 5100

Ash Senior 586 8308 or 027 494 5100

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Editorial Ramblings

WANTED: All the news that's fit to print. Or not fit, if it's amusing or educational, at least it'll keep the acting editor distracted.

Hi there,
I'm particularly keen to receive any trip reports as these seem to be a bit thin on the ground at the moment—if you've enjoyed a trip (or embarrassed yourself / your vehicle on one!) jot down a note and drop me a line (or photos) at:

newsletter@ccvc.org.nz

and we'll put your words in print.

This month's cover photo is taken from the CCVC members photos on the web, photographer unknown.

Cheers,

Terry Hughes...

CCVC Life Members

Tom Adams
Leith Bean
Andy Cockroft
John Hughes
Ron Johnson
Phil Lewton
Raynor Mulhare
Ross Perkins

Graham Barr
Peter Boniface (Deceased)
Owen Farghar
Bob Jeffery (Deceased)
Steve Lacey
Vern Lill
Ron Oliver (Deceased)
Grant Purdie
Ron Wadham

George Bean (Deceased)
Stuart Brown
Mike Gall
Heather Jeffery
Colin Landy
Bruce Mulhare
Peter Osborne
Tony Street

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Club Officers

Position	Name	Home Phone	Work Phone	Cellphone	Email
President					
Vice President					
Immed Past President					
Secretary					
Treasurer					
Club Captain					

General Committee Members

Position	Name	Home Phone	Work Phone	Cellphone	Email
Driver Training Officer					
Entertainment					
Membership Officer					
Land Access					
New Members Officer					
Newsletter					
Publicity					
Radio Officer					
Safety Officer					
Trip Coordinator					

Other Useful People

Position	Name	Home Phone	Work Phone	Cellphone	Email
Assets					
Club Night Photo's					
Help desk					
Membership Database					
Track Maintenance					
Trophies					
Webmaster					
Welfare					

**The club meets at 7:30pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month
at the Petone Working Mans Club, Udy Street, Petone.**

MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTIONS

This is your magazine so it can only be as good as the contributions you make!! We need any articles, trip reports, technical items, "How-to's", etc to be in the hands of the editor by the end of each calendar month.

Please email to newsletter@ccvc.org.nz or post to 50 Ngarara Rd, Waikanae.

DISCLAIMER: The opinions expressed in this magazine are those of the contributors and not necessarily those of the club, it's executive or committee members. Publication of maintenance techniques or mechanical modifications should be weighed against generally accepted procedures and the Club should not be considered an authority in this area.



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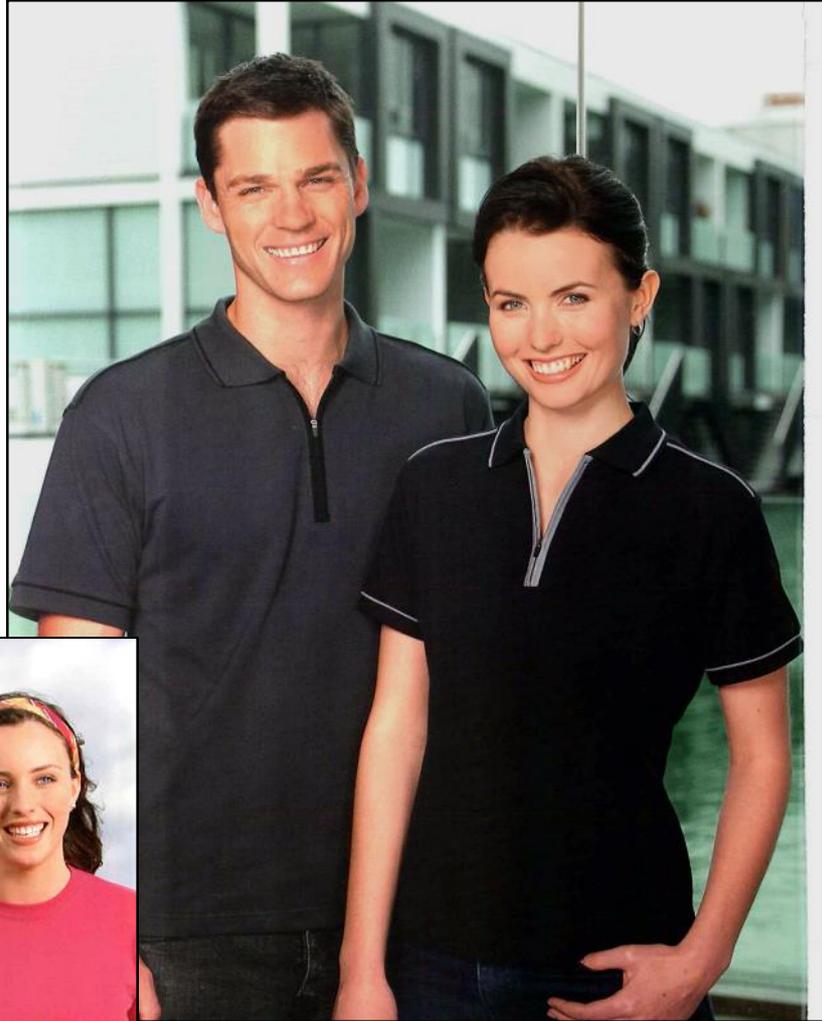
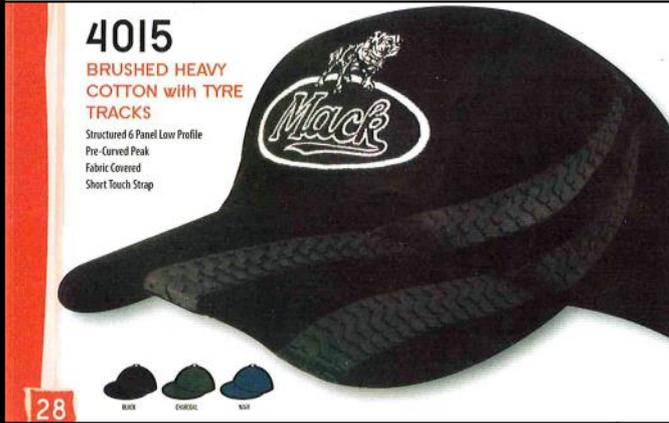
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New Club Kit



Here's the new range of club clothing that our publicity officer has arranged to be available to members - and there's a order form elsewhere in the mag. There are polo shirts, tee shirts and caps in a range of colours (colours in the pictures are not necessarily those available though. Just follow the instructions on the form and you'll soon be the best dressed at home!

CLUB CLOTHING - ORDER FORM



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Jim Johnson

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or 021 389 404

NB: Please remember to call and make an appointment before turning up for an inspection!



We are trying to find out more details on the history of our club trophies and awards - things like previous winners, where the trophy came from, what it was originally given out for, etc. So if you know anything that we don't know (see trophy page on the website to see what we do know)

then please get in touch with a committee member or drop an email to:

newsletter@ccvc.org.nz

National Events

May 22 – 23: NZFWDA Conference /

AGM – Kingsgate Hotel, 110 Fitzherbert Ave, Palmerston North, 06 356 8059. Saturday conference guest speakers are Rob Kelly (president of the Australia National Four Wheel Drive Council) and Paul Osman (Illusive Edge database developer). Sunday AGM. Contact secretary@nzfwda.org.nz

June 5–6: The Kiwi 4X4 Challenge

Kiwi 4X4 Club Presents The Kiwi 4X4 Challenge

Where:- Rallywoods 4X4 park

When :- Queens Birthday Weekend
5th and 6th of June 2010

Type :- Team event

Cost :- \$90 per truck

Contact: challenge@kiwi4x4.org.nz

More Info: www.kiwi4x4challenge.co.nz

June 16-19: Agriculture Fielddays –

Mystery Creek

July 9-11 Rotorua Winch Challenge

more details to follow

July 24-25 Speedshow – ASB Show-

grounds Auckland. Lots of cars bikes and 4WDs plus action including Counties 4 Wheelers Club.

Oct 20-23 Wellington Jeep Jamboree –

Wellington Jeep Club presents a long weekend of Jeep'n in the best 4WD driving areas Wellington has to offer, ranging from bush creeks to big mountain streams through to muddy bush lined logging tracks. Costs: Jeep and Driver \$295, additional adult \$80, additional child \$50. Includes Jeeping trips, packed lunches and dinner for Saturday and Sunday and camping all weekend. For Jeep 4WDs only. Register your interest at: Wellington.Jeep.Jamboree@gmail.com

Some details in this column appear courtesy of Cathy Parker, publisher of the New Zealand 4WD and Sportvehicles magazine. Potential participants should contact the event organiser; CCVC cannot take responsibility for any changes or inadvertent inaccura-

Cross Country Vehicle Club (Wellington) Inc Annual Awards Dinner

Petone Workingmans Club

Sat 19 June 2010

Drinks from 6:00pm, Dinner at 7:00pm

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Where's Alan?

Our Editor is currently out and about in Europe - no prizes for guessing where this was taken..

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Orongorongo Trip Report - Saturday 10th April with Polecat

Fine weather , blue skies, no wind, we could not ask for more as we all gathered / met at the carpark. It was listed as a Family Shiny thus giving / providing some of the recent Steve M graduates an opportunity to put into practice their driving skills with backup whilst enjoying a fantastic day out. It was a warm start with meet at 9.30am , brief at 9.45am nothing to strenuous. A quick look around identified a fine bunch of people and around 12 trucks (some big , some growing up to become a big truck one day and the trucks that were out for a drive) had assembled for what was anticipated would be a fantastic day.

That's the intro, so why am I writing this report. As per the norm we all arrive, have a catch-up , lower air pressure etc - yes standard routine we may all say. Today I thought great get out the Stuan tyre deflators, fantastic 4 wheels 4 deflators life is a breeze. Nope not when they decide not to work the way they are supposed to??? Yep 4 wheels all different pressures ???, why you may ask happened ??? - poor maintenance on my part as the valves were sticking. Yes spotted trying to sneak the pump out without anyone noticing - noisy bloody thing, how the heck could we be inconspicuous??

Ok let's get on with the trip - enough about my woes (heck even my wife doesn't listen to them). After the briefing by Graeme M and some marshalling by Murray we all slotted into positions for the first leg up to Cattle Ridge. Climbing up to the plateau with the day so clear it was simply stunning, fishing boats out on the ocean, heck you could even see that other island to the south - "sorry southern members".

Hell if my tyre episode wasn't embarrassing enough I managed to get a gorse bush wrapped around my front drive shaft on the climb up, out came the saw under the truck remove said obstacle only to spend the rest of the day with no park . Never mind still had momentum, and yes it's a Pajero which still managed to pull a Toyota though a sticky patch later in the day - heck I got lumbered with the report so I've got to get something in for the Paj owners.

Right back to the trip - from the Plateau off we go further up and along Cattle Ridge before we commence the downhill decent to the river bed (say bed because there wasn't exactly a lot of water there) where we stopped for morning tea. Cup of coffee in one hand laying under the truck muttering were the hell has park disappeared to??.

Coffee cups away the Suzi blue horn is wailing we are on our way, across the rivers (well a little water to wash underneath), past the main house and off to find the next enjoyable part of the trip. Through the gate and the climb begins, we were off up to the loop , if any day was a loop day this was it . Forgot to reset my Altimeter to 0 at sea level (heck it just wasn't my day) so would guess at the top we would have been at around 600 to 700M. On completion of the loop at the top it was decided to stop for lunch prior to the decent plus Stewart had to tighten the bolts on Polecats exhaust - see things happen to other people to, not just me.

All fed and watered we were off again (still haven't found Park again - looking very much like a mechanics job, definitely not a job for someone from the Lighting industry) with the decent complete we were off for a drive further up the coast around Turakirae Head towards Windy Head with a couple of shale crossings to keep the interest up. To give everyone (who wished to) a wee play we headed into the playground which is home to a couple of interesting little climbs. For some a great way to find out how the failed hill climb procedure works - or should we say is supposed to work.

By now it was getting onto around 3.30 so it was time to start heading back which was basically a reverse track back over the shale etc to the bridge were it was air up time (yes second time for me for the day) say goodbyes etc. Final note before I close of - whilst Stewart was signing of the trip forms for our pending new members, it was noted that Jane was airing up Polecats Tyres - Umm Guys we appear to have got something wrong here???

Moral of the story - don't let your tyres down and then have to get out the pump to re inflate to trip pressure in front of the Trip Leader who happened to be looking for a Report Writer - Cheers Stewart it was a fantastic day.

Morris - K327 / Spider



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Remits

To be presented at NZFWDA AGM 2010

Remit 1.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association

"That the following sub-clauses be added to Rule 31:

- g) Notwithstanding any statement to the contrary in either these rules or any rules (including for the avoidance of doubt competition rules) made under the authority of these rules, any Affiliated Club, Association Committee or Association Member who is dissatisfied by a decision of the Association may appeal the decision to the Sports Disputes Tribunal of New Zealand.
- h) An application to appeal a decision of the Association shall be lodged with the Sports Disputes Tribunal of New Zealand within 15 working days of the decision of the Association.
- i) An appeal to the Sports Disputes Tribunal of New Zealand shall be heard and determined in accordance with the rules of the Sports Disputes Tribunal of New Zealand."

Background to this remit

At this point in time the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association, unlike other similar organisations that conduct competitive vehicular events (e.g. KartSport New Zealand, Motorcycling New Zealand etc.), does not have a dispute mechanism that allows for independent and objective appeals to be heard outside of the organisation. That such a mechanism is desirable for sporting organisations was recognised by the New Zealand Government when it created the Sports Disputes Tribunal of New Zealand. The Tribunal's statutory aim is:

To ensure that national sport organisations and other parties to a sports dispute, such as competitors, have access to an affordable, just and speedy means of resolving a sports dispute.

It is the belief of the Cross Country Vehicle Club Wellington Inc (CCVC) that, notwithstanding the very best efforts of all involved, some matters simply cannot justly be heard on Appeal by members of the Association and should be heard by an 'independent entity' with no affiliations or bias to the groups likely to be appealing. Accordingly the addition of a right of appeal to the Sports Disputes Tribunal of New Zealand would substantially strengthen access to affordable, just and speedy resolution of disputes for the benefit of all.

Remit 2.

New rule to be inserted that reads,

1. The Sports Anti-Doping Rules made by Drug Free Sport New Zealand (DFS) under the provisions of the Sports Anti-Doping Act 2006, and as amended from time to time by DFS, will become New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Associations Anti-Doping Rules from 1 June 2010 and will replace all other anti-doping rules of the Associations and its member clubs.
2. All persons driving, or otherwise having any control over any vehicle or equipment attached to that vehicle during any New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association event, be it competition or otherwise, shall be subjected to the same DFSNZ rules as athletes in competition.
3. All marshals, scorers and officials at any New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association event, be it competition or otherwise, shall be subjected to the same DFSNZ rules as athletes in competition.
4. As a condition of membership, all members of the New Zealand Four Wheel Drive Association are required to comply with the Sports Anti-Doping Rules.

Remit 3.

Tyre size: At the last National AGM in Queenstown Central Otago expressed concerns on the matter of tyre size and the damage being done to the land, this was followed by an in-depth discussion of all in attendance. There was a feeling that this issue must be addressed sooner rather than later.

Remit to read: The maximum tyre size of 35 inches or metric equivalent as marked on the tyre wall be the manufacturer be the largest tyre allowable on any club organised activity.

Central Zone Report - May 2010

The Central Zone held its AGM on Sat 1st May with a reasonable turn out of delegates.

The President (Elizabeth Dawson - Hawkes Bay club) and Treasurer (Shona Stone - Taranaki Family club) retained their positions. The other three executive positions changed with the Secretary (now John De Burgh - Feilding club), Vice President (now yours truly) and PRO (CCVC's own Roger Seymour) being voted in. The PRO position includes representing Central Zone on the National Executive so no doubt we will hear plenty of the inside gossip in future from Roger.

The delegates discussed the coming National AGM in Palmerston North and we should get a strong Central Zone attendance. The Zone held six interclub events over the last twelve months and here's hoping for some more this year.

Ralph Dobson, CCVC Delegate

Upcoming Trips

Date	Name	Organiser	Category	Place	Status	Notes
May 2010						
Tuesday 4th	Web Project Meeting	Murray Wills	Meeting - 17:30	Maxsys Limited, Level 2, Davis Langdon House, 49 Boulcott Street, Wellington,		
Sunday 9th	CCVC Driver Training Day for Prospective Members - FULLY BOOKED	Steve Mercer	Family Shiny		Confirmed	Bookings Required
Wednesday 12th	CCVC Club Night and AGM - All Welcome	Paul Adams	Meeting - 19:30	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Saturday 15th	Moonshine to Totara Park the Interesting Way	David Coxon	Family Shiny / Shiny 4X4	Akatarawa Forest		Bookings Required
Tuesday 18th	Web Project Meeting	Murray Wills	Meeting - 17:30	Maxsys Limited, Level 2, Davis Langdon House, 49 Boulcott Street, Wellington,		
Saturday 22nd	Coastal Monthly Shiny - Orongorongo Environs	Graeme Millard	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area	Confirmed	Bookings Required
Saturday 22nd	NZFWDA National Conference and AGM	NZFWDA Association	Event	Palmerston North	Confirmed	
Wednesday 26th	CCVC Committee Meeting	-tba-	Meeting - 19:30	Porirua Club		
Saturday 29th	Sutherlands Track	Gary Rowden	Shiny 4X4	Sutherland's Track	Confirmed	BOOKINGS REQUIRED
June 2010						
Tuesday 1st	CCVC Safety Sub Committee Meeting	Brent Samson	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-		
Tuesday 1st	Web Project Meeting	Murray Wills	Meeting - 17:30	Maxsys Limited, Level 2, Davis Langdon House, 49 Boulcott Street, Wellington,		
Saturday 5th	KIWI 4x4 Challenge	Kiwi 4x4 Club (Formally ORE)	Event	Rallywoods	Confirmed	
Saturday 5th	Ohinewairua at Queens Birthday	John Vruink	Shiny 4X4 / Club 4X4	Ohinewairua Station, Taihape		Bookings Required
Wednesday 9th	CCVC Club Night - All Welcome	-tba-	Meeting - 19:30	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Saturday 12th	Coastal Monthly Shiny - Orongorongo Environs	David Coxon	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area	Confirmed	Bookings Required
Monday 14th	CCVC Trip Leaders Forum	Charles Odlin	Meeting - 19:30	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Tuesday 15th	Web Project Meeting	Murray Wills	Meeting - 17:30	Maxsys Limited, Level 2, Davis Langdon House, 49 Boulcott Street, Wellington,		
Saturday 19th	CCVC Awards Dinner and Presentations 2010	John Vruink	Event	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St	Confirmed	
Sunday 20th	ARAC Akatarawa Trip Leader Training	Grant Purdie	Training (Trip Leaders)			
Saturday 26th	South Coast Planting with Wellington City Council	Barry Insull	Family Shiny	Wellington South Coast		Bookings required.
Tuesday 29th	Web Project Meeting	Murray Wills	Meeting - 17:30	Maxsys Limited, Level 2, Davis Langdon House, 49 Boulcott Street, Wellington,		
Wednesday 30th	CCVC Committee Meeting	-tba-	Meeting - 19:30	Porirua Club		
July 2010						
Wednesday 7th	60K Project Meeting	Terence Broad	Meeting - 19:30	-tba-		
Saturday 10th	Coastal Monthly Shiny - Orongorongo Environs	-tba-	Family Shiny	Orongorongo area	Confirmed	Bookings Required
Wednesday 14th	CCVC Club Night - All Welcome	-tba-	Meeting - 19:30	Petone Working Men's Club, Udy St		
Wednesday 28th	CCVC Committee Meeting	-tba-	Meeting - 19:30	Porirua Club		

Taihape to Napier the Long Way with Graeme Millard

For us it really was the long way to go from Auckland to Wellington. About dusk on Friday 16th April we met up with Graeme and Linda and also David Coxon at the Taihape Motels where the motelier welcomed us with chippies and beer or wine. "What a good start to our weekend", we said. We all then found a nice restaurant nearby and enjoyed dinner together.

The next morning dawned cold and misty but that didn't deter three prospective members arriving from south to join us at the BP Service Station. Tim and Luke in their Disco for a boys' weekend away; Rex and Sue in their Pajero and a Levin couple Neville and Pauline, with neighbours Dennis and Norma as passengers, in a shiny new Vitara. After introductions over hot coffee and the usual trip briefing, we travelled along SH1 until we turned left onto the road to Mokai Gravity Canyon. Stopping at the first bridge to peer down the deep ravine, Pauline told us that many years ago when some of her family were crossing in their horse drawn cart the old bridge collapsed and they all crashed to the bottom of the canyon. At the Mokai Gravity Canyon we watched the school holiday thrill seekers. A young guy did the 80 metre bungy and three women came down the world's longest flying fox of 175 metres.

On along the Pukeokahu and Matawhero gravel roads making a lunch stop beside the Mangaohane stream. Our route eventually brought us to the sealed Taihape to Napier road and then almost immediately going onto gravel again to Kuripapango. The map reads Difficult Road in red writing and it is very windy but road works indicate it will be sealed sometime soon. The Gentle Annie is a small section of road in the middle of this. Low cloud prevented us from seeing Mt Ruapehu, but on reaching the Hawkes Bay side we were warmed by lovely sunshine and amazing views from the trig. Unfortunately, we ran out of time to drive to the Guavas Forest, so following the afternoon tea stop opposite the lovely country school at Sherenden, we headed to Wally's Backpackers instead. Those of us strolling around the city streets chose Breakers as a reasonably priced place to eat and it turned out to be good food too. After dinner there was much map consultation by Graeme, David and Max to decide the best route for the next day.



On Sunday we were eager to press on to Clive but instead of leading us along the Marine Parade Graeme used his theme "The Long Way" and we did a real tiki tour of almost every suburban street in Napier until we reached SH2 at Awatoto. (Maybe the Mole needs to know about this one?) Turning off the main road at Clive we travelled along the Tuki Tuki Rd following the picturesque river of the same name behind Te Mata Peak. David stopped often to photograph the colourful poplar trees and it certainly is a breathtakingly beautiful part of our country. The Kahuranaki Rd (partly gravel) eventually took us to Elsthorpe where we headed down Kairakau Rd to the scenic Kairakau Beach with its backdrop of steep cliffs for a morning tea stop. From there we joined Mangakuri and Clareinch roads (both gravel) until we met Purerere Rd. According to Graeme the tide was coming in so the drive south down the beach from Aramoana beach to Blackhead beach was off so we continued along Long Range and Blackhead roads (both gravel) until we turned off to Porangahau Beach where we parked on the sand for lunch. Before departing the area we all burned up and down the beach in our 4WDs and on our return were met by a Maori man. Were we in trouble? Oh no, he was a friendly fella and wanted to tell us about his farm not far away that we could use for recreation. With his wife behind the wheel of their 4WD we all followed onto Ross's property and up his farm tracks to the top of a high hill. It was the actual sacred spot called Taumatawhakatangihangakoauauotamatea-turipukakapikimaungahoronukupokaiwhenuakitanatahu.

The cameras all came out to record the most spectacular views right out to Cape Kidnappers. This was such a bonus and possibly the highlight of our trip. We should add that Neville's little Suzuki, having road tyres and four passengers, climbed effortlessly. Returning to Wimbledon Rd, we stopped to take more photos of the world's longest place name before continuing on to a lovely alternate gravel road Birch Rd East and Tahuokaretu Rd. then onto Route 52 just before Weber, finally ending our fantastic weekend with fish 'n' chips from an "Arkwright" shop in Eketahuna.



Fortunately, there are still many gravel roads in the Hawkes Bay and Wairarapa for us to travel on. When is the next trip?

All in all, everyone in the six trucks enjoyed over 600 kms of trouble free travel seeing sights we've never ever seen thanks to Graeme and Linda's thoughtful planning.

Max and Gillian George



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