

TRUE GRIT 4WD CLUB Inc

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General Meeting

Date: 10 June 2026

Meeting Opened: 7.33pm

Committee Members: Leon Smithenbecker, Daniel Wayenberg, Candice Smithenbecker, Corrine Wayenberg, Dennis Ramsay, Mick Fox (online), Jen Partl

Attendees: Sam Gash and Danielle Duff, Marion Partl, Terry and Rachael Armstrong, Jackie Hillier, Warren and Brittney Jones, Tom McDevitt, Chris Reeves, Tegan Cross, Brenton Ford, Alex Houston, Pat Harding

Online: Yohannah Aurisch and Matt Gatti, Troy Shipard, David Rossiter, Andrew Hogan

Apologies: Tony Vlacci, Karen Ramsay, Cameron Ramsay, Harriet Stanley

MEETING MINUTES	
Minutes from previous meeting	Members were asked to confirm they had read the previous meeting minutes. No amendments or discussion points were raised. Outcome: Previous minutes accepted as true and correct.
Correspondence	4WD Victoria President and delegate meeting will be held 20 June (Saturday). Agenda submission welcomed. Can attend in person or online
REPORTS	
President Leon Smithenbecker	Committee Changes Resignations The following resignations were formally noted and read: Terry – President Lisa – Vice President Rachel – General Committee Member Key themes from resignation letters: Concerns regarding: Lack of support Communication breakdown Leadership challenges Governance and operational issues

	Acknowledgement Committee acknowledged the significant time and contribution made by Terry and Lisa. Thanks formally recorded. Interim Arrangements Acting President appointed until next AGM. Committee continues operating with current members.
Secretary Candice Smithenbecker	Club handbooks distributed: Additional copies available at meeting Members requested to: Sign acknowledgement sheet upon receipt Return signed confirmation if already issued
Treasurer Jen Partl	Card Account Opening Balance (13 May 2026): \$122.22 Closing Balance (9 June 2026): \$73.22 Income: Transfer from working account Birthday Bash donations: \$619.95 Expenses: Birthday Bash costs: \$548.00 Transaction fees: \$1.00 Trend Antivirus: \$119.95 Working Account Opening Balance: \$3,003.22 Closing Balance: \$3,839.19 Income: Raffle funds: \$1,000 Big Bash income: \$404.80 Total: \$1,404.80 Expenses: Handbook printing: \$64.00 Transfers to card account: \$319.95 Birthday Bash catering: \$161.48 BBQ trailer supplies: \$23.40 Total: \$568.83 Outcome: Treasurer's report accepted as true and correct.
Members officer Dennis Ramsay	One applicant (father and son) approached at Big Bash. Application declined due to membership cap.

	Waitlist system in place.
Social media Leon / Candice Smithenbecker	Website redevelopment ongoing. Members added as site users. Login invitations issued via email. Features: Member portal (in development) Ability to update personal details Future: Meeting minutes access Document sharing Online invoicing Action: Members to: Check email (including junk mail) Create login and password
Trip coordinator Tony Vlacci - Absent	Events Covered Big Bash Yackandandah Day Trip Get to Know Your Vehicle Mystery Trip
	Mystery Trip Summary Presented by Marion: Multi-day trip with varied tracks and locations Minor navigation error corrected Camp at Good Hope Tracks included: Scotsman Creek Track Buffalo Range Track Red Jacket Spur Peak reached: approx. 1425m No snow encountered Incidents: Brake failure repaired onsite Tyre damage repaired (plugging exercise) Minor navigation errors Sergeant at Arms (Fines System) Corinne: leaving jockey wheel down after loading camper at home. Brian: Turning up late to departure point Leon: turning up late to departure point

	Brenton and Jaquie: no headlights on leaving Myrtleford Marien: Spoiling what was supposed to be a mystery camp ground by having it written down on the pdf form of trip participants Jaquie Canopy door coming open and having to shut Jaquie: no headlights leaving camp Daniel: pie oven fell off its mount in back of canopy Justin: Left cup on bulbar and drove off Jacquie Canopy door coming open again Marien, Leon, Warren and Justin: No blinker when leaving camp Sunday morning Corinne: Getting her left and rights mixed up when she's navigating Corinne: Taking us down the wrong track Had 5 cars attempt a challenging climb and 1 person had to have 5 goes at it when the other 4 cars got it 1st try. Fine Daniel Jaquie, Warren, Leon, Justin No blinker out of camp on the last day as we were leaving Marian not keeping barbie safe at camp Ashton for kidnapping barbie Sam, because no one gets off Scott free. Wayenberg \$6 Marian \$3 Warren \$2 Jacquie \$5 Leon \$3 Brian \$1 Justin \$3 Brenton \$1 Sam \$1 Funds purpose: Contribute toward club social events (e.g. Christmas party)
Public relations Mick Fox	Mick distributing sponsor appreciation certificates Delay due to injury, completion expected shortly

GENERAL BUSINESS**Donation Tracking**

New Donation Register to be implemented:
Record donor
Purpose
Allocation/use
Final outcome

Big Bash Fundraiser Report

Mick presented the event report with detailed financial breakdown:

Financial Summary

Ticket Sales: 73 tickets @ \$5 = \$365

Food Sales: \$3,980

Total Funds Raised: \$404.80 (confirmed correct)

Attendance

Registered Members: 18

Total Attendees: 28

Prizes & Donations

Multiple prizes awarded (list circulated separately)

Some items remain unclaimed (e.g., vouchers)

Outstanding Items

Two major vouchers and window tinting prize retained

Sponsors contacted regarding unclaimed items; responses pending

Processes

Cash (~\$300) received and deposited within timeframe

Deposit confirmed within constitutional requirement (within 5 days)

Receipts issued after event via Treasurer

Discussion

Clarification provided:

Additional tyre voucher not drawn due to time constraints

Prize draws managed individually by participants selecting items

AGM Scheduling

AGM moved to October

Reason:

Align with Consumer Affairs requirements

Within 5 months of financial year end

Improvements Planned:

Pre-nomination process

Pre-distributed role descriptions

Pre-voting options for absent members

Increased transparency

**External Event – Tallangatta
Heritage Event**

Proposal:

Provide vehicle transport/tours

Potential temporary memberships required

Key Issues:

Limited detail available

Event scheduled for 27th (short timeframe)

	Action: - Seek volunteers - Confirm vehicle numbers
Membership Renewals	Fee increased to \$120 Includes: - Handbook - Membership key tag Process: - Invoices issued via website - Payment due by 25 June
Supercheap Auto Partnership	Member identification number system being implemented Benefits: - Discount tracking - Possible donated gear (recovery equipment)
Committee Governance Discussion	A concern was raised by a member regarding: - Committee hierarchy - Recent resignations - Perceived internal conflict Response from Committee: - Issues acknowledged - Matters handled internally Decision made to: - Maintain committee operation - Avoid public discussion of internal matters - Focus on moving forward Former President also addressed members: - Confirmed challenges within committee Encouraged: - Unity - Reduced division - Support for current committee
Trip Proposal (Brendan Ford)	Proposed trip: - Dartmouth (September) - Camping, fishing, potential snow conditions Status: - Noted and supported
Iguana Working Bee (Upcoming Event)	Members advised: - Includes maintenance work in exchange for accommodation - Followed by recreational touring Important Restrictions: - No fresh fruit/vegetables or honey across SA border

Member Acknowledgement	Appreciation expressed by member for support and inclusion in recent trips. Positive feedback to committee
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MEETING CLOSED: 8:31 pm

NEXT MEETING: 08 July 2026