



## OUT AND ABOUT 4x4 CLUB



### Trip Report - The Powerline Trip Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October

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The powerline trip (from Flynn Road turnoff) was action packed from the start. 100m from our starting point most cars waited for a bitumen incident that had just occurred on Great Eastern Hwy. Then the fun began with Steve as Tail End Charlie.

Looking up the track, as the seven cars let tyres down, it was clear the track required a level of 4wding skill. At 10.05 we took off as rain threatened but bright sunshine kept it at bay and made for a gorgeous day to be out and about. There was a variety of track levels. Early on Mike redesigned his side step. Each car had its moments and together we had lots of laughs.

John attempted a difficult track and got sooo close to the top. Unfortunately traction over one last hurdle won. He was persistent and courageous in his attempts. Steve's lockers helped him out on the same challenge and Alan winched him over the last hurdle. Thanks for the great sense of anticipation and excitement you created.

John also braved another difficult track. Unfortunately his Cruiser looked like it needed to diet as he got stuck between rocks. He proved his flexibility as he climbed in and out the window to repair the bead on his tyre with Dicko. It was an entertaining morning tea show.

Alan (undercover name over the two-way Alex) was a bold driver. He approached each incline with gusto and the Jeep with baldish tyres proved itself track capable. Izac (5 year old) thought the wheelies were "awesome".





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Lunch was enjoyable as we overlooked the escarpment. One of the stories told was that Paul swore – so there must have been some challenging moments on the track!



Towards the end Chris made a legendary move and got stuck in a deep mud hole. Water was just below knee deep in the car, making the trip very memorable. Dicko's winch got a workout.



The only let down all day was the rubbish that blemished the amazing scenery. The landscape was blooming with dashes of breathtaking colour.

Thank you so much Terri for your preparation and leadership. Like always you and Paul planned efficiently and thoughtfully. It was a wonderful day.