



Julimar State Forest Visitor's Trip

Date: 17 Nov 2024
Trip Leaders: Kerry and Steve
Participants (members): Mike and Clare, David and Karen, Steve, Bob, Rex, Frank, Les and Carol, Troy, Roger and Jo
Participants (visitors): Allan, Vince, Mark and Tracy, Robert and Jessica, Brandy and Ryan

There was a Hilux and some Land Cruisers, but it wasn't the 'Toyota 4x4 Club'.
There was a Triton and some Payeros, but it wasn't the 'Mitsubishi 4x4 Club'.
There were 3 Patrols, but it certainly wasn't the 'Nissan 4x4 Club'.
There was a Cherokee and a Wrangler, but no one wanted it to be the 'Jeep 4x4 Club'.

It was the club that caters for all vehicles, the OUT AND ABOUT 4X4 CLUB, and this was the 1st Visitor's Trip following the 2024 4WD and Adventure Show.

Edmonds Pl, Bindoon was the meeting point. One by one the 4x4 vehicles arrived, some members, some visitors, all there to enjoy the adventure through the Julimar State Forest.

After welcoming the visitors, and detailing the convoy procedures, all the vehicles headed along Great Northern Hwy and turned right into Stephens Rd to get some dirt in our tyre treads. We stopped along Stephens Rd to air down, then turned onto Western Boundary Rd which was much drier than it had been last time the club travelled here in July.

A large area was found to stop for morning tea, where all had plenty of time to chat and get to know other members and visitors. Tummies full, we continued in convoy deep into the Julimar State Forest and spotted some wildflowers and wildlife beside the tracks.

The morning became afternoon, the lunch stop was done, and the final descent down Heine Rd was looming ahead. The call came across the UHF that the track straight ahead was rutted and lumpy, and that the alternative track was not easy enough to be called a chicken track, so drivers were told to 'get out, have a look, and commit'.

Those who committed to the straight ahead track (Brandy and Ryan, Les and Carol, Vince, Troy) became well aware of what rutted and lumpy really means, however all vehicles safely made it down Heine Rd and then another few dirt roads and it was time to stop, air up, and head home.



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