

North Otago Four Wheel Drive Club Inc

The club was registered as an incorporated society in January 2001

The club is based in Oamaru and has approximately 50 paid up members

Contact details web site www.no4wd.co.nz, email secretary@no4wd.co.nz

Committee contacts as of 2016 President Stan Dorsey 03 434 8610

Vice President Les Weir 03 434 2367

Club Objectives

To organise trips, events and social activities that enable members to utilise their four wheel drive vehicles, driving skills and enjoyment of the outdoors whilst respecting the environment and access to public and private lands

The club has

- a formal constitution
- Public liability insurance cover for up to \$5 million dollars and rural fire insurance cover of up to \$250,000 dollars
- A registered EPIRB Emergency locator beacon
- Trips are undertaken on public, crown and private land where access permission has been granted by the owners
- The club undertakes driver experience events which are supervised by a qualified four wheel drive vehicle instructor certificates are issued to participants
- Alcohol policy members who are driving must ensure that they are below the legal limit for driving at all time
- No fire arms policy
- Trip leaders retain the right to exclude members from organised trips where their vehicle, equipment or driving skills and experience are deemed to be inadequate for the class of trip
- Safety Plan Essential equipment and Trip rules next page





Safety Plan - Essential Equipment list

Chains – 1 set of chains must be carried

Remove tow ball (so that it is not used for vehicle recovery purposes)

Tow hooks front and rear

Recovery strop

D Shackle

Shovel/spade

Good jack base

Fire extinguisher

Torch

Strong footwear

Soap/towel/toilet paper

3rd party insurance (minimum requirement)

First Aid kit

Current Warrant of Fitness and Vehicle registration

Spark Arresters may be required for all vehicles on some trips e.g. during dry conditions or in the forestry areas



Professional instructor Evan Jamieson discussing the merits of tow ropes and tow strops at a driver experience day held in November 2015

Practising vehicle recovery techniques using a vehicle mounted winch during a driver experience day held in November 2015



Safety Plan - Trip Rules

<u>Prior to all trips an advisory notice is distributed to all club members detailing information and</u> equipment requirements specific to that event

The **Trip Leader** holds a briefing prior to the departure of the trip

All trip participants must comply with directives issued by the trip leader at the pre trip briefing as well as during the duration of the trip

A 'Tail End Charlie' is appointed to remain at the end of the convoy for the entirety of the trip

Convoy Procedure - always keep the vehicle behind you in sight, always stop at intersections to ensure the vehicle behind you can see you and follow you.

Drivers must ensure a safe distance is kept behind the vehicle in front especially in conditions such as heavy dust, ascending and descending steep inclines and declines

Trip management is contingent on the use of vhs radio communication.

Gate policy - all gates are left as found.

Closed gates - the person that opens the gates stays at the gate until all vehicles have passed through and then shuts the gate securely

Always hold safety in mind - especially during recovery procedures, all spectators are to keep clear.

Never under any circumstances slip a tow rope over the tow ball.

Do not joint two ropes with a shackle - loop one through the other in a secure knot, then slip a strong piece of wood between the two to ensure that they can be separated after recovery.

Fire extinguishers are compulsory - minimum 1 Kg for Forest trips - your extinguisher must be operable - check the weight.

All vehicles must have tow hooks front and back that are securely mounted to the chassis with high tensile bolts.

All vehicles must carry a rope or strop.

All vehicles must carry a spade or shovel.

All vehicles must carry a first aid kit.

All drivers are required to stay on the track unless otherwise directed by the trip leader

All drivers must hold a current drivers licence

Do not leave the trip early without advising the leader

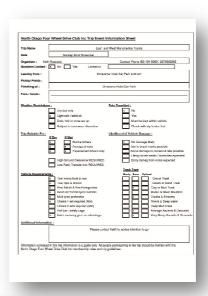
Club meetings, newsletter and web site

The club meets every third Tuesday of the month.

Meetings are held in the Oamaru Club rooms in 32 Severn Street

A newsletter is distributed to all members on a monthly basis. The newsletter includes a trip briefing information sheet for all trips planned a month in advance

<u>Club web site – WWW.no4wd.co.nz</u>





The web site holds over 1600 photographs of past events, the membership database, events calendar, current committee members names and contact details and other club news

The club acknowledges the support of it sponsors and supporters who advertise in the monthly magazine and are listed on the front page of the web site

New members are welcome, please download a membership application form from the web site or complete the application form on the next page and send it to

North Otago Four Wheel Drive Club Inc , PO Box 202, OAMARU 9444

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Date of application	
Name(s) of applicant	(s)
Address	
POST CODE	
1001 CODE	
Name of wife or partr	ner
Home Phone	
Email address	
Occupation	
Interests	
Skills that may be helpful to the activities of the Club	
Name and make/mode	el of your FWD vehicle(s)
Signature(s)	
Nominated by (Print).	Signed
Seconded by (Print)	Signed
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Applicant's Name(s)	
Inv number	
Full Fee	
(or part year fee) April-March	\$55.00
July-March	\$45.00
October-March	\$35.00
January-March	\$25.00
Cash or Name on Che	eque
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