



## 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](http://www.no4wd.co.nz), email [secretary@no4wd.co.nz](mailto: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

### Prior to all trips an advisory notice is distributed to all club members detailing information and 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

Club web site – [www.no4wd.co.nz](http://www.no4wd.co.nz)

**North Otago Four Wheel Drive Club Inc. Trip Event Information Sheet**

Trip Name:  East and West Manukhera Tracks

Date:  Sunday 22/11/2016

Organiser:  Self Organised  Club Organised  Limited to  Contacted Phone #03 (91 8089) 427099002

Members Limited:  No  Yes

Leaving From:  Oamaru / Mt Cook 3:30 am

Picking Up At:  Oamaru Hotel Get Park

Price / Cost:

**Vehicle Requirements:**

Dry Day only  
 Light duty vehicle  
 2000cc or more petrol  
 4x4, full or cross axles  
 Subject to weather conditions

**Pass Permitted:**

No  
 Yes  
 Must be used within vehicle  
 Check with Trip Leader first

**Trip Details:**

**Day:**  Day  Night

No vehicle drivers  
 No passengers  
 No passengers at all  
 Experienced drivers only  
 High Ground Clearance REQUIRED  
 Low Ratio Transfer Case REQUIRED

**Unpermitted Vehicle Features:**

No damage likely  
 Not to break tracks possible  
 Some damage to corners & wheels possible  
 Heavy track marks & ruts/scratches expected  
 Only damage from rocks expected

**Vehicle Disinfectants:**

New seats front & rear  
 New mats & wheel  
 New Axle & Wheel stringer  
 Cover All Terrain gear mat  
 Multi purpose protection  
 Chairs 1 set required (M/M)  
 Shower & soap required (M/M)  
 Hot bar / kashy lodge  
 Full recovery gear - no knowledge

**Track Type:**

Gravel Track  
 Crush or Gravel  
 Top or Bare Track  
 Broken or Bare Road  
 Chunks & Stones  
 Rivers & Deep water  
 Snow/Slush  
 Average Averages & Descents  
 Very Steep Ascents & Descents

**Additional Information:**

Please contact Keith to achieve liberation tags

Information contained in this trip information is a guide only. All people participating in the trip should be familiar with the North Otago Four Wheel Drive Club Inc membership rules and trip guidelines.



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Row wave winner - Ron and Julie crossing the Wilberforce River



Photos by Ian Vercoe

**Upcoming Events**  
 Combined Clubs 4WD Weekend Central Otago & Southland (19/3/2016)  
 Kuroto Mt Buster (10/4/2016)  
 Club Committee meeting (19/4/2016)  
 Club Committee meeting (17/5/2016)

**Recent News**  
 Now here's a great 4wd vehicle (22/05/2012)  
 QUEENSLAND Lidsdale/Mt Walker river crossing (21/03/2012)  
 NZ Mazs Online - Free (02/03/2011)  
 Who's going to change the tyre? (23/01/2011)  
 Tony Campbell - St Winch Challenge Champion 2010 (08/12/2010)  
 Visit Historic Winterslow Station Fund Raiser Trip (24/01/2009)

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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 its 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**

NORTH OTAGO FOUR WHEEL DRIVE CLUB INCORPORATED  
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Date of application .....

Name( s) of applicant( s ) .....

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Address .....

POST CODE.....

Name of wife or partner .....

Home Phone ..... Work Phone ..... Cell Phone .....

Email address .....

Occupation .....

Interests .....

Skills that may be helpful to the activities of the Club .....

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Name and make/model of your FWD vehicle( s ) ..... Regn .....

Signature( s) .....

Nominated by (Print)..... Signed.....

Secoded by (Print) .....Signed.....

CLUB USE

Applicant's Name( s) .....

Inv number .....

Full Fee .....

(or part year fee)

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