

## 4WD4KIDS 2011

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### NETWORKING

Hi Everyone,

Just under 2 weeks until 4WD4KIDS 2011. As you can imagine, it's a very busy time for us at the moment and we can't wait for the start!

Our fearless leader (Steve ... Tumbi ... Blu ... Piggins) is away with another Netsman at Targa Tasmania flying the NETS flag at the moment so I've been left holding the fort at both event HQ and work! We wish them luck at the event and would like to see them bring home the trophy (no pressure Brian!)

If you have any questions or need to contact me, the best way is via email at the moment as I've still got to do the "real day job". Otherwise Steve is available on mobile, leave a message if he doesn't answer, he promises he doesn't hate you and will ring you back!! (Those who know his voicemail message will know what this means!)

Everything is starting to fall into place and the event is shaping up to be another great weekend. Don't miss out; it's not too late to join us! Please do the forms ... so we can do the numbers!

#### Mice Races

Thank you to everyone who joined us at the Mice Races. It was a great weekend. I've never seen anything so funny in my life! Unfortunately, I wasn't allowed to take the cats with me (can't imagine why!) but Bella was there and made heaps of new friends.

We had a display for Jeff's Walk and also one of the NETS ambulances. We had a really great response from everyone we spoke to and we certainly raised awareness for NETS. We hope to make this a yearly event and hope you all can join us next year. It's a really awesome weekend and so well organised by the lovely people of Bylong.

#### Start

As mentioned in previous newsletters, we will start from King Edward Park in Newcastle. For those who know Newcastle, this is right at the top of town, not far from Newcastle Beach and we will meet in the park area near the Rotunda. If you don't trust your GPS to get you there, please just let us know and we will email you some instructions.

There are plenty of hotels in the Newcastle area if you are thinking of staying on Friday night before the event. If you need advice on where to stay, contact Sarah as it's her hometown and can tell you the best spots to stay.

#### Up Up and Away!

We are also very pleased to announce that Netsville Airlines will again be taking to the skies on this year's event. Matt Quinlan will be joining us again this year in his R44 Helicopter and just like last year, there will be some great opportunities for joy flights throughout the event.

Kell will again be looking after bookings for the joy flights ... so if you want to soar to great heights ... look out for the "Chopper Pimp" (those who joined us last year will remember the outfit!).

Thank you Matt, we are very excited to have you on board!

#### [www.netsville.com.au](http://www.netsville.com.au)

For those who haven't visited Netsville's very own website ... take some time to check it out. Gary & Sue Schwiekert (Big Hat Pictures) have done a fantastic job of putting together video's and pictures of all of our events, which are all

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posted on the NETSVILLE website. We also thank Ron, Maddie & Ellie Croft who joined us for the first time in 2010. The girls did a fantastic job presenting on the 2010 video, click on the link below to check out their work!

You can also check out these links:

2011 event promo: <http://vimeo.com/19739569>

2010 event: <http://vimeo.com/19739456>

2009 event: <http://vimeo.com/19816365>

2008 event: <http://vimeo.com/19828308>

We are pleased to say Gary has a lot of work on at the moment, but very sad to say that because of this, he and Sue can't join us this year. You will both be missed but we will have a fill in hat (Ron & Matt) to ensure we can still shoot some footage for Gary to produce!

### Theme Night

Sunday night will be our theme night. In recognition of our accommodation at the Aussie Bush Camp, the theme this year is "camp". Interpret this any way you like!

### Fundraising

I also received this email from Gary & Sue who attended a fundraising event for one of our new teams.

*"Hi All,*

*I attended a fundraiser for NETS recently for a couple who will be on the event for the first time this year. They are good friends of Ron Croft, the cameraman who came on the event last year with his daughters who hosted the doco. I would ask that you all welcome Miriam, Stuart and their two sons into our special group of friends. Thanks, Gary."*

We sure will welcome them and congratulate them on their fantastic efforts with their fundraising coffee night.

Miriam and her family hosted a fundraising night at home and set up a fundraising page on the NETS website. They encouraged all of their friends to donate a small amount and very quickly their entry fee was raised.

This was a great idea and a fun way to raise money for NETS. Well done!

To view pics of the night, copy and paste this link into your browser:

[https://owa.nets.org.au/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?URL=https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/sredir?uname=116750988063295327360%26target=ALBUM%26id=5588206639759459729%26authkey=Gv1sRgCMjf7dKy\\_ejrwE%26feat=email](https://owa.nets.org.au/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?URL=https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/sredir?uname=116750988063295327360%26target=ALBUM%26id=5588206639759459729%26authkey=Gv1sRgCMjf7dKy_ejrwE%26feat=email)

### Provisions Ticket

It would be greatly appreciated if meal/accommodation money could be paid prior to the event. This saves us all time at the start! All meals from the start on Saturday 16th until Lunch on Monday 18th are included as well as both nights' accommodation.

The prices are: Adults: \$260 Children: \$155

Payment can be made by cheque or direct deposit to our bank account.

Direct deposit details as follows:

BSB: 650-000  
Account: 984525407  
Name: Alternative Motoring Events  
Bank: Newcastle Permanent Building Society.

Cheques must be made payable to:

A.M.E (Alternative Motoring Events) and  
posted to:  
Tumbi Tyres  
PO Box 8005 Tumbi Umbi NSW 2261

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### What to bring?

The crew at Aussie Bush Camp are very excited to welcome us to the awesome facility. They have been more than helpful in accommodating the needs of our group.

The accommodation is large cabin (ish) style where there are several rooms per cabin each with their own ensuite bathroom. The bedding in each room is bunk style and you will need to bring your own linen & towels.

If you have a folding chair .. bring it along ... always handy at lunchtimes where we are out on the road.

### Meals

Just after our last newsletter, we got confirmation from "The Rock" that we can use their catering facilities. This was a huge relief as we now have access to full catering facilities as well as a seated dining area. But in our usual fashion, we have negotiated this deal and we will be required to do something in return! More details at the start!

So, we no longer need you all to bring your own picnic set (plates/cutlery etc.) However, if you do have one, bring it along anyway for our lunches. It just means we can be more environmentally friendly at lunchtimes by not having to use so many disposable plates & cutlery. There are also sinks in each cabin so you can wash them up each night ... or bribe one of the kids to do it!

### Online Fundraising

The NETS website as well as the online fundraising pages has had a total re-vamp this year. Visit [www.nets.org.au](http://www.nets.org.au).

When the site was upgraded, all previous online fundraising pages were deleted. Therefore if you plan to use online fundraising you will need to register again this year.

This is a great way to fundraise as you can send a link to all of your family and friends and ask them to support NETS. They can donate securely online with their credit card and will be issued with a receipt instantly. Sponsors can donate a little or a lot ... it all helps and doesn't take long to add up!

To set up your page:

1. Go to [www.nets.org.au](http://www.nets.org.au)
2. From the Events Tab at the top of the page, choose 4WD4KIDS.
3. Click on the link to Online Fundraising
4. Register
5. Start Fundraising!

That's all for now. Please contact us if you have any questions at all.

Can't wait to see you all very soon!

Sarah