



**High Range 4WD Club of SA Inc**  
**Orienteering and Navigating Day**  
**23 May 2010**  
**Submitted by Helen**

This club event was organized by Barbara and Angie, along with Graeme and Rob.

Meet at 9.00am at Federation Park Gumeracha.

First rule, read the instructions carefully and slowly.

Phil and I got to the park at 9.02am, we were pleased because we were running late and had to rush. We were surprised to see nobody in the car park and waited a while longer. Then I got out the instructions and broke it gently to Phil that we were meant to meet at Gumeracha not Mt Barker, the finish place was at Mt Barker. Gulp! Phil took it well! We raced around the back roads to Gumeracha, but it still took half an hour. Naturally Barb was worried about where we were and called us, where I took all the blame!!

Everybody was basically set to go, so Graeme quickly checked our vehicle to see that we had complied with safety regulations and that we had all the knick knacks we required. We did pass!! There were five vehicles – Helen and Phil (Territory), Ron and Carolyn (X-Trail), Barra and Chris (Landcruiser and trailer!), Debbie T (Rav4), Jerren and June (Tribute), plus Ange and Graeme, Rob and Barb (marshalls).

Our first stop was a fruit orchard. Phil went up the driveway, changed his mind because he realized the answers to the questions were on the board on the road, reversed, and knocked over the sign (a very large one I might add!). Hastily we put the sign back up, got the answers and raced away!! Then to the cemetery, which Jerren and June missed!! Then to Melba's Chocolates – yes we did purchase some chocolate delights. And got some wrong answers from other team members!! Then we realized that we had to collect some items as well (we should have read the back page first – we were the only ones that did that I think!!). So into the school oval at Lobethal to chase the crows away and get a cockatoo feather!, into someone's garden to steal a red rose and into Hahndorf to buy coffee (for the lid), coke (for the lid) and a White Knight (for the wrapper), bribed Angie with the White Knight Chocolate!

We checked in with the Marshalls at the oval in Lobethal (I think), we couldn't find it, but got there eventually. Bribed the marshalls with lollies etc.

Then to Hahndorf and to the Hahndorf Mill Winery. This was a very lovely winery and yes we did purchase a nice red and a great white (Mischief). Then we took a walk through Hahndorf and had some nice lunch – boy it was getting cold and I had to stake out every toilet around!!

Then to Beerenberg where yes we purchased some fantastic strawbs and bought some of the best marmalades and jams. I have heard that strawberries with Balsamic Vinegar and sugar is very nice, so tried it at home and very interesting and yummy – try it next time.

Then finally to the park where we started at Mt Barker – we told the others that we went there first just to check out the lake and yes it was full!! We miscounted the feet on the mural (we said 17 and there were 25).

Even though we got there last, we ended up winning, because of the extra items we collected!! Debbie T came second, June and Jerren came third and Ron and Carolyn collected an award for best bribers!

By then the weather was very very cold and after an hour of chatting and catching up with the others it was time to go home.

We got home around 3.00pm and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. Even though there were only 5 cars, we appreciated the effort that Angie and Barb put into the day. Hopefully next time, more members will come and support something like this, it is all good fun.

Thanks Angie and Barb and Rob and Graeme.





My necktie says I'm 2 sexy and Phil's says Try Me – people kept wanting to take our photos!!



