



# Night Drive

## Toolangi State Forest

### 4WD CLUB

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| <b>Dates</b>           | 17 June 2006 |
| <b>Event Organiser</b> | Daryl Owen   |

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| <b>Attendances</b> | Daryl, Veronica, Rachel Owen<br>Andy Kass<br>Mike & Cath Hurley<br>Colin, Sharon, Jessica, Merritt |
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Departing the Glenburn road house a little after 6:30pm we headed into the Toolangi State Forest via Two Hills road. A newly created seasonal road closure gate caused a slight amendment to the plan. Taking a track off Marginal Road towards aeroplane track saw some challenges. Not only was it dark, but the steep and rocky track contained a couple of by-pass tracks around fallen tree's.

Winding our way along Mt.Klondyke road and doing a planned loop, it was time to change the lead. Mike and Cath were given a map of the area and set off along the slippery Aeroplane track over Mt.Klondyke. The Kalatha Link track, although it looks like a wide, not very steep 2WD road, the small volume of rain over the past week made it very slippery. Even with a small amount of speed, you could quite easily come to grief on this track.

Turning right onto Woodmore track, about one kilometer in the track was getting more and more overgrown. The decision to turn around was made. That was entertaining on it's own.

We then traveled to Winch track and Rocky mouth spur track. Parts of this area had been logged, with an uncommon sight of night driving between the 100-200mm diameter tree's 10-15m high, and very little under growth.

Stopping at a small clearing along the Rocky mouth spur track we had supper and a chat.

A short distance up the Bull Creek Spur track, at tight, slippery and winding section Daryl made the call to turn around. As time was getting on, it was not worth the risk negotiating the deep ruts and slippery terrain. A slightly longer route back to Narbethong via Yea Rock track, but potentially quicker.

We returned via Narbethong by about 11pm.

Report by Daryl Owen