



## Lennard Track Overnighter Trip Report

### Peel 4x4 Club



Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2025 to

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Trip Report by Gary Mayes

The Saturday was off to a great start, with a beautiful sunny morning. A few of the crew on this trip had already headed off, and my plan was to meet them halfway. On the way out there though, I couldn't pass up the opportunity to stop off at the Thorny Devil Brewery to get a couple of beers for the lovely afternoon.

That sorted, we met the rest of the crew at the Crooked Carrot, from where we proceeded to Honeymoon Pool campground in a convoy of 6 vehicles.

Once at Honeymoon Pool, we got set up, had a good chat, and enjoyed the afternoon.

With the sun gradually setting, we decided it was time to get the camp fire started, and then make a start on dinner. There was a variety of food being cooked – with the associated lovely smells. For us, it was meatballs cooked in tomato soup, with brown rice – absolutely delicious.

With dinner all done, it was time to socialise around the camp fire with a few drinks, some good stories, but more importantly – marshmallows...

The next morning we all up bright & early, and ready for a cook up.

Bacon, eggs, sausages & onions were on the menu, with several cooks helping to feed the hungry horde. A few of the people coming along for the day trip began to arrive, and we all managed to avoid the flies, and had a tasty breakfast.

Following the breakfast clean-up, and packing the vehicles from camping, we all gathered around for the trip briefing. All up, there were a total of 13x vehicles, one of them being an x-trail.

This was a strange one for me, as I thought they were All-Wheel Drive only. This one was actually a Four Wheel Drive, with a centre diff lock. The driver assured me the vehicle was capable, and had done similar tracks before, so off we went.

Once in convoy, we then proceeded onto the Lennard Track, which seemed pretty tame at first, although a little overgrown.

There were a few little rocky climbs which a smile on the drivers faces.

Driving along the track, we came to a closed gate. I got out to check it, and found a padlock on there. Having known the track was fully open, I was unsure of the reason for the gate to be closed, so looked around for another track I may have missed.

After finding one, Steve had also checked the lock, to find it was just sitting on there – not locked. We then proceeded on through the track, and found an empty spot by the river. The adventurous ones drove down to the river, while the others parked up top, and walked down.

It was a nice little spot, where we had a quick break for morning tea.

After this stop, the real fun began.



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We came across a steep rutted hill climb, with another thrown in – a trailer with a quad bike in it. I can only assume that the owner could not get up the hill with the trailer on, so ditched it. Hmmm....

Most vehicles got up, however this is where the x-trail began to struggle. It seems as though the CVT transmission got a little warm, and didn't want to put too much power to the ground.

All good though, a couple of snatch straps were connected, where Simon was able to pull it up the hill the Pajero.

We then got to the last long climb out, which was a little challenging for some, but still fun all the same. I think the snatch straps stayed connected to the x-trail, which was then towed out the rest of the way.

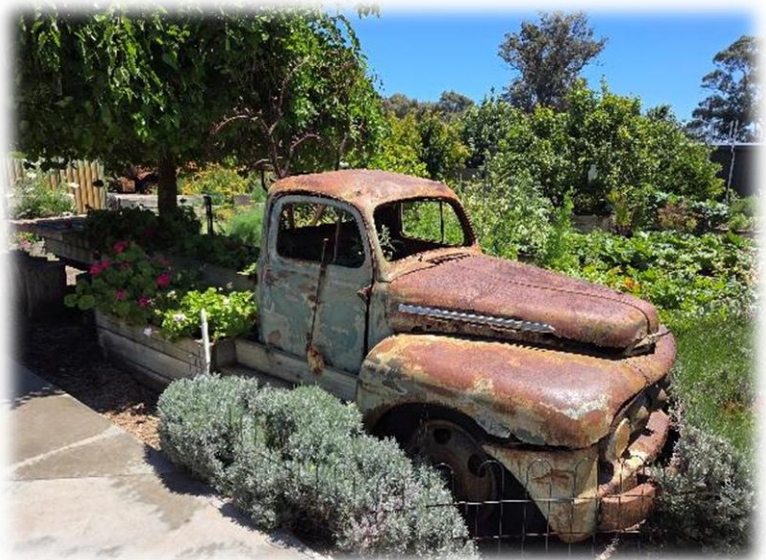
After getting to the end, we proceeded to the black top, where we all aired up back to normal tyre pressures.

Some of the crew had to leave at this point, where the remainder proceeded to Wellington Mill for lunch.

We then headed out past Gnomesville, to Frogs Hollow, which was a great little stop.

10 minutes down the road, we then ended the trip at Shag Brewing – a little brewery hidden on the side of the road.

Another great day out with the Peel 4x4 Club. Thanks to those who attended our last official 4x4 trip of the year.





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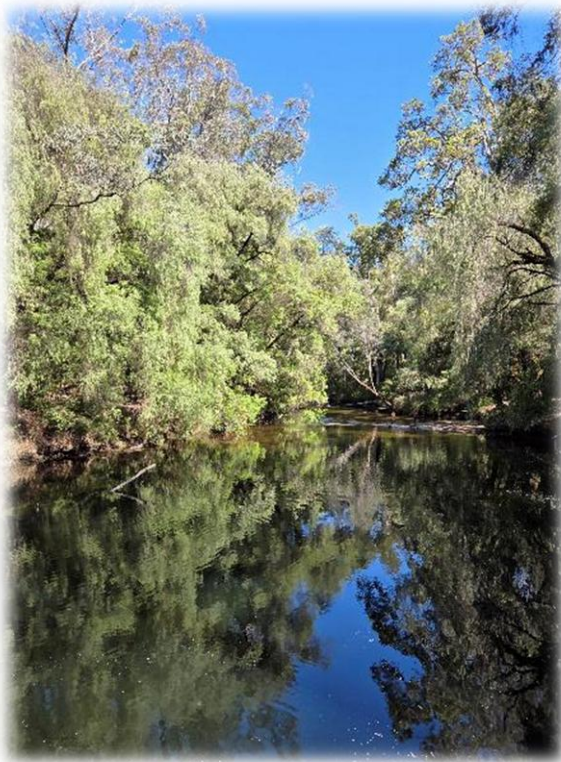
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