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Monthly meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (January it is the 4th Tuesday), beginning at 7:30pm. General format is usually Bar open from 7-7:30pm, Club business followed by a light supper. Next Club Meeting is **Tuesday 18th September @ Belfast Rugby Club, 18 March Place, Belfast**

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**C**lub Activities

The main activities of the club are four wheel drive trips varying from one day local trips to week long camping trips in more remote locations. Other activities include new member training days, social events and non-competitive exercises.

**M**embership

•**New members:** see our website; contact membership officer; come to a club meeting. Membership forms available via our website, or write to the Club's postal address (rear of magazine). Membership is open to all makes of 4WDs with similar capabilities to the Land Rover.

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## **Important Dates:**

- Committee nominations forms  
Vince Shiel Trophy nomination forms  
Due to the Secretary by Tuesday 25th  
September
- Annual subscription renewals payable by  
Thursday 1st November. Forms to Secretary
- **AGM** to be held 16th October 2018

## **Returning Members**

Ben and Gina Harrison — Discovery # 1101  
**Welcome back!**

**Please wear your CLROC name badge if you have one. It helps people learn/remember everyone's names.**

# Trips

**Trip Participants responsibility:** Please indicate your intention to attend the trip, either by names on trip list at General meeting or via the website or contact trip leader directly.

**Trip Leader responsibilities:**

- Please organise your intended trip with the trip coordinator.
  - Please email the webmaster and the editor: the details of your trip at least one magazine (preferably two) before the intended trip.
  - Organise AED and 1st aid kit collection
- Pick up: Dave Lockett’s Workplace: Power Electronics, 14 B Opawa Road, 8am-5pm weekdays.** It’s the trip leader’s responsibility to arrange for pick up and prompt return in time for the next trip (This task can always be delegated to someone else attending the trip).
- Organise emergency contact e.g mountain radio.

**Names on trip lists at meeting or on website is compulsory so trip leaders can communicate any changes or cancellations.**

2018 TRIP CALENDAR				
Date	Location	Trip Leader	Phone #	Grade
July				
7th	Club Birthday Party	Social Committee	9429415	
14-15th	Mistake Flat	David Oliver	021766678	3
15th	Poulter River	Kevin Barnes	0212025100	2-3
18th	All Stars Holiday Program	Shane Johnston	02102228603	
19th	Star Gazing	Social Committee	9429415	
28-29th	Godley Glacier/ Macaulay	Dave Lockett	0276353794	3
28-29th	Ramsay Glacier (Combined Clubs)	Nigel Bannan	021734873	3-4

August				
11-12th	Hanmer Snow Trip	Dick Nurse	0278699318	3
26th	Banks Peninsula	Pete Barnard/ Lawrence Hill		3
September				
October				
10th	All Stars Holiday Programme	Shane Johnston	02102228603	
20-22nd	Dobson Valley, Labour Weekend	Merv Moodie	0274319212	3
27-28th	Avoca Homestead	Dave Lockett	0276353794	2
November				
3-4th	Training weekend camp out	Andrew Witty	0210 378 067	
11th	Alloy Day (Broxton Station)	Dick Nurse	0278699318	2-3
16-18th	Oteake Conservation area, Show Weekend	Barry Cook	0271911295	3
25th	Christmas Picnic	Social Committee	0275664109	
December				
8-9th	Wilberforce River	Merv Moodie	0274319212	3
26th Dec – 6th Jan	Christmas Camp: Pleasant Point	Social Committee Adrian/Kerry Busby	(Peter Silcock 0275664109)	

**If you have any ideas or suggestions for trips, or if you would like to run a trip please contact our trip co-ordinator Merv Moodie**



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## Upcoming Trips

### All Stars Kids Holiday Programme

**Date:** Wednesday 10th October 2018

**Grade:** 2

**Leader:** Shane Johnston

**Phone:** 02102228603

**Meeting Time:** 10:00am

**Details:** Meet at the Clarkville Hall opposite the school on Heywards Road at 10am. Usual story of taking the kids for a ride. Need at least 5 trucks, but the more the merrier. The more trucks we have, the less change overs and the less waiting time for the kids. The kids get to enjoy a longer experience 4wding around the river which the kids enjoy and look forward to.

### Dobson Valley — Labour Weekend

**Date:** Saturday 20th — Monday 22nd October 2018

**Grade:** 3

**Leader:** Merv Moodie

**Phone:** 0274319212

**Meeting:** Twizel Township - just off main highway beside the display dump trucks on Saturday at 9.30am

**Details:** This trip is from Twizel up through Glen Lyon Station to the upper Dobson valley. I expect to spend 1 night in the Dobson valley, before travelling around and spending Sunday night in the Hopkins valley. Monday, across to the other side of the valley and home out past the end of Lake Ohau.

No Firearms or Dogs sorry. Early indication of names on trip list would be appreciated. If there is not very much interest it probably won't go ahead

**Cost:** \$20 per truck + Mountain radio \$5.

### Avoca Homestead

**Date:** Saturday 27th — Sunday 28th October 2018

**Grade:** 3

**Leader:** Dave Lockett

**Phone:** 0276353794

**Meeting:** Lake Pearson at 10:00am

**Details:** Easy trip into a beautiful piece of NZ. Good fun opening and closing about 17 gates. Lollies or similar gratefully accepted as gate tokens. Once there we can explore the surrounding areas, or just relax.

\$5 mountain radio hire.

## Training Weekend Event

**Date:** Saturday 3rd — Sunday 4th November 2018

**Grade:**Variable

**Leader:** Andrew Witty

**Phone:**0210 378 067

## Alloy Day

**Date:** Sunday 11th November 2018

**Grade:**2

**Leader:** Dick Nurse

**Phone:**0278699318

**Meeting:** Meet 0930 at Waikari by toilets opposite pub.

**Details:** Set to be a good day trip traveling through Broxton station.

## Oteake Conservation Area

### — Show Weekend

**Date:** Friday 16th—Sunday 18th November 2018

**Grade:**3

**Leader:** Barry Cook

**Phone:**0279191295

**Meeting:** Fairlie on Friday at 9:00 am by toilets in the main street.

**Costs:** Mountain Radio and possibly gifts for farmers depending on access (to be arranged)

**Details:** Will view some historic military buildings (if I can find them) on the way to Mackenzie Pass and then to Hakataramea Pass and Kurow. We will then have a look at the Campbell Park historic homestead and hopefully drive an old Bridle Track.

We will camp in the Danseys Pass Arboretum. Those who want to can have a meal at the Danseys Pass Historic Hotel which is within walking distance.

Saturday we go to the Buster diggings, then continue on past historic huts and the Ida Valley railway station. (no railway tracks here). Time permitting we can visit the Falls Dam fishing village and onto our campsite at the old historic Hawkdun Run Homestead.

Sunday we travel up the Manuherikia River and over the Omarama Saddle and out to Omarama where the trip will finish.

There are many fords and some very deep erosion channels in one track so snorkles are advisable and mud terrains a must. No dogs. No firearms.

Please text your intentions directly to me so there is no misunderstandings.

# Pleasant Point Christmas Camp

**Camp Pa and Ma:** Adrian and Kerry Busby

**Dates:** 26th December 2018 — 6th January 2019

**Details:** Camping at Pleasant Point Camping Ground. Located back from the road, next to the domain and golf course.

The Busby's have kindly volunteered to be camp Ma and Pa again this year. All the usual camp comradery and socialising to be had.

We will need trip leaders to organise and run local trips so start thinking of ideas and places you'd like to explore! Possibility of Claytons Pack track etc if people have info on access?

Just 2hrs from Christchurch, come for the whole camp or a few days.

Plenty to do in the area: Lots of history and local activities, Caroline Bay fireworks display new years eve, Pleasant Point Railway and Museum.

Great as a base for exploring the area: 12min to Temuka and 20min to the big smoke of Timaru. Make a day trip to Tekapo, Twizel, Waimate, or Oamaru, all about 1hr away.

The camp ground has power and non power sites available.

Shower and toilet block. Dogs allowed

Power sites per night: \$14 adult. \$6 child

Non power per night: \$10 per person. \$6 child

**Names on trip list please ASAP**



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## C hairman's Chatter



G'day all,

We are finally entering the portion of the year where trips are becoming more plentiful as the days get longer. Once again, like a broken record, if you have an idea for a trip please contact Merv as the trip calendar could do with being a bit fuller. If you are reluctant to say anything due to a fear of leading the trip, please talk it over with Merv. We can organise for a trip leader or assist in showing you that leading a trip is as simple as being the one in front. You will not be left in the deep end and we want the experience of being a trip leader to be a good one and not to put anyone off doing it.

We have Xmas camp this year at Pleasant Point, South Canterbury and we do need some day trip ideas/information for this area. Even if you are not planning on attending the information would be very welcome. Please contact Pete Silcock.

The AGM is next month and again the membership gets to have a say in who organises and runs the club for another year. You'll find all the forms included with this month's magazine. Committee nomination forms should you wish to volunteer for a committee role, along with the Vince Shiel nomination form. Please remember to return your annual subscription forms to the secretary, this allows us to update our records.

I asked at the previous meeting about any events that we might be able to attend with the BBQ trailer. The idea being to fundraise as well as showcase the club to the public and possibly membership drive. I have started a list and would love to hear all and any ideas.

New for this upcoming meeting we will have the bar open between 7:00pm till 7:30pm so a beverage may be purchased before the meeting.

The bar will be closed before the meeting starts and tea and coffee will still be served following the closure of the meeting. We are all adults and a drink in a social setting such as a club meeting is welcomed by many. Of course “drink” refers to both alcohol containing and non-containing.

My father once told me “don’t drink water, fish crap in it”

Later,  
Phil Jamieson.

## August 2018 Awards

### Photos

Angela Nossiter—Photo in memory of Merv’s Dog Oscar

### Trip Report

Robyn Chadwick—Mistake Flat

### Warm Fuzzy

Shane Johnson, Phil Jamieson, James Curtis —Took a chap who has cystic fibrosis out for a ride, he wants to know when he can go again!

### WTF (Wish To Forget) moment

Malc Harding— didn't have truck in 4wd

# Trip Report

## Godley Glacier

28-29th July 2018

**Trip Leader: Dave Lockett**

**Trip Reporter: Kerrie Busby**

Day one

22 Vehicles were assembled at the Church of the Good Shepherd for our 9am start and drivers briefing by our trip leader Dave Lockett. It was great to see so many had made the trip to Tekapo including 7 from the Facebook group. The weather was sunny and relatively mild with no snow and no frost but there was a bit of a keen wind and we could see up at the head waters of Lake Tekapo that a Norwest was blowing.

Dave advised us that he was leading from the rear as tail end Charlie and Merv was going to lead the way. We all made our way up the road by the side of the lake with great views of the snow covered peaks and once we passed the turn off to the ski field the traffic died down.

The crossing of the Macaulay River was no problem as it was quite low and we all got across safely and Merv led us on past Lillybank Station and gave us a bit of a run down on the checkered history of access through the station. We have such amazing back country and I always feel privileged to be able to enjoy these trips especially with the ongoing issues around ownership and public access.

Just passed the homestead and lodge we stopped for a cup of tea and a chance to meet and socialise. While we were stopped a group from Queenstown came past. They were an interesting group of vehicles which included 2 modified Volkswagen cars. We let them get ahead and then followed, enjoying the beautiful mountain views as we drove up the Godley River valley. The track was good unlike the same trip last year, when it was thick snow. This time there was no snow on the ground and we were soon at the The Red Stag Hut for a welcome lunch

break. The Queenstown lot were at the hut so we had our lunch down on the lower slopes. The Red Stag Hut is a small 4-6 bunk hut mainly used by hunters, it used to be red but now it is yellow. I don't think DOC will be changing its name any time soon as The Yellow Stag Hut doesn't have quite the same ring about it.

After lunch Merv led us further up the Godley River towards the Godley Glacier. The wind was starting to pick up now along with some North Westerly rain that was making its way across the divide and the temperature was dropping. The track was becoming a lot more indistinct as we started to pick our way over quite large snow covered boulders, giving the trip quite a wintery feel. We all managed well except for one vehicle who decided to wait just before we went up a small rise where we stopped to enjoy a good view of the lake at the foot of the Grey and

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Maud Glaciers. If the weather had been more appealing I am sure a few of us would have walked up to the lake edge and possibly onto the Godley Hut. From where we were stopped you couldn't see the Godley Glacier as it was further on around the corner. Three of the younger guys with big tyres and plenty of horse power had a go at driving up further but it did look a bit hair-raising especially going down the slope and we were most happy to watch them from the sideline.

The Norwest weather was starting to get quite windy and wet so it was time to turn around and make our way back to the Red Stag hut for another regroup and catch up. It was at this stop that Adrian mentioned a conversation he had just had with Dave Lockett. Dave had recently bought a smart watch with a fitness app that records how much exercise one does. He had felt the watch vibrate a few times and didn't take much notice thinking it was telling him to do more exercise but when he checked the message at afternoon tea there was a thumbs up and a message saying "great bike ride keep it up".

The wonders of new technology! For all those including myself who wish they could exercise more there is now hope - we just need to go on more trips. I could feel myself getting fitter by the km on the way back to Tekapo.

Thanks very much to Dave for organizing a lovely trip, to Merv for leading us all safely there and back. Dave said he felt shattered after all the peddling!

Footnote. This was our first trip away in the Land Rover since the Christmas camp. Since then many an hour has been spent trying to isolate and fix our very intermittent, but as many of you will know serious problem with our Landrover mis-firing. A few times we have thought it fixed only to have to abort the trip on our way to the meeting point. However this time we were confident that after a couple of hundred kms driving around without a problem that we had it fixed – so

we put our name on the trip. But just in case I drove the Hilux to Tekapo as back up. No problems - the Landy purred from Christchurch to Tekapo, then up the Godley River on the Sat and then up to the Macaulay Hut on the Sunday and all the way back to just north of Ashburton. Then @#\$\$@ Adrian reports over the radio that he is missing badly. Stopping to have a look – not pleasant on the side of SH1 in the dark – nothing very obvious is apparent- luckily he is able to limp off SH1 onto a side road at Chertsey. What to do – I drive home with the Hilux and caravan in tow, unhitch, then drive back and tow Adrian and a very sick Landy home. We get in about 1.30 am Monday morning. Sadly although we did well in excess of 500km without as much as one miss the Landy is not fixed – back to the drawing board.

## **T**rip Report

### Godley Glacier

28-29th July 2018

**Trip Leader: Dave Lockett**

**Trip Reporter: Dave Lockett**

Day Two

Did it again! Organised a trip and didn't organise a trip reporter. In fairness Kerrie Busby offered to write the Saturday report and I only have to report on the Sunday, so Thank You Kerrie for halving the load!

After a rather cold and slightly wet Saturday, Sunday dawned with hardly a cloud in the sky and just a gentle breeze across the lake. Yesterday Merv Moodie led us up the Godley, and I hoped he was going to do the same on Sunday, because I had only been up there once and it was covered in snow, so I had no idea where I was going! Unfortunately Merv wanted to take over my role as Tail End Charlie from the day before. I had a sneaking suspicion I was being set up to get lost going up the wrong track?

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# Godley Glacier

By Kerrie Busby



# Hanmer Snow Trip

By Maryellen Robinson & Ben Thompson



By Katie Cranston



# Banks Peninsula Trip

By Chris Parkin



We had all met up at the Church of the Good Shepherd and I explained to the group that Merv and I had swapped roles and there was no guarantee they were in good hands. Being the hardy good sorts they were, nobody was deterred by this confession, and off we went. Our first stop was to all get together at the end of the Lilybank airstrip to wish Leslie Baird a Happy Birthday. We all broke into song eventually, and sang Happy Birthday in what can only be described as the most angelic voices you will probably ever hear.

After our impromptu performance was over, we set off on what turned out to be a magical mystery tour, well for me anyway!! The first part of the journey was relatively easy, following the well formed tracks along the fence line. Eventually the well formed track eroded into the Tom, Dick and Harry Super Highway! As the main track disappeared there were about three other tracks to choose from. Using common sense I thought, follow the most worn track as it is used the most. This track



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then split into another three and so on and so on, until my thoughts were try and use the least bumpy track!

After meandering out into the river bed for a little while I located our destination, the MacCaulay Hut, and decided to head left using Highway 1002, onto Highway 1025 to cover the last 500m to the hut! Destination achieved and plenty of apologies for the route taken as people arrived.

We settled down in brilliant sunshine for lunch and a bit more of a catch up with our new and old friends from the Facebook group. We had three trucks less for the Sunday, so only 19 trucks. Still plenty of people to get to know and enjoy some stunning scenery with.

I must make mention on how great it was to see three generations of the same family on this trip, Life Member David Harris, his son Shayne, and his grandsons Robert and Edward. I know they have been on trips together before, but this was a winter trip and a bit of travel involved and it showed the depth this club enjoys. Great to have you guys along! Well lunch was nearing an end, and I knew there was an expectation of the group for me to get them back to where we started.

I was mildly confident, having somehow got everyone there in one piece. I also noticed the track that the Harris's had used Highway 1016 looked smoother than my option coming in, so I decided to follow that track back down the valley. Things were going gang busters until we got to yet another intersection. This time the choices weren't quite as good and I found myself leading everyone into quite lumpy territory and further out into the river bed (apologies once again!). Finally, a waratah (not the ones who can't play rugby, but one with a red top!) indicating where the official track might be. I followed it on to the next one, and soon it almost looked like I had planned it to join the track again (I hadn't, but was very grateful!).

We followed the track back to the airstrip, but by now the southerly had picked up and was blowing a very chilly wind right up the valley. I had planned on having afternoon tea at this spot and taking a moment to thank everyone for coming along on what I felt was still a great trip for different reasons than last years. We didn't get the snow we hoped we might, but we travelled to our destinations, saw some pretty impressive scenery and best of all, did all this amongst a great bunch of people.

Overall we had 22 trucks. This split between CLROC and the NZLRF is difficult to quantify as many of us could claim to be from either camp. We ended up with 15 membership numbers on the register, but I know some of those people registered through Facebook as attending, we also had two guests and hopefully we'll be looking at about 3-4 new members. It really didn't matter who was from where at the end of the day, we were like minded people enjoying each other's company doing what we enjoy. What more is there?

A little side story. We went to the pub on Saturday night to watch the Mighty Crusaders blow the wind out of the Hurricanes. After the game had finished and the crowds cleared out a bit, this young guy came and sat at our table. I said hello and asked him where he was from, thinking he might have been with another 4WD group. He replied "Nottingham!". Okay I thought, then he explained he was the snowboarder that Andrew Witty had dragged behind his Defender down the Cass Valley last year!! Next day sure as eggs there he was sat in a truck coming for another ride with the club (Jammy Bugger!).

I would like to especially thank Merv Moodie for his assistance with leading half of this weekend's trip and for his interesting and knowledgeable broadcasts on the radio.

**Trip Leader: Dick Nurse**

**Trip Reporters: Maryellen Robinson & Ben Thompson**

This trip is in its 3<sup>rd</sup> year and again was a pretty successful trip, it is becoming a pretty good annual event of the trip calendar.

Friday saw us make our own way in our own time to Hanmer. Here we met up at The Forestry Camp which was our base camp for the weekend. Friday night was pretty casual with a catch up and a few drinks along with lots and lots of laughs. With a busy day ahead we were all off to bed pretty early to get a good night sleep.

Woke up on Saturday to a beautiful crisp clear morning with a light frost on the ground. Camp fast became a hive of busy activity with everyone up and getting lunches and breakfasts sorted for the day ahead.

9.30am we met at the bottom of Jacks Pass. It is here we met with all of the day travellers and the overnight travellers too. Had our trip brief and we were soon ready to hit the road. 14 vehicles started to make our way over Jacks Pass heading for our first destination at Lake Tennyson. First stop along the way was at the Molesworth Homestead to check tyre pressures and a quick catch up.

On the road again heading for Lake Tennyson, only a few pot holes to dodge along the way. There was lots of snow around the hills but sadly nothing on the ground at this point in the trip. Arrived at Lake Tennyson for our first stop. Not a breeze, the sun was lovely and warm and the view was beautiful with the snow-caps across the lake. Chance for a cup of tea, a quick bite to eat and for the ladies to use the little green huts.

For myself and my two kids this was the first time into this place and was amazing so far.

Ready for the next part of our trip we headed off to Sedgemere Chalet where we were to stop and have our lunch. Only one little slip to climb over along the way, the drive had been pretty easy going and everyone was in good spirits. Here we spent some time to relax and enjoy the beautiful scenery around us along with lots of catch ups and photos. Once we were all rested and our bodies refuelled it was onwards over the Wairau River to the unknown. We soon reached the Molesworth Station gate and here we enjoyed having a play in the super bowl. Most of us went in and out without any trouble 1 or 2 went in ok but had to take a few attempts to get out the other side. This was a bit of fun along the way until the gate was then opened and we were again on our way.

Now heading up towards the Rainbow Road gate. There was a small amount of snow on the road side as we headed up and over the hill but nothing to worry about. As the sun was shining on the snow and melting it, it made the road a little muddy but all the more fun. There were a couple small slips along the way but these just made for a bumpy couple minutes. Once past these the road again was pretty easy travelling. We made it to Cold Water Creek and this was going to be as far as we could go as we were met with a locked gate. This was a chance for another catch up and for the use of the little green huts again and a cuppa. This was the coldest stop of the trip so far as we had stopped in the shade of the mountain but it was as beautiful here as every other stop along the way had been. After a quick stop and from here we started our way back towards Hanmer Springs for our Pot Luck dinner.

Arrived back into town about 5pm, back to camp and it was all hands on deck to get our lovely dinner organised, cooked and ready to eat. We all enjoyed our time along with a few more drinks and lots more banter and plenty of laughs. Sunday was to be our quiet day on the trip as it was pack up, clean up and be on our way back home in our own time.

# Trip Report

## Banks Peninsula Trip

26th August 2018

**Trip Leader: Peter Barnard and Lawrence Hill**

**Trip Reporter: Rui Guimarães**

On short notice, Pete Barnard and Lawrence Hill invited club members to cruise with them through Banks Peninsula. Meeting point was at the Blue Duck Cafe and when the clock was showing 9:30am (the meeting time) eight cars were ready to start the trip. The club name was well represented with more than half of those vehicles (five to be exact) being Land Rover.

With amazing weather (clear blue skies), at 9:36am the convoy started moving for a 15km drive, on the busy SH75, towards Birdlings Flat to start the off-road trip. The start of this trip also meant driving on the shingle beach and that is the reason I am writing this first report. Too many rpm meant a rope was needed to take my Disco off the shingle. It also meant that the convoy had the pleasure of hearing a symphony of shingle against my alloys for the following half an hour.

Once all the cars passed the hardest (actually the softest) part of the shingle beach we all stopped and did a short walk to check the opening of Lake Forsyth to the ocean (it was not open at that moment). The following stop, after a drive up the Bossu Road and down the Te Oka Bay road, would be at Tumbledown Bay. There, after another short walk to the beach, it was time to enjoy morning tea or just have a nice chat.

Back to the hills of Banks Peninsula and then back to the Bossu Road we headed to Wainui for our lunch, with a beautiful view facing Akaroa Harbour (the view actually made the lunch taste better). It was 12:45pm when we got there and 50 minutes later we were back on the road, this

time through Jubilee Road, past Little River, Harmans Track, Summit Road to eventually go past Pigeon Bay and reach Little Pigeon Bay. This was the longest (42km) non-stop drive of the day and lasted for 1h40m. At Little Pigeon Bay we had a chance to avoid the nails on the ground from the bach that moved from its location during the mini tsunami of the Kaikoura earthquake (and the bach is now gone). While stopped there we also had a chance to admire the clear views to the snow covered Kaikoura Ranges.

The last run of the day took us driving by Port Levy and then through the Western Valley Road to reach Little River for the second time. This time we stopped to enjoy a deserved ice cream before we officially ended our trip with everyone heading back home.

This last minute organisation turned out to be a lovely Sunday that, other than the shingle beach start, were both uneventful and with an easy drive with the stunning views that Banks Peninsula usually provides us were always present.

We were all lucky that Pete and Lawrence invited everyone to join them on this day...Thanks to them...

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