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NEW OUTBACK SKILLS TRAINING PACKAGE FOR REMOTE AREA MINING & RESOURCES PERSONNEL

A new outback skills training package designed for the resources and mining sector has been launched by West Australian 4WD training company Global Gypsies. Combining *Four-Wheel-Driving*, *Basic Bush Survival Skills* and *Basic Bush Mechanics*, the package is ideal for companies employing workers in remote areas.

In the last month alone Global Gypsies delivered Basic and Advanced 4WD courses to more than 150 personnel working for some of Australia's leading mining companies as well as to employees of government departments, private organisations and private individuals. Special Mining and Forestry 4WD courses and a new Low Risk Driving course will also become available in 2010.

The two new short seminars in *Basic Bush Mechanics* and *Basic Bush Survival Skills* last just half a day and can be combined with accredited 4WD training courses or booked independently. The presentations can be delivered in Perth or on-site and cover such topics as vehicle capability, recovery and emergency equipment, risk management, typical problems encountered in the bush, emergency communications, and basic bush survival techniques.

The seminars are based on life experiences and formal mechanical and bush survival courses attended by Global Gypsies' Director, Jeremy Perks. Jeremy served as an officer in the elite forces of the South African Defence Force (similar to SAS) for many years, has over 20 years' 4WD experience in Australia and Africa, is a qualified mechanic (petrol and diesel) and is a former Tour Guide of the Year with national eco-accreditation.

Says Jeremy "Our outback skills training package is ideal for mining or resource companies wanting to provide invaluable basic knowledge to their employees who work and drive in remote areas. We have a commitment to providing the highest level of customer service to our clients and to training our students to become capable, confident, responsible and environmentally-aware. All our trainers are experienced and articulate and able to convey information to students ranging from novices to highly experienced participants."

Established in 1997, Global Gypsies offers accredited 4WD and towing courses in conjunction with Getabout Adventures of NSW (RTO No. 90547). The company also trains caravanners and Tour Guides and is developing a new 4WD course with Outdoors WA for teachers, clubs and volunteer tour leaders following the recent introduction of the Adventure Activity Standards.

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Caption for attached photo: Jeremy Perks, Director of Global Gypsies, delivers a 4WD training course.

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