

PRE-TRIP INVITATION

Saturday 31st May – Beechworth to Murrumbidgee

Destination: Murrumbidgee Hills

Trip leader: David Jackson - david@hideawaysafe.com.au

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Additional Personnel:

- ❖ **2IC:** David Ashford
- ❖ **Training/support Officers on the day:** Tom Barnard
Peter Burke
- ❖ **TEC:** Tim Meek

On Trip Emergency Contact:

- ❖ **Telstra mobile:** is generally available in the area - text message will get through to us at some point of time for reply
- ❖ **Satellite phone:** available on trip if required
- ❖ **UHF Contact on the night:** Channel 14

Trip Details:

- ❖ **Start:** 9 am meet for a 9:30 leave
- ❖ **Meeting place:** Apco Service Station Wangaratta
- ❖ **Finish:** 3 pm at the Everton Store (plenty of time to get your glad rags on for our birthday celebrations at the Eldorado Pub that night.)
- ❖ **Camping place:** No camping this time HOWEVER most of us will stay over at the Eldorado Caravan Park (03 5725 1745) after the Sat nights festivities, which should also be the starting point for the Sunday Breakfast together and drive. (see separate pre-trip invitation)

Trip rating: Calling it Medium. (with no rain)

Trip attendee's requirements: Please make sure you have your 'Personal Medical Details Form' filled in for each occupant of your vehicle.

Type of tyre tread recommended: All Terrains or better

Fuel requirements: Half tank will be ample (trust me???)

Recovery gear: Minimum of a snatch strap, two rated shackles - as usual bring what you have, it may turn wet

Chain Saw: As usual - If you have one and are club certified - please bring it

Maximum number of vehicles: unlimited vehicles – if it's like last year with quite a few vehicles – we will run 'lead vehicle' followed by '2IC' with both 'trainers vehicles' in the middle of the group and 'TEC' at rear. This will give support to those who need it thru the entire convoy.

Personal equipment & clothing: Always come prepared - bring spare clothes suitable for cold weather and throw in your sleeping bag and a bit extra tucker - always a good investment.

Club Equipment required for the day: 2 handheld UHF radios - 1st Aid kit - PLB please.

The Plan - Saturday 31st May 2014

❖ Meet at designated area detailed above;

❖ Drive off road thru Eldorado area to our Beechworth tracks ending up within the raw beauty of the Murrumbidgee Hills. The highlight will be looking down on the fabulous Murrumbidgee Basin from atop one of our most spectacular local spots.

The tracks are wide and pretty steep, however no 'tracks close to the edge type driving' - bring the family, try out your 4WD and your 4WD skills, celebrate our birthday with your friends in the club and see some of our best iconic scenery and country side very close to home.