

## PRE TRIP REPORT

**TRIP NAME:** TOP CROSSING HUT REFURBISHMENT WEEKEND

**DESTINATION:** TOP CROSSING HUT, UPPER KING RIVER, ALPINE NATIONAL PARK.

**DETAILS/PLAN:** The plan is to head up to Top Crossing Hut on Saturday to refurbish/maintain the hut, camp over night, finish the hut off Sunday morning, then head off for a drive to check out Tomahawk hut via Buckland spur, then head back to William Hovell via Evans creek track.

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-PLEASE ADVISE THE TRIP LEADER BY .....6/1/2016.....OF YOUR INTENTION TO PARTICIPATE-

**EMERGENCY CONTACT:** TOM BARNARD 0466 185 464

**START DATE:** 16/1/2016

**RETURN HOME DATE:** 17/1/2016

**START TIME:** Meet at 730am for departure at 8am SHARP!! Hopefully we will get up to the hut approx about 930am to meet up with Chris Clarke the ranger from Parks vic.

**MEETING PLACE:** APCO Service center Wangaratta (next to McDonalds across from K-mart)

**ESTIMATED RETURN TIME:** Sunday afternoon

**TRIP RATING:** Medium, with a couple of river crossings and a steep hill climb on Sunday drive (Buckland spur track)

**TYPE OF TREAD RECOMMENDED:** All- Terrains or better

**FUEL REQUIREMENTS:** Full tank ex-Wangaratta prior to leaving.

**RECOVERY GEAR:** Recovery points front and rear of vehicle, as well as your own recovery gear (snatch rope etc)

**WINCH REQUIRED:** NO

**CHAIN SAW:** If you have one and have been licensed/trained to use a chainsaw it might come in handy

**WHEEL CHAINS REQUIRED:** no

**FIRE RESTRICTIONS:** There might be restrictions around this time, we will advise if there is any, NOTE: If there is a bushfire or fire activity around this area or in the high country near by, this trip may be postponed to another date, also subject to bad weather ie: thunder storm activity.

AS there is only one way in, and one way out of Top Crossing Hut.

**TYPE OF ACCOMMODATION:** Tents/swag/ camper trailers, caravans wont make it up to the hut (wouldnt mind seeing people try though lol)

**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF VEHICLES:** No limit, everyone is welcome, the more hands to help the merrier.

**UHF CHANNEL:** CHANNEL 14

**PERSONAL EQUIPMENT AND CLOTHING:** Clothing for all seasons (hot and cold and wet weather clothing) camping gear, enough food and drink for whole weekend as well as some protective eye wear, gloves and boots

SEE YOU ALL THERE CHEERS DAMO!

