

RVFR Southern Zone B

4WD Division

A weekend in the Little Desert A "No Camping" Experience

Friday 25th - Sunday 27th September, 2009

This specially designed trip allows us all to re-evaluate a vastly underestimated location in Western Victoria. "A desert that isn't really a desert", over 600kms of tracks to choose from and a Nature Lodge in the middle of nowhere.

Friday 25th September:

Overnight accommodation at the Victoria Hotel Dimboola - (03) 5389 1630

Saturday 26th September: - Full Fuel Tank

9:00am meet at Little Desert Archway, Dimboola for briefing and air-down of tyres. We will then negotiate some sand hills, stop at historic sites, turn into the Nhill/Harrow Road to connect with the McDonald Highway (a dirt track!), through the middle section of the Little Desert National Park until we get to the Kaniva/Nhill Road to lead us onto the East-West Road and finally to Frances, just across the border in SA. Overnight at the Frances Hotel SA - (08) 8765 1093 - Accommodation ranges from up-scale backpackers to spa ensuite!. Hotel dinner available and/or excellent shared kitchen.

Sunday 27th September:

From Frances we travel north in a zigzag fashion to Mt. Moffat, follow the northern extremity of the Park, back onto the Kaniva/Edenhope Road, zigzag across the middle section, onto the Nhill/Harrow Road and zigzag across the eastern section of the park to Dimboola, air-up our tyres and conclude the trip in May Park, Horsham around 5:00pm. Relax and enjoy a cup of coffee or a glass of red.

Trip Details:

Easy/Medium. Very little previous 4wd driving experience is required. High clearance required on some tracks and low range may be necessary on other tracks. Snatch strap recovery is possible, but unlikely. A few challenging areas requires careful wheel placement.

Visitors are welcome as passengers in an RVFR member's vehicle.

- All terrain tyres are preferred
- Appropriate front and rear recovery points (ask if you are not sure)
- Basic recovery gear (snatch strap, two rated shackles & gloves)
- Proficiency Driving Certificate is desirable, though not required. (Previous 4wd experience recognised in lieu).

Trip Leader - Ian Stuart City West 4x4 Club
TEC - Annie McGenniken Rotary Club of Keilor East

Registration Fee: \$10.00 per vehicle

E-mail Annie McGenniken

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