

TRIP PLAN

Trip Leader: Kevin Flynn

LOCATION: Bright / Wanderinglong - Victoria

DATE: Saturday 12th March – Monday 14th March 2011 (Labor Day Long Weekend)

STANDARD: *Medium*

CONVOY LIMIT: All members and potential members are welcome. Members will have to be fully paid up and financial to join this trip. A convoy limit of 8 vehicles will apply. First come – First served.

Participants so far

1. Kevin Flynn (Ford Explorer)
2. Matthew Hoyle (Land Rover Disco 3)

VEHICLE PREPARATION:

Roadworthy, mechanically sound vehicle, normal tyre pressures on the way up. Probable tyre pressure reduction on the track. All the usual recovery gear will be required and checked before the trip. A good serviceable First Aid kit is required. A good Torch is also recommended. Good All-Terrain tyres are recommended due to the rough tracks conditions and rocky ground.

You should make special note to bring any medications you require with you. Please also remember to bring any special dietary requirements with you.

ACCOMMODATION PREPARATION:

There are numerous accommodation options in Bright. Some in the group may be camping. If you prefer to have motel / hotel / holiday home accommodation, please contact the Bright Visitor Information Centre to arrange this yourself. Those camping are likely to stay at the Riverside Caravan Park in Bright. Please contact them directly to arrange a powered or un-powered site or caravan / cabin accommodation.

Please ensure you have all appropriate clothing, food, water and camping gear. Even in fine weather, Bright can get very cold at night due to the altitude. Thus good sleeping bags, weather proof tent, quality warm clothing and wet weather gear is strongly recommended.

You will need a packed lunch for the Sunday trip into the surrounding hills around Bright. You can bring this with you or buy supplies in town. Bright is a large town and has all the usual services available including Fuel, Supermarkets, Camping Stores, Restaurants and Banks.

MEALS :

1. Saturday Lunch – on the road depending on our progress.
2. Saturday Dinner – at the Wandingalong Pub (“Wandi Pub”) - 5 kms out of Bright
3. Sunday Lunch – on the track (BYO)
4. Sunday Dinner – TBA – depending on preference (or camp food)
5. Monday Lunch – Millawa Cheese Factory
6. Monday Dinner – HOME

The meal arrangements are optional. Those wishing to attend are most welcome however please feel free to make your own arrangements if you prefer.

COMMS: UHF CH.10 Radios are essential and should be checked prior to the trip. Handheld units OK. I have one spare radio if someone still needs one.

MEETING PLACE: We will be meeting at 10.30 am Saturday 12/3/11 on the highway. Depending on the numbers, we will meet a pre-determined place on the way to Bright.

If you are running late, please call or SMS on 0412 678 219. The convoy will NOT WAIT FOR YOU IF YOU DO NOT NOTIFY ME OF YOUR MOVEMENTS.

We will be heading straight to Bright apart from a couple of stops to stretch the legs or bathroom stop. Basically straight up the Hume to Wangaratta then turning right and following the Snow Road past Ovens, Myrtleford and Porepunkah towards Mt Hotham. We will be stopping at Myrtleford at the Michellini Winery for some wine tasting on the way through.

Upon arrival we will be setting up camp and doing a little sight seeing plus a couple of nice climbs to the hills around Bright.

TRACKS: On Saturday afternoon we will be taking the Mystic Peak track to the Mystic Peak launch pad high above Bright. This point is the Paragliding / Handgliding

take off point for Bright and the surrounding district. There are 2 ways up – the 2WD drive road and the 4WD route. We will be taking the 4WD track or the road less traveled.

On Sunday we will be heading into the Hills around the Bright, Wandi and Smoko areas. It is called the Wandingalong Trail and covers approx 60kms. We will leave Bright around 10.00am and should arrive back in town around 3.00pm. There are some decent climbs and one or two challenges along the way. Correct wheel placement and correct approach to the (at times) steep inclines / declines should not create too many problems for the vehicles in the convoy.

At this stage there is no 4x4 driving planned on Monday. If time allows, we may tackle the Tower Hill track on the way out of town. Monday is planned to be mainly a social day with lunch planned in Millawa. We will sample the best the region has to offer with lunch planned at the Millawa Cheese Factory and well as the famous Millawa Mustard Factory.

QUESTIONS: If you have any questions we can help you with, please give me a call on **0412 678 219**

Confirm attendance via e-mail or call 0412 678 219 BEFORE Fri 4th March 2011.

[Bright Visitors Centre](#)

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