



# Trip Calendar

September 2007

## Grading of trips:

- A Grade – Very difficult trip. Winching probably required
  - B Grade – Moderate to difficult trip. Winching may be required.
  - C Grade – Moderate with some sections requiring caution.
  - D Grade – Relatively easy trip.
  - E Grade – Very easy, usually on sealed or formed roads.
- (Weather conditions on the day may require the trip categories to be upgraded)**

**Distances indicated are approximate total distance, i.e. return trip.**

## Essential

### Equipment:

Your own snatch strap and two "D" or bow shackles (rated).  
strong towing points on the front and rear of your vehicle.  
extra food, water and warm clothing in case bad weather traps you unexpectedly.

### Radios:

UHF Channel 10 is used by the club on trips. A UHF radio is not essential for new members, but advisable for your comfort and enjoyment of trips. The Club has a number of portable radios for use by members (new members are given priority).

**If you need to borrow a radio for a Club trip contact the Trip Coordinator.**

## Trip Bookings

Unless otherwise indicated, booking should be made with the current **Trip Coordinator**.  
**Geoff Hill 6254 2493** Please note that booking does NOT automatically mean confirmation. You will be contacted prior to the trip to confirm your place. If you need to cancel, please advise the trip coordinator in the first instance **as soon as possible**. Or the Trip Leader for that trip.

## IMPORTANT:

Please note that persons participating in Club trips cannot hold the Club or any of its members, Trip Leaders, or office bearers responsible or liable for the safety or well-being of a member or any other participant on a trip, including children and/or family members.

## FRIENDLY

### REMINDER:

**Members are reminded that, for the enjoyment and comfort of other members and in observance of National Parks laws, dogs (or other pets) should not be take on Club trips unless otherwise advised.**

## September

Mon 3rd	<b>LRC Ordinary Meeting - Eastlakes Football Club</b> <b>Followed By the LRC Annual General Meeting (AGM) Election of new Committee</b>	<b>8:00pm</b>
Sat 8th	<b><u>Orientation for potential members</u></b> <u>Leader: Driver education team</u> Location: Cotter Reserve (site of the burned down hotel) Time: 0900 hrs to 1200hrs	
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> –Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Spring in the Valley</b> Explore the Deua NP via Araluen, Dry Creek and Mericumbene Fire Trail before overnighing in the magnificent Bendethra Valley. A great opportunity to practice your camp oven cooking. Travel out on Sunday on the challenging but spectacular Mongamulla Fire Trail and then an easy drive home through Captain's Flat.	<b>Grade - C</b> <b>Approx distance</b> 350 kms <b>Leaders:</b> Kevin Phillips
Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>In Search of Brindies with a 'B'</b> Starting around the mine shaft moving toward the Brindies. No recce completed, in search of 'B' grade tracks. You would probably want at least AT tyres and possibly a bit of lift. We will be looking for challenges but the challenges will be optional. If anyone has input on places we should go, it will be most welcome (as well as your attendance). This is essentially a play day with exposure to B grade tracks to allow for skill development prior to when it's needed - 'Experience is something you get 3 seconds after you needed it'.	<b>Grade - B</b> <b>Approx distance</b> 100klms <b>Leaders:</b> Ron Clayton Col Cunningham Paul Sheahan
Tues 18th	<b>LRC Committee Meeting - Eastlakes Football Club</b>	<b>8:00pm</b>

## September Continued

<b>Sun 23rd</b>	<b>Show and Tell Day</b> Join club members as they display their set-ups and talk about their wares. Tap into the knowledge and experience of LRC members as you decide on how to set up your vehicles. Also talk to members about their past trips. They are only too happy to talk about their adventures. A sausage sizzle will be provided so to help the catering could you please register your intention to attend with the Denis Ford asap	<b>Location:</b> Molonglo Reach opposite Duntroon and near the Fyshwick roundabout. <b>Time:</b> 10am to 3pm
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## September / October

<b>Sun 30 Sept To Sat 13 Oct</b>	<b>Simpson Desert</b> Experience one of the few remote areas left in Australia. Travel via Mildura, the Flinders, Oodnadatta and Dalhousie to enter the Simpson from the western edge. Spend four days crossing the desert, (1200 dunes) before attempting the big one, 'Big Red' Quench your thirst at the famous Birdsville pub before heading back home, possibly via Innamincka (Burke and Wills territory) and White Cliffs (opal territory).	<b>Grade: B/C</b> <b>Approx distance:</b> 5000kms <b>Leader:</b> Geoff Hill
<b>TRIP FULLY BOOKED</b>		
<b>Sun 7<sup>th</sup> To Sun 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sturt National Park</b> This trip will take you to Sturt National Park via Broken Hill. Places of interest along the way will include in and around Broken Hill and Silverton, Milparinka, Cameron Corner, Sturt National Park, Tibooburra, returning via White Cliffs. Camper trailer friendly. Accommodation will be at Caravan Parks and National Park camping grounds. National Park entry and camping fees as well as caravan park fees extra. <b>Meeting place:</b> TBA at Broken Hill, but you are welcome to travel with us leaving Canberra Sat. 6 <sup>th</sup> . <b>Vehicle limit:</b> 5	<b>Grade: C/D</b> <b>Approx distance:</b> 3000kms <b>Leader:</b> Thea and Derek Moyes
<b>Sat 27<sup>th</sup> To Sun 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Lowell's Flat</b> A leisurely drive through the picturesque Brindabellas to camp at Lowell's Flat, which is on the western side of Webbs Range, on the Goodradigbee River. This trip is trailer friendly and provides an excellent opportunity to practice your towing skills in steep terrain. Arrive at camp in plenty of time for the campfire and camp oven preparation. After a leisurely breaking of camp on Sunday, drive some more scenic trails and enjoy the view	<b>Grade: B/C</b> <b>Approx distance:</b> 200kms <b>Leaders:</b> Kathy & Phil Tomlin

## November

<b>Fri 16<sup>th</sup> To Sun 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Erinundra Waratahs</b> This trip takes you into the south-east Gippsland area (Erinunda National Park) where there is still some pristine temperate rain forest, and the waratahs should be in full bloom. Climb Mt. Ellery (moderately strenuous). Bush-camp at "Frosty Hollow"	<b>Grade: C</b> <b>Approx distance:</b> 800 kms <b>Leader:</b> Mike Osborne
<b>Sat 17<sup>th</sup> To Sun 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>A Weekend with Stan and Lindsay</b> The Blake's are back in town for a few days and would love to catch up with old friends. The intention is to travel the blacktop to Tarthra then on to Gillard's Beach where we will camp and party till the wee small hours. After a leisurely morning and lunch we will point the cars for home.	<b>Grade: C</b> <b>Approx distance:</b> 600 klms <b>Trip Leaders:</b> Sue A and Geoff H
<b>Sat 24 – Sun 25</b>	<b>LRC XMAS PARTY at Long Plain Hut</b> - Put this one in your calendar now!	Refer Flyer in Magazine
<b>Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Nov To Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Murray Muscat Meander</b> This year's MMM will venture into different territory. Research has discovered a relatively unknown group of wineries hiding in the Kiewa Valley and Mt Beauty areas. They must be investigated. Possibly stay at the Mt Beauty Holiday Centre whose facilities look comfortable and include cabin accommodation (also the possibility of campfires). Pending further investigation a bus will be hired to drive us from attraction to attraction. More to follow.	<b>Grade: Social</b> <b>Approx distance:</b> 1000kms <b>Leader:</b> Jim Duggan

## December

<b>Sat 8<sup>th</sup> – Sun 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Davies High Plain :</b> This one had to be cancelled last year because of fires in the area. It's a great drive for those have never been into the high country before. Travel via Thredbo, Tom Groggin and Davies Hut up onto the high plains of the Alpine NP. Bush camp at Charlie's Creek. A great place for camp oven cooking under a magical sky. Maybe even spot the wild bush horses.	<b>Grade: C/B</b> <b>Approx Distance:</b> 600km <b>Trip Leader:</b> Sue Alexander
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<b>February</b>	<b>Sat 9<sup>th</sup> – Sun 10<sup>th</sup></b> 4WD Spectacular – Queanbeyan Showground Combined Clubs Event	
<b>March</b>	<b>Fri 21st – Mon 24th (Easter)</b> Mungo National Park	<b>Leaders:</b> Sue Alexander & Jim Duggan
<b>Easter 2008</b>	<b>Sat 8<sup>th</sup> -Mon 10<sup>th</sup></b> Stockton Beach Come and enjoy the sand dunes of Stockton, a 34 km stretch of beach north of Newcastle. Spend Saturday and Sunday on the beach learning the DOs and DON'Ts of sand driving then drive home Monday. Camping will be at Anna Bay Caravan Park. Nominations for this trip need to make a financial commitment to secure accommodation and place on the trip. Trailer friendly. <b>Trip Leaders</b> – Phil & Kathy Tomlin <b>Approx Distance</b> – 1300kms <b>Grade</b> – C <b>Cooma Land Rover Anniversary celebration</b> See Advertisemant back page of Magazine <b>Leader:</b> Peter Mercer	
<b>October 4th--11th</b>	Back by popular demand, <b>Fraser Island</b> 8 days on island, Max 16 vehicles <b>Trevor is keen to get names so bookings can begin.</b>	<b>Leader:</b> Trevor Owens