Sat 11th – High Country Adventure – 6 Days Fri 17th

A combined weekend and midweek getaway to the high country of NSW and Victoria.

The weekend trip consists of two one day trips followed by a lay day in Jindabyne then a midweek 3-day snow country drive through both the NSW and Victorian Alps.

Our base is Ski lodges located in East Jindabyne.

Getting There

March

Travelling to East Jindabyne, it is NOT advisable to drive the Canberra – Jindabyne Road at dusk or at night. For those wishing to drive down after work on any of the days the recommendation is to stay the night in Canberra or Queanbeyan and complete the journey in the morning.

- Option 1 Drive to Jindabyne on Friday staying at East Jindabyne then do the Saturday and part/all of the Sunday run returning home Sunday evening.
- Option 2 Drive to Canberra Friday night to meet the group on Saturday at Cooma MacDonald's. Do both weekend runs returning home on Monday.
- Option 3 Drive to Jindabyne on Friday, staying at East Jindabyne. Do both weekend and the midweek runs returning home on the following Friday.
- Option 4 Drive to Jindabyne on Monday, staying at East Jindabyne. Do the midweek run returning home on the Friday.

Day 0 – TO East Jindabyne – (Distance 536 km, Time Taken 5H40min)

From Twin Servos M1 make own way to East Jindabyne.

MAP - https://goo.gl/maps/Yy6RZjbGQjH2

Sat 11th March

Day 1 - Cooma to Coast – (Distance 348.5km, Time Taken 6H27min)

Meet at McDonalds Cooma at 9:30am for 10:00am start. For those travelling down from Canberra the drive time is about 1h 30mins. For those starting from Jindabyne the drive time is about 45 minutes.

The trip from Cooma is via Brown Mountain to the Sapphire Coast, through Tathra to Bega, returning to East Jindabyne via Dalgety.

We'll stop at the Fred Piper Memorial lookout for view down Bega valley before continuing down Brown Mountain. Lunch will be at Merimbula RSL.

Next stop at the Bega Cheese Heritage centre, alas we can't tour the factory due to workcover restrictions. Leave Bega to head back to East Jindabyne via Dalgety.

MAP - https://goo.gl/maps/da7uz14zYMv

Sun 12th March

Day 2 – Kosciusko Loop – (Distance 319km, Time Taken 7H18min)

Start trip from East Jindabyne at 8:00am, pre-trip discussion over breakfast. Trip proceeds via Berridale through the Kosciuszko National Park onto the Link Road with a morning tea stop at '3 Mile Dam' camp site. Turning south we head down past Cabramurra, continuing down Goat Ridge Road to Khancoban for lunch. Then via the Alpine Way to Jindabyne. (Those wishing to return home on Sunday can continue on the Snowy Mountains Hwy to the Hume Hwy when the group turns onto the link road.)

MAP - https://goo.gl/maps/CpJDCfo39322

Mon 13th March

Day 3 - Feet up - (Distance 0km, Time Taken All Day)

A break between the weekend and midweek trips, a day of leisure. Kick back and relax, wash the MX5 or do some local sightseeing. Those coming down for the midweek run can arrive on Monday ready for the start on Tuesday.

Tue 14^{th -}
Thur. 16th
March

Day 1 of 3 – Westward Ho! – (Distance 326km, Time Taken 6H27min)

9:00am start from Jindabyne, this time East to West on the Alpine way, stopping at Corryong for lunch and passing the Hume Reservoir to Yackandandah for a coffee break before finishing at the Painters Island Caravan Park, Wangaratta.

MAP - https://goo.gl/maps/og7X2DEfayz

Day 2 of 3 – Goin' South – (Distance 333km, Time Taken 7H53min)
8:00am start to get us to our lunch stop at 1:00pm. Leaving Wangaratta we head east to Bright for a wakeup coffee (but beware there's a long way to go to the next toilet break!) From Bright we head south through Falls Creek to the Blue Duck Inn for lunch. A less demanding afternoon drive to the Bairnsdale Riverside Holiday Park for the night.

Map - https://goo.gl/maps/5d1X95bcRj92

Day 3 of 3 – Headin' Home – (Distance 363km, Time Taken 5H54min)

An easy drive today allowing a 9:30am start as most of the day is on

Highways. Leaving Bairnsdale follow the Princess Hwy to Cann River then up the Monaro Hwy turning onto the Snowy River Way to Dalgety, north to Berridale then on to Jindabyne.

Map - https://goo.gl/maps/h2QEHQNEsLL2

Final Day All Finished heading north— (Distance 237km, Time Taken 2H51min)

Different alternatives for those travelling home on Sunday or Monday. For those going home on Sunday, join the run as far as the link road and then follow the Snowy Mountains Hwy to Gundagai. (Distance 237km, Time Taken 2H51min)

MAP - Alternate 1

The 2nd alternative. for those going home on Sunday, join the run as far as the Tooma Road intersection and then head north to Gundagai when the rest or the group heads south. (*Distance 286km, Time Taken 3H55min*)

MAP - Alternate 2

Gundagai to the Newcastle Link road intersection. (Distance 509km, Time Taken 5H12min)