

## Special Interest Items:

- The route
- How thirsty is your car?
- Some formalities
- Don't forget to book CEVA
- Guess who's coming to dinner
- Trek Air
- Door stickers
- Safety check
- Bed ballot
- Indemnity forms
- And PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE

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## Not Long To Go

With less than 3 weeks to go this will be the last Trek Tripe before we leave. Everybody has been asking about the impact of the weather on the roads this year. We don't want to tempt fate, but at time of writing all of the roads are open and we should have no troubles with the route. There is more water coming down the Cooper, but it is predicted to reach the Birdsville Track after we have passed through. Fingers crossed ☺

## Fuel Distances

One of the big questions on everyone's lips is the distances between fuel pumps. The longest distance this year is between Broken Hill & Copley, a distance of 469.7 klms. The morning will be a little hard on fuel consumption so calculate conservatively.

## A Trek Tripe Full of Forms

Whilst we try and keep enjoyment at full volume, Trekkers will appreciate there are a (small) number of formalities associated with running and participating in the event. Vehicle safety checks and indemnity forms are two of these. Both forms are attached to this Trek Tripe, and both are required to be received before you can get your Road Books in Hay. Don't wait till Hay to hand them in because that will cause undue delays – email them in now. And yes, they apply to everybody.

## Cars and Hamilton Island

Make sure you have sent your booking form to CEVA for transporting your car home. Buses are put on to get you to Shute Harbour, but the timing is tight. Last bus is 1 pm and lunch will be at Shute Harbour at the ferry terminal.

## Final Night Dinner – Guests

We have to get the final numbers to Hamilton in the next 7 days, so if you have a guest for the final night dinner, make sure you have returned the form with their details before 24 May.

## Trek Air

Glenn Spear is taking along a chopper for the duration of the Trek, and on certain days there are seats available for hire for either mornings or afternoons. There are a couple of uncertainties with fuel stops being in the same place as lunch stops but these are being worked out as we write this edition of Trek Tripe. We'll keep you posted on the Trek regarding seat availability.

## Door Stickers

For those people who have not picked up their door stickers they will be mailed in the next seven days.

I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me.

## Safety Check

If you were unable to get to the Sydney Safety Check, or Joch Motors in Melbourne, in keeping with previous years practice you are required to have the safety check form completed by a qualified mechanic **who was not the person who built your car** and returned to the Trek Office before you travel to Hay. **Your completed Safety Check form is required for you to receive your Road Book.** A form is included at the end of Trek Tripe. Please email it to the Trek Office when completed and faults (if any) rectified.

## Bed Ballot

If you were one of the lucky winners in the bed ballot you will be notified this week. It is important that if you no longer need the bed you notify both the Trek Office and the accommodation venue. In the past some motel owners have been let down by Trekkers who did not front – please don't let that happen this year.

## Indemnity Forms

You will also need a completed indemnity form for yourself and every member of your crew before you receive your Road Books in Hay. Team Captains are responsible to make sure all forms are returned. A form is included at the end of Trek Tripe – sign and email them back to the Trek Office ASAP.

## And Please Remember

We get onto dirt roads almost immediately we leave the start. Many of you will not have driven on a dirt road for the past 51 weeks, some of you a lot longer than that. Please start the day slowly, therefore safely.

*Only 18 more sleeps.*

*Bill*



# Final Night Dinner – Guest Registration

Hamilton Island Saturday 12 June 2010

Your Name; \_\_\_\_\_

Car Number; \_\_\_\_\_

Guests Name(s); \_\_\_\_\_

*(please print)* \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost @\$140 each \$\_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Requirements; \_\_\_\_\_

Visa or Mastercard ?? \_\_\_\_\_

Card Number; \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date; \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card; \_\_\_\_\_

Signature; \_\_\_\_\_

INDEMNITY FORM

**UNDERTAKING BY ENTRANTS, DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS IN THE 2010 FLYING DOCTOR  
OUTBACK TREK ("the event")**

I acknowledge and agree as a condition of entry that neither the Royal Flying Doctor Service nor the Promoters or the Sponsors' organisations, nor the land owners or lessees, nor the Organisers of the Event, or their respective servants, officials, representatives or agents ("the Organisers") shall be under any liability for my death or bodily injury, loss or damage which may be sustained or incurred by me, as a result of participation in or being present at the Event except where due skill and care has not been exercised. I acknowledge that the roads used will be open to general traffic, that the Event is not a speed event and that I am required to obey speed limits and other traffic regulations in the areas in which I will be driving. I acknowledge that long distance driving can be dangerous and that accidents can happen. I acknowledge that I have read the Supplementary Regulations and agree to abide by them in full.

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Signature

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Date

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Print Name

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Car No

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## SAFETY CHECK FORM

Entrant's Name..... Car No.....

**Engine**

Is it as per original specs? .....  
 No. of carburettors.....  
 Oil leaks .....  
 Engine restraint .....  
 Engine mountings.....

**Exhaust System**

Exhaust leaks .....  
 Adequate support & protection.....

**Brakes**

General condition .....  
 Are lines steel or copper? .....

**Suspension - Front**

Adequate strengthening .....  
 Balljoints/kingpins .....  
 Bushes .....  
 Springs .....  
 Shock absorbers .....  
 Oil seals.....  
 Wheel bearings .....

**Suspension - Rear**

Adequate strengthening .....  
 Springs .....  
 Shock absorbers .....

**Rear Axle/Differential**

Adequate strengthening .....  
 Oil seals .....  
 Wheel bearings .....

**Wheels & Tyres**

Appropriate wheels .....  
 Type & condition of tyres .....  
 Two spares .....  
 Tools, jack & jacking board .....

**Fuel Tank & Lines**

Adequate capacity .....  
 Jerry cans well secured .....

Fuel lines protected .....

**Underbody Protection**

Sump guard .....  
 Transmission guard .....  
 Fuel tank guard .....  
 Shock absorber protection .....  
 Rear axle/diff protection .....  
 Brake line protection .....  
 Mud flaps.....  
 Safety strap under front of tailshaft .....

**Seat Belts**

Full harness on post 1959 cars .....  
 Lap sash on pre 1960 cars .....  
 Proper anchorages .....

**Recovery Gear**

Front towing eye .....  
 Rear towing eye .....  
 Snatch-m-strap/tow rope .....

**Safety Equipment**

Revolving/strobe amber dust light.....  
 Fixed white dust light.....  
 First aid kit .....  
 Fire extinguisher .....  
 Correct UHF radio .....  
 Reflective red triangle .....  
 Laminated windscreen .....  
 Roll bar/cage .....

**Door Panels & Numbers**

Black on doors and roof/bonnet/boot .....  
 White on RHS rear window .....

**Miscellaneous**

Spare parts .....  
 Engine/transmission oil .....  
 Brake fluid .....  
 Equipment in cabin well secured .....  
 20 litres water .....

**Signed & Contact details**.....