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Hello to all.

Firstly, thank you to each and every person who came along on the Trek, and whilst the weather didn't play it's part I hope the event lived up to your expectations given the last minute changes we were forced to implement. We were still able to re-route ourselves onto interesting and scenic back roads, with small towns & great pubs, and of course the snow was a bonus on Friday & Saturday.

The rains came at the right time for many farmers, and whilst we didn't particularly want it to rain during the week we were away, there is no way you would begrudge the locals the much needed rain they received.

The many small communities we passed through were very appreciative of your generosity. Whether you bought a raffle ticket, a stubby holder, a t-shirt or a meat pie, you spent much needed "outside money" in communities that have been struggling through nearly 20 years of drought.

We are planning a reunion for all Trekkers and it will be in the Sydney CBD close to ferries buses and trains, **on either of the Friday 16 July** (first choice) **or the Friday 23 July** - the date to be confirmed. I hope you can make it, so please save those dates in your diary now, and bring your partner. The plan is to kick off at 5:30 pm, and put on finger food for an hour or two over a chat and a relaxing drink and watch some of the movies & stills the photographers and film crew took whilst we were away. Then people who want to are able to go on to a show, a movie, or dinner - or perhaps just stay and enjoy the evening with their Trek Friends. Whatever you feel for really. Maybe book a room and make a night of it. The important thing is that as soon as I set a date you RSVP to me so I can cater properly.

A Trek for our Victorian Friends We are sorting out dates for a "Trek Take Two" for those Victorians who had to cancel at the last minute, most likely in September. This event will start somewhere on the Murray closer to Melbourne, and then travel via West Wyalong, Hillston, Broken Hill, Cobar and Dubbo, finishing back towards Melbourne in a town yet to be decided. Dates are still up in the air, and I hope to have them set over the weekend. I can then set the route and communicate it to everybody. A number of New South Welshman have asked about coming on the event, and **we are able to take a small number of NSW/SA/Qld cars** along with us, but only a few. If you are interested, drop me a line and it will be on a first come basis.

thanks again for your support of the Royal Flying Doctor Service, and the Outback Car Trek.

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