

WELCOME to the December edition of the Bound for the Bash Newsletter.

With Christmas and New Year just about here, it'll soon be time to welcome in 2020. Which means it won't be too long before you'll be able to say, "I'm heading to Birdsville for the Big Red Bash THIS YEAR!"

Hopefully the Big Red man will leave some nice camping and travelling goodies under the tree for you. If you haven't picked up your Bound for the Bash gear yet, you can order it on-line <u>HERE</u> for delivery before Christmas.

This month we're making sure you've seen the Coming to the Bash Checklist, as well as providing some information about safe outback driving and route planning.





## COMING TO THE BASH CHECKLIST (to download)

### Here's one for the caravan fridge!

The Coming to the Bash Checklist covers everything from planning your journey start to finish, to handy tips for some (slightly unexpected!) gear you'll want to make sure you have in Bashville.

It's a very useful list to have on hand as you plan for the Bash, so <u>DOWNLOAD</u> it today. And if you're coming with friends or family, share it with them!









### SAFE OUTBACK DRIVING

Check out safe <u>DRIVING</u> guidelines and what to expect on the road heading to the Bash.

You always need to allow extra time when you're travelling in the outback. And when the Bash is on, allow a little more. If you're booking leave from work, make sure you leave some buffer time on either side for the drive.

Road conditions can vary, and as you get closer to Birdsville you'll come across queues for fuel in some towns, more traffic on the road and probably some dust. You can expect to be delayed so factor that into your plans.

#### **PLAN YOUR ROUTE**

Planning your drive to Birdsville? Take a look at our TRAVEL GUIDES.

Whether you're driving from Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth or Hobart, we've broken the trip down for you, and shared some of our favourite outback stopovers along the way <u>HERE</u>.

Remember, when you're planning your drive:

1. Plan your driving to be off the roads by sunset – it's not

worth pressing on due to the risk of hitting roos or black cows wandering onto the road.

- 2. Take scheduled breaks every couple of hours enjoy the local towns and hospitality to break your journey.
- 3. Bookmark websites showing outback road conditions on your route and check in before you travel see <u>HERE</u>.

Developed in association with Police, road safety authorities, local council and outback experts.

# BIG RED BASH COACH TOUR STILL AVAILABLE

The Bash may have sold out already, but there is still space available on our Big Red Bash Rock n Roll bus tour.

The bus tour includes tickets to the Bash. If you know of anyone looking to come to the 2020 Bash but not wanting to drive and set up their own campsite, let them know about this fantastic tour. Details can be found HERE.



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