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WELCOME to our March Newsletter.

One of the best things about the Big Red Bash is the unique opportunity to set up camp with thousands of other travellers from all over Australia next to the iconic Big Red Dune.

It's the only time of year where camping is permitted in this amazing location.

In this newsletter we're going to cover a range of topics about camping at the Bash. There's a fair amount of info here, but it's definitely worth familiarising yourself with it before you arrive.



CAMPING

Bashville Site Rules

We are privileged to hold the Big Red Bash on a beautiful, organic cattle property on the edge of the Simpson Desert, and it's up to us all to protect it.

Everyone must stick to the Bashville Site Rules. They're for everyone's safety and comfort, and will ensure we leave Bashville as we found it.

UPDATES FOR 2020

Bashville quiet time

Quiet time in the campground kicks in at 10.30pm. Please keep the noise down. Quiet campfire chat is fine, but turn off the music. Respect one another and enjoy the desert!

Firearms

Firearms are not permitted at the Bash.

Fireworks

Fireworks are prohibited at the Bashville campsite. They cause alarm and can send dogs bolting across the campground and into the desert. If you see someone setting up fireworks, please inform an event official or volunteer straight away.

In case of emergency

In Bashville, you can get help to your location (medical or security) by using CB CHANNEL 5 on your car or handheld CB radio. CB radio channel 5 will be monitored 24/7 while patrons are on site. Please help us keep CB5 free: **use it ONLY in an emergency.**

Read the full [BIG RED BASH SITE RULES](#) on our website.





SHOPPING IN BASHVILLE:

Merchandise

We'll be carrying a huge range of lovingly curated merchandise at the Bash Merch Store – open from 9am to 6pm daily at Bashville.

We'll have the full catalogue available before the Bash so you can choose what you like and get in early to grab it – items sell out. Bring your shopping trolley! 😊

Firewood

There's nothing better than unwinding around a campfire under the southern stars, catching up with friends new and old. Campfires are permitted in Bashville, but there is strictly **NO FIREWOOD COLLECTION** on site – and no chainsaws!

There is limited firewood for sale on site – we recommend bringing some of your own.

Keep fires out of the clear zones (see [Campsite Fire Safe Layout map](#)) and put fires out with water only – NOT SAND.

We are grateful to the Brook family for allowing us to hold the Big

Red Bash on their organic cattle property, and we rely on you all to help us respect their wishes.

Ice

Our firewood vendor also sells ice, to help you keep things cold. You will be able to see where they are located when our campsite map is ready closer to the event.

Food

There will be around 20 food vans on site with a huge variety of food on offer from pizzas, bbq, seafood, asian, gourmet potatoes, burgers & fries, curries & rice and much, much more. Also options for specific dietary requirements.

Eftpos and cash out

There are **NO** ATMs at Bashville, and limited-to-no eftpos or credit card facilities, so **BRING CASH**.

Limited cash-out service available at the merchandise tent.

EARLY EXIT PASSES

If you're keen to leave Bashville ahead of the crowds, pick up an Early Exit pass.

With an Early Exit pass you can leave Bashville on Thursday, 9th and camp in Birdsville overnight.

How does it work?

Pack up camp and move your car between 2pm and 5pm on Thurs.

You can leave straight away, or park in the Early Exit Area or Day Parking and head into the concert that night. You just need to be off-site by 10pm.

General roll out begins at 7am on Friday, 10th July.

\$15 per vehicle, 100% donated to the Royal Flying Doctors Service.

Get your Early Exit pass on the Big Red Bash website from MAY 11, 2020. (We'll remind ticket holders when appropriate).

EARLY ENTRY

Early Entry Camping Passes are now SOLD OUT.

If you snagged a pass, good onya! 👍 Make sure you [check the website](#) for roll-in details relevant to your pass when you plan your travel.

SUSTAINABILITY

Here's how you can help keep our waste and environmental footprint to a minimum in our beautiful outback.

In July 2020, over 10,000 Bashers will come together from right across Australia to celebrate good music and good times in the Aussie outback. Preserving our beautiful country is one of our key initiatives here at Big Red Bash, which is why we take sustainability and waste reduction so seriously!

RECYCLING ALUMINIUM CANS

Almost everyone likes to relax by the fire with a tinny and with glass prohibited at the Bash (except in your kitchen), we see a lot of cans!

We are proud to recycle aluminium cans – in 2019 we crushed an estimated 120,000 cans! That's 45 cubic metres and 1.7 tonnes of aluminium cans kept out of landfill!

Help recycle even more in 2020 by dropping your cans in the Plaza, Concert Area and at toilet blocks.

ODOURLESS COMPOSTING LOOS

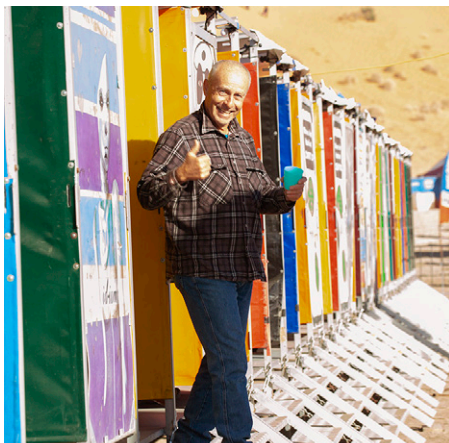
We've replaced chemical port-a-loos with hygienic, odourless, composting toilets.

They reduce water use, don't smell, and under the watchful eye of our volunteer 'dunny angels' they're always squeaky clean.

How do they work?

For your number ones, go like normal, except no flushing, for blokes there's a urinal behind the toilet block.

For your number twos, take a cup of sawdust in with you and cover it up.



Then use the hand sanitiser pump pack to clean your hands.

Why composting toilets?

In the desert it just makes sense!

- No water needed for flushing (in 2019 the Bash saved over 140,000 litres of fresh water)
- Much less transport needed for water and sewage
- No bleaches, formaldehyde or other nasty chemicals
- Within a year the dry compost is ready to use.

VENDOR SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM

Many of our vendors are joining our new vendor sustainability initiative which will mean a huge reduction in single use plastics, offering reusable cups and composting of organic food waste.

You can find all this information and more [HERE](#), and stay posted with updates and travel information on the [TRAVELLING TO THE BIG RED BASH](#) [FACEBOOK GROUP](#).

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So until our April newsletter, we hope your preparation and trip planning continues well, and you get a chance to review some of the information here about camping at Bashville!

The Birdsville Big Red Bash Team

BOUND FOR THE BASH GEAR

Check out our special Bound for the Bash 2020 merchandise range and order on-line for delivery [HERE](#).

From T-shirts and bandanas to car accessories, kitting out with this merch is a great way to meet other Bashers and get in the Bash spirit on your Birdsville bound journey.

