



Club Trip Information

BAGO “SLIGHTLY HARDER THAN USUAL” DAY DRIVE

WHEN: Tuesday December 28th
TRIP LEADER: Wayne Waddington
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NB: weather dependent. Significant rain before the drive will turn this into a no question Grade 5 with the potential for damage. It will mean a reschedule.

- Bago Day drive. More about the drive, less about the destinations.
- Please register your attendance to appleblue@aapt.net.au Maximum of 4 vehicles not including myself.
- Meet at Cowarra Dam Picnic area 0900 for a 0915 departure (see map page 2). No less than half a tank. Distance is not much but some of the angles are. There's no fuel here but there are good toilets. I'm expecting we'll be finished before 3pm.
- Trip Grading Level 4. Not a drive for beginners but not silly stuff either. However, you will need a minimum 2" lift and All Terrains, some experience with careful wheel placement and confidence in your 4wdrive. I'm experienced with this level of trip and beyond but I'm not an instructor. However, everyone is encouraged to seek assistance if you're unsure of any segment and I'll be happy to provide guidance. Building experience and having fun with your fourbie is the purpose of the day. Expect steep climbs and descents, washed out tracks and several small mud holes. There is the potential for a few lantana scratches but overall the tracks are fairly open.
- Bring sturdy footwear, water, recovery gear, morning tea, and a picnic lunch. There are no facilities on this trip so please make sure you bring everything to be self-sufficient (that's code for a shovel and toilet paper, as well as food 😊).

We'll drive the dirt from the Dam to Burrawan Forest road. The “slightly harder than usual” starts immediately. We'll have a look at some warm up stuff in a Quarry, cross Bago road at one point and drive to Blue Rock Dam where we can have a quick cuppa. We'll climb up the ridge on some interesting tracks and then have a relatively easy drive to the Bago Bluff lookout for lunch. All that's left is the descent to Wauchope but we'll do it by some fun tracks.

Any questions, please call me on 9630 0838. I'm in a mobile hole so this is the best number Business or After Hours. On the day, I'm on 0491 625 118. Don't use this number any other time, it's too hit and miss that I'll receive it and that includes texts.

Drive west on the Oxley Hwy from the Donut and turn left to King Creek rd. Then left to Sarahs Crescent and right to Forest Oak rd. All turns are signposted “Cowarra Dam”.



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