



OUT AND ABOUT 4x4 CLUB

WHITE HILLS TO MYALUP BEACH

SATURDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2019

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13 vehicles met at the original Miami Bakery at 9.00am, Kerry and Steve gave a pre-trip report of direction the run was going and where the stopping points would be for letting tyres down, morning tea and possible lunch stop, also outlined convoy procedures for visitors. We had three visitors who had gone to the Roadhouse stop on the freeway, which is also named Miami Bakery.



Convoy headed off to the White Hills turn off. Terry and I stayed at the bakery for the visitors to catch up, however Kerry was able to contact them and they were going to meet up at White Hills so we were able to continue on to White Hills.

Kerry and Steve were Trip Leaders, Marietta and Troy Tail end Charlie, visitors were requested to locate themselves between members just in case they needed a driving hand!!!!!!

At the end of the White Hills road the convoy stopped and let tyres down before the start of the sand track over the dunes to the beach. As you came over the last dune the view of the turquoise ocean with little white horses rolling in was spectacular. All managed the dunes OK and turned left for the start of the beach run.





First part of this section of the beach started as soft sand running along the side of smaller dunes but became harder sand as it ventured closer to the oceans edge. A short stop was made in the location of Duck Pond on the left of the beach for a tea break and members to catch up as the convoy had stretched out along the track. The beach became wider and there were numerous people parked closer to the ocean fishing, swimming and some even sand boarding down the dunes.

Into Preston Beach car park for comfort stops. Large poles had been placed on the beach at Preston Beach stopping cars driving this section of the beach. You turn into the car park then out the other side of the car park and on to the beach run to Myalup. A very wide soft sandy beach with several overlapping tracks which made it hard to keep vehicles in one track but it looked good to see cars swaying along the tracks. Very corrugated so a bumpy ride as well as swaying.





Lunch stop was about half way along from Preston Beach to Myalup. Some members paddled and a few went for a swim before forming into groups for a lunch stop. The last section of the run was again a wide expanse of numerous soft, corrugated tracks. Final stop at Myalup Beach to pump up tyres. Some members said their farewells and headed back to Perth while others ventured into the Roadhouse on the Freeway for a final coffee break and chat.

A good day was had by all and the visitors I spoke to enjoyed the trip and the friendliness of members. The weather was pleasant not hot and although windy and showing lots of white horses on the ocean, it was not unpleasant when we stopped for lunch.

A big thank you to Kerry and Steve for a good run along the beach.

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