

Iron Triangle Tri-State Event 2012 *Easter 5 – 9 April*

Tri-State Newsletter!

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WELCOME to the first of our newsletters for the 2012 Tri State event to be held at Whyalla in the Iron Triangle of South Australia.

You might be asking yourself at this stage, “Why would they choose Whyalla”?

Let me assure you, Whyalla is an excellent site for our annual event with many opportunities just around the corner. Here are some brief facts for you to consider:

Whyalla was first settled by Europeans in 1910. Prior to that, the local Aboriginals called this area their home. Whyalla is located 396 kilometres northwest of Adelaide on the western side of the Spencer Gulf. The city grew over time to be one of South Australia’s leading cities. It is best known for its mining and the main product mined in this area is Iron Ore. In fact a number of the nearby mines take their names from Iron. Iron Knob and Iron Baron are within easy driving of the city. When Whyalla was first settled it took its name from the local land feature called Hummock Hill. Hummock Hill overlooks the city and lies on the edge of the gulf. It’s a nice place to visit to view the surrounding countryside. Whyalla was officially given its name in 1914.



Photo courtesy of the Whyalla City Council website:
www.whyalla.sa.gov.au



Planning for the 2012 event is well advanced with a number of four wheel drive and scenic trips being organised. You will be pleased to know that our accommodation site is an established site within the Whyalla Showgrounds. The Showgrounds are on the outskirts of the town and offer everything we would need. With about 76 powered sites available, everyone is catered for. Toilets won't be a problem with a number of them located within easy walking distance from your camp site. The site has 2 showers available for men and 2 for women. These are also located conveniently to the camping area. There is no problem with campers erecting their own shower tent with tap water available.

Some of our members have already visited the area as part of our reconnaissance program and enjoyed the local country side. We expect to be able to offer a range of driving

experiences ranging from country scenic drives to the more challenging four wheel drive adventures.

Whyalla offers significant opportunities for the traveller. If you have time, head north to the Flinders Ranges, south to Port Lincoln (the home of the Southern Tuna fishing industry) or head west towards the Great Australian Bight. For those planning a larger journey, you will be able to arrive at the campsite site from noon on Thursday 5th April.

Don't forget to register your interest to attend on our website, www.holden4wdclubsa.asn.au and if you have any questions feel free to send an email direct to the address below.

We look forward to a great turn up and I'll keep you posted with any news updates.

Rob Williams

Chairperson Tri State organising committee

Register your interest by emailing holden4wdclub@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing you there.

