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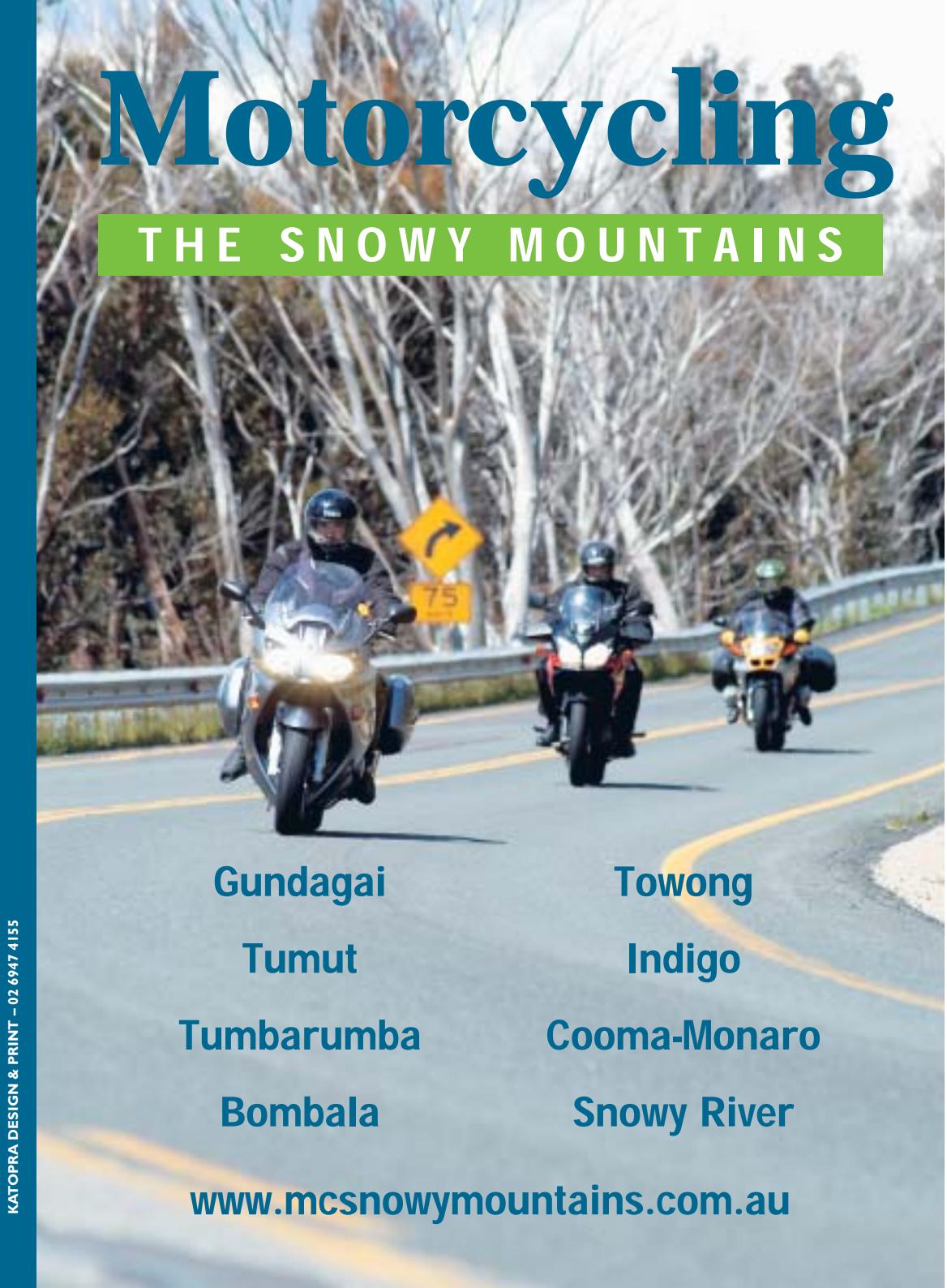
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MOTORCYCLING - THE SNOWY MOUNTAINS

WELCOME

The Snowy Mountains Region is ideally located midway between Melbourne and Sydney. It's also close to Canberra and the South Coast beach resorts, and is one of the gateways west via the plains or the Murray River valley. If you're riding from Queensland or South Australia or even further afield, the region offers scenery that is breathtakingly beautiful and an absolute joy to experience. Riders travelling through the region are able to enjoy fresh mountain air, cascading streams, wonderful landscape vistas and an enjoyment level that far surpasses any ride straight along the highways.

Kosciuszko National Park covers more than 690,000 hectares and encompasses Mt Kosciuszko (the highest mountain in Australia at 2228m). Today, visitors enjoy the spectacular mountain scenery and a wide range of outdoor experiences. These range from activities around developed resort areas, visiting the Snowy Mountains Scheme, through to stunning walks and mountain camping experiences in designated camping areas in the park.

The Snowy Valleys Way offers an exciting touring route off the Hume Highway commencing at Gundagai then travelling through Tumut, Batlow, Tumbarumba, Corryong and finishing in Beechworth. This route links into some of the best motorcycling touring roads this country has to offer.

The number of towns throughout the region also means the discerning rider is able to spend several days touring the area without traveling the same road twice. Camping is available in most places and fishing can be enjoyed throughout most of the year (permit required). Some towns are located in former gold mining areas, and fossicking for gold or gemstones is still permitted.

The motorcyclist can therefore plan to travel through the region on their way between major centres, or spend several days or perhaps a holiday enjoying the charms the area offers. As a motorcyclist it's your choice! Whatever the motorcyclist needs, the Snowy Mountains region can deliver. It's a region that provides a motorcycling experience that quite simply can't be duplicated elsewhere.

PLANNING YOUR TRIP

Careful planning will make your ride safer and also more enjoyable. Following these suggestions is not, however, a guarantee of a fine and safe ride, but will definitely place you in a much better position.

PREPARE YOURSELF

- Have a good night's sleep before you head out for a ride.
- Avoid drinking alcohol before riding or during a ride – skills and reaction times can be severely affected by drug and alcohol use.
- Find out if any medicine you are taking may affect your riding ability.
- Avoid riding if you are feeling stress or tension, as your mental state can affect your riding ability.
- Be sure to drink plenty of water before heading out on a ride. Riders often get dehydrated during a long ride.
- Stay fit and healthy – if your body is not working at its optimum level consider another form of transport.

PREPARE YOUR BIKE

- Check the tyre tread depth to the specification required.
- Before setting out check that your tyre pressures are correct.
- Got fuel? Fill up your tank the day before you ride – some village destinations may not have petrol stations.
- Conduct general maintenance on your bike including checking the lights, blinkers, chain and fluids.

PREPARE YOUR GEAR

- Having the right protective clothing will ensure you are protected from the elements, as well as from the effects of a fall. This is important for your pillion as well.
- Start at your feet with solid boots and work your way up, remembering that shoe laces can be hazardous.
- New, well fitting helmets should be worn by both the rider and the pillion – secondhand helmets are not acceptable and should never be worn. Wear scratch and insect-resistant visors.
- Wear good quality gloves and abrasion-resistant pants and jacket. If possible, wear gear that has extra protection and support for your back, elbows, shoulders, knees and ankles.
- Always pack wet weather gear.
- On longer trips, particularly in the warmer weather, consider investing in a backpack-style drink supply.
- When riding through the Snowy Region, temperatures can change dramatically through the course of one day. Make sure you are prepared for a range of weather conditions.

SAFE ON ROADS

Roads in the Snowy Region range from smooth open conditions to narrow winding roads. The very nature of our Region means our roads traverse some of the most picturesque country in Australia but at times you'll find the roads steep and unpredictable so extra care needs to be taken, especially on rural roads.

Damp sections can pose particular problems for motorcyclists, as do loose surfaces like gravel and dirt. Often there is a build-up of loose stones on winding or steep roads so extra caution needs to be applied in these conditions.

Watch out for oncoming traffic on the wrong side of the road, especially on tight roads with no centre line. "Take a wide line; don't fully commit until you can see through the corner" is a wise maxim to follow.

BE AWARE

COMPOUND CORNERS

The Snowy Region is full of bends and curves. This makes motorcycling in the region enjoyable but also contributes to a higher risk of crashes. Not all corners are signposted with advisory signs as most of the roads are of a winding nature.

You need to share the road with oncoming vehicles. Due to the narrow winding nature of the road there is often no centre line. When cornering always ask yourself "where's my head"? Is it on your side of the road or the other side of the road?

The topography of the mountain area has led to many of our roads having compound corners. Many curves have double apexes and decreasing radius that cannot be seen on entry. Sight distance is the key to safe cornering. Adjust your speed accordingly.

WILDLIFE, ANIMALS AND DEBRIS

Apart from the magnificent scenery, one of the attractions of the Snowy Region is the local wildlife. This can be hazardous for the unsuspecting motorcyclist. Not only can a wallaby, kangaroo, echidna or wombat choose to cross the road in front of you, you may even encounter a mob of wild brumbies or stockmen droving cattle in the "long paddock".

Fallen limbs and rocks can also be suddenly encountered.

Your best defence is to be on the lookout and take it slowly where winding roads reduce your sight distance.

FATIGUE

We all know fatigue is a killer. It is much more tiring riding a motorcycle than driving a car. Give yourself frequent breaks to rest your mind and body, and to take in the scenery. An advantage of riding through the Snowy Region is that you don't need to go far before a village, town or tourist attraction can provide you with the ideal rest break to regroup or refresh.

SPEED

Speed is the major causal factor identified in many motorcycle crashes in the Snowy Region. Motorcycling calls for enthusiasm not bravado. Always obey the 3-second rule and give plenty of distance between you and the rider or car in front of you. Take it slowly and enjoy the sights.

ALCOHOL

Eat drink and be merry, but remember at 0.05 Blood Alcohol Content a rider has double the crash risk of no alcohol. It can take many hours to remove alcohol from the body after drinking – a few hours of sleep and a shower are often not enough. To maintain peak riding performance don't drink before or during a ride.

GROUP RIDE INFORMATION

- Ensure you match skills and abilities into similar groupings.
- Ask each person to form a 'companion' system or assign each person a 'companion'.
- Have an experienced lead rider AND an experienced sweep rider.
- Carry a first aid kit and mobile phone. (Mobile phone reception can be intermittent).
- Assign one experienced rider as the "route marker" to re-join after all riders have made the turn at an intersection.
- Clearly define 'way points' at which to meet. This keeps the group together.
- Break larger groups into pods of five to seven as this is safer than one large group and causes minimal distraction to other road users.
- Sandwich the inexperienced riders with the experienced ones and ensure the experienced riders don't force the pace beyond the capability of the inexperienced riders in their group.
- Ensure "pods" do not bunch up when there are large numbers of riders.
- In the event of a fall, the experienced riders behind the crash must be able to take the required action and implement safety precautions.
- In the case of a crash beware of turning back and creating safety issues. Send surplus riders to the next 'way point' to wait for news; keep one as a courier. Act fast.
- Ensure all riders understand staggered formation riding. Don't ride side by side.
- Ensure all riders understand when to fall into single file at intersections, entrances, gates, and on tighter curves, where separation distance must increase.
- Use hand signals, make sure all are briefed on them.
- Observe the three-second rule between riders. Keep your distance.
- Staggered formation is best, except on narrow curves, never ride alongside another rider.
- Each rider is individually responsible for traffic rules.
- Each rider is responsible for being safe around other riders.
- Beware of just following another rider. It may lead you into trouble.
- Know the route.
- When passing: one at a time, then re-form.

EMERGENCIES

When you are first at a crash scene follow the St John Ambulance Australia DRABC action plan. The first thing to do is to direct someone to call 000 for an ambulance.

DANGER: Assess if it's safe to approach the injured person eg check for oncoming traffic, leaking fuel, electricity wires, etc. Turn your hazard lights on as a precaution to other road users or position someone to warn oncoming traffic. Turn off the ignition of the crashed bike. See who is injured. Casualties may have been thrown from the bike and may be wandering dazed or confused.

RESPONSE: Check to see if casualties are conscious by gently shaking them and asking questions - unconscious casualties should be given priority because they may have a compromised airway with their tongue or other foreign matter restricting breathing.

AIRWAY: Roll them gently onto their side, being aware that their neck may be injured and must be stabilised while they are being rolled. Once on their side, check that the mouth is clear of any obstructions such as the patient's tongue, blood or vomit.

BREATHING: Look, listen and feel for breathing for 10 seconds. If casualty is breathing leave them on their side. If they are not breathing turn the person onto their back with head and neck support and give two initial breaths.

CIRCULATION: Check the pulse in the patient's neck for 10 seconds, at the same time look for other signs of life such as eye movement and colour change in the face. If they have a pulse but are not breathing, commence expired air resuscitation. Give 30 chest compressions (almost 2 compressions/second) followed by 2 breaths. Continue CPR until qualified personnel arrive or signs of life return.

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CASUALTIES WEARING HELMETS

A full-faced helmet should only be removed if the injured rider does not have a clear airway and cannot breathe. In all other circumstances the helmet should remain in place unless the wearer chooses to remove it. If a casualty requires expired air resuscitation and is wearing a full-faced helmet, the helmet should be removed by at least two people. The first person must ensure the head and neck are completely stabilised and supported to avoid any further injury.

The second person must carefully remove the helmet in a way that minimises all movement to the head and neck. Once the helmet has been removed, the first-aiders can perform expired air resuscitation.

CASUALTIES WEARING LEATHERS

Bleeding wounds can be hidden from view or disguised by riding leathers. Often the puncture made in the leathers is not a true indication of the severity of a wound. Profuse and life-threatening blood loss requires that the wound be exposed and direct pressure can be applied with bandages or clothing. Leathers may be torn or cut away with shears, scissors or a knife.

BLEEDING

Stop any bleeding by applying direct pressure with bandages or clothing. If possible, elevate the bleeding part above the level of the chest.

BURNS

If a rider/pillion is trapped underneath the motorcycle, extreme heat from exhausts and engine parts can be conducted by, and retained in, riding leathers, causing severe burns to flesh. It is crucial for burns to be exposed and cooled with running water until the affected area returns to a normal temperature. Remove clothing, if possible, from the burn area. If it is stuck, cut around it; DO NOT attempt to pull it off. Remove jewellery if possible to prevent restricted circulation due to swelling. Protect the burnt area with a sterile or non-stick dressing or closely woven material.

BROKEN BONES

Keep the injured person as still as possible by packing clothing and equipment around them to prevent movement to the spine and any broken bones.

SHOCK

Keep the patient warm and give continual reassurance. Continue to check and manage any wounds whilst waiting for medical assistance to arrive. Further pads and bandages may need to be applied. Continue to check the patient's conscious state.

St John Ambulance Australia conducts First Aid courses and specialised Motorcycle First Aid Kits are available. Call 1300 360 455 for details.

PILLIONS

CARRYING A PILLION

A pillion's safety is often not considered when riding. Carrying a pillion is a big responsibility for the rider.

- Ensure they are dressed appropriately, preferably with the same standard of gear as the rider.
- Adjust suspension settings. Read your Owner's Manual to learn how to do this properly.
- Adjust the tyre pressures according to your Owner's Manual.
- Pillions need more breaks than the rider. Allow regular comfort breaks for them to stretch their legs.
- Ride with care; you have valuable cargo.

PILLION PASSENGERS

- Keep your feet up.
- Keep your feet on the pegs.
- Align your body with the rider; relax and flow with the movements.
- Select a shoulder to look over.
- Grip with your knees when the rider is braking.
- Communicate with the rider, e.g. three shoulder taps to stop. Avoid doing this when the rider is concentrating during tight cornering etc.
- Don't try and look the rider in the face when going slow.
- If you are carrying children their feet must securely reach the foot pegs.
- Children should not be expected to travel long distances without numerous breaks. They become fatigued earlier than adults.

RIDER TRAINING

If you're a "born-again" rider, your skills may not be what they used to be. Comprehensive courses are available where skills can be up-dated, and by doing one of these courses you may be able to get a rebate on your insurance. Some motorcycle clubs also offer incentives to their members.

CLIMATE & ROAD CONDITIONS

CLIMATE

The Snowy Mountains is an area subject to harsh weather conditions. The area is renowned for sudden weather changes and at higher elevations it can snow in any month. Sudden strong wind changes can also occur so always take care when riding. Exercise extreme

caution when roads are wet, icy or snow-covered. It's a good idea to check local weather forecasts before heading up into the alpine areas. Don't forget warm clothing (even in summer months) and good wet-weather gear as well as sunscreen and sunglasses.

Observe Total Fire Bans when they're in force.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Avg Max Temp °C	27	26	23	19	25	12	11	13	16	19	22	25
Avg Min Temp °C	10	10	8	4	1	-1	-3	-2	1	4	6	8
Avg Rain mm	59	48	63	48	37	35	30	23	37	51	62	51

ROAD CONDITIONS

Roads within Kosciuszko National Park are subject to snow and ice during winter and frosty conditions can occur at any time of the year. Dense mist and fog are also part of the climate of the area.

Two-wheel drive vehicles must carry snow chains:

- From Sawpit Creek on the Kosciuszko Road, and
- From Thredbo to Tom Groggin on the Alpine Way.

Some roads through the Snowy Mountains may not be suitable for motorcycling during winter or may even be closed to all traffic. If you wish to ride through the region in winter, contact one of the Visitor Centres for more information.

OTHER INFORMATION

Additional information on riding in this region is available from the Motorcycling Snowy Mountains website: www.mcsnowymountains.com.au

Additional information on Motorcycling is available from the Motorcycle Council of NSW website: www.mccofnsw.org.au

Additional information on this Region is available from: National Parks & Wildlife Service website: www.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au and Tourism Snowy Mountains website: www.snowymountains.com.au

PARK FEES

Park fees apply in parts of Kosciuszko National Park. A free transit pass is available if travelling direct from Jindabyne to Khancoban along the Alpine Way.

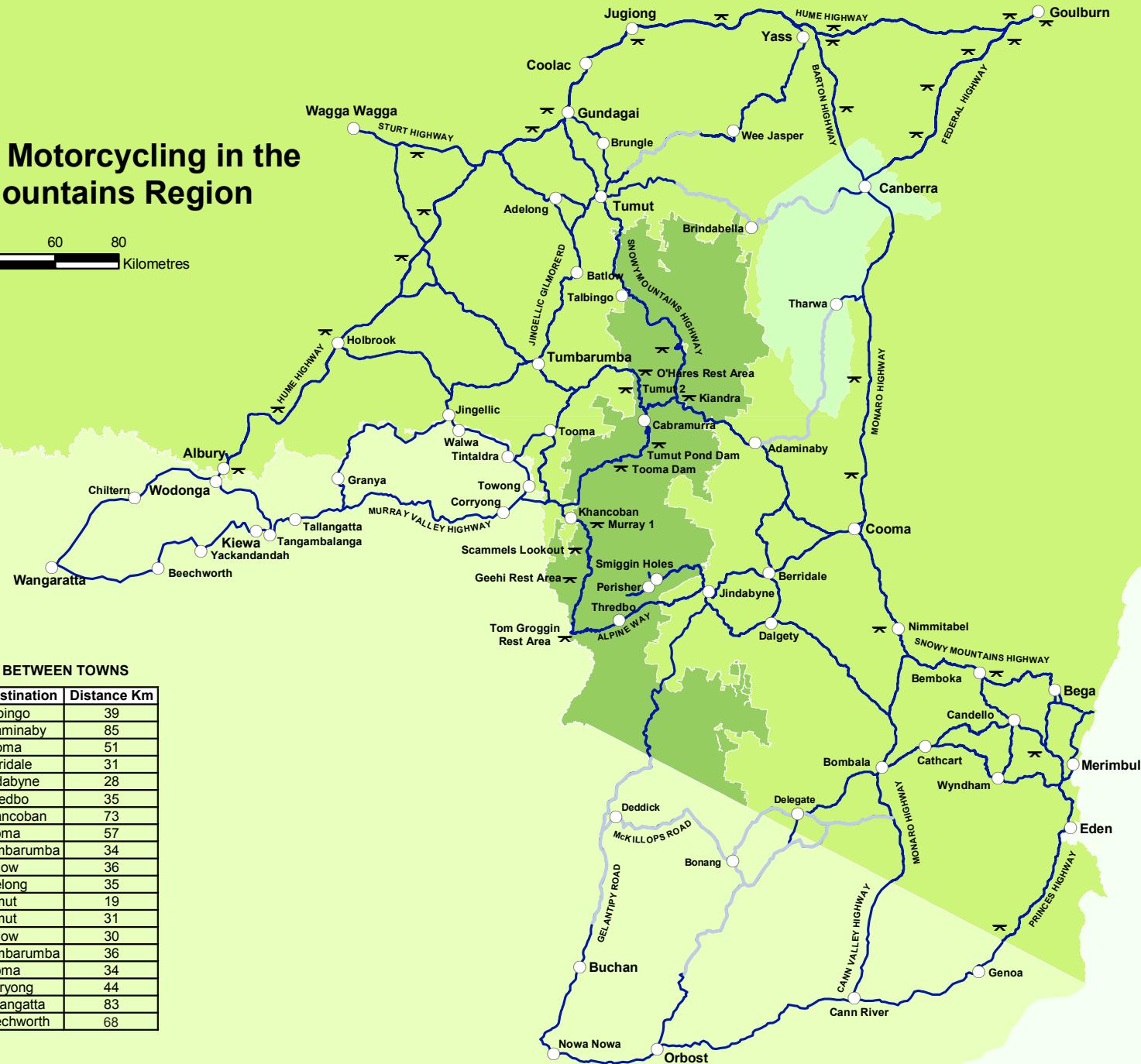
SERVICES

Police, Emergency, Ambulance, Fire: 000 or 112 (mobiles)
NRMA: 131111



Planning Motorcycling in the Snowy Mountains Region

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GUNDAGAI SHIRE

Australia's busiest highway - the Hume - takes you to historic Gundagai, a town immortalised for over a century by classic national songs. The lines we all know well, 'There's a Track Winding Back... Where the Murrumbidgee's Flowing...and the dog Sits on the Tuckerbox Five Miles from Gundagai', typify this town. It is here motorcyclists can leave the Hume Highway and begin their adventure along the Snowy Valleys Way into the Snowy Mountains.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, RSL Club, pool.

Gundagai Hospital – ph: 02 6944 1022

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Gundagai Information & Travel Centre

249 Sheridan Street Gundagai NSW 2722

Ph: 02 6944 0250 • Email: travel@gundagai.nsw.gov.au

Website: www.gundagai.nsw.gov.au

Major Events:

Agricultural Show – held in February

The Turning Wave Festival – held in September

Snake Gully Cup – held in November

Rodeo – held in December

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Gundagai Shire Council:

Gundagai Shire Council

255 Sheridan Street Gundagai NSW 2722

Ph: 02 6944 0200 • Fax: 02 69441475

Email: mail@gundagai.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.gundagai.nsw.gov.au



TUMUT SHIRE

Tucked in the south-west of New South Wales, our region is spectacular in natural beauty and diversity. The Tumut Region has natural wonders you can explore all year round with tremendous diversity ranging from huge inland lakes, clean streams, and gently sloped pastures to vast pine forests, peaked mountains, the enormous Snowy Mountains Scheme, one of the great engineering wonders of the modern world, and the many attractions of the northern end of the sensational Kosciuszko National Park.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, RSL club, pool.

Tumut Hospital – ph: 02 6947 1555 • Batlow Hospital – ph: 02 6949 1105

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Tumut Region Visitor Information Centre

Old Butter Factory, 5 Adelong Road Tumut NSW 2720

Ph: 02 6947 7025

Email: tumutrvic@environment.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.tumut.nsw.gov.au

Major Events:

Falling Leaf Festival – held in April

Rodeo – held in April

Agricultural Show – held in March

Races – held Boxing Day

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Tumut Shire Council:

Snowy Works & Services

1 Gocup Road Tumut NSW 2722

Ph: 02 6941 2400 • Fax: 02 6941 2480

Email: SnowyWS@tumut.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.tumut.nsw.gov.au



TUMBARUMBA SHIRE

Tumbarumba is known as the western gateway to the Snowy Mountains. There are a number of scenic routes: from the north, the Snowy Valleys Way provides an alternative to the Hume Highway, commencing at Gundagai. It continues to Tumbarumba via Tumut and on through Towong to Beechworth. From the east, leave the Snowy Mountains Highway for Cabramurra and the Elliott Way, or approach from the south by travelling the Alpine Way through to Khancoban. Tumbarumba is reached from the west by travelling through Rosewood from the Hume Highway.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, supermarkets, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, pool.

Tumbarumba Hospital – ph: 02 6948 9600

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Tumbarumba Visitor Information Centre

10 Bridge Street Tumbarumba NSW 2653

Ph: 02 6948 3333

Email: tourism@tumbashire.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.tumbashire.nsw.gov.au

Major Events:

Tumbafest – held last weekend of February

Agricultural Show – held in March

Rodeo – held on New Year's Day

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Tumbarumba Shire Council:

Tumbarumba Shire Council

Bridge Street Tumbarumba NSW 2653

Ph: 02 6948 9100 • Fax: 02 6948 2865

Email: mail@tumbashire.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.tumbashire.nsw.gov.au



COOMA-MONARO SHIRE

Cooma is the capital of the Snowy Mountains. The town, and nearby villages of Bredbo and Nimmitabel, have much to offer visitors. The first visitors to this region were European settlers, attracted to the Monaro grasslands in the early 1800s. The district has welcomed gold miners, graziers, the thousands of people from all around the world who built the mighty Snowy Scheme, and of course hundreds of thousands of holiday-makers every year. Motorcyclists are made welcome, with bike-friendly cafes and accommodation, and motorcycle service available as well.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, supermarkets, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, pool.

Cooma Hospital – ph: 02 6455 3222

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Cooma Visitors Centre

119 Sharp Street Cooma NSW 2630

Ph: 1800 636 525

Email: info@visitcooma.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.visitcooma.com.au

Major Events:

Cooma Races – held in December

Cooma Rodeo – held January/February

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Cooma-Monaro Shire Council:

Cooma-Monaro Shire Council

81 Commissioner Street Cooma NSW 2630

Ph: 02 6450 1777 • Fax: 02 6450 1799

Email: council@cooma.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.cooma.nsw.gov.au



SNOWY RIVER SHIRE

Well known for being home to Australia's best snow sports, it is outside this peak season the mountains shake off the snow to expose their real beauty. Spectacular peaks, clear mountain streams and the clean, crisp high country air provide a brilliant backdrop for your holiday. The Snowies offer an abundance of natural and cultural attractions and activities. These experiences are enhanced by all the visitor services you'd expect from a quality destination including a wide range of accommodation and dining options.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, supermarkets, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, pool.

Cooma Hospital – ph: 02 6455 3222

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Snowy Region Visitor Centre
Kosciuszko Road Jindabyne NSW 2627

Ph: 02 6450 5600

Email: SRVC@environment.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.snowymountains.com.au

Major Events:

Snowy Ride – held in November
Snowy River Festival at Dalgety – held in November
Blues Festival in Thredbo – held in January
Yalumba Thredbo Jazz Festival – held in May
Dalgety Agricultural Show – held in March

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Snowy River Shire Council:

Snowy River Shire Council
2 Myack Street Berridale NSW 2628
Ph: 02 6451 1195 • Fax: 02 6450 5117
Email: records@snowyriver.nsw.gov.au • Website: www.snowyriver.nsw.gov.au

BOMBALA SHIRE

The picturesque Bombala/Delegate region is perfectly situated between the Snowy Mountains and the sparkling Sapphire Coast and half way between Melbourne and Sydney. Its diverse natural environment is inspiring - with treeless plains, rolling pastures and dense native forests, intersected by a network of rivers and streams. Whether your passion is bushwalking, platypus watching or experiencing some of the best motorcycle rides in NSW, Platypus Country has it all.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, supermarkets, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, pool.

Bombala Hospital – ph: 02 6458 3166

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Platypus Country Visitor Centre (Bombala)
Lavender House, Monaro Highway Bombala NSW 2632

Ph: 02 6458 4622

Email: Tourism@bombala.nsw.gov.au

Website: www.bombala.nsw.gov.au

Major Events:

Annual Celebration of Motorcycles – held in November
Australian Day Celebrations – held in January
Historic Engine Rally – held in November every second year

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Bombala Council:

Bombala Council
71 Caveat Street Bombala NSW 2632
Phone: 02 6458 3555 • Fax: 02 6458 3777
Email: council@bombala.nsw.gov.au • Web: www.bombala.nsw.gov.au



TOWONG SHIRE

Towong Shire is located at the Pure end of the Murray River in North East Victoria. The region encompasses over 6500 square kilometres of some of Australia's most pristine environment and is home to the legend of the Man from Snowy River. Discover fascinating townships and picturesque valleys that will make your trip memorable. Suggested touring routes include: Mitta Valley, Murray River Road and the Murray Valley Highway from Corryong through to Tallangatta.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, supermarkets, medical centre, tennis, bowling club, golf club, pool.

Tallangatta Health Service – ph: 02 6071 5200

Upper Murray Health & Community Services (Corryong) – ph: 02 6076 3200

Walwa Bush Nursing Centre – ph: 02 6037 1220

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Corryong Visitor Information Centre

50 Hanson Street Corryong Vic 3707

Ph: 02 6076 2277

Email: vic@towong.vic.gov.au • Website: www.towong.vic.gov.au

Major Events:

Tallangatta 50's Festival – held last weekend in October – www.tallangattafifties.com.au

Nariel Creek Folk Festival – held in December/January – www.narielcreekfestival.org.au

The Man From Snowy River Bush Festival – held in March/April –

www.manfromsnowyriverbushfestival.com.au

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Towong Shire Council:

Towong Shire Council – 32 Towong Street Tallangatta VIC 3700

Ph: 02 6071 5100 • Fax: 02 6071 2747

Email: staff@towong.vic.gov.au • Web: www.towong.vic.gov.au



INDIGO SHIRE

Discover the picturesque and historic townships of Beechworth, Chiltern, Rutherglen and Yackandandah. Each of our towns has its own distinct attraction and opportunity for adventure. Whether you are exploring the Mountains to Murray Rail Trail, uncovering the history of a story told long ago at Beechworth, fishing at Allans Flat near Yackandandah, discovering the historic Ned Kelly Trail, bird watching along the Chiltern rare and endangered bird trail or joining the wine trail at Rutherglen – there is something for everyone.

Facilities:

Shops, service stations, supermarkets, medical centres, tennis, bowling clubs, golf clubs, pools.

Beechworth Health Service – ph: 03 5728 0200

Chiltern & District Bush Nursing Hospital – ph: 03 5726 1405

Yackandandah Bush Nursing Hospital – ph: 02 6027 1208

Road Conditions and Interesting Places to See, Stay and Eat:

Information can be obtained from the visitor information centre:

Chiltern Visitor Information – 30 Main Street Chiltern VIC 3683 – **Ph: 03 5726 1611**

Email: info@chilternvic.com • Web: www.chilternvic.com

Yackandandah Visitor Information – High Street Yackandandah VIC 3749 – **Ph: 02 6027 1988**

Email: admin@uniqueyackandandah.com.au • Web: www.uniqueyackandandah.com.au

Beechworth Visitor Information – Town Hall, Ford St Beechworth Vic 3747 – **Ph: 1300 366 321**

Email: visit_beechworth@indigoshire.vic.gov.au • Web: www.beechworthonline.com.au

Rutherglen Wine Experience – Cnr Drummond & Main St Rutherglen VIC 3685 – **Ph: 1800 622 871**

Email: info@rutherglenvic.com • Web: www.visitrutherglen.com.au

Major Events:

Beechworth Opera in the Alps (Jan), Golden Horseshoes Festival (Easter), Harvest Celebration (May), Ned Kelly Weekend (Aug), Celtic Festival (Nov), The Tastes of Rutherglen (Mar), Winery Walkabout (Jun), Yackandandah Folk Festival (Mar).

Reporting Road Hazards:

Road hazards can be reported to the Indigo Shire Council:

Indigo Shire Council – 101 Ford Street Beechworth VIC 3747

Ph: 03 5728 8000 • Fax: 03 5728 1676

Email: indigoshire@indigoshire.vic.gov.au • Web: www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au