

CARNARVON TRIP 2009

from Friday 1st May to Sunday 10th May

CONTACT:

If you intend to take part, please contact Brendan, Keith or Paul to register your interest as soon as possible.

GETTING THERE:

The choice is yours; Fly or Trail:

Fly up there, if you'd like, it's 530 nautical miles from Bunbury — 10.5 flying hours cruising at 50 knots. You will need to organise your own ground crew and fuel stops. A 582 engine will use about 180 Litres for the trip and will need 4 fuel stops while a 912 will use about 100 Litres with only 1 fuel stop needed.

If you'd prefer, drive up there with your trike on a trailer. The trip by road is about 1100 Km from Bunbury. You can make it in one continuous drive stopping only for fuel but most will stay overnight somewhere north of Geraldton and continue the trip next morning.

ACCOMMODATION IN CARNARVON:

Arrange your own — there is a range of options in the town. Some will prefer to camp, some will take a caravan. Tent sites and caravan sites are available at the caravan parks. Some will prefer motels or hotels; some may even stay with friends or relatives. The Carnarvon Visitor Centre website is very comprehensive and helpful in arranging accommodation.

Carnarvon Shire has a strict policy of **NO CAMPING ALLOWED AT THE AIRPORT** and no vehicles are allowed to stay at the airport.

DURATION OF THE TRIP:

The duration of the trip is whatever you want it to be over a total period of 7 to 10 days, or so. The plan is to leave on Friday 1st May, be there for that weekend and the next week, then leave to return by Sunday 10th May, or stay longer, if you'd prefer. Some will come for the whole time, some for one weekend or the other — it's pretty flexible.

NO HANGAR SPACE:

There is no hangar space at the airport so all trikes will need to be securely tied-down outside — each participant is responsible to arrange his own tie-down and covers.

AIRPORT SECURITY:

Carnarvon is an RPT airport so an ASIC card is required for access to the secure airside. However, not everyone will need an ASIC card as those without a card can be accompanied to the airside by a card holder. Both Brendan and Paul have cards. However, if participants would prefer to be independent and come and go as they please, now is the time to arrange to get your own ASIC card. This is available through Aviation ID Australia (www.aviationidaustralia.com.au). The cost is \$186.00.

FLYING:

The coastal flying in that part of the world has to be seen to be believed and we have chosen May as the very best flying conditions.

SAAA CHAPTER 10 RVs:

Some of the pilots from SAAA Chapter 10 could fly up in their RVs for one weekend or the other. (Apparently, they've heard there's some good fishing up that way.)

PILOT BRIEFING:

A briefing meeting for pilots making the trip will be held in Bunbury a couple of weeks before departure. All participants will be notified of the date and time of the meeting.

SAAA Chapter 10 Fly-In

Saturday 21st March at Bunbury Airport

Mike Fletcher, President of SAAA Chapter 10, has extended an invitation to all members of the club to attend their Regional Fly-In to be held at Bunbury Airport on Saturday 21st March. If previous Regional Fly-Ins are any indication, there could be 150 or more aircraft visiting.

If club members would like to get together and arrange a flying display of some kind, a 20 minute time-slot can be arranged. Contact Paul if you are interested.

Busselton Aero Club Fly-In

Sunday 19th April at Busselton Airport

The Busselton Aero Club committee has extended an invitation to all members of the club to attend their Annual Fly-In to be held at Busselton Airport on Sunday 19th April. In past years, we have often flown down to Busselton for this event. Some pilots return about midday while others stay all day.