

LEADER: ROSS CUSSONS

On Your Bike W.A.!

Wandering Star Tour '93

★ FROM WANDERING TO BODDINGTON ★

PINGELLY AND BACK TO WANDERING



THEN WILLIAMS TO DARKAN

★ THEN WAGIN TO WICKEPIN AND ★

23rd October – 31st October 1993

Organised by

Cycle Touring Association of W.A.

DAY ONE

Saturday 23rd October

Perth to Wandering by bus 120km
Wandering to Boddington by bicycle 32km

For those catching the special bus from Perth meet at 9.00am for a 10.00am departure. After lunch at Wandering we set out for an interesting and undulating ride along quiet back roads to Boddington where we will be staying at the Football Oval just out of the main town site. This charming township is situated at the confluence of the Bannister and Hotham Rivers which in turn join the Williams River to become the famous Murray River. Bushwalking and canoeing sites abound.

DAY TWO

Sunday 24th of October

Boddington to Williams 67km

A delightful day's ride heading along the Quindanning-Williams Road through the rugged scarp country of the South West of the Boddington Shire. Lunch will be near the Williams River just past the Quindanning Hotel. Our stopover is at the Williams Football Club situated next to the swimming pool on the outskirts of town.

DAY THREE

Monday 25th October

Williams to Darkan 44km

After leaving Williams we turn towards Darkan through undulating farmland. We pass through Culbin Siding and eagerly await the lunch stop with a view of the surrounding hills and valleys. Further travel brings us to the town of Darkan where we head down Memorial Drive to reach the football oval and home for the next two nights.

DAY FOUR

Tuesday 26th October

Rest day in Darkan

The first of our rest days can be used to discover the magic of this area with tours through a boronia reserve

(complete with native animals); rides to surrounding historical sites such as slab and stone cottages; or a stroll through the local craft area with pottery, painting, silversmithing, spinning, leatherwork just some of the handicrafts carried out in this town.

DAY FIVE

Wednesday 27th October

Darkan to Wagin 59km

We wave farewell to Darkan as we head for Arthur River. Morning tea is at the information bay by the Roadhouse where we can fill up with enough fuel to pedal up hill and down dale to reach the Mount Latham lookout which is about 6km from Wagin. The view from here certainly makes the camera a necessity. An easy ride into Wagin brings us to the site of the largest ram in the Southern Hemisphere – 15metres high! Home for the night is the Sportsground and Rec. Centre.



DAY SIX

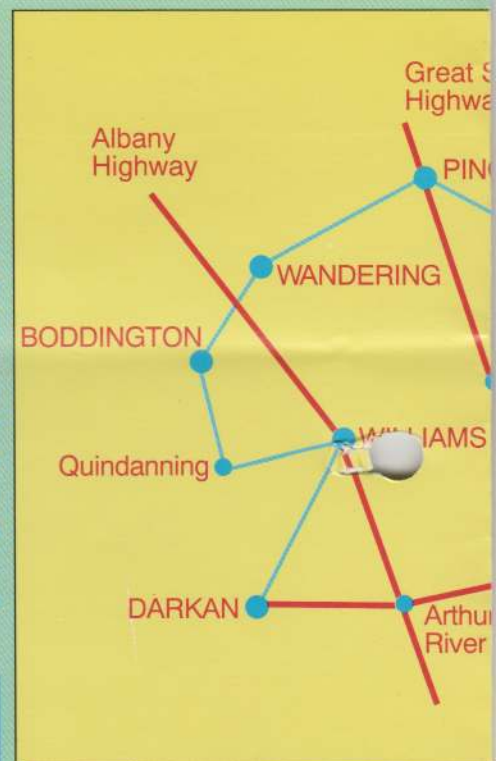
Thursday 28th October

Wagin to Wickiepin 89km

We now commence our return route. After leaving town we head North toward Narrogin which is the largest town in the Central South Region. Although we are not staying at Narrogin, there are many sights worth investigating for the odd half hour or so. The Old Court House Museum and the vintage tractor display may compete with the decadence of a Devonshire Tea! Another couple of hours of vigorous cycling takes us through a magnificent entry of river gum lined roads into the town of Wickiepin where we will stay at the Sporting Complex.

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DAY SEVEN

Friday 29th October

Rest day Wickiepin

A chance to discover the delights of this crossroad for travellers heading towards the Eastern States via Esperance, or South to Albany, or North via Beverley-Northam. Yarling Brook flows through the centre of the 'tree rich' township and is a delightful spot to picnic. For the more adventurous, a trip to the Albert Facey Homestead will take you back in time to the life of the famous author, when times were hard and life was simple and uncluttered by material possessions. A mini zoo and craft shop can be viewed whilst you enjoy a delicious morning or afternoon tea.

DAY EIGHT

Saturday 30th October

Wickiepin to Pingelly 56km

The tree-lined exit takes us in a North Westerly direction toward

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Pingelly through some of the best cycling country in this region. We stay at the sporting oval which is right next to the cycling velodrome and Olympic swimming pool.

The final night concert will ensure the tour is a tour you will remember fondly (along with a realisation of increased fitness) on your return to the real world. Come prepared for this extravaganza because everyone will be asked to perform!

DAY NINE

Sunday 31st October

Pingelly to Wandering 48km

Wandering to Perth 120km

Our last day's ride takes us along quiet back roads to our starting point of Wandering. It's now time to enjoy a farewell meal before saying goodbye to new found friends and returning home to start the planning for next year's tour.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

A real cyclist's breakfast with plenty of porridge, cereals and toast and your choice of coffee, tea and YES Milo. The Farmer's Porridge is guaranteed to stick to your ribs in anticipation of a hard day's ride. We will provide the makings for toast and a variety of toppings.

- Morning teas during the tour. The chuck wagon will be moseying down to provide multiple cups of Milo, tea or coffee. Fruit in season may be available.
- Evening baked bean fest around the old camp fire for those capable of fitting anything else in after all of the above. We use local township groups as our caterers to provide us with hearty, nutritious 3-course meals. The menu will normally contain a dish of lamb, beef or chicken. There will always be adequate vegetarian dishes or vegetables and salads for those who prefer not to eat meat.
- Back up vehicles which will transport all luggage from camp-site to camp-site, signposting where appropriate, bike mechanics, medical support and a shoulder to cry on at any time of the day. We also provide congratulatory pats on the back for those who have achieved personal firsts in cycling endeavour.
- Identification and luggage tags, route details and map. These will be posted to you with a comprehensive instruction booklet closer to the tour.
- Some commemorative item with suitable design and colours.
- Memories of the best 9 days you will have this year.
- Automatic 6-months membership of the Cycle Touring Association of Western Australia (Inc). This offer only applies to non-members of the CTA who did not ride on last year's tour.

TRAINING

Cycle regularly on quiet roads before the tour. Try to use the bike and clothing you anticipate using on the trip to ensure you solve any problems before the ride.

During the 6 weeks prior to the event you should ride for at least 50km each weekend and try to complete one or two rides of at least 80km.

There will be an opportunity to ride with some of your fellow tourists on the 26th September. Further details can be obtained from the CTA Newsletter or the contacts given below.

WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING

1. We recommend that you ride a bicycle with a wide range of gears. Make sure your bicycle is in good mechanical condition and has provision for at least one water bottle. Carry a pump, spare tube, tools, bicycle lock and a good rain jacket.
2. Sleeping bag, small water resistant tent, inflatable or self-inflatable mattress.
3. Unbreakable plate, bowl, mug, knife, fork, spoon, tea-towel and torch. These items along with your helmets and toiletry items will need to fit into a duffle or kit bag.

Your luggage should be not more than a total of 1 metre in length and weigh no more than 15kg. We would advise that you ensure your clothing, sleeping bag and mattress are placed inside waterproof liners in case of rain.

PRIVATE SUPPORT VEHICLES

We do not allow private support vehicles to follow Rides. They are a hazard to cyclists and there will be sufficient official back-up vehicles should they be needed.

MEALS

Breakfast, evening meals and morning cups of tea, coffee or Milo will be provided. You will be responsible for your own lunch.

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SAFETY

- It is compulsory, by law, to wear an approved cycle helmet.
- You must not wear headphones or thongs whilst cycling on the tour.
- Third party insurance has been arranged. However, you are

encouraged to make your own arrangements about personal insurance.

- Alcohol intake is not permitted on any officially organised ride during the tour. Rowdy behaviour within the camp site will NOT be tolerated.



PAYMENT

All payments must be received before the closing date of 8th October 1993. Cheques should be made payable to "CTA - On Your Bike WA" and forwarded with your completed entry form to:

On Your Bike WA,
PO Box 174
Wembley WA 6014

CANCELLATIONS

Cancellations received prior to the closing date of 8th October 1993 will receive a refund of 80%. Cancellations received after this date but before the tour start will receive a refund of 20%.

All cancellations must be in writing!

CONDITIONS

No person under the age of 16 years as at the 23rd October 1993 will be allowed to take part in the tour. Persons under the age of 18 years as at the 23rd October 1993 must have their parent's or guardian's consent before being allowed to take part.

CAMPING

Camp sites will be in recreation reserves, sports centres or caravan parks. Some sites have strict ruling on alcohol consumption within their boundaries.

TRANSPORT TO WANDERING

Special bus transport from Perth to Wandering and return has been arranged at an additional cost, (see official entry form).

Bicycles will also be transported to Wandering and back for those using bus transport.

You may elect to join the tour at Wandering where limited parking is available at the Council depot. However, the Shire accepts no responsibility for any theft or damage to the vehicles whilst they are parked there.

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ENQUIRIES

For general enquiries telephone:
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