

# Transport Service for Walkers, canoeists, cyclists.

As there is a lot of information on the following pages we suggest you print them so  
You can read them at your leisure.

## WHO IS SERVICE FOR

Bush walkers, back packers, canoeists, cyclists & outdoor enthusiasts.

## WHAT DO WE OFFER

A non scheduled, “on demand” service. Our Service caters for:

**Extended Bushwalking Expeditions** - you have a choice of one way or two way transport from the same location or a different location several days later.

- Examples :
- a) Pickup at Airport – drop off at Cradle Mountain Visitors Centre
  - b) Pickup Launceston – drop off at Cradle Mountain, pickup again at Lake St. Clair seven days later and return to Launceston Airport.

**Day Walks Transport** – if you do not want to return to your starting point, this option opens up many possibilities for drop off at one location & be picked up at another (remember the more there is in your group the cheaper it is)

- Examples :
- a) Drop off at Ben Lomond Ski Village – pickup again at Storys Creek
  - b) Drop off at Greens Beach – pick up at Bakers Beach.

**Canoeists & Cyclists Transport** – very similar to our ‘Day Walks Transport’ except you may wish to be picked up at a different location on the same day (see separate heading later on this page) or several days later.

- Examples :
- a) Four canoeists drop off at Avoca – pickup at Evandale three days later.
  - b) Four mountain bikers pickup Launceston, drop off at start of Ben Lomond descent track, pickup again several hours later & return to Launceston.

## WHEN IS IT AVAILABLE

Providing we are not already booked, it is available at any time, even at short notice. Forward booking is strongly recommended to secure our services on the day you want.

## IF BOOKING HOW MUCH NOTICE IS REQUIRED

As much as possible, as we are very busy over the summer period.

## WHERE DO WE GO

Nearly all bush walking venues, however our standard (fixed price service ) can take you to, or pick you up from, Walls of Jerusalem, Lake Ada, Cradle Mountain, Arm River, Lake Mackenzie, Lee’s Paddocks, and Lake St.Clair.

## HOW MUCH WILL THIS COST

**Two persons (minimum) \$129 each. Three persons \$98 each. Four Persons \$79 each.**

**Five & over \$69 each.**

**For Lake St. Clair add \$5 each to above prices.**

**Should you decide to be dropped off at CM & picked up at LSC & pay in full in advance for the return journey we will not charge the LSC surcharge.**

**PLEASE ENQUIRE ABOUT OUR SPECIAL RATES FOR CASH**

## WHERE ELSE DO YOU GO

Frenchman's Cap, Franklin River, Mt. William, Bay of Fires, Narawntapu National Park, Tasman NP, Douglas Apsley National Park, Scotts Peak, South Coast Track (Cockle Creek), Ben Lomond National Park and Freycinet National Park. We can also take you from Lake St. Clair to Hobart. Please ask for details, as this service is subject to minimum passenger numbers.

## HOW MUCH WILL THIS COST US

The fee for this service is based on the number of kilometers to your chosen destination

Two Persons 75 cents per km. each

Three Persons 57 cents per km. each

Four Persons 46 cents per km. each

Five & over 40 cents per km. each

### Examples :

a) Four friends wish to go to Anson Bay(Bay of Fires) Distance : 167 km @ 46 cents/km each.  
The cost would be \$76.00 each. (Rounded down)

b) A group of five wish to be picked up at Launceston Airport and taken to the start of Frenchman's Cap Walking Track. The distance to this destination is 203km. 203km x 40.cents = \$81.00 each.

**NOTE : The cost would be the same if you wished to do this journey in the reverse direction, if however you wished to be dropped off and picked up again several days later the whole journey would attract a 10% discount, providing it is paid in advance: i.e. \$145.80 each (equivalent to approx.\$72.90 in each direction)**

## WILL WE KNOW HOW MUCH IT WILL COST US BEFORE WE COMMIT OURSELVES

Although the above fees are based on the distance to your chosen destination, there will be no nasty surprises at your journeys end with a fee far more than you had expected. We always give you an estimate of the distance & agree on the fee you will pay before you depart.

## THERE ARE ONLY TWO OF US, WE WANT TO GO TO CRADLE MOUNTAIN, BUT THIS IS GOING TO COST US \$129 EACH, CAN YOU DO IT CHEAPER ?

Yes we probably can, firstly enquire about our 'special rates for cash customers', secondly check our 'Message Board' to see if we are already going to your destination on the day you want to travel or close to your date. OR book anyway with a good chance of others booking on the same journey through our 'Message Board' service. Thirdly you can utilise our "Client Travel Plan Matching Scheme"

## HOW DOES THIS WORK

Our **‘Message Board’** service is our way of endeavouring to make your journey more affordable. Firstly check to see if we already have a bus going to your destination, failing this we suggest you make a firm booking (\$20 per passenger deposit). Once you have booked for a particular date & destination we will publish this on the internet, via our ‘message board’ that we have a confirmed bus movement to the destination you have chosen. Other clients can now see online when a bus movement will occur and how many passengers are already booked and thus are encouraged to also book on this date to save themselves money.

*Note: Please check with us 14 days prior to your journey. If we have failed to get extra passengers you will have the option of going ahead at the applicable rate or cancelling without loss of your deposit. However, we often get extra passengers, sometimes as late as the day before your departure. If this is the case your fare will still be less.*

Our third method is Client Travel Plan Matching – see below

### Client travel plan matching (CTPM)

As we are a non scheduled transport service we are very conscious that many of our clients do not book as a group but usually for one or two individuals. Clients want the convenience of a service that fits in with their travel plans rather than a timetabled service. However this type of service has the disadvantage that if only one or two travel on a particular day the cost can be prohibitive.

As we want your business and you want to get to your destination as cheaply as possible we have introduced ‘Client Travel Plan Matching’ It works like this: you give us the date or range of dates that would suit you and the approximate time you want to travel to a particular location (please tell us how many of you there are) We will publish this on our message board and if we get an enquiry from another client whose travel plans are the same or very close to yours as far as time and date is concerned, with your permission, we will give them your contact details so they can liaise with you to see whether you can arrange to travel together on the same day and at the same time. You, in consultation with them, decide who will make the firm booking with us and as a result instead of say two passengers we now have three or four, thus making it much cheaper for all concerned.

This system can work very well providing you give us a minimum of one months notice. Our busiest time is November through to mid April.

**ALSO ENQUIRE ABOUT OUR SPECIAL CASH RATES**

## IS THERE A SPECIAL BOOKING FORM

Yes, you can book online or we can send you one by e-mail, post or fax.

## CAN YOU PICK US UP AFTER OUR WALK

Yes, providing you make the arrangements in advance. If you book & pay in advance for both your outward & return journey we will discount your total fee by 10% (your return can be from a different location). Please be sure you arrange your pickup time realistically, making a generous allowance for your walk taking longer than you expected. We cannot make refunds if you fail to turn up. ( this discount does not apply to our ‘special cash only rate’)

## **CAN YOU DROP US OFF & PICK US UP AGAIN ON THE SAME DAY (EVEN AT A DIFFERENT LOCATION)**

For clients requiring a pick up & return on the same day, either from the same or a different location there is a small proportional increase in the one way fee depending on whether this increases the return distance and if practical the **'waiting time'** involved to pick you up again.

**Waiting time** up to two hours: no additional charge. Thereafter \$16.00 per hour divided between the number of passengers. See below for a working example for a group of ramblers visiting the **Narawntapu National Park** ( Asbestos Range)

### **Example :**

A group of eight ramblers from **Launceston** want to walk from **Badger Head** to the Rangers Station at **Bakers Beach**. They require outward & return transport.

Launceston to Badger Head is approximately 70 km. Based on a per km charge for five or more clients the rate is 40 cents/km, therefore \$28.00 each. In order to pick the group up from Bakers Beach the journey involves an additional 28 km, therefore \$11.20 each. The group is dropped off at 10 am & wishes to be picked up at 4 pm, the waiting time is therefore 6 hours. The first two hours wait is free but thereafter 4 hours is charged at \$16.00 per hour ( giving a total of \$64.00) The \$64 is divided equally between the eight ramblers giving an additional \$8.00 each.

**The total per person fee for the return journey is therefore \$47.00 each (rounded down)**

**ASK ABOUT OUR SPECIAL RATES FOR REGISTERED WALKING CLUBS**

## **WHERE CAN WE BE PICKED UP FROM**

**In Launceston we can pick up from and return to:**

- **Transit Centre, Cimitiere Street**
- **Launceston Back Packers, Canning Street,**
- **Backpacker Hub, Tamar Street.**
- **Airport**
- **All other back packer hostels & guest houses.**
- **Glen Dhu Camp Site**

**We can pick up at other locations by special arrangement**

## **FUEL FOR YOUR COOKING STOVE**

**If you need fuel please contact us or add to 'other information' section on booking form.**

## **EQUIPMENT HIRE**

**Tents, rucksacks, cooking stoves, sleeping bags are all available to hire locally, please let us know if you want details.**

## **ACCOMMODATION BEFORE & AFTER YOUR WALK**

**We will be delighted to send you details of accommodation options to suit your budget ranging from campsite to five star hotels. See our 'links' page for details of budget & other accommodation in both Launceston & Hobart.**

## **WHO DO WE CONTACT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

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