**Sir John Black Drive it Day information**

The 2024 Sir John Black “Drive it Day” on Saturday 10th February is a run from the Alister Knox Park in Main Road, Eltham to The Royal Mail Hotel, Beech Street, Whittlesea.

Lunch is planned to start around 12.00pm and we have a function area reserved.

**Entrance to the parking area at the Alister Knox Park is Panther Place**. Meeting time is 10.00am for a 10.30 start

The route for the day is around 80Kms in length and at the start location there is the Shillinglaw Café for coffee they also serves breakfast if anyone wishes to arrive early and they are open from 8.30am on Saturday.

The run length time has been checked at around 1.15-1.30 depending on traffic and is based on the 80 & 100KPh speed limits being adhered to. The run will take us from Eltham through Yarra Glen onto the Melba Hwy, Kinglake & Kinglake West to Whittlesea.

For the full route instructions please see the second page of this document.

**Lunch menu**

I visited the Royal Mail Hotel in November & December to check out the facilities & menu choices & tried the 2 course senior’s meal which was excellent & the portion size was equal to that served as a main meal size in metro hotels.

Following discussion with the hotel management we decided that to the expedite meal serving we would offer a fixed $25 per head (payable on the day ), 2 course menu based on a Senior serve size for our lunch with the choices being:

**CHOICE OF MAIN**

Fish n chips

Chicken Parma

Roast of the Day (beef)

**All meals have a choice of chips & veg or chips & salad & this is to be nominated by run participants at time of registration with your lunch order. Final registration date for lunch, Friday 2nd February 24**

**ALTERNATE DESSERTS**

Sticky date pudding

Ice cream sundae

Chocolate mousse

 If anyone has any specific meals requirements including vegan or vegetarian please ensure that this is mention at time of registration through your car club and passed onto;

Keith Atherton; events@tsoavic.au for further discussion,

**Route instructions**

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| No |  Instruction |  SectionIn Kms. |  |  Total KM | Total Miles |
| 1 | TL to exit Alister Knox Park onto Main Rd, Route 44. Continue on towards Kangaroo Ground. Proceed straight thru at 4 RAB’s staying on Route 44 which becomes Eltham Kinglake Rd. |  |  |  0.0 | 0.0 |
| 2 | TR At Kangaroo Ground towards Yarra Glen C726 | 8.5 Kms |  | 8.5 | 5.0 |
| 3 | TL At T intersection, towards Healesville/Yea C731  | 18.5 Kms |  | 26.5 | 16.5 |
| 5 | At RAB TL 1st exit towards Yea B300 Melba Hwy | 2.0 Kms |  | 28.5 | 18 |
| 6 | TL onto Healesville Kinglake Rd C724 (left turn slipway) | 16 Kms |  | 43 | 27 |
| 7 | At Kinglake 2nd exit at RAB continue on C724 towards Kinglake West  | 9.0 Kms |  | 52 | 32 |
| 8 | TL at T intersection at Kinglake West onto C725 Whittlesea Yea Rd towards Whittlesea,  | 8.0Kms |  | 64 | 40 |
| 9 | There is a road name change at Whittlesea where the C725 becomes Beech Street.TL into The Royal Mail Hotel carpark (at the Thirsty Camel sign) just past the Ampol service station on the left as you enter into the Whittlesea  | 12 Kms |  | 78 | 49 |
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|  | TR Turn Right |  |  |  |  |
|  | TL Turn Left |  |  |  |  |
|  | RAB Round about |  |  |  |  |

Note: Milage shown is approximate due to the age of the odometer in my TR. KM’s taken from a modern car. PLEASE print out the route instructions for the day.