



Inverell

The Sapphire City

Northern NSW, Australia



APEX 40's Rort
17 - 19 March 2017



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Welcome to Inverell

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We all like to discover hidden secrets, Inverell is one of those special places.

Tucked snugly into the Macintyre Valley at the foot of the New Engl& Ranges, Inverell is known far & wide as "The Sapphire City". As the name suggests, Inverell is one of the true gems of the New Engl& region of NSW & a place that should be on your bucket list to visit.

A mere 427km from Brisbane & 548km from Sydney; Inverell is located on the Gwydir Highway easily accessible via the New England Highway, Newell Highway, touring drives; the Fossicker's Way & Thunderbolt's Way.

The Inverell Shire is within the Kamilaroi Nation & home to local & visiting Aboriginal people representing many Aboriginal tribes & language groups. These include Jukumbal, Kwiambal, Nucoorilma, Anaiwan, Ngoorabul, Marbul & Banbai peoples.

The area remains mostly unspoiled with real country hospitality one of the town's greatest charms. From beautiful boutique stores to spacious National Parks, magnificent waterways to a diverse selection of gems & minerals, there is something for every member of the family. Inverell has a rich history evident in many facades encompassing the Central

Business District, which can be enjoyed by taking a leisurely heritage walk, or wandering through museums, galleries & monuments.

Inverell was settled in 1836 after Alexander Campbell arrived & established 2 properties. Inverell takes its name

from the Gaelic, meaning meeting place of the swans; owing to the large number of black swans in the area at the time of settlement. Records show that several Aboriginal tribal boundaries intersected within the Inverell district well before the European settlement.

With a warm & friendly smile, Inverell is your home away from home. Come & spend some time with us. You'll be pleasantly surprised.



Program *Subject to changes*

Friday 17 March - Early Arrivals

10am Fossicking Tour - For the alluvial Inverell Sapphires & Zircons. Don't be afraid to get dirty, dress appropriately, wear enclosed shoes, take a hat & sunscreen & be prepared to have some fun & work a little

Afternoon - Explore the Town Centre at your own leisure.

Evening - Welcome BB at the Inverell Pioneer Village with local wine tasting on offer.

Saturday 18 March

8.30am Coach departs for Town Tour - visit the Inverell Tourist Centre & view a sapphire cutting demonstration.

Morning tea - At the Inverell Art Gallery & wander through their unique displays.

Guided Tour - Art Deco Heritage Inverell Town Hall.

Guided Tour - Bruderhof Community - Inspect Sign Shop & enjoy a home cooked Lunch.

Free time

Dinner - Inverell East Bowling Club with the amusing Bush Poet's Jim Brown & Fat Hardy.

Sunday 19 March

8.30am Tour - National Transport Museum & morning tea.

Guided Tour & Tasting - Olives of Beaulieu

Tour - Copeton Waters with Lunch & the AGM.

Dinner - Inverell Art Society

Monday 20 March

Farewell breakfast - Inverell Pioneer Village

POST RORT TOUR DEPARTS 9.30am.

Accommodation

Inverell has a wide range of accommodation options to meet every traveller's needs. there are several caravan parks you can choose from & you can either pull up with your van or stay in one of the self contained cabins. All are in great locations with easy access to the centre of town.

Inverell has a great selection of motels ranging from budget to luxury 4 star accommodation & everything in between. They have all the facilities & services you would expect together with great country hospitality.

Our preferred accommodation providers are:

Inverell Caravan Park (Cabins) - PH (02) 6722 3036

Cousins Motor Inn - PH (02) 6722 3566

Sapphire City Motor Inn - PH (02) 6722 2500

All close to one another & in close proximity to the dinner & breakfast locations.

Transport

Armidale Airport is the closest working airport to Inverell & is a mere 1.5 hours drive to Inverell.

Armidale Airport PH (02) 6770 3821
New England Hwy, Armidale NSW 2350.

The Armidale to Sydney Route is serviced by two airlines - Qantaslink & Regional Express (REX) Airlines.

Airport Transfers

Will be available to depart Armidale Friday & return Sunday to secure your place please contact Les Mould on PH 0427221374 *bookings are essential.*

Post RORT Tour

Following breakfast & farewells the Post Rort Tour will begin. The tour includes Coach travel, accommodation & most meals.

Monday 20 March - Beginning with a short drive to Tingha an historic Tin Mining village we will visit the Wing Hing Long Museum for morning tea. Then onto Guyra where we will explore Costa's Tomato Farm followed by lunch at the delicious Rafter's Restaurant. From there to the Wright Robinson Winery at Glenco to sample some New England Wines. Travelling to Glen Innes the Celtic Capital of Australia we will check into our accommodation & have a guided tour of the Australian Standing Stones.

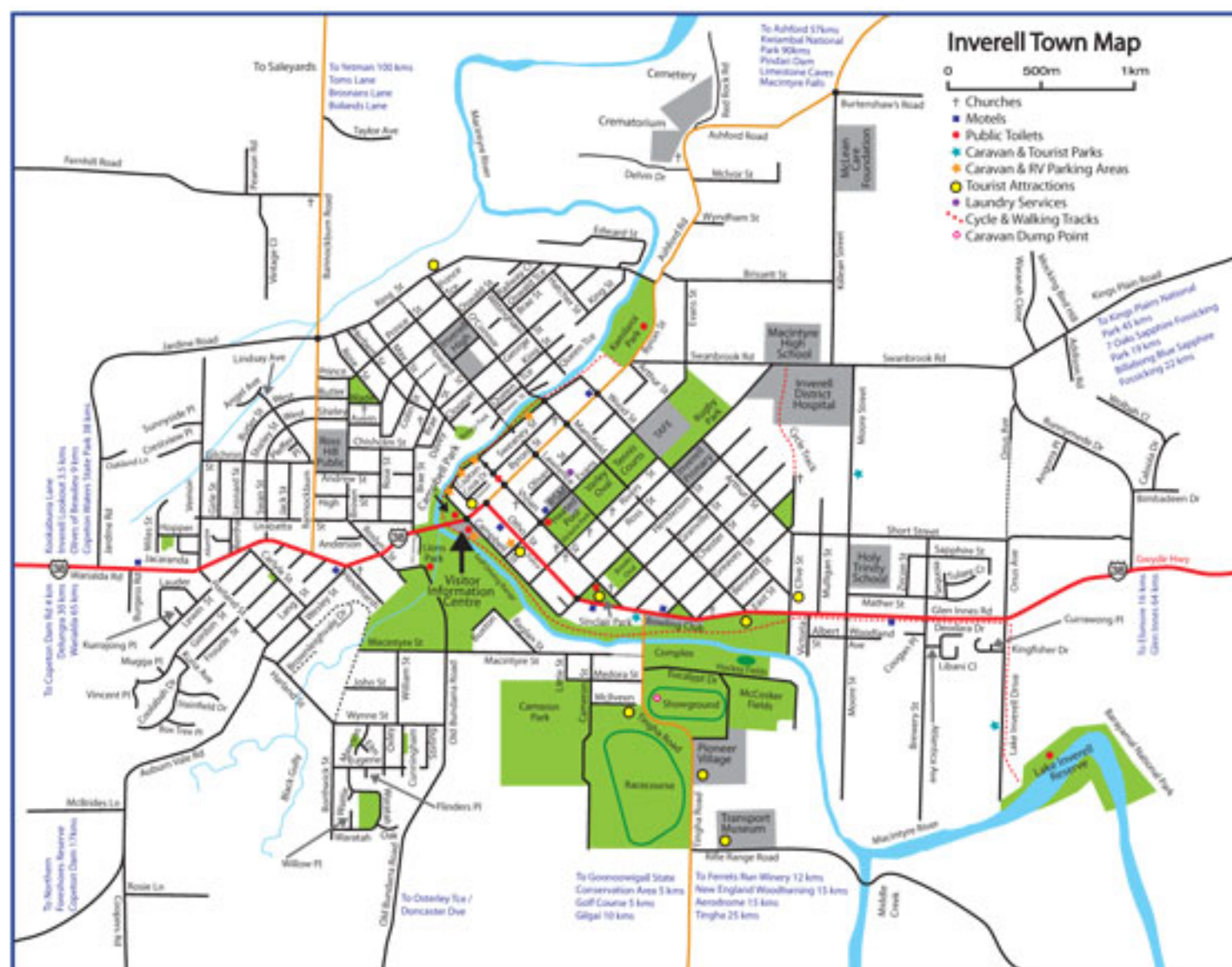
Tuesday 21 March - A short drive to Emmaville then onto Deepwater & finally Tenterfield. We will visit the Tenterfield School of Arts where Henry Parks Federation speech was enacted, followed by lunch. Then onto the Tenterfield Railway Museum an enlightening experience & then it's up to you to either relax or explore the Tenterfield CBD.

Wednesday 23 March - First stop is the Wallangarra Railway Station where you can see how NSW & Queensland connected from 1888 to 1997. Then onto the tasty Bramble Patch to experience local produce such as jams, sauces, coffee, waffles & other yummy delights. From here we arrive

at Stanthorpe for lunch, your choice at your own expense. Next stop the Law Dogs Australia for a demonstration on how they train & work. Then book into our accommodation followed by some free time. Some suggestions to visit might be the Granite Belt Brewery or just sit back & relax before dinner at the famous Anna's Restaurant a highlight of the trip.

Thursday 24 March - A fun day filled with taste sensations! Starting with the Stanthorpe Cheese & Jersey Girls Cafe with handmade gourmet cheese for you to enjoy. Followed by lunch at Varia's Restaurant the home of Queensland College of Wine Tourism for lunch. Then a visit to Glen Aplin & the Golden Grove Estate, the oldest family owned vineyard on the Granite Belt. Tonight we dine at the Barrelroom at the delightful Balladean Estate Winery.

Friday 25 March - The last day of the RORT. We farewell Stanthorpe & possibly, time permitting visit Casey Mt Hutton Vineyard & Winery on the way to Glen Lyon Dam a well know fishing hot spot. Then onto Texas, this area was Australia's largest Tobacco producer in it's heyday. Heading to Inverell via Ashford where the tour will conclude with fond farewells. *Subject to change with circumstances beyond our control.*



Tourism Inverell

Inverell Visitor Information Centre
11-31 Campbell Street, Inverell

Phone: 1800 067 626 or (02) 6728 8161

www.inverell.com.au

Open every day except Good Friday & Christmas Day

Mon - Fri 9.00am - 5.00pm Sat - Sun 9.00am - 2.00pm

(including public holidays)



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Enjoy a great location & country hospitality

Thank You
for Registering

2 EASY WAYS TO REGISTER:

WEBSITE: www.apex40.com
PHONE: Call Col Ramsay, Secretary/Treasurer, PH 0419 25 30 30

2017 RORT COMMITTEE - All Enquiries

Les Moulds: PH (02) 67221374 or 0427221374 lymoulds@bigpond.com

Bert Makepeace: PH (02) 67224386 or 0427272565 bjmagpie@telstra.com

STEP 1: Delegates Attending

Delegate 1: Full Name: _____ Title: _____
Street Address: _____
State: _____ City: _____ Postcode: _____
Sub Group/MAL or Organisation: _____
Email: _____ Tel: _____
Food allergies, mobility or other issues: _____

Delegate 2: Full Name: _____ Title: _____
Street Address: _____
State: _____ City: _____ Postcode: _____
Sub Group/MAL or Organisation: _____
Email: _____ Tel: _____
Food allergies, mobility or other issues: _____

STEP 2: Price Calculation (please tick the box with your RORT selection, including relevant pricing)

Delegate 1: ☐ RORT Registration \$330 inc GST - Early Bird Registration Prior to the 1st Jan 2017

☐ RORT Registration \$360 inc GST - After the 1st Jan 2017

☐ POST - RORT Tour Registration \$690 inc GST - *Single Supplement \$195*

(Please note that this cost is based on 30 passengers it will operate will less than 30 but could have a slight price adjustment).

Total Delegate 1 : \$ _____ inc GST

Delegate 2: ☐ RORT Registration \$330 inc GST - Early Bird Registration Prior to the 1st Jan 2017

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Total Delegate 2 : \$ _____ inc GST

Total Full Price for Delegates: \$ _____ inc GST

Deposit Paid for Delegates: \$ _____ inc GST (minimum \$100 per delegate)

Roart Balance Owed: \$ _____ inc GST (must be paid by 1st February 2017)

Step 3: Your Accommodation/Travel Choices

Our preferred accommodation providers are:

Inverell Caravan Park (Cabins) - PH (02) 6722 3036

Cousins Motor Inn - PH (02) 6722 3566

Sapphire City Motor Inn - PH (02) 6722 2500

Accommodation Choice: _____

Travel Choice: (Please select)

☐ Car Arrival Date/Time: _____ Departure Date/Time: _____

☐ Plane (Armidale) Please select Airline: ☐ Qantas ☐ REX

Arrival Date/Time: _____ Departure Date/Time: _____

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Step 4: Method of Payment

☐ Cheque (payable to Apex 40 Australia Inc)
Apex 40 Australia Inc
C/ 23 Bannockburn Road
INVERELL NSW 2360

☐ Electronic Funds Transfer
(Please quote your last name as the reference)
Account Name: Apex 40 Australia Inc.
BSB: 034 053 Account Number: 351301

Please note that by completing this form you are agreeing to forward your details onto the 2018 RORT Organisers. The RORT Committee will NOT be responsible for travel or accommodation arrangements. All airport transfers are by booking only. For further information please contact the RORT Committee details listed on previous page.