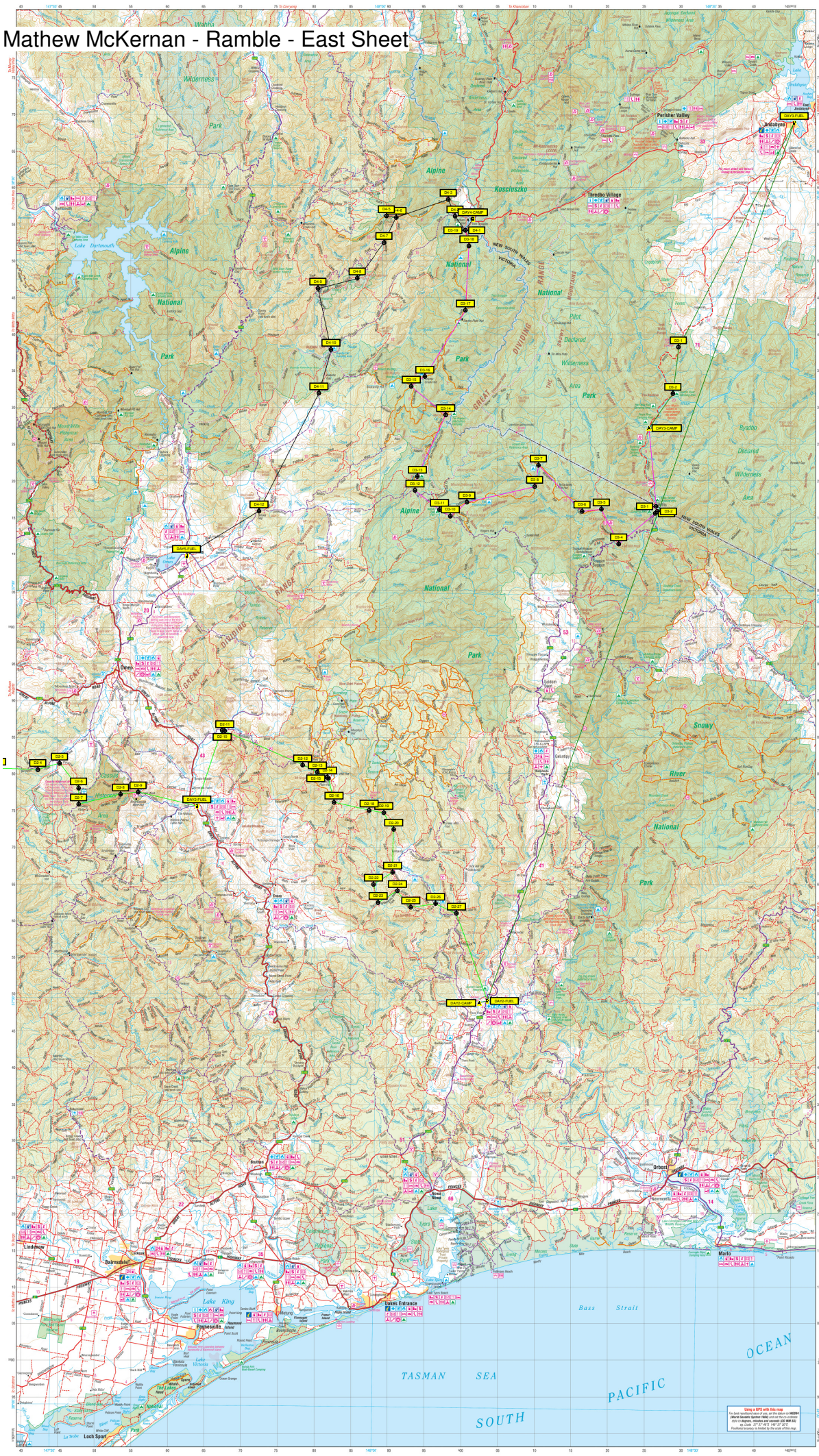


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Driving in alpine areas

Snow chains must be fitted when you are directed to by the authorities in the snow fields. It is a legal requirement to carry appropriate snow chains on all vehicles. The following snow-covered drivers should refer to the manufacturer's recommendations and instructions concerning the use of chains and suitable tires. Drivers should be fit to chain at bays where you see the '3T Chains Here' sign.

In winter you will also need anti-freeze for your car. The correct anti-freeze for your car will require different dilution mix in the snow. Dual fuel vehicles (LPG/mix) should switch to petrol before

Fire restrictions & total fire bans

The forested ranges of Victoria's alpine region amongst the most fire-prone in the world. Lightning strikes can start fires that spread rapidly, lighting any solid fuel fires during the winter months. If it is necessary to do so, clear an area of at least 100m around the fire, and use prepared firebreaks with the following:

- firewood must not always be available, particularly at the more popular sites, therefore it is easy to carry and use as alternatives.
- the fire must be kept away from the forest, as the forest can result in a substantial fire, or, in worst, mass destruction of the forest you have come to see.

Four-wheel drive tracks

Throughout the High Country are thousands of litterers of four-wheel drive trucks. The main purpose of these trucks is not for recreation but for access and land management. Recreational vehicles are not allowed to use the roads. To use them, seasonally or otherwise, please be aware of this privilege and preserve the state of the roads and surrounding environment whenever possible.

Seasonal closures are in effect for vehicles that are changing. Many trucks are subject to seasonal closure, especially in winter, and some may be permanently closed. For the latest dates on

- no campfires or open flame barbecues are permitted, including tentstoves; only campfires with solid fuel are permitted;
- no liquid fuel or gas appliances are permitted;
- fuel-in electric or gas barbecues can only be used if a water supply is within 10 feet, the barbecue is not used for more than 15 minutes (no second), and is adult in present;

For more information contact your local Department of Sustainability and Environment, Parks Victoria or Country Fire Authority office. Visit www.vic.gov.au for more information. Use: 0800 240 240

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Don't ignore signs, gates or barriers placed to prevent access or warn of dangers.

At certain times of the year, traffic to and from popular destinations can bring you to a place where most tracks have limited passing opportunities.

Some tracks can be dangerous, steep or slippery. Constant vigilance and caution is advised to avoid getting into difficulty. If in doubt, check out the getting on foot, first.



Long distance

Long distance walking trails

Australian Alps Walking Track

The trail from Hells Gate to Cockburn Island is established in 1968. It passes through some interesting and scenic high country between Healeville and Omeo during a 40km section then penetrating the country beyond Omeo into the Snowy Mountains. Intended users of the trail are reminded to be aware of potentially harsh conditions at any time.

From Orneo to Woods Point, former mining track blazed by 2

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Beachworld Information Centre 1300 066 321 or 07 5238 8806 www.beachworld.com.au	Lakes Entrance Visitor Information Centre 03 5132 3360 www.levic.com.au	Torquay Victoria 03 5238 1000 www.torquay.com.au
Big Bend Information Centre 08 9756 2229 www.bigbend.com.au	Manfield-Mt Buller Regional Tourism Association 03 5722 2222 www.mtbuller.com.au	Victoria's Great Ocean Road 03 5238 1000 www.gor.com.au
Country Fire Authority 03 5238 2222 www.cfa.vic.gov.au	Melbourne Visitor Information Centre 03 5136 2883 www.visitmelbourne.com.au	Food & Storm Information Line 1300 842 723 (toll-free) www.foodandstorm.com.au
Department of Sustainability and Environment 03 9593 6000 www.dse.vic.gov.au	Mount Stirling Alpine Visitor Information Centre 03 5712 1000 www.visitstirling.com.au	Great Ocean Road 1300 842 723 (toll-free) www.gor.com.au
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REGIONAL MAP

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Figure 1. Map of the study area in the Pacific Ocean.

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