

Access to the Maryvale Road/Ghan Heritage Trail during Finke Desert Race

The road between the Deep Well Checkpoint and the Finke Community (that is the Maryvale Road and the Ghan Heritage Trail) will be closed from 6am to 6pm on both Sunday 9th and Monday 10th June. There will also be no access to the Maryvale road from the Hugh Stock Route or the Maryvale Road to the north of Titjikala community.

This means no travel between Deep Well and Finke between 6am and 6pm daily.

In previous years, there has been some access allowed to recovery crews and campers to travel beyond the Deep Well Checkpoint heading south.

This will no longer be the case.

Advice from the NT Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics is that during the hours that the road is closed, only emergency services vehicles and event official vehicles may use the road.

Those that do decide to drive along the road risk being issued with a traffic infringement. More importantly there is no Motor Accident insurance cover provided for people travelling along a closed road.

This change will have an impact on refuellers, crews, media and campers. If you plan to travel along this road, you will need to pre-plan your travel so as not to be traveling whilst the road is closed. This change is beyond our control.

It also means a late trip home on Monday for people to the south of Deep Well.

Please take heed of this information and if any questions, please contact the Finke office on 8952 8886.

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