# HIGH COUNTRY

28-31 OCT 2025 (GIRLS)

25-28 NOV 2025 (BOYS)





WE LIVE AND WORK ON ABORIGINAL LAND. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE LANDS OUR ADVENTURES TAKE PLACE ON.

- YORTA YORTA & BANGERANG (LOWER GOULBURN RIVER AND MURRAY RIVER)
- TAUNGURUNG & GUNAI KURNAI (ALPINE REGION)
- GADUBANUD (OTWAYS)
- JARDWADJALI & DJAB WURRUNG (GARIWERD / GRAMPIANS)
- WOTJOBALUK (VICTORIAN DESERTS)
- MUTTHI MUTTHI, NGIYAMPAA, AND PAAKANTJI (MUNGO, WILLANDRA, KINCHEGA)
- WANUWAKUL, MALYANUPPA, BUNGAGULI, WILYAKALI AND BARKANDJI (MUTAWINTJI)

WE ARE ACUTELY AWARE OF, AND CELEBRATE, THE FACT THAT ABORIGINAL CULTURES ARE THE OLDEST SURVIVING CULTURES IN THE WORLD, AND WE INCLUDE PRE-COLONIAL HISTORY AND TRUTH TELLING IN OUR ADVENTURES.

## **BOUNCE BACK**

## REGISTRATION INFO

If you're 14-16 years old and live in Hay Shire, you could be coming along for an unforgettable 4-day off-road adventure through to the High Country. Four-wheel driving, camping, fishing, hiking - we'll provide all the equipment needed. All you need to bring are your clothes and a pillow.

Together, we'll be crossing through rivers in the 4x4s, check out high country huts, and stand atop towering mountains, Pickup and drop-off is at Hay War Memorial High School.

If this sounds like the break you've been dreaming of, check out the program inside and get your parents across the information and registration forms.

#### **REGISTRATION PACK**

Inside this booklet, you'll find more info about the adventure program and a step-by-step guide on how you sign up. Also, you and your parents might be keen to know more about who we are and how it's all made possible - it's all included in this booklet.



We are fully insured, hold working with children checks and police checks, four-wheel driving certificates, and qualifications in health, social work and outdoor recreation fields. This ensures that our initiatives are fun, safe, and healthy. Our equipment is of high quality and we provide everything from food, tents and swags to head torches. And this means that anyone can come along - nobody needs to buy equipment.

We gratefully acknowledge the support from Someva Renewables and AGL which made this adventure possible.



# Here's a typical high country itinerary - we have alternatives in store depending on season and weather.

#### DAY 1 - TUF

Meet at 9 am at Hay War Memorial High School. We'll make our way to Cheshunt (VIC) where we'll get lunch. We'll check out an awesome waterfall and then hit the 4x4 tracks. Not long after, we'll find camp on the Upper King River. After setting up camp, it's time for a swim and / or a fish! Make sure you take plenty of footage with our iPhones, because after the trip, we'll turn that into a short movie to be uploaded on our social media accounts later.

## WAIT... WHAAAT?

## GIMME THE DEETS!

#### DAY 2 - WED

A big day on the tracks! We'll be climbing some steep ridge tracks and then drop back down to the river, crossing it about 6 times before we get to King Hut and make camp. We'll have some games and fishing rods lined up for ya!

#### DAY 3 - THU

BIG DAY! After a hearty breakfast, we'll head out to Lake Cobbler where our hike up to the summit starts. You'll be rewarded with breathtaking 360\* views. Once back down, we'll head to Craig's Hut (seen "Man from Snowy River"?) where we'll stay for the night. A spectacular sunset awaits (if the weather plays nicely).

#### DAY 4 - FRI

An early start will see us back on the tracks and scaling the summit of Mt Stirling in our 4x4s. We then wind our way out to Mansfield for lunch before we meet a local legend in Tocumwal who will take you back to Hay. You'll be back in Hay around 5pm.

### MORE DEETS...

#### YOUR ADVENTURE VIDEO

You can use our three iPhones to document your adventure - in your own words. After the trip, we put together a short video using the footage you collected. This video will be uploaded on social media (our Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube accounts) so you can share it with your family and friends. If you do not want to appear in any images, that's fine - you can indicate this in the registration form. If you'd like to see what these videos look like, check out our socials:)

#### TUNES! (PLAY LIST)

Once you register, we'll be asking you for your favourite 10 songs (including artist names). We'll put these together into a play list that will play while we drive and at camp.

#### RESILIENCE SURVEY

We'll also send you an online survey that everybody coming along has to complete before we head off. It really helps us figure out where you're at and how we can help you build on your strengths.



#### WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Step 1

Talk to your parents/carer and teacher about registering and show them this brochure. You need your legal guardian's consent to participate and they need to fill in the registration form with you.

Step 2

**Register** by hitting the register button on the adventure at <a href="https://www.gizabreak.org.au/register">www.gizabreak.org.au/register</a>,

Step 3

We'll send you a confirmation email and follow up with a phone call.

Step 4

We then send you a **detailed email including a packing list,** as well as a couple of tasks we need you to tick off.





