

WASSA Pre-Season 'Mush Up' Camp

Location: Grimwade Airstrip

20th to 22nd May 2022



Information Pack

This event will be held at the Grimwade Airstrip and is being held over the weekend from 20th to 22nd May 2022. There will be no formal training or racing at this camp. Just a fun, relaxing social weekend where experienced members and beginners alike get back to camping and have an opportunity to run the tracks at one of our race sites. The Grimwade site is part of this year's official racing calendar with our first official race being held here, so it is a great opportunity to check out the location before the racing season begins.

This camp/race site is approximately a 2.5 hours' drive South of Perth along the South Western highway, east of the town of Kirup.

Safety Officer and First Aid

In the event of an emergency, the car horn will sound 5 times to signal and will continue to sound off. Everyone should meet at club HQ without your dogs to be briefed on the emergency. In the event of loose dogs do not leave camp if you have not been briefed.

Only those with UHF Radios will be deployed and channel 21 to be used.

Food/Drink

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This event has no food or water facilities, please ensure you bring extra to cover yourself and your dogs over the course of the weekend.

WASSA Social Sizzle Lunch

On Saturday 21st May there will be a sausage sizzle lunch provided by the club, so everyone can come grab a bite and sit together to chat and get to know each other.

Please let us know if you have any dietary food requirements (if the normal beef snag don't work for you) and we will do our best to accommodate, we want to make sure we can cater for everyone, please email your requirements to committee@wassa.com.au

Medical Assistance

If you or your dog(s) are in need of urgent medical attention, the nearest facilities are located as following:

Animal Care	Human Emergency Department Facilities (selected)		
GEOVet Veterinary Hospital 1hr & 15 minutes from Grimwade 89 Bussell Hwy, West Busselton WA (08) 9754 4422	Bridgetown Hospital 31 minutes from Grimwade 28 Peninsula Road, Bridgetown WA (08) 9782 1222	Collie Hospital 45 minutes towards(ish) Perth Cnr Steere & Deakin Street, Collie WA (08) 9735 1333	South West Health Campus (Bunbury Hospital) 56 minutes from Grimwade Cnr Bussell Highway & Robertson Drive, Bunbury WA (08) 9722 1000

Venue

Grimwade Airstrip, Grimwade WA. The race site is approximately a 2.5 hour drive South of Perth along the South Western highway, east of the town of Kirup. We will have WASSA markers/signs out as you get towards the site.

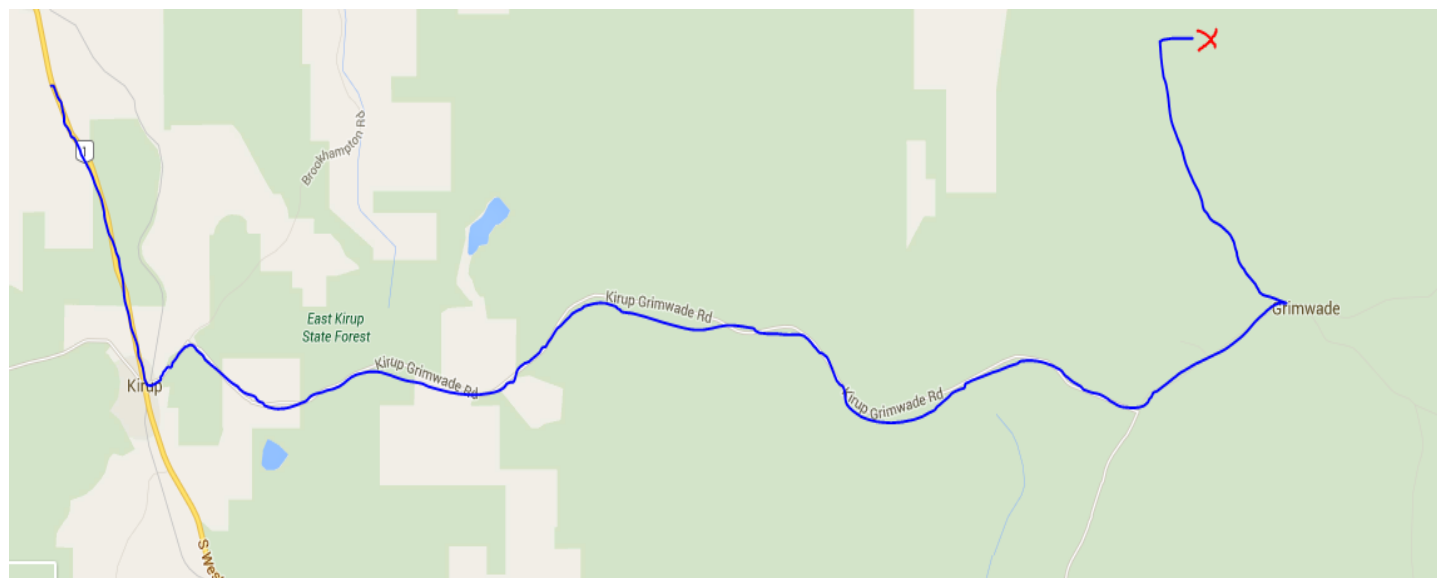
Camping and parking are located together on the Airstrip. There is no driving required from the camping area to the racetracks.

WASSA signpost/s will be marked on the roads with event HQ located at the entrance to the airstrip, you can park to the left or right on the Airstrip as per the designated areas in blue on the map below.

Directions to the camp site

Directions below are from Kirup

- Head to Kirup on the South West Highway via Bunbury and Donnybrook.
- In Kirup, turn LEFT onto Brookhampton Road then in a few hundred meters turn RIGHT onto Kirup-Grimwade Road.
- In about 14km you reach the end of this road, turn LEFT onto Grimwade Road.
- The entry to the camping area is on the LEFT about 2.5km along [the Greenbushes-Grimwade Road goes out to the right but you want to turn LEFT onto the little track]. It's not signposted but look out for the yellow sled dog signs.
- Once on the gravel, continue 300m then turn RIGHT at the T junction.
- In 300m follow the RIGHT fork – the bitumen one!
- Continue along this road for 3.7km then turn RIGHT at the T junction.
- In 300m turn LEFT onto the airstrip. You have reached your destination.
- Please do not camp along the SOUTH WEST side of the airstrip [left] as this is part of the race track. Camping area is shown in BLUE on the map below
- Drivers be advised that there are a few kms of moderate quality dirt road to get to site.



Camping Grounds in the Grimwade Airstrip are marked in blue.



Accommodation/Amenities

Camp is open from midday Friday 20th May 2022.

You can camp to the left or the right of the airstrip as per the location in blue on the map provided.

Event HQ is a bush campsite with no facilities, but plenty of room for tents, campers, RV's and caravan's.

We will have a small number of portaloos on site, but if you can bring your own, please do.

It is an open space (airstrip) with limited shade unless you camp in the trees.

The campsite will be close to the racetracks, so you will not be required to drive between the camp and tracks.

There is no water on site, so please bring enough water for your dogs and yourself to be self-sufficient for the duration of the event, with extra just in case.

The nearest store is in the town of Kirup.

There will be no rubbish disposal facilities on site, so all rubbish must be taken out with you (including your dog's poo).

Campfires are permitted only if contained within a portable campfire pit/ring. No ground fires are allowed. Your WASSA Committee will be holding a communal firepit on both Friday and Saturday nights, pull up a chair and bring your bevvie to come together and get to know your fellow musher.

Dogs are not permitted to be free running or unrestrained at any time. Please ensure your dog(s) are on lead, tie-out line, crated or in the car/trailer when not racing.

When staking out your dogs around the campsite please take into consideration the proximity of any other dogs & campers, clean up after your dog, and fill in any holes if your dog digs. Please also remove any straw and dog fur from around your campsite before you leave.

*****PLEASE NOTE*****

It is a condition of our site permit from DPaW that we do not bring soil or plant material onto site, to prevent dieback issues. 'Bleached, clean straw with no seeds' is permitted.

If you have another kind of straw in your dog trailers, please remove it before your travel to the event site. Please be mindful of this and bring appropriate dog bedding, as well as scooters, bikes, tents and vehicles that are free from soil. We want to ensure continued, future access to this race site.

Vaccination Checks

This event is an official WASSA event and all vaccination requirements are to be followed as per the Australian Sleddog Sports Association Race Rules and Procedures – Rule 5. Disease.

Please ensure you have all the relevant up-to-date vaccination/Titre Testing information and microchip numbers for every dog you bring to the event.