

# VARIETY NT

## BASH 2010

A Beach Party Bash

Newsletter No 3



It's February and the registrations have been coming in for the Variety NT Bash 2010.

All the places we are staying at now have copies of our Bash brochure so keep an eye out for them. If anyone would like a poster to advertise the Bash please contact the office and they can provide one.

This year we have tightened the rules in relation to pre-preparation of vehicles. This is important to protect not only our Bashers but also the people we are travelling with, the areas we are travelling to and through, and to ensure as smooth a run as possible. Please take note of the changes outlined in this newsletter.

Please also note the cut-off for payment of all fees and fundraising prior to the Bash. All your monies are due by close of business (COB) Friday 6 August or teams will not be bashing. We really appreciate your support with this – it will certainly help our Treasurer Lizzy, and Karen, Wendy and Alkisti, in the weeks running up to the Bash. It will also help us get our money out to our special needs kids as soon as possible.

**Bash Buddies is on again on Thursday 11 March at Bogart's in Parap**, and this next month we are having a special guest visiting us from interstate, so it's a great one to come along to and meet with fellow Bashers and officials. We had a great first Bash Buddies last week with Laura, Chrissy, Ash, Kate, Jim, Shauna, Jimmy, Amberley and Lloyd, and a good time was had by all!

Remember registration fees of \$550 are due by 1 March so keep those registrations coming in!!!!!!

Cheers

Sharon Winks

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For information on the Variety NT Bash 2010,  
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[www.varietynt.org.au](http://www.varietynt.org.au)





## Due Date for Bash Fees (and All Monies)

All Bash fees including car registration, participant's fees (for all participants) and all fundraising **MUST** be received at the office or through our bank by COB on Friday 6 August 2010, or you won't be able to Bash this year. This will also be the cut-off for recognising the highest fundraiser (or Top Hat Winner).

In previous years (although we have had a requirement to pay all monies a number of days prior to the Bash starting) we have had a small number of teams who have not settled their car total either at the start or during the Bash. Whilst we do appreciate your support, it has made it very difficult at times to meet the many Appeals we have, and to juggle our administration and financial management prior to the Bash. Therefore from 2010 onwards it would be greatly appreciated if all Bash monies are fully receipted one week prior to the Bash.



## Bashing on Dirt

We are hitting the dirt big time this Bash with every day having a stint on the great dirt roads of the Top End. Distance on the dirt per day:

- Day 1 about 90kms into Wangi Falls;
- Day 2 about 95kms between Noonamah and Goanna Park
- Day 3 about 75kms from Goanna Park to Cooida;
- Day 4 about 140kms from Pine Creek to Mainoru;
- Day 5 The BIG day about 465kms from Mainoru to Nhulunbuy; and
- Day 6 about 80kms Nhulunbuy to Daliwuy return.



Plus if you are planning to drive back out add another 605kms to get back to the highway.

That makes a whopping **1510kms** on dirt!!!!!!!!!!!!.

The longest distance without fuel is 720km on Day 4/5 from Katherine to Nhulunbuy. We will carry fuel on the baggage truck. This fuel will be available at Mainoru. Cars will have to manage their requirements for the remaining 465kms to Nhulunbuy with jerry cans. We will need an estimate of how much fuel will be required at Mainoru by each car to ensure we carry enough. More information will be provided in the coming months.





## Registration

**Remember in order to be in the Bash you must register.** The earlier you do this the easier it is for all, as we can ensure that all relevant information gets to you and your team mates.

Registration forms are available at [www.varietynt.org.au](http://www.varietynt.org.au). Please feel free to also pick up a brochure while you are on our website as it provides details of what we are doing on the Bash, where we are going and what dates we will be travelling.

If you would like a hard copy of the brochure, please contact the Variety office on 08 8981 2544.



## A little light humour

### Why Bash Mechanics shouldn't write advice columns.....

Dear Bash Mechanic

I hope you can help me. The other day, I set off for work, leaving my husband in the house watching TV. My car stalled, and then it broke down about a km down the road, and I had to walk back to get my husbands help. When I got home, I couldn't believe my eyes. He was in our bedroom with the neighbour!

When I confronted him, he broke down and admitted they had been having an affair for the past six months. He won't go to counselling, and I'm afraid I am a wreck and need advice urgently. Can you please help?

Sincerely,

Sheila.

Dear Sheila,

A car stalling after being driven a short distance can be caused by a variety of faults with the engine. Start by checking that there is no debris in the fuel line. If it is clear, check the vacuum pipes and hoses on the intake manifold and also check all grounding wires. If none of these approaches solves the problem, it could be that the fuel pump itself is faulty, causing low delivery pressure to the injectors.

I hope this helps,

Bash Mechanic