

Meredith Music Festival



POCKET COMPANION

MEREDITH SUPERNATURAL AMPHITHEATRE DEC 11, 12 AND 13, 2009

Thankyou Very Much for being part of the Nineteenth Annual Meredith Music Festival. Pocket Companion is designed to help make your time there incredibly smooth and outrageously enjoyable. Please have a good read of it all, even if you have flown with us before. And bring it with you.

Important things that we can't stress enough to veterans and newcomers alike include these: **no fires** – it's a Total Fire Ban day and night, **don't bring any glass**, do bring a big bagful of **warm and waterproof clothes** including sensible footwear and warm bedding as it can get **really cold** at night, put your **wristband on** (not too tight) as you leave home and don't remove it till you're out the gate at the end of the festival, carry **photo ID** even if you are 73, get your tent/caravan/hovercraft out **now** and make sure it's in good working order and arrive in convoy if you want to camp together.

Remember - although Meredith may feel like a sovereign dominion (her own country), the usual laws apply within the festival boundaries as they do outside them. Likewise, the laws of the human body are no different there than anywhere else. So Please Look After Yourself And Others.

The Gates open 8am Friday and live music starts from 4pm that day. Plenty of time to get in and set up before It starts.

Read on carefully, go to www.mmf.com.au for further info on anything, and I very much look forward to The Pleasure of Your Company,

Aunty Meredith



BRING THESE THINGS

- Your TICKET (wristband). Double-check you have it now. Put it on as you leave home, not too tight.
- PHOTO ID - carry it at all times, even if you are 73.
- Plenty of warm, waterproof clothes and a good coat.
- Sensible shoes preferably boots
- Plenty warm bedding/duonas/sleeping bag/blankets – nights get COLD, even if days are hot.
- Cans or plastic bottles instead of glass – no glass is allowed on site
- Directions to get there. They are in this document.
- A good tent, caravan, panelvan, luxury motorhome etc – good shelter in good condition to sleep well in.
- Sunsmart items - hat, sunscreens, longleeve shirt, sunglasses etc.
- Bulk (10ltr +) drinking water for your campsite and refillable plastic water bottles.
- Cash. There are limited cash-out facilities. Bring plenty.
- Mobile phone and spare charged battery if you have one. There are no powerpoints.
- Any medication you need - there is no pharmacy on site.
- Tent marker or flag for the car aerial etc. Tents all look the same.
- Torch or battery-powered camplight. Spare batteries.
- Spare tarp to peg down as camp floor.

CAUTION FIRE WARNING TOTAL FIRE BAN ALL DAYS & NIGHTS WE ARE IN PEAK FIRE SEASON

- **NO FIRES**, flares, firesticks, fireworks, generators, BBQ's or cooking of any kind, inside or out.
- No gas bottle fridges or kegs that require cylinders.
- Smokers and nonsmokers ensure butts are 100% extinguished every time. Drench them in the dregs of a can. Or grind them fully out and bin them.
- Do not park ANY part of your vehicle on roads so emergency services have full access,
- Keep campsites clear from flammable material and rubbish
- free drinking water tanks in the food courts can be used for bulk water refills
- Don't leave your vehicle running longer than necessary.
- Avoid setting up camp next to vehicle exhausts.

RULES

- TOTAL FIRE BAN – see rules above
- NO GLASS – it will be confiscated
- CARRY ID AT ALL TIMES.
- NO DICKHEADS.
- FESTIVAL WRISTBANDS (TICKETS) MUST BE WORN AT ALL TIMES around the wrist of the Festival ticketholder when at the Meredith Supernatural Amphitheatre.
- ZERO TOLERANCE ON TRESPASSERS, including anyone with a valid wristband outside the festival boundary. Refer to boundary lines on the festival map. Any vehicle assisting a trespasser will have all occupants refused entry.
- 20KM/H SPEED LIMIT applies to all vehicles at all times.
- NO RESERVED CAMPING.
- CAUTION CAMPING UNDER TREES
- PLEASE CLEAN UP any mess at your camp; Meredith has a recycling program, please be part of it.
- NO LOUD OR OFFENSIVE MUSIC that annoys your neighbours at anytime in campsites.
- NO ELEVATED FURNITURE in the Amphitheatre
- NO STAGE DIVING, CROWD SURFING OR MOSHING.
- No aggressive behaviour.
- SWIMMING IN THE DAMS IS PROHIBITED.
- NO CAMPING SUNDAY NIGHT.
- DON'T WALK DOWN DRIVEWAY or roads, use footpaths.
- DO NOT LEAVE INTOXICATED.
FREE BREATH TESTS AVAILABLE.

PLAYING TIMES

FRIDAY

4:00 - 4:40	REGULAR JOHN
5:00 - 5:40	OH MERCY
6:00 - 6:40	WITCH HATS
7:00 - 7:50	AKRON/FAMILY
8:20 - 9:10	SIA
9:40 - 10:25	PATRICK WOLF
10:50 - 11:35	TUMBLEWEED
12:00 - 1:00	ROYAL CROWN REVUE
1:30 - 2:30	YACHT
2:30 - 4AM	TIM SWEENEY
4AM IS	CURFEW
4AM - 10AM	SILENCE WEDGE
INTERSTITIAL SOUNDTRACK BY DJ FEE B2	



SATURDAY

10 - 10.40	BALLARAT MUNICIPAL BRASS BAND
11:00-11:40	KID SAM
12:00-12:40	THEE OH SEES
1:00 - 1:50	WHY?
2:15-3:00	KITTY, DAISY & LEWIS
3:20 - 4:05	PHARAOHE MONCH
4:35 - 5:30	COMBO LA REVELACION
6:00 - 6:50	HEAVY TRASH
7:20 - 8:20	PAUL KELLY
9:00 - 10:00	ANIMAL COLLECTIVE
10:30 - 11:30	JARVIS COCKER
12:00 - 12:50	EDDY CURRENT
1:00 - 2:00	YACHT CLUB DEEJAYS
2:00 - 3:00	MAFIA
3:00AM - 4:30	BAG RAIDERS
4:30 - 5:30	NATHAN FAKE
5:30 - 7:00	HENRIK SCHWARZ
INTERSTITIAL SOUNDTRACK BY DJ PEOPLE AND DJ INDRA	

SUNDAY

7AM - 9AM	SILENCE WEDGE
9:00 - 9:40	MASTER SONG TAI CHI
10:00 - 10:40	KES BAND
11:00 - 11:40	WAGONS
12:05 - 12:55	THE MIDDLE EAST
1:15 - 2:05	THE FAUVES
2.15 - 2.45	THE MEREDITH GIFT
2.45 - 3.45	THE DACIOS
INTERSTITIAL SOUNDTRACK BY DJ BADLANDS GATES CLOSE 4:30PM	



PLEASE LOOK AFTER YOURSELF AND OTHERS

Here at the Supernatural Amphitheatre, we want you to have the best possible time. The time of your life. We also want your friends and The people around you to have a great time. Please don't stuff that up by being irresponsible for your wellbeing.

- Dress sensibly for the conditions. Wear shoes.
- Rest and rehydrate. Drink water regularly and eat well.
- Mixing alcohol and drugs greatly increases the possibility of overdose or accidents, as does mixing two or more drugs, even if taken hours apart.
- Do not use drugs. But especially do not use drugs on your own. If you are feeling unwell – tell someone.
- If you or a friend has taken drugs and is in need of medical attention the first aid staff are not obliged to involve the police and they won't judge you. They are here to help. So please go to First Aid and be honest with them.

- Check under and around your vehicle before leaving the site.
- If you plan to drive home on Sunday, monitor any alcohol intake on Saturday night – you may be over the legal limit on Sunday and face heavy penalties and/or loss of license.
- Keep your campsite secure from wind. Weight the interior corners of your tent

SAFETY FIRST

Your safety is paramount to us. As part of our Safety Management Plan we have emergency management services and trained staff on-site and operational 24 hours over festival weekends.

We work with a dedicated team from Police, Fire, Ambulance, Golden Plains Shire and independent risk and safety management professionals to continually strengthen our Plan to reflect current best practice. Every critical safety decision is made collaboratively with this team who are very supportive of the festival. We appreciate and respect their work.

NEW CAMPGROUND
 New shady campground Bluegums will be open, but grass hasn't grown yet so bring old rug or spare tarp to peg down as camp floor.

SECONDARY ASSEMBLY AREA

MEREDITH SUPERNATURAL AMPHITHEATRE



QUICK GUIDE

- In an emergency or time critical incident **DIAL 000**. The address is Meredith Supernatural Amphitheatre, corner of Mount Mercer & Nolan Road, Meredith, Mel Map: 6111 C4.
- First Aid and Police are located at grid reference **I10**, on the right of the stage near the International Food Court.
- If you need First aid or Police to come to you call the Incident Coordination Centre on 0433 406 999 OR ask a staff member with a 2-way radio OR send a representative to I10 to direct them to your location. Use the festival grid reference when referring to your location.

LEGEND

- INFORMATION
- FIRST AID
- TOILETS
- PRIMARY EMERGENCY ASSEMBLY AREA
- MASSAGE
- ROADS
- PEDESTRIAN WALKWAYS
- FESTIVAL BOUNDARY
- CAMPING AREA
- FOOD COURT
- SPORTS FIELD
- WASTE MANAGEMENT CENTRE
- RUBBISH DROP OFF
- POLICE
- SHUTTLE BUS STOP
- FREE BREATHTESTING BY VANESSA
- FOH
- PINK FLAMINGO BAR
- BEER SOLD HERE
- SHOWERS
- BAR ID
- HEAVEN ELEVEN - QUIKY MART
- SIGN IN
- THE GIFT SHOPPE
- ARTIST MERCHANDISE
- DRINKING WATER TANK
- MEREDITH EYE
- CINEMA

HOW TO GET TO THE MEREDITH SUPERNATURAL AMPHITHEATRE

KNOW YOUR LANE AT THE GATE! PLAN YOUR CAMPSITE BEFORE YOU LEAVE, AND CHOOSE YOUR LANE ACCORDINGLY. STAFF AND ARTISTS – USE STAFF LANE

MELBOURNE

PRINCESS HIGHWAY 60MIN DRIVE

GEEELONG

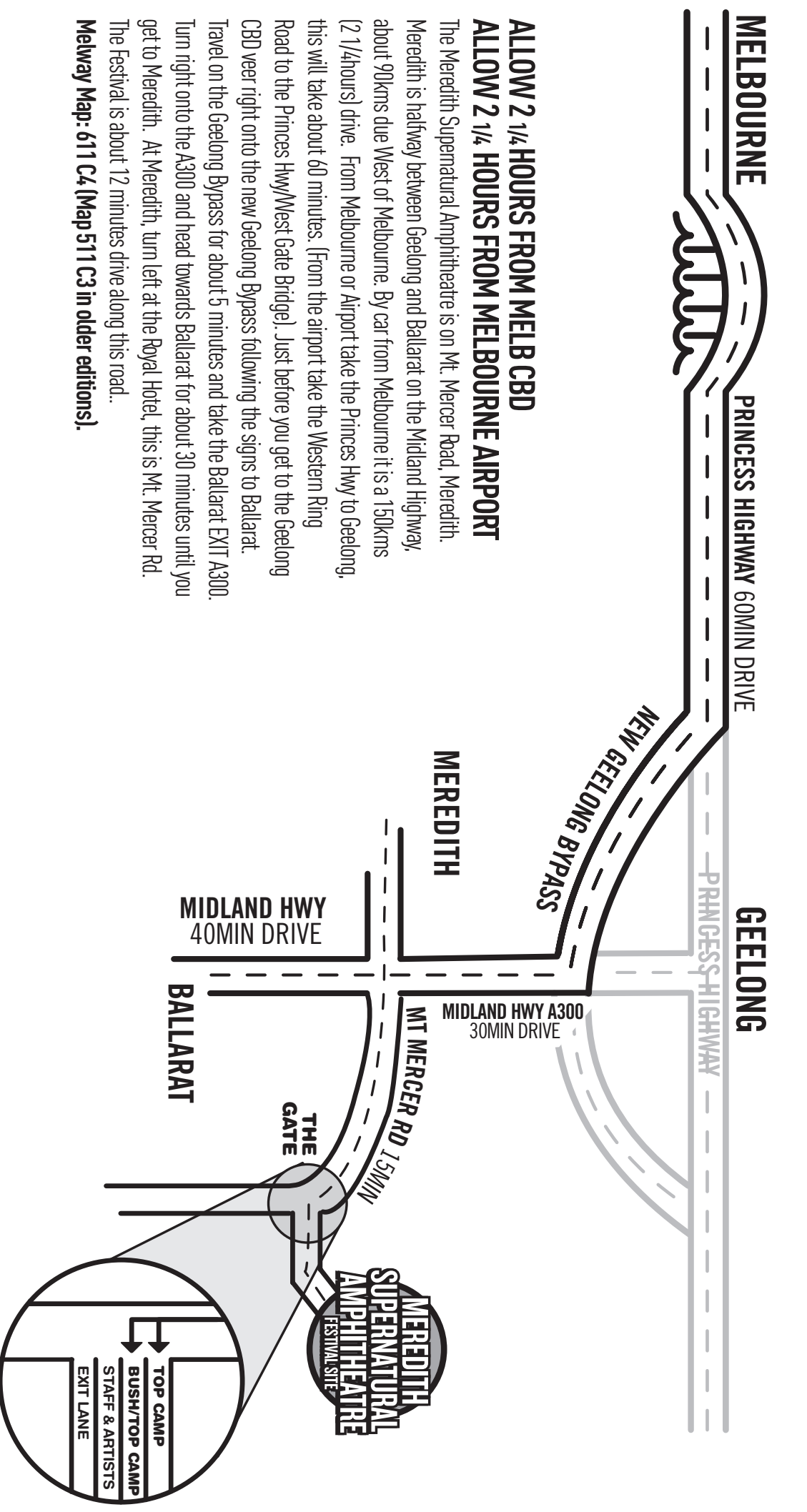
PRINCESS HIGHWAY

NEW GEELONG BYPASS

ALLOW 2 1/4 HOURS FROM MELB CBD ALLOW 2 1/4 HOURS FROM MELBOURNE AIRPORT

The Meredith Supernatural Amphitheatre is on Mt. Mercer Road, Meredith. Meredith is halfway between Geelong and Ballarat on the Midland Highway, about 90kms due West of Melbourne. By car from Melbourne it is a 150kms (2 1/4hours) drive. From Melbourne or Airport take the Princes Hwy to Geelong, this will take about 60 minutes. (From the airport take the Western Ring Road to the Princes Hwy/West Gate Bridge). Just before you get to the Geelong CBD veer right onto the new Geelong Bypass following the signs to Ballarat. Travel on the Geelong Bypass for about 5 minutes and take the Ballarat EXIT A300. Turn right onto the A300 and head towards Ballarat for about 30 minutes until you get to Meredith. At Meredith, turn left at the Royal Hotel, this is Mt. Mercer Rd. The Festival is about 12 minutes drive along this road..

Melway Map: 611 C4 (Map 511 C3 in older editions).



YOU MUST NOT PARK ANY PART OF YOUR VEHICLE ON ANY ROAD ON SITE OR YOUR VEHICLE WILL BE DEEMED A FIRE HAZARD AND BE TOWED AWAY.