# ABW ACTIVITY INVENTORY (AI) - Activity Information Record

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# Activity

Walk ('W'), Cycle , ('C') Kayak/Canoe ('K'), Other ('O') (Indicate here with Symbol).....

#### Location

Moolooloo Station – Blinman Hut. Nth off Parachilna Gorge Road.

## **Outline of activity**

This is, typically, a 4 day trip which could be done in 3 days. Ie Meet in Parachilna Gorge at the turn off to Moolooloo Stn (Glass Gorge Rd) at c 9am on the morning of Day 1 (Hotel at Hawker the prev night is an option). Drive to Blinman Hut via Moolooloo (Reasonable 4WD required) Base camp at and around the hut. Various good day walks available to suit all levels.

# Permits & permissions required, with contact details

Blinman hut and other camping and accommodation facilities are available for hire. Book well ahead in peak times. Contact Moolooloo (08) 8648 4861. M 0427 864 861 <a href="mailto:moolooloostn@bigpond.com">moolooloostn@bigpond.com</a>. <a href="http://www.moolooloo.com.au/">http://www.moolooloo.com.au/</a> Fires are allowed in season.

Cost as last noted for the Hut is min \$50/night or \$15p/p per night.

# Maps required

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#### Travel: recommendations, times, car shuffling, parking etc.

Parachilna Gorge is approx 6hs or more drive from Adelaide. Moolooloo Station is c 45mins from Parachilna Gorge Rd. After registering at Moolooloo, the drive to the hut via Hannigan's Gap is approximately 1 hr including some rough and washed out creek crossings past the Hannigan's Gap turn off. A night at Hawker or a late evening camp at Parachilna Gorge is a good option for the day/evening before the start. The trip home requires the best part of a day from Moolooloo. 2WD vehicles could be left at Hannigan's Gap and passengers ferried by 4WD to the hut but this is time consuming.

# Water availability

Tank and bore water is available at Blinman Hut. Water can be found in the surrounding areas but it is strongly recommended that sufficient water is carried for all day walks.

# Restrictions (fires, gates etc.)

There is a gate at Hannigan's Gap to the Rd to Blinman Hut. The key is obtained from Moolooloo Station.

#### **Route overview**

There are many day walk options. Some indicated on the attached map. Ie:

- . A longish day walk and Climb to Patawarta. Spectacular views. (L E/M E).
- . A pleasant short, half day loop to a small gorge to the west.
- . A half day or full day walk loop to the North. Short as shown. Long via magpie Water, Little Magpie and 'Rocky Outcrop' gap.

## Campsites used & possible alternatives

Blinman Hut is the base camp site. Plenty of tent space and some room in the hut. A wood fired shower available. Paved area and fireplace for communal meals. (see Web site) Need to bring chairs etc. Plenty of options for camping out and away from the hut but water would need to be carried.

Walk Ratings (indicate rating below where indicatedeg 'SMMQ')				
Distance	S: Short, 0-9 km	M: Medium, 10-17 km	L: Long,18+ km	
Gradient	E: Undulating	M: Steep	H: Very steep/exposed	
Terrain	E: Track/open, 4 km/h	M: Medium scrub, 2-4 km/h	H: Heavy scrub/rock, 0-2 km/h	
Qualifying? (Q)	Insert Activity Rating here All options available.			

# Supplementary information (Insert below, if required)

Blinman hut is quite remote and very pleasant. Hiring gives exclusive use.

NOTE: Some maps may show Blinman hut as a ruin and near the water tank. The location of the present hut is approx 300m to the S/West @ 747 752. This is important if you are following creeks Nth or West from there.

Note: This activity outline has been compiled from information provided by ABW members. Its accuracy is subject to variations in individual members' observations, climate and weather conditions, land and ownership, accessibility, national park rules and permits.

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