

DAY THREE. Laverton to Tjukayirla, all dirt, travelled 303 kms. "Merv" the ute was backfiring most of the day. This became an on going event. You name it, we changed it, but even now it is still not right and still a mystery!! Glad started making the grinding noises again so we removed the fan belt and carried on, Camped the night in the Tjukayirla Caravan Park. Watched the Eagles beat Freo on their big screen!



DAY FOUR. Tjukayirla to Warburton 400 Kms all reasonable dirt. Camped 60 kms east of Warburton. Not mentioning "Merv's" problems for now! Ian Paisley shredded a tyre on his trailer. Peter Eardley had a makeshift shower that most used and enjoyed.



DAY FIVE. Warburton to Docker River travelling 299 kms. We crossed the NT border and posed for a photo. "Glad" threw half of it's original two blade fan which luckily missed the radiator but did dent the left bonnet side. Using Ross Letch's angle grinder we cut off the remaining side and carried on without a fan. Luckily every day had been coolish. In fact the weather had been perfect and continued all of the trip! Our group had a self guided tour of the Giles Weather Station in the afternoon. The last 20 kms of dirt into Docker River was diabolical. Most of the NT dirt roads are diabolical. Our five Model As had after market shockies but by the time we reached the bitumen I think only one on each car was still on and still working! Final photo is me being towed after becoming bogged in the sand on a slight rise! AJ reporting

