Tanjil Trail Bike Visitor Area

Situated just off the South Face Road (on Finns Track) approximately 900m from the Thomson Valley Road Erica, Tanjil Trail Bike Visitor Area is the start of a network of forest roads and tracks which are ideal for trail bike riding. It is easily accessible via sealed and graveled roads from Rawson and Erica.

Location and Access

From Traralgon, head towards Rawson, through the Tyers township. Turn right into Thomson Valley Road towards the Thomson Dam. Take the road left into South Face Road (towards Mt Baw Baw) and the Tanjil Trail Bike Visitor Area is on the left hand side approximately 900 metres past the Thomson Valley Road/South Face Road intersection.

What facilities are provided

Facilities include:-
- Large parking bays for vehicles and trailers
- Information Shelter
- Sign showing riding routes
- Picnic tables and seat
- BBQ

Riding Routes and Safety Information

Finns Loop (Yellow route) - 30.8 km
The Finns Loop commences at the Tanjil Trail Bike Visitor Area and heads in a south west direction towards Telbit Crossing and loops around Morgans and Beynon Creek Roads. There are some steep and narrow sections for intermediate riders, and requires experienced riders in the wet.

Good Luck Loop (Green route) - 23.5 km
Some great trail bike riding for intermediate riders is available on the Good Luck Loop which starts from the Beynon Creek Road and Tanjil Bren Road intersection and loops around in the Tanjil State Forest. Watch out for some boggy sections, wheel ruts, overhead trees and oncoming traffic on forest roads and tracks.

East Tanjil Loop (Blue route) - 27.5 km
The East Tanjil Loop in the Lady Manner Sutton area of the Tanjil State Forest takes riders further west from the Trail Bike Visitor Area and involves some creek crossings. Riders can return to the Trailbike Visitor Area either via the Trail Bike routes green and yellow; or via the South Face Road.

Ride for tomorrow

Trail bike riding is great fun, but so you don’t spoil the fun of others who come to use the forests, please note the following:

Respect the Environment – Respect Others

DSE and VicRoads have developed some new signs to indicate noise sensitive areas where riders should ride more slowly and quietly. Obeying these signs is voluntary (i.e. not a legal requirement), but if riders ride slowly and quietly in these areas, it will help keep the peace and be greatly appreciated by other forest users and nearby residents.

- Riders must be licensed – motorcycles must be registered
- Ride Legal – Stay on Forest Roads
- Take your litter home

Access and safety

Some roads may be temporarily closed over winter or due to fire, flood or other damage. On Code Red Fire Danger Rating days, parks and State Forest are also closed to the public. Do not enter parks or forests on Code Red Days. If you are already there when a Code Red day is declared, you should leave the night before or early in the morning.

To check on current closures visit http://www.dse.vic.gov.au/forests/public-access-map

For more information

The Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) is responsible for managing Victoria’s State Forest. For further information contact DSE’s Customer Service Centre on 136186 (TTY: 1800 122 969) or visit DSE’s website at http://dse.vic.gov.au/trailbikes

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