



## CCCSC Guide to Calculating Transport Costs

**The Club encourages members to share transport and its costs to and from activities.**

However, the Club does not guarantee to find shared transport for members nor does it take any responsibility for any shared transport found. Deans Group and others run regular buses to the snowfields.

**The aim of this guide** is to assist drivers and passengers in calculating their share of transport costs. The Club recommends that passengers share transport costs equally with the driver at the rates per kilometre below plus KNP entry costs where applicable.

**The guide enables the driver to exercise discretion** as to whether they wish to vary the costs, for example to take into account the condition of the roads, the number of passengers per vehicle, the distance involved, and whether they need to go out of their way to pick up a passenger. The driver may ask you to meet at a convenient place for pickup.

The driver may elect to use the Perisher Skitube in preference to driving up the mountain. The passenger(s) may incur an extra expense of \$42 for a return trip.

Drivers and passengers are advised to discuss costs prior to the trip.

**What would it cost?** The **indicative costs** for a return trip to Perisher would be:

Vehicle Engine Size	RUNNING COSTS <sup>1</sup> (cents/km)	TOTAL COST <sup>1</sup> (including annual Parks Pass)	
		Day Trip	Weekend Trip
<1.5L	15	\$89	\$112
1.5-2.9L	20	\$110	\$134
3.0-3.9L	25	\$132	\$155
>4.0L	30	\$153	\$177

<sup>1</sup>Calculations based on fuel price of \$1.60L

**How does this guide compare with other clubs?** This is markedly less than some clubs which charge 40 cents per kilometre. These costs do not reimburse the driver for the normal fixed costs associated with owning a vehicle, such as registration and insurance. Nor do they include ALL the costs associated with a ski trip such as snow chains, vehicle clean up or hitting a roo at dusk.

**The bottom line is:** that passengers in a Forester with 4 people and gear on board @20 cents per kilometre,

- from Canberra to Perisher with 1 day KNP entry should each offer a contribution to the driver of about \$28 (2 passengers should each offer \$37 and 1 passenger should offer \$55), or
- from Canberra to Bullocks Flat only should each offer a contribution to the driver of about \$20 (2 passengers should each offer \$27 and 1 passenger should offer \$40).

**Ultimately the driver is doing you a favour**, so bear this in mind. Look after your driver, Check whether they are tired or nodding off, especially when driving home. Offer to drive if they need a rest

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### General assumptions:

The main variables included in the **TOTAL COST** calculations are:

- Vehicle Running Costs – which includes petrol, tyre wear and repairs/servicing and are based on the RACQ's 2011 Private Ownership Costs at [http://www.racq.com.au/motoring/cars/car\\_economy/vehicle\\_running\\_costs](http://www.racq.com.au/motoring/cars/car_economy/vehicle_running_costs). Vehicle clean up and standing costs such as registration, insurance, interest on the loan and depreciation have been excluded.
- Fuel efficiency and load - it is assumed the vehicle is fully loaded with skiers and their gear to its rated capacity
- Distance - assumed to be 430km for a round trip from CIVIC to the usual NSW ski destinations. (Thredbo 424km, Perisher 418km, Guthega 440km, Charlottes Pass 434km, Selwyn 424km) <http://www.auinfo.com/australian%20distance%20calculator.html>
- Fuel Price- the table below assumes \$1.60 /L for premium unleaded petrol/diesel as of June 2012. Fuel price trends: <http://www.aaa.asn.au/issues/petrol.htm>
- An annual NSW All Parks Pass. Assumes per vehicle it is \$190 per year & spread over 4 weekend ski trips or 8 day trips, which equates to \$47.50 per trip or \$24 per day. Note some NSW residents are eligible for free passes. <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/NationalParks/parkFeesConditions.aspx?id=N0018>
- Skitube costs: <http://www.perisher.com.au/tickets-passes-accommodation/skitube.html>