



# DRIVER TRAINING SCHOOL CAMP

**SOUTHERN DOWNS REGION: STANTHORPE (QLD)**







SDT now offers a school-based **Driver Training Camp** in the beautiful Southern Downs region. School groups from across Southern Queensland, Northern and regional NSW can travel to Stanthorpe and undertake an educational experience like no other. Day trips are also available.

## SUGGESTED FORMAT

### Day 1:

**Morning:** The group travels to Stanthorpe (allow 2.5 – 4hrs from Brisbane, Gold Coast, Northern/regional NSW)  
**11:45am** Bus arrives, **11:45am – 12:00** Welcome/Safety briefing  
**12:00 – 12:30pm** Lunch served at the Driver Training Centre

**Afternoon:** Educational/Training Session **12:30pm - 5:00pm**

**Group 1:** Junior Driver Training\* (first time driving session for 12 – 16 year olds) or Defensive Driver Training\* for L or P platers

**Group 2:** The alternative activity for this group can include options such as:

#### For small groups:

- 4WD off-road training\* for L or P platers
- 4WD Tour to Sundown National Park
- Trailer towing and reversing training\* for L or P platers

#### For large groups:

- Bushwalking in Girraween or Bald Rock National Park
- Kayaking/water sports at Storm King Dam
- Bush survival and/or first aid training

**Evening:** 5:30pm Settle into accommodation

**7:30pm** Group dinner (self-cater or catering can be pre-arranged)

**8:30pm** Games / Movies / Tall Stories / Star watching



### Day 2:

**7:00am** Breakfast at accommodation (self-cater or catering of breakfast can be pre-arranged)

**Morning:** Educational/Training Session **8:20am - 12:50pm**

**Group 2:** Practical Driver Training

**Group 1:** This group undertakes the alternative activity selected

**Lunch:** **12:50pm – 1:20pm** Lunch served at training venue

**Afternoon:** **1:30pm** Bus departs for the return trip to the school campus (a 1:30pm departure will mean a 4pm – 5pm arrival back to most locations)



\* To undertake these practical driving courses, online eLearning video modules must be completed prior to the camp



# JUNIOR DRIVER TRAINING

SAFETY STARTS EARLY



## JUNIOR DRIVER TRAINING

This program aims to give underage students (12 – 16 years old) their first chance to drive a vehicle.

Depending on the group size, 3 – 5 instructors and 3 – 5 vehicles (both manual and automatic) will be supplied.

The students will be required to complete online video modules prior to the camp. Each student will receive an assessment report on their competency.

[Refer to the course brochure for more information](#)

**Vivien Stewart**

What you're doing for (city) kids who've never had any other opportunity to drive a car before is just wonderful 😊

## DEFENSIVE DRIVER TRAINING

This program aims to increase the skills and safety awareness of L or P plate drivers.

Depending on the group size, 2 – 4 instructors and 3 – 5 vehicles (manual and automatic) will be supplied.

The students will be required to complete online video modules prior to the camp. Each student will receive a safety pack and a certificate of course completion.

[Refer to the course brochure for more information](#)

## WHY CHOOSE SDT - SAFE DRIVE TRAINING

- SDT has over 28 years experience in conducting school-based driver training
- Thousands of school groups and over 100,000 students have attended our programs
- A range of vehicles are supplied for young drivers to learn the dynamics and differences between small and large vehicles, front and rear wheel drive and how various vehicle safety systems work
- SDT is the exclusive distributor for **Fatal Vision Alcohol and Drug** simulation goggles
- SDT uses unique (plastic coated) **Skid Tyres** that are fitted to vehicles to demonstrate loss of control situations (*not used at all courses*)
- SDT manufactures driving simulators and these can be used at courses to demonstrate the dangers of poor decisions and reckless driving (like speeding, tailgating, distractions, alcohol impairment)
- The **eLearning videos** that students watch prior to attendance have amazing educational content not covered in the driver licensing process. Our LMS allows us to monitor progress and responses.
- Employers want well trained and safe drivers and a licence is **not regarded** as suitable driver training



May William

My son attended today was awesome highly recommend for all new learners. Should be govt funded and part of school curriculum

Top fan

Conrad Brookman

That's awesome. 🙌🙌 It should be mandatory for all new drivers!

## VENUE AND FACILITIES

The driver training is conducted at **Carnell Raceway** a motorsport circuit located in Stanthorpe.

The venue has a long and wide main straight with a watering system for simulating wet road emergencies.

The circuit has curves for steering, vision and technical driving skills. Plus there are off-road tracks for introductory 4WD training.

There are on-site bathroom facilities and showers. If on a budget, camping is possible at this venue.

## OTHER VENUES

SDT conducts 1-day driver training for school groups at these venues:

- MACKAY: Palmyra Dragstrip
- GLADSTONE: no suitable venue exists
- ROMA: Ironbark Raceway
- EMERALD: Emerald Kart Track
- BRISBANE: Lakeside Driver Training Centre
- IPSWICH: Willowbank Raceway
- WARWICK: Morgan Park Training Centre
- ARMIDALE: Traffic Education Centre
- TAMWORTH: Oakburn Park

SDT no longer operates at the RACQ Mobility Centre as the venue does not meet our safety requirements.

Queensland

New South Wales

Victoria

### 4 hours drive to Stanthorpe

Gympie  
Sunshine Coast  
Greater Brisbane  
Gold Coast  
Toowoomba  
Dalby  
Roma  
Lismore  
Armidale  
Tamworth  
Ballina  
Coffs Harbour







## ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

There are many cabins and camping locations nearby.

But we recommend the **Top of the Town Holiday Park** which is set on 22 picturesque acres and hosts many school groups.

Teenagers love the games room, swimming pool and wealth of space to go for walks or discover the native flora and fauna.

- The amenities are clean and modern
- There are 3 camp kitchens with free gas BBQs
- Onsite laundry facilities
- Plus a function room for up to 40 people that features a commercial grade kitchen, dining area with an adjoining lounge and entertainment room.

The room options range from motel rooms to cabins, cottages and a bunk style lodge with 27 beds.

The Holiday Park is a 3 minute drive (15 minute walk) from the centre of Stanthorpe and is conveniently only 10 minutes by vehicle from the Driver Training venue.

## TOP OF THE TOWN HOLIDAY PARK

Phone: +61 7 4681 4888

Email: [info@topoftown.com.au](mailto:info@topoftown.com.au)

Address: 10 High Street, STANTHORPE



## PRICING:

Small group 18 – 22 students (= 2 groups of 9 – 11 participants)

Price for 18 attendees minimum: **\$8460** inc GST which equates to \$470 per participant

Large group 24 – 44 students (= 2 groups of 12 – 22 participants)

Price for 44 attendees maximum: **\$15180** inc GST which equates to \$345 per participant

### Inclusions:

- 2 X HALF DAY practical driver training courses (including hire of the driver training venue)
- Training equipment and vehicles supplied (including insurance, maintenance, fuel and cleaning)
- Experienced instructors (with first aid/CPR qualifications) includes their meals and accommodation
- 2 x LUNCH for all attendees (provided for both students and school staff)
- eLearning video modules, safety packs and certificates for all students

**Options:** 1 x Dinner and 1 x Breakfast supplied +\$77 per person

**Extras:** The following additional costs need to be factored into the budget for this excursion

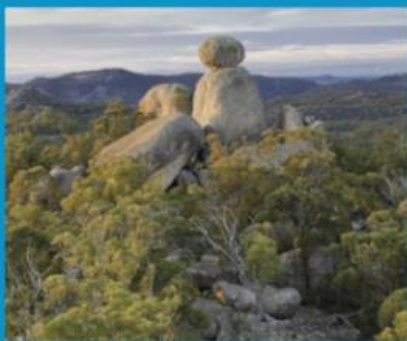
- Accommodation (depending on camping, bunk style lodge, cabins)
- Bus transport (to/from Stanthorpe and need to include the shuttle trips to the activities)
- Supervising teachers/parents (wages, meals, accommodation)
- The cost for the alternative activity for the other group (depending on what activity is chosen)





## THINGS TO DO IN THE REGION

- Hike/explore the incredible **Girraween National Park**. Discover massive granite outcrops, remarkably balanced boulders, beautiful wildflowers in Spring and clear running streams
- Explore **Sundown National Park** (4WD required)
- Hike to the summit of **Bald Rock** (1277 metres)
- Visit **Boonoo Boonoo Falls** (National Park)
- Kayak/swim in **Storm King Dam**
- Learn about the regions wine making industry
- In winter, experience cold weather and possible snow falls (Brass Monkey season)
- Climb **Mount Marlay Lookout** (918 metres) which overlooks the town of Stanthorpe
- Visit the Stanthorpe regional **Art Gallery**
- Attempt to navigate the **Granite Belt Maze**
- Learn bush survival skills and/or First Aid
- Learn about indigenous culture
- Have a wellness/digital detox/meditation retreat
- Undertake **4WD off-road** or trailer towing training



## CERTIFICATION

Participants are assessed via the eLearning modules and during the practical training sessions.

**Certificates** of course completion are provided for inclusion in the student's Resume.



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