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OODNADATTA TRACK

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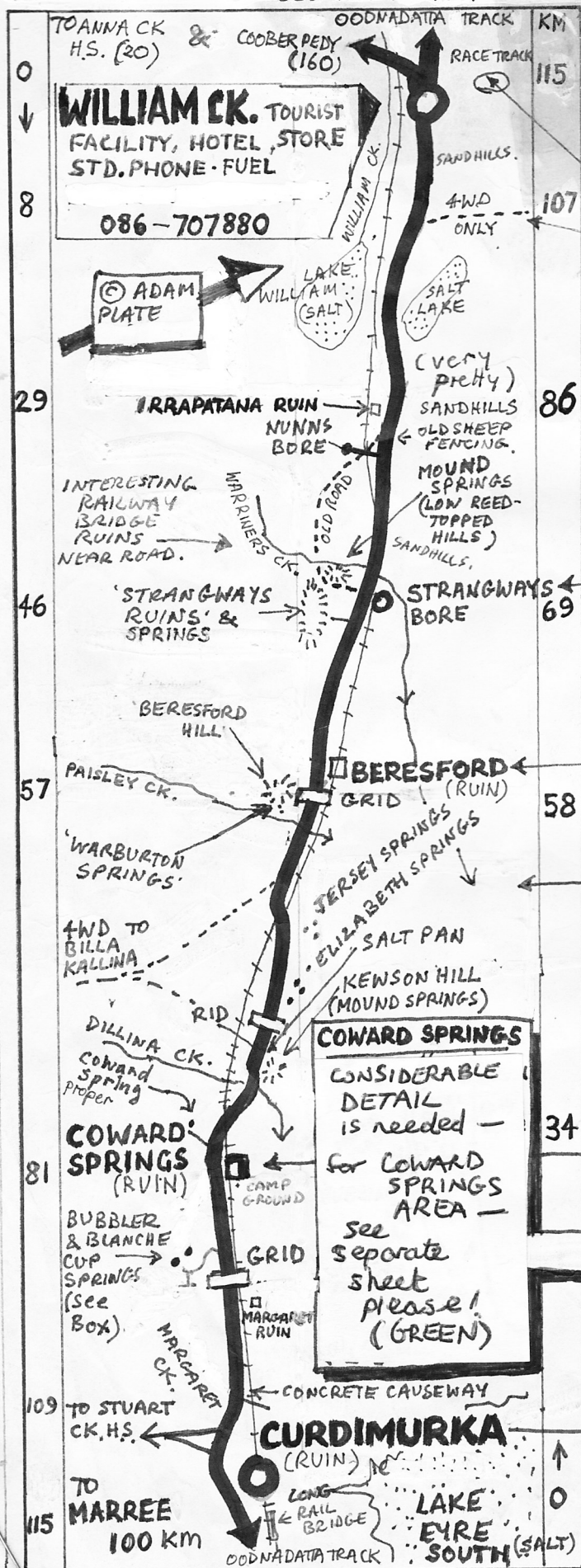
WILLIAM CK.-CURDIMURKA-WILLIAM CK.

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OODNADATTA 207 km

1 OF SIX SECTIONS OF STRIPMAP -

TOURIST GUIDE



OUTBACK RACES APRIL YEARLY - RING FOR DETAILS

ALL OF THIS MAP AREA IS ON 'ANNA CK.' PASTORAL LEASE TRACK TO LAKE EYRE NORTH. 4WD. SIGNPOSTED VIA 'ANNA CK.' STATION PROPERTY'S MIDWAY DAM & ARMISTACE BORE. ENQUIRE TO STATION H.S. OR WILLIAM CREEK HOTEL

THE OLD GHAN RAIL WAS REMOVED IN 1981 SLEEPERS, RAIL LINE AND OLD TELEGRAPH LINE POLES & WIRE HAVE BEEN SALVAGED. THE RAILWAY WAS TOO SLOW, TOO POORLY BALLASTED AND TOO PRONE TO FLOOD DAMAGE & DISRUPTION. NUNNS BORE IS WORTH A LOOK (FLOWING)

STRANGWAYS FLOWING BORE SURROUNDED BY REEDS GRAVEYARD REMAINS OVERLAND TELEGRAPH REPEATER STATION VILLAGE RUINS (HISTORIC SITE) NEARBY. ROAD REBUILT FOR 20 KMS NORTH IN 1986 - RIGHT ON TOP OF THE OLD GHAN LINE EMBANKMENT!

NOTE CHECK THAT MOSQUITOES ARE NOT A PROBLEM BEFORE CAMPING!

BERESFORD FETTLERS CAMP RUIN INCLUDE A COMPLETE BUILDING, A DESALINATION TOWER, A FLOWING BORE, A TREE LINED GALAH STOCKED DAM AND ON THE WEST SIDE HILL A CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION IS THE BASE OF RADAR TRACKING EQUIP. USED BY WOOMERA ROCKET TESTERS DURING THE 1950 & 60S.

THE AREA BETWEEN WARRINERS CK. AND CURDIMURKA ARE QUITE OPEN AND EXPOSED TO UNPREDICTABLE WINDS OF THE LAKE EYRE REGION

THE WHOLE OF LAKE EYRE IS A NATIONAL PARK. BLANCHE CUP - BUBBLER SPRINGS ARE FENCED AGAINST CATTLE & VEHICLE DAMAGE.

THE COWARD SPRING AREA HAS RUINS OF THE OLD SETTLEMENT WHICH INCLUDED A HOSPITAL, SHOP AND HOTEL. THE OLD WELLS (KEEP CLEAR) NEAR THE HOUSE ARE POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS. THE FLOWING BORE ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE RAIL ALIGNMENT SHOWS REMNANTS OF A FRAMEWORK BUILT TO ASSIST CAPPING (CLOSING OFF) ATTEMPTS WHICH HAVE FAILED. THE HOTEL, REMOVED IN THE 50'S, IS MARKED BY A STAND OF ATHOL PINE TREES. A TRACK SOUTH, NEARLY PARRALLEL TO THE 'O' TRACK LEADS 6 KM TO 'BLANCHE CUP' MOUND SPRING ATOP A SMALL ROUND HILL BELOW HAMILTON HILL. ALSO 'BUBBLER' A POOL THAT BUBBLES FINE WHITE SAND - CHILDREN LIKE TO PLAY IN IT.

CURDIMURKA PRESERVES A SECTION OF GHAN LINE & EQUIPMENT. A FORMER FETTLER CAMP HAS A WARM FLOWING BORE & BATH. THE RUSTY TOWER WAS ONCE A DESALINATION UNIT FOR STEAM ENGINE WATER.

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