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TOP TIPS FOR EASTER ROAD TRIPS

For many of us, the Easter long weekend provides the perfect opportunity to dust off the camping gear, get together with family and friends and road trip it to some of Australia's hidden wonders.

In preparation for this busy time of year, Motocross champion, three-time Gibb Challenge mountain bike soloist and Yakima Ambassador Lyndon Beck, has shared his top tips for planning your Easter road trip adventure.

1. Always take fewer shoes than you think you need. If you think you need two pairs, just take one. But always take a pair of thongs and stow them under your seat so they don't get in your way. Nothing worse than trying to walk into the bush for a nature break during the night with just socks or bare feet.
2. Sit on your pillow while you drive, it saves taking up space in the boot, makes you feel higher in the car and gives you a sense you are going somewhere special. It's also helpful when the kids nod off.
3. Grab a water bottle each before you leave. Make it someone's job to check that the driver has a bottle which they can safely access at all times.
4. Chat to the driver; don't be selfish and snooze because you are tired. Take plenty of breaks to stay fresh and ensure you get to your destination safely.
5. If you have two or more vehicles travelling in convoy, invest in some UHF two-way radios. Decide on a mutual channel and give each other updates on traffic and road conditions. Let the passenger be in charge of the two-way. It will keep them awake and pass the time.

Having travelled and mountain biked for the past 25 years, Lyndon has seen and had his fair share of camping gone wrong moments and believes these tips are a fool proof way of ensuring your next family holiday is a success.

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