



# Become an Austravel Safety Net Inc.

## Club Member

The communications club for everybody

Austravel SafetyNet Inc. has a mission to provide general and emergency communications support to affected people located in rural and remote areas of Australia, by using the most technically advanced HF two-way radio communication network available today.

Rural and remote areas in this instance is meant to denote, not in a mobile phone network area.

As a not-for-profit entity, Austravel's energies are not focused on profit, but directing surplus funds towards new HF radio technology packages and club benefits.

If you are a rural and remote area traveller, with a 4x4, caravan, motor home, camper trailer and go out of mobile phone range you have reason to have a HF radio. Or if you have a HF radio you have a reason to include this network in your existing radio.

Austravel SafetyNet Inc is primarily a HF radio communications club with multi levels of membership and fees.

### Membership Categories

#### Level 1 –Full Membership (add Telcall+ Subscription)

This is the premium level of (membership) access to the Austravel Network.

One selcall I.D. / one "Authority to Transmit", with complimentary access to: -

- H.E.L.P. (4357) (see separate information leaflet)
- HELP-**Sat** (see separate information leaflet)
- HELP-**PLB** (see separate information leaflet)

depending on make and model of HF radio; add in Telcall+.

Telcall+ is offered as an additional (subscribed) service. The benefits of Telcall+ are, one low cost annual subscription; and no additional charges or deposits for: -

- RADPHONE (direct dial telephone calls)
- SMS
- MAIL BOX
- GPS logging

Using a suitable radio, you can: -

- Log your GPS position to the map directly from your radio in any area of Australia. This feature is for family and friends to see; using the Out-n-About app and may help in an emergency.
- SMS message to any mobile phone in Australia, from your HF radio.
- MAIL BOX a text message to any club member's capable radio for them to down load later when they contact a base or use their Out-n About phone app.
- Make a "direct dial" radphone call connection from your radio to any Australian mobile or home phone.
- One selcall number ID means one membership, therefore one members rights and obligations as per the rules and by-laws of the incorporated association.
- Access to the Channel Chatter newsletter and social gatherings

## Level 2 – Household Membership (add Telcall+ Subscription)

This is the membership category for HF radio users where there are two radios in the one household but requiring individual selcall ID's for each radio.

- Two individual selcall numbers– one home address
  - One being level 1 selcall / ID membership
- Telcall+ available each
  - i.e. two radios – means two Telcall+ subscriptions
- 50% membership fees for 2<sup>nd</sup>. selcall ID
- Two selcall number ID's means two memberships, therefore two members rights and obligations as per the rules and by-laws of the incorporated association.
- All the services listed for level 1 “Full Members” are applicable for each radio (i.e. each selcall ID)

## Level 3–Ordinary Membership (with a radio and authority to transmit no Telcall+)

This is the level of (membership) access to the Austravel Network for those members with an older selcall capable radio and who do not wish to take up Telcall+, as their radio may not have many features.

One selcall I.D. / one “Authority to Transmit”, complimentary access to H.E.L.P. (4357) - depending on make and model of HF radio.

One selcall number ID means one membership, therefore one members rights and obligations as per the rules and by-laws of the incorporated association. Complimentary access to: -

- H.E.L.P. (4357) (see separate information leaflet)
- Channel Chatter newsletter and social gatherings

## Summary

The first three levels of membership provides automatic access to send an **Emergency Call** and have it responded to by Austravel Incident Responders. It is acceptable to make an Emergency call, by HF radio or Satellite phone(i.e. **HELP-Sat**); even in those cases the situation is not life threatening, you just genuinely need assistance. You can talk, selcall, send messages directly radio to radio as much as you wish, there is no additional cost for usage. You are invited to call in on any of the many scheduled daily calls to base operators as you like or chat to other members on the radio.

## Level 4 -Social Member: -

As the club has many social events people can join as social members only. This caters for people who do not have a radio now; but would like to meet people they could travel with and enjoy events. You receive the CHANNEL CHATTER e-magazine and email notification of events and enjoy a community spirit.

This level of membership provides what Austravel calls Telcall+ access (which is a name for a group of new communication features integrating smart phone and HF radio.)

Membership at this level, provides member level access to: -

- Out-n-About app (see separate information leaflet)
- **HELP-Sat** (see separate information leaflet)
- One member ID number, but **no** member voting rights as per the rules and by-laws of the incorporated association.
- Complimentary access to the Channel Chatter newsletter and social gatherings

## Out-n-About App

The Out-n-About phone app is an optional Apple iStore / Google Play purchase and as a social member provides position marking from your phone from anywhere in the world where you have data or Wi-Fi access. This allows your friends and family to monitor/see your travels on their phones using their Out-n-

About app, without your friends having to be members of Austravel. You can send MAIL BOX text messages from your phone to any club member with a suitable radio, no matter where you are in the world or where they are in Australia.

### FEATURES ADVANTAGES & BENEFITS OF THE VARIOUS AUSTRAVEL MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

	Operational features available to Austravel Safety Net Members at each membership level	Level 1 Full Member	Level 2 Household Member	Level 3 Ordinary Member	Level 4 Social Member
1	Attend Social events, training sessions and receive the email Channel Chatter magazine.	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Have your own member selcall number which links you to other club members whether you have a radio or not.	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Mark position on map when anywhere in the world for friends and family to view on web or Out-n-About phone app.	✓	✓		✓
4	Send and receive mail box text messages from/to any club member radio using Out-n-About app only.	✓	✓		✓
5	Emergency call for Help from anywhere in Australia with any HF radio with selcall using Telcall emergency 4357.	✓	✓	✓	
6	Send an emergency call with a single Red button press on a suitable radio.	✓	✓	✓	
7	Send and receive text messages from/to any club member radio direct transmission.	✓	✓	✓	
8	Enjoy social conversation on the radio on air at sked times and general chat.	✓	✓	✓	
9	Mark a GPS position anywhere in Australia using your HF radio in remote areas.	✓	✓		
10	Receive and send on your radio, mail box text messages from/to any club member via HF radio or phone app	✓	✓		
11	Send SMS messages to any Australian mobile phone from your HF radio from anywhere in Australia.	✓	✓		
12	Make direct dial phone calls via your HF radio from anywhere and everywhere in Australia through any Austravel base.	✓	✓		
13	HELP- <b>Sat</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓
14	HELP- <b>PLB</b>	✓	✓		
	<b>Annual cost total (2019)</b>	<b>\$100 pa</b>	<b>\$65pa</b>	<b>\$70 pa</b>	<b>\$30 pa</b>

There are other documents available to further explain Austravel SafetyNet system features: -

- Telcall+ Key Features (manual)
- Telcall+ Operational Handbook (manual)
- Out-n-About Operator Handbook (manual)
- Telcall+ for Social Members (leaflet)
- KISS Emergency Call (leaflet)
- KISSSend SMS (leaflet)
- KISSMailbox (leaflet)
- KISS Log GPS (leaflet)
- KISSGet Out-n-About (leaflet)

Manuals and leaflets provided as pdf by email upon request or any technical or operational queries on Telcall+ or the above please contact: - Kim Rhodes on 0427983329 or Email: -telcallplus@austravelsafetynet.org.au

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