



The Just4Kids Children's Charity Newsletter

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Rainbow Beach to Byron Bay



The second survey to finalise the **Beach to Bay Motor Trail** event will commence on Wednesday 2nd March. On completion, the accommodation list will be available to all those who have already paid their entry fee. Registrations are now open, so please either email your entry form to admin@just4kids.org.au or mail to Just4Kids Motortrail, PO Box 6669 GCMC 9726 to secure your place on the next Just4Kids Motor Trail adventure. Submit your entry now to avoid disappointment.



REGISTER NOW

RAINBOW BEACH TO BYRON BAY via FRASER ISLAND - 24 AUGUST to 1 SEPTEMBER 2011

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2011 RAINBOW BEACH TO BYRON BAY WEDNESDAY 24 AUGUST – THURSDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

MEET & GREET	TUESDAY 23 AUGUST	RAINBOW BEACH SPORTS CLUB
DAY 1	WEDNESDAY 24	RAINBOW BEACH – FRASER ISLAND
DAY 2	THURSDAY 25	FRASER ISLAND
DAY 3	FRIDAY 26	FRASER ISLAND – KINGAROY
DAY 4	SATURDAY 27	KINGAROY – JANDOWAE
DAY 5	SUNDAY 28	JANDOWAE – GOONDIWINDI
DAY 6	MONDAY 29	GOONDIWINDI – STANTHORPE
DAY 7	TUESDAY 30	STANTHORPE – LAY DAY
DAY 8	WEDNESDAY 31	STANTHORPE – BYRON BAY
DAY 9	THURSDAY 1 SEPT	BYRON BAY (FINAL NIGHT DINNER)





A management decision was made to reschedule this year's Cape York event in 2012. We will be back next year, bigger and better than ever, to explore the wonders of Cape York and the Gulf country. Queensland has taken a battering this year what with floods in the South East and Yasi doing her worst up North, but with the fantastic spirit that makes us proud to be Queenslanders, all those friends, supporters and sponsors who were affected either directly or indirectly by the recent events, have given the thumbs up that they are back on track and will be ready for the Just4Kids Cape York Safari in 2012. Watch this space!!!



Just4Kids Supports flood and Cyclone Victims



Little did we know, as we sat enjoying our Christmas fare, what was in store for SE Queensland over the next few weeks. You all saw the images on our television screens, we all cried at the devastation and terrible loss of life, we marvelled at the miraculous escapes and were in awe of the amazing Qld spirit which saw all those volunteers invade Brisbane and surrounding areas for the clean up. They came from far and wide. It did not matter whether you lived in Brisbane, Toowoomba, the Lockyer Valley, Rockhampton, Emerald, Bundaberg, Dalby, Goondiwindi and all those regions that were inundated, all you knew was that you wanted to help.



Then along came Yasi. Once again North Qld was pounded, but not beaten. Houses, businesses, and lives left in tatters but, as our good friend Kath Goggi from Cardwell said "We're good mate, we're alive and we will rebuild". If ever we are proud to be Queenslanders, the events of the last month or so have proved to everyone how strong and stoic we are.



And help is what Just4Kids is all about. J4K Collection tins have been delivered all over the state, and beyond, to raise funds for the flood victims. There are tins in Townsville, Cardwell, Tully, Brisbane, the Gold Coast, Tasmania, Weipa, Coen, and our good friends in Cooktown have them all over town. If you would like one of our collection tins that can be placed on a shop or club counter, at a service station, newsagency, or anywhere with passing traffic, please give us a call and we will freight them to you now. A percentage of the funds raised on this year's Beach to Bay motor trail will be distributed into our flood/cyclone relief fund.



Every picture tells a story. Yasi tore through Tully, Mission Beach and Cardwell. The Goggis emailed these photos of Cardwell which gives a clear picture of the devastation. Mark delivered the J4K generators and tinned food to the Cardwell Red Cross Food Relief. Collection tins are now everywhere so we can help with assistance where needed.



And the story has been the same in Brisbane with the photos below sent by J4K entrant, Lee Harrington. Lee's golf shop and range at Oxley was inundated but fortunately she had time to get some of her stock to dry ground. The water went much higher than forecast so it was all hands on deck cleaning mud off every form of golf gear you can imagine. Collection tins are spread all over SE Qld helping flood victims.









Fraser Coast Meet and Greet




		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fully Catered • Guided tours • Mechanical Support • Video of event produced • Early bookings essential • Limited numbers • 9 days of fun and adventure <p>Event departs Wednesday 24th August 2011</p> <p>For all information contact: Kerin on M: 0427 991 900 E: admin@just4kids.org.au</p>
		
<p>From Rainbow Beach to Fraser Island - so much to see and do.</p>	<p>Across the range to Kingaroy, follow the wine trail to Stanthorpe - relax and enjoy</p>	

Rainbow Beach to Byron Bay

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The Hervey Bay Aero Club, Fraser Coast Airport, is proud to host an opportunity for existing and potential supporters, entrants and sponsors of the Just 4 Kids Motortrail to enjoy a casual evening BBQ and drinks.

- Saturday 5th March—from 5pm
- BBQ meal supplied by AeroClub, drinks available for purchase.
- The Hervey Bay Aero Club is located adjacent to the runway of the Fraser Coast Airport.
- Families welcome.



Come along and meet the local entrants, and organisers of this year's Beach to Bay event.

RSVP by Friday 4th March

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Supporting Just4Kids Helps Us Support Others



No sooner had the mud dried than we ran a **J4K charity golf day** supporting the SE Qld flood victims. Over 100 people enjoyed the beautiful Northlakes Golf Course and the funds raised will be added to the J4K flood



Jackie Berry from Zero One put on a fundraising BBQ inviting her clients and staff. They raised over \$500 and filled the J4K collection tin. They must have been fantastic sausages!!



Motor Trail entrant Trevor McLeod loves to support J4K and was the 1st to put his hand up for a banner.

All the girls from Sandwich Express raised \$55 in the first week with their tin for Cardwell. Thanks girls.



The Team from Biddy's Snack Bar in Townsville - great supporters of J4K



Guy & Sheree McKenzie from Pit Straight Mechanix are coming to the Cape in 2012. They love their Ford



Renee Ivanov of The South Pacific Taekwondo organisation is a keen supporter with events organised to help raise funds.



Mary and Chrissy from JTS - Chrissy manages our huge database and rattles the tin



Terry (Wombat) is an ex tagalong tour operator. Wombat is helping with our 2012 Alice Springs route and rattles his collection tin from his mobile coffee van. Well done Wombat and thank you.



This month we begin a series on preparing your vehicle for the motortrail, and in particular preparing your 4wd for the truly offroad sections.



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Each month we will look at a different aspect of vehicle preparation, set up or driving technique.

To begin, we will start with the way that we look at approaching our time behind the wheel whilst on Fraser Island, this begins before we leave the mainland.

When you get to the barge.

Adjust your tyre pressures - there is no right or wrong pressure, every car, load, trailer and tyre construction is different. However two things are known:



1. Lowering your tyre pressure WILL increase the length (not the width) of your footprint or 'contact patch', and this WILL make it easier for you to traverse sand.

2. Lowering your tyre pressure WILL adversely affect your 4wd's handling - sharp cornering and braking can see your tyre's bead 'break' and your tyre and rim part company.

*Your 4wd WILL travel better, without wheelspin, with the **appropriate** tyre pressure. Your tyre manufacturer might be able to offer you some specific guidelines. Of course, you need a compressor if you are going to play with tyre pressure.*

On the Island.

Know the tides. Only travel within 2 hours of low tide, and try to travel near the water's edge. Leave the top of the beach for parked cars, families and resting shorebirds.

Take your time: Not everyone is *on a mission* like you. You've come to one of the world's most spectacular locations ... slow down and enjoy it.

On the issue of Momentum...

The formula for momentum is Mass (m) x Velocity (v)... This implies that a vehicle with a low mass, needs to travel faster to maintain momentum...

We all know that small lightweight 4wds 'go better' in soft sand, therefore to suggest that 'momentum' is a key to sand driving is, in fact, incorrect.

When driving on sand, we should be looking to always maximise our **torque** (correct gear and ratio selection – and possibly disabling 'driver aids' like stability control) and **traction** (appropriate tyre pressure and tractive footprint.)

A spinning wheel has very little traction, every moment that a tyre is turning faster than your ground speed it is slowly (or quickly) digging you a hole.

Beach and sand driving is a pleasure not available in many locations. Take the opportunity to enjoy it. The beaches of Fraser Island are host to many people and animals. Please drive with caution and respect.

There is no driving environment more dynamic than a beach.

For more information, visit our website www.p7offroad.com.au or email dave@p7offroad.com.au

There is also some terrific information available as part of a Coastcare Project which we were engaged to deliver at www.p7offroad.com.au/coastcare



You can tune into Dave "Nugget" Downie's "Outback and Bay" on 1116 Brisbane 4BC every Sunday evening from 5-7pm. Each week Dave and I discuss a different aspect of 4wding or touring.

Next issue **Recovery gear.**