

## ISSUE 47 A FAMILY ADVENTURE NOT TO BE MISSED IN APRIL/MAY 2020

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## 2020 KIMBERLEY ADVENTURE





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The good news is that the survey has been completed successfully and without incident.

We were truly amazed by the positive responses we received towards our intended Kimberleys, Just4Kids Children's Charity Adventure. It was truly overwhelming the assistance and information that was made available to us on this Track.

Conditions were favorable, in the region & although we had not had a wet season, the scenery was still amazing.

We have endeavored to vary our overnight accommodation venues, in some places the choice was very limited but overall the accommodation/camping was more than acceptable. The Kimberley is such an enormous area and tourists are welcomed everywhere with open arms.

We have included a variety of different tours organized by us on our J4K 2020 Kimberleys Adventure. There are loads of tours out there, tourism is big business for these remote places in the Kimberleys.

Please be aware of our organized tours before you book your optional tours. Except for the first two days en route, there are activities available at the venues we stay at, please check them out on their websites or Visitors Info Centre.

We suggest you go online to the Visitors Information Centres to get details of tours you may be interested in. We found them very co-operative and knowledgeable, such as Halls Creek, Broome, Derby, and Katherine.

We are traveling in the early part of the tourism season, therefore, tours should be readily available. If you wish to book the Horizontal Falls Tour from Broome, or Cape Leveque we stress these bookings are essential as seats on the plane are limited with weather permitting.

Catering and ablutions for you all, is one of our biggest tasks, in searching for our overnight venues, we have endeavored to book for comfort wherever possible, but please remember this is a remote adventure and conditions could change at any time.

Please read our Check List on the website to enable you to have an enjoyable trip.

The Accommodation Schedule has been compiled, please note carefully where you are required to book direct and pay direct. Please note that some places need to be booked by a certain time due to their wet season starting. Ensure you get confirmation of your booking. Please email us advising that you have booked your accommodation, stating your entry name & car number.

The prepaid organized tours and out meals during our adventure thru the Kimberleys has been completed.

Happy reading, if you have any queries and or Questions...

Please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Just4Kids Children's Charity





# J4K MOTORTRAIL DIRECTORS REPORT



Our recent acquisition is looking good, getting it ready for the cool room to be fitted to carry supplies on our trip through the Kimberleys.

We were very pleased to receive funds through the **Ronald Geoffrey Arnott Foundation** to upgrade our ageing Dyna, now 25 years old.

Our New Isuzu 4x4 light truck is a perfect combination along with our Landcruiser to support the J4KMT catering crew through the Kimberleys.

Special thanks must go to **Gilbert and Roach and Midcoast Trucks** in NSW for their support and to **Rod** who drove it to Townsville to be fitted out.

Again Special thanks to **Phil Binder** for his endless efforts in the funding department of Just4Kids.

From our perspective, the fitting of our New **Gen Y Hitch** is a major safety and support factor in towing a heavy trailer with a ridged truck. Lumps, bumps, corrugations can cause fractures in trailer A-frames, this sprung **Gen Y Hitch** is made to eliminate the hard jerks on the front end of the A-frame reducing that sudden lift when the rear end is jolted by grids, bridges or just big buldust holes.

A SPECIAL thanks must go to **Chris Rosch from Gen Y Hitch** on the Gold Coast for his support.

Mark Louez our MTD is a happy person, with the assistance from Aurizon this Honda 7 KVA generator will power our new mobile cool room and auxiliary units for the Kimberley Adventure 2020 and all our future motor trails.

Several of our locations where we overnight, will be power restricted so this is a welcome piece of equipment. It will supply all our lighting and power to our fridge/ freezers enabling us to run only one generator, therefore saving on our fuel consumption and eliminate the noise quite considerably in the restricted noise level areas.

A special thanks goes out to Aurizon and Phil Binder, whom through their efforts have made this transition possible.



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# CIVIL MARRIAGE CELEBRANT

## JUST DO IT! DONATE TO A GOOD CAUSE

In April 2020 our Kimberley Motor Trail is heading to the Kimberleys. Just4Kids Childrens' Charity is a registered Charity 1507 supporting Youth who are disadvantaged or with disabilities. As part of our fundraising activity enroute we will be offering the services of a Celebrant. Anyone interested in this service for Renewal of Vows or ready to take the plunge, call Glen Rowe, our mobile Celebrant.

Please consider joining us for what would be a wonderful occasion to share with many new friends to celebrate your special day. If you would like to participate in this novel event and donate to our worthy cause, please contact Glen Rowe on 07 4723 9922 or email: [glen@celebrantservices.net.au](mailto:glen@celebrantservices.net.au). prior to the event, minimum of two months notice is required.

This ceremony would have to co-ordinate with our Motor Trail Route, together with our stopover venues and dates.





## Kimberleys TOURIST HOT SPOTS



### ITINERARY AND NON ITINERARY TOURS AND TOURIST HOT SPOTS

As the Just4Kids Kimberleys Adventure tag along travels our designated route there will be many opportunities for you to take small diversions off the beaten track to experience some of the wonders of the Kimberley.

We will be taking you to as many interesting places as possible as part of our route but we have several lay days where you can either travel to a place of interest or, if you prefer, book a tour to somewhere that you may have on your bucket list. Amazing spectacles such as Horizontal Falls, the Bungle Bungles, Mitchell Falls and Lake Argyle will require a pre organised flight booking from Broome. You will need to do this well in advance of our departure date from Alice Springs.

As for the independent drives you can take when we are accommodated for a couple of days, then the world is your oyster. Get out your maps of the area and decide where you would like to take a day trip. Apart from the iconic places we have mentioned, there are the pearl farms such as Willie Creek Pearl Farm and Cygnet Bay Pearl Farm to mention a couple. The quality of the pearls that can be purchased at the pearl farms is of the highest quality and are sort after world wide.

At El Questro you have an organised cruise, but there are many other things available to do there. Check out their website but there is no need to book anything there at this point. From Broome you can take flights to all the iconic places mentioned above. There are also many day tours such as Explorer Bus, Turtle Bay Kayak Adventure and Cable Beach Sunset Camel Ride.

These are just a few of the many wondrous things to make your Kimberley adventure a trip you will remember forever.





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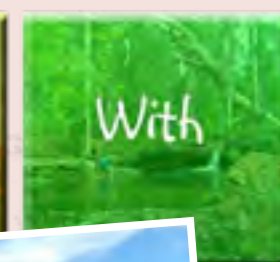


Now we are going to the Kimberleys in 2020 to support Just 4kids Motor Trails in helping disadvantaged kids at the top end of WA. We hope to see you there and serve you a brew of our finest coffee and tea ...

To find out more about vans and availability in your local service area, simply send us an email.







# THE WEST FAMILY HEAD WEST Part 2

Deciding to take your children out of school for a period of time for a family holiday can be a daunting process. Britt West, a professional working mother of two boys believes the benefits are well worth it.



“My husband and I decided to take our children out of school for 6 weeks while we go on a family holiday through the Kimberley and down the coast of Western Australia.

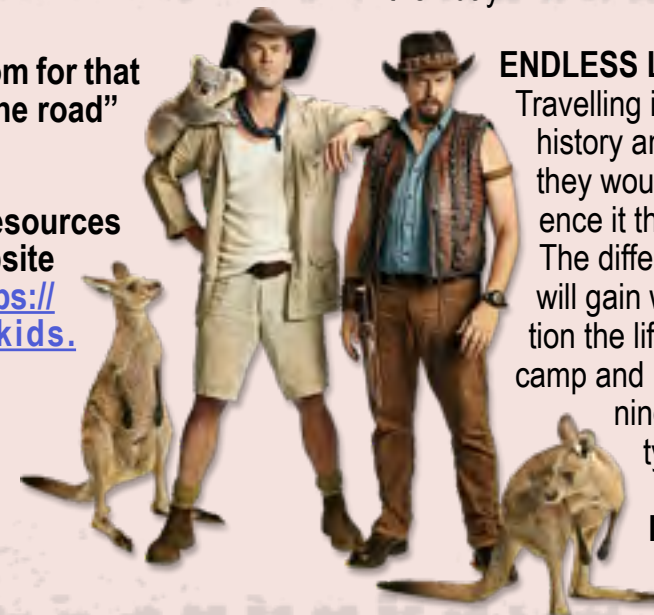
Instead of learning in the classroom for that time, we were teaching them on the road” Britt West said.

The Western Australia school resources were obtained from the website Travelling Australia with Kids <https://www.travellingaustraliawithkids.com>

This is an excellent resource that

teaches children through the experiential learning process. You never know, the parents will probably learn a thing or three as well!!

These Boab trees are only found to be growing in three places around the world, Western Australia is one of them. This tree, in particular, was used to hold the prisoners in when the guards wanted a rest.



## OPPORTUNITIES AS YOU TRAVEL

Let's not lose sight of the fact that you are travelling around Australia, which means you have a plethora of opportunities to teach your children as you travel. Ensure you schedule visits to museums, aquariums, mine sites, science centres or any other educational site an area has to offer. They will learn so much from physically visiting these places and talking about the experience afterwards at dinner. One of the best ways to teach the kids is when they do not realise they are being taught.

You may not 'school' every day, not in the conventional sense; but try to incorporate learning into every day. They can plan the route with you, they can help make shopping lists, choosing a meal that they would like to help you cook and you can even set them a budget to adhere to. Use the trip to teach them the things you wish they would learn at school!

## AUDIOBOOKS

Another great idea for learning in the car are audiobooks or some educational podcasts. You can listen to them together and then discuss as a family, encouraging the kids to have a view or an opinion. This helps to break up this time while travelling and better yet, it will have the kids learning again without even realising it.

## TRAVEL JOURNAL

There would not be a teacher in the country that would not encourage the children to keep a diary or journal of their trip. Not only is this a great way for them to recall and write about their day, but they really will love this to look back on later. They can draw, cut out from brochures or even take photos to print off and stick in as memories of their travels. A great time to do this each day would be while you are preparing dinner, thereby breaking up a schooling activity and of course an enjoyable time to recall their day.

## ENDLESS LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ON THE ROAD

Travelling itself gives them endless possibilities to learn. Each area you visit will have its own history and geography that you can teach as well as being able to show them, something they wouldn't experience in regular schooling. It's far better to be there, to see it and experience it than to read about it.

The different people they will meet, the new friends they will make and the confidence they will gain with the exposure to people of all ages is an invaluable life experience. Not to mention the life skills you can give them when you encourage them to help with setting up your camp and packing it down again. Give them their own task, yes it takes longer in the beginning as you help and teach them to do it, but it gives them ownership and responsibility and they will be proud of their own achievements.

## MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TRIP

As long you are covering the basics with them, they will be okay. This is for most, a once in a lifetime opportunity, don't waste it worrying about the schooling. Make sure you make the most of every moment as not many teachers will say to you that you should have explored less and completed worksheets more. Embrace this opportunity to partake in your children's education.



# Do you really need a reason to visit the Fraser Coast

Fraser Coast RV Park – Suitable for all types of RV's, Campers, Roof Top Tents, Camper Trailers, Caravans ...

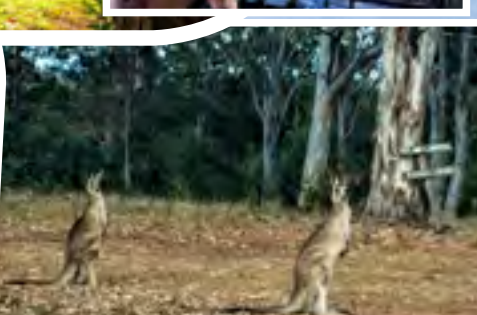
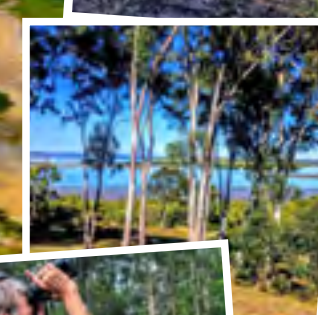
Immerse yourself in nature at our sprawling property with 40 acre nature reserve where kangaroos abound & 41 bird species identified. Great stop over for visitors to Fraser Island, just 3kms from ferry service & 10kms from Hervey Bay Airport. Or stay in luxury in Mango Lodge, wheelchair accessible solid timber slab cabin with deep open air claw foot bath overlooking 100 year old mango tree.

So you've hooked up your big rig and you travel for miles only to find yourself parked right next door to your neighbors. The husband complains, "it's too difficult to park", and the wife complains "there's no privacy". So come and visit us and enjoy everything the Fraser Coast has to offer. You will feel like you really are on holidays. A great getaway from it all, yet just a stones throw from Fraser Island and Hervey Bay.

## Campsite

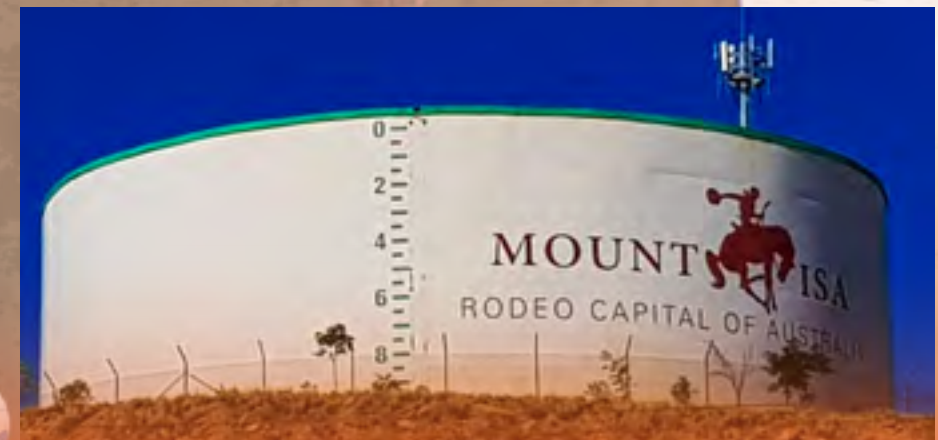
Plenty of wide open spaces for you to camp. Camp sites \$30 per night, powered sites \$40 per night, self sufficient \$20 per night. Further details on pricing and to [Make a Bookings](#) [CLICK HERE](#)

- Bush Kitchen with gas cook top, sink, fridge, toaster, kettle. Large fire pit for groups.
- Is it pet friendly? – YES provided restraint used, no chasing kangaroos, rabbits.
- Where is the nearest bottle shop? – At Urangun, next to Airport, 10kms away and behind BP fuel stop.
- Do you take Eftpos? Yes and there is an ATM at the River Heads Shops, 3kms up the road.
- Do I have to book a ferry to get to Fraser Island – YES as there are limited services. The ferry booking office is at the River Heads Shops. Also IGA for groceries and supplies, Chemist, Real Estate and VK's Cafe which is a lovely little cafe overlooking the Mary & Susan Rivers out the back.
- What are the ferry times? – Departs River Heads 6.45 & 9am, 3.30 & 6.45pm – leaves Kingfisher Resort 7.50 & 10.30am, 2, 5 & 8.30pm.
- Can I get a massage? yes at East Booral, 5 minutes away, Swedish, remedial, deep tissue, lomi lomi, reiki, reflexology & facials. Also couples massage available in room @ Mango Lodge
- Are the midgie's bad? – depending on the weather conditions, if it is still and it has rained and it is hot, they can be about, more prevalent in summer. Recommend the use of moisturiser on your skin. Skin so soft by Avon, works well. Other spray on brands also good. Light a mozzie coil around your camp at 4pm to difuse them. We are in a natural environment where 40 acres of the property is bushland so you can expect bushland conditions. No different than anywhere else in this natural setting.
- Can you sell me some gas? Sorry no, but there is gas available at the IGA up the road.
- Do I have to bring my own firewood? No, we have lots of sticks around the property.
- Can I light a fire anywhere? No, we have a large fire-pit beside the bush kitchen and smaller designated spots around the grounds for you to use.
- Where is the nearest dump point? At the Hervey Bay Tourist Information Centre on the Hervey Bay Maryborough Road. (20kms) Access is via key 9am to 5pm every day.
- Can I get some takeaway food delivered? Yes via menu log.
- Is there phone reception? Yes a very good strong signal.





# JUST4KIDS DELIVERS AGAIN BY SUPPORTING OUR AUSSIE KIDS



## AURIZON COMMUNITY GIVING FUND

**Just4kids** Children's Charity supports aussie youth on various levels during our motor trail as well as throughout the year with our Grants Programme. We recently supported the Indigenous Youth Mentoring & Role Model Programme in Cloncurry and Mt Isa in Queensland.

Brian Kerle, being the Head Coach for BK Basketball, headed this project, together with local officials of PCYC and local police of Cloncurry, they held a mentoring & coaching sessions for 29 local youths offering the same experiences & opportunities to draw upon and learn from.

He spendt 2days in Mt Isa working with the talented youth of Spinifex State College (90 kids), also working along side Rev Michael Lowcock at the Good Sheppard Catholic School.

In total 270 youths attended our J4K camp sessions. In all a successful programme.







We had a fruitful meeting with Sandra, Graham & Claire from TJM Alice Springs together with Ann Marie from The Special Souls Group.

We thank TJM Alice Springs for their valuable information and assistance enabling us to organise this venture. We must express our appreciation to Sandra & Graham in offering their premises for packing our catering vehicles and accommodating our catering crew whilst in Alice Springs.

We will again be supporting The Special Souls Group to assist them in aiding children in need in Alice Springs.



## Barrett communications have serviced our, Just4Kids Motor Trail, Barrett HF long distance radios for many years now.

Martin Johnson, Business Development Manager for Barrett Communications has been our main contact and support person, who has now currently moved to Malaysia as their manager for South East Asia Barrett Division, We wish him great success, thanks Martin,

Your long term support for Just4Kids Motor Trail has been of great importance to us, Allowing us to keep track from the front line to our tail-end Charlie, Sweep.

Our main radios are currently with **John Stodart**. Barrett's Senior Service Technician in W A being serviced for our next Kimberley Adventure Trek in April/May 2020... Mark J4K MTD



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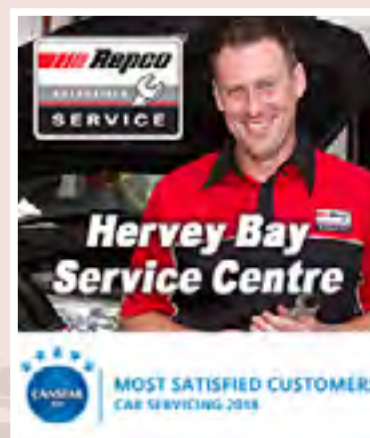
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## The TJM Townsville Open Day,

TJM is one of our major supporters in Townsville under the SPINKS Group with outlets in Cairns, Tsv, Mc Kay, Mt Isa and Darwin. The TJM open day is not to be missed with excellent discounts & Bargains to be had. 2019 was the largest turnout for persons looking for that extra item for there 4x4 or talking to the reps from most of the distributors, J4KMT has flyers at all of the SPINKS group outlets in Australia, so please support those who support us, for any queries, Please Call TJM Townsville Manager Tony on 07 4758 0995 or Warrick in Cairns on 0417 763 982 Again a huge thanks to the SPINKS Group who have supported J4KMT for over ten years.





# Fraser Cost RV Park & REPCO Service Centre Hervey Bay Are Still Leading The Way, in helping Just4kids with badly needed FUNDS with their CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE program!

These Holiday Recycle Your Containers  
Just4Kids Childrens Charity



Just 4 Kids Children's Charity has now been registered in Qld for "Containers for Change". Bottles/plastics and cans that have the 10c refund label them. (Cans can be crushed)

So any person having a drink over the Holiday period can drop off their empty cans/tins and bottles at the designated "Containers for Change" areas and quote C10030269 and the value of the returned containers will be donated back to Just 4 Kids Children's Charity

If you would like to donate your proceeds. Simply label your bags with the following Number C10030269 and help the disadvantaged outback kids of Australia.

<https://www.containersforchange.com.au>



Collect eligible containers

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