

# OZ OUTBACK ODYSSEY



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## ADELAIDE TO FRASER ISLAND

### 27th JULY TO 3rd August 2019

#### ENTRANT UPDATE

We are well are truly in countdown mode to this years event, with just over 12 weeks before we depart for Fraser Island. At this stage we have 26 cars entered in this years event, plus there will be 9 official vehicles. Have heard there is still a fair bit of work to be done on some cars but have been assured they will be ready for the start line on 27/7/19.

It's not too late to enter a car in this years event, so if you know someone that is keen to get involved in our great event but does not have a vehicle, please contact Keith Finch on 0418 501 055 or Robert Goode on 0487 352 920 as there are vehicles available.

## **DINNER AT PAFC ON 6/4/19**

We had a very successful dinner at Port Adelaide Football Club on 6/4/19. We had 149 people attend and Spence Denny did a great job interviewing our own Russell Ebert about his outstanding career with the Port Adelaide Football Club which has spanned 50 years to date, plus Russell gave us an insight into his family life during this time. Russell as always was honest and modest with his responses. The interview was enjoyed by all. We had a raffle and auction on the night and a total of \$23,135 was raised which will go toward this years tally for the Royal Flying Doctor Service. In all a great night, so watch out for this event next year and make sure you get in early !!!

## **DATES FOR ODYSSEY EVENTS**

Scrutineering will again be held at Rapid Haulage workshop at Largs Bay. Date is Saturday 22nd June.

The pre Odyssey get together will be held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July. The venue for this event is the Royal Flying Doctor Service Base at Adelaide Airport.

The Weekend Odyssey will be held on 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Please record these dates so we have maximum attendance at all of these events.

Reminders will be sent as we get closer to each of these events

## **SURVEY FOR 2019 EVENT**

The survey for this years event was concluded on 16/4/19. The Committee decided to change the route of this years event following heavy rains in the Windorah & Blackall areas on the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> March with reports that some roads will be closed for 2 months, following 9 inches of rain at Blackall. This would have made surveying roads in the Windorah Blackall and Tambo districts before the event very tricky and if more rain was received (which has happened) roads would be closed for an extended period of time.

Please refer to spreadsheet below which has details of the new route, daily km. total and overnight stops.

During the survey we had to put both survey vehicles on the back of a truck at Thargomindah to get across the Bulloo River, which had 800mm of water flowing across the causeway. The tracks were extremely dry and dusty but since the survey has been completed, Eulo has had 4 inches of rain and there is more good falls predicted later this week, so by the time we get there at the end of July we will find a very green landscape with minimal dust.

Please note that we will be taking off from CMV Truck Sales at Cavan.

<b>DATE</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>KM's</b>
Saturday 27/7/19	Adelaide	Hawker	481
Sunday 28/7/19	Hawker	Arkaroola	298
Monday 29/7/19	Arkaroola	Cameron Corner	470
Tuesday 30/7/19	Cameron Corner	Eulo	585
Wednesday 31/7/19	Eulo	Nindigully	550
Thursday 1/8/19	Nindigully	Possum Park	363
Friday 2/8/19	Possum Park	Biggenden	352
Saturday 3/8/19	Biggenden	Fraser Island	126
Total			3,225

## ACCOMODATION OPTIONS

In 2019 we have overnight stops in locations where there is other accommodation available. Please refer to information below for options if you wish to upgrade from camping. Remember if you are upgrading from camping, this will be at your own expense.

DATE	ACCOMMODATION	CONTACT DETAILS	ACCOMMODATION UPGRADE OPTIONS
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> July	Hawker	hawkerhotel@bigpond.com	Hawker Caravan Park <a href="mailto:stay@hawkercaravanpark.com.au">stay@hawkercaravanpark.com.au</a> Hawker Bed & Breakfasts <a href="mailto:info@hawkermotors.com.au">info@hawkermotors.com.au</a>
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> July	Arkaroola Village	<a href="mailto:res@arkaroola.com.au">res@arkaroola.com.au</a>	Various options at Arkaroola Village
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> July	Cameron Corner	Cameron Corner rooms booked out	Nothing available
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Eulo	Eulo Hotel booked out	Cabins available at Wandilla Station 15km south of Eulo <a href="mailto:dcmeurant@bigpond.com">dcmeurant@bigpond.com</a>
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> July	Nindigully	Nindigully Hotel booked out	Nothing available
Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Possum Park	Phone 07 4627 1651 and ask for Julie  No email available	Cabins & units available at Possum Park plus Motels/Hotel in Miles 10km away
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug	Biggenden	biggendenmotel@bigpond.com	Grand Hotel Biggenden Ph 07 4127 1252
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Fraser Island	<a href="mailto:reservations@kingfisherbay.com">reservations@kingfisherbay.com</a> Quote booking No #547313 to get special OZ Outback Odyssey rates <a href="https://www.kingfisherbay.com/fraser-island-accommodation/accommodation-fraser-island/fraser-island-villas.html">https://www.kingfisherbay.com/fraser-island-accommodation/accommodation-fraser-island/fraser-island-villas.html</a>	Happy Valley Resort Fraser Island

*\*\*Please Note all accommodation options listed above are subject to availability at each location and no accommodation other than campsites have been booked on behalf of the Odyssey Participants, as per inclusion in the Crew Fee.*

Please note that the route is subject to change by the Odyssey Committee due to weather and other conditions – it is an indicative guide only. You will be advised of any changes to the route as soon as they occur.

Remember, your accommodation at Fraser Island is not part of your Crew Fee, you have to book and pay for this yourselves. When booking please use the code #547313, as we have negotiated a special rate with the Kingfisher Bay Resort.

They will continue this rate for 2 nights after our presentation dinner as well so bear this in mind if you wish to stay on at Kingfisher Bay Resort. We have had a large number of rooms set aside for our Event and once they are gone you will be competing with the general public for a room, so the best thing to do is get in early and book your accommodation for Fraser Island now.

A reminder that if you had booked accommodation at some of the overnight stops on our **original** route, can you ring and cancel those bookings please.

## **ODYSSEY PRESENTATION DINNER ON FRASER ISLAND**

For those wives / partners/ girlfriends wanting to join us at the Presentation Dinner on 3/8/19 the cost will be \$184 per head. You are also welcome to join us on the ferry from Hervey Bay departing at 12.30 on 3/8/19 at a cost of \$20 per person. (This is the ferry that all participants will be travelling to Fraser Island on). We will be having lunch at Fraser Island upon our arrival.

## **ACTIVITIES ON FRASER ISLAND**

If you intend staying on Fraser Island for a few nights after the event, there are links below of tours that are available.

Please note that if you intend hiring a 4WD vehicle on Fraser Island, we learnt that the cost is \$600 per day. You would be better hiring a car on the mainland and taking this across on the ferry ( cost of return trip on the ferry is \$180 per vehicle). In addition if you are taking a vehicle across to Fraser Island, fuel it up at Hervey Bay before departure as fuel on Fraser Island is \$2.00 a litre.

Beauty Spots Tour:

<https://www.kingfisherbay.com/fraser-island-activities/eco-tours/beauty-spots-tour.html>

Whale Watching will also be available while you are here:

<https://www.kingfisherbay.com/fraser-island-activities/eco-tours/whale-watching.html>

## **FERRY TIMETABLE FOR DEPARTING FRASER ISLAND**

Please see link below for timetable to assist with planning your return to Hervey Bay.

<https://www.kingfisherbay.com/getting-here/fraser-island-ferry.html>

## **CLOTHING ORDERS**

Once again we have Odyssey clothing available for our participants. Please refer to the attached order form and brochure. Supplier does not have credit card facilities, thus, please eft funds to the bank details provided on the order form. All orders will need to be placed by 7th June 2019.

## **FREIGHT FOR CARS HOME FROM BRISBANE**

Options to get cars home from Brisbane are still being explored, refer to next bulletin for full details on how to book and pay for freight to get cars home if not driving your vehicle home.

## **FUND RAISING EVENTS**

If you are planning a fund raising event, you are welcome to borrow the flag for the 2019 event, as this has been printed. We can also arrange to get some of the Odyssey family to attend and support your function.

## **WINE SALES**

Don't forget to order some fantastic O'Leary Walker Wines that we have on offer. Our range has been expanded to include a "Fine Body Rose". These are all high quality wines made by the award winning O'Leary Walker Winery at Leasingham in the Clare Valley. Please refer to order form attached.

## **DIRECT CREDITS TO OUR BANK ACCOUNT**

If you have the need to deposit funds direct to the OZ Bash Bank account with the ANZ Bank at Gawler, can we ask that you forward a receipt to [enquiries@ozoutbackodyssey.com.au](mailto:enquiries@ozoutbackodyssey.com.au) so we can reconcile who has deposited what money and for what purpose, i.e. entry/crew fees, presentation dinner for partners, wine purchase etc.

## **EVERYDAY HERO PROGRAM**

With only a couple of months to go until the 2019 OZ Outback Odyssey kicks off, it is the best time to really encourage your networks to support your fundraising efforts and donate before you head off. Some easy steps to do that are:

- Update your Everyday Hero fundraising profile with your personal bio and photos of your car
  - Kristen has sent each Car an email with the details of their personalised Everyday Hero page recently, if you need this resent please contact Kristen
  - Share your Everyday Hero fundraising profile link via email or social media with friends, family, colleagues, suppliers etc.
  - Hold a fundraising event whether it be a casual day in the office, BBQ or sausage sizzle or even a car wash.
  - Get some donation tins for your workplace, business or use as a swear jar amongst mates
- If you would like any RFDS Resources to assist you at upcoming events, including donation tins, posters, stickers, RFDS Air Doctor magazines etc. please don't hesitate to ask
  - If you have any questions about Everyday Hero, fundraising in general, or would like some RFDS resources, please contact Kristen on 08 8238 3340 or [Kristen.newlyn@flyingdoctor.net](mailto:Kristen.newlyn@flyingdoctor.net)

For all officials or general donations to the event, please use the below link:

<https://ozoutbackodyssey2019.everydayhero.com/au/event-officials>

## **UPDATE FROM 2018 EVENT**

Those that participated in the 2018 OZ Outback Odyssey should recognise the photo below. This is a photos take at Coona Coona Station out of White Cliffs on Good Friday this year. We had a far bit of fun here on last years event when this was a dry lake bed. Owner Blue Scott sent this photo in of Good Friday which shows the lake with 6 inches of water in it, following his biggest single rain event since 2012 – 70mm



## **SPONSORS**

We acknowledge the support of all of our sponsors and we encourage you to use our sponsors in your day to day business activities whenever possible



There is a fair bit of information in this bulletin, following completion of the survey, so make sure you process all the information.



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