

NOVEMBER JET TREK NEWS

EVENT MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Hi Trekkers!

Welcome to your November newsletter for the 2019 Autumn Yamaha Variety Jet Trek including the much anticipated accommodation booking link!

In this newsletter you'll find all the information you will need to ensure you're well prepared for the 2019 Autumn Yamaha Variety Jet Trek including accommodation details, daily ride distances, fuel requirements, provisions levy fees and inclusions, an itinerary recap and an important reminder about your crew forms and event merchandise.

We've also included some details on a special offer from our friends at Whitsunday Escape and some links for you to book extra meals or merchandise for any friends or family not coming along as a participant on the 2019 event.

Please don't forget all participant crew forms for riders and road crew are due by Friday 30th November 2018!

As always please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions!

Erin Lazarou Event Manager

ITINERARY

- Rego & Scrutineering Sunday 24th March Bundaberg
- Day 1 Monday 25th March Agnes Water
- Day 2 Tuesday 26th March Yeppoon
- Day 3 Wednesday 27th March- Yeppoon
- Day 4 Thursday 28th March Stanage Bay
- Day 5 Friday 29th March Mackay
- Day 6 Saturday 30th March Hamilton Island
- Day 7 Sunday 31st March Morning return from Hamilton Island

DAILY DISTANCES & FUEL REQUIREMENTS

The 2019 Autumn Yamaha Variety Jet Trek is shaping up to be an amazing trip! To ensure everyone is adequately prepared we have included the daily on-water distances in the table below as well as some important information regarding fuel requirements.

DAY	ROUTE	AM KM	PM KM
Day 1	Bundaberg - 1770	101km	
Day 2	1770 - Gladstone - Yeppoon	85km	94km
Day 3	Yeppoon - Great Keppel Island - Yeppoon	55 km	
Day 4	Yeppoon - Stanage Bay	181km	
Day 5	Stanage Bay - Mackay	177km	
Day 6	1ackay - Airlie Beach - Hamilton Island 133km 33km		

Important note regarding fuel

There is no fuel available between Yeppoon and Stanage Bay or Stanage Bay and Mackay. Those on non supercharged PWC will need to carry a minimium of 40L of fuel on these two days. Those on supercharged PWC will need to carry a minimum of 60L per PWC on these two days. There will not be the facility to refuel jerry cans in Stanage Bay so you will need enough full jerry cans for these two days before you leave Yeppoon. This will form part of the scrutineering requirements. If you are unsure please contact the Variety office to discuss prior to the start of the event. You can reach Erin, Craig or Sam on 07 3907 9300.



All participants (riders and road crew, adults and children) are required to complete a Crew Form in order to participate in the Jet Trek event. Crew Forms not only allow us to have all of your dietary requirements, allergy information and medical details on hand but also mean we can ensure we order your correct merchandise sizing and know whether we need to order birthday cake in advance!!

Completed participant Crew Forms are due to Variety by close of business Friday 30th November. You can complete the <u>Crew Form online here</u>.



If you have friends or family members who aren't attending the Jet Trek but would like their very own personalised Jet Trek shirt you can place an online additional merchandise order <u>here</u>.



The provisions levy for the 2019 Autumn Yamaha Variety Jet Trek includes:

- Pre-event welcome dinner in Bundaberg on Sunday 24th March
- Lunch daily (including the lay day on Wednesday 27th March)
- Dinner daily (including the lay day on Wednesday 27th March)
- Return road crew ferry transfers from Yeppoon to Great Keppel Island on Wednesday 27th March
- Return road crew & luggage transfers from Airlie Beach to Hamilton Island
- Ticket to the final night dinner at Hamilton Island consisting of a 3 course meal and 6 hour beverage package
- Secure overnight trailer parking in Bundaberg, Agnes Water, Yeppoon & Mackay
- Coach transfers from Yeppoon accommodation to evening function
- Return coach transfers from Hamilton Island Marina to Reef View Hotel
- Secure PWC parking in allocated mooring area at Hamilton Island Marina

- Entertainment throughout the event
- An official Jet Trek merchandise pack

Early Bird Levy

Adults - \$756 Kids - \$457 *applies for all provisions levy payments made in full <u>before Monday 14th January 2019</u>

Standard Provisions Levy

Adults - \$840 - Kids - \$508 Applies to all payments made after Monday 14th January 2019

All provisions levy payments are due before Friday 8th March 2019. Payments can be made securely <u>online here</u>.

Weekly, fortnightly and monthly payment plans also available - please contact the Variety office on 07 3907 9300 to discuss these options.

ACCOMMODATION

The Variety team have now finalised group accommodation bookings for each of our overnight locations. You'll find each of the venue details, room types and bedding configurations listed in the online booking page <u>here</u>.

If booking rooms for Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights in Bundaberg, please ensure you select the same room type for all nights otherwise your booking may not be valid.

All accommodation bookings are non-refundable.

A note about Stanage Bay Accommodation:

You will notice Stanage Bay is not included in the online booking page. Accommodation at Stanage Bay is in shared holiday houses and bedding is limited. Some event participants will have to camp, toilets along with hot and cold showers will be available for these people . Room and bedding allocations for all available holiday homes is being managed by Variety Queensland and will be on a first in, first served basis. To register your name on the list for Stanage Bay accommodation please email <u>erin.lazarou@varietyqld.org.au</u> with a list of all participant names and your PWC number. Beds will be allocated over the next couple of weeks and confirmed with participants accordingly. We will do our best to ensure participants are housed with people they know or are travelling with during the 2019 Jet Trek event. In fairness to all participants, Stanage Bay bookings will not be taken over the phone.

HAMILTON ISLAND FINISH LINE





We know many of you are keen to book friends and family to come and celebrate with us at the finish of the Jet Trek on Saturday 30th March. We can confirm the finish of the event will be Hamilton Island with lunch by the pool, our final night function and overnight accommodation all on the island. You can now book tickets for friends and family by going to our <u>additional guests</u> booking link here.

If you're looking to book flights out of Hamilton Island on Sunday 31st March, please bear in mind you will still need to get yourself, your luggage and your skis back to the mainland and on to the trailer! We will have a chartered vessel returning all road crew members (and luggage) back to Airlie Beach to your vehicles.

ADDITIONAL DINNER GUESTS

Do you have friends, family, sponsors or supporters who'd like to come and mingle with the Trekkers and see what it's all about? If they live nearby to one of our overnight stops please feel free to invite them along to dinner as we pass through! Additional dinner guests can be booked securely through our online booking page <u>here</u>.

CAN YOU HELP?

Do you, a friend or family member own a holiday apartment, fishing charter boat or a corporate box at the football? Maybe you have a contact at an airline, the direct phone number to a celebrity or access to dinner at a nice restaurant....if so, we'd love to chat and let you know how these contacts can help to **boost your fundraising!**

Variety – the Children's Charity is always on the lookout for auction items to help raise more funds to give Aussie kids a fair go. The proceeds from auction items donated by event participants are split with the purchaser and credited (50/50) back to your very own fundraising tally.

If you think you may have an item, experience or idea that could work as an auction item please get in touch with Erin on 07 3907 9300 or <u>erin.lazarou@varietyqld.org.au</u>

A SPECIAL OFFER FOR TREKKERS

Whitsunday Escape has the largest and most diverse fleet of bareboats available to hire in the Whitsundays, with boats that can take from 2 up to 12 people. Cruise or sail the islands to relax and unwind and explore the beautiful Whitsundays at your leisure. <u>Contact the friendly team at</u> <u>Whitsunday Escape</u> to discuss your requirements whether it's a post Jet Trek adventure or a holiday at another time - be sure to mention you're a Yamaha Variety Jet Trek participant to claim your **10% off + a free Stay Aboard the night before your holiday**.



MEET HARRY

Harry lives with severe Irlen Syndrome, which is a perceptual processing disorder and affects the brain's ability to process visual information. Harry also has severe speech and language impairment and low working memory, which can make recognition and communication challenging at times.

On Sunday 28th October, just two days after his 9th birthday, Harry was invited to a special presentation in Yeppoon with some of the Central Queensland Variety family. Here Harry was presented with an *Orcam Eye 2.0*, which attaches to his Irlen glasses and helps him to read, recognise faces, money and time. All things which will help make day to day life and learning just a little easier for Harry.

Of course there was birthday cake too! A big thank you to all of the Variety family involved in making this a special day for Harry. You can check out a little clip, sent from Harry's Mum, of him using his new device <u>here</u>.







SAVE THE DATE

The end of the year is no doubt getting busy, make sure you mark your calendar with these upcoming events!

17th November - Variety Heart Scholarship Presentations

Join us from 4:00pm - 7:00pm at PCYC Hills District for the 2018 Variety Heart Scholarship Presentations. Please <u>RSVP here</u>

> 8th December - Variety Supporter Appreciation Evening Tattersall's Club Brisbane - Members Bar More information to follow shortly.





It's our mission to make sure you cross the finish line in March not only feeling awesome after raising over \$2,500 and riding hundreds of kilometres, but looking awesome as well!

There are some cool fundraising prizes up for grabs over the next 5 weeks! You can't buy them - you can only win them for your fundraising efforts!

- Reach \$1,000 in fundraising by 14 December and you'll win a Jet Trek water bottle to keep you hydrated.
- Reach your fundraising minimum of \$2,500 by 14 December and you'll also win a waterproof Variety bag, perfect for keeping your phone and keys dry.
- Go above and beyond and reach \$3,500 by 14 December and you'll also win an exclusive Jet Trek beach towel.

Not sure where to start? Follow all our easy fundraising tips in your Jet Trek handbook <u>here</u> and don't hesitate to contact us if you need any help.



The Variety Jet Trek High Flyers Club is made up of Trekkers who are the Trek's highest performing fundrasisers and have shown extraordinary commitment to raising as much as possible to help Aussie kids in need. A huge thank you to each and every one of you for your tremendous efforts for the kids.

Keep the below in mind when you are setting your fundraising goals for 2019 and don't forget Melissa, our fabulous Community Fundraising Coordinator who is here to help you every step of the way. You can email Melissa at melissa.mcmahon@varietyqld.org.au

High Flyers Levels & Benefits

Benefit	Bronze \$3,500 - \$6,999	Silver \$7,000 - \$14,999	Gold \$15,000 - \$24,999	Platinum \$25,000+
PwC Decal with High Flyers level	*	¥	¥	¥
Featured on High Flyers honour roll every evening of the Jet Trek	*	¥	¥	¥
Recognition throughout Jet Trek	¥	*	¥	*
Invitation to end of year celebration	¥	*	*	¥
Facebook feature		¥	¥	*
Website feature			*	¥
Framed team photo			¥	¥
Flag with High Flyers level				*
Framed door panel				¥

Thank you again for all you do for Aussie kids in need! As always please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions.

Thanks!

Your Variety Jet Trek Team



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