



## DECEMBER NEWS - 2019 SPRING JET TREK

### EVENT MANAGER'S MESSAGE

Hi Trekkers!

Welcome to the December newsletter for the 2019 Spring Yamaha Variety Jet Trek!

In this newsletter you'll find details on the event itinerary, event scrutineering requirements, an offer from our friends at Whitsunday Escape, some information on your fellow Jet Trekkers' fundraising activities and a link to our Variety Jet Trek Facebook group and page where you can connect with other Trekkers and keep up to date with event preparations

**If you haven't already signed up to secure your place, now is the perfect time to get in and guarantee your spot! You can register in a couple of minutes online by clicking the register now button [here](#).**

Please also note the Variety Queensland office will be closed for the festive season from Monday 24th December and will reopen again on Wednesday 2nd January with the events team returning from Monday 14th January. On behalf of all the team at Variety thank you so much for your support and all you've done to give more Aussie kids a fair go throughout 2018. We wish you and yours a very happy and safe Christmas and a fantastic new year! We can't wait to see you all in October!

**Erin Lazarou**  
Event Manager

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# ITINERARY

Registration & Scrutineering - Sunday 13th October - Bundaberg

Day 1 - Monday 14th October - Agnes Water

Day 2 - Tuesday 15th October - Yeppoon

Day 3 - Wednesday 16th October - Yeppoon

Day 4 - Thursday 17th October - Stanage Bay

Day 5 - Friday 18th October - Mackay

Day 6 - Saturday 19th October - Whitsundays

## 25 Reasons to Give This Christmas

You can give a young girl hope, opportunity and a fair go.



Right now, 25 girls from isolated Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities are getting ready to leave their families, so they can start secondary school in Townsville.

But they don't all have the basic items they need to succeed – like shoes, books and uniforms.

We're running out of time before schools starts in January. Your continued support will help get these girls ready for school.

You're not just giving shoes, uniforms and backpacks.

You're giving them hope, opportunity and a fair go. [CLICK HERE to learn more>](#)

Share with your network! Donors can allocate to an event participant and these funds are then attributed to your fundraising total!

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# CREW FORMS

All participants including riders and road crew members, adults and children, are required to complete a Crew Form prior to the event. These forms provide us with information about each of our participants including important medical information. They also allow us to order the correct merchandise sizing and ensure we're catering for the right number of participants as well as any allergies or special dietary requirements.

The Crew Form is an online form [available here](#) and should only take a couple of minutes to complete.

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# SCRUTINEERING REQUIREMENTS

Below is a list of the mandatory requirements and safety gear you will be required to carry to participate in the 2019 Yamaha Variety Jet Trek:

## MANDATORY PERSONAL WATERCRAFT REQUIREMENTS

- PWC is a 2008 model or later and of sit down style
- PWC fuel capacity and extra fuel on board is at least 80 litres
- PWC is in seaworthy condition
- PWC is registered and participant can provide proof of registration
- Participants have a valid PWC licence or equivalent licence that meets Queensland PWC licence requirements
- PWC is covered by Third Party Public Liability and Property Damage as the minimum level on insurance
- Yamaha Variety Jet Trek decals attached as per the event decal list
- Additional jerry cans for the Stanage Bay legs of the event
  - Non-supercharged PWC - minimum of 4 x 20L jerry cans
  - Supercharged PWC - minimum of 6 x 20L jerry cans

## MINIMUM SAFETY GEAR REQUIREMENTS

- V Sheet
- EPIRB
- PLB
- Flares (Two red and two orange hand held smoke flares) check expiry dates!
- Signalling device (mirror or similar)
- Vessel capacity label
- PFD type 2 life jacket
- Sufficient anchor with at least 27m of rope (can double as tow rope)

- Tow rope at least 17m long
- One fixed or portable compass
- Buoyant & waterproof torch
- Minimum 2 x 600ml bottles of drinking water
- 2 x Cyalume sticks (provided by Variety Queensland)

#### **MINIMUM ROAD CREW VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS**

- UHF Radio
- Sufficient jerry cans to refuel PWC and on-board jerry cans back to capacity
- Yamaha Variety Jet Trek decals attached as per event decal listing

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Like the [Variety Jet Trek Facebook page](#) for loads of event updates across both the Autumn and Spring Yamaha Variety Jet Trek events.

You can also join the [Variety Jet Trek Facebook group](#) to keep in touch with fellow Jet Trekkers, ask questions, get to know other participants and share some tips and tricks on carrying fuel, riding gear and more!

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# WHITSUNDAY ESCAPE?

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. [Contact the friendly team at Whitsunday Escape](#) 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.**



# PLEASE HELP US HELP YOU

We love helping our fabulous supporters with their fundraising activities as much as possible but we also need your help! Our logo and our brand mean a lot to us and they help to define us all as a collective group of wonderful volunteers, fundraisers and staff all with the common goal of helping to give Aussie kids a fair go.

In order for us to provide you the highest level of support possible, we do have a few things we need to ask of you to ensure we also meet our national guidelines and keep everyone on track with consistent branding and clear messaging about the incredible things we're all doing for the kids.

Check out the fundraising guide below to find more useful fundraising tips to get you one step closer to raising even more money for Aussie Kids.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER YOUR FUNDRAISING ACTIVITY!](#)

[FUNDRAISING GUIDE](#)

### **Use of Variety Logo and Content**

- The fundraiser must label their events as 'an event supporting Variety – the Children's Charity'
- The fundraiser must make it clear the event is in support of Variety, rather than being directly organised by Variety - the Children's Charity.
- The Proudly Supporting Variety logo should be used in all fundraising promotions and on all printing and advertising material. This logo cannot be modified in any way. To obtain a copy, [register](#) your fundraising activity with us.
- The charity's title, Variety – the Children's Charity, must be used in its whole phrase for headings. The charity may be referred to as Variety in basic content thereafter. Variety – the Children's Charity is not to be referred to as the Variety Club or any other name in marketing material.

Any marketing materials or advertisements must be submitted to Variety for approval prior to advertising your fundraising event. This includes any printing, artwork proofs, online Facebook pages and website advertising. Approval can be given within a day in most cases. Please email this to [info@varietyqld.org.au](mailto:info@varietyqld.org.au)

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# AUCTION ITEMS WANTED

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 [erin.lazarou@varietyqld.org.au](mailto:erin.lazarou@varietyqld.org.au)

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# FUNDRAISING IN ACTION



Some of our Trekkers have had great success with fundraising activities recently...

"South Coast Trekkers" Luke Johnston, Kevin Todd, Warren McCoid and their mates held a fantastic ride day from Lake Illawarra to Nowra Ski Park. This was their second fundraising day and the 17 riders had a great time on the water, raising in excess of \$600 for the kids!

Peter, Kim & Bianca Thomas along with a few fellow Sydney Trekkers organised a trivia night with over 70 guests in attendance. The night raised just over \$3,600 for the kids!

CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR GIVING MORE AUSSIE KIDS A FAIR GO!



# HIGH FLYERS CLUB

The Variety Jet Trek High Flyers Club is made up of Trekkers who are the Trek's highest performing fundraisers 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](mailto: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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