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# The Nuts and Bolts of it.



If you're a 5 star motel type of person, this event is probably not for you. If you're the type of person who likes an adventure, likes to meet interesting people, see interesting places, do wild and exciting things and bunk down in the rough, then this could be just what you're looking for.

This ride is open to both men and women – so girls, get involved, we want you to come.

Peugeot have been gracious enough to allow us 20 of their fantastic little Kisbee scooters so we can celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Air Force, to raise funds for our organisation and to have one helluva good time by riding these great little machines from Brisbane to Townsville.



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Provided that rotten COVID-19 virus has faded into the past and we're allowed out, provided there's no cat 5 cyclones hanging around off the coast of Moreton Island and provided we're not into world war 3, then early on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021 we'll leave Brisbane and head north. We're not exactly sure from where we'll actually leave, it could depend on sponsorship, but there is plenty of time to firm that up and we will let you know.

Most of us have never ridden a scooter, they are a little different to riding a motor bike, for starters there's no gears, no foot brake, no foot rests and the wheels are a lot smaller. So that we all make it to Townsville in one piece, we'll all need to be in Brisbane by Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> June so we can spend the weekend being instructed on how to ride the scooters and to be confident on what does what.

All bikes will be the same, all red and everyone will wear the same jackets and helmets. We want to look like we're all together, part of a team, not just a bunch of old blokes and blokettes out for a good time.

Riding jacket.



Riding helmet





Peaked cap.



2 Polo shirts each (men and women's).





2 Rain Ponchos.



Safety vest - to be worn while riding.



Riding Gloves.



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Single self-inflating air bed.



2m x 90cm hooded sleeping bag.



1 pillow, 2 pillow cases.



Blue tarp on which to put your air bed.



Accommodation for the 12 nights on the road will be provided by local Councils who have all graciously allowed us the use of their showgrounds. Although this is very commendable of them, conditions are a bit sparce so you might need to bring along some niceties. In all occasions, you will be given is a piece of floor space on which to make your bed.

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You'll be provided with something on which to sleep, a blow up bed, sleeping bag etc. We'll provide everyone with a carry bag in which to carry everything, your bedding, pillow, clothes, wash gear, towels etc but try and keep your personal gear to a minimum. All this equipment has to be carried and although we'll have a few utes to carry everything, space will be limited. You can't carry anything on the scooters.



We don't want you to bring along a suit-case (port if you're from NSW) as they don't stack as well as a soft bag.

If you've got a ute and/or a bus and you'd like to come, we want you.

#### Cost

Cost has now been finalised – it will cost riders \$850 per person. That will include your jacket, helmet, gloves, polo shirts, a peaked cap, bedding (all of the above), all breakfasts and lunches (you will need to buy your evening meals and drinks but they will be modest) and will include entry into several attractions. If you come along as a supporter, your cost will be \$500 and hangers ons cost will be \$200.

We suggest you get out there and get sponsors to help pay for your entry. You're doing something a lot of people could only dream of doing - get them to sponsor you, it's all for a good cause, raising funds for the Association which is a registered charity – funds that are need to allow the organisation to continue with its work. There will be media involved in this so your sponsor could benefit. We've had several radio interviews already and many more are promised, as are newspaper stories.

You can hear the radio interviews by clicking the links below.

- a. <u>CrowFM</u>
- b. Radio 4LG
- c. Radio 4SB

We are limited to about 20 bikes and each bike will have two riders, each rider taking it in turns. When not riding that idle rider will follow on in a bus. Our numbers are limited by sleeping facilities and we know there will be a lot of interest in this so we might have to have a lottery to determine who comes.

As we are having two to a scooter, if you're interested, get a bike buddy, talk to a mate and get them to partner you, that way both of you will be allocated a scooter and that will be your ride for the duration.



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We've included a form which you will find  $\underline{\mathsf{HERE}}$  – if you want the holiday of a lifetime, please fill it in and get it back to us.

We'll have another form for those coming to fill in late in November, early December when you'll have to pay your entrance and provide sizes so we can order your jackets, helmet, caps etc.

Accommodation in Townsville will be excellent and we'll probably stay for a couple of days, do some cruising on the bikes, meet some people. Getting home from Townsville is everyone's responsibility.

We intend to do the trip again in February to confirm everything – then it's on!