

# Cairns to Karumba Bike Ride

## 26th June to 2nd July 2011



G'day,

Another update on our great ride to Karumba Point

**The 2011 ride (June – July):**

- Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Day 1 Cairns to Atherton
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Day 2 Atherton to Mt Garnet
- Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Day 3 Mt Garnet to Mt Surprise
- Wed 29<sup>th</sup> Day 4 Mt Surprise to Georgetown
- Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Day 5 Georgetown to Croydon
- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Day 6 Croydon to Normanton
- Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Day 7 Normanton to Karumba Point

**We finish at Karumba Point – not Karumba!**



**Karumba/Karumba Point Accommodation.** We will be using the Sports Centre at Karumba and employing a taxi/bus service to shuttle people

from the celebration at Karumba Point to their sleeping bags at the Sports Centre. So no need to leave the Sunset Tavern early.



**Registrations:** We do have room for more on the ride! Get your mates to register – there is still time!! Go to <http://www.ridefng.com/>

The **Dirt Ride** (aka 'Dirty Boys' – now re-named **Dirty Dudes** 'cos it includes women) is limited to 40 participants **it has places as well! Get into it!**



**Our website:** We have been adding stuff. We have the handbook available via a link on the Updates page. Check it out. Also news about tax. <http://www.ridefng.com/>  
**Preparation:** We have a real hive of activity here in Cairns and along the route. Terry Roos, Logistics expert, is organising Trucks, trailers, freezers, water etc etc. Heidi Widmer, Cook, is

getting heaps of support with all the food and donations pledges. Riders will have so much to eat they'll put on weight! You will love our willing **volunteers** – they are registering in droves as they also love the ride.

**Sponsors:** We are experiencing great support as you can see from all the Logos. These are people we love and they really matter!



Pump and pedals will provide mechanics free and they will charge a minimum.. but ... everything they charge goes into fund raising!

**Every-Day Hero:** Sign up for this one once you've registered as it's a way of gaining great support from your friends via email – no matter where they live in the world.

**Facebook:** Search and check out "Cairns to Karumba Bike Ride" and become a friend. We have a prize for the best story!

**Operations Committee:** This group of volunteers is in charge of so much and we've been meeting regularly to check all is under control. You just wouldn't believe all the big jobs and bits and pieces people willingly do! Even our ride Police Escort and Ambulance are dusting of their cars!

**Parent and Citizens:** This is the group of parents to whom this ride belongs. They were all in from the bush early this month and I met with them at the school. We agreed that next year we would employ an Administration officer for a few days each week to support the



ride and have a volunteer coordinator. They even secretly plan to have 'Bush Kids' add some spice to our ride!!!



**Dirty Dudes:** They were on the road last weekend planning and checking things out so they have the best route for the Dirt Ride. Team leader, Mark Allen reckons it will be wicked!

**So if you haven't registered or you know someone who should then simply access the website and go for it. Last year a rider said of the ride, "It was the most enjoyable bike ride of my life. What's more, the hilarity and frivolity and socialising was non-stop."**

**We can't wait to see you in June!**

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 Monday, 23 May 2011



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