



Event information

ECHUCA-MOAMA TO MILDURA FEBRUARY 26TH - MARCH 5TH 2016

2500 km in a tinny? You don't have to be crazy, but a sense of humour & need for adventure is a great start.

Do you have a need for adventure, sense of humour and desire to raise funds for those less fortunate? Mind you a boat, boat license & a few mates to form a team would add interest.

This is not a race, more a contest of wits, ingenuity & social endurance and is an excellent opportunity for community minded people to raise funds for cancer support and enjoy a week long trip on the magnificent Murray River.

The event consists of a fleet of tinnies travelling along the length of The Murray River in three one week stages over 3 years. In 2011 we completed our second 2500km journey from the alps to the sea. 2016 sees the event travel the middle leg of the Murray Meander lap number four.

The 2016 event will start from Echuca-Moama Saturday 26th February and proceed along the river over 8 days to Mildura. Overnight stops are planned at Torrumbarry, Murrabit, Swan Hill, Tooleybuc, Boundry Bend, Robinvale, Mount Dispersion and Mildura.

The river distance most days is usually easily manageable with ample time available for fishing as well as competing for the events ultimate prize, "Kings of the Murray". On the formal side you will need a registered and insured "tinnie" with reliable outboard motor. Some sections can be quite challenging depending on river conditions and levels. Only licensed crew will be able to navigate the boat and safety gear must be carried.

The event is conducted by a registered charity, Horizon Committee Charitable Fund. Proceeds from the event are directed primarily to The Otis Foundation, www.otisfoundation.org.au, which provides retreat accommodation for women with breast cancer (including facilities at Towong and Goolwa) and Prostate Cancer Foundation Australia which funds oncology nursing scholarships to support prostate cancer services.

The entry fee to this incredible adventure is \$3400 per team of 3 or 4 members. All teams are to include a road crew and support vehicle, with boat recovery & transport capability. Each team is responsible for the launching and recovery of their vessel and responsible for the transfer of their vehicle/s between daily destination points. Additional team member entry fee is \$850 per person. Each team is required to seek sponsorship for the event.

Whilst participants enjoy an excellent week on the river, the main object of the event is to raise funds to assist breast cancer & prostate cancer support services. Each participant is required to raise a minimum of \$1000 through sponsorship, donations & raffle ticket sales. We promote and encourage all fundraising to be completed prior to the actual event. Filling 'shaker' tins and last minute raffle ticket sales during the event is acceptable practice.

Your entry fees will provide you with 2 polo shirts, cap, and a drink holder for each crew member, camping fees, dinner on 8 nights and breakfast each morning, the opportunity to participate for the King of the Murray title and the enjoyment of the company of like minded adventurers. More information is available from www.murraymeander.com.au

Information and applications forms are available from our website or event co-ordinator Dick Phillips 0458802211