

8 to 13 May 2022

MILDURA TO KANGAROO ISLAND

**4WD ADVENTURE 2022** 

MILDURA

**HORSHAM** 

**MOUNT GAMBIER** 

**ROBE** 

KANGAROO ISLAND





Beach Runs
Creek Crossings
No Camping
Turn Key Event
Fire Trails



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# About Variety - the Children's Charity

For over 45 years, Variety has empowered Australian children who are sick, disadvantaged or living with special needs. By giving practical equipment, programs and experiences, Variety helps kids in need to overcome whatever obstacles they face and live life to the fullest. Simply put, we help kids be kids.

Across Australia
Variety impacted
81,244 kids
last year

In NSW/ACT we impacted **28,500 kids** and their families

\$2.694 million on helping kids in need

# What is the Variety 4WD Adventure?

Own a 4WD you want to get dirty, we can help with that. The Variety 4WD Adventure is a six day, turn-key adventure taking 4WD vehicles off the bitumen and onto bush tracks, sand dunes, fire trails and country dirt roads. Escape the nine-to-five routine with this premier, boutique event doing four-wheel driving and accommodation in style. The emphasis is on good tracks, fabulous scenery, exceptional food, wine and of course, as with all Variety events, fun and entertainment – all while raising funds for kids in need. Simply, all you need to do is turn the key and start your Adventure as everything has been organised for you.



### Is this Adventure for you?

The 4WD Adventure is designed for 4WD enthusiasts and those who have not had the opportunity of visiting the "off road" but harbour a desire to find out exactly what their 4WD can do. Ideally suited to husband and wife teams, however, mates with their mates are most welcome. You will meet people with similar interests as well as bush characters as you navigate your 4WD around the great tracks we have found for you. The 4WD Adventure explores country not normally accessible to the general public. The trip combines all the elements of good four wheel driving, from creek beds to craggy mountain tracks and majestic ocean views.

#### Adventure rewards

We want to say 'thanks' on behalf of the thousands of children and families who we help each year. The self-satisfaction of knowing that you've helped kids in need is more of a reward than we could ever give, but we also like to recognise those who go over and above with some awards following the event:

- Outright Winner to the team that epitomises the 'Spirit of the Adventure'
- Highest Fundraising Vehicle
- Most Enthusiastic Team

A Variety event is all about having fun, in fact we say, "We put the fun into FUNdraising!" Thousands of children benefit from funds raised through our events – please help us help our children with special needs.



#### Where are we going?

Our 2022 Variety Grapes to Capes 4WD **Adventure** sees us meeting in the Victorian Cape Borda border town of Mildura for our 'Meet 'n Greet' dinner on Saturday night the 7th May. Here you'll see plenty of water-wheels Cape Du Couedic and paddle-wheels along the 'mighty' Murray River with vineyards and orange orchids a plenty!

Day 1 sees us leave this bustling service town heading for the much quieter Murrayville but not before crossing the Murray Sunset National Park. This remote and unspoilt corner of north-western Victoria draws photographers from all over the world to capture some of the finest sunsets in the world plus see the unique and world-famous Pink Lakes. We come out of the National Park for lunch at the Murrayville Hotel, a unique old fashioned Victorian Pub in a small town that's still hurting from the effects of COVID-19. We now head south through the tracks of the Wyperfield National Park, arriving in Horsham for the night.

Horsham is the largest city in the Wimmera wheat growing and sheep grazing district in western Victoria. We leave Horsham and head into the gorgeous Grampians National Park. Some interesting tracks through these mountains ahead of our drive to Mount Gambier crossing into South Australia at the fishing village of Nelson. In Mount Gambier we are spoiling ourselves with some great food and wine at 'The Barn' where we'll also be staying the night. Breakfast in the morning will be at the Gordon Educational Centre, a special school, where we'll interact with the kids before leaving and driving past the famous Blue Lake as we head to Port Macdonnell. It is here we'll find ourselves at the southernmost point of South Australia - looks like a great spot for a team photo!

We now move onto the sea-salt sprayed tracks of Canunda National Park which will include two beach runs along this rugged coastline before exiting the National Park and head to Beachport for lunch. From here we drive to the coastal gem called Robe. Robe is a town and fishing port located along the Limestone Coast of South Australia. We'll be having dinner and breakfast at the quaint Robe Hotel. From here we take some dirt tracks before hitting the highway, heading for lunch in Victor Harbour at a stunning location. One of the most popular coastal playgrounds in South Australia and a favourite with

Adelaide locals. Victor Harbor has been a sought-after holiday destination for families since the late 1800s.

Cape

Jervis

Kingscote

Following lunch we take the highway run across to Cape Jervis which is our boarding port for the Sealink

Ferry crossing to Penneshaw and the gateway to Kangaroo Island (KI). Over a third of KI is protected in nature reserves, home to native wildlife like sea lions, koalas and diverse bird species. In the west, Flinders Chase National Park is known for penguin colonies and striking coastal rock formations, like the sculpted Remarkable Rocks and the stalactite-covered Admirals Arch, where, we'll be having a morning tea stop. KI is the third largest island off the coast of mainland Australia. At 155 kilometres long and up to 55 kilometres wide, it covers an area of 4,416 square kilometres and is separated from the mainland by a 15 kilometre stretch of ocean.

Robe

Mildura

Horsham 🍐

**Mount Gambier** 

Since the devastating fires that burnt almost half of Kangaroo Island, a carpet of green covers the landscape leaving little doubt that the island is bouncing back. Birdsong is deafening, kangaroos and koalas are content, flora is flourishing, and the community is closer than ever. The bushfires that burned through Kangaroo Island in January 2020 were the largest in the island's history and the catastrophic impact for people, homes, nature, tourism and businesses was hard to fathom.

In our two days driving around the island, you'll see some magnificent vistas and visit some wonderful landmarks whilst still seeing the effects of the fires. This is our chance to go there and stimulate the coffers of so many who lost-out in the hard times during and after the fires. On Friday night the 13th May, we finish with our traditional Black Tie Presentation Dinner before saying goodbye to this wonderful island and heading back home.

## How much does this Adventure cost?

A minimum figure of \$6,430 (including a GST component) gets a vehicle and two people on the event. This amount is made up as follows:

Item	Amount	Description
Initial Donation	\$500	A non-refundable, tax deductible initial donation will secure your position on this exciting Adventure.
Remainder of Donation	\$2,500	This is the minimum, fully tax deductible donation amount and must be paid prior to the start.
Provisions Fee	\$3,430	This is your personal costs for two (2) people which includes GST and does not count towards your fundraising total or come from your fundraising money. It is not tax deductible and covers all accommodation, official meals, entertainment, merchandise and "Happy Hour" gatherings. Pricing based on twin share accommodation. Single room rate is \$2,240 for Provisions Fee plus \$1,500 Taxable Donation = \$3,740.00.
Total	\$6,430	

NOTE: The above fees do not include the return Sealink Ferry crossing to Kangaroo Island (KI) and any meals or refreshments on the ferry. A separate fee of \$300 gets one (1) car and two (2) 'Adventurers' on the return journey to KI. A \$50 per person fee is payable for additional people in your car. These charges are separate and are not tax deductible. To join the majority of the Adventurers, you will cross to KI at 3pm on Wednesday the 6th April and return on Saturday the 9th April at 10.30am. Returning times are flexible with prior arrangements made with Sealink direct.

Donations can be raised via sponsorship or fundraising and covers the first two (2) people in the vehicle. We encourage you to raise lots, lots more as there is a trophy for the Highest Fundraising Vehicle of the Adventure plus there are other fundraising 'targets' for trophies as well. So, start "door knocking" to raise larger amounts than the minimum requirements.





Variety believes that all kids deserve a fair go. So we support kids who are sick, disadvantaged or living with special needs to overcome challenges and reach their full potential. In NSW alone there are almost 200,000 kids who are facing financial hardship or living with a disability. Variety are only able to do our important work thanks to the generosity of our incredible community.

The Variety 4WD Adventure is run by our Motoring Events team, with over 20 years' experience running events just like this.



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For a lot more Adventure information visit the Variety website at

www.variety.org.au/nsw/4wd

#### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All vehicles entered in the Variety 4WD Adventure must be roadworthy, registered and insured as prescribed by State laws. 2. All vehicles must be conventional four-wheel drive vehicles with a maximum crew of four people. Crew members must be a minimum of 18 years of age and hold a current Australian driver's licence. 3. All vehicles must carry on the front doors the 4WD Adventure door panels onto which must be fixed the allocated number for that vehicle. All vehicles must place on their front windscreens the event sun strip decal featuring Variety and event sponsor's logos. The vehicle number must also be clearly visible, using white numbers on the front windscreen (left corner 100 mm high) and the supplied rear window numbers in the top right-hand corner. All cars must also display the event sponsor's decals, as supplied by the organisers. 4. Everyone taking part in the 4WD Adventure must complete an online entry form for Variety - the Children's Charity (NSW/ACT). 5. All entrants in the 4WD Adventure must have paid to Variety - the Children's Charity (NSW/ACT) either personally or through donations the sum on the Entry Form by the specified dates and prior to the start of the event. 6. At all times all entrants must abide by the rules of the road as prescribed by State laws and statues. 7. This is a COVID safe event, all entrants are required to follow guidelines as at time of the event to ensure the safety of fellow entrants and the communities we visit.