



# BILL AND JOHN'S EXCELLENT ADVENTURE CAIRNS & GREAT BARRIER REEF AUSTRALIA

Tuesday 3 – Tuesday 15 June, 2010

## Day 1 – Thursday 3 June

The first day in the [Cairns & Great Barrier Reef region](#) John and Bill will be resting, after the journey to the end of the world!!...getting to know their surroundings and meeting with Donna. They will wine and dine at [The Salt House](#) with views over the marina and stay at the stylish [Cairns Regis Park Piermonde](#).

## Day 2 – Friday 4 June

The team are [renting a car](#) and plan to drive, from Cairns to Cape Tribulation (about 2.5) hours....They then have a day Croc and bird spotting!! on a river cruise, with the [Daintree River Train](#) and the [Daintree Discovery Centre](#). They will be staying at the [Fernree Rainforest Lodge](#).

Then they stay at cape Tribulation, and enjoy walks in the forest and soak up the sun!!

## Day 3 – Saturday 5 June

Sea kayak adventure organised by ....[Paddle Trek Cape Tribulation](#). A 3 hour adventure with a chance to get out and see all by kayak.

The afternoon....Jungle Surfing, organised by [Jungle Surfing Canopy Tours](#)....now that sounds like fun!! swinging in the trees! Just imagine the views from there.....Don't forget your cameras, Boys!!

## Day 4 – Sunday 6 June

A bit of a drive further down the coast..to [Mareeba Wetlands](#) 2.5 hours (1 hour, if John drives!!)

A chance to check out the fab sights, including [Mossman Gorge](#)....with walking, swimming and a coffee at the end...we are told its a great place for pictures, and a good opportunity at Lake Mitchell, for that perfect shot!!

The tour of the day is from Sunset Wildlife Safari Tours, all sounds great with a BBQ dinner, the team are based here at Mareeba Wetlands..



### Day 5 – Monday 7 June

A straight drive, from Mareeba, to Yungaburra- a walk around the lake is not to be missed. A chance to hire a canoe, or take a leisurely stroll around the lake (I think I know who will be doing what!!!!)

Today is self-drive touring activities of the Atherton Tablelands

-Mareeba: Morning tea/lunch

-Atherton: Town and [Hastie](#) Swamp

-Herberton: [Herberton Historic Village](#)

-The Crater- Mt Hypipamee National Park

-Waterfall Circuit: Millaa Millaa Falls, Zillie Falls, Ellinjaa Falls

-Malanda Falls and Tea House (like you doo)

-Yungaburra: [Lake Barrine](#), 6km lake walking track and boat cruise.

Red Bull anyone??

### Day 6 – Tuesday 8 – Friday 11 June

A drive for about 2 hours will see our two in Cairns!! They are off to [Deep Sea Divers Den!!](#)

And the Grand, live TV interview, look out for them, via this blog and see if we can link it up!! Should be good for entertainment purposes, if nothing else!!

They have got a 3 day/4 night live-a-board trip at this point, the very best that the Great Barrier Reef has to offer!!

I have instructed them BOTH to send pictures and video of this part of the trip, lets hope they can get with modern technology enough to attach a couple of pictures to a message!!

LOL :0)



### Day 10 – Saturday 12 June

Today is action packed starting with a [Hot Air Balloon](#) ride over the picturesque landscape of the Atherton Tablelands at sunrise, then finish of the morning with a champagne breakfast at "Ringers Rest" which is set on a Cattle Station in the serenity of the Australian bush.

Then onto horse-riding where you will ramble through beautiful bushland and rainforest of the cattle property at [Blazing Saddles](#) then after lunch hop on one of the ATV's, (All Terrain Vehicles) and zoom through the adventure trails.

### [Cairns Wildlife Safari Reserve](#)

All the photo opportunities you can muster.....up close and personal with all the exotic wildlife.....we'll keep you posted....watch out!!!

### Day 11 – Sunday 13 June

The boys will have a more relaxing day with a visit to [Kuranda](#), also known as "The Village in the Rainforest". They will hop on board the [Skyrail Rainforest Cableway](#) which takes about 1.5 hours and has two stops, Red Peak and Barron Falls, where you can get out and do a self or guided walk through the rainforest. While in [Kuranda](#), check out the Butterfly sanctuary, Bird World, Rainforestation and the markets.

Returning to Cairns, by the [Kuranda Scenic Railway](#), which not only is a major part of the region's pioneering history, but also a huge engineering feat of the time.

During this night they will be at the multi-award winning [Ochre](#) restaurant. The boys can explore a menu of modern Australian cuisine, specialising in local and native produce e.g. Salt and pepper prawns, crocodile, grilled kangaroo with chili glaze and finish the evening with Wattleseed Pavlova!!

### Day 12 – Monday 14 June

The last day in Cairns and the boys are ending their journey to Australia on a natural high!! with 5 hours of [White Water Rafting](#) on the Tully River in World Heritage Rainforest.

Now if they have the energy, they can wander down to [Dundee's](#) on the waterfront where they can sit along the waterfront and reflect on their adventure in Oz. AAaaaaahhhh, and relax!!

### Day 13 – Tuesday 15 June

Depart for home in the very early hours of the morning: chances are they'll see the [sunrise](#) over Cairns as they depart.

