



the
GIBB
CHALLENGE

**BE A BLOODY HEROIC
VOLUNTEER**



**PRESENTED BY
THE GIBB CHALLENGE &
THE KYLE ANDREWS FOUNDATION INC.**

EVENT SUMMARY

THE ULTIMATE CYCLING ADVENTURE.....

The Gibb Challenge is an annual, socially competitive, team relay mountain bike event raising community awareness and funds for charity. It is a peerless outback cycling adventure, tracing the iconic Kimberley stock route of the Gibb River Road from the deep water port town of Derby, through the vast pastoral leases of the central and East Kimberley and on to the community celebrations of the Boab Metals Ord Valley Muster.

Since the event's inception in 2007, the challenge has raised more than \$9M for our charity partners that have included: WA Police Legacy, Ryan Marron Foundation, Royal Flying Doctor Service, Sirens of Silence and Kyle Andrews Foundation.

Team places are strictly limited to enhance participant safety with 300 riders from every state and territory in Australia invited to enjoy a life defining Kimberley adventure with overnight camping and fellowship.



PRINCIPAL BENEFICIARY

In 2024, the Kyle Andrews Foundation took over the operational management of the Gibb Challenge, following Simon Rimmer, who dedicated over 18 years to running this remarkable event. The KAF team are excited to embrace this responsibility and continue building on its legacy of success. This transition also opens up enhanced partnership opportunities, and we are excited to partner with the Bloody Heroic Volunteers in this event.

The Kyle Andrews Foundation raises essential funds to support children with life-threatening illnesses. We've been fortunate to partner with the Gibb Challenge as the recipient charity on several occasions.

VOLUNTEER BRIEF

What do you need??

- A sense of humour - the most incredible things go wrong!
- A sense of adventure - the most incredible things go right!
- An ability to work as a team, laugh, have fun and work hard for ridiculous hours!
- An ability to sleep in the rough with other campers close by, minimal shower & toilet facilities.
- An ability to enjoy some of the most amazing landscapes in Australia.
- No particular desire to ride a bike along a dirt, corrugated road of 700+ kms.

How can you help?

Driving a service or assistance vehicle | Assist setting up camp | Assist setting up services and amenities | Administration support day schedules, team groups | Team Support contact person | Assist with photography/marketing | Assist with Sponsor Promotions | Assist with compliance requirements at each stop....

You can assist in many ways, what we know is....all our volunteers are Bloody Heroic.

KEY DATES

Thursday 15May 2025	VOLUNTEER BRIEFING (Broome)
Friday 16 May 2025	CABLE BEACH SUNDOWNER (Broome)
Saturday 17 May 2025	TEAM REGISTRATION & SAFETY BRIEFING (6pm -Derby)
Sunday 18 - Friday 23 May 2025	THE GIBB CHALLENGE RIDE
Friday 23 May 2025	VOLUNTEERS LUNCHEON EL QUESTRO
Saturday 24 May 2025	KIMBERLEY MOON EXPERIENCE (Kununurra)

DAY 1 - DERBY - IMINTJI COMMUNITY

Imintji Camp-grounds are dominated by the Wunaamin Miliwundi Ranges, forming a stunning backdrop and also feature some welcome amenities like hot showers, fresh water and even flushing toilets.

If you're wondering what the first day's ride entails for those on the treadlies - it's 228 kilometres! The perfect place to be in a support vehicle cheering our riders on.

Amenities 

DAY 2 - IMINTJI - MT ELIZABETH STATION

Groups B, C and D are set off at twenty minute intervals to reduce our event's traffic footprint and enhance participant safety. The Soloists & Dualists are easy. They're the first Group away each morning so they have the most time to make the twilight curfew. By day's end, we're rolling into Mount Elizabeth Station for another incredible Kimberley evening.

Amenities 

DAY 3 - MT ELIZABETH STATION - ELLENBRAE

Day 3 is a very special stage through God's Country, with stunning vistas, river crossings and some killer jump ups to climb, and fast and furious descents. Spectacular scenery through the East Kimberley keep your iphone hand for some amazing snaps.

Arrival at Ellenbrae is a real camping treat, just like East Kimberley camping should be. After pitching your tent or throwing the swag, we gather at bottom camp for another gorgeous Kimberley night and maybe another acoustic performance under the stars.

Amenities 



DAY 4 - ELLENBRAE - HOME VALLEY

This stage is spectacular - a day worth the trip to head to the promised lands - Home Valley Station (HVS).

At HVS we're greeted with a resort pool, fully licensed bar, luxurious grass camp-grounds, laundry facilities and the highlight, hot showers! This is party night on The Gibb Challenge - overindulge with amazing food, warm hospitality, great company and maybe a couple too many brewskies. Tomorrow's a lazy 50 kilometre walk in the park.

The event auction night occurs at Home Valley. Our amazing Auctioneer will entice all our participants, and guests to delve into the iphone wallet and support the amazing work of The Kyle Andrews Foundation.

Amenities 



DAY 5 - HOME VALLEY - EL QUESTRO STATION

Leaving the best to last, ELQ - the world acclaimed million acre wilderness is just fifty kilometres down the track.....that's like being next door in a Kimberley way.

The dusty peloton enjoys a bit of a sleep in on our last day. The Group Starts are forgotten and teams are invited to head off at their own leisurely pace, ablaze with fancy dress or for those entirely comfortable in their own skin, not even a stitch of clothing.

Crossing the iconic Pentecost River is a bucket-list experience along the Gibb River Road. It promises to be another unforgettable night of celebrations, featuring ELQ's exceptional hospitality, a delicious feast, and live music.

Amenities 

DAY 6 - Rest & Exploration (El Questro Wilderness Park)

After the incredible achievement of conquering the Gibb River Road, our volunteers come together for a luncheon where we show our utmost appreciation for your Bloody Heroic Volunteer contributions.

For some, the adventure continues in Kununurra, where they'll have the chance to immerse themselves in the Kimberley Moon experience. It's been a week filled with friends, fun, and fundraising for incredible charities.

Amenities



OTHER EVENT INFORMATION

OUR BLOODY HEROIC VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the heart and soul of The Gibb Challenge, and we cannot thank them enough. Their dedication, expertise and boundless enthusiasm are truly invaluable. In an event where safety and support are paramount—especially in the remote Kimberley—these incredible individuals go above and beyond to ensure everything runs smoothly. Their contribution is nothing short of amazing.

SUPPORT VEHICLE INFORMATION

The Gibb River Road

Established to link the port facilities of Derby and Wyndham with the vast pastoral leases of the west, central and east Kimberley. The road is graded annually by the Shire of Derby West Kimberley (SDWK) and the Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley (SWEK) and subject to seasonal considerations and is suitable for a diverse range of motor vehicle travel.

The Gibb River Road is a 700 kilometre, mostly unsealed secondary road linking the west and east Kimberley.



The Gibb River Road is not the untamed rudimentary track it once was, but it still needs to be respected and travellers would be well advised to make suitable and thorough preparations. The road surface is often heavily corrugated and the annual grading program relies upon the existing indigenous substrate. Graders will often kick up sizeable rocks that can smash at the under body of vehicles or expose sharp rock edges primed to tear at the sidewalls of your tyres.

BLOODY HEROIC VOLUNTEER PERSONAL EQUIPMENT:

- Tent or equivalent & swag - small and easy to erect and pack up
- Towel, clothes, hat, bathers - minimal opportunities to wear dressy/good clothes
- Plate, cup, cutlery, water bottle - volunteer food provided. Bring an esky/fridge
- Folding chair, torch, insect repellent, sunscreen

Space is limited and everything gets full of dust! Bear in mind that you need to put up and pack down your camping gear quickly.

And, that's the general gist of it..... Our Gravel Rush newsletter will be distributed over the coming months which will host up-to-date details and 'dont forget list' along with handy links and information... if in doubt just touch base with us.

CONTACT US



RESOURCES:



BLOODY HEROIC VOLUNTEER

Volunteer Name

Volunteer Email

Volunteer Contact number/s

Select Category

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP

WRITE DETAILS HERE:

EMAIL YOUR COMPLETED VOLUNTEER FORM TO:
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PHYSICAL SIGNATURE

DATE

OR DIGITAL SIGNATURE

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