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# PCYC Kokoda Track Adventure

**DEPARTS:**  
**May 18, 2012**

**COST PER PERSON:**  
**\$4795**

## INCLUDES:

- Return airfare Brisbane to Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea (please contact us if you wish to leave from Cairns)
- Australian host
- All accommodation: twin share while in Port Moresby (single supplement available on request)
- Road transfers and return flight from Kokoda to Port Moresby
- Trekking and village fees
- Personal porter to carry your pack (maximum weight 20 kg)
- Camping and cooking equipment except for sleeping bag, sleeping mat, backpack and personal gear
- Local trekking guide, porters and camp staff
- All meals
- Training tips and training walks in the Brisbane area

The Police-Citizens Youth Club Queensland would like to invite you to join them on a journey of a lifetime where you will be challenged both physically and mentally as you and 14 other like-minded individuals trek the world-famous Kokoda Track in Papua New Guinea.

### The Kokoda Track

The Kokoda Track is one of the world's greatest hiking trails. It starts 50 km east of Port Moresby at Ower's Corner and climbs up and over the majestic Owen Stanley range to end 96 kilometres later at Kokoda. You'll walk through lush rain forest, climb steep mountains, trek along high ridges and down through deep valleys and by the time you get to Kokoda, you'll be an expert at crossing rivers by pole and rope bridges! You'll also visit remote communities and experience the culture of the people of PNG. A good level of fitness is required for this trek, although mental strength is just as (if not more) important than physical stamina.

### What is PCYC?

The Police-Citizens Youth Club Queensland, commonly known as PCYC, provides appropriate, affordable and accessible youth development programs and services to support young people and the community at large. We give young people a real opportunity to make positive life choices and to develop to the best of their ability in the community. Our programs engage young people in a very positive and supportive environment, encouraging interaction with police officers, and providing a forum for young people to make good decisions about their future direction. Since inception 62 years ago, PCYCs were developed to deter young people from becoming involved in antisocial behaviour and to keep them 'off the streets'. Now, more than ever, it is our aim to interact positively with all young people, in essence before they end up at the police station.

### Why get involved with our adventure?

This adventure will be most memorable and life changing, not only for the participants but also the communities they visit on the track and for PCYC and Queensland's youth it supports.

### The cost

We are asking each individual participant on the PCYC Kokoda Track Adventure to raise a minimum of \$3000 or more to support PCYC. Together we aim to raise much needed funds to help support the PCYC State Youth Leadership Program and Catalyst Program. These programs encourage and support young people to make positive changes and decisions in their lives (see Jayde's story on page 3). You will also need to pay a provisional levy of \$4795 direct to Icon Adventures (see inclusions).

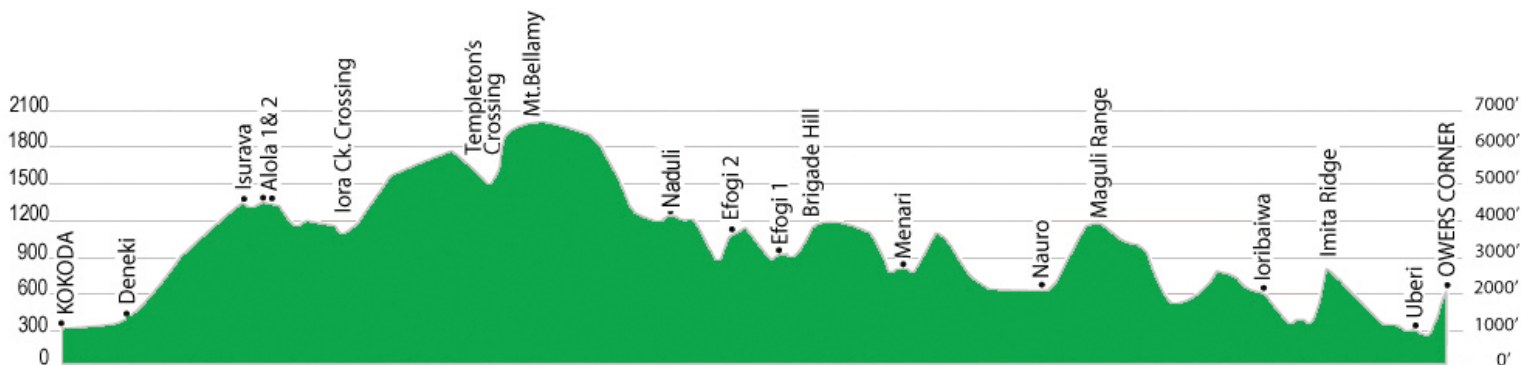
**Don't miss out on being part of this adventure! Complete the application form on the back of this brochure and fax or mail to the PCYC Queensland State Office TODAY!**

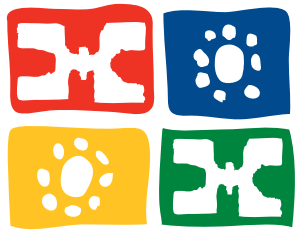


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# Itinerary

Date	Activity	Overnight
<b>FRI May 18</b> <b>DAY 1</b>	Fly from Brisbane to Port Moresby. Our local man in Port Moresby will meet us at the airport. Transfer to the Sogeri Lodge near the start of the track. On the way we will visit the Bomona war cemetery. Briefing in the evening on what is come over the next seven days.	<b>Sogeri Lodge</b>
<b>SAT May 19</b> <b>DAY 2</b> Approx 12 km	Early start for Ower's Corner and the start of the track. At Ower's Corner you'll get a first look at the Owen Stanley Range! Trek down to the Goldie River and then up Imita Ridge. This is the first of many steep climbs on the track. The path is on a parallel ridge to the Golden Staircase, which was built by Australian soldiers during the campaign. Imita Ridge was the last point that the Australian army retreated to when they were trying to stop the Japanese capturing Port Moresby. From here we climb down and make our way along Ua Ule Creek. The track follows the creek, crossing it many times. Then we have a short climb part way up Iorabaiwa Ridge to Iorabaiwa village. We'll continue up Iorabaiwa Ridge, which was the furthest point reached by the Japanese army. There is also a section of original wartime track and trench emplacements along the ridge. Down to Ofi Creek and then up the Maguli Range. This section is the steepest and hardest so far with many false peaks and is the first real test of your stamina! Down to the village of Nauro for the night. Views over the Owen Stanley Range to Mount Victoria.	<b>Ua Ule Creek</b> <b>Kokoda Track</b>
<b>SUN May 20</b> <b>DAY 3</b> Approx 15 km	Continue on through flat, swampy country to the base of the Nauro saddle. A morning climb up and over the Nauro saddle to a mountain pass above Menari Village. Down to the village of Menari for lunch. In the afternoon we have a steep walk up to Brigade Hill. This is another very challenging climb, but well worth it for the views of the Owen Stanley Range from the top. Brigade Hill was one of the major battles of the campaign during the Australian army's fighting retreat from Kokoda. Wave after wave of Japanese soldiers advanced up Mission Ridge to the Australian positions on Brigade Hill leading to terrible carnage on both sides. Down to Efogi No 1 village, the largest settlement on the track, for the night.	<b>Nauro village</b> <b>Kokoda Track</b>
<b>MON May 21</b> <b>DAY 4</b> Approx 16 km	A short, steep climb up to Efogi No 2 village in the morning before making our way down a steep decent to a river-crossing. Then we head up to the hill-top village of Naduli where, if we are lucky, we will meet one of the last surviving fuzzy wuzzy angels, Ovuru Ndiki. Then after a look at views of steep valleys clad with rainforest and high mountains in the distance, we'll start our climb of Mount Bellamy through a beech forest to the junction with the track to Myola and onto 1900 camp for the night.	<b>Efogi No 1 village</b> <b>Kokoda Track</b>
<b>TUES May 22</b> <b>DAY 5</b> Approx 15 km	This morning we finally climb to the top of Mount Bellamy, the highest point on the track, and pass through the wide Kokoda gap to descend to the Eora River at Templeton's Crossing No 1. The track continues onto Templeton's Crossing No 2 and then to Eora Creek campsite where we will stay for the night. There was a major battle fought here – during their retreat, the Japanese dug in above the western bank of Eora Creek and, after two weeks, they were finally forced out of their positions by the Australians.	<b>1900</b> <b>Kokoda Track</b>
<b>WED May 23</b> <b>DAY 6</b> Approx 13 km	Icon Adventures is one of the few companies allowed to take trekkers to see the remains of the Japanese trenches and gun emplacements above Eora Creek where many artifacts still remain. We'll view this first thing in the morning then we climb up to the village of Alola for lunch. From here it's not far to the Isurava battleground and memorial, where we will stay for the night. Isurava was where the first major battle of the Kokoda campaign was fought. The vastly outnumbered Australians held the Japanese for four days before staging a fighting retreat along the track once reinforcements had arrived from Port Moresby.	<b>Eora Creek</b> <b>Kokoda Track</b>
<b>THUR May 24</b> <b>DAY 7</b> Approx 9 km	Today we descend through choko fields to Deneki before descending to Hoi for lunch. Then it's a flat walk to the end of the track at the village of Kokoda.	<b>Isurava battleground</b> <b>Kokoda Track</b>
<b>FRI May 25</b> <b>DAY 8</b> Approx 16 km	After spending the night in a lodge at Kokoda, our last walk is to the airstrip where we catch a morning flight back to Port Moresby and if it is clear, we'll be able to retrace our steps back across the Owen Stanley range.	<b>Kokoda village</b>
<b>SAT May 26</b> <b>DAY 9</b>	Transfer to Port Moresby airport for morning flight back to Brisbane	<b>Hideaway Hotel</b> <b>Port Moresby</b>
<b>SUN May 27</b> <b>DAY 10</b>		<b>Home</b>





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## Live to travel: travel to give

### Our philosophy

At Icon Adventures we are serious about responsible travel. We aim to respect the culture of the communities we visit and protect the unique environments in which they live. Above all, we want to ensure that your travel experience is unforgettable for all the right reasons. Our aim is to minimise the environmental impact of your visit.

We recognise that we have an opportunity to make a positive economic impact on the communities we visit. We always choose locally owned operators/suppliers who employ local people and offer reasonable working conditions and payment to local staff. Icon Adventures supports a number of outstanding local community projects which promote environmental conservation, education and sustainable economic development. We are a sponsor of the Kokoda Track Foundation, which has projects to improve the health and wellbeing of the people along and near the track and assist them to generate sustainable income.

All our guides are highly experienced and have up-to-date wilderness first aid training.

Previously we have worked with Camp Quality, the McGrath Foundation and we are delighted to be working with PCYC on this very worthwhile fundraising project.

### Jayde's story (note sent to PCYC from Jayde's mother)

*First of all I want to congratulate you (PCYC) on SYLP 2. As you know my daughter Jayde took part in the program. Jayde has had a rough few years emotionally and being at SYLP with you, the facilitators and other kids has helped her tremendously. I know she had a breakdown on the night-time hike and whatever you did and said has impacted on her in such a positive note I just needed to tell you how much I appreciate your help. Sometimes, no matter how close you are to your kids, it takes someone else to help with a breakdown and a breakthrough and I am honoured that it took part at SYLP.*

*Her motto now is: 'If I can beat Bubba I can survive anything!' (Bubba is a five-hour mountain night-hike)*

*Since taking part in SYLP 1 Jayde has realised that she wants to work with kids and tomorrow we are going to enrol her in Cert III in Children's Services for her school apprenticeship.*

*Once again guys, thank you from the bottom of my heart (as a mum). What you do is amazing and you should be so proud. Watching my daughter's experiences has brought back to me the spirit of what PCYC is all about.*



The Kokoda Track Foundation



## A short history of the Kokoda Track

The Kokoda Track is best known for the fierce fighting between Australian and Japanese forces in World War II.

On July 21 1942, Japanese forces landed on the north coast of New Guinea with the aim of capturing the capital, Port Moresby, which is on the south coast and within striking distance of Australia.

A small contingent of Australian soldiers encountered the invading Japanese army at Kokoda, where they were pushed back along the track by a better-equipped and better-trained force that outnumbered them by at least five to one. They bravely held the Japanese at Isurava until reinforcements could arrive from Port Moresby. From there the Australians staged a fighting retreat all the way back to Imita Ridge, which is the first hill on the Kokoda Track. Finally after many weeks of savage fighting, the Japanese had lost a large proportion of their troops and could no longer supply those that were still on the front line.

The Australian army went on the offensive driving the Japanese back along the track and fighting many more bloody battles to finally defeat them seven months later at their landing grounds on the north coast of Papua New Guinea. Many of the Australian soldiers who died during the campaign are buried at the Bomona war cemetery near Port Moresby.



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“Enhancing Queensland Communities through Youth Development”

May 18 2012

## REGISTRATION FORM

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SURNAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ P/CODE: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

### DECLARATION

I intend to pledge a minimum donation of \$3000 plus an entry fee of \$220 (incl GST) to PCYC Queensland AND pay a provision levy of \$4795 to Icon Adventures.

#### **A TOTAL OF \$3220 to PCYC Queensland**

All cheques to be payable to 'PCYC Queensland' or direct-deposit this amount into PCYC's Queensland's bank account: BSB 064-179; account number 102 516 62.

ALL direct deposits into account, please use this reference: KT12<Surname>

In addition, I agree to pay a per-person provisions levy of \$4795 to Icon Adventures. This provisions levy will include: return airfares, all accommodation, local fees, all meals and a personal porter. Cheques payable to Icon Overseas Pty Ltd, PO Box 1121, Toowoomba QLD 4350 or direct deposit: BSB: 633-000 Account Number 132 094 004.

I understand that I participate in this event at my own risk and will not hold Queensland Police -Citizens Youth Welfare Association also known as PCYC liable for any harm or accident occurred *and releases and indemnifies and keeps released and indemnified, from and against all actions, suits, claims, demands, costs, charges and expenses for which PCYC, its servants, agents or employees may be held liable in respect of any loss damage, accident or injury of whatsoever nature or kind and however sustained or occasioned and whether to property or persons in connection in relation to taking part in the PCYC Kokoda Track Adventure. I also include permission to receive marketing and promotional material information from PCYC as well as permission to use any photography/film footage of myself leading up to and during the PCYC Kokoda Track Adventure.*

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

To secure your entry, payment is required prior to the event by cash, cheque or credit card (Mastercard or Visa)

**Please select preferred method of payment:**

- Cash – in person only to PCYC
- Cheque – please make cheques payable to PCYC
- Invoice – please invoice \_\_\_\_\_
- Credit card – please charge my \_\_\_\_\_ card to the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_

Card No.

Expiry date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_