



No Roads BIGFISH Expeditions Borneo Orangutans May 6th -16th 2010 Newsletter #2 - December 2009

Hi Adventurers,

Welcome to our amazing No Roads BIGFISH Expedition to Borneo to visit the incredible Orangutans from the 6th May to 16th May 2010 with No Roads Expeditions. If you have booked in, it's great to have you on board. If not, then all you have to do now is get onto the [No Roads Expedition website](#) and register for the trip. Simple as that! Of course, if you have any other questions just [contact No Roads](#) to let them know.



- ✓ **Introduction.** This is your rare opportunity to join us in visiting one of the most exciting animals on the planet right in their own backyard. The Orgauntans are also one of the most threatened species in existence and one that we don't want to see lost to our world. It with these thoughts that we started our "Community Expeditons" in the hope that our continued fund raising efforts will go a small way to helping with their continued survival. Once you have experienced their magnificience close up you will be overwhelmed forever.



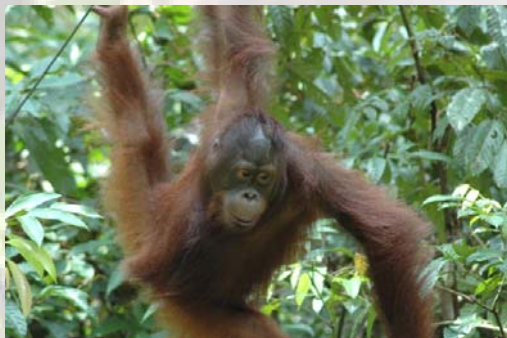
- ✓ **Itinerary & General Information about Borneo** – We are leaving Australia and arrive in Jakarta on Wednesday 6th May 2010 and return from Jakarta Monday 18th May 2010. Please refer to the itinerary provided on the [No Roads website](#) and to the PDF Dossier for more details of the daily activities and inclusions and items that you need to consider. This includes

details about travel, visas, equipment etc.

✓ **Our Trip** - Keep in mind there are a number of things we do that are specially tailored for our “team” and that are not available to the ordinary tourist. These will include 1) A very special visit and tour of the Orangutan Adoption Centre in Pangkalan Bun, 2) Unique behind the scenes access at the Rehabilitation Centres in Tanjung Puting National Park, 3) an amazing trek through and overnight stay in the Borneo jungle & 4) a visit to the oceans and coastlines. All of these events are incredible and are once in a lifetime opportunities. Check out a video clip made from this year’s trip to show some of the highlights you will get to experience.



✓ **Trip Specific & PreDeparture Information** – Please refer to the Dossier for a full list of predeparture information and details you need to know including visa and medical information plus all the suggested equipment. There may be some minor amendments to this prior to us leaving and we will keep you informed. The cost of the trip is going to be \$2,350 pp ex Jakarta. This is a very special price provided as a result of being a Community based expedition & the association with No Roads Expeditions. For meals and other inclusions refer to the itinerary. Once you are booked and confirmed in I will be sending out a “Team member” form which I will need you all to fill out and get back to me. These are necessary to coordinate and manage the fund raising programme plus for ordering team clothing.



✓ **Airfares & Travel Insurance** – You will need to book your own airfares to Jakarta and return. Qantas & Garuda operate flights among others. The airfares should be about \$1000 return including taxes. Please also confirm once you have booked your flights.

✓ **Fund Raising Programme** – As a “team member” of this No Roads BIGFISH Community Expeditions you will now be involved in our Fund Raising project. For this trip it will be for the Australian Orangutan Project - AOP (see website <http://www.orangutan.org.au/>). Our aim is to sponsor over 100 babies and protect in excess of 5,000 hectares of rainforest. So, as a start each team member travelling with us will be adopting a baby orangutan for a year (\$55) plus protecting 100 hectares of rainforest (\$75) for one year. After that you will need to be out and about looking for people to help us and getting as many donations as possible.

For information on how to donate, please refer to fundraising letter provided on the No Roads website. Once you join the trip you will also be sent a copy of these details. It is important for us to track our fundraising progress as a team, therefore we ask that all donors refer to ‘No Roads Bigfish Team’ as their point of contact when donating online, as well as sending me an email so that I can keep a tally. Please keep me up to date.

✓ **What else ?** - We are planning a few extra things along the way to try and make this trip as memorable and special as we can.

- Making a film (documentary style) of the trip. I will have my 3 chip video and if anyone else has a movie camera or expertise in filming then please let me know. This will be a team project and we would like all to participate in some way. This includes making a video diary of our daily events and recording all the special events.
- We are getting “team” shirts (sports type) and hats done with No Roads BIGFISH logos, for comfort and as a special souvenir to remember your trip. 2010 is having it's own unique design and will be unveiled soon. I will be asking you to confirm your sizes to allow ordering.
- We can take some bags of Aussie souvenirs along for the local kids.
- We can leave clothes / shoes or any other equipment for the locals on completion of the trek. This is greatly appreciated over there, so maybe take a few old clothes along.
- Visiting the oceans and snorkeling in pristine waters rarely accessed by western tourists
-who knows what other surprises.....????



✓ **Want to check out the action from this year's trip?** – If you would like to see all our photos and read Wendy's report from this year's amazing trip, then visit the [BIGFISH Blog](#) and check it out. Plus there is a great video of the trip up on the No Roads website .



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So there you have it for the moment. How good does it sound? Awesome I reckon!! I do hope that this has inspired you all to consider doing what should prove to be a “once in a lifetime” trip. I look forward to getting your confirmation of joining us, feedback and any questions.

All the very best and always remember that “Life’s an adventure, be in it” & “You’re dead a long time”.

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