



THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND CANOE CLUB

G1: K'GARI LONG WEEKEND (GARRYS ANCHORAGE)

Spend the long weekend paddling to and along the south end of Fraser island



This is a long weekend trip to the Sandy Strait that separates the south end of Fraser Island from the mainland. We will leave from the township of Maaroom and cross to the Garrys Anchorage Campsite and set up our camp for the weekend. On Sunday we'll explore in the vicinity of the campsite, either to the north or the south, returning to the camp. On Monday we will return to the mainland, taking out at Maaroom.

Fraser Island is the world's largest sand island, and part of a unique sand island system running beside south east Queensland, and is the only part currently World Heritage listed. It has spectacular scenery and is home to an abundant array of wildlife. We hope to see dugong and perhaps dingos.

On Friday we will load boats and drive up to Maaroom Caravan Park for the night.

Paddlers are expected to be self-sufficient and will need to carry all food, water, camping and safety gear required for the trip. The club has camping equipment available – please contact the leader about it if needed.

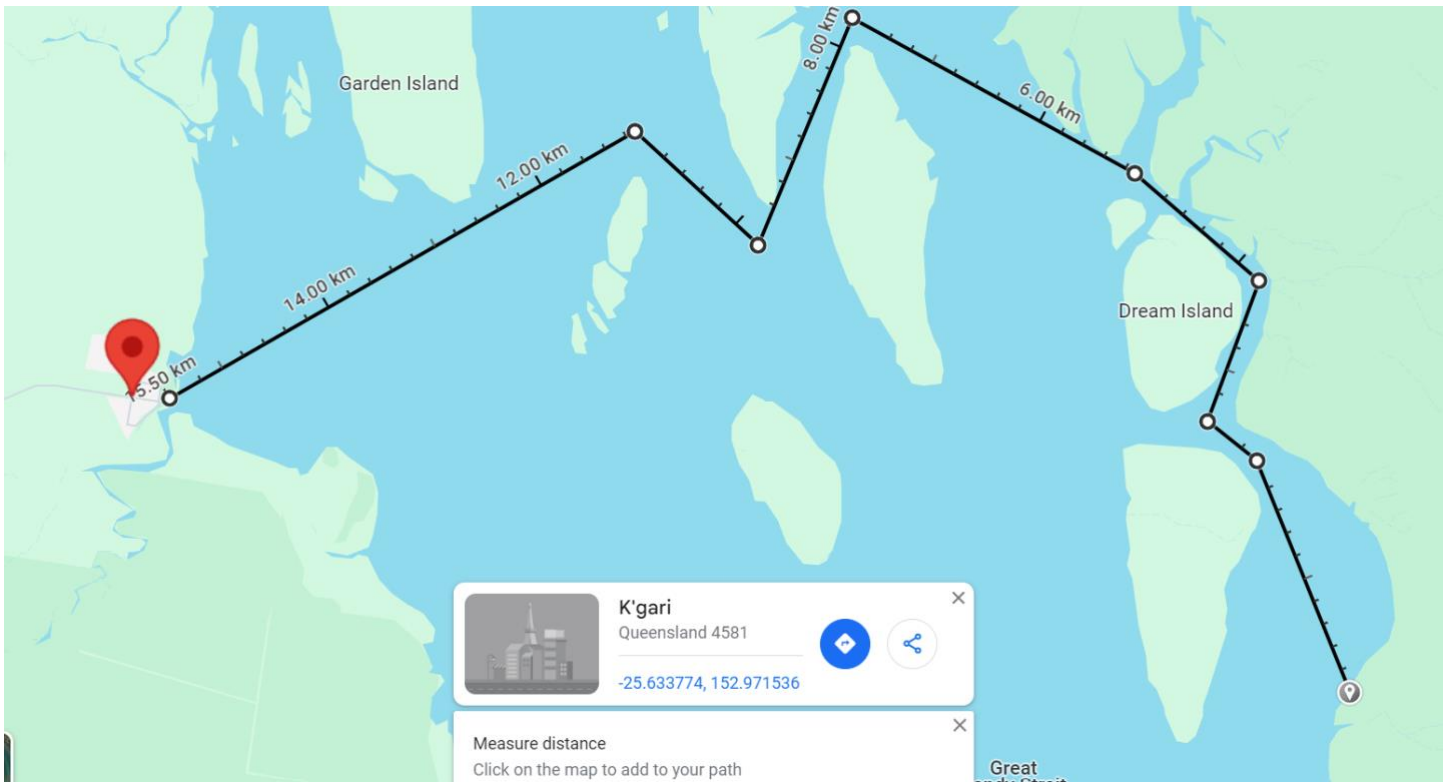
COVID NOTES

The activity is run in accordance with the UQ Sport Approved Club Covid Policy (v5).
 Please do not attend this activity if you have any associated symptoms
 or have been near any hot spots.

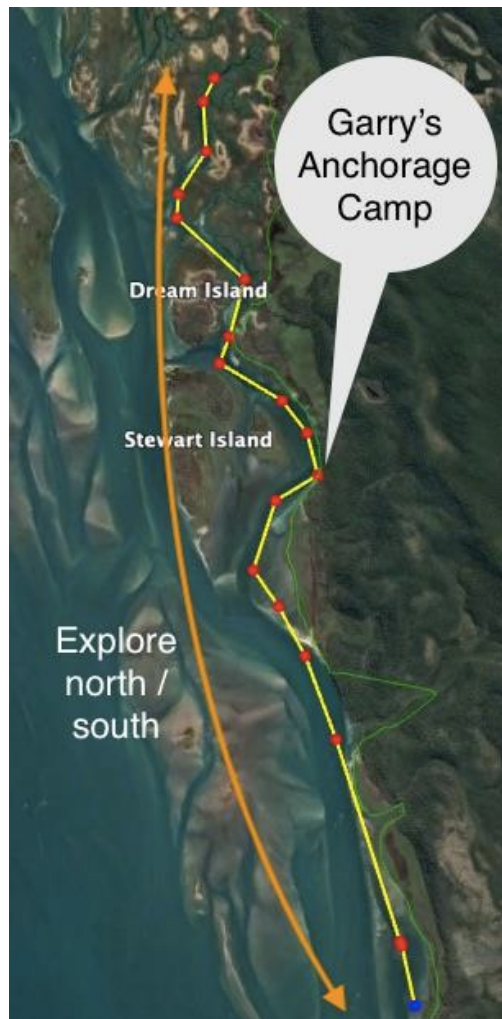
This trip is subject to updated Qld Health, UQ, and UQ Sport Covid related advice

Discipline	Sea kayaking	Paddle Grade	1
Date(s)	Saturday 5 th Oct to Mon 7 th Oct 2024	Event ID	241005S
Distance	45-50 km over 3 days (16+20+13)	Duration	12 hrs Paddling over three days (4+4+4)
Leader	Jane Baker	2IC	Steff Linde-Balko





Route Map



Sunday: Explore Fraser Coast

Tides (Inskip point tide times – Garry’s Anchorage ~ 1 hr later)		Moon
Maaroom Creek <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sat: 9:26 (1.79m), 15:18 (0.62m), 21:02 (1.6m) 		Waxing Crescent
Garrys Anchorage <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sun: 9:42 (1.8m), 15:53 (0.68m), 21:30 (1.51m) Mon: 3:35 (0.49m), 10:17 (1.77m), 16:35 (0.76m) 		
Sunrise: 5:22		Sunset: 17:49
Trip Outline		
FRI 4th OCT - Groups are encouraged to leave earlier (beat traffic)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Meet club shed to pack boats 6:00 PM depart club shed (if staying over night before) 		
SAT 5nd Oct		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 AM Depart shed 9:00 AM Car Meet at Maaroom boat ramp and pack boats 9:30 Trip Briefing 10 AM Depart for Fraser 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch on South end of Steward Island 1:00 Depart for Garrys Anchorage 2:00 Arrive Garrys Anchorage campsite. Set up camp. Free time to relax and walk to local freshwater creek. 		
SUN 6rd Oct		
Option 1 (this can be shortened by leaving later and returning earlier)		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Exploratory paddle along Fraser south of campsite with tide ~13:00 Lunch somewhere suitable over the low tide 14:00 Return with the tide to the campsite 16:00 Arrive Garrys Anchorage. 		
Option 2 Explore the islands and channels north of the campsite. Preferable if wind is an issue as we can shelter amongst the islands.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ~ 7:30 Paddle against the tide and explore the islands ~ 10:00 Morning tea somewhere suitable 10:30 Return ~12:00 Arrive campsite 12:30 Lunch 1:30 relax and enjoy Fraser 		
MON 7th Oct – return to the mainland		

- 6:00 Breakfast
- 6:30 Pack camp / Pack boats
- 7:30 Depart Garrys Anchorage
- ~11:00 Arrive Maaroom
- 11:00 Lunch / car shuttle
- 12:00 pack boats
- 13:00 Set off to Brisbane
- 17:00 Arrive at shed, clean boats
- 18:00 End of trip



Put in Point (boat ramp near Maaroom Caravan Park). End of Granville Road.

Take Out in Point: boat ramp near Maaroom



Garrys Anchorage Camp Site (Fraser Island)

Put in Point	Maaroom Boat Ramp, End of Granville road.	Take-out Point	Maaroom Boat Ramp, End of Granville road.
Alternate Route Variations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential return to Tuan instead of Maaroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Boonooroo Creek, take out next to caravan park ○ Boonooroo Creek, take out near Milzewski St ○ Boonooroo Creek, take out next to Wilinson Road Bridge ○ North East Boonooroo – take out at beach at end of Levinge Lane and Esplanade • If poor weather, return on Sunday instead of Monday. • Sunday – two options (see trip outline above) • Option to walk on Fraser roads (eg if the weather is not suited to paddling). 		
Optional Camping Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maaroom Caravan Park info (already booked) 32 Granville Road, Maaroom Qld 4650 (see their website). Ph: 07 4129 8222 • Garrys Anchorage Camp site info 		
Information Links	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garrys Anchorage Camp site info • Fraser Island beach camping zones map (PDF) <p>Additional Dangerous Animal Info</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Dingo Safe tips * Be Dingo safe (link) * Dingo safe (flyer) * Crocodile Safe (rare – temporary population) * Marine Stingers (Irukandji jellyfish are reported on the western side of Fraser) 		
Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maaroom - toilets water showers. • Garrys Anchorage - covered picnic table. No water, no toilets (bush toileting). • Bring 3-4 L water per day (11-12L total) – in robust containers (no milk cartons!!) 		

SAFETY

Sea kayaking can be hazardous. If conditions are unfavourable we will not go. We will register with the coast guard prior to departure and should be in telephone contact. If you have medical conditions, consult your doctor, let the leader know if they are relevant (eg asthma, diabetes, heart conditions, allergies, epilepsy, etc), and bring any required medication.

Risks and Management

Club Sea Kayak Risk Assessment (Detailed Risk Assessments on request)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drowning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fitness / Fatigue
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sunburn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equipment Failure
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medical Conditions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enter / Exit Boat

<p>been reported in the southern Fraser island area. This is not a resident population.</p>		<p>water's edge. National park information to be followed (see links)</p>	
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General Risk Management

<p>Paddler Requirements</p>	<p>Conditions can be calm, but can change dramatically with winds and tides contributing significantly to this.</p> <p>Paddlers must advise leaders if they have health issues or injuries that may affect participation. Ensure medication is carried and is accessible. If unsure, they should check with their doctor beforehand.</p> <p>Participants must self-assess their, and their equipment's ability to cope with this grade of club event. The club grading scale is located on the club website. This should be consulted prior to registration, and any concerns or anything needing clarification should be raised with the trip leader beforehand.</p> <p>Participants need the skills for the grade of the trip, unless modified below "Additional Comments".</p> <p>Participants should have an appropriate level of fitness. This is a trip that requires a moderate fitness level and a minimum sustained cruising speed as required by the paddle grade.</p>
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<p>Emergency Contact Information</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coast Guard Tin Can Bay QF17 Norman Pt, Tin Can Bay, Qld, 4580 Ph: 54864290 Mob: 0419 798 651 VHF 16, 67, 80, 82 (CALLSIGN: VMR417) 06:00 – 18:00 • Alternate: VMR Hervey Bay mob: (07) 4128 9666; VHF 16, 67, 22, 73 • Emergencies only – phone 000
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<p>Nearest Medical Help and Contacts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maryborough Hospital Emergency (Closest Hospital) 185 Walker Street Maryborough QLD 4650 07 4122 8222 • Gympie Hospital Not close Address: 12 Henry St, Gympie QLD 4570 Opens 8AM – 4:30 PM Emergency department: Open 24 hours Phone: (07) 5489 8444
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Safety and Personal Equipment

Personal Equipment (Full list)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clothing you can get wet (on the water) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dry clothing (to keep warm) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Equipment Requirements for Grade <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Food adequate for trip duration <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Footwear suitable for paddling, swimming. Extra for on land. No thongs/flip flops or bare feet (oysters and spiky/venomous animals can get you!) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paddle clothes to protect from cold/wind (e.g. thermal/spray jacked or cag) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water and snacks accessible while paddling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sun protection (hat, sunglasses, long sleeved paddle clothes sunscreen, etc) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water – 3L per day (4L if camping)		
Kayak Equipment (Required sea kayaking equipment for grade)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dry Bag <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Life Jacket (type II) and Paddle <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paddle Tie <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pump, Sponge, and Bailer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paddle Float <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spray Deck - if you have not used one tell the leader before or when you register! Pre-trip training may be needed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suitable Craft (sea kayak) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Whistle		
Communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flares <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mobile Phone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PLB/EPIRB	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Signal Mirror <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> V-Sheet	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VHF Radio <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Whistle
Safety Equipment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hand Pump	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paddle Floats <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Repair Kit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rescue Stirrup <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spare Paddle
Additional or Emphasised Equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please make sure you bring water (3-4 litres), food, snacks, sun protection and foot wear. Some water and snacks need to be accessible whilst you paddle • Bring a tent, sleeping bag, sleeping mat • Bring warm paddle gear, and also warm dry clothes for on land. 		
Check Paddlers' Equipment (prior to launch)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bailer/Pump <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Footwear <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Life Jacket <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paddle Leash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spray Deck	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Suitable Craft <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sunsmart Gear <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water

LOGISTICS

Pre-Trip Meeting	Communication via email
Boat Loading Details	Friday 4th Oct 5 PM sharp (earlier if we can organise it)
Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$10 wear and tear contribution for club gear use (per day)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$ for petrol for your driver / trailer tower • A few extra dollars for a coffee etc afterwards (if time). • Camping costs - ~\$14 (Fraser camping) and ~\$15 for • Optional Maaroom camping. Total approx. \$30. • Please bring cash or a means of bank transfer (eg phone) as we like to complete reimbursing everything at the end of the trip. Similarly bring a range of notes so you can reimburse directly and immediately as needed to the club, your driver, and/or organiser for costs they may have incurred on your behalf, etc. More info TBC via email.
Additional Comments/ Instructions	Numbers will be limited by transport, the number of people with sufficient skills, and the weather. Within these constraints it will be first come first served and number will be limited.

EVENT REGISTRATION

Register with	Jane	Email	Committee Contacts
Limits on Numbers	Register soon. Numbers will be limited by transport, the number of people with sufficient skills, and the weather. Within these constraints it will be first come first served and number will be limited. Trip Leader will decide.		
Register by	28 th Sept	Club Event ID	241005S