ABOUT THE CAUSE

Meet Sonny.

6-year-old Sonny lives with Perthes Disease and has been non-weight bearing since February 2017. In order to protect his joints, Sonny is confined to a wheelchair indefinitely.

At kindergarten, Sonny enjoys a wide variety of activities - but none quite as much as sport. He has a natural affinity for ball sports, but his participation in these activities is severely limited by his condition.

When he was first diagnosed as a 4-year-old, Sonny was very active, but since February 2017 his condition has deteriorated to the point that he is missing out on enjoying lots of activities with his friends. He has become anxious, has spent a lot of time in hospital and at specialist appointments, and is worried about the idea of starting school.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, Variety recently granted Sonny a Variety Heart Scholarship, which has enabled him to rediscover his confidence.

The scholarship has provided Sonny with a brand-new school uniform and funding for school excursions so that he can participate in the same activities as his friends. The scholarship also covered the cost of tennis lessons for Sonny, so that he can hone his skills - his tennis coach says he's made leaps and bounds!

Who knows, we may just have the next Dylan Alcott on our hands!



Together, we can make sure ALL kids have a fair go in life, regardless of ability or circumstance.

I've gotta do it! What's next?

Contact the friendly Variety Motoring Events team who will be able to walk you through the next steps and answer any questions you might have.

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VISIT information and to view our FAQ section.

www.variety.org.au/bash for more



Sign-up Costs:

\$660 entry fee

Fundraising Requirements:

\$5000 minimum for first-timers (aka rookies) \$7000 minimum for returning entrants





What is the **Variety Bash?**

Australia's largest and longest -running charity motoring event!

The Variety Bash is not a race or a rally, it's a fun and social event - or in the words of the founder, Dick Smith - it's a "drive in the outback with a few mates". Your car needs to be at least 30 years old and decked out in an awesome theme!

For many people, the Bash is many different things. For some, it's a once in a lifetime opportunity to experience regional and remote Australia and tick some must-see destinations off their bucket list. and for others it becomes an annual trip away with like-minded comrades for 10-12 days of fun and frivolity for a good cause!



A city in the mid-west region of WA situated on the coral coast. Geraldton is a major west coast seaport, being an important service and logistics centre for regional mining, fishing, wheat, sheep and tourism industries.

Mt Maanet WA

Is one of the longest-surviving gold mining towns in mid-west WA. We will be visiting during wildflower season, so there will be plenty of floral displays to view!

Kalgoorlie WA

Kalgoorlie-Boulder is the hub of the Western Australian Goldfields and the largest city in the Australian Outback. Today it's one of the most well-known mining areas in the world.

A drive in the outback with a few mates with full on-road support!

Ceduna SA

Located on the sandy white shores of Murat Bay and the Eyre Peninsula on the Great Australian Bight, Ceduna is known as the Oyster Capital of Australia.

Warrnambool VIC

Warrnambool is located on a plateau behind a steep bluff and is defined by rivers to the east and west. Overlooking the sheltered Lady Bay, our first destination marks the end of the Great Ocean Road and is rich in seafaring history.

About the cause

Variety - the Children's Charity is a national, not-for-profit organisation that helps kids who are sick, disadvantaged or have special needs. By providing access to essential equipment and services, Variety changes the lives of thousands of kids and their families every year.

The Variety Bash is the only motoring event in Australia that supports kids in need on the road, which means our entrants get to see their fundraising dollars hard at work! In 2018 we gave out over \$120,000 during the first two days of the event. Funds raised through the generosity of our Variety Bash community also continue to assist kids in need right throughout the year!

Warrnambool VIC to Hahndorf SA

Day 3 - Thursday 22 Aug Hahndorf SA to Whyalla SA

Day 4 - Friday 23 Aug Whyalla SA to Ceduna SA

Day 5 - Saturday 24 Aug Ceduna SA to Madura WA

Day 6 - Sunday 25 Aug Madura WA to Kalgoorlie WA

Day 7 - Monday 26 Aug Kalgoorlie WA (Rest Day)

Day 8 - Tuesday 27 Aug Kalgoorlie WA to Leonora WA

Day 9 - Wednesday 28 Aug Leonora WA to Mt Magnet WA

Day 10 - Thursday 29 Aug Mt Magnet WA to Geraldton WA

Day 11 - Friday 30 Aug Geraldton (Final Night Celebrations)



SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Hahndorf



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Day 1 - Tuesday 20 Aug Melbourne VIC to Warrnambool VIC Day 2 - Wednesday 21 Aug