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QUEENSLAND MASTERS

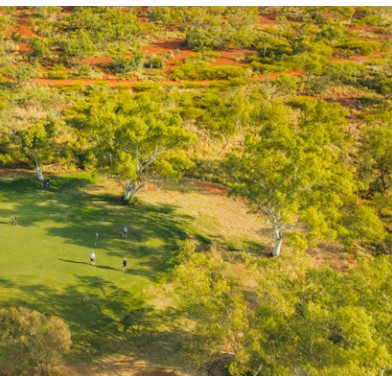
2024 OFFICIAL PROGRAM



15 JUNE - 21 JULY 2024



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Acknowledgment of Country

The Outback Queensland Masters acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather. We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



**MESSAGE FROM THE
MINISTER FOR TOURISM
AND SPORT, THE HON.
MICHAEL HEALY MP**

**It is my pleasure to welcome
you to the Outback
Queensland Masters.**

Outback Queensland is known for
its diverse tourism experiences
on offer across the region – from
exploring Australian's history to
discovering ancient fossils and

enjoying the great company of the
many characters of the Outback,
making it the perfect destination
for this event.

The Queensland Government is
proud to support the Outback
Queensland Masters through
Tourism and Events Queensland's
Major Event funding.

The Outback Queensland
Masters will be a quintessential
Queensland experience in
the Outback and is set to
contribute towards a \$850 million
Queensland Events Calendar
in 2024.

Queensland's growing events
calendar highlights our state's
reputation as a destination for
great entertainment and unique
visitor experiences.

If you are visiting for the event, I
encourage you to make the most
of your stay in this picture-perfect
location by exploring the diverse
and unique tourism experiences.



GOLF AUSTRALIA

We look forward to presenting the Outback Queensland Masters (OQM) in 2024 with our Strategic Partner, Tourism & Events Queensland.

It is Australia's largest series prize opportunity for an amateur golfer including a chance to win a million dollars with a hole-in-one. The OQM is an opportunity to connect with the Outback Queensland spirit and experience and showcase the character and friendliness that Outback Queensland golf clubs are famous for in communities including Birdsville, Boulia, Winton, Barcaldine, Charleville and Quilpie.

We encourage locals and visitors alike to join in the competition. It doesn't matter if you're a member of a golf club, a social player,

or have rarely played before, this event caters for all types of golfers, plus those that want to give golf a go for the first time - everyone is welcome.

To further encourage our youth, in each town in the 2024 series, we'll be holding Junior Golf Clinics for local kids with our PGA Professional, Darren Weatherall from Brisbane.

We look forward to welcoming you and your friends on this one-of-a-kind golfing experience in Outback Queensland.

Therese Magdulski
*General Manager - Events,
Golf Australia*

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G'DAY AND WELCOME TO THE 2024 OUTBACK QUEENSLAND MASTERS!

This is Australia's most remote and richest amateur golf series spanning an epic 1,650+ kilometres across Queensland's outback, staged over six consecutive weekends, 15 June - 21 July 2024.

We welcome you on this one-of-a-kind adventure west starting in Birdsville, touring through to the Outback towns of Boulia, Winton, Barcaldine and Charleville, and onto the Million-Dollar Hole-In-One challenge in Quilpie.

2024 SCHEDULE AND COURSE LOCATIONS



BIRDVILLE
June 15 & 16



BOULIA
June 22 & 23



WINTON
June 29 & 30



BARCALDINE
July 6 & 7



CHARLEVILLE
July 13 & 14



QUILPIE
July 19, 20 & 21





Players are split based on whether they hold a Golf Australia Handicap.

PLAYERS WITH A GOLF AUSTRALIA HANDICAP (GA HC PLAYERS)

Male and female golfers are split into divisions based on their GA handicap.

- Bilby Division
- Brolga Division

Players will be placed into divisions prior to the first event.

PLAYERS WITHOUT A GOLF AUSTRALIA HANDICAP (NON-GA HC PLAYERS)

For those who enjoy golf on occasion, not wanting to compete in major amateur events or simply have not played golf before.



2024 PRIZES

We have a swag full of prizes this year with individual prize opportunities from the **\$10,000 Hole-In-One Challenge** at Birdsville, Boulia, Winton, Barcaldine and Charleville, to the **Million Dollar Hole-In-One Challenge** in Quilpie.

- Top 2 Front 9 Stableford Scores per event – Men and Women
- Top 2 Back 9 Stableford Scores per event – Men and Women
- Top 2 18-hole Stableford Scores per event – Men and Women (2x Divisions)
- 2 x random draw prizes per event (Non-Handicap Players)
- 4 x Nearest the Pins on both days per event

- OQM Series Winners – Men and Women (2x Divisions)
- Overall Random Draw Prizes (Non-Handicap Players)
- **Major Random Prize Draw 1** Championship Prize for 2 people

Includes Road to PGA Final, PGA Awards Gala Dinner, Kirkwood Club Hospitality Suite and Brisbane tourism experience.

- **Major Random Prize Draw 2** 2025 Outback Queensland Masters for 2 people.

Includes 2 x All-Inclusive Player Passes to the 6 locations.

See www.outbackqldmasters.com/format for further information and conditions

GIVING BACK TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES FREE JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS

OQM is hosting Free Junior Golf Clinics at each location on Saturday and Sunday morning for local youth with PGA Professional, Darren Weatherall.



The Junior Clinics are for young people from the ages of 5 to 18 who may be interested in trying their hand at golf for the first time or for those who are brushing up and learning more skills to become future golf champions.

OQM each year looks forward to bringing this opportunity to the doorstep of the young people in Outback Queensland.





Stay Longer. Explore More



Experience Charville
Outback Queensland

CHARVILLE VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE

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2024 LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

Appearing live at the Dinner Under the Stars in each of the six locations at this year's event - all included in your Outback Qld Masters player and spectator passes.

BIRDSVILLE | SAT 15 JUNE



A NIGHT WITH THE PRO

Get your golfing caps on with our Resident PGA professional, Darren

Weatherall for a fun-filled evening of golfing knowledge and trivia. Darren will give you his top 10 golf instruction tips plus a Q&A to see you playing your best in the Outback! Join in the fun with some great prizes to be won.



BRAD BUTCHER

Independent singer-songwriter and musician Brad Butcher is a 2-time

Golden Guitar Award winner for Best New Talent and Alternative Country Album Of The Year. His latest album effortlessly blends elements of Country, Folk, and Americana, encapsulating his diverse musical palette.

BOULIA | SAT 22 JUNE



MARK McCONVILLE

2024 sees Mark celebrate his 26th year as a stand-up comic. His innate

ability to connect with people from all demographics means he can zero in on the finer points of life and present them in a way that makes you laugh and laugh hard.



PETE CULLEN

Australian country singer songwriter Pete Cullen blazes his own outlaw country trail with

hard rockin' shows full of sweat and swagger. His songs are real, a testament to his wild heart and honest old soul.

WINTON | SAT 29 JUNE



ANNE FERGUSON HOWE

For over 15 years, Anne has been making audiences

laugh with her quick-fire crowd work and stories of looking for work and love. She loves nothing more than holding court and enthraling people with her somewhat visual descriptions of life and situations.



HAYSTACK MOUNTAIN HERMITS

Haystack Mountain Hermits are an award-winning

family band, inspired by their motto, 'We Play We Sing We Fight'. Hillbilly, Folk, Bluegrass and Country, the Hermits' musical range is as individual as they are.

BARCALDINE | SAT 6 JULY



MIKE TYLER

Meet Mike Tyler, stage magician & comedy hypnotist, who has performed sold-out ticketed

stage shows in over 300 cities across 7 countries. Combining comedy and magic, he's considered one of Australia's favourite magicians.



VIXENS OF FALL

Queensland-based boho country rock trio, Vixens of Fall, are comprised of

sisters Nina, Wren, and LuLu. With their infectious energy and heartfelt tunes, they have captivated audiences nationwide, earning acclaim for their melodic charm and unwavering spirit.

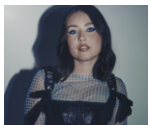
CHARLEVILLE | SAT 13 JULY



KAT DAVIDSON

Who has 25 years comedy experience, brilliant stories and keeps the laughs coming, no matter

who is in the audience? This lady... Kat Davidson has shared the stage with the world's best comics, tamed a shed full of drunk miners, kept a 24-year marriage off the rocks and is currently being parented by her eleven-year-old.



JEM CASSAR-DALEY

Jem Cassar-Daley has been a radiant fixture on the music stage since

her debut in 2021. Jem's magnetic

stage presence, celestial vocals, and her ability to craft timeless songs have firmly etched her name as a rising star of the Australian music scene.

QUILPIE | FRI 19 JULY



ANISA NANDAULA

Ugandan Australian comic and poet Anisa Nandaula's unique point

of view and experiences fuel the fresh perspective she's bringing to the comedy scene. Anisa mixes the personal with the political, veering from relatable dating and finance stories to observations about navigating Australian society while black and back again.



THE KITTY KATS

Wilkommen, welcome, bienvenue, it's cabaret, cabaret, cabaret. Burlesque

comes to the Outback with The Kitty Kats. Feathers, fishnets, garters and sexy musical moments in a spectacular floor show that will have you dancing, crying, singing, laughing out loud, and "loving the skin you're in".



SUN 21 JULY THE SMASHING BUMPKINS

The Smashing Bumpkins are a

rollicking bush dance band. Infusing the art of dance with contagious onstage enthusiasm, they 'call' traditional Australian bush dances blending with popular riffs from all music genres. No dance skills required... you just need to be willing to get up and get involved!



BIRDSVILLE WANGKANGURRU-YARLUYANDI COUNTRY

.....Population: 110

In outback terms, Birdsville is as remote as they come where the journey to Queensland's most western frontier is all part of the adventure. Burke and Wills traversed this territory 160 years ago on their ill-fated journey and today you can still feel the same sense of uncharted territory.

While the town population may be small, the locals share a big backyard – 176,500km² of the Simpson Desert (Munga-Thirri National Park) to be precise. The red, windswept hills that surround Birdsville can be discovered by four-wheel drive (and a sense of adventure) but nothing beats catching a sunset lightshow from the top of the famous Big Red Sand Dune.

We're sure we'll find you enjoying a beverage of two at Australia's most iconic outback pub, the Birdsville Hotel. The icon has been a welcome refuge to travellers from across the globe since 1884.



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DAY 1 - BIRDSVILLE SATURDAY 15TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00am Player Briefing – Shotgun 1
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Player Briefing – Shotgun 2
- 12:45pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 6:00pm Daily Wrap Up & Dinner Under The Stars
- 9:30pm Evening Concludes

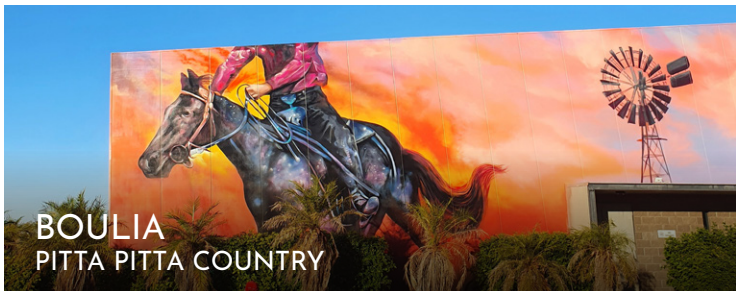
DAY 2 - BIRDSVILLE SUNDAY 16TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 4:30pm Presentations
- 5:30pm Event Concludes

TOP 5 MUST DO'S

- Witness a stunning sunset from the top of Big Red.
- Capture the vibrant birdlife and breathtaking views at Cuttaburra Crossing.
- Explore the historical significance of Carcoory Ruins.
- Soak in the healing waters of the Bedourie Artesian Spa & Aquatic Centre.
- Marvel at the Serpent Sculpture and enjoy panoramic vistas at Deon's Lookout in Betoota.





BOULIA PITTA PITTA COUNTRY

.....Population: 218

Boulia in the heart of Outback Queensland's Channel Country is known as the Land of the Min Min Light.

The eerie Min Min Lights have drawn curious travellers to Boulia for decades hoping to see the mysterious balls of glowing light. Whether it's fact or folklore, a trip to the Min Min Encounter Centre will enthral you with stories with the animatronic and laser show.

Surrounded by Mitchell & Flinders grass plains, Boulia was once part of an inland sea, home to a mass of marine reptiles. Dive into Australia's past the Boulia Heritage Complex to check out the fossil collection of marine reptiles on display including the bones of a Plesiosaur.

Throughout the town, see iconic wildlife from kangaroos to emus and brolgas. In July each year, the town becomes camel central when hosting the 'Melbourne Cup of Camel Racing', the Boulia Camel Races.

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DAY 1 - BOULIA

SATURDAY 22TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00am Player Briefing – Shotgun 1
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Player Briefing – Shotgun 2
- 12:45pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 6:00pm Daily Wrap Up & Dinner Under The Stars
- 9:30pm Evening Concludes

DAY 2 - BOULIA

SUNDAY 23TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 4:30pm Presentations
- 5:30pm Event Concludes

TOP 5 MUST DO'S

- Learn about the famous light phenomenon at the Min Min Encounter Centre.
- Follow the Heritage Trail of signs depicting the history of buildings, landmarks and community members.
- Dive into the Cretaceous Era and Ancient Inland Sea at the Boulia Stone House.
- See the Waddi Trees, Boulia boasts the most prolific growth in Australia.
- Enjoy Nature! Enjoy bird watching, fishing and stargazing.





..... *Population: 856*

There aren't many towns that can live up to being as truly Australian as Winton.

The town's name essentially sits on the birth certificate for Qantas and Australia's unofficial national anthem, Waltzing Matilda. The Waltzing Matilda Centre celebrates and reveals the story of Waltzing Matilda in a rich multi-sensory experience. It's here where you can continue to turn the history pages to a century ago when Qantas held its first board meeting at the Winton Club in 1921.

Below Winton's surface, the soil is rich with dinosaur fossils and stunning boulder opal. You'll find the world's largest collection of Australian dinosaur fossils at the Australian Age of Dinosaurs and the world's only recorded evidence of a dinosaur stampede at Lark Quarry Conservation Park.

Soaking in the town's natural beauty millions of years in the making couldn't come easier at sunset. Admire the endless horizon that seemingly puts you on the world's edge, broken by the occasional flat-topped mesa.

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DAY 1 - WINTON

SATURDAY 29TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00am Player Briefing – Shotgun 1
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 11:15am Player Briefing – Shotgun 2
- 11:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 12:30pm Lunch
- 1:45pm Player Briefing – Shotgun 3
- 2:00pm Tee Off – Shotgun 3
- 6:00pm Daily Wrap Up & Dinner Under The Stars
- 9:30pm Evening Concludes

DAY 2 - WINTON

SUNDAY 30TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 11:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 12:30pm Lunch
- 2:30pm Tee Off – Shotgun 3
- 5:30pm Presentations
- 6:30pm Event Concludes

TOP 5 MUST DO'S

- Meet ancient giants at Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum & Lark Quarry Dinosaur Stampede.
- Visit the Waltzing Matilda Centre.
- Sit back under the stars at the Royal Open-Air Theatre.
- Play a tune at the Musical Fence.
- Find Winton's Sunset signs, can you find them all?





.....Population: 1,540

Affectionately known as 'Barcy' by the locals, Barcaldine cemented itself in Australia's history books in 1891 with the Australian Shearers' Strike, leading to the birth of the Australian Labor Party. The Tree of Knowledge Memorial, an ode to the event, can be easily spotted both day and night on the town's main street.

The Australian Workers Heritage Centre celebrates the extraordinary legacy of working Australians and how they've shaped our nation.

Thanks to its connection to the Great Artesian Basin, the town is known as the 'Garden City of the West'. Its soft green lawns, colourful gardens and streets that are named after trees provide an oasis for travellers on hot days.

Barcaldine provides a great base to explore other towns in the region; the towns of Muttaborra, Aramac, Jericho, Alpha all retain their old fashion charm and small-town values.



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DAY 1 - BARCALDINE SATURDAY 6TH JULY

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00am Player Briefing – Shotgun 1
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Player Briefing – Shotgun 2
- 12:45pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 6:00pm Daily Wrap Up & Dinner Under The Stars
- 9:30pm Evening Concludes

DAY 2 - BARCALDINE SUNDAY 7TH JULY

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 4:30pm Presentations
- 5:30pm Event Concludes

TOP 5 MUST DO'S

- Learn about Australia's working history and explore the gardens and at the Australian Workers Heritage Centre.
- Immerse in the local Indigenous culture at the Desert Dreaming Centre or join Tracker Tours.
- Spend a day exploring the 200km Lake Dunn Sculptures Trail.
- Have a 'beach break' at the Barcaldine Rec Park.
- Find a 360-degree view of town from the Globe Tourist Lookout.





.....Population: 2,992

Nestled alongside the Warrego River, Charleville is an authentic and genuine outback town with a whole lot of heart.

Although small in size, it compensates with an array of remarkable experiences that are sure to fill your must-do list.

Every corner you explore reveals local secrets, characters, and a history that runs deep.

The friendly and welcoming nature of the locals extends even to the smallest residents of Charleville, the adorable bilbies, who can be discovered at the Charleville Bilby Experience.

The town takes full advantage of the crystal-clear outback skies, inviting you to indulge in an unparalleled stargazing experience at the Cosmos Centre.

Situated in the heart of “mulga country,” Charleville and its surrounding pastoral properties boast a wealth of history, diverse flora, and captivating fauna. Follow the path of the Charleville Heritage

Trail to admire impressive examples of pioneer architecture and immerse yourself in the town’s captivating history

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DAY 1 - CHARLEVILLE SATURDAY 13TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00am Player Briefing – Shotgun 1
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Player Briefing – Shotgun 2
- 12:45pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 6:00pm Daily Wrap Up & Dinner Under The Stars
- 9:30pm Evening Concludes

DAY 2 - CHARLEVILLE SUNDAY 14TH JUNE

- 7:00am Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30am Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm Lunch
- 12:30pm Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 4:30pm Presentations
- 5:30pm Event Concludes

TOP 5 MUST DO'S

- Check out the sun through the Hydrogen Alpha Sun Telescope, one of the largest in the world.
- Visit the WWII Secret Base and experience for what life was like for the 3,500 US Servicemen who were stationed in Charleville.
- Pay a visit to the Charleville Bilby Experience and help these cute marsupials dig their way back from extinction.
- Enjoy some date loaf and a cuppa on an Outback Date Farm tour.
- Enjoy an ice-cold beer at iconic





QUILPIE MARDIGAN COUNTRY

.....Population: 451

Quilpie is a stunning outback region, that's sure to supercharge any outback adventure. The town is overflowing in Aussie heritage, a vibrant local art scene and outdoor activities. The streets echo with epic stories of pioneering 'cattle kings' and ancient giants.

Quilpie is home to 'The Jewel of the Outback', the beautiful Boulder Opal. Find St Finbarr's Church, one of the town's iconic attractions, where its altar is adorned with locally mined Boulder Opal or try your luck at the free fossicking fields.

Toast an outback sunset from Baldy Top Lookout with a cold beverage in hand. A 10 minute walk to the top will reward you with complete panoramic views that will be sure to take your breath away.

Just 108km west of Quilpie, meet Australia's largest dinosaur at the Eromanga Natural History Museum – an absolute must.



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DAY 1 - QUILPIE FRIDAY 19TH JULY

- 7:00am** Registration & Breakfast
- 8:00am** Player Briefing – Shotgun 1
- 8:30am** Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm** Lunch
- 12:30pm** Player Briefing – Shotgun 2
- 12:45pm** Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 6:00pm** Daily Wrap Up & Dinner Under The Stars
- 9:30pm** Evening Concludes

DAY 2 - QUILPIE SATURDAY 20TH JULY

- 7:00am** Registration & Breakfast
- 8:30am** Tee Off – Shotgun 1
- 12:00pm** Lunch
- 12:30pm** Tee Off – Shotgun 2
- 3:30pm** Event Concludes

DAY 3 - QUILPIE SUNDAY 21ST JULY

- 8:00am** Registration & Breakfast
- 9:00am** Players Clinic
- 11:00am** 2025 announcement
- 11:30am** Million Dollar Hole-In-One Tee Off
- 12:00pm** Lunch
- 4:30pm** Million Dollar Hole-In-One Concludes
- 5:00pm** 2024 Wrap Up Presentation and final Dinner Under the Stars
- 9:00pm** Event Concludes

TOP 5 MUST DO'S

- Quilpeta Night Show
- Eromanga Natural History Museum
- Join a Historical Tour of Mount Isa and
- Discover the beauty of opal at the free opal fossicking area
- Hell Hole Gorge National Park
- Watch sunset from Baldy Top and Table Top Lookouts.





2024 SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

Want to make the most of your time in Outback Queensland? Check out our exclusive signature experiences available to OQM participants only. Numbers are limited, so book your spot quick.

outbackqldmasters.com/exclusive-experiences

BIRDSVILLE SUNSET TOUR

Friday 14 June
3:00pm – 6:30pm

No trip to Birdsville is complete without seeing the sunset from the top of the iconic 'Big Red' Sand Dune. Join fellow OQM players on a 4WD bus with commentary on the journey from Birdsville to 'Big Red'. Step up to the tee and try your chances at the Big Red Tee Off (including 3 balls) and then enjoy the sunset over the Simpson Desert with drinks and nibbles provided before returning to Birdsville.

Cost: \$165



BOULIA MIN MIN ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE

Thursday 20 June
6:00pm – 8:00pm

Spend an evening at Boulia's most prized attraction, the Min Min Encounter.

Join us for an exclusive evening with nibbles and drinks to experience the Min Min Encounter animatronic show and learn about the unexplained balls of glowing light that have appeared to travellers for decades with the first recorded sighting at a lonely Cobb and Co staging site in the Boulia Shire.

Cost: \$90



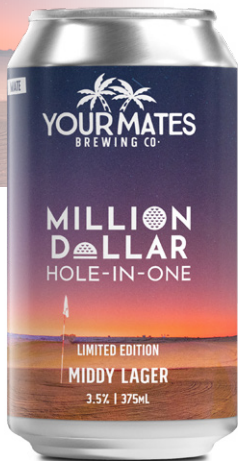


WINTON MADE IN WINTON - SHORT FILM SHOWCASE

Friday 28 June
6:00pm - 7:30pm

The Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival with the Outback Queensland Masters present 'Made in Winton'. Curated exclusively for OQM, this ninety-minute showcase is an evening of the best short films made in Winton during the festival, by the next generation of Australia's storytellers. Sit back to watch these curated films that have been conceived and filmed in Winton known as the 'Hollywood of the Outback', featuring the stunning outback and local talent.

Cost: \$25



This year you'll be saying cheers to the Outback Queensland sunset after a day of play with our NEW EXCLUSIVE Outback Queensland Masters Middy Lager at all six playing locations, thanks to Your Mates Brewing.

The limited collectible Middy, along with the Larry Pale Ale and Tilly Ginger Beer will be available at all OQM host golf clubs.

Bookings via: outbackqldmasters.com/exclusive-experiences



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BARCOLDINE - ULTIMATE QUEENSLAND DESERT MOB EXPERIENCE

Thursday 4 July | 1:00pm - 8:30pm

Be welcomed on 'Country' at the Desert Dreaming Centre for an immersion into the shared histories between the first nations people and the settlers that grew Barcaldine and region with your host Yiningai woman, Cheryl Thompson.

The experience continues with a Cultural Workshop, an Other Side of Town tour, unique Sunset 360 Big Sky Panorama experience and an original Tribal Tapas evening meal and show featuring a collection of tribal stories, song, and dance of the Yiningai tribe, making this an evening to remember for a very long time.

Cost: \$220



CHARLEVILLE GRAVE KEEPER TOUR

Thursday 11 July
4:30pm – 6:00pm

Gain an understanding into the soul of Charleville from... the Grave Keeper! Join the mysterious Grave Keeper as he unlocks the secrets of the outback. Hear stories from the late 1800's to the present, of life changing hardships leading to untimely deaths, and inspiring accounts of bravery. Meet entrepreneurial Greek immigrant Harry Corones whose visionary dreams resulted in the grand Corones Hotel. And Dr Lou Ariotti, world renowned for his innovative solutions to medical conditions and traumatic injuries.

Cost: \$35



CHARLEVILLE - OUTBACK DATE WITH A DATE FARM

Friday 12 July
12:00pm – 2:00pm

Enjoy a delicious date loaf morning tea with your fellow OQM mates while admiring rows of magnificent palm trees at the family-run date plantation. Be inspired by the farmer who turned a long-term dream into reality. Learn how dates grow, and how reclaimed water came to be used for this environmentally friendly project. Check out the Outback Oasis wetlands and find out how incredibly healthy dates are for you!

Cost: \$50



ADDITIONAL HOLE-IN-ONE EXPERIENCES

Cost: 3 balls for \$20.

Open to non-pass holders, and all OQM players and spectators.

outbackqldmasters.com/hole-in-one-experiences

BIG RED TEE OFF

Birdsville – Friday 14 June

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Top of 'Big Red'
Sand Dune

Start your OQM 2024 adventure with a tee off from the iconic 'Big Red' sand dune on the edge of the Simpson Desert, followed by spectacular outback desert sunset.

Hole-In-One Prize

Birdsville Aviation Flight for 2 people taking in Birdsville surrounds including Big Red, Goyders Lagoon, and the Diamantina River.

Nearest to the Pin Prize

Basket of Birdsville wonders donated by Birdsville Business Enterprises.



WAY OUT WEST HOLE-IN-ONE

Winton – Friday 28 July

Time: 3:00pm

Location: Winton Way Out West Sign,
Entry via Vindex Street.

Hole-In-One Prize

Cash bonanza 'Winner takes all'.

Nearest to the Pin Prize

Drummond Golf Voucher for Men's and Women's Nearest The Pin.





HOLE-IN-ONE AT BOULIA RACETRACK

Boulia – Friday 21 June

Time: 2:00pm

Location: Boulia Racetrack,
Under the Race Callers Tower

Boulia Racetrack is famous for the annual Boulia Camel Races, this is an opportunity to aim for a hole-in-one down the dusty racetrack.

Hole-In-One Prize

Cash bonanza 'Winner takes all'.

Nearest to the Pin Prize

Laser engraved cheeseboard and a Boulia Golf Club merchandise pack.

HOLE-IN-ONE AT BALDY TOP

Quilpie – Thursday 18 July

Time: 3:00pm

Take your chance to tee off for a hole-in-one from Top Baldy, a magnificent boulder formation formed naturally over millions of years with panoramic views of the outback.

Hole-In-One Prize

Cash bonanza 'Winner takes all'.

Nearest to the Pin Prize

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HOLE-IN-ONE AT BARCALDINE LAKE

Barcaldine – Friday 5 July | Time: 2:00pm

Location: Barcaldine Recreational Park, 1 Kurrajong Drive, Barcaldine.

Engineered by humans, the iconic lake of Barcaldine for one afternoon will be the home to a Hole-In-One experience, where you and your mates can tee off over the lake to the island.



GOLF LINGO

Playing with people who know golf and you don't? Feeling that you might get left behind with the golf lingo? Get worded-up before you head off into the Outback and be in-the-know-like-a-pro with this handy glossary.

Airswing: A swing of your club, which misses connecting with the ball, still counts as a stroke (points to your friends for not laughing out loud).

Angle of Approach (or Attack): In which the relative angle of your clubhead approaches the ball at impact.

Birdie: One stroke under par for the hole.

Bogey: A score of one over par on a hole.

Bunker: A hollow comprised of sand or grass or both that exists as an obstacle and/or hazard.

Caddie: A person hired to carry clubs and provide other assistance (AKA –your best mate, family member or significant other).

Chip: A short shot usually around the green where the ball lifts off the ground and then runs along the ground for a short distance.

Course Rating: A number, usually the same or one or two shots above or below the par of the course, which indicates the difficulty of the course. Your handicap is based on the course rating.

Double Bogey: A score of two over par on a hole.

Double Eagle: A score of three under par on a hole.

Eagle: A score of two under par on a hole.

Handicap: A number allocated to you that reflects your golfing ability. The lower the handicap of a player, the better the player.

Honour: The right of the player to hit off first, usually the person with the lowest score on the previous hole.

Level-Par: When you have a score of even par.

Lie: Where the ball has come to rest. It can also relate to the club as in the angle of the club face to the club shaft.

Marker: A person who keeps your score.

Markers: Used to show where you are allowed to hit your golf ball from, off the tee.

Par: The score an accomplished player is expected to make on a hole, either a three, four or five. If a hole is a par three this means you have three hits of the ball to get it in the hole.

Stroke: The times you hit a ball while playing on each hole (remember, less is more).

Stroke Play: It's a form of play for a competition based on the cumulative number of strokes taken, either over one round or several.

Teeing off: Term for when you have taken your stance and are ready to commence play.

Teeing Ground: The area in which each hole begins, indicated by two markers.



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Jundah

Blackall

Tambo

Windorah

Yaraka

Carnarvon Gorge

Banana

Eromanga

Mitchell

Roma

Dalby

Thargomindah

Cunnamulla

St George

NSW

Bourke

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38 NIGHTS | 1,649 KILOMETRES

Buckle up for this 1,649 kilometre adventure taking you from Birdsville to Quilpie, including each of the 2024 Outback Queensland Masters' locations

Make your way to Birdsville, (getting here is all part of the adventure!) the host of the first leg of the 2024 Outback Queensland Masters teeing off on June 15th.

Birdsville is as outback as they come, home to a hundred of so locals, perched on the edge of the Simpson Desert (Munga-Thirri National Park).

As far as outback adventures go, nothing's more iconic than catching the sunset hues dance across the endless dunes on top of the Simpson Desert's first and

famous Big Red sand dune. Test your 4WD skills or work your leg muscles and walk to the top, the view... worth it!

Take a dip at Birdsville's 'beach', Pelican Point or enjoy a thirst-quenching beverage inside the sandstone walls of Queensland's most western watering hole to start your Outback Queensland Masters adventure. The Birdsville Hotel has been welcoming travellers from all corners of the country for over 130 years.

***Stay 4 nights, Birdsville Dunes Golf Club.
Saturday 15 June - Sunday 16 June 2024***



BIRDSVILLE TO BEDOURIE (187 Kilometres)

Wave goodbye to Birdsville, and journey north to Bedourie in the Channel Country.

After a weekend of 18 holes, make way to the Bedourie Artesian Spa and Aquatic Centre where the healing waters bubbling up from underground at 30-40 degrees await you.

Get to know the locals at the Royal Hotel, alive with history this pub has barely changed since the 1880's and is still pouring cold beers today. Stop in at Pise House, a mud hut in the main street of Bedourie dating back to the 1880s for a reminder the simple and harsh pastoral life.

Stay 2 nights

BEDOURIE TO BOULIA (194 Kilometres)

Next stop, Boulia, known as the Land of the Min Min Light.

The eerie Min Min Lights, have drawn curious travellers to Boulia for decades hoping to see the mysterious balls of glowing light, first sighted at a lonely Cobb and Co staging site in the shire. Whether it's fact or fiction, a trip to the Min Min Encounter Centre will enthrall you with stories with the animatronic and laser show.

Dive into Australia's past the Boulia Heritage Complex, where you can view the local history from the prehistoric age to the modern era. Check out the fossil collection of marine reptiles on display including the bones

of a Plesiosaur unearthed in this area.

Sit back and enjoy the outback nature and landscapes. View the unique and rare Waddi Trees while you're here, the tree wood is so hard it can damage an axe and is almost impossible to burn.

Don't be surprised to see a camel or two in Boulia, the town hosts the 'Melbourne Cup of Camel Racing' every July.

Stay 4 nights

Boulia Golf Club.

Saturday 22 June -

Sunday 23 June 2024



BOULIA TO MIDDLETON *(193 Kilometres)*

Take the scenic outback drive through Jump Up and Channel Country to Middleton, known for its pub. In fact, that's all there is at Middleton!

Make sure you take a pit stop at Cawnpore Lookout on your way for spectacular panoramic views of the surrounding Lilleyvale Hills.

The Middleton Hotel was built in 1876 and was a Cobb & Co. changing station until the service ceased in 1915. The small town that grew up around the hotel has since disappeared, leaving the Middleton Hotel with the distinction of being one of the most isolated pubs in Queensland. Cheers to that!

Stay 1 night

MIDDLETON TO WINTON (169 Kilometres)

It's time to adventure to the town of Winton where Australian history runs through its veins, from the ochre red soil below to the walls of the grand-old pubs that line the streets.

As Australia's Dinosaur Capital, it's practically mandatory to make a visit to the Australian Age of Dinosaurs. Join their Ultimate Dinosaur Tour for an interactive guided tour of the world's largest collection of Australian fossils or join their team for some stargazing at their Gondwana Stars Observatory.

For Australian history on more of a surface level, the Waltzing



Matilda Centre celebrates the famous bush ballad and unofficial national anthem in a multi-sensory experience. Follow it up with a hearty pub meal served with a side of Australian history at the North





Gregory Hotel, rumoured to be the location of the first public rendition of *Waltzing Matilda*.

Want a night out at the movies? See the stars on the big screen while you sit back under outback sky at the Royal Open-Air Theatre.

If time permits, see sunset from Winton's Rangelands on tour or take a full day tour to the world's only recorded evidence of a dinosaur stampede – the Dinosaur Stampede at Lark Quarry Conservation Park, 110 kilometres south-west of Winton.

Stay 6 nights

Winton Golf Club.

Saturday 29 June -

Sunday 30 July 2024

Check out the Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival while in Winton.

WINTON TO LONGREACH (179 Kilometres)

Journey to Longreach, the beating heart of Outback Queensland.

Spend your days celebrating the spiritual home of Qantas, visiting the largest classroom in Australia, and feel the pride of Australia discovering the life of real stockmen and women.

Thrill seekers can get their heart racing by walking the wing of a Boeing 747 or taking a seat on a restored Cobb and Co ride galloping along an original mail route (we hope you don't mind a bit of dust).



Admire the landscapes by riding in a heritage rail motor or finish a day in Longreach by cruising along the Thomson River on sunset before indulging in an authentic outback dining experience, complete with entertainment.

Soak in an outback sunrise or sunset from an outdoor clawfoot bath or make off-road tracks to Starlight's Lookout for a sunset you'll want to toast over big sky country.

Stay 3 nights

LONGREACH TO ILFRACOMBE

(27 Kilometres)

Today, take the short (in outback terms) journey to Ilfracombe, 27 kilometres east of Longreach.

As you roll into town, you won't miss the brightly coloured line up of machinery, AKA the Machinery Mile. This outdoor museum is one-of-a-kind, where you can inspect the handywork and effort required to build the prized machines back in the day.

No Outback Queensland road trip is complete without visiting its iconic pubs and Ilfracombe's Wellshot Hotel is one of them. Walk through its swinging saloon doors to see for yourself why it's a favourite by locals and travellers alike; and even been voted 'Outback Queensland's favourite pub'.

Stay 1 night

ILFRACOMBE TO BARCALDINE

(81 Kilometres)

It's time journey to your next tee-off location, Barcaldine.

Discovering Barcaldine starts with a wander down Oak Street to visit the award-winning Tree of Knowledge Memorial. The famous ghost gum is hard to miss in Barcaldine, a meeting place for shearers where Australia's Labour movement began.

To learn about the rich history of the birthplace of Australia's Labour Movement, spend an afternoon at The Australian Workers Heritage Centre. It





presents a rich tapestry of exhibits capturing the spirit of our nation's workers and how they've shaped our nation.

For an incredible First Nation's experience, the Desert Dreaming Centre offers authentic experiences including Aboriginal art and craft workshops, song and dance shows from the Desert Dust Dancers and local bush tucker treats.

If you like your art alfresco, take a day to follow the Lake Dunn Sculpture Trail and check out the 40 installations made of scrap metal across 209 kilometres showcasing Outback life. Along the way, stop off at Lake Dunn,

Gray Rock, Horsetailer's Gorge and the Heeling Circle.

Alternatively take a trip to Muttaborra, home of the Muttaborrasaurus Langdoni. Meet Queensland's very own fossil emblem at the Muttaborrasaurus Interpretation Centre.

Feeling thirsty? A walk along Oak Street will lead you to the town's watering holes to quench that thirst after another weekend of playing.

Local tip: Not sure how to say Barcardine? Say Barcy instead!

Stay 3 nights

Barcardine Golf Club.

Saturday 6 July - Sunday 7 July 2024



BARCALDINE TO BLACKALL

(107 Kilometres)

Make the short journey to Blackall, along the Matilda Way. Literally growing on the sheep's back, you can discover all about Blackall's wool industry at the Historic Wooolsour. Built in 1908, it's the last remaining steam-operated wool-washing plant in Australia.

Find yourself in the gardens of the Lodge on Hawthorne, Blackall's heritage-listed Masonic Temple. Shop through their antique and art gallery or indulge in their seasonal menu accompanied by a wide

selection of fine teas which will no doubt have you coming back for seconds.

Explore the artistic landscape of Blackall by following Blackall's Sculpture Trail made up of nine unique pieces that bear significant to the town's history. The locals say it's #BetterinBlackall and 'The People's Sign' found just north of the town demonstrates boldly what it means to live in the region.

For that perfect break during your road trip, dip into their artesian-fed pool, naturally heated and loaded with minerals.

Stay 2 nights

BLACKALL TO TAMBO

(102 Kilometres)

Continue south to Tambo along the Matilda Way and start by exploring the town on foot along the Heritage Walk or follow the banks of the Barcoo on the Coolibah Walk.

While in Tambo stop in at local icon, Tambo Teddies. See the tenderly handcrafted



individual bears made of woollen sheepskin come to life in their workshop where each bear is named after a property in the area.

Spend an afternoon at the Tambo Grasslands Gallery or down by Tambo Dam for a barbeque or picnic with a dose of bird watching as the sun sets.

Chicken racing? Yep, you read that correctly. Meet Ben the 'chook trainer' and hedge your bets on 'the girls' at the Royal Carrangarra Hotel who chase down a cart of tasty treats to the finish line for a good cause.

Stay 1 night

TAMBO TO AUGATHELLA (118 Kilometres)

Travel to Augathella, affectionately known as 'Meat Ant Country'.

The town owes its very existence to the bullock teams that once camped along the Warrego River and is the old stomping ground of notorious bushrangers, the Kenniff Brother's.

You won't miss the brightly painted Augathella water tower when you arrive, representing the colourful and pioneering history of this little town with a big heart.

Stay for a night for a dose of fair dinkum outback hospitality.

Stay 1 night

AUGATHELLA TO CHARLEVILLE

(84 Kilometres)

Arrive in Charleville by afternoon, and you'll quickly learn there's a lot to love about this small town.

Get started by reporting for duty at the WWII Secret Base to uncover top secret information and delve into Charleville's war history. Then visit the RFDS Base for taste of bush medicine.

You can't miss the town's most historic landmark, Hotel Corones. Their 'History & Stories' tour gives you a glimpse into the life of Harry Corones and the tales of previous guests.

Meet Charleville's cutest locals, at the Charleville Bilby Experience and get up close with one Australia's most endangered species in their nocturnal home.

One of the town's most popular experiences is a night

out at the Cosmos Centre's Big Sky Observatory to view the outback clear night skies. Join their passionate guides and, experience the night sky as our ancestors did and peer into the depths of space. Just don't forget to bring a beanie and gloves!

Settle for a picnic at the Charleville Botanical Reserve, wander along the Warrego River Walk or if fishing takes your fancy, stop in to see the infamous Rude Jude at Judey's Browse Inn for the local fishing tips.

Stay 5 nights

Charleville Golf Club.

Saturday 13 July - 14 July 2024





CHARLEVILLE TO QUILPIE (211 kilometres)

Begin your journey to Quilpie for the finale of OQM24 by stopping in at Cooladdi, the little town that once was.

While its 'town' status is a little on the generous side, be sure to stop in at the famous Cooladdi Foxtrap - an all-in-one store, pub, and post office. It's a popular stop for a cold one and don't forget to ask about how The Foxtrap got its name.

Arriving at Quilpie a further 122 clicks on the odometer west,

you'll find a stunning outback region, full of adventures and the home of the exquisite boulder opal.

Make your first stop the Visitor Information Centre to learn about where you can try your luck at fossicking for opal or head to St Finbarr's Church to admire the opal altar.

Whether you prefer the big sky or the big screen, Quilpie knows how to put on a show. Kick back in an outdoor lounge chair at the Quilpeta Night Show or enjoy the sunset from Baldy Top where the easy ten-minute climb will

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reward you with breathtaking outback panoramic vistas.

For those seeking adventure, take a 4WD trip out to Hell Hole Gorge National Park or drive to the historic Toompine Pub, 'the pub with no town' for a country-style lunch.

No trip to Quilpie is complete without a visit to the Eromanga Natural History Museum found 108km west of Quilpie along the Cooper Development Road. Take a guided tour to meet 'Cooper' the 95-98 million-year-old titanosaur and other significant fossil discoveries including the world's largest megafauna and an array of microfauna.

If you want a night at the museum experience, we recommend booking in at their very own Cooper's Country Lodge.

Stay 5 nights

Quilpie Golf Club.

Friday 19 July - Sunday 21 July 2024

ALTERNATIVE ROUTE: NATURAL SCIENCES LOOP - INCLUDING CUNNAMULLA, THARGOMINDAH, EROMANGA ON TO QUILPIE

(782 Kilometres)

This route's got it all, natural history and heritage rolled into one.

Travel south from Charleville to Cunnamulla to journey back in time in Artesian Time Tunnel and dip into the new Cunnamulla Hot Springs.

On your way to Thargomindah take a mud bath in the charming town of Eulo. In Thargomindah visit the Australia's first hydro-electricity system and the Historic Old Hospital and Old Jail.

Continue your adventure onto Eromanga to meet 'Cooper' Australia's largest dinosaur before making it to your final location, Quilpie.

Make your journey back home or continue your adventure through Outback Queensland.

For further travel information including local road conditions, visit a local *Outback Queensland Visitor Information Centre*.

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