

AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND GENERAL AND RECRUITMENT meeting Monday, May 5 2025
6:00 for NEW FAMILIES and 7:00 for families who have already been to an informational meeting

6:00 Informational Meeting for families who have not been to a meeting for Australia and NZ

1. **Jamie** -We are a large group, but we pride ourselves in "feeling small" as each advisor is in charge of 10-11 kids so that advisor becomes your "GO TO" person on the trip. Travelers will get themselves into groups of 10.

2. **Jamie** – years of combined experience within our advisors is over 120 years -our advisors have huge strengths and make a superb team!

3. Jana - Outline the trip – 15 days

4. **Jamie** - This is our 31st anniversary of travel with teens so we will be making 4 draws for \$500 off the price of the trip and travelers get \$250 off when they register by April 11th. Once the 1st 30 have registered we'll make our 1st draw. So, register early. You'll have a great chance of winning \$500

5. **Jamie** -Outline payments **COST: After the initial \$199 EF payment your automatic bi-weekly payments are approx. \$ 348 or 10 monthly payments of \$696**

Approximately \$6960 for this 15 day trip if registered by April 11, 2025

For more info go tour web site www.paytc.ca

6. **Jamie** - **EF Automated payments – preferred way of paying for the trip.** If you **don't** choose this method of payment you need to pay another \$500 within 30 days and then payout the trip 120 days prior to departure date-late fees often occur as families forget to pay the trip off.

7. **Jamie** -- Fund raised money stays with the Travel Club account. This goes towards the tipping expense of \$230, the club fee of \$50 and the money conversion of travellers spending money. After this has been paid then the travel club will write you back a cheque for over fund raised money OR send this money to EF to help pay off your trip.. However, if you withdraw from the trip all fund-raised money stays with the club.

8. **Jamie**- We'll be having only 10 meetings so really try to attend each meeting. **Our next meeting is Monday May 26 at 7:00**

9. Jana - Individual fundraising forms

10. Jana – Remind 1to1 and website

11. Sam and Scott - BBQ - our main fundraiser – each family is required to work 2 days of the BBQ's at Canadian Tire or 4 days at Mann Motors. There must be a minimum of 2 people working, one of which must be an adult, we suggest 3 as you need a "runner" and the day can get quite busy. If you wish to bring more people you can but you must pay for the food and drinks you consume. The BBQ's run Thurs-Sat from 10:30-6 at Canadian Tire or Fri/Sat 10-4 at Mann Motors. Your family will get between \$400-\$500 per day worked at Canadian Tire, we cannot estimate how much Mann Motors will make. If you choose not to work at these BBQ's you'll be charged a flat \$300 BBQ fee. You will sign up for your 2/4 days tonight. Once you have signed up or have told us you don't want to work the BBQ's then people who want to work more BBQ's can sign up for another 5 days each.

12. Sam and Scott– We also have a Mann Motor BBQ that can be run. They supply the BBQ/grill table so we need to bring the product.

13. Jana - Ultimate Perennial Plant Exchange food booth fundraiser

13. *Trina -Other fund raiser - book selling fundraiser, Spiffy Crew, Casino Pancake Breakfast, lawn fertilizer*

14. Next meeting May 26th at 7:00pm

HOW TO REGISTER ON LINE -AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND - a 15 day tour (you only miss 4 days of school)

Go into www.eftours.ca - Go to students, then scroll down the page to **tour number** and put in **2753747WN** then press enroll

Follow the tabs putting in your pertinent info -make sure your **name** is spelt **EXACTLY how it appears on your passport** (there is a \$200 fine if we need to change the spelling after the tickets have been issued).

On the pages that ask for either insurance or optional tours just press NEXT (I've already asked EF to input the optional tours we'll be taking)

Everyone get **EF's "All Inclusive Insurance"**

EF's "Terms and Conditions " page is quite lengthy. When registering scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "agree" -then go back and read it at your leisure when you have lots of time

Once you have finished registering be sure to **WRITE DOWN YOUR REGISTRATION NUMBER and your default is your birth date mm/dd/yyyy**

How to use the EF site

Students log in with their own personalized account #, and password mm/dd/yyyyy - then go to forms and resources - tour enrolment (expand it) - then booking conditions (all must read this later as it's a long document). You will find all the info you need for the all inclusive plan that we've purchased for you and how to make any additional payments (if you get some Xmas money)

EF customer service number 1-800-263-2806 - if you need any clarification

15. Jamie - The Value of our PA Youth Travel Club:

A) Travel inspires students to seek out their dreams and **approach the world with much more confidence and enthusiasm**

B) **Travel is often a “kick start”** to many other things in life like putting yourself “out there”, like knowing you can overcome obstacles, like starting conversations with adults and many more.

C) Travel allows a student to be out of their comfort zone and know that this is a positive thing. **Travel gives the students a little “nudge” to do different things**, to enjoy different people, to try different foods and modes of transportation. Once students have experienced this little nudge they then will often continue ‘nudging’ themselves in their everyday life.

D) **Educational travel has a HUGE POSITIVE IMPACT** on students! Students **learn through the experiential learning** that is provided by travelling with our club on a daily if not hourly basis.

E) **Travel changes how a student perceives the world, our country, our city and your home. Travel brings a great new appreciation of living where they live and having the family they have!**

16. Jana - TRAVEL POEM SENT BY A FRIEND!

I urge you to travel - as far and as much as possible!

Work ridiculous shifts to save your money

Go without the latest i-phone.

Throw yourself out of your comfort zone!

Find out how other people live and realize that the world is a much bigger place than the town you live in.

And when you come home, home may still be the same

and yes you may go back to the same old job or the same old school,

BUT, something in your mind will have changed

AND TRUST ME, THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING!!!

