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Glen Hurst has just returned from an around Australia Charity fund raiser that required towing a boat on a Bulldog Folding Trailer behind a motorcycle for 24,395km. The journey was over eighty days and went all the way around Australia and a few detours.

Most people would consider these a short range trailer yet you completed a full round Australia trip. "That's right the trailer was donated by Bulldog. We went all the way around to raise funds, so there were many detours and some of the roads were punishing. We even found ourselves riding over corrugations and we all know how much damage they can do."

What was it like to tow? "Well it towed brilliantly. We had about the same weight most people would take fishing and it felt light. The motorcycle will sit comfortably on 100km all day and it was easy to forget the trailer was there. I had to keep checking my mirrors to make sure it was still there. I expect that in a car it would be even easier to tow."

The tyres are expected to last about 5000km yet in this journey the fund raisers only used three sets of tyres. These tyres are not available everywhere so how did you get tyres? "Bulldog Folding Trailers donated tyres before we left and we took them with us. They also sent a tyre from WA to SA so we could get over the Nullarbor. Without tyres we would have been stranded. We had used everything we had and Bob Jane in Glynde SA donated one but we still needed one more and Bulldog WA were kind enough to send us a complete wheel, that also meant we had spare bearings but we only used the ones that came with the trailer."

"For a trailer that only weighs 60kg it did everything expected of it. If a man uses such a trailer to get to his fishing spot from his camp site and is willing to travel 10km to the water and has 4 weeks annual leave and goes fishing every day of his leave, then we have done 43.56 years of use and the trailer is still under warranty. We all know you can't go fishing every day, but if you used it as your everyday trailer I think we still did 40 years of work in three months. The trailer rolled every day so the grease never got sticky and it felt like there was nothing behind the vehicle except in slow cornering, but then it is a motorcycle."

"We have proved that you could use this trailer to replace a ridged trailer and use all the time for a standard tinny".

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