

**ASHLEE GILBERT  
BUSHMOB INC.**

On Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of August 2012, Ashlee Gilbert began his journey to the Bushmob House in Alice Springs.

Ashlee will be participating in an 8 week rehabilitation program through the Bushmob facility to regain his health, increase his life skills and eradicate his substance abuse.

Ashlee flew from Wiluna to Perth on Monday the 6<sup>th</sup> of August before being accompanied by Darren Patten (Murtpirramarra Connection) on his flight to Alice Springs on Tuesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of August.

Departing at midday from Perth airport we arrived in Alice Springs at 4.30pm where we were met by the Bushmob House Manager Mr Tinn Luu.

A tour of the Bushmob house took place before an induction and then a meeting with the house staff members and the three other boys in the program.

Ashlee has enrolled at Centralian Middle school in Alice Springs and is a main stream student attending daily from 8am until 3pm. He is also a participating member in the Clontarf football academy aligned with the school.

Activities undertaken during Ashlee's stay are horse riding and stable duties, house maintenance and upkeep, regional horse treks, rock climbing, absailing and a range of music, and computer upskilling.

Ashlee has settled in well with the other house members who are of all a similar age and the house staff are very impressed with his behavior and development.

All going well Ashlee will be returning to Western Australia in late September and resuming his schooling at the Clontarf Aboriginal College in 4<sup>th</sup> Term.

*Good Luck Ashlee*



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Ashlee successfully completed his eight week rehabilitation at Bushmob House in Alice Springs with great success.

Ashlee attended third term at Centralian Middle School during his time in Alice Springs and was under the guidance of Charlie Maher at the school's Clontarf Academy.

Tin Luu, Ashlee's mentor at the Bushmob house, was extremely impressed with Ashlee's development, self discipline and growth, especially around the house and also his involvement with the horses at the Bushmob stables.

Maintaining, feeding and riding the horses on treks, is a big part of the Bushmob residents rehabilitation and considering Ashlee had never ridden a horse before, he adapted extremely well and was natural in Tin's word.

Ashlee returned back to Wiluna via Perth, on Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> of September, where he was reunited with his family and shared his Alice Springs and Bushmob experiences.

After two weeks of school holidays Ashlee re-engaged back at Clontarf Aboriginal College on the first day of forth term and is residing back in the Ngulla Mia Boarding house with many of the other Murlpirrmarra Connection's supported students.

Ashlee has been a model student since his return and is looking forward to all the Clontarf Aboriginal College has to offer and getting his teeth stuck into his football again.

Well Done

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Good Luck Ash.

November 5<sup>th</sup> 2012

