



Kokoda Trekkers Survey Form

Trekking Name:		Rod Loneragan			
Name of Trek Leader:		Major Chad Sherrin and 2IC Bernie Rowell			
Number of trekkers in your group:		24			
Trek Administration with Adventure Kokoda	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	<p>Attention to detail was excellent. Information about the trek sent well in advance and with specific items listed. Information about all trekkers was used positively and with respect. Administration in PNG appeared a challenge but Adventure Kokoda knew the way around roadblocks. Could not fault Administration of a wonderful 12 days.</p>				
Trek Administration with Travelscene	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	<p>Again excellent to deal with at all times. Things arrived on time with a minimum of fuss. When speaking to Travelscene staff they were always helpful and courteous. Would recommend them absolutely.</p>				
Reception on arrival in Port Moresby	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	<p>Wonderful to meet Chad and Bernie at the airport after a lengthy wait in visa line. They were extremely helpful and obliging and not in a rush etc</p>				
Accommodation/Meals in Port Moresby	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>

Pre-trek briefings in Port Moresby	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	Informative, clear, to the point and delivered with wry humour. The Battle briefing for 1942 was excellent and really set the scene for me.				
Standard of accommodation/meals	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	Ella Beach Hotel was a perfect place to start and finish the trek. The staff could have not have been more accommodating or understanding of all our needs and requirements. Excellent staff in every respect. The hotel meals were superb.				
Campsites along the track	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	Most campsites were fine although the terrace at Ofi creek was unique in the fact that I slept on a large slope. Some of the campsites were small and our tents were very close. No problems really just sometimes a bit uncomfortable.				
Your Trek Leader	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	Chad Sherrin was brilliant. He is passionate about the track and the battles, interested in all trekkers, caring, kind, considerate, but tough when he needed to be, a great story teller and poet. He really made the experience even greater for me. Bernie was the perfect sidekick. He too was kind, helpful but tough with a great sense of humour which you need all the time on the track. Thanks Bernie and Chad...you are legends.				

PNG Guides and Porters	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	All the porters, guides and carriers were wonderful caring compassionate and interesting people. My personal porter knew my strengths and weaknesses almost immediately. He was a great help and I could not have coped without Bob.				
Standard of tents	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	My tent was fine but when the current 2 man yellow tents are turned over I suggest Adventure Kokoda invest in the 2 man dome tent that our trek leaders used.				
Standard of backpacks/sleeping bags/mats	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	All fine and did the job – no problems.				
Standard of Latrines in campsites	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Average <input type="checkbox"/>	Bad <input type="checkbox"/>	Poor <input type="checkbox"/>
Comments:	A latrine is a latrine...what does one expect out in the middle of the jungle! I guess we could have more seats in some of the campsites but when you gotta go you gotta just go!!				
Size of Group	Too few <input type="checkbox"/>		OK <input type="checkbox"/>	To many <input type="checkbox"/>	
Comments:	Perfect number in my opinion. I like to think that we were the approximate size of a platoon (trekkers) and a company (guides, porters and trekkers) Most people found their level of trekking and found plenty of people to mingle with who they felt comfortable with. Gee I would hate to go alone!				

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Any other comments:

Thank you Adventure Kokoda for making my visit and trek such an enjoyable and emotional experience. There were many highlights eg. First night in Hoi, Dawn service Isurava, Chad's story telling, briefings and poetry, Bernie's care of all trekkers, the wonderful porters and carriers, the moss rain forest, the mud, creek crossings, and the steep inclines, Myola, the camaraderie among the trekkers, the trek food, the villagers and children, the sing sings, Bomana War Cemetery and of course the mighty Owen Stanley Range.

I was grateful to get to Owers Corner in one piece, I was proud to walk in the footsteps of the incredibly courageous and enduring soldiers of the 39th battalion and the 2/14th, 2/16th and 53rd.

Thank you again for running an excellent adventure in such a professional manner.

Rod Loneragan