

Longreach, QLD

Sunday 23rd July to Tuesday 25th July



Sunset cruise on the Thompson River
Photo credit: Outback Aussie Tours



Qantas Founders Museum
Photo credit: Clinton Harrison

Learn, grow and enjoy together

Immerse yourself in the history of Longreach and look towards the future of your physical and financial wellbeing alongside other like-minded members of the RCS community.

For this **GrowthLink** meeting we head back in time to the central-west Queensland town of Longreach, known around the world for its quintessential outback charm and hospitality.

The township lies on Tropic of Capricorn near the banks of the majestic Thomson River, which is home to a plethora of waterbirds and wildlife. In 1860, explorers Landsborough and Buchanan deemed the endless Mitchell Grass plains as suitable for their pastoral aspirations. The railways declared what is now the site of Longreach as suitable for the terminus of the rail line west of Rockhampton in 1886, opening up the area for what would become an extensive wool and beef growing region.

Tourism is fast becoming one of the main industries for the town, which is the location for the Qantas Founders Museum, Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and Heritage Museum, Powerhouse Museum, Outback Pioneers Cobb & Co Stagecoach Experience and many, many more attractions. Visit longreachtourism.com.au for a comprehensive list.

We acknowledge the Iningai, Malintji and Kuunkari peoples as the traditional owners of the Longreach region.



Photo credit: Queensland Outback Pics

Optional Part-day: Saturday 22nd July

12:45pm - 1:30pm	Lunch	Qantas Founders Museum, Gallery private function room
1:30pm - 1:45pm	Welcome to Longreach	David McLean
1:45pm - 3:45pm	747 tour, free time to view the museum and gallery, plus afternoon tea.	Qantas Founders Museum
4:00pm - 8:30pm	Sunset River Cruise and dinner	Includes pick-up and drop-off from hotels.



The Wellshot Hotel, Ilfracombe
Photo credit: The Wellshot Hotel

Day 1: Sunday 23rd July

We take a day to enjoy the company of good friends and explore the history of Longreach

8:30 - 10:00am	GrowthLink flight review	Longreach Motor Inn
10:00 - 10:30am	Morning tea	Longreach Motor Inn
10:30am - 12:30pm	Discover the delights of Longreach's history	Longreach School of Distance Education
12:30 - 1:30pm	Lunch	Longreach Motor Inn
1:30 - 3:00pm	Focus sessions - 2 x 45 minute board or group sessions	Longreach Motor Inn
3:00 - 3:30pm	Afternoon tea	Longreach Motor Inn
3:30 - 5:00pm	Focus sessions - 2 x 45 minute board or group sessions	Longreach Motor Inn
5:00 - 9:00pm	Walk Ilfracombe's Machinery Mile, dinner at the Wellshot Hotel, poetry around the campfire, return transfers	Wellshot Hotel, Ilfracombe.

School of Distance Education



Longreach School of Distance Education, where "the classroom is twice the size of Victoria, the playground as vast as the outback, and the partnership between home and school is legendary", is one of 16 distance education schools in Australia. Learn how distance education has evolved past to present.

Ilfracombe



In 1872, Alexander Buchanan acquired one million acres of land which became Wellshot Station, the largest sheep station in Australia at the time. With the arrival of the railway in 1891, the town was renamed Ilfracombe and became the thriving 'hub of the west'.

The centrepiece of what is now a quaint little town is the Wellshot Hotel, and is our location for Sunday evening's drinks, dinner and poetry around the campfire.



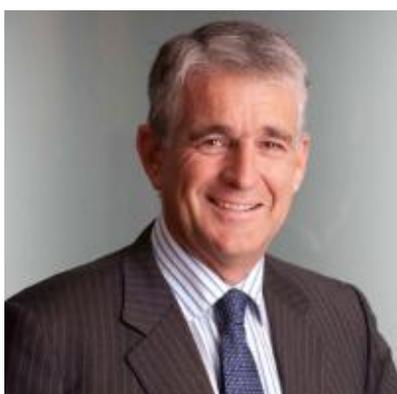
Main street of Longreach
Photo credit: longreachtourism.com.au

Day 2: Monday 24th July

Then we move on to the future of the world

8:45 - 10:15am	John Anderson: Future of the world - where is the economy heading?	Longreach Motor Inn
10:15 - 11:00am	Morning tea	Longreach Motor Inn
11:00am - 1:00pm	John Anderson: Future of the world - group discussion and strategies	Longreach Motor Inn
1:00 - 2:00pm	Lunch	Longreach Motor Inn
2:00 - 3:30pm	Focus sessions - 2 x 45 minute board or group sessions	Longreach Motor Inn
3:30 - 4:00pm	Afternoon tea	Longreach Motor Inn
4:00 - 6:00pm	Free time to enjoy the afternoon together or head off exploring the sites of Longreach	
6:00 - 8:30pm	BBQ Bonanza with greater EL group	Jumbuck Motor Inn

John Anderson, AO



The former Deputy Prime Minister under the John Howard leadership and former National Party Leader will be our guest speaker at GrowthLink in Longreach.

John has developed a Think Tank to provide independent advice and data on the unstable current national and international financial climate. Many reports indicate that an upcoming GFC could be far worse than the 2008 version.

John will provide an independent clarification on the global and national financial state, creating awareness of what could potentially happen in the near future. As a group, we'll work through our reactions to, and strategies for, what lies ahead.



All Longreach streets are named after birds.
Photo credit: Queensland Outback Pics

Day 3: Tuesday 25th July

And we conclude surrounded by the RCS extended family and friends.

8:00am - 12:20pm	3 x Continuing Education sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stacey Curcio - Bugs, Bellies and Brains • Joy McClymont - Going Somewhere in the Middle of Nowhere • John Anderson - Global Financial Crisis Think Tank Includes morning tea	Longreach Regional Council Civic Centre
12:30 - 1:30pm	Lunch You are welcome to finish up, or see Kelly to participate in the EL board sessions.	Jumbuck Motor Inn

Stacey Curcio



Stacey is a highly trained naturopath with a masters in human nutrition, whose health philosophy merges modern science with traditional wisdom. In Stacey's talk titled Bugs, Bellies and Brains, we will delve into the latest science surrounding the incredible ecosystem that lives in and on us,

the drivers of a dysfunctional microbiome and discuss how to give them the respect they deserve.

Joy McClymont



Joy is on a mission to build a society where being in fantastic health is the norm and is recognised as the most critical factor in living a quality life. After personally experiencing the difficulties many people have around gaining and maintaining fitness in remote areas, Joy

developed the highly successful Off The Track Training online fitness community. Joy's background is in education, and is an accomplished athlete and recipient of the 2015 QRRRWN Strong Women Leaders Award in Business.

Registration Form

Please complete your details below and return this form to:

Fax: (07) 4939 5144 • Email: jquinlan@rcsaustralia.com.au • Mail: RCS, PO Box 633, Yeppoon Q 4703

I/We wish to register for the upcoming GrowthLink meeting being held in Longreach, QLD.

OUR NAME(S):

ADDRESS:

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PHONE: EMAIL:

Package		Inclusions	Cost pp x no. people	TOTAL
OPTIONAL	Saturday 22nd July	Qantas Museum - lunch, tour, afternoon tea	\$56 x <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Saturday 22nd July	Sunset River Cruise - cruise and dinner	\$84 x <input type="checkbox"/>	
8:30am Sunday 23rd - 1:30pm Tuesday 25th July		Historical tours, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea, dinners and transport	\$300 x <input type="checkbox"/>	
Meeting fee			\$732.60 per business	\$732.60
TOTAL AMOUNT				\$

I am interested in presenting for a group session

PAYMENT DETAILS (Participants may pay by credit card, bank transfer or cheque)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque	Payable to RCS Pty Ltd and mailed to RCS, PO Box 633, Yeppoon QLD 4703
<input type="checkbox"/> Direct Debit	RCS Pty Ltd BSB: 084 901 Account number: 519633672 Bank: National Australia Bank Bank Address: East Street, Rockhampton QLD 4700 Reference: Your name and GrowthLink
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