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Part 3... Half way along the Canning Stock Route

Nadiya's Challenge – **Four** fatigued riders cover 1,000kms of sand dunes and rough terrain

4 men on postie bikes and a support crew have covered 1,000 kms of the inland Canning Stock Route with a further 2,000 kms to go to their final destination Darwin – *but it's got nothing to do with delivering the mail!*

The inspiration for the ride is 11 year old Nadiya Susmilch who recently passed away after a seven year battle with cancer. The men are riding underpowered motorbikes along the Canning Stock Route, one of the longest and arguably most isolated and difficult stock routes in the world, to raise money for kids with cancer.

Expedition organiser Tim (Caveman) Barrot said "At this point we are 1,000 kms along the Canning Stock Route and the team are exhausted, particularly the riders."

"The country side is both breathtaking and inspirational. So far we've had 2 flat tyres on the postie bikes and that is only in the last 40 kms, continuous breakdowns with the support vehicles, bogged, lots of crashes, sunburn, blisters, numerous injuries, and physical and mental exhaustion. The sand dunes are proving difficult and pushing the bikes up them is very tiring. Even though it is tough, it is an exhilarating experience and opportunity – the team couldn't think of a better place to be" Mr Barrot said.

The group expect to arrive in Darwin on 2 September. They will compile a documentary of their journey – an epic of blood, sweat and sand and will endeavour to raise over \$100,000 to support kids with cancer.

Individuals or businesses wishing to support Nadiya's Challenge can donate at any branch of the Bendigo Bank or online at either www.nadiyaschallenge.org or www.bendigobank.com.au/foundation/nadiyas. For more information on Nadiya's Challenge visit www.nadiyaschallenge.org. For more information on Challenge visit www.challenge.org.

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	Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST)	Australian Central Standard Time (ACST)	Australian Western Standard Time (AWST)
Morning	8.30am – 9.30am	8am – 9am	6.30am – 7.30am
Lunch	2pm – 3pm	12.30pm – 2.30pm	12pm – 1pm
Afternoon	6pm – 8pm	5.30pm – 7.30pm	4pm – 6pm

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