

Storm trooper on charity trek invades Broome in WA north, soaks up sun on Cable Beach

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PHOTO: Scott Loxley, dressed as a storm trooper, rides a camel on Cable Beach in Broome. (Facebook)

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If they did, they would probably look about as comfortable as Victorian man Scott Loxley aboard a camel in Broome on his latest stop for an Australia-wide charity trek.

Loxley, 45, is walking 15,000 kilometres around Australia to raise money for Monash Children's Hospital and this week pulled up in Western Australia's north.

The former Australian Defence Force member is part of a world-wide Star Wars costume group that does charity work.

He left Melbourne last November.

He is wasting no time taking in all the premier tourism destination has to offer while he is in town.

In a photo posted to his Facebook account showing him riding a camel along Broome's iconic Cable Beach, Loxley quips: "With no dewbacks this side of Broome Eisley, I am forced to ride my imperial camel instead."

In the Star Wars universe, dewbacks are large, quadruped reptiles native to the Dune Sea of Tatooine.

Mr Loxley told the ABC he has had to start walking at night because it is getting so hot in WA's north.

"You have no idea, the humidity's starting to pick up and yeah I'm starting to feel it now," he said.

"I lived in Darwin for a few years so I know what the build up's like in the wet season so I know what's coming, but yeah I've just got to do it."

He is hoping there might be others willing will to brave the heat today and join him at the Broome Boulevard shopping centre.

"I've got a few people who want to come down and help me, ... My friends Col and Judy are going to help me shake a tin, so anyone else who wants to come down and dress up as a storm trooper or anything from Star Wars, you're more than welcome," he said.

Anyone wanting to donate to Scott's cause can visit his fundraising page here.



PHOTO: Scott Loxley dressed as a storm trooper, does a spot of fishing in WA. (Facebook)

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