

SOMERVILLE HOUSE

Somerville House Old Girl Set To Tackle Youngcare Simpson Desert Challenge

Somerville House Old Girl, Melissa Downes (Class of 1988) is about to step out from behind the Nine News desk to undertake one of the biggest tests of her life, the 2016 Youngcare Simpson Desert Challenge.

Melissa is one of 18 bold trekkers heading off in late April to walk 250 kilometres across the Simpson Desert, encountering harsh weather conditions and endless sand dunes in the process. The Challenge seeks to raise awareness and much needed funds for Youngcare, an organisation that was founded in 2005 with the mission of providing choice, independence and dignity for young people with high care needs.

You can support Melissa by donating to her [personal fundraising page](#).

Alternatively, you can attend her major fundraising event, Black Tie Bingo on Friday 15 April 2016. More than 500 people will gather for an evening of food, dancing and a whole lot of fun. If you'd like to attend, please [click here](#) to purchase tickets.

The Somerville House community wish Melissa all the best for her fundraising goals and trekking challenge.



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