

The friends, the fun, the freedom

Do you remember the camping and caravan adventures you had as a child?

'm Luke. I'm eight years old. And I've just experienced all that and more on a holiday at Top Parks.

I was excited but also a bit nervous when Mum and Dad told me we were going on a holiday to a caravan park. They said there'd be lots of other kids to play with, but I was worried they might not like me.

But yesterday was the best day ever! I made a new friend. His name is Aaron. We played cricket with heaps of other kids. One of the boys, Toby, had a bat and wickets that we could all use.

Aaron showed me how to do a spin bowl. They're sneaky because they don't go straight. Aaron says it's called giving the ball 'some air'. Sometimes they curve past the batter without them even noticing!

Aaron knows heaps about cricket because his uncle plays for the Western Warriors. My dad says they're a tough team. He says our team is the Southern Redbacks and when we go home we can see them play! Grandad says we've been playing cricket in Australia for more than 150 years – can you believe it?!

I wasn't too good at the spin bowling, but guess what? I hit a six! The ball went so far, we thought we'd lost it! It was awesome. Everyone on my team gave me a high five, and there were kids watching us play who cheered, too! I can't wait to tell the kids at school about it.

Luckily, Jack found the ball for us. He's our dog. If there's a ball somewhere around, he'll sniff it out. He came back all

wet but had the ball in his mouth. It must have been in the water! When we tried to take it off him, he shook his fur and we got soaked!

It's so cool that Jack came with us on holiday. He's never come with us before! Mum said it was because our caravan park allows pets. I'm glad, because I hate leaving Jack behind.

I hope we come back next year. Me and Aaron are going to ask our parents to book so that we can hang out again.

Tomorrow, Aaron's coming for breakfast and we're going to have pancakes. Then I'm going to show him some tricks on my bike. I can't wait! This is the best holiday ever.

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