A JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY TO THE LAST FRONTIER: DISCOVERING AN ADVENTURE IN ANTARCTICA

Fiona Given Australia

What Inspirational Experience Do You Want In Your Life?



The Adventure Begins!



Look out World, here I come!

Moving to Canberra



My Brother Comes Along



You've got to be kidding me, you mean I actually have to share now

Special School



"We thought we were getting a nice little girl and we got you!"

Special Unit



Mainstream – Final Year of Primary/Elementary School



Adventures of High School



Me using one of the ramps at high school

On the Road Again

Travels around Australia



Great Ocean Road, Victoria



Kangaroo Island, South Australia

Gerringong, NSW



Hyams Beach, NSW





Completing the Final Piece of the Australian Puzzle



Uluru (formally known as Ayers Rock)





The Griswald's Come to Town!



Home for 3 months!



Are we there yet?



Adventure in Switzerland



A Portuguese Connection

Boccia World Cup, Coimbra, 1991







University Exchange to University of Calgary, Alberta, Canada



Before the big freeze!



The Big Freeze



Graduating from Arts/Law from Macquarie University



I don't know who suffered more, them or me?



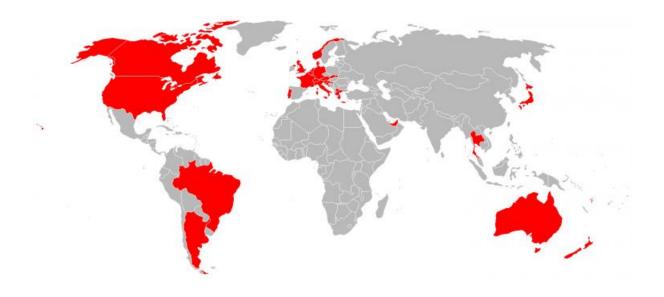
Keeping it in the family, my father moving my admission as a solicitor in the Supreme Court of NSW

Off I go again.... Working at Interights in London



Walking home from work on a chilly winter evening

"To Travel Is To Live" Hans Christian Anderson



ADVENTURE

Portuguese Explores







Ferdinand Magellan

Vasco da Gama

Bartholomew Dias

Antarctic Explorers



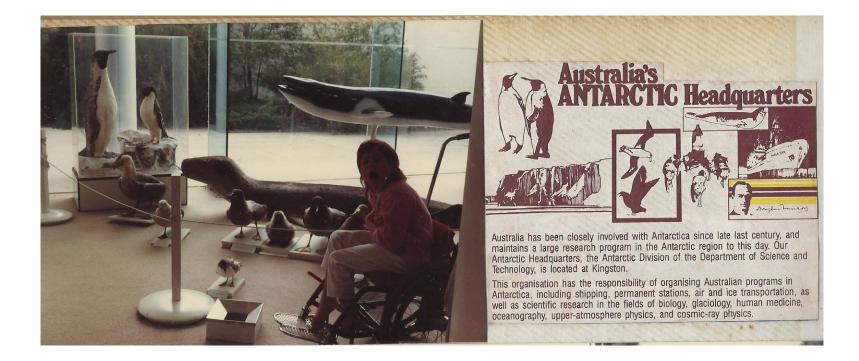
Adventure Defined

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." Mark Twain "Two roads diverged in a wood and 7. 7 took the one less travelled by and that has made all the difference." Robert Frost



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Where Did This Obsession Come From?



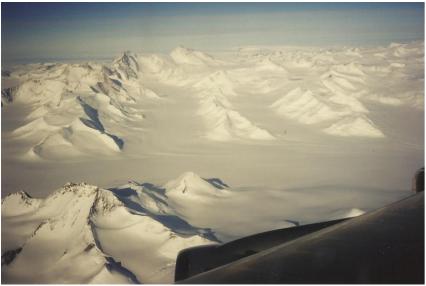
Wow, this place sounds really cool! Visit to Antarctic Centre, January 1987

Flying Over Antarctica December, 1997





View from the air



Memorial at Mount Erebus 1979



Trying on the Gear





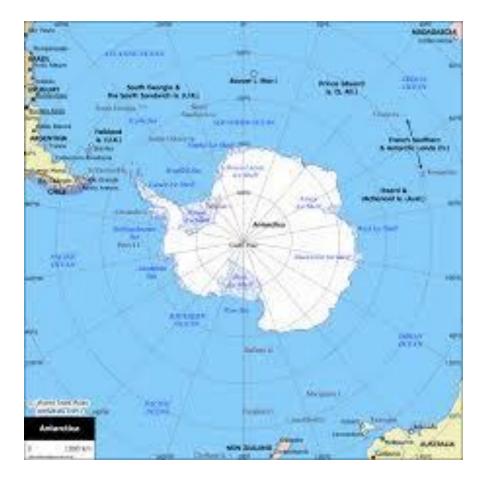
Surely, it isn't that cold down there!

No Airport, No Hotels



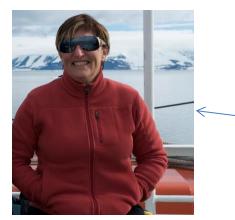


Destination: Antarctica















The Drake Passage



Ushuaia



Our Vessel Compared to a Luxury Cruise Line





Luxury Cruise Line

The Polar Pioneer

Setting Sail

25th January 2010



"Polar Pioneer"



Buenos Aries









Juliette and I Cruising the Icebergs



Louise and I in the Zodiac



Penguin City



Who are you and what are you doing here?



Where do you think they are from? No idea, probably another planet

Gentoo Penguins Empire Building



Adventures at Port Lockroy





Phew, I made it!

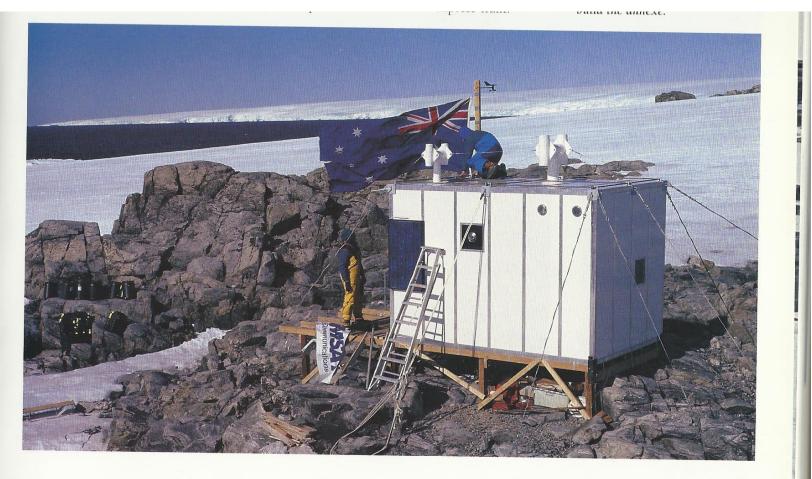


THE ANTARCTIC ENVIRONMENT

Two Below Zero Don and Margie McInteryre



McIntyre's Hut



Deception Island



Being hauled across the thick ash



With some of the expedition staff in a hut that once stored whale blubber

Our Awesome Planet



Spectacular view from the bridge











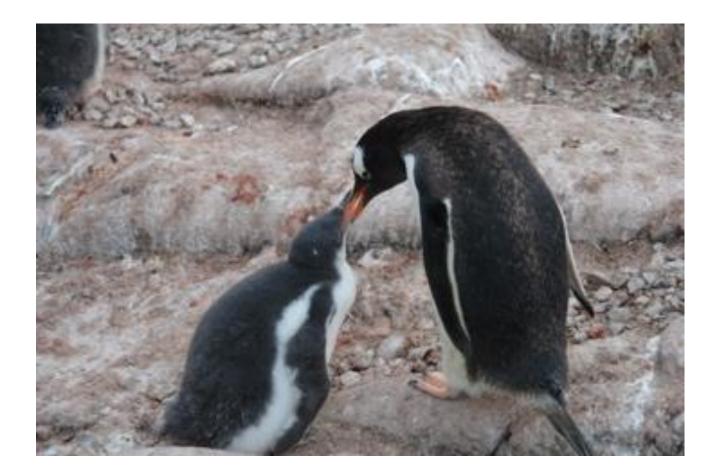
















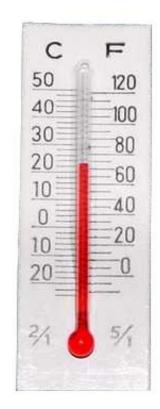
Antarctic Adventure Concludes





Mission Accomplished!

Antarctica being melted 3 degrees C warmer







An inconvenient truth

Antarctic Tourism Is it a good thing or a bad thing?



Intensity of Bushfires



2013 New South Wales Bushfires

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The World Is Your Oyster



"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."

What next?



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And countless others, including thousands of penguins!