

Australian Koala Foundation

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Koalas Ahoy!

Save the Koala Message on 2019 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Reve Sails

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An iconic species and an iconic yacht race are a perfect match to highlight the plight of the Koala for the 2019 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race beginning in Sydney on Boxing Day 2019.

Kevin Whelan, the Skipper of Reve (a Beneteau 45F5 Yacht) and his family are joining many others around the world who want to share their concern for the Koala. "Kevin rang me and asked what he could do and, well yes, this is the first time the AKF Logo and our No Tree No Me message has ever been on an ocean going vessel, but we are just delighted," said Chairman of the Australian Koala Foundation, Deborah Tabart OAM.

"The crew of Reve will be wearing Save the Koala tee shirts when they get to Hobart and we are hoping that the Koala Gods as well as the Weather Gods will get them there safely," said Tabart.

"All Australians will get to see Reve's sail particularly leaving Sydney Harbour when the eyes of the world are on this amazing race. My family has travelled around the world, we know about the plastics in the ocean and we have a love of this beautiful planet. The fires in New South Wales have prompted my crew and family to show our support for the Koala," said Whelan.

The Australian Koala Foundation will be watching Reve as she journeys to Hobart and donations can be made at www.savethekoala.com

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