



## SKYTRANS SAVES THE DAY FOR REMOTE COMMUNITIES

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The Edward River and Kowanyama communities are jumping for joy today as Skytrans announced it will pick up where MacAir left off and fill the void to reinstate services to the remote communities next week.

Skytrans will commence 4 return flights a week from Cairns to Edward River and Cairns to Kowanyama on a 36 seater Dash 8 aircraft with state of the art in-house entertainment on board.

“The people of Edward River and Kowanyama will now have a dedicated service as of Monday next week so they’re worries in regards to their air services into their communities are now over,” said Simon Wild, Skytrans Chief Executive Officer.

Skytrans boasts a strong track record flying into remote indigenous communities and say their team is looking forward to delivering the service to the residents.

“Since MacAir’s departure the residents of these communities have been left with no air services at all as MacAir was the only airline provider for these regions. The lack of air services has had far reaching affects on health services, food supplies and travel services recently and we knew we needed to act fast to assist these communities,” Mr Wild said.

“We are delighted to be the airline offering this service to them, with a strong track record flying into remote communities our team are also excited about flying into other communities on the Cape as this is a corridor they are very familiar with. Skytrans is all about connecting communities, especially in remote areas,” Mr Wild said.

Simon Wild says this is the beginning of a number of key announcements the airline is expected to be making in the coming weeks in relation to boosted routes for the people of North Queensland.

“For updates on all flights I encourage people to log onto our website as it will have up to the minute schedule updates – [www.skytrans.com.au](http://www.skytrans.com.au),” he said.

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