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EXPLORE THE SEPIK RIVER AND BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND WITH A 'TRUE NORTH' CRUISE IN NOVEMBER 2021

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Planning for your Club's ten-day charter of *True North* is well under way and the final itinerary, dates and prices will be known by late July. However, we do know that we board at Wewak and disembark at Buka with charter flights to and from Cairns. The Sepik River and Bougainville are highlights of *True North* cruises and are not offered together on any other of their cruises and are at our particular request.

Artefacts from both regions are well represented in our Museum's Pacific Cultures Gallery. Your scientists have selected sites for their scientific content while *True North* skipper's selection on this passage features coral atolls to volcanos, dive locations with WW11 relics and coral for snorkelers and scuba divers, villages and beachcombing; in these remote locations the fishing will be memorable. The Sepik River offers access deep inland where the villagers have evolved a water-borne way of life, contrasting with rugged Bougainville, not long accessible to tourists and relatively 'unspoiled'.

This cruise will be a rich learning experience as our scientists brief us on what we see each day and of new discoveries in the broader fields of science. *True North's* intended PNG guide will provide us rich insights on the more contemporary experiences including first European contacts.

True North herself is well known for her superb appointments, an all Australian crew and the great care they take of their passengers. The opportunity to sit and read amidst tropical splendor is also very real; while the ships galley goes to great lengths to make every meal a highlight.

It is likely that we will fill all cabins with Club members providing a stimulating collegiate atmosphere.

Please contact me through the Club Office if you would like further information - I would like to hear from you.

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