

## livestock and rural transport industry

# Graham (BINKY) Simpson - Curley Cattle Transport.

A lifetime in the transport industry, from childhood on the mail and cattle run with his father in the 1960s, to operating triple road trains across Northern Australia to the full circle moment of teaching his son to drive.

#### What makes a legend of the road?

The first Kenworth Binky drove was the legendary T650 model for Kiernan Tipping Transport, it was the very first new T650 bought by Ross Kiernan. During his time on the road, Binky drove a Kenworth T650, C501 and T659. The Kenworth T65 series is by far Binky's favourite. Binky says the toughness, reliability and comfort of Australian made Kenworth trucks makes them the legends of the road.

Binky has driven across many rural and remote Australian roads. Around 1987 after starting off with Ross Kiernan, there were many sleepless nights carting screenings to Normanton QLD.

### Binky's life road to date

Graham (BINKY) Simpson started learning to drive at 5 years of age alongside his father in a 160 International, doing the mail and cattle run between Gilliatt to McKinlay in North West Queensland.

Around 1987 he started out in transport at Kiernan Tipping, Alford Cattle Transport, Road Trains of Australia, IFE Bulk Transport Solutions and Curley Cattle Transport.

In Binky's words, a great truck driver can handle the pressure, stand up when ya gotta, be reliable and on time, and maintain the gear.

#### Mates made it all memorable

Working with his old mates made all the journeys memorable, from carting bullocks out of Brunette Downs NT with Road Trains of Australia, to the fats into Townsville out of the No.3 Yards of Gregory station QLD with Curley Cattle Transport.

But Binky's most memorable memory of all is teaching his son to drive.

Today in 2023 Binky is still actively involved in the day to day maintenance of Curleys fleet of Kenworth road trains based in Charters Towers.











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