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### **A little bit of rain can be a very bad thing!**

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You would think there would be no complaint about the recent rains in SEQld but Steve Posselt has reason to whine. He is paddling and towing his three wheeled kayak from Brisbane to Adelaide to raise awareness of climate change and the need to live sustainably. Steve paddled up the Brisbane and Bremmer rivers to Ipswich where he hauled his 65kg kayak up the Toowoomba range.

Steve left Toowoomba on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June to the sound of rain drops falling on his head where things quickly went from bad to worse. “With some decent overnight falls, we thought we’d give paddling a go” says a worn out Steve. “I battled my way down Gowrie creek where I became tangled in barbed wire, wrapped around willows and jammed on rocks.” The most harrowing event may have been the 50cm snake that could have jumped on board with Steve when he was stuck against the bank, but luckily it took its chances in the creek.

In the mean time the support vehicle (having never seen rain before) got stuck in some blacksoil where Bruce, Kerrie and some colourful language managed to sort it out.

“It’s a funny thing” Steve says “A little bit of rain is actually a bad thing for us – just enough to make everything turn to mud, which makes the walking difficult, and not enough to fully fill the rivers and creeks, which makes paddling rather tricky”

Steve, Bruce and Kerrie are exhausted at the end of each day and are very grateful for the kind country hospitality they have encountered along the way. They’ve stayed with some family, spent the night in an unused preschool and met some truly wonderful local people.

The kayak4earth team spent the weekend in Dalby before heading off towards Chinchilla.

For more information see: [www.kayak4earth.com](http://www.kayak4earth.com) .

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