
Kenny koala survives a grilling on the motorway

HOW much can a koala bear? How about a 100km/h, 3km drive down the M1 on the grill of a Suzuki Swift?

The koala has been christened Kenny, but "Bear Grills" might be a more apt name given his incredible tale of survival as a bonnet ornament.

Kenny's comeback from the brink of death has amazed

Currumbin Sanctuary Wildlife Hospital staff and Mark and Caroline Harris, who hit the koala in their Suzuki Swift on Tuesday night.

They were driving from their Eagleby home, near Beenleigh, to the Gold Coast when they hit what they thought was a cat near Coomera.

Unable to stop on the high-

way, they pulled off at the next exit to discover a somewhat cranky Kenny stuck firmly to the front of their car.

"When we realised it was alive, we just went 'oh wow'," an emotional Mr Harris said. "We just said 'please God, let it live'."

Kenny will be released back into the wild when recovered.

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