



## GOLDEN BACKPACK FINALISTS 2009

*Travellers Auto Barn, Australia's number one budget camper and car rental company, came away from the TNT Golden Backpacks awards last night an honourable runner up to this years winner Greyhound coaches who took home the gong for "Best National Transport Company" for 2009.*

Sydney, Australia – Already having won in 2007 and 2008 [Travellers Auto Barn](#) have this year been pipped at the post for the award of "Best National Transport Company" and been narrowly denied the award for the third consecutive year. The prestigious awards held in Sydney every year are to recognise excellence in Australia and New Zealand's backpacker and independent traveller market and are voted on by the travellers themselves.

2009 saw a huge increase in the number of votes cast and having shared the category with names such as Virgin Blue, Tiger Airways and Greyhound, Travellers Auto Barn managing director Peter Burke has described the result as "outstanding" for his [campervan hire](#) business.

"After what had been an interesting year in the travel industry it is outstanding to be once again recognised for what we do. While large parts of the travel industry have undergone radical change to try to capture their share of a difficult tourist market, we at Travellers Auto Barn have stuck to our guns and concentrated on providing a quality product for independent and adventure travellers to experience the best Australia has to offer. Having found ourselves finalists for the third year running and this year against some substantially larger companies it is reassuring to know our efforts are appreciated by the travelling community".

Mr. Burke went on to congratulate Greyhound on their win saying that " They (Greyhound) have obviously gone to a great lengths to ensure they deliver a high quality service to their customers and it's awards like this that will ensure the industry strives to better itself and the continue to deliver what travellers want. You just need to look at this years finalists and the few notable exclusions to see that travellers are demanding a high quality and it's those who strive to provide this who are rewarded by travelling public".

The awards were this year hosted by AFL Legend Sam Kekovich and were well attended by industry insiders with around 450 guests there to witness the awards. 36 awards in all were presented across a wide range of areas including Best Hostel, Experience, Backpacker Night and Tour operator.

To find out more visit our [campervan rental](#) website or contact T.A.B directly on 1800 674 374 or +61 2 8323 1505.

Travellers Auto Barn is a 'one stop shop' for backpacker and budget traveller planning their own trip around Australia. Travellers Auto Barn offers a range of [campervans](#), cars & stationwagons for hire as well as for sale (including 4WDs).

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