

# Kman Does Kerry Anne

Local business Kman Skate School was recently invited to participate in the KAK Challenge – a weekly segment on the Kerry Anne Kennerly show.

The brief was to get Kerry Anne doing some tricks on a skateboard and Kman was given only 20 minutes for the mission! The school has been teaching kids how to skate at Fox Studios and invited



some students to join in on the challenge. Max Mrakovcic – 4 ½ years – led the charge showing Kerry Anne how to push off, tic-tac round some cones and go through a tunnel. Being a skier, Kerry Anne showed good balance on the skateboard and wasn't afraid to give it a go! Karim – Kman's head coach – even managed to manouvre

her over a jump ramp, a trick that normally takes hours, if not months of practice. She may

have a few sore muscles after the challenge, but Kman Skate School can report that skater girl Kerry Anne can now work a skateboard!

Kman Skate School runs lessons every weekend at Fox Studios and is teaching skateboarding and inline skating to kids and adults in the Winter School Holidays. For enquiries email [arielle@kman.com.au](mailto:arielle@kman.com.au) or call 0400 589 559.



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Sometime back in 2002, a girl asked a boy if he wanted to go out and see a documentary about skateboarding called Dogtown. She loved docs and knew he loved skateboarding so it sounded like a flick they'd both be into. Having gone to the same high school they'd known each other for over twenty years but had never been out socially. They sometimes met on a wave at Bondi or at a party when old school friends would catch up. Little did they know that the outing would lead to something BIG.

Last December the girl, Arielle Nakache and boy, Karim Moulay were married and in April they will launch their brainchild - Kman Skate School! Kman Skate School is Australia's first mobile skateboarding school and they will be running lessons from April 9 to 25 at Fox Studios. Kids as young as five, teens and any 'old school' skaters wanting a refresher will be catered for. Safety, fun and wellbeing are Kman Skate School's mantras, the new business being the result of over two years of dream weaving and visualising. Karim and Arielle have grown up and worked in the Eastern Suburbs most of their lives. They wanted to create a business that would combine their passions and give them the opportunity to give back to the community.

Karim has been skateboarding since he was three and last year discovered that he could train to become a qualified skateboard instructor. For the past five years, he has been working as an instructor

of Bondi's Lets Go Surfing and while surfing will always be part of his lifestyle, skateboarding is the passion he's now focussing on. "Skating is good for the soul - you have to be creative, take risks and really picture your goals to be able to skate the way you want," says Karim. He loves working with kids so once he became an accredited skateboard instructor, the idea to open a school was ignited. Arielle's background is marketing, promotions and events. She has always aspired to run her own business and saw the skate school opportunity as something that could work in the Eastern Suburbs. "We're so optimistic - there's nothing like Kman Skate School in the area, let alone Australia, and more and more kids are picking up skating as a sport. We're driven by our passion and dreams and the community so far has been extremely supportive."

Karim and Arielle realise the importance of community support having learnt from the experience family and friends who own businesses. They admit that Kman Skate School may be a case of great timing with the new skate park in Bondi attracting crowds every day and increased coverage of skating events in the media. But ultimately the school will be relying on open-mindedness and relationships in the community to ensure the success and longevity of Kman Skate School. **For more info:** Kman Skate School, Arielle Nakache-Moulay: info@kman.com.au Ph 0400 589 559

