



The next step was us both getting our Light Rigid (LR) driving license since the bus weighs 5.3 tonnes and is 7.2 metres long. Anything weighing over 4.5 tonnes in Queensland requires that the driver has at least an LR licence. We enrolled and passed the 4-hour course within the next two weeks. We then took the train back to Bundaberg to finalise the sale and take possession of our new home on wheels. We stayed at the local caravan park as it was too late to get on the road at that stage.

A massive thunderstorm hit the region that night. We were relieved to find out that the bus did not leak, and we fell asleep feeling tired but happy. During the night, the wind picked up dramatically and howling sounds all around us kept me awake. Chris is a heavy sleeper. I heard a regular loud clap and thought that a panel on a roof nearby had come loose. However, in the morning light, everything became clear when the sunlight shone through the front of the bus. The loud clapping sound had been our side