



# **ANZAC weekend**

## **Jenny's Farm Yarloop**

**22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

**Report by Stephen Dickens**

### **In Attendance**

Kerry & Stephen

Mike & Claire

Andrew & Hertha

Terry & Jan

Alex & Maria

Les & Carol

Jo & Rodger

Gary (Woody) Wood

Chris Redgrave

This trip was our first ever visit to Jenny's farm, just off the Southwest Highway at Yarloop, a livestock farm with cows, horses, ducks and children. Our campsite was on a front facing paddock, some trees, and open/ We were able to have a fire but under conditions... with Andrew's Sputnik being an ideal vessel to house the fire which was very welcome with the chilly evenings.



Some of the party had weaved their way from the rock hopping trip the previous weekend while the rest of us came from Perth, by late Friday afternoon we had almost all arrived, with Jo and Rodger arriving in the evening dark, thank goodness for the campfire again, as we started to relax.

Saturday morning Jenny visited us driving her quad bike and Kerry had a chit chat with her on all things school as it was thought a family member may have been taught many years previously.

First driving of the weekend was lead by Andrew to the beach at Binningup. Before we got there we had a minute to wait while Roger and Jo searched for some food for the day.



Crossing the Forest Highway way was a harder task but managed without incident, once at the Binningup Beach carpark we lowered our tyre pressures. The drive was delightful, white soft sand under the wheels and beautiful turquoise blue ocean to our left. It was a relaxing drive but a self-inflicted drama was not far away, after a stop at Buffalo Beach we went back to a 4WD playground, steepish hills and tracks was the cause of merrymaking.



Some of us got stuck in our tracks, reversing, second attempts, successes, Kerry was driving with me taking photos. What could possibly go wrong? Wel... nothing from the driving perspective, but on my phone I had a medical app which was of great importance to me, as I reached into my pocket... NO PHONE! Panic mode took over as I jumped from the car, walking through the sand looking

for my phone , needle in a haystack sprang to mind, club members valiantly helping, searching, I trudged back to the car fearing my medical app and phone were lost forever unless a seagull could help, disappointed I sat in the car, now at this point we have 2 endings, Jo's ending of luck and amazement of finding the phone sticking up in the sand next to the car or my embarrassing version of finding the phone below and between the car seat, I like Jo's version but ... you know me, happy conclusion either way.



Relieved, we all made our way to the Belvedere parking area for lunch followed by a drive through the camping area before driving back to campsite with a special stop at Skipworth's winery for some legendary White Port and such like beverages. During this time I was calculating how much my fine would or should be for briefly losing my phone, RFDS could be a plane better off !!!!!

Now this was Anzac weekend and in memory of the brave souls who fought for our freedom, Out and About had their own game and version of 2up. Using bottle caps. we had a great hour or so and Chris Redgrave had his pockets bulging with bottle caps. No matter how he tried he did not lose, win after win after win! We had a good laugh and the spirit of the Anzac was not lost, a game I'm sure that will be repeated.



Sunday had us stirring early, breakfast was followed by Chris leading us to the Fawcett track, two members had never been on the Fawcett track. The club has run at least 3 trips and all have been different, ranging from difficult to not as difficult but I would recommend giving it a go, it has a bit of everything, water crossings which had cameras out, drop downs, deep channels, inclines, declines, rocky bits, great fun for all.



Once completed Chris took us on to Logue Brook Dam. A popular area with campers and water sports people everywhere. We watched for a while before heading through the gravel back to the campsite in the late afternoon sun.

Evening campfire had us discussing the weekend. 'Some' white port later, we returned to the 2-up arena only to watch Chris continue his winning streak!

Thanks for a fabulous weekend with at least one 'don't mention it...' talking point 🐼

Great Trip Andrew and Hertha, thank you.