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## Berri South Australia - October 13th 2006 until October 16th 2006.

### South Australian Unofficial Weekend.

This weekend was planned to be a gathering of members from a caravanning forum from the internet which is known as [Caravaners Forum](#). The Forum welcomes new members from any location and offers free advice and good friendship to all who join it.

**Fri 13th October 2006 :** We were on our way towards Berri by 2.00pm traveling under idea weather conditions. Our two dogs knew were we going away and were not happy that they were not going with us. By the time we arrived at 4.45pm, most of the others had already arrived so it was a quick set up and then off to meet a few new faces at the traditional happy hour gathering.



At the conclusion of the happy hour, most went back to their respective sites to eat and then returned to play some games and to share in conversation witheach other.





**Sat 14th October 2006:** Today was set out to first tour the Berri Juice Factory where we watched a video on how it all began followed by the opportunity to purchase some of the goodies on offer from the Factory. It was a rather impressive line of vehicles that assembled outside of the Factory before we all went inside.

From here it was off to the Barmera Markets before going onto the Overland Corner Hotel where we all had a counter meal before returning via the Berri Estate Winery and purchasing some wines. Once back at the Caravan Park, it was a slow afternoon for those who wanted to recharge the batteries before the happy hour began.



Once the happy hour was over and everyone had eaten, it was time for the well contested quizz night. After a lot of laughs and good fun the night finished later than planned at around 10.30pm with the scores being shown in one of the photos below. It didn't matter who won the night, it was the fun getting there

that was the best part.



**Sun 15th October 2006:** Today was the start of some members having to leave Berri to start to head home for other commitments. It was also the day that we all had a group breakfast of pancakes which was very nice and enjoyed by all.



The afternoon was left open for everyone to do their own thing so Sally and I decided to visit Ruston's Roses at Renmark which was only a short drive from Berri. Ruston's Roses is the largest rose garden in Australia. Once arriving at the car park, as soon as the car door was opened you could smell the perfume from the thousands of rose bushes that were out in flower.





The day finished off with a smaller gathering under the trees by the bbq for some conversation before we all called it a day.

**Mon 16th October 2006:** Unfortunately for us, work wall calling so it was our day to pack up and head for home. Once all of farewells were exchanged, we were on the road and arrived home around the middle of the day. It was our first unofficial escape weekend that we had taken part in and look forward to the next one. Many thanks to the two caravans that put all the hard work and effort into the weekend to make it the success that we all enjoyed.

