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Mannum South Australia - May 5th until May 8th 2006.

Mannum Caravan Park is located on the banks of the River Murray 84kms East of Adelaide.

Fri 5th May 2006 : It was 10.45am as well pulled away from home with overcast conditions heading for Mannum. It was nice to be able to get a head start on the rain that was forecasted for the day and over the weekend. One and a half hours later we were arriving at the Mannum Caravan Park where we were greeted by Graham Burvill, a friend who we had become to know through the [Caravaners Forum](#). Graham who is from Western Australia had seen us arriving at Mannum and had followed us to the Caravan Park to say hello.

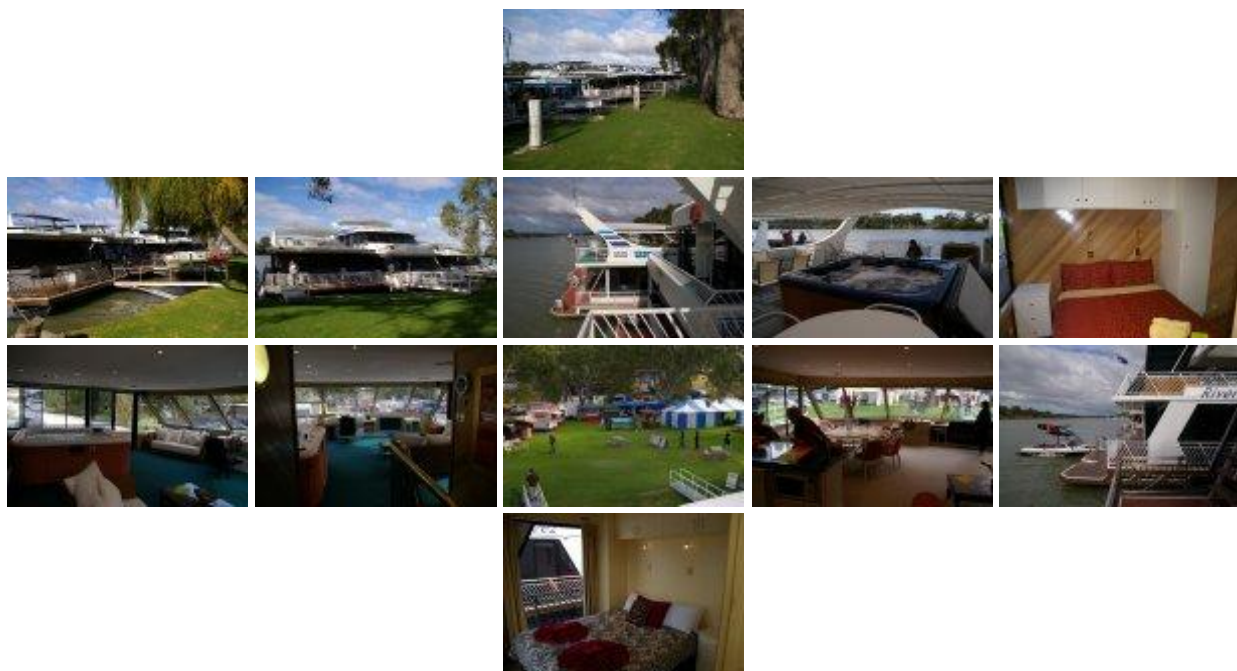
After setting up on our site, it was an easy and relaxing afternoon with short walks while we waited for Bruce and Maree to arrive. Once Bruce and Maree were set up on their site, it was time to put a match to our camp fire which was permitted as long as the fire was contained within a fire box of some sort.



Sat 6th & Sun 7th May 2006 : The forecasted weather for the entire weekend was for scattered showers which finished up being correct. There was enough time between showers to allow us to walk where we wanted to go without being too much of a worry to us.



The main function in Mannum for the weekend was the Houseboat open day where there was a great display of houseboats lined up along the Reserve which were all open for people to inspect and perhaps make a holiday booking with one of the owners. Due to a low river water level, there were not as many houseboats at Mannum for this weekend as there would normally have been. It was an opportunity for us to inspect Graham's luxury 12 berth [Astra Nova](#) houseboat which spared no luxury.



It was off to the local Club for an evening meal before settling around our fire for the evening where we watched several possums running around the Park.

The weather on the Sunday wasn't any different to Saturday with the odd shower rolling through. Bruce caught up with his cousin while Sally and I walked to the Reserve for another look at some of the houseboats. Early afternoon saw us heading out to have a look at the Mannum Waterfall which was a short drive back towards Adelaide before turning left towards Murray Bridge. There wasn't very much water at the falls, but the rock pools were nice where some good photos could be taken if there at the correct time of the day.



As work was calling Bruce and Maree home, they were all hooked up and ready to leave after our trip to the Mannum Waterfall where they headed off in windy conditions. Sally and I were not due to start work until Monday afternoon so that allowed us an extra night before we had to leave.

Mon 8th May 2006 : With no wind and a clear sky at Mannum, we were packed up and on the road by 8.45am. By the time we had reached Williamstown, we were driving in rain only to see it clear by the time we had arrived at Gawler. Home safe and sound by 10.20am with our next trip hopefully being to Hogwash Bend in two weeks time.



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