

Murray Bridge - May 14th 2004 until May 17th 2004.

Avoca Dell Caravan Park is located 78kms South East of Adelaide. This park overlooks the Murray River with terraced sites offering large grassed and gravel sites.

FRI 14th MAY: It was 6.06pm when we left Bruce & Maree's home on our way to Murray Bridge. With Bruce out front, we made our way through the Adelaide traffic as we headed from the Northern side of town to enter the South Eastern freeway at 6.50pm. Another hour later saw us setting up our camps at the Avoca Dell Caravan Park at Murray Bridge.



Entrance to the Park



Our sites with the river behind us.

SAT 15th MAY: The day started with no clouds in the sky, although this soon changed by mid morning. It was a quick trip to the local shopping centre to pick up a few supplies and to take a few photos of the bridges.



The bridges going over the Murray River. The larger of the two bridges is the railway bridge, which is still being used today.

We had hoped to go to the Monarto Zoo while in Murray Bridge, but the weather wasn't the best so we decided to go to Old Taillem Town, which is an historical village run by volunteers at Taillem Bend.



Old Taillem Town at Taillem Bend.



When we arrived back at the Caravan Park, we watched many an attempt to pull a stranded houseboat off of the sandy beach in front of the park.



One of the many houseboats to tie up in front of the Caravan Park. A big houseboat to pull off of the sand.

We had a very enjoyable evening meal at the Murray Bridge Hotel before retiring back to the vans for a few glasses of port to warm the blood.

SUN 16th MAY: Once again the day started off with nice weather but again soon reiterated to cloud and isolated light showers. Bruce and son Andrew were off to their shooting competition leaving us to amuse ourselves with whatever we could find to do. Once lunch was out of the way, it was out to check out the Dundee Wildlife Park.



Park Entrance.



Black Cockatoos at the Park.



For those who can put up with very high humidity, these crocodiles are fed daily at 2.00pm. My camera lens fogged up as did my glasses as soon as we walked into the enclosure.

It was late afternoon when Bruce and Andrew returned to the Caravan Park to announced that son out shot father during the shooting competition.

MON 17th MAY: The day started off overcast and it rained on and off all day. Bruce and Andrew had left by 8.00am for their final day's shooting competition. We had permission from the park owners to stay in the park on our sites until 5.00pm so it was a gradual pack up as things dried. The day was cold and wet causing us to sit inside for most of it. Bruce and Andrew arrived back to the park to see us leaving for home just after 5.00pm. Many thanks to the owners of the park who made our stay more memorable. We arrived home safely at 6.50pm.