

# Port Germein - February 25th until February 28th 2005.

Port Germein Progress Association Caravan Park is located 255kms North of Adelaide on the Western side of Spencer Gulf.

**FRI 25th FEB 2005:** I had finished work at 6:00am and after a few hours sleep, I was up getting things ready to leave once Sally had arrived home from work at around 6:30pm. We were on our way to Port Germein shortly after a quarter to seven with Bruce & Maree sitting behind us with their caravan. We were to meet up with Malcolm & Sue at Port Germein for the weekend where we were to try our luck at some crabbing. The days are now getting shorter so it was well and truly dark before we arrived there after 9:00pm.

## **SAT 26th FEB 2005:**



With the hot weather forecasted for the weekend, we were lucky to have good shade over us.

With time getting away from us, we left with our fishing tackle and crab nets in hand to walk out onto the jetty to try our luck. The jetty has taken a hammering from a few storm over the years and for that reason it isn't as long as it once was. All of the damaged timbers have been replaced and a pipe rail has been fitted to one side of the jetty all of the way out. Once out at the end, the rail has been fitted to each side as well as the end making it very safe to fish from.



Bruce, Malcolm, Shaun and Marisa setting up the fishing lines and crab nets

Our tally from the jetty was 11 crabs, 1 King George whiting, 2 Tommy Rough, 2 baby snapper and seventy odd trumpeters. After a late lunch back at the caravans, we walked out dabbing for crabs from the point on the northern side of the jetty where we caught another 20 crabs.



A boat on it's trailer being towed out for launching.

**SUN 27th FEB 2005:** We headed back out onto the jetty for another round of crabbing only to find out that all of the crabs had gone and there wasn't very much in the way of crabs or fish being caught. We returned to the caravan park several hours later with our one and only crab for the day.



Various shots of the Port Germein jetty.



The jetty once went out as far as the light shown here, until storms have taken their toll and blown some of it away.



**Top Left:** The kids playground near the foreshore. **Top Right:** Looking from the jetty back towards the old Hotel which is now a Deli and Tackle Store. **Bottom Left:** Port Germein Caravan Park with the free to use gas crab cooker in the middle. **Bottom Right:** Looking from the entrance to the Caravan Park at the old light which used to be at the end of the jetty.



Port Germein's main street

All good things must come to an end and it was time for Bruce & Maree to leave us and head home during the early part of the afternoon. For the rest of us, it was a matter of enjoying the pleasant evening that was before us.

**MON 28th FEB 2005:** After a shower and some breakfast, we were all packed up and heading for home by 9:00am and arriving at 11:30am to pack the caravan away until our next trip which will be Easter at Port Broughton.