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Swan Reach South Australia - July 3rd 2009 until July 6th 2009.



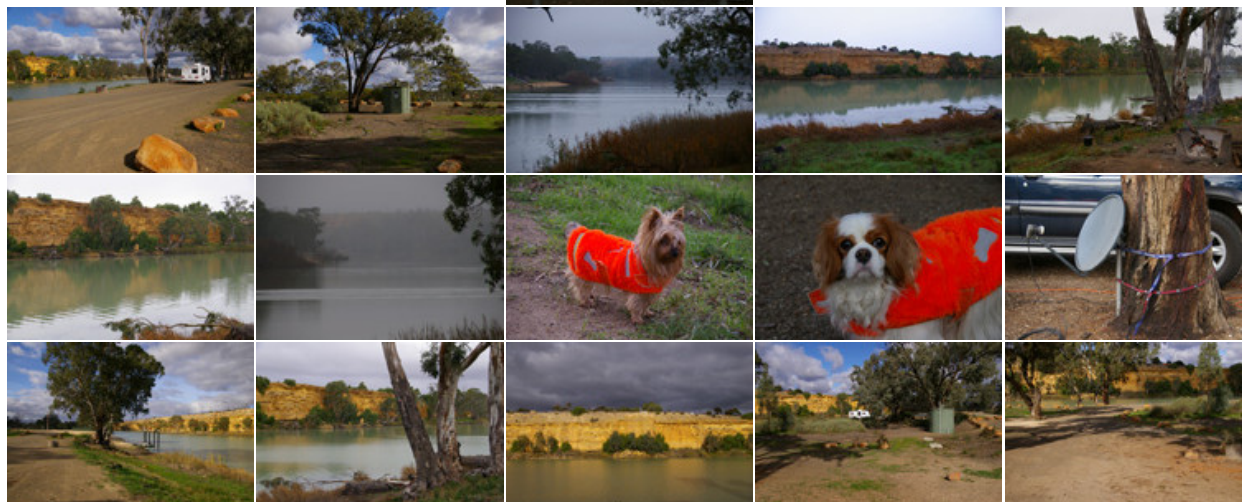
Swan Reach is located 127 kms north east of Adelaide on the banks of the River Murray .

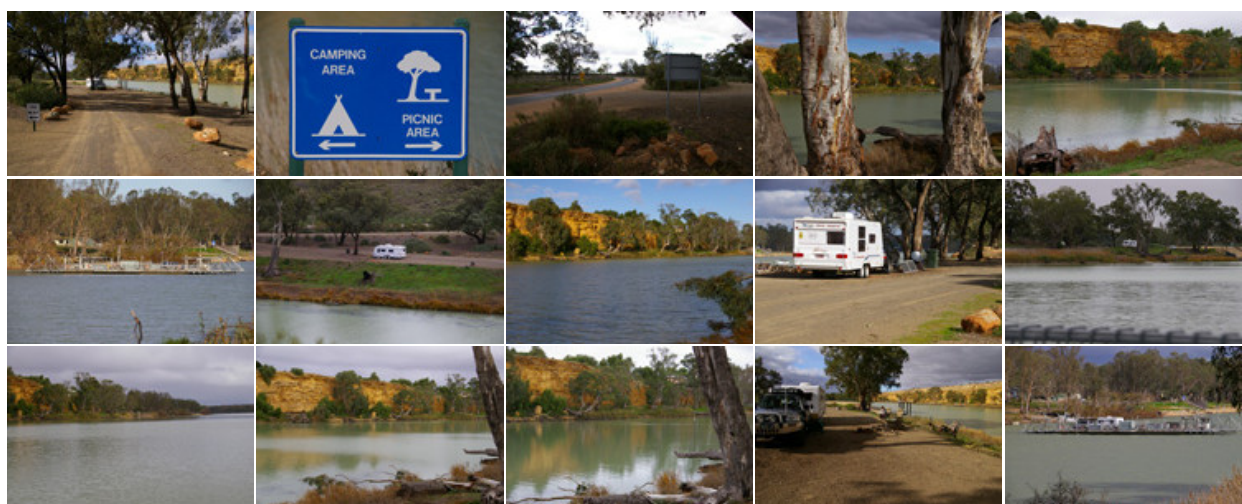
Fri 3rd July 2009: With everything packed for the weekend, it was 2:20pm when we left home heading towards Swan Reach where we were to spend our weekend across the river at a camping area known as Tenbury-Hunter Reserve. The camping area offers a flushing toilet and camping right on the edge of the water. With a light shower of rain in Adelaide on and off during the day, it wasn't until we were 13 kilometres out of Swan Reach that we had our first rain shower while traveling.

It was 4:13pm by the time we arrived at the Tenbury-Hunter Reserve and started to work out where we going to park for the weekend. The area where we had hoped to camp was restricted by some of the fallen trees from last Tuesday's wind storms which has lashed South Australia. We finally decided on our location and proceeded to set ourselves up. Due to forgetting to pack the satellite dish tripod before we left home, we managed to strap it to a tree trunk and tune it in without too many problems. We did not light the fire and enjoyed an evening inside with a bit of TV.

Sat 4th July 2009: The day commenced with no wind and the water was like glass. It was good not having to get out of bed to do anything or even to go anywhere as the name of the game for this weekend was relaxation. As the day progressed, the no wind condition changed to a light breeze and 50 percent cloud cover.

TENBURY-HUNTER RESERVE

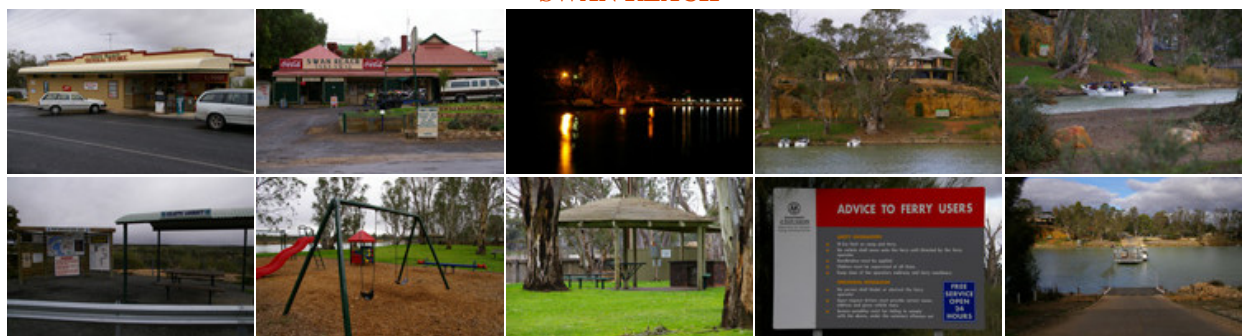




We had the fire going mid morning and kept it going until we went inside for our evening meal. It was interesting to talk to a local lady who walked by, about how she walks the river banks picking up glass that careless campers leave behind. It was her way of assisting to keep the area clean.

SUN 5th July 2009: Overcast conditions greeted us as we woke today with occasional light rain until mid morning when it cleared. Unfortunately the cloud cover remained all day but the light rain did stop allowing us to sit outside for the last day of our weekend. With the Patrol unhooked from the caravan, it was a short drive across the river via the ferry to Swan Reach to collect a Sunday Mail and a couple of magazines to read. Today was a busy at the Tenbury-Hunter Reserve with a lot of day visitors arriving to either picnic or fish for the day.

SWAN REACH



Mon 6th July 2009: Still with overcast conditions, it was 8:50am when we left the Tenbury-Hunter Reserve to make our way back home where we arrived at 10:50am to put things away ready to go to work at 3:00pm. Our next trip away at this stage looks like it will see us return to Hogwash Bend where it is nice to see the early morning fog on the river.

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