



**Mouth of the Murray – Australia Day 26th Jan 2011**

What a beautiful day to go for a picnic. We rose to a great temperature and met at Birdwood opposite the pub, where there was low cloud and drizzle. We were beginning to wonder if summer clothes were a bit of a dream. What a turn out! There were 14 cars in the long convoy.

Simon led us through the hills to Goolwa for morning tea and the customary letting down of tyres. 2 more cars joined us at this point. Along the beach we had a leisurely drive watching out for all the people, dogs and other cars.

We even saw a ute decked out with his own BBQ and lawn on the back. Talk about taking the back yard with you!



We arrived at the Murray mouth and what a site it was to see without the dredging machine. After watching the water flowing out to sea, Cane & Robbie started to dig themselves into the sand. We decided that lunch at the mouth was a good idea so all the camp chairs, shades and food came out and it was just great relaxing on the beach.

The wind did its damage with some of us suffering wind burn but that's OK. The tide started to come in at around 2.00 pm so all was packed up and we headed back to Goolwa. In Goolwa we pumped our tyres up again and then went our separate ways home.



Thank you so much Simon, Wendy and Cain for organising such a great day. We all had a very relaxing start to our 4WD calendar for the year.



Those on the trip were our leaders Simon, Wendy, Cain, & Robbie, Deb & Quenton, Lyn & Max, Michele, Dave & Jessica, Chris & Julie, John & Jane, Nick, Kerrie & Kaleb, with Sandra & Allen (visitors), Martin & Martin, Karen & John, Bronte & Norma, Marie and Keryn & Brent. Our other visitors were Joan & Daryl, Kit & Nancy, Greg, Colleen & Braidyn, Julie, Michael, Jamie & Jordan.

**[By Norma]** (last to arrive & tail end Charlie)

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