



Social Day Out (11 September 2016)

**Putt Putt Golf Social Day**

We met Sandra and Wayne and Keryn at the Gawler Visitor Information Centre at 9.30am. Brent will catch up with us at Angaston after having a look at the Gawler Swap Meet. We caught up with Dave and Karen (former members of Gawler 4WD club) meeting others at the Visitors Centre to go on a motorbike ride. We headed to Barossa Bowland and Mini Golf at Tanunda, meeting Max and Lyn and Roy and Bronwyn there at 10.00am. After quite a few laughs and a couple of "holes in ones" we managed to complete the 18 hole course. Wayne was the winner with the lowest score. A few commented that they believed the highest score should win! The



gardens and "greens" are kept immaculate, and we all thought it would be good to have another social outing here, but ten-pin bowling next time.

We drove onto Angaston via Mengler Hill lookout and met Brent. Here we visited the Barossa Valley Cheese Co where we sampled four varieties of the soft cheese they make on the premises. A few purchases were made to get popped into our car fridges.

We set up in the park opposite to have lunch under a shelter. Most of us sat in the sun as it was a perfect Spring sunny day (just what I ordered!). After a leisurely lunch, we headed up Gawler Park Road to Gully Gardens dried fruits and nuts. Since Angas Park has closed its factory/shop in Angaston, Gully Gardens has become even busier. They are not normally

open on Sundays, but opened up for us. They have a large range of dried fruits and nuts, gift packs, and you can even have a coffee here. They have built a function room and with the addition of new toilets, are catering for tourists and small bus groups on the food and wine trail of the Barossa. Their son gave us a demonstration of whip cracking, and he hopes to compete in the 2017 Royal Adelaide Show. We also checked out the farm animals including

lambs, a very friendly sheep, goats, chooks and birds, all in beautifully kept grounds.

On the road again, and we are now heading for Pindarie Winery for our 2.00pm booked wine tasting session. Today Michael was our host and we sampled a selection

of whites and reds that they grow on their "western ridge" property. Cheese and Crackers were also served in the carefully restored old stables they now use as the tasting room. After our selections of wines were purchased we gathered on the verandah of the old grain store which they now use as a lunch area. We had a coffee while enjoying a chat and were visited by the owners small and friendly dog. We laughed as this dog chased a drone being flown in the paddock that the winery cellar door overlooks.

To finish off the day we had a group photo on the wineries "hay stack" (we knew we could not keep Sandra from climbing a hay stack!). It was a very enjoyable social day.

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