

## Warooka, York Peninsula (11 - 13 March 2017

# MARCH LONG WEEKEND 2017 TRIP TO WAROOKA, YORK PENINSULA

#### Saturday 11 March

We arrived at Mallala at 7.30 and waited for everyone to arrive. It was a lovely morning but a little overcast. Everyone was towing either a caravan or camper trailer. There was not a lot of traffic on the road which made for pleasant drive. We stopped at Ardrossan for morning tea grabbing something from the bakery before going down to the foreshore to enjoy it.



Our next stop was the Bublacowie Military Museum and Memorial. It is owned by Chris Soar, BM and is on the site of the old Bublacowie school. Chris served in the army and is a Vietnam and Malaya veteran. There is a wide range of military medals, uniforms and artefacts as well as photographic and personal items from local men and women who served in the military. He also had a vast display of books, toys etc from our past. Two of the items I found most interesting was a fridge that had a microwave where the freezer would normally be, made by GE. The other was a portable radio cassette player that had a TV screen. It was a great place. He also holds Anzac Day there.



From there it was on to Yorketown for lunch before heading to Warooka to set up camp.

We set up camp on the grounds of the Inland Sea restaurant and seafood sales grounds. It is 4 kms out of Warooka. The cost of camping was a meal at the restaurant! After setting up camp we headed over to the beer garden for happy hour. The wind had picked up a little and we had to go back and tie down the sail as it had come loose. We all went over for dinner and I believe everyone enjoyed their meals despite the time they took to arrive!!



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## Sunday 12 March

Sunday morning and the usual bacon and eggs for breakfast were cooked before heading off to the national park.

When we got to the park we had to book in by computer which they have available for you to do. There was no entry fee today.

Our first port of call was the Stenhouse Bay jetty. Once we got out of the car the rain was about to start so it was time to pull out the jackets. There were several people out fishing on the jetty. From there it was on to the Cape Spencer lighthouse before stopping at the Cape Spencer and Cooks House historical site for some morning tea.



From there it was over to explore the historical site of the Inneston township. Inneston was an old gypsum mining town. There was plenty to see. Lots of restored buildings several of which can be rented out for accommodation. The bakery had the ovens restored. There was a cricket oval adjacent to the lake and tennis courts nearby.

We stopped for lunch at West Cape lighthouse. There was a lovely shelter with picnic tables and a great view over Pondalowie Bay and a walk up to the lighthouse before going on to Browns Beach.





On our way back to camp we stopped at Daly Head, the windiest spot by far, and also at Corny Point lighthouse before arriving back at camp. After tea we all headed over and sat by Bob and Pauline's caravan before going to bed.

### Monday 13 March

In the morning we all packed up and headed off at our own pace. We were the last ones to leave. We stayed for lunch and to hopefully avoid all the traffic. We went via Minlaton and Kulpara before crossing the highway and going through Balaklava. It was a great trip home.

We would like to take the opportunity to thank Max and Lyn for leading a great trip as well as everyone else for their friendship and making us feel welcome. We look forward to many more trips with the club.

[Stephen & Lisa]