

October Trip Report

The October trip was supposed to be up at Yarrawonga on the Murray River but as we have had so much rain and Eildon Reservoir was at its highest level in many years, it was decided to transfer the trip to Eildon for the Melbourne cup long weekend.

Greg & Colleen Elks	Kahala	CR2800
Stuart & Annette & Family	Zero Tolerance	660 Cruiser
(Stuarts new boat	Lewis	(Lewis speedboat)
Peter & Tuppence	Mabel 2	Voyager 580

Two members started the weekend off on Friday afternoon and drove to Bonnie Doon Caravan park where we launched our boats from the banks of the caravan park. There was no hassles launching the boat as the water depth was very deep only that when I lifted Tuppence out of the boat we both ended up in the water a great start to the weekend.

Friday night was spent at Woolshed flats and during the afternoon between the showers of rain both of us fished hoping to catch that once in a lifetime fish..

Saturday morning a trip to Eildon Marina for Greg to refill his empty water tank, then waited for Stuart to launch his boat and joined us.

Saturday was an overcast type of day and we found a nice inlet near Briers Cove, we all stayed there until Sunday when Stuart took off to pick up Annette and his children with their new speedboat (goes very well). Annette was the Captain of the 660 and did a good job at being the Captain and Stuart was the hoon in his new Lewis Speedboat

Monday morning after a late breakfast we ambled in our cruisers to Goughs Bay to meet Rod and Anne Henry but we were too late they had gone home.

After a walk around the Goughs Bay area we brought some milk, ice creams and took some photos of the General Store, it was time to then head back to our boats on the shore line, It was then decided to go down the Goulburn River for the night. We found a very pretty site and set up for the night, Annette did a great job of manuvouring around obstacles to get to her parking spot for the night.

Stuart took the boys for a run in the Lewis and some more fishing was carried out by other people but to no avail must have been too much water and food?

Monday afternoon late we went for a slow trip up the Goulburn in our tenders to see how far Jamieson was, we didn't get there we turned back and had our evening meal.

Tuesday was a beautiful day another trip in the tenders was called for and some more fishing usual outcome and Greg and I decided to take our cruisers down or up the Goulburn river to see if we could reach Jamieson, the scenery was magnificent and the cows moved back from the water when drinking as they probably had not seen any thing like a boat near their drinking hole for years. We did not get to Jamieson although close as the depth of water was getting too shallow for our boats

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to continue any further we guest it to be only 500 meters to 1 klm away from Jamieson,

There was a lot of fallen trees and debris around in the water a different places on the trip down to near Jamieson and back to Goughs Bay.

After all the time in the Golbourn we all headed back towards Bonnie Doon but due to shortages in fuel a short deviation too Jerusalem Creek was called for to refuel. After the short stop it was off to Bonnie Doon for Stuart and Annette to head for the boat ramp then off home.

Greg, Colleen, Peter, Molly and Tuppence stayed another night at the inlet near Briers Cove and had a lovely meal and breakfast in the morning by the outside fire, the beautiful morning with the sun streaming on you face, it was hard to get motivated to pack up and then head back to the Boonie Doon Boat ramp and then the trip back home.

What a great weekend, the rain on the first two days was not a problem and the rest of the weekend was great.

Thank you for all who came along on the trip hope you all enjoyed the weekend (I think Stuart enjoyed his new boat!!)

Reported by Peter Walters & Tuppence
Mabel 2

