



Melbourne Whittley Cruiser Club Inc.

November Cruise to Murray / Ovens Rivers 16th & 17th Nov 2013

Attending Cruisers attending were :-

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| Zero Tolerance | Whittley 660 | Malone family |
| G & T | Whittley 700 | Dickson Family |
| Mable 2 | Whittley Voyager 580 | Walters family |
| Unnamed | Whittley CR2180 | Stephenson family |
| Unnamed | Whittley Impala 530 | Morris family |

The launching ramp where we were to launch was called the Mulwala Speed Boat Ramp on Lake Mulwala.

John and Helen in Shalimar are still at home with Engine problems with their Cruiser, so they had to decline to meet us at the Lake, sorry to hear about your problem John and Helen, hope you sort the problem before our next outing.

Mabel 2 arrived Friday afternoon and was first to launch and set up for the night moored to the jetty.

Gemma and Tony left after work, but had the misfortune to have a blow out on the trailer, so they had to pull over at a safe location and change the tyre, then hit the road again, they arrived in the car park around midnight so they slept in the boat on the trailer.

The following morning early, Tony and Gemma launched G & T and then took off to obtain a new tyre for the return trip back home. By the time they returned our new members had arrived at the boat ramp, Darrell and Shirley in their cruiser and Peter and Cobie in theirs.

Zero Tolerance was the last on the water, and after a discussion about what was to happen, and where to spend the night, we were all ready to head off for a great weekend on the water.

Our first stop was at Majors Island for lunch, as there was a little jetty there it was easy access for the ones parked either side of it, and when we were all rafted up together, I found out that Peters radio was not working, so I borrowed a multi meter from Tony and went investigating, found and repaired the fault and bingo, we all had radios for communication on the water.

After the luncheon break it was back in our cruisers to head for the Ovens River for the night and do some cooking for our evening meal.

When we arrived, our previously location was not available, so we found a different place where we all could moor up together, we rafted up together and some of the males put a rod in their hand, and successfully drowned many worms trying to catch anything which could see or smell the worms, no fish for tea tonight, good fun trying though.

I was using my Cobb Oven on G & T with meat supplied by Gemma and veggies and a few spices supplied by myself. Peter next door was complaining about the beautiful smells coming from the Cobb, so to help out, I was waving my hand over the smoke and fumes sending them over to him, he tried to do the same when he was cooking but the wind was in the wrong direction, sorry Peter. Later that night the rain came and we all went into our cruisers for the night.

The next morning after a good sleep, we all arose and had a good breakfast, it was suggested that we all go up stream on to the Murray again and have lunch, and then head back to Mulwala. That decided it was off onto the water again, and get onto the plane, and not long after, we entered the Murray River again and back on the plane to our lunch destination. Once all tied up it was back on the shore for lunch, well at least a hot drink and some nibbles and chocolate balls covered with coconut.

On the way back winding along the Murray River, with different scenes around every corner. The scenery was breathtaking. It was difficult to take photos while driving.

Once back at Mulwala all that was to do was put all the cruisers back on their trailers and head back to where they came from.

Over the whole weekend we all covered 107 Kilometres from start to finish.

I would like to thank all who attended this cruise as without people like you this club would not be able to exist.

I hope all who attended this cruise enjoyed themselves and will come again on the next cruise, I had a great weekend.

Thanks again from Peter and Admiral Tuppence

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