

Molly's dreaming - Easter 2009

The trip to Molly's for the Easter long weekend started early for some as the Sims and McCarthy's went on Thursday and the rest of us on the Friday. We arrived at the camp site and setup (a bit warm through the day). There was a hive of activity from the new arrivals during the site selection and setup phase, with onlookers from the nice cool clear water in the creek (Hurry up Gladys so we can join them).

After an hour or so, the Taj-Ma-Hore was finally setup and time to hit the water with a cold drink and a chat, Unfortunately Fred, James and Lyn had to return early to Darwin due to commitments.

The days were hot but the evenings were nice and cool, with dinner finished and the sky clear and full of stars we got the kids on satellite watch before the moon came up. I think the count got to nine satellites, three meteorites and one full moon around eight fifteen (is that right Derek) on the first night. There was a lot of discussion on the protocols of when the moon was actually up and not behind hills or clouds. I think it was sorted by the end of the trip.



Saturday was a day of final touches to the camps and then relaxing in the water, we had some visitors with Ian and Bordo dropping in for an hour or so and then Mickey later that afternoon to setup camp.

We organised firewood as Pete wanted to cook in the camp oven for the pot luck night (getting in practice for the inter club cook off in August are we Pete?)? The culinary delights cooked up by everyone were excellent, with a few different meals cooked and dished up on the main table.

After the meal I built up the camp fire, it looked good with lots of coals and a nice sandy area to sit next to the water, well on my own any way (it's too hot near the fire – more like too far from the goodies in the fridge I think) so back up to camp and satellite searching with the kids young and old, with the discussion by Peter and Derek as to what time the moon will rise tonight. We were watching the lightening from storms in the north and continued with spotting satellites as the moon came up later.



Sunday morning was nice and cool, so bacon and eggs were on the menu with hash browns and mushrooms on toast. The day was planned with the day trip along the River to see the wonderful views this area has to offer, with many water holes, rapids and small water falls along the way. We saw Barra and Bream in some of the larger water

holes and found a new camping area for fishing on a nice big water hole along the way.

Well Monday morning arrived too early and it was time to start the process of packing up with comments of I would like to stay a little longer, like another week would be good but unfortunately work beckons and we all start packing up the camp. After packing up and a swim we are ready for a quick walk around to check for any rubbish that may have been left and then off we go. Adelaide River for an ice cream I hear over the radio with a comment of we will join you from the other group as they were heading back from their Daly fishing trip for the weekend. So Adelaide River for ice cream it was with a big yay from the kids.

The discussion at Adelaide River was fishing and some new places to check out next time, so until then cheers everyone and thanks for the excellent company.

