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Berg River Resort

22nd October 2023

Hi There Trekkers,

It was great to see everyone arriving at once just after 2pm ! Alex and Colleen and Brian and Dawn were already set up from Thursday. Dawn was saying how beautiful and peaceful it was and how they could see the fish jumping in the river. She had been enjoying nature from early morning. Of course we were in that special area on the river side and they had parked back to where the wind was likely to come. David and Angela parked on that side as well, but the rest of us were blasted by the strong Westerly wind from about 4 O'clock onwards. Les and Marieta and Rosemarie and Johan were parked a bit behind but turned their vans in the morning after all the awnings had been removed at 2 AM !! Friday night was cold and gusty and after making use of Alex's braai most of us escaped to our caravans.

The wind was still howling on Saturday and most of the morning was taken up with moving the caravans and erecting the awnings again. All of mine were just stuffed in to the back of the Subaru, so rather than attempt to turn and re-erect everything, I just folded it all up nicely and put it away for next time ! In the afternoon some of us had little walks around the resort and we were able to ascertain that we would be able to watch the Springboks play England in the semis for the World cup. Decision time came for us to cook our potjes for the competition and folk were resorting to stoves and pots so I used my electric frying pan, not very authentic but excusable ! Tasting time was fun and we enjoyed all the expansive details of the ingredients as the cooks presented their efforts. There were a lot of delicious potjes and great flavours which Master Chef Kitchens would have been impressed with ! The scoring was completed and handed over for the results at Indaba. Then off to the rugby at the pub and the cliffhanging moments we experienced just winning by 1 point !!!

Sunday turned out to be a lovely day, nice and warm and balmy. We held Indaba under a tree in the shade and had some good chats. Later we enjoyed the sun and chatting and some braaied before packing up around 4pm after a great day and weekend (Especially because we won !!!)

INDABA Dave welcomed us to our 45th Birthday Outspan ! The first Birthday was held at Bergplaas in Stellenbosch in 1979.

APOLOGIES Doug and Sue, Meryl and Alan, Carol, Wayne, 60% attendance.

BIRTHDAYS	30 th October	Dawn Heath
	2 nd November	Colleen Bond-Smith
	4 th November	Leslie Pieters
	17 th November	Alan Lawrence
	30 th November	Wayne Hen stock

Happy Birthdays Everyone !! Enjoy your special days and lots of great ones to follow !!

NEXT OUTSPAN Fish Eagle Lodge 24th-26th November R150 pppn + R50 elec possible to add on if desired

FUTURES Imhoff Park 8th - 10th December R300 pvan pn (2p)
NB NB NB NB PLEASE PAY ANGELA BY 22ND NOVEMBER

CHRISTMAS gifts for best Decorated Caravan and Table.
OUTSPAN Gift wrapped in Red for lady or Blue/green for gent. Approx value R150.

Meat: Kassler we need to know number for catering
Gravy
Rotisseries, boards, knives , Robbies Roost , Tree and decorations
pot for potatoes , elec pan.

SALADS		PUDDINGS	
Marieta	3 beans	Carol	mince pies
Angela	Pasta	Wayne	ice cream
Sue	Green salad	Rose	Xmas pudding
Vanessa	Sweetcorn		Custard
Scotty	Dutch onion	Dawn	????

SUNDAY Carols service
Collection for Cape Town City Missions

GENERAL POTJE WINNERS 3RD Les and Marieta
2ND Rose and Johan
1ST Alex and Colleen
WELL DONE TO EVERYONE IT WAS VERY CLOSE !!

FINES Alex forgetting pot
Scotty forgetting oil

SPOON Alex making the excuse to use gas

BIG SPOON Dave for having nothing to do with their potje !

GOOD SPOON Leslie presented it to Johan for helping everyone .
SAFE TOWING