

Trip Leader	Craig Marchant	Date	9 th March 2024
Location	Fleurieu Peninsula Day Trip		
TLCCSA Members	Michelle and Leon, Steve and Judy.		

Meeting at the Victory Hotel on Main South Road, this provided us with our first great views of Spencer Gulf for the day. The north wind was blowing, so the sea was calm with a beautiful turquoise blue colour.

Having not met Steve and Judy before, we had a quick chin wag before jumping in the Cruisers and heading south towards Myponga. Taking Reservoir Road, we snaked our way along the hill tops before descending to the coastline.

The small Myponga beach looked idyllic, with its crystal-clear sand and calm waters, we all turned green with envy, admiring the half a dozen beach houses that have this place all to themselves.

We continued south, taking the backroads to Yankalilla, before passing through a very busy Normanville and then on to Cape Jervis. Down here you have the not so well known Morgans Beach (so don't tell anyone!), which you can drive down onto. With the cliffs above, we were sheltered from the worst of the northerly winds.



The boys even had time to contemplate the beauty of nature. How's the Serenity?



As tempting as it was to pull out the camp chairs and waste away the day, we continued on to Deep Creek Conversation and the fun little drive down to Blowhole beach.



With the water looking so inviting, we braved the strong northerly winds and made our way down to the beach.



With the sun beaming down on us, we didn't muck around and went straight in. The water was cool and clear and we floated around enjoying the relief from the heat. There was even enough swell to do some body surfing!



Not wanting to turn into over cooked lobsters, we eventually made our way back to the cars, up the little goat track and leaving this little gem to come back to another day.



Taking more back roads, we then made our way along the bush track that takes you to Boat Harbor beach.



This is a great spot to come to in the cooler months as you can take the walking trails along the coastline and cliff tops.



The next scenic stop was Tunkalilla Beach, with another fun little drive to take you down to the car park.



The wind had really picked up by then, flattening the ocean and providing some great surfing conditions for a few keen locals.



With the afternoon slipping away, we made our way towards Hindmarsh valley, taking the scenic back roads and enjoying the views of the farmland. It was here we said our goodbyes to Steve and Judy, who continued on to Victor Harbor, while the rest of us continued on the back roads towards Mt Compass.



With the mercury sitting around 40 degrees, we had a quick bite to eat in the shade before saying our goodbyes.

In summary, it was great day out and staying along the coastline, we were able to avoid the worst of the summer heat and wind. Being a little more remote, there was hardly anyone at the beaches we visited, so certainly worth the extra effort to get away from the city crowds.

