

LIONS Club of Yankalilla – Fleurieu Run October 12, 2025



We arrived early to set up the TLCCSA Banner, a couple of other members arrived and so did the rain. This forced the Lions Club to relocate to shelter under the Grandstand. The showers persisted as more people arrived, keeping Kim busy with attendance forms and temporary membership applications.

We were assigned to one of 3 convoys, each with a Lions Club leader and a TLCCSA tail end Charlie. Convoy One headed north to a logged section of the Second Valley forest, here we saw the results of logging, and regrowth. There were some great views from high points in spite of the low cloud.

This was revealed from the Trig Station Lookout. After that we travelled on forestry tracks and had a mob of Eastern Grey Kangaroos leap through the convoy.



Next, we headed west to the south of Wirrina Resort to the hilltops towering above Second Valley. The countryside was a mass of colour, with wild flowers and introduced weeds, but still brilliant yellow and purple with occasional orange and white flowers.

We made a steep descent into Second Valley where we had lunch in the car park. Then off again turning right from the main road to ascend the next hills to the south, before heading towards the coast again. As we headed west, we were inspected by a couple of inquisitive mobs of

cattle, wondering who was crazy enough to visit them on a Saturday afternoon.



As we approached the clifftops, we were confronted with a steep descent into Rapid Bay with spectacular views to the coast. Though the weather had improved, it was hard to make out the opposite side of St Vincent Gulf. As we slowly descended, we had good views of the bay with its jetty and the Rapid Bay Quarry. Leaving Rapid Bay, we soon turned south to climb Mt Rapid on our way to the Starfish Wind Farm, (22 generators) operating since 2003. We

stopped soon after to begin looking for remnants of original vegetation. We returned to Main South Road to Cape Jervis where the trip concluded.

Thanks to the Lions Club of Yankalilla for organising the Fleurieu Fund Raiser for the 4WD Clubs.

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