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Hi Everyone

Easter is just a couple of weeks away and we have a BIG announcement regarding our March Outspan. As only 7 folks were able to organise their lives to be able to spend the Easter weekend at Eagle View, the committee felt that this would not be a viable situation for either those few who were going or the owners of the park who advise they only open the park for 8 or more people, and so the decision was made to:

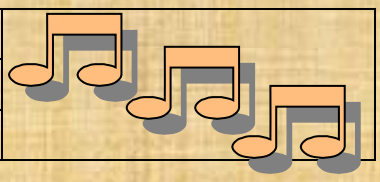
CANCEL THE OUTSPAN SCHEDULED FOR EAGLE VIEW.

*****Instead, we have booked IFAFA BEACH CARAVAN PARK for the weekend prior to Easter ie. FRIDAY 23rd TO SUNDAY 25th MARCH*****

We hope that this change will enable many more of our members to be able to outspan together – more about this later.

We have 3 birthday celebrants this month, two of them are no longer able to caravan with us and have been Honorary Members for a number of years but Dennis is one of our 'regulars' and we have pleasure in congratulating all three of you this month:

3	*Dennis Mouton*
18	*Ruth Scott [Honorary Member]*
24	*Lynda Estment [Honorary Member]*



Wishing you all a wonderful special day surrounded by your loved ones. Happy Birthday!!

And now, here is the information I promised about our changed venue:

NEXT OUTSPAN ; IFAFA BEACH CARAVAN PARK : 23 - 25 MARCH 2018

OUTSPAN FEES:

Per Person per night	**R100.00**
Per Child per night	**R50.00**
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The plans for this weekend are as follows:

FRIDAY p.m.:	Arrive and settle in, a fire will be available for Jaffles if required
SATURDAY ± 2,30 pm:	Please supply a plate of **sweet or savoury items** for the tea table **-** thank you.
SATURDAY ± 7.00 pm:	**Our usual Braai night** and, as usual, please provide a salad for the communal table

Don't forget you can pay your Outspan fees with an EFT to our new account [just don't forget to send Fred a copy of this deposit]:

BANK:	FNB
NAME:	B F van PROOIJEN EASY ACCOUNT
BRANCH CODE:	260 225
ACCOUNT No.	62693349823

And now for those of us who were there as well as for those who were not, here is a reminder of what took place at the . . ..

DOLPHIN WEEKEND

Suffering from camping withdrawal symptoms, at last the Dolphin weekend dawned. We arrived there just after 10 am on Friday morning to find Dora and John Tomlinson and Allan Shepherd all set up and looking very comfortable. We chose our site and soon we were able to join in on the relaxing. But this was short lived. Next to arrive were Hugh and Sandra and Bev and Ian.

Now Hugh and Sandra, after their luxury non-camping holiday overseas, seemed to be a little rusty on parking their van and after several attempts to reverse onto a site, Hugh gave up and moved to a site where he could just drive on forward and unhitch. This done we then all assisted in correctly positioning the van with a couple of pushes and shoves to make sure they could sleep without rolling out of bed or as Hugh was wishing, on top of each other.

As for Bev and Ian, they chose their site. Had us help position the van, also with a couple of pushes and shoves. Then they decided that this was no good and wanted to move their van to the site next door. So once again a big push was needed.
That's when Jill and myself decided it was time to go look for somewhere else to relax, so we headed for the beach and ended up walking to Thompsons Bay and back. (so much so for sitting relaxing).

On arrival back at campsite, we found Susan and Brett had arrived. Good thing we went walking, as they were all set up when we got back. To make up the Laager, visitors Nikki and Erryn with their very special twin 3-year-old daughters, Kiki and Ava, arrived to join us all for the weekend. Hugh and Sandra become the chief babysitters and certainly earned plenty brownie points with Nikki and Erryn.

With everybody now there, the Jaffle fire was lit and the fun began. A lovely evening

was had round the fire. The only person missing was Nikki, who went to put the twins to sleep and never returned. We heard the next morning that the twins put her to sleep. Ooops.

Saturday morning arrived with beautiful weather. Some of us headed for the beach and others went off shopping and partying. Afternoon tea was absolutely awesome, although it was nearly delayed, as Hugh and Allan were convinced Bev and Ian were having an afternoon nap, as snoring was heard coming from inside their van and were debating between themselves whether to wake them or not, when the two so-called nappers, appeared from down the road. They had gone for a nice long walk. Not too sure what was snoring in your van Bev and Ian. There was an extra special cake made by Susan to celebrate Brett's birthday. Brett made a very special announcement at tea. Next Outspan they will no longer be living in sin as they have done for the last 10 years. Congratulations on your forthcoming marriage. May you both have many healthy and happy years together.

Our evening braai, as always, was outstanding, but unfortunately interrupted by a storm. At least we had all managed to braai and eat before the storm arrived. An early night was had by most of us with intermittent rain on and off during the night. Sunday was rather damp and wet and after Indaba, we all headed to have Dolphin tea and scones on the pool veranda.

Unfortunately, all good things come to an end and after tea we all packed up rather wet tents and awnings and headed for home.
Till next time,

Alan and Jill

Thanx for the write-up – it sounds like a great weekend was had by all – hope all tents are dry and ready for action again soon.

NEWS… NEWS… NEWS…



What exciting news mentioned in the write-up – many congratulations to Susan and Brett on the announcement of their impending marriage and we all wish you many, many happy years together.

…… **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE:**

As soon as you have finished reading this Newsletter and you have not already done so, let me [Joan] know on either my mobile, 072 388 5477, or email at joanfredvanp525@gmail.com **if, and when,** you will be going to **IFAFA BEACH CARAVAN PARK.**

Thank you,
Trek safely *JOAN*

***My bumper sticker for March is*:**

**The Homemaker has the *Ultimate Career* –
All other careers exist for only one purpose –
to support the
Ultimate Career.**

REMINDER:
Subscriptions for 2018\2019 are due with effect from the 1st April 2018.

Just a reminder that our annual subscription will fall due at the end of March - the Committee have decided that these fees will not be increased and will, therefore, remain the same as they have for the last couple of years i.e. **R110.00 per annum**. If you wish to pay this at our next Outspan, you may do so or else, if you prefer, make an EFT - details as follows:

Bank:	**FNB**
Branch:	**Queensburgh**
Branch Code:	**250 837**
Account Name:	**Trekkers Outdoor Recreation Club, L1**
Account No.	**74071200212**
Account Type:	**Bus 32 Day Interest Plus Account**

Don't forget to let Fred have a copy of your payment by sending him an email to the address above. Thank you.

