TORC Laager 15 Miller's Point Outspan

The first weekend of a brand-new year and everyone is excited to camp at one of our favourite "close to home" camping parks. Although it was an unending task securing and settling final booking arrangements, by 19h00 all camping rigs were setup and the various dinner flavours filled the air as a gentle southerly wind permeated through the air. This camp never ceases to spoil us, as it provides campers with its natural beauty of ocean and mountain simultaneously.



As the catch-up conversations carried through the evening, we were strongly advised by the park and baboon rangers that it would be best to only make controlled fires in the designated fire areas, something new to us. We were never informed about this rule and had to conform, despite some of us having completed our braai in our own braai drums. These conversations were accompanied by a clear sky, enabling the astrologists to explain the various sky formations and following satellites as they raced through the skies, depicting a busy highway in the sky. By midnight most campers were ready to retire for the evening, despite other 'non – TORC campers' who carried on during the evening.



By as early as 02h00 Saturday morning the traffic at the nearby slipway became busier as the fisherman were on their way in search for yellowtail and snoek. After a wonderful sunrise, the fisherman activities kept campers amused as some were returning with their catch of both marine species in abundance. The quietness of the morning continued as some made way for a breakfast off-site while others proceeded to cook up a breakfast storm at camp.

We were once again blessed with wonderful weather as many water sport activities proceeded, despite a very mild south Easter.





By mid-afternoon, the confusion had settled in as our hosts had requested that all campers prepare a pizza or two, made from scratch and on-site. This meant that no shop-purchase dough or prepacked pizzas could be used. Interesting enough, this exercise met its intention as many various methods were used to prepare and bake the pizzas. One family even collected their stainless-steel camping pizza oven on the day they'd left for camp. By supper time most pizzas were completed and fun was had as the various attendees share their culinary experiences.









By midnight, most campers were in bed after a fun filled day of an array of various activities, too many to mention though. By 10h00 on Sunday, Indaba was held to round up the weekends outspan and discuss planning for the rest of the year. By 14h00 every had left and Miller's Point was deserted with only the cleaning staff on site, ready to ensure that the resort was fit for its next round of campers. What a lovely weekend we had and enjoyed by everyone in attendance.









Scribed by our hosts

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