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Well it's many many years since any Trekkers gathering took place at Aasvoelkrans, so it was a new place for some. We arrived on Friday morning to find George and Floris just ahead of us, still looking for the best choice out of L11's options. Frikkie, Barenda and Cornelia arrived early in the afternoon, Cornelia sporting a brand new tent that the guys helped her to put up. There was a power cut when we got there, but it did come back on later. There were hot and cold pools there, so Martin went in the hot one later that afternoon. It is also classed as a predator park, though you have to pay in order to go and look at any animals (which none of us did!), but the lions' roars could be heard at times throughout the weekend. Our fridge wasn't working so the guys were studying the back of it, with various suggestions, none of which worked. Anyway, thanks to Barenda for fridge space, and to Cornelia for lending us her SnoMaster fridge freezer at the end of the weekend, to carry us through the forthcoming Golden Oldies week (though fortunately someone else there had the same problem, so he called out a guy from Brits, who then mended ours, and someone else's air conditioner)

Late on Saturday morning, Clive arrived, so our full complement for the week was 6 vans/tent (Cornelia is now a member) which was a good turnout. Some people used the pools, and others went for a walk, then we had tea & cakes/savouries in the afternoon, and the usual braai in the evening.

On Sunday morning, Frikkie's sister, who lives relatively nearby, brought his mother, who had been staying with her, to us, and they both stayed for breakfast, then his sister went home, and his mother drove home with him. After Indaba, all except Clive packed up, as he was staying for extra time. Frikkie & Barenda were going to a concert at Soweto Stadium later that day, and we & George were heading to Dube, for a Golden Oldies week. Presumably Floris and Cornelia went home!!

Remember that the February outspan has been cancelled, as not many people could go, so our next outspan is at Nkwe in March - a combined one with other Laagers to discuss the NAGM. Please make sure you have told Barenda if you are going, as she has to book.

Mary & Gordon flew off to New Zealand, to their son & family, last night (Friday) so we hope they got there safely and will have a super holiday. Before the next outspan in March, Ann & Peter will be off to the Kruger for a month, and we with Mary & Gordon will be off to a timeshare in Hazyview, so safe driving to everyone.

Till we meet again