



CAMPERS CHATTER

**DE HOLLANDSCHE MOLEN
20 – 22 JANUARY 2023**

Thank you Cheryl & Joe for the camp report and all those that contributed to the photos.

CAMPERS:

- Gary & Barbs Amory Martin & Annette Colman
- Trevor & Sandy Biggs Dave & Jean Reid
- Joe & Cheryl Faktor Greg & Glynn Nieuwstad
- Andy and Sandy Weddell

Guests

- Jenna & Jemima Webb
- Paul Colman



When we arrived at De Hollandse Molen on Friday afternoon, almost everyone was there and they were set up already. Martin, Annette, Andy and Sandy stayed over on Thursday night. Gary arrived a little after us, then before dark Barbara arrived after work. We were in a nice area under trees and right next to the ablutions. Some campers had a prime spot right next to the river. Just as we finished setting up, Martin, Annette, Andy and Sandy arrived back from wine tasting as they had been on the Tram. Andy and Sandy bought wine and Andy lost his ticket, therefore he couldn't get his wine that evening.



Martin's brother, Paul also arrived at camp and stayed the weekend. Some campers went for a swim in the river / pool. There are a few pools to swim in which are made with rocks. The area around the pool is nicely grassed with braai areas. They accept day visitors in that area. Later in the evening, fires were lit by the campsite and some members gathered together, others sat on their sites and braaiied. It was a beautiful evening with no wind.

Saturday morning was a beautiful morning. Andy and Sandy left early to go and fetch their wine. They were lucky, they received their wine. Everyone sat around, visited and kept going to the river / pool as it was very hot. Some campers went to town and to the market in Franschhoek. On our plot, we had moles who kept trying to come up and they made holes which we fell into. Dave and Jean camped next to us. They had their daughter, Jenna visiting from the UK with her daughter, Jemima who was the highlight of the weekend.



Later in the afternoon, some campers went for a walk around the resort. In the evening, we all gathered together for a lovely braai. Greg made his speech and was entertained by Jemima. She was very friendly and loved by all. Later in the evening, Sandy B gave us a lovely treat of ice cream. Was delicious. Everyone started going to bed and some of us sat around the fire.

Sunday morning some of the campers made breakfast and started packing up. Paul was battling to fold his tent up as he slept in a pop-up. Eventually, he got it folded up after several attempts. Slowly everyone started leaving camp and Gary and Barbara decided to stay another night. We were the last to leave as we had to be out of camp by 5-00 pm.



A really lovely camp. The ablutions are also very clean. Definitely recommend we go back as it's also quite close to home.





Camping is tough.....

