



## **“CAMPERS CHATTER”**

**March Camp - Ganzekraal  
16 to 18 March 2018**



Thank you to Michelle for the camp report

### CAMPERS:

Trevor & Sandy  
Mike & Michelle

Ruth & Ginger  
Many & Ira

Gary & Barbara  
Johnny & Sandy

Another new camp on the camping calendar!! This was one cool campsite and the weather played along superbly. Ganzekraal is situated about thirty kilometres north of Melkbosstrand, just after Silverstroomstrand, but before Grotto Bay. First to arrive at camp was Johnno, without Sandy. Mike was next, without Michelle. No, this was not a boy's weekend away!! Otherwise Ruth and Ginger had it all wrong as they were the next to arrive - together.



Camping on sites 1 – 6 allowed for an uninterrupted view of the ocean. The wind howled a bit on Friday night and the merry campers huddled together behind the howling moon. Fortunately, the wind died down quite nicely later in the evening and the braaiing and merry making got underway. From boerie rolls to fat T-bone steaks, the happy campers were at it again. The evening was a bit chillos, so everyone moved into our tent for some warmth. Needless to say, the Melkert came out and everyone had a shot or two...or three! Thanks Johnny and Sandy for the donation.

I have no idea what possessed Mike on Saturday morning, but he was up and making breakfast at 8am. We had barely woken up when we got called to the breakfast table for some delicious bacon and eggs and yummy champagne. Ruth supplied some delicious marmalade again, which we enjoyed with our breakfast. Later in the morning, Mandy and Ira went off to Yzerfontein for some fish, whilst Gary went off on his cycle, still recovering from the previous night's revelling. Barbara spent the day reading her books. Anthony, Sandy and myself went for a walk around the camp. Everyone was just doing their thang!!

Ganzekraal is for lazing about, completely chilling and just watching the sea – which we all did a lot of. Lunchtime saw a quick bite – French loaf, cheeses and patès. Ira hunted for some mussels and other goodies on the rocks and that was their lunch. The next thing, everyone went for a lazy Saturday afternoon snooze. Not certain if it is the rolling of the ocean or the warm sunshine, but everyone just needed a quick forty winks. Later, Mandy went for a guitar lesson from Ginger – although we never got to hear any results – next time Mands!

The fires were lit around 6pm and everyone drew closer as it was getting a bit chillos again. The Chairman's speech was short and sweet and there were no fines at this camp – we were all very good this time. It was time to braai...again, when our resident Ira surfaced and being up to his usual tricks again!!





We set up two long tables in our tent for everyone to huddle around. It was great that all the guys managed to finish braaiing at the same time, so we could all sit down together and enjoy our delicious food. Garlic bread, garlic rolls, salads, sweet potato, all very yummy. Dessert was once again donated by Sandy B, delicious lemon cake again, with the yummy icing. Mandy had this new idea to fill a hot X bun with a marshmallow Easter egg. This is then wrapped in foil and heated over the coals ..... not sure how it tasted, but all looked very interesting.

Sunday was a real lazy start, no one was in too much hurry to pack up. Some dolphins came out to play and was quite a welcome sighting. Ira, once again, hunted for some sea creatures to take home.



The boys played boullè, but needless to say Trevor won.....for the umpteenth time. Packing up got underway just after lunchtime and we all parted on our way to our weekly routines.

Ganzekraal proved a worthy campsite to visit again, it is very similar to Tietiesbaai, but the ablutions are better and have nice warm showers. Ganzekraal allows for each group of campers to enjoy their own privacy – well done to whoever suggested this one!

See you all at the next camp in Greyton!!  
Bye for now!!



Brekkie with a view



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