

SOUTH EAST AUSTRALIA

SNOWIES TO THE NSW COAST

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Homeward Trek

It's been 5 days since our last newsletter. We spent one more very pleasant day in Tumut riding our bikes along the river and around the town. The centre piece of the town is the river. It was extremely fast flowing and wonderfully clear. The wetlands area beside the caravan park is a great credit to the area. It is criss-crossed by paths and gave us a great opportunity to view many birds and the occasional turtle and lizard. The extremely hot weather continued and we really appreciated the dense covering of trees in the caravan park.

The next day we decided to travel into the Blue Mountains. We only got as far as Lithgow. It was extremely hot so we pulled up early in the day and tried to cool down. In the evening we went off to explore on the bikes but found the town fairly run down and uninspiring. The next day we set off to go further through the Blue Mountains from south to north. The road was little used and took us over some fairly high country through a sparsely populated area. We had hoped to stop but couldn't find any suitable place so we drove on to Nelson Bay.



Nelson Bay

What a lovely surprise this area is. Being so close to Sydney we expected it to be overrun and over commercialised. Not so. In fact it feels like a little bit of a backwater. The coastal scenery is quite fabulous. We have been here three nights now and have done quite a bit of walking and a one long ride. The weather has cooled down to the mid twenties, so it has been fairly pleasant.

Our trip is nearly at an end. We have one more stop to meet friends in Port Macquarie in their time-share unit. We will have travelled about 7,500 km by the time we get home. Not only have we had a great experience visiting South Australia, where we have previously not been, but we have seen some areas in Victoria and NSW where we want to return and experience in much greater detail. Goodbye until our next trip.





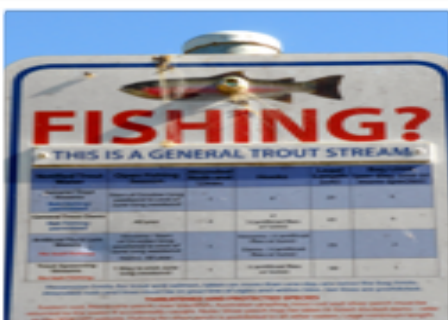
Tumut's clear sweet river water



Hay baling season



One of Tumut's many bike tracks



Shoal Bay foreshore

