

November's Sunday Run - Mangrove Mountain

November's Sunday Run was held on the 8th, meeting at the 'Twin Servo' southbound at 10 am for a 10.30 am departure towards Mangrove Mountain. There were ten vehicles, manned by the following participants:

Paul and Lynne Schofield in the lead vehicle, Paul Fulton, Carole and Peter Olesen, Janet and Jeff Holmesby, Diane and Danny Franks, Valerie and Graham Waltho, Janis and Robert Wenning, Karen and Greg Nott, Helen and Ray Bellamy, and Maxine and Richard Devon with a guest, Malcolm Dawson.

The meet up was at the truck stop, however Richard's crew needed a McCafe coffee, so we joined the parade after it left the meeting spot. Travelling south, we took the Wiseman's Ferry exit, and travelled west until we reached a turn off to the Mangrove Creek Dam. What a magnificent view from a specially built platform. At one stage I thought I was in the Blue Mountains when I initially mistook three of our lady companions for 'The Three Sisters'. Janet took a few group photos which I am sure will appear on our website soon. We spent about 45 minutes at this viewing area, and most of us admitted we had never been there previously.

Then, back to the turn off, and Paul successfully lead us to a club known as The Mangrove Mountain Memorial Club and Golf Course. The club premises were quite interesting, and our dining area looked out over the 18th hole of their golf course. We watched a few groups finishing their rounds whilst we were ordering then consuming our meals, and we gave a few cheers for a few successful putts on the 18th green. All of the golfers we observed were in golf carts; I think you would need to be a mountain goat if you attempted to walk it.

Our meals were quite adequate, and served reasonably promptly. Some (not me this time) got a deal with a 'gelato for sweets', quite satisfying, with one involving a 'Tiramisu', which I think Pete devoured.

Our guest, Malcolm Dawson, owns a 2001 Falcon Rebel XR8 which belonged to his late wife. Whilst it does not qualify as a California Cruisin' Club Car, nevertheless it is an interesting vehicle, only approximately 135 produced in Australia, and Malcolm's still has a fairly low 'mileage'. For our Ford enthusiasts, I will organize Malcolm to bring this vehicle on one of our future runs.

2 pm saw our members start to leave for home, however, a few stayed on for coffees.

'Over and out'.

Cheers,

Richard Devon