



ADELAIDE 2014

Friday, 2d of May 2014

On the road again:

Eric, Antonio and Pascal

Arrival in Adelaide: first thermal shock with 7°C before heading directly to the Social Welcome at Adelaide Shore. The welcome is very warm, and it is time to remember the good times spent during the cruise stop-over in Nouméa. It is such a pleasure to meet again some them who are familiar. Our Kiwi cousins are also here.



Saturday, 3rd of May 2014

We frenchies missed the breakfast but made it just in time for bus departure: Brian is set like a clock!

We aim for Victor Harbour, a 100km south of Adelaide, in the Fleurieu Peninsula. A stop at Farmer's Market for an orgy of...strawberries. Then, a walk in the wind and a downpour on Granite island where we met the penguins. fortunately, our Kiwi friends are here with us.



Lunch at the Victor Hotel with the General Assembly takes place. We are honored to seat at Brian FULMER's table (Maryborough), the APEX's national President, and also with the secretary Coil RAMSAY (Wynnum Manly), the IRO Mark TRAMBY (Xepa). We have to admit that the Anglo-Saxons are strict with the status.



Great lecture of our «French Emperor», Eric «Thien Ping rer»: the french touch strikes back. Then, there is the traditional pennant exchange. Our 25th anniversary flyer is on all the tables. great presentation of the APEX 41 2015 RIORT in Coffs Harbour by Ken WRIGHT.



The return trip is by the Mc Laren Vale vineyard, without stopping for a wine tasting: consequence, «Petit Coeur» Antonio takes one of those afternoon nap.

Then there is a stop in Strathalbyn, a cute colonial style city, for a group photography.

Arrival in Adelaide for the ABBA party. Now that's a complex free evening where everyone is on the dance floor. And the «Petit Coeur» Antonio wakes up for a «dance with the Stars» show, with all the happy APEX? As for our President, no worries with him when time comes for a good fun.



Sunday, 4th of May 2014

Early take-off at 8:30 and the frenchies, as usual, are late for the bus! We head to the Adelaide Hills region with a morning (freezing) stop on top of Mount Lofty, with an amazing view of the unique colonial Australian city not to be by the sea. most migrants reached this city by the land.

South Australia has a population of 1.6 millions and 1.4 millions live in Adelaide. With a rural economy, the Australians decided to develop Adelaide as a university center, and they did it damn well!



With my President, it's our second visit here, and I have the souvenir of a city very ... on Victorian buildings, and therefore, a bit annoying. But now, what an urban change, and with a very student like population.



Arrival at the Cedars for a coffee break, and the visit of the house of Sir Hans HEYSEN, an Australian artist, well known for his aquarelle paintings. It is a bit far from our GIVERNY, but his famous paintings on Gum Trees describes well the atmosphere of Australia in the XXth beginning century.

Then, there is a very pleasant lunch at Mount Baker's golf club.





The afternoon visit was at a chocolate and cheese factories: j must admit that the 3empeor» eric and myself had a real orgy of CHEESE WRIGHTS.

Back to Adelaide Shores for the «Big Dinner» and Awards ceremony. The sheriffs are hust great! And the idea of a photography with all the Past President is fantastic.



Banner and gifts exchange for the Apex and the Kiwis and their National President for the general Assembly in BLENHEIM, end of June.



*THANKS TO ALL OF YOU, AND
SEE YOU SOON IN NOUMEA*

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