

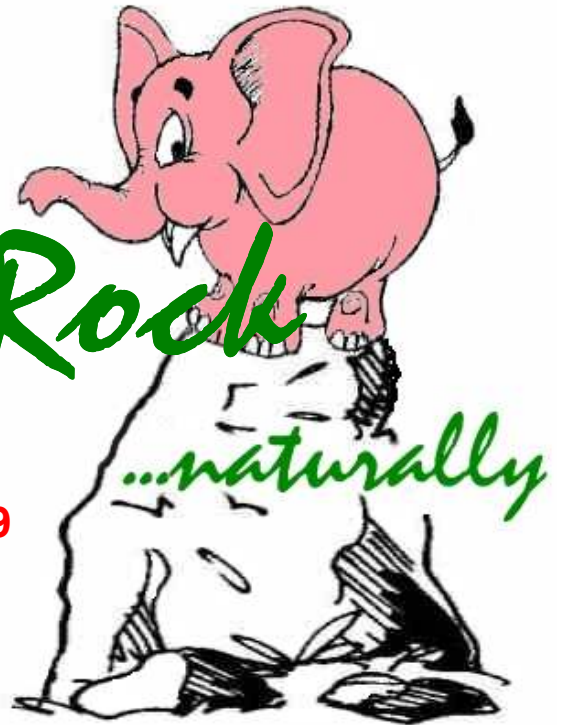
TRUNK CALLS

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G'day readers.

More than half way through Autumn already. Where has the year gone?

It's been a long time since the last Trunk Calls and even this edition is a bit late for although the date on this is April, you won't see it 'till May ...we hope.

A few events have taken place here - some good fun, and one sad. But that's life!

So peruse tis issue and be up to date with happenings at Elephant Rock.

Cheers,

Sue & Jaak

MEMORIES OF LOUISE AT ELEPHANT ROCK



EASTER BUNNY



ROCKY HORROR SHOW



AUSTRALIA



SANTA'S HELPER



WINNING AT TWO-UP

AUSTRALIA DAY

January '09

Australia Day 2009 again saw a large gathering of Auzzies (with a few Kiwis thrown in) at Elephant Rock.

The weather as usual here was perfect for the enjoyment of all the outdoor activities.

The annual thong throwing competition was well attended - both, in participants and spectators. The distance thrown, though did not reach previous years!



The enthusiastic thong throwers used many different styles to get as much distance into the throw as possible. In some cases enthusiasm overshadowed style. But all had a great time and cheered the ultimate winners.

With the well tended fire kept going all night the coals were just right for the creation of dampers within camp ovens. So the iconic Australian dish was ravenously consumed by the throng.



Ozzy, Ozzy, Ozzy - oi, oi, oi!

*We do not stop playing because we grow old;
we grow old because we stop playing.*

Memorial to Louise

A Memorial to Louise was held on 7 March 2009 at Elephant Rock. It was an opportunity to say goodbye to a dear friend and guest.

Louise fought a courageous battle with cancer and her determination to be herself and continue on as normal as possible will forever be remembered. She will be sadly missed for her party antics, dressing up, a lovely singing voice and her wonderful and creative ideas for events at E.R. Farewell Louise from us all.



A tree for Louise

March '09

ITALIAN NIGHT

Pasta lovers, unite!

The Italian night saw lots of different Italian dishes devoured with gusto.

There were many lovers of Italian who prepared gastronomic delights, and these delights were gobbled down with relish by all! Just as well the night was balmy for the breezeway could not accommodate all, and quite a few diners were forced to sit at tables under party lights in the adjacent arbor. No complaints, though for the night was enjoyable with Italian music complementing the Italian food and lotsa wine.



George Phillips of Gold Coast was going up to bed when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window.

George opened the back door to go turn off the light but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things.

He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?" and he said "no". Then they said that all patrols were busy, and that he should simply lock his door and an officer would be along when available. George said, "Okay," hung up, counted to 30, and phoned the police again.

"Hello, I just called you a few seconds ago because there were people stealing things from my shed. Well, you don't have to worry about them now because I've just shot them." Then he hung up.

Within five minutes three police cars, an Armed Response Unit, and an ambulance showed up at the Phillips' residence and caught the burglars red-handed.

One of the Policemen said to George: "I thought you said that you'd shot them!"

George said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"

A good Irishman, John O'Reilly, met regularly with his toastmasters club. One evening they were hitting the Guinness Stout and having a contest as to who could make the best toast.

John O'Reilly hoisted his beer and said, "Here's to spending the rest of me life, Between the legs of me wife!" That won him top prize for the best toast of the night.

He went home and told his wife, Mary, he won the prize for the best toast of the night." She said, "Aye, and what was your toast?"

John replied, "Here's to spending the rest of me life, sitting in church beside me wife!"

Oh, that is very nice indeed, John!" Mary said.

The next day Mary ran into one of John's toasting buddies on the street corner. The man chuckled leeringly and said, "Did you know that John won the prize the other night with a toast about you, Mary?"

She said, "Aye, and I was a bit surprised myself. You know, he's only been there twice! Once he fell asleep and the other time I had to pull him by the ears to make him come!"



Massage Workshop

Georges & Ruth conducted a massage and Ti Chi weekend here at Elephant Rock.

Saturday was devoted to instructing in the techniques of massage and Sunday morning Ruth took enthusiasts through a sessiao of relaxation Ti Chi.

So many were so enthusiastic that another weekend will be devoted to this on 23/24 May. See you here.



EASTER '09

Easter this year came with a bit of rain but this did not prevent the holding of our annual ER Petanque Championship. Umbrellas came in handy and the fun continued. Dave and Diana played off for the trophy the next day. No rain but a bit cool! Dave won. The new contest this Easter was the construction and flight of paper aeroplanes. Steven won this event. Our usual Easter Bunny was replaced by Rob - not a good

Replace ment "Bunny"



Rain will not stop them!

But the night time egg hunt went very well. Out of 80 eggs hidden by "Easter Bunny, 79 were found. Good going, all!



Dave lines up the winning shot



The winning pilot



Why don't they fly??



All the crashed 'planes!



COMING EVENTS at
Elephant Rock ...naturally
for the rest of 2009

6th June - Queen's Birthday weekend.

"X'mas in June". You can join in and see Santa before all others, so allowing him to visit the X'mas in July celebrants at his leisure. Also this is a long weekend so no need to hurry back home the very next day.

11th July - Trivia Challenge. Show off your knowledge of the important things in life - utterly useless information!

15th August - Soup and board/card games. We'll all enjoy all the soups you bring to the cold August night and follow this with numerous board and/or card games - including the "Ninety-nine" championships.

26-27th September. Our annual Market Day. Bring along all the gear you wish to sell, and go home with the stuff you managed to purchase from other market stalls.

24-25th October Art weekend. The weekend for all you budding artists to get hints from three (yes...three!) respected artists. Oils, watercolours, acrylics, whatever is your preference...all welcome.

28th November - Friends of ER Picnic. We thank you for your loyal support of Elephant Rock with a sausage sizzle. So come and enjoy.

31st December See the New Year in at our "1001 Arabian Nights" party. Book early!

