



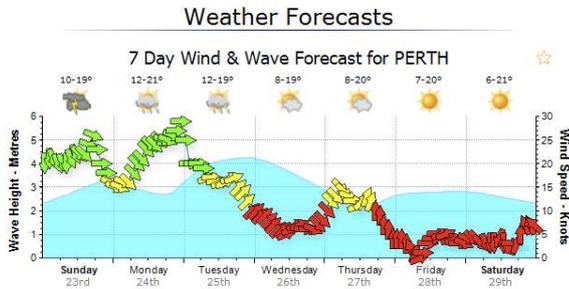
Monthly Mini Trip Report

Moore River - 13km round trip to the mouth.

Guide: Gisela

June 2013

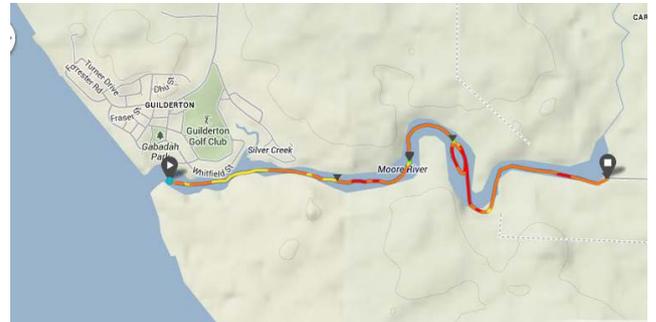
With an ominous forecast looming over the horizon it was pleasing to see everyone was keen and ready to go on the banks of the Moore River just south of Guilderton.



Not a good look...

Three possible reasons for this: 1. Nobody had a good look at the forecast. 2. Everyone knew better than the Bureau of Met or most likely 3. Swan Canoe Club Paddlers are a tough and determined brace (collective noun for Kayakers) who are not deterred by such things as storm warnings. In hindsight, 2 and 3 proved correct and we were graced with

perfect paddling conditions and unusually high water levels. Craft for the day ranged from traditional sea kayaks to sit-in and sit-on skis. The plan was to launch some kilometres up river and paddle to the mouth and return. The launch spot provided easy access to cars and a nice grassed bank to get organised on. The leisurely paddle to the mouth included some exploring, much wildlife and a chance to meet and get to know some new



Hard to get lost.



We made it. Did someone say coffee and cake?

people. Morning tea was at the mouth nicely tucked away

behind the cliff on the beach. After a short morning tea, coffee cake and some leg stretching we headed off to stay in front of the weather front that loomed. Not that we were



Gisela, does my bum look big in this kayak?



I know there is a storm somewhere....

intimidated (see point 3 above). Somehow the wind seemed to be at our backs for a disproportionate part of the day (well done Gisela). We made good pace and even had time for a bog lap around the island. All in all a lovely, uneventful morning on the Moore River.