



JOHNSON HUT MEET

Over the weekend of 10-12 February a small group of us thoroughly enjoyed our visit to the Johnson Hut in the Hottentots Holland mountains near Somerset West.

The meet was convened by Joan Wootton and Carol Sutcliffe. They were joined by Tom and Madeleine Jourdan and Lucille Krige.

Although the area surrounding the hut had been badly burned by the recent fire, there was a stark beauty to it.

On the Saturday we tackled the Lourens River Trail, which can now be followed all the way to the top of Hellfire Gorge. What a stunningly majestic scene! See the attached photo of Tom enjoying the view, with Madeleine and Carol in front.

We attempted to do a round trip but had to give up on that plan owing to the overgrown path and dangerously loose vegetation. Instead we headed back down the gorge and ate lunch next to a lovely rock pool. See attached photos of Madeleine, Lucille, Carol and Joan.

We gave the hut a good clean up before leaving mid-morning on Sunday. Thank you to Lucille for rearranging all of the MCSA journals in their correct sequence!

We all enjoyed ourselves so much that there are definite plans for a return trip. Guys, don't miss out on the next one. There is something magical about the Johnson Hut.

Carol Sutcliffe