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WELCOME TO THE SECOND
NEWSLETTER FROM SEASIDE EMU BAY:
THE PLACE YOU WANT TO BE!

After a tumultuous start to the year - bushfires and the pandemic having all but shut down the flow of visitors - everyone on Kangaroo island is putting out the welcome mat again and urging visitors to make the choice to visit KI and help get its economy moving again. It's a time of year when everything's green, the bounteous wildlife's enjoying the new growth everywhere and 'Book Us Out' is the cry from those who help to make KI such a wonderful destination.

This is a very resilient community and if true grit helps produce the best wine, honey, spirits and seafood then KI has it in spades!



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For our part, we're keen to see Emu Bay build further on its reputation as the best destination on the Island and if you'd like to try before you buy we'd be happy to put you in touch with the premium holiday rentals here and arrange a private inspection of Seaside Emu Bay. And if you decide it's the place for you we'll even refund you and your partner's Adelaide/KI travel fares once a contract is signed.

One of the most remarkable delights of Emu Bay is swimming with the dolphins. There are two pods here and during summer these grow to 'superpods' of 60-80 fun-loving adults and young that often frolic in the waves quite close to the beach. Andrew Neighbour of KI Marine Adventures has operated swim-with-dolphins tours in Emu Bay for nearly 13 years and says the 3-hour experience is immensely popular with locals and visitors alike.

"Because we have the two permanent pods" he tells us, "we're probably the only such tour anywhere in Australia that can guarantee you'll share the waters with dolphins. And what an amazing feeling it is to be in the water with such fabulous creatures!" Sensitive to potential injury or distress to the dolphins, Andrew runs a jet boat and limits numbers to 15 - perfect for 2-3 family groups. Check the tour out at www.kimarineadventures.com.au

Another wonderful thing about making a holiday home on KI is finding out more about its history. Did you know that the Island and not Holdfast Bay was originally selected to be the first colony in South Australia? While American sealers were the first white visitors, it was the ship 'Duke of York' that, in 1836, that brought the first settlers here on behalf of the South Australia Company. And while two of the voyage's leaders - Samuel Stephens and Thomas Beare - argued about who should be first to set foot on the Island, the crew resolved things in secret. They quietly rowed ashore with Thomas's 2 year old daughter Elizabeth, the youngest passenger and much beloved by all and carried her to the beach. And so, on Wednesday July 27 1836, Elizabeth Beare became the first official settler to leave her footprints on Kangaroo Island.

In that same spirit of adventure and new beginnings, we'd love to see your footprints along the long sandy shore at Emu Bay!

With very best wishes,

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