

Update on Properties 03/04



Buxton Manor Mansion continues to be an incredibly popular international destination for travelers to Adelaide who enjoy the enormous ever-growing, ever flowering gardens, English hedges & sweeping private lawns. Many a BBQ is held in the very private rear garden in the heart of the City's best residential precinct.

The Sumptuous (as seen on the "Great Outdoors") Friendly Meeting Chapel has been blessed with a beautifully restored Antique all brass Half Testa Queen Size Bed along with a deep buttoned plush velvet backplate together with a magnificent 3 piece Patterned & Cut Velvet Art Nouveaux incredibly comfortable lounge suite.

The previously lovely queen size brass & iron bed and Tapestry Merry Widow lounge suite are now at lovely Sussex cottage.

Bishop's Garden has been awarded the highest accolade in Tourism, AAA 5 star, and is presenting great value for our new and return guests with its Heritage feel, but contemporary glass and decking private garden outlook. The intimate spa Bathroom has enjoyed a discreet level of fun.



Our room service has been incredibly popular, especially the new "Beyond India" Menu, although "Scuzzi" is still a favourite.



Don Bradman's armchairs in Melbourne Street's Cafe Cottage have been sat in with dignity and relish, especially during the past years test matches at the best oval in the world, Adelaide Oval (Particularly as we have now visited Lords in London)

Stanley Mews Cottage with its 2 storey North facing Sun friendly living room was especially sought after during our '03 winter.



The Fire Station Inn featured yet again on a National Television Travel show bringing many new admirers & families taking advantage of its Disney like characteristics. Even a number of retired Firemen. Rodney was also able to procure more Children's Fire Books, during his visit to Canada. A number of Guests have bought souvenirs from the in-house display cabinet. A few have even purchased from the range of lovely Fire Engine pedal cars Rodney sells in his showrooms.



After following up a guests suggestion (in 2000) of a b-b-que for the ultra private Loggia suite in the Fire Station Inn, Rodney is still waiting to award a bottle of 'Bent Creek' wine to the 1st user.



The Residency Penthouse suite has again been an utter surprise to our international guests. Having twice stayed here with my wife Regina for a week over the new year holiday period entertaining our friends and guests we found it amazingly easy to use - even though we were only 500 meters from our house Palmview, it was like a luxury Holiday at a Resort. The ease of visiting the vast array of top Restaurants, the room service, the privacy & especially the sun deck with its table and chairs and a small portable electric BBQ.

Paprika Cottage (in the Grounds of Buxton Manor) was fitted with trapeze lighting (similar to our contemporary non-heritage William Townhouse) which shows graphically the splendid original Oregon beams & western red cedar tongue and grooved ceiling lining boards.



The rare antique timber queen size bed and the Heritage king size spa bathroom are as popular as ever; especially since at last we have some excellent photos on our web site.

Many of our guests enjoyed the complimentary wood fires in the antique but efficient Pot belly stove over winter in Paprika Cottage

In Chapel cottage the Boomerang Collection increasingly attracts attention together with the excellent ducted heating and cooling Brian Lane installed.

Our Breakfast choices have received many compliments over the year, with their generosity, value for money and fresh premium branded local products. The 3 seeded bread from Rob Kents "Bakery On O'Connell" is proving very popular as our guests seek more and more healthy products.



For our local guests, weddings and especially Anniversaries have been most popular including Candle light dinners at "The Manse", coupled with Romantic Spa Packs, champagne & a long comfortable 'sleephaven' sleep.

Many of our guests have brought to our attention the excellence in food at the Amarin and Beyond India - our two highly recommended choices in North Adelaide. The Barbaro family are much thanked for their generous service every day of the year. Peter Howell at the Wellington Hotel is well sought after by the hearty eater in a location that always reminds me of Savannah Georgia.

Christmas Day at The Wellington Hotel in North Adelaide On Christmas day, Rodney, Regina and their young son William (aged 10 years) invited all of their guests staying at their Heritage properties to join them at the Wellington Hotel for a Festive Christmas Lunch. A large table of International Guests enjoyed Adelaide's hospitality and beautiful sunshine.



Well what was the high point of the year for your hosts?

There were a number Kangaroo Island as featured on our website here. After a long flight from Washington DC to Heathrow, picking up a new Rover 75 and driving to the Lower Slaughter Manor in the Cotswolds. By the way this is our favorite Inn in England and we highly recommend Ken, the concierge who makes all the difference to this historic estate.

- Arriving at Judy Greens home in the Pittsburgh hills to a magnificent dinner party with wild deer looking on - thank you Judy!
- Entertaining Guests at our home Palmview Villa for pre dinner drinks. Both of us being able to keep to a low fat diet since Easter 03.
- Being part of the Bentley Club Reading our guests Comments and letters.
- Seeing our Friend and fellow Dutch Canal Boat Participant Jock Ventstra ([Coorong Tours on our web site](#)) winning a major tourism award. This guys trips on the Murray are legendary and a great value unique experience from Adelaide.
- Watching my sons face (aged 10) - at Lord's members rooms
- Eating off a banana leaf in a Indian Cafe in Penang
- Seeing the famous E & O Hotel in Penang for the first time

