



**This Week @Foxland**  
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## THE SEABOURN DOCUMENT PACK ARRIVES

Now I know I said that there would be no more Newsletters BUT the arrival of the Seabourn Cruise Documents was such a momentous occasion – for reasons I will explain – that I wanted to share it with you. Sit back, get comfortable and I will begin ..

### It Begins ..

Returning home on Monday I find a card in the post box to say that Australia Post had tried to deliver a package but because we weren't at home this was returned and could be collected at their office. So I head on down to their office to collect said package, before going to Adams house, where I am to meet Robyn and we're having dinner.



When I am inside the Post Office a tropical storm arrives, the sky turns black, thunder and lightning peel and flash continuously and the wind and rain is unleashed. Of course the next thing is that the power goes off and the staff immediately locks the doors – with me inside. Would I like to leave .. NO !! not without my package which is now being sought in the dark with torches. After about 5 minutes it is located, I sign for it and am released into the mother of all storms, which is now raging in biblical proportions.

### It Continues ..

Step outside - Soaked to the skin. I run to my van and decide that heading home makes more sense, at the present time. The first road has a tree down and is blocked, the alternative route has me circling round to become stalled by a newly formed lake and cars floundering in the water or stalled. Taking a longer more circuitous route, it's looking good until I come across a power line down and branches and debris across the road. A side track looks as though it will allow me to go round the obstacle only to present more branches. No option but to jump out and drag them out the way. Water rushing around my legs up to mid calf. You know this is all getting a bit too intense.

Finally I get home, personally soaked, dirt and water gushing down the drive and around the house, fallen branches and other stuff strewn around the yard. *But I'm home safely.*

### The Documents ..

So here are the contents. Very nice leather folder, leather luggage tags, and a personalised book, itinerary etc. Impressed ? **Very much so !**



### The End ..

The power was reinstated 28hrs later. It's amazing just how much we take electricity for granted. And sitting in the dark later that night I remembered that I had considered going out in the Jag and not the van. **Now that would have been a disaster – a wet Jag ?**

### Allan & Robyn

*The World is 70% water ... how much have you travelled if you haven't cruised ??*

