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Well it's been just over 12 months since the lodge first opened and the time has simply flown by!

December saw 2 Australian film crews visit the lodge. Channel 9 paid us a visit to film the lodge and the fly fishing for their TV show – Out of the Blue. Watch your TV sets in February for our smiling faces!

Col Roberts – the famous travelling Magistrate from Western Australia, author of countless fishing magazine articles and author of the coffee table book “Fishing For Wild Images” stayed with us to shoot the New Zealand part of his Television documentary series – also titled “Fishing For Wild Images”.

This series is based on exotic fishing locations around the world. Col has shot episodes in Egypt, Namibia/Zimbabwe, Seychelles, Papua New Guinea, West New Britain, Cuba, Brazil's Amazon, The Kimberley, Top End and Montebello regions of Australia. Col had some fantastic fishing landing some lovely brown trout between 5 > 7lb. Stay tuned for screening details.

It was fabulous to see Ross McPherson return for his second visit. But rather than bring his delightful wife Dianne– he brought his mate James along!



Guided by Lindsay White, Ross and James had a HUGE day on a local stream landing over 11 fish (between 3>6 lb) – all on Parachute Adams!



Alistair McBurnie and his fly fishing wife Jacqui spent Christmas with us and whilst the weather didn't co operate as it should - still landed a number of fine brownies at around the 6lb mark. One memorable evening rise session saw Al almost pulled into the river by an absolute monster – that unfortunately got away.

I guess that's why it's called fishing and not catching.

Still I'm sure Al will never forget the savage attack on his poor defenceless muddler minnow!

Although bookings have been very strong we still have availability during the remainder of the 2004/05 season – please feel free to drop me an email or call.

And don't forget - you are a stranger only once at Owen River Lodge.

Felix, Jude, Cheryl & Amanda