



Married Men's Breakaway November 2009

The annual Breakaway for the married men in the church took place last weekend. As usual, the venue was the “shack” at Laurie's Bay, and this year James Lappeman from the Cape Town church also joined us.

After the usual fellowship around a braai on the Friday evening (lots of meat but not too many salads ...) we slept well with the relaxing sound of the sea in the background.

In the morning, after praying and sharing in small groups, we got together for a discussion facilitated by James, aimed at encouraging us to lead our families spiritually. Practical lessons and ideas were shared, and the men undertook to be accountable to each other to implement what we learnt.

We then made our way to the beach for the traditional Laurie's Bay Survivor Challenge. As usual, the men were divided into two teams to compete in an activity designed to build character. This year's challenge involved recovering golf balls from the ocean, exchanging them for “ammo” to be used to use in catapults to pop a certain number of balloons. To make it a bit more interesting, the balloons were hand held by a trusting team member. One of the teams took up the option of using a dart which luckily did not get embedded in anyone's hand or arm. The photos probably explain it better ...

All in all, it was a great time of bonding, being fed spiritually and having fun, and the married men are already looking forward to the next breakaway.



Definitely no vegetarians in this group ...



Phakes gets off to a good start



Teamwork works



Some speed also helps



More than just hot air ...



Steady hands and lots of trust



James takes aim ...



... and hits !



Alistair the brave - spot the dart ?



The winning team (I think ...)