## Smoke Watch 18.5.2012

Fri May 18, 2012 6:50 pm

On the way home at about 3pm I saw thick blue smoke as I approached Grindelwald village. I knew it was coming from a northerly direction and because of its dispersion must be from a large burn some distance away.

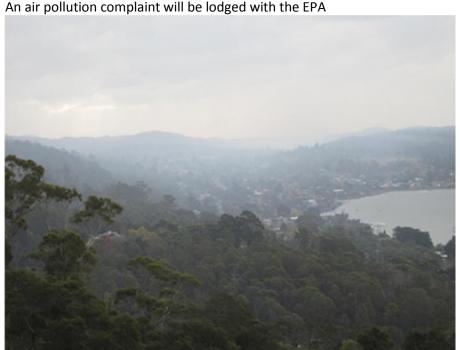
Our house had been closed up and there was smoke smell inside as well as outside. This is a real problem at this time of year as it is too cold and damp to open the house up to ventilate it.

As i drove to Brady's Lookout later I could see the smoke rising up the gullies and to higher levels. It appeared to have spread out in a quadrant because of wind changes.

When i got out of the car I could still smell strong smoke. I had to apply a face mask to be able to get these photos.

One tourist with his cameras out said, "it is bad isn't it I will take a quick shot for the record to show our friends!" His wife got out of the car to see what we were talking about and before she could join in the conversation she said, "poo this smoke stinks" and got straight back in the car. The man asked me if it happens often. I said yes pretty often, too often!

The damage this deliberate smoke is doing to people's health is unforgivable.



This deliberate burn smoked out a large area of northern Tasmania and lots of people. Their health has been affected and it will probably shorten their lives. 20120518\_3a.jpg (121.62 KiB)



Smoke from a Parks? low intensity burn was blowing SSE right into Exeter and up the hill to Grindelwald. It had spread out in width by now as the wind changed direction. 20120518\_16a.jpg (124.97 KiB)



Smoke could be seen out to the west 20120518\_12a.jpg (106.17 KiB)



From Brady's Lookout smoke can be seen the short distance to Grindelwald 20120518\_13a.jpg (151.5 KiB)

Re: Smoke Watch 18.5.2012

by Shirley on Sat May 19, 2012 2:37 pm

That is absolutely incredible! What is wrong with Parks and Wildlife there?

What they are doing there should be considered a crime, in my opinion. The air that everyone needs to breathe is now full of toxics!

It's just plain sickening to even look at the pictures. I am so very glad that I don't live where I cannot breathe clean air