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Hi Trish.

Adelaide was lovely, so clean and Kel says she could live there because everything is so accessible. Beach to home to the city shops, just like in Newcastle, but a Capital City.

The Dress rehearsal in the Studio, on Sunday afternoon, went off well, and all the hustle and bustle, checking fittings, making last minute alterations, ensuring costume changes went off without a hitch, was exciting to see. The buzz and friendship between all the kids was great, every one of them supporting and helping each other whenever they could. A lovely bunch of kids, one lady said.

Early Monday morning was on ice practice and run through the programs so far. Really looked great. A grandma told me that she was so impressed with how together and organised the whole thing is, and how willing all the kids are to work. Brad and Kelly have about 3 Pairs programs together, and both are learning 3 solos, as well as the many group performances. Both the kids say it is so mentally draining learning all the numbers, and getting on and off with all the quick changes, they need to be fit. But both agree they are really enjoying the whole thing. I asked Kelly if she still wanted this to be her short term career once she finished school in a couple of years, and she has not been deterred at all. Both Kelly and Brad seem to be soaking up the experience and enjoying it. Brad is keen for the chance, but still has a big ambition to become very successful in his Competitions.

The kids left for Singapore on Tuesday about 4pm, from Adelaide, all very excited. We took a group photo near the Customs entrance, and Kel almost forgot to say goodbye, but rest assure I reminded her very quickly. Not too keen, hey?

Brad just continued along with everything, always keeping that same placid Brad we all know.

I have heard from Kel, and their flight was fine, and they love Singapore, but it is very hot, so the pool at the apartments gets a workout, when they can. They have been shopping and to the markets. I told Richard to lock Kelly in a cupboard when they were going shopping!.

Jenny has arrived, much to her pleasure.

The kids were off to rehearse late Thursday night, and would probably not finish until 1am. Can only use the ice to rehearse later at night after the shopping centre is closed. The first shows are 3 on Saturday, only 49 to go after that.

Anne.