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2nd January - Bundi's Birthday ride



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Hi all,

Not the AGM Weekend: The numbers for this event have been excellent, so good in fact, that it became a bit of a logistical worry for me and Sue to supply and prepare all the food for Friday night and breakfasts. AND we've still got 6 weeks for members to book themselves in for meals!

John Howard contacted the Meningie Progress Association President, Andrew, and he has agreed to provide a bbq tea of steak, chicken and sweets at the caravan park at a cost of \$20 per person. They will also provide cooked breakfasts + cereal for both Saturday and Sunday at a cost of \$10 per person per day.

Saturday's breakfast will be at the caravan park and Sunday's will be at Andrews home. He has kindly offered to open his shed for those interested.

I know this increases the overall cost of the weekend, but you can be sure of a great time.

I can't emphasise enough how important it is for anyone intending to go to Meningie, to let me know for catering purposes. Also, we are limited to 80 for the Saturday night tea at the hotel.

At this time of the year (Adelaide Branch's AGM) I would like to thank my willing band of helpers:

- **Sue Freene** for her continued support on magazine nights and collecting of levies when I am not able to attend meetings.
- **Pam and Neville Gray** for collecting the magazines from the printer.
- **Liv Andersen** for taking the uncollected magazines to Pack & Send for packing and postage.
- I would also thank those who take the time to contribute various items for the magazine.

Thank you, also, to **Mark at Adelaide Copy** and **Andrew at Pack & Send** who never let me down.

It's a team effort that continuously gets the magazine out on time, and for that I am grateful.

Wendy

My current thoughts for the day....

1. Life's too short to blend in.
2. Until you spread your wings, you won't know how far you can fly.

G'day



Well, what a wonderful past year that was, it seems as you age the years go by faster and faster. I have thoroughly enjoyed being President of the Adelaide Branch for 2010 and all that is involved in this position. The Ulysses Club is, in my opinion, the best social club that anyone could be involved in; it is filled with some of the best people you could ever want to meet and socialize with.

I look forward to being President for 2011, I would like to thank all the 2010 committee members for their efforts throughout the year and to welcome the new committee for 2011.

This year looks like being busier than normal with the Adelaide Branch hosting the Odyssey this year in Port Pirie. We have all the major details worked out with just a few minor things to go. As we all know, the small things are the ones that take the most effort. The Odyssey committee has done a fantastic job organizing things even though we are all spread out all over the place; thank goodness for technology.

Anyway, enough waffle from me; get out, enjoy yourselves and, above all, be disgraceful whilst doing it.

Andrew Mill

Ulysses Club

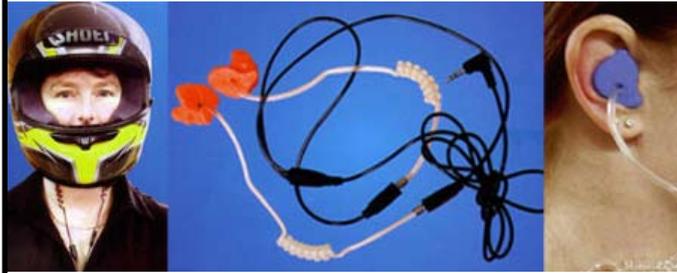
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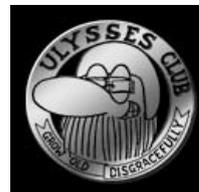
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6 Feb	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Meningie	Top of Taps
13 Feb	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Meadows	Civic Park
20 Feb	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Normanville	McDonalds Magill
27 Feb	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Victor Harbour	Civic Park
6 Mar	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Myponga	To of Taps
13 Mar	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Swan Reach	McDonalds Magill
20 Mar	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Williamstown	Top of Taps
25-27 Mar		Wendy & Sue 8837 3449	Not the AGM Weekend	Meningie	
3 April	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	McLaren Vale	McDonalds Magill
10 April	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Burra	Civic Park
17 April	9.00 am	Andrew Mill	Bill's Sponsored Ride		Bill's M/cycles Nth Store
24 April	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Wabbit Run	Easter & Anzac Weekend	Top of Taps
1 May	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Civic Park
8 May	9.00 am	Andrew Mill	GC Motorcycles Sponsored Ride		GCs Prospect Store
15 May	9.30 am		Mothers' Day Ride		Top of Taps
22 May	9.30 am	Chris Roberts	Day Ride		Civic park
29 May	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Captains' Ride		McDonalds Magill
5 June	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Civic Park
12 June			NO RIDE	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND	
19 June	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Top of Taps
26 June	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Diehards' Breakfast		Civic Park
3 July	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Meet the Kings for a sausage sizzle	Ardrossan	Caltex Bolivar
10 July	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		McDonalds Magill
17 July	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Brass Monkey Ride	Cape Jervis/Normanville	Top of Taps
24 July	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Civic Park
31 July	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		McDonalds Magill
7 Aug	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Civic Park
14 Aug	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Top of Taps
21 Aug	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Presidents' Ride		McDonalds Magill
28 Aug	9.30 am	Chris Roberts	Day Ride	Gumeracha	Civic Park
4 Sept	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Bolton's Sponsored Ride		Boltons Kawasaki
11 Sept	9.30 am	Gnome	Fathers' Day Ride		Top of Taps
18 Sept	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Memorial Day Ride		Civic Park
25 Sept	9.00 am	Andrew Mill	Bill's Sponsored Ride		Bill's M/cycles City Store
2-5 Oct			18th Central Odyssey	Port Pirie	

You can say lots of bad things about paedophiles but at least they drive slowly past schools

A mate of mine has just told me he's shagging his girlfriend and her twin.

I said "How can you tell them apart?" He said "Her brother's got a moustache"

Being a modest man, when I checked into my hotel on a recent trip, I said to the lady at the registration desk ... "I hope the porn channel in my room is disabled."

To which she replied, "No, it's regular porn, you sick bastard."



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Wednesday Rides

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3rd Wednesday	Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
4th Wednesday	Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
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Yorke Peninsula Riding Group

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**Jack Wherry
Ulysses Club Member # 10400
Ridden on 16/01/2011**

Jack formerly rode with the Adelaide Branch, but had been living in Queensland for the last few years.

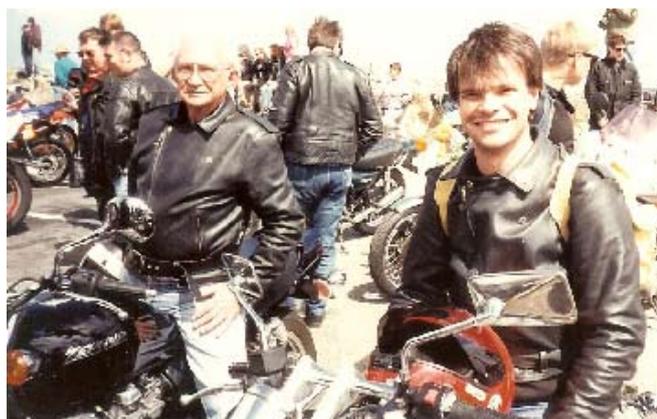
Jack started his riding career quite young, but gave it up to raise a family, and returned after a 50 year hiatus. He came back to motorcycling in his 70's and he got his motorcycle licence at 73 years of age. He got much pleasure out of riding with his close family and friends.

Jack was profiled in the December 07 Odyssey as Adelaide Branch's oldest, actively riding member at that time.

Shortly before he died, Jack had received his "90" year badge.

Jack leaves behind three sons Bob, Kevin and Mike, and their families. All three sons are Ulysses Club members.

Chris Hartley



Jack and Mike at the 1995 Adelaide Toy Run at Glenelg

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There were 5 in the bed and the little one said.....

The last four ex-U.S. Presidents are caught in a tornado, and off they whirled to OZ. They finally make it to the Emerald City and come before the Great Wizard.

“WHAT BRINGS YOU BEFORE THE GREAT WIZARD OF OZ?”

Jimmy Carter steps forward timidly:” I’ve come for some courage.”
“NO PROBLEM!” says the Wizard. “WHO IS NEXT?”

Ronald Reagan steps forward, “Well....., I.....I think I need a brain.”
“DONE” says the Wizard.

“WHO COMES NEXT BEFORE THE GREAT AND POWERFUL OZ?”
Up steps George Bush sadly, “I’m told by the American people that I need a heart.”

“I’VE HEARD IT’S TRUE!” says the Wizard. “CONSIDER IT DONE.”
There is a great silence in the hall. Bill Clinton is just standing there, looking around, but doesn’t say a word. Irritated, the Wizard finally asks,

“WHAT DO YOU WANT?”
“Is Dorothy here?”

THE WEDNESDAY MOB'S CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2010



Once again, we were into December and not far out from Christmas, and you know what that means. How could we ever forget with the weekly reminders from Christmas lunch organizer, Brian Cutt.

On Wednesday, 22nd of December 2010, Ulysses members headed for meeting points north and south to gather and ride to the Wednesday Mob Ulysses Annual Christmas Lunch at the Meadows Hotel, Meadows. Around 10.30am, about 25 riders gathered at the rear carpark of the Victoria Hotel, Top of Taps, and, at the same time, a similar number of riders was meeting on the northern side of town with the same plan of a short ride through The Hills to Meadows.

Current Rides Captain, Kevin Brenton, led the southern group of Ulysses riders for a brief ride through The Hills on some well known roads and some not so well known roads, until we arrived at the Meadows Hotel. As we were a bit early for lunch (I'm not sure whether it was because we were eager to get there or rode a bit faster than normally), everyone gathered out the front of the Hotel for a chat.

By 12-30pm, everyone had arrived, and around 40-45 members sat down to a traditional Christmas dinner.

It was fantastic to see Mick and Doreen Sandley make it to the Christmas lunch. Mick's recovery from a recent heart attack is on schedule and he did whisper that he would be back on his bike as soon as Doreen lets him.

It was also good to catch up with Ulysses member, Wayne Digance, who hasn't been able to ride for the past year due to health issues, but has stayed in contact with the group.

As always, thanks to Bryan Cutt who organized the Christmas Lunch again, and enlightened me that Christmas Lunch will be on the 21st December, 2011. Brian is very passionate about his Wednesday Christmas lunch!

Lester Martin



Two Mississippians are walking down different ends of a street toward each other, and one is carrying a sack. When they meet, one says, "Hey Tommy Ray, what'cha got in th' bag?"

"Jus' some chickens."

"If I guesses how many they are, can I have one?"

"Shoot, ya guesses right and I'll give you both of them."

"OK. Ummmmm..... five?"

A Mississippian came home and found his house on fire, he rushed next door, telephoned the fire department and shouted, "Hurry over here. My house is on fire!"

"OK," replied the fireman, "how do we get there?"

"Shucks, don't you still have those big red trucks?"

What do you get when you have 32 rednecks in the same room?

A full set of teeth.

Monthly Dinners - photos by Jenny Hills



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Friday, 11th March

7pm

Sussex Hotel
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Walkerville

Closing date for bookings
Wednesday, 9th March



Seen at the January Dinner - Top: Lyn and Andy Whipp
Middle: Ken Wagnitz, our webmaster, with his patient wife,
Michelle.

Below: Jenny Hills plus one.

Friday, 15th April

7pm

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“I have an idea,” said Bubba-Joe. “We’ll throw you down, and then you can pick up the ladder.”

“What, do you think I’m stupid? I have an idea” said Lester, “I’ll shine my flashlight, and you can climb down on the beam of light.”

“What, do you think I’m stupid? You’ll just turn off the flashlight when I’m halfway there.”

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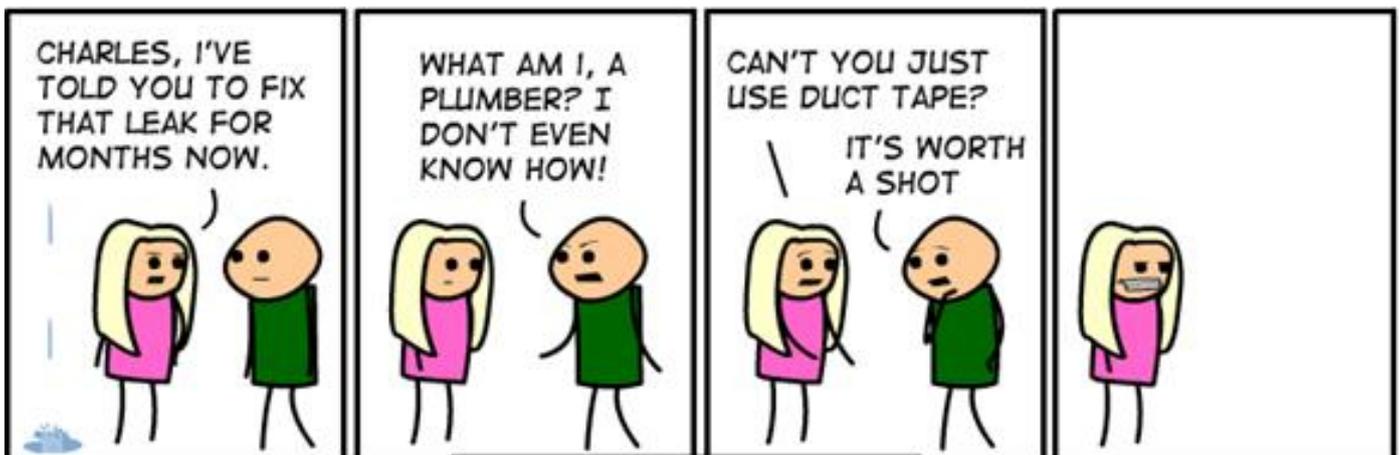
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Sunday round-up - photos by Bundi

2nd January

Well, for the first ride of 2011 there were around 30 of us at Civic Park. We headed off through Chain of Ponds, Cuddlee Creek and on to Lobethal, from where we eventually made our way to Littlehampton and Mt Barker. We then went to Meadows for morning tea via Macclesfield. Next, it was off along Brookman Road, on to Pages Flat Road, then we turned along Hindmarsh Tiers Road, and then back towards Mt Compass, before turning along Cleland Gully Road to Bull Creek Road. Then we went through Finnis and on by Clayton and finally to Milang for lunch at what would have to be one of the best bakeries in SA. It was a good day spent with good people on some good roads; it just dont get much better. Oh, and the rendition of happy birthday sung to Bundi by all at Milang was good too.



The Odyssey

9th January

Another great turnout of over 30 folk gathered at Maca's. We were to go to Mannum, but there was a music concert overnight and the river front was inaccessible, so it was decided we would go to Strath instead. We headed up Greenhill Road, turned off at Uraidla to Basket Range, then made our way to Lenswood and along Fox Creek Road to Cuddlee Creek. From here we went along to Gumeracha, Forreston and then to Birdwood for morning tea. Next, we headed to Mt Torrens and on to Springhead then to Charleston, then went to Lobethal and back to Lenswood where we went along Tiers Road to Woodside. Next, it was off to Balhannah and the back way to Hahndorf and Mt Barker, then to Flaxley, Macclesfield and High Street Strath for lunch. It was a great day weatherwise, and with the fabulous company you couldn't ask for anything better. Well, maybe to win the lotto - never to have to go to work again, to be able to buy a new bike when ever you want etc. etc. etc.



Sunday round-up - photos by Bundi

16th January

What fabulous weather we have been having! Around 30 of us were at Top of Taps and we set off to Clarendon, through Blewitt Springs and on to McLaren Flat. Next, we made our way to Range Road and then to Pages Flat Road. We then followed the main road through Myponga and on to Yankalilla for morning tea. From here, we went to Normanville and then along the coast to Delamere, turned and went through Parawa to Victor where the ride went awry; someone on the ride was wearing a yellow hi-vis vest which confused a corner marshall who left a corner. Those of us on the right track went into Victor and turned along Greenhills Road, followed it to Hindmarsh Tiers Road and then made our way to Waterport Road, and then to Goolwa for lunch. Everyone made it here, eventually, and we were even met here by a one-handed BUNNY.

23rd January

There were around 30 of us at Civic Park in lovely sunny conditions. We headed off through Chain of Ponds, along the Mad Mile and on through Cuddlee Creek to FoxCreek Road. At Lenswood, we turned along Swamp Road and made our way to Oakbank, on to Hahndorf and then to Echunga. We then headed to Meadows along Paris Creek Road to Strath for morning tea. After refuelling our bodies, we made our way to Woodchester and up the hill to Wistow. Next, it was along Paech Road and Bald Hills Road and through Mt Barker Springs to Nairne. At Dawsley, we turned and went through Brakunga and on to Woodside. Next, it was through Charleston, Mt Torrens, on to Tungkillo and on to Birdwood for lunch. It was another great day out doing what we love in good company. It was good to see Guy Malpass back on his bike and recovering well from his recent operation.



2nd January
Adelaide Branch First Lady, Bundi, celebrated her birthday with her Ulysses mates. Seen here with President and Rides Leader, her husband, Andrew.



Funnies

Always Late

Charlie, a new retiree -- greeter at a large store just couldn't seem to get to work on time. Every day, he was 5, 10 or 15 minutes late for work...but he was a good worker -- really tidy, clean shaven, sharp minded, a real credit to the company and, obviously, was good at demonstrating their "older friendly" policies.

One day the boss called him into his office for a talk. "Charlie, I have to tell you, I like your work ethic, you do a great job, but being late so often is quite bothersome".

"Yes, I know boss, I'm working on it," replied Charlie.

"Well, that's good. I know you are a team player. It's odd though -- your coming in late. I know you are retired from the armed forces. What did they say if you came in late there?"

"They said, Good morning General. Would you like a coffee, Sir?"

For the over 50s

Q: Where can men over the age of 50 find younger, sexy women who are interested in them?

A: Try a bookstore-----under fiction.;

Q: What can a man do while his wife is going through menopause?

A: Keep busy. If you're handy with tools, you can finish the spare room. When you are done you will have a place to live.

Q: Someone has told me that menopause is mentioned in the Bible. Is that true? Where can it be found?

A: Yes. Matthew 14:92: 'And Mary rode Joseph's ass all the way to Egypt.'

Q: How can you increase the heart rate of your 50+ year old husband?

A: Tell him you're pregnant.

Q: What can I do for these crow's feet and all those wrinkles on my face?

A: Go braless. It will usually pull them out.

Q: Why should 50+ year old people use valet parking?

A: Valets don't forget where they park your car.

Q: Is it common for 50+ year olds to have problems with short term memory storage?

A: Storing memory is not a problem, retrieving it is a problem.

Q: As people age, do they sleep more soundly?

A: Yes, but usually in the afternoon.

Q: Where should 50+ year olds look for eye glasses?

A: On their foreheads.

Q: What is the most common remark made by 50+ year olds when they enter antique stores?

A: 'Gee, I remember these.'

Golfing Nun

A nun walks into Mother Superior's office and plunks down into a chair. She lets out a sigh heavy with frustration.

'What troubles you, Sister?' asked the Mother Superior.. 'I thought this was the day you spent with your family.'

'It was,' sighed the Sister, 'and I went to play golf with my brother. We try to play golf as often as we can. You know I was quite a talented golfer before I devoted my life to Christ.'

'I seem to recall that,' the Mother Superior agreed. 'So I take it your day of recreation was not relaxing?'

'Far from it,' snorted the Sister. 'In fact, I even took the Lord's name in vain today!'

'Goodness, Sister!' gasped the Mother Superior, astonished. 'You must tell me all about it!'

'Well, we were on the fifth tee...and this hole is a monster, Mother -540 yard Par 5, with a nasty dogleg left and a hidden green...and I hit the drive of my life. I creamed it. The sweetest swing I ever made. And it's flying straight and true, right along the line I wanted...and it hits a bird in mid-flight!'

'Oh my!' commiserated the Mother. 'How unfortunate! But surely that didn't make you blasphemous, Sister!'

'No, that wasn't it,' admitted Sister. 'While I was still trying to fathom what had happened, this squirrel runs out of the woods, grabs my ball and runs off down the fairway!'

'Oh, that would have made me blasphemous!' sympathized the Mother..

'But I didn't, Mother!' sobbed the Sister. 'And I was so proud of myself! And while I was pondering whether this was a sign from God, this hawk swoops out of the sky and grabs the squirrel and flies off, with my ball still clutched in his paws!'

'So that's when you cursed,' said the Mother with a knowing smile.

'Nope, that wasn't it either,' cried the Sister, anguished, 'because, as the hawk started to fly out of sight, the squirrel started struggling, and the hawk dropped him right there on the green, and the ball popped out of his paws and rolled to about 18 inches from the cup!'

Mother Superior sat back in her chair, folded her arms across her chest, fixed the Sister with a baleful stare and said... 'You missed the f*&%ing putt, didn't you?'

HOW WOULD YOU MAKE A MARRIAGE WORK?

Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a truck hit her. ... -- Ricky, age 10

Ulysses Club Toy Run Breakfast

Just a short note to thank the many helpers at the Toy Run Breakfast in December.

This was my first time organizing the breakfast, and without the assistance of the club it would not have been possible to run.

Many thanks to the best cooks on the bbqs and pots;

- Jann Baker
- Robyn Sherer
- Alan Malpass
- Brian and Judy Cook
- Don Freene
- Rick and Ronda Nappa
- Barry McDonald

The Collector of Moneys:

- Vanessa Humphries

Thanks also to the City of West Torrens for the use of the venue.

Special thanks to Sue Freene for her list of instructions as without Sue and her past knowledge, the event would not be as good as it is.

Last but no least, to all the Ulysses members for supporting the event, hope you had a good feed and a good day and will see you in 2011.

Cheers,

Chris Roberts



The Odyssey



Christmas Dinner

(photos: Jenny Hills)

Thank you, Kevin and Jeannie, for organizing another great monthly dinner Christmas special - a night to remember with bon bons, crackers, tinsel, candy sticks and Father Christmas together with his Executive Assistant for Old Farts. Everyone had a enjoyable time receiving their Christmas parcels early.

The meal, company and atmosphere was, as always, joyous, and we proved we are never too old to enjoy the delights of Father Christmas in his summer uniform, showing off his legs!



Above: Santa's Executive Assistant, Jeannie Brenton
Right from top: Mark and Jane; Howard & Denise; Ian and Annette. The Old Man in Red and Mark compare beards.



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A cold a windy day for the **Rob Watts Memorial** gathering kept most away this year. Last year, it was so hot we could have used the Rob's grave cover for a hot plate and had a bbq. Can't quite crack it for the good weather we had for the first one. Pictured, Wendy, Rae, Garry, The Lehmanns (Whyalla) and Rod.

Name that song..... (answer on last page)



18th Central Odyssey - City of Port Pirie, 'City of Friendly People' Memorial Oval - Adjacent to the CBD

Sponsored by Boats'n'Bikes Port Pirie

Note: A registration form for each person is essential.

Badges: To ensure you receive a badge, you will need to pay before the closing date.

Cloth Patch: To ensure you receive a patch as ordered, you will need to pay before the closing date.

The Odyssey Levy: Adelaide Branch magazine - As Wendy won't have time to collect these at the event, if you wish to pay for next year's magazines, you can add it to your payment.

Friday BBQ: chop, sausage, pattie and salads.

Saturday Night Dinner: Roast Beef or Chicken served with potatoes, carrots, peas, cauliflower bake and gravy.

Sweets: Selection (e.g., lemon meringue, cheesecake, chocolate mousse).

Sunday Night Dinner: Choice of rump steak, beef schnitzel, chicken schnitzel or fish, served with chips and salad bar.

Sweets: Selection (e.g., lemon meringue, cheesecake, chocolate mousse).

Breakfasts:

Continental - cereal, toast, juice, coffee/tea.

Cooked - as above + bacon sausage, eggs, tomato.

Special Dietary Requirements can be catered for.

Camping on Site: Plenty of room on site, but not on the oval.

No powered sites. Plenty of showers (Rows a Loo) and toilets.

Smelters Tours Saturday: On a 20 seater bus. Times for these to be arranged once numbers are known.

Bus Tour Sunday: Leave Port Pirie and travel to **Laura** via **Collaby Hill** and visit the **Golden North Factory, an Olive Oil place** - olive products and I am told they serve a very nice coffee.

Then on to **Wirrabara Forest** via the **King Tree** and then back to **Wirrabara**, a **Winery** (maybe Remarkable Wines just north of Murraytown) and then to **Melrose for lunch**.

After lunch, maybe visit another **Winery** and back through **Port Germein Gorge to Port Germein**.

Time and/or weather permitting, maybe a walk down the Jetty and then drive around **Port Flinders** (locally known as Weeroona Island) and home via **Napperby**.

Tours of Golden North Ice-cream Factory: Saturday and Sunday

Bike Touring: Has been arranged for Sunday.

Trivia Quiz: This will happen if enough people want to take part.

Test Rides: Compliments of our **Gold Sponsor, Boats'n'Bikes, Port Pirie**. Leon and Deb will also have extended hours at Boats'n'Bikes on Saturday and Sunday for all you biking needs. Times to be arranged.

Security: Sentinel Security will be providing security on-site from 6.00 pm - 6.00 am Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Payment: If you use an automatic transfer to pay your costs, don't forget to send in your registration form/s. You won't be booked into anything until it is received by Wendy.

Off-site Accommodation:

John Pirie Motor Inn - Phone: 8632 4200

42 Motel Units. At this stage 11 rooms available.

Cabin Park - Phone: 8633 2666

65 Cabins. (Get in quickly for this one. Dog Club has first preference they book after their show every October long weekend. Couldn't tell me how many cabins would or could be available.)

Flinders Range Motor Inn - Phone: 8632 3555

Dog people book every year. At this stage there are 4 rooms available in 2011.

Port Pirie Caravan Park - Phone: 8632 4275

4 en-suite cabins

4 standard cabins

32 powered sites

26 powered & unpowered camp sites. (These sites are flexible for group bookings)

Caravan Park, Port Broughton Road - Phone: 8633 0577

6 Cabins

4 On site caravans

**Rangeview Cabin and Caravan Park Highway 1 Port Pirie
Phone: 8634 4221**

6 Cabins

1 Family Cabin – sleeps 5

1 Cabin – sleeps 3 no ensuite

4 on-site caravans

1 – 4 person

2 – 2 person

1 - 3 person

**The Tin Man, Mobil Roadhouse, Highway 1 Port Pirie
Phone: 8634 4270**

6 ROOMS – No cooking facilities.

2 single rooms

1 double room

2 family rooms

1 double room continued page 19)

Out and About



Mick Syme and Lester Martin at Ken Fairchild's 60th birthday, on a Wednesday ride, in January.



Celebrating New Year's Eve: Top: Jann Baker, Ros Sponheimer. Middle: Ronda Nappa, Jann, Robyn Sherer. Below: Judy Cook, Rhoda Ryan, Kerry Booy. Left: Rob Cole, Brian Booy



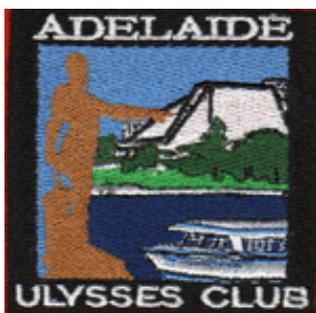
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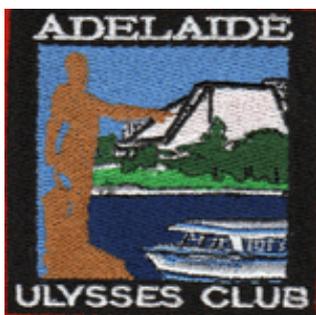


Venue: Lions Football Club, Memorial Oval
Mary Elie Street
Port Pirie
Registrations Close 20th August, 2011
\$20 late fee

Registrations are unlimited, but meals are strictly limited to 300

REGISTRANT #1			
Surname:	Given Name:	Member #	
Address:	Town	State	Post Code
Phone:	Mobile:	email:	
Registration (includes badge)			\$40
Odyssey Cloth Patch (optional)		\$7	
The Odyssey (magazine levy for 2012) (optional)		\$12	
Meals (please tick choices)			
Friday night bbq (meats and salads)		\$12	
Saturday night dinner: (Roast) Beef Chicken.....		\$16	
Sweets.....		\$5	
Sunday night dinner:			
Rump Steak..... Beef Schnitzel..... Chicken Schnitzel..... Fish.....		\$15	
Sweets		\$5	
Breakfast	Tick for each day		
Continental	Sat Sun Mon.....	\$5 each	
Cooked (includes continental)	Sat Sun Mon.....	\$12 each	
Special Dietary Requirements:			
Camping on site: \$10 per tent/camper/caravan per night (\$10 x # nights) (No powered sites)		\$10 pn	
Smelters Tour (Saturday afternoon)		\$15	
Bus Tour (Sunday) (See notes)		\$25	
Golden North Ice-cream Factory Tour Saturday		Yes/No	N/C
Touring Ride Sunday		Yes/No	N/C
I would likely take part in a Trivia Quiz (2 hours) Saturday afternoon		Yes/No	N/C
TOTAL			\$
+ Registrant #2 if applicable			\$
Grand Total			\$

Cheque/Money Order are to be made payable to Ulysses Club Inc. Adelaide Branch	
Payment can also be made by Direct Debit: BSB 105-051 Account # 209760640	Ref. (your name)
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The Odyssey Registration Wendy King 26 Second Street ARDROSSAN 5571	Please tick box if you require a receipt <input type="checkbox"/>



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3 x double.

1 x twin – 2 single beds

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Large industrial centre on the shores of Spencer Gulf, located on the eastern shore of Spencer Gulf, 229 km north of Adelaide, the Port Pirie economy is driven by the huge silver, lead and zinc smelters, which process the raw ore brought from Broken Hill, and the large port which provides transportation for both the metal and rural industries, which dominate the town.

Port Pirie proudly announces itself as 'The City of Friendly People', although the first sight one has is not of people, but of the huge oil tanks on the outskirts of town, and the grain silos and the chimney at the smelter. It would be easy for the traveller to feel that here was a big, smelly, industrial city and keep driving, but this would be to miss some fascinating buildings, and a genuinely beautiful and gracious main street.

Prior to European settlement, the district was known as 'tarparrie' (possibly meaning 'muddy creek') by the local Nuguna Aborigines. The area was first explored by Matthew Flinders who came up the Spencer Gulf in 1802. In 1839, Edward Eyre led an expedition from around Port Augusta, north to Lake Eyre, and in 1846, J. A. Horrocks discovered a pass (Horrock's Pass) through the Flinders' Ranges and down onto the coastal plain.

The muddy creek, upon which the town's port was based, was originally known as Samuel's Creek after its discoverer, Samuel Germein. Around 1845, the schooner, John Pirie (it was owned by John Pirie, one of the directors of the South Australian Company), made its way up the creek and managed to take on board a flock of sheep which was transported across Spencer Gulf to near Port Lincoln. It was as a result of this that Governor Robe named the site Port Pirie. In 1848, some 85 acres were sold in the area for the modest sum of £85.

Settlement of the town was slow and it wasn't until 1871 that the town was surveyed, and five years later it was declared a municipality.

The critical event in the town's history was the construction of the smelting works in 1889. This ensured the town's continuing future. It was greatly compounded by the completion of the Broken Hill Associated Smelters Pty. Ltd. smelting works in 1915. By 1934, it was the largest single-unit lead-smelting works in the world.

Around the turn of the century, the connection between Port Pirie and Broken Hill was so strong that the author, Ion Idriess, recalls 'lucky families from the Silver City enjoyed their Christmas holidays at Port Pirie ... Dad somehow managed, nearly every year, to scrape the few pounds together, and send us entranced kids and harassed Mum by train to the long-dreamed-of fairy land by the shore of the sea'.

In 1937, the broad gauge railway line to Adelaide was completed, and by 1953, Port Pirie was declared South Australia's first provincial city. Today, it is South Australia's second largest port and is characterised by a gracious main street, and some interesting and unusual historic buildings.
(Courtesy of Port Pirie Regional Council))

The Parrot

A young man, named John, received a parrot as a gift. The parrot had a bad attitude and an even worse vocabulary. Every word out of the bird's mouth was rude, obnoxious and laced with profanity.

John tried and tried to change the bird's attitude by consistently saying only polite words, playing soft music and anything else he could think of to 'clean up' the bird's vocabulary.



Finally, John was fed up and he yelled at the parrot. The parrot yelled back. John shook the parrot and the parrot got angrier and even ruder. John, in desperation, threw up his hand, grabbed the bird and put him in the freezer.

For a few minutes the parrot squawked and kicked and screamed. Then, suddenly, there was total quiet. Not a peep was heard for over a minute. Fearing that he'd hurt the parrot, John quickly opened the door to the freezer. The parrot calmly stepped out onto John's outstretched arms and said, 'I believe I may have offended you with my rude language and actions. I'm sincerely remorseful for my inappropriate transgressions and fully intend to do everything I can to correct my rude and unforgivable behaviour.'

John was stunned at the change in the bird's attitude. As he was about to ask the parrot what had made such a dramatic change in his behaviour, the bird continued, 'May I ask what the turkey did?'

Making Sense



A Tennessee couple -- Dave and Rebecca Kosmitis both bona fide rednecks, had 9 children.

They went to the doctor to see about getting Dave 'fixed.' The doctor gladly started the required procedure and asked them what finally made them make the decision. Why, after 9 children, would they choose to do this?

Dave replied that they had read in a recent article that 1 out of every 10 children being born in the United States was Mexican, and they didn't want to take a chance on having a Mexican Baby because neither of them could speak Spanish.

Oops!

A tough looking biker was riding his Harley when he sees a girl about to jump off a bridge so he stops.

"What are you doing?" he asks.

"I'm going to commit a suicide," she says.

While he did not want to appear insensitive, he didn't want to miss an opportunity he asked

"Well, before you jump, why don't you give me a Kiss?"

So, she does.

After she's finished, the biker says, "Wow! That was the best Kiss I have ever had. That's a real talent you are wasting. You could be famous, Why are you committing suicide?"

"My parents don't like me dressing up like a girl....."

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Yorke Peninsula

Sunday 12th December 2010

Our last ride for the year was very well supported, even though it clashed with the annual M.R.A.S.A Toy Run. It was great to be joined by Ulyssians from Fleurieu Branch, Adelaide Branch and Southern Flinders Riding Group.

The riding conditions were perfect, a far cry from the cold and wet. We left Port Wakefield and travelled to Nairne where we met up with the members from the Fleurieu Branch. The ride to Murray Bridge along the old Princess Highway was a welcome change from the Freeway. We had an enjoyable lunch at Dundee's Hotel and, after a bit of socialising, headed for home.

Saturday 8th January 2011

A group of friends of the late Robin (Rob) Watts gathered at his graveside to remember his passing. Rob was a very keen rider and joined in on many Yorke Peninsula rides, and is sadly missed by all of those who knew him.

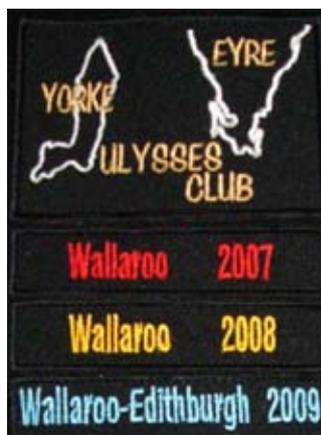
Saturday 8th January 2011

This was the first of our evening rides. We rode to the Dublin Hotel where we met up with a couple of members from the Torrens Valley Branch. The pub provided excellent, reasonably priced meals and drinks, and it was unanimously decided we would use the venue again in the near future. The weather was not excessively hot which made the evening riding conditions very pleasant.

(Pictured below, members at Dundee's)



The Odyssey



Please contact Rod if you would like to order a patch as shown above.



The leg on which Australia stands

Sunday Rides

are held on the first Sunday of the month. Watch these pages for details and updates or contact Rod Lind on **8837 7260/ 0418 527 977** for info.

Wednesday Rides

leave the parking bay in the centre of Kadina Park at 9.30 am on Wednesdays. Please contact Clive Ford on **8821 1598** before **any** Wednesday ride to get the latest information.



Above: Natalie, Clive (Wednesday Rides Leader), Lyn, Phil, ring-in, Leon and Deb, at last year's Ghost Town Rally - all look a bit guilty, don't they?

Below: Clive tells me that he is having a drink from Paddy Hannan's water bag. Paddy discovered gold in Kalgoorlie. where this picture was taken. Ed.



Future Rides

Saturday 5th February 2011

Combined ride with the Lower Murray Branch.

Weekend Itinerary

Sat 11.30 am Leave Port Wakefield to meet Lower Murray Branch at Balaklava for lunch at 12.00 noon.

Sat 2.00 pm Leave Balaklava ride to Ardrossan

Sat 5.00pm Meet YPRG at Port Wakefield ride back to Ardrossan for dinner with Lower Murray Branch

Sun 8.45 am Leave Port Wakefield ride to Hamley Bridge to meet with Torrens Valley Branch & Barossa Riding Group for breakfast

Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th March 2011

The Yorke Peninsula Vintage, Veteran & Classic M.C.C is holding its 26th Annual Rally at the Tuckerway Hostel, Port Vincent. There will be a 292km ride on the Saturday & a 152 km on the Sunday. Registrations are essential for this event. Further information **contact Ray Burton 8852 8291**

Sunday 3rd April 2011

Leave B.P Port Wakefield 9.00 am meet up with the Barossa Riding Group at Eudunda to join them on their anniversary ride to Morgan.

A b.b.q lunch will be supplied.

Sunday May 8th 2011

T.B.A



Combined Ride with Fleurieu Branch

Saturday 11th, Sunday 12th, Monday 13th June 2011

At Port Wakefield

Accommodation in Port Wakefield

Port Wakefield Caravan Park 08 8867 1151

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Port Wakefield Motel 08 8867 1271

It is most important to book your accommodation ASAP

As it will fill up quickly due to the long weekend.

Itinerary

Sat. 11th 12.00 Noon:- Meet Fleurieu members at Pope's Deli, opposite Shell Servo, at Port Wakefield for lunch then book in at selected accommodation venue.

Sat. 11th 2.00 pm:- Meet up outside Port Wakefield Caravan Park for afternoon ride on Y.P.

Sat. 11th 6.30 pm :- Dinner at local hotel

Sun. 12th 10.00 am:- Ride on Y.P with fuel, toilet & lunch stops.

Sun 12th 6.30pm:- Dinner at local hotel

Mon 13th After Breakfast :- Depart for home

Please supply your own breakfasts - plenty of venues in Port Wakefield.

Rodney Lind

Yorke Peninsula Riding Group

Ride Co-Ordinator

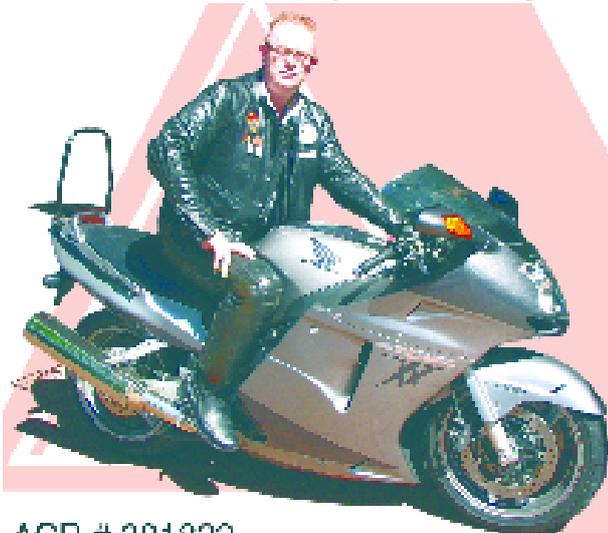
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"What the hell you doing?" he asks.

"Hangin' meself," Paddy replies.

"It should be around your neck" says the Guard.

"I tried dat," says Paddy "but I couldn't breathe."

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The ride calendar will be updated every month. Any updates during the month will be emailed out and copies put on the counter at Boats 'n' Bikes. The calendar will also be on display in the window of Boats 'n' Bikes.

All rides will have a ride leader and a tail-end Charlie (will always stay at the back of the group) so that everyone can ride at their own pace. We will also use corner marshals when the ride leader thinks it is required. The rider immediately behind the leader will stop and wait on a corner if the ride leader indicates (by pointing to the corner) and will remain on the corner directing other riders until tail end Charlie goes past. If you are willing to be a corner marshal then you just need to ride up front, but if you don't want the job then don't ride immediately behind the leader. The system works well if adhered to and lets everyone ride in confidence and that they will not get lost even if they cannot see any other riders.

If you would like to have the rides calendar and any updates emailed to you, email me and I will email the calendar to you in future.

Ride Co-ordinators

Bev and Terry May

E-Mail – tbgemayatwestnet.com.au

Ph. 8632 3420

Ride Calendar for 2011

Rides leave from the Solomontown Caltex Service Station unless otherwise stipulated.

February 20th – still vacant

March 20th – Ride leader Stax Kerr. Meet at Caltex at 945am to leave on ride at 1000am SHARP. Ride to Melrose via Pt Germein Gorge, Wirrabara, Stone Hut, Caltowie, Jamestown(short stop), Appila, Booleroo Centre then Melrose. Lunch at the bottom pub the Mt Remarkable Hotel. Petrol available at the roadhouse if needed. Ride ome via Murraytown, Wirrabara, Laura, Gladstone, back road to Crystal Brook then home. Coffee at end of ride for those who wish.

Stax will need to know definite numbers by MARCH 17th on 0417856011 as a booking needs to be made for lunch.

April 9th and 10th – Overnighter to Leigh Creek. CANCELLED

April 10th – Torrens Valley Ulysses Branch annual sausage sizzle in Port Pirie. Ride Leader Wayne Partridge. Leave Caltex at 9.30 to ride to Snowtown, refuel and meet up with the Torrens Valley and Adelaide Ulysses Groups. Ride back with them for a BBQ lunch at Waynes house – 15 Plantation Crescent. Cost of BBQ \$5.00. As in the past assistance with supplying a salad is sought and would be appreciated and these can be dropped off at Wayne and Bevs in the morning. Those interested and who don't wish to go on the ride may like to help with the preparation/cooking in the morning while waiting for the riders to return. Contact Wayne or Bev for more details.

April 17th – Ride Leader Les Beyer – leave Pt Pirie at 8.30am for Burra and morning tea. Then through to Eudunda to Clare for Lunch. Back to Pt Pirie via Bute and Pt Broughton

May 21 – Overnighter to Blinman. Ride leader Terry May. Stay at the Blinman Hotel. More details later.

June 19th – Lost Balls Ride – Ride leader Cossie with help from Wayne from Yakka. More details later

July 16th – Ride to the Shed at Whyalla. Ride Leader Glen Solomon. Meet at Caltex at 9.30am. Ride to Pt Augusta for coffee then onto the Shed at Whyalla for BBQ lunch with the Whyalla Ulysses group.

August 19th, 20th and 21st. – overnight to Melrose. Ride leader Les Beyer. Stay in the bunkhouse either Friday and Saturday nights or just Saturday night. 7 separate rooms which will sleep up to 4 people in each. Can also camp or book a cabin if you want. Bunkhouse is \$20.00 per person per night. Meals will be supplied at minimal cost – cooked Bfst's, BBQ tea. Firewood supplied and some tours may be arranged for Saturday. Names and \$10.00 deposit to Les by July 25th 2011. Some vehicles will be travelling over and will be able to take luggage and bedding. Ride on Sunday to leave Pt Pirie at 9.00am and travel to Melrose to meet up with those camping then to Orroroo for lunch.

September 18th – Ride to Blyth for film. Ride leader Brian Carmody. Leave Pirie and ride to Blyth. Morning tea and film then to Blyth Pub for lunch round corner from film hall. More details later.

October 16th – still vacant

November 20th – still vacant.

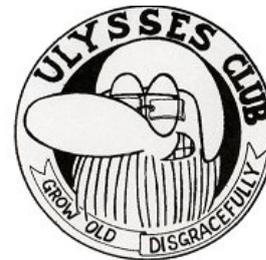
December 18th – still vacant

Suggestions have been made for overnighters to Hahndorf, Martindale Hall and Bungaree Homestead. Brian Carmody has looked into Martindale Hall. However, this appears to be quite expensive at \$230.00 per person per night for Dinner, bed and breakfast which will mean almost \$500.00 per couple. He is looking into Bungaree for more details. An overnighter to Hahndorf is always a good weekend so if there is anyone interested let me know.

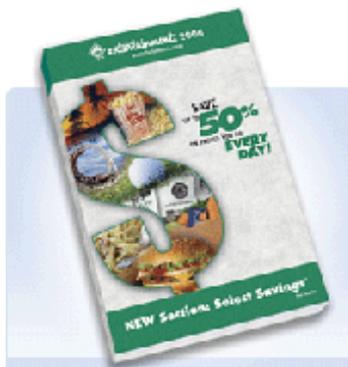
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DATE	RIDE	CONTACT	ADVISE BY	LEAVE	TIME
7th Feb	AGM - Meeting	Trish Pruis 8682 2358	3rd Jan	Dorward Oval North Shields	7.00 pm
20th Feb	Arno Bay Luncheon	John Mansfield 8682 6029	12th Feb	Town Jetty	10.00 am
13-14th March	Ceduna Overnighter	Herman Pruis 8682 2358	21st Feb	Town Jetty	10.00 am
21-27th March	AGM 2011 Newcastle				
27th Mar	Mystery Ride	Jack Ash 8682 3285	18th March	Town Jetty	10.00 am
3rd April	Yallunda Flat BYO BBQ	Nick Octoman 8688 4217	25th March	Town Jetty	10.00 am
24-27th April	Flinders Ranges Weekender	Bill Richter 8682 8212	6th March	North Shields	7.30 am
14-15th May	Kimba-Cleve Overnighter	Robert Young 8683 1254	2nd May	North Shields	10.00 am
12-13th June	Streaky Bay Overnighter	Paul Miller 8684 3561	22nd May	Town Jetty	10.00 am



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G'day folks,

Happy New Year to all the Branches and members from the Fleurieu Branch mob.

What a great Christmas show we had! The weather was very kind to us and provided a lovely day to be outdoors and partying. Everyone chipped in and helped set things up: tables, chairs, drinks and music. There were people making salads, platters, dips and prawn cocktails; action everywhere and just waiting for the club ride to arrive. We received a phone call from the ride to inform us that there had been an accident and one of our members was down. It is at these moments that 'things and events' pale in balance with concern for a member. It was so good to hear how well the group handled itself. People were allocated to traffic control and the area was made safe. Emergency services were contacted and first aid was administered. A special thanks to Leanne who did the first aid and comforted David, our injured member. The group stayed until the ambulance arrived and took David off to hospital. The ride group then rode on to have a coffee and debrief. Some members rode to the hospital to follow up on David's progress while the rest continued on to the Christmas party. What a way to begin the celebrations. Fortunately, the news from the hospital was good, with David recovering, albeit with few broken bits and many sore bits. It makes you realise how important safety procedures are. There was a first aid kit on hand and all riders had given contact phone numbers before the ride. This allowed prompt assistance and contact with relevant people. The group arrived back from the hospital and the Christmas cheer began. With great food, songs sung and Mr & Mrs Claus showing us what they can do with balloons and bells, the day went well.

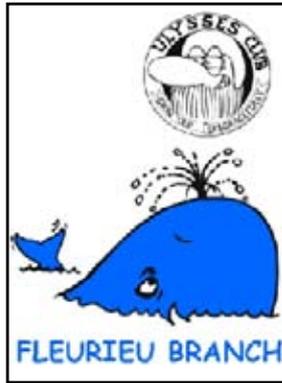
We have had some twilight rides over the New Year period, as we do, to avoid the heat. This year, we have been dodging rain, sleet, and snow. Well almost! Despite the four seasons in one day, we managed some good evening rides to some lovely pubs and eateries. Our easy and experienced rides are on again this year and usually very well attended. It's a great chance for those returning or starting out in riding to gain some valuable experience. There is a full riding calendar coming up, so if you would like to join us, just check out the web site www.fub.org or give our rides captain, Spdy Paul, a call on 0418 841 414.

And remember, the road to success is always under construction.

**Regards
Hobbit
President**

Fleurieu's mid week rides are held on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. These rides start from two locations - 2nd Wednesday at Willunga and the 4th Wednesday at Goolwa.
Enquiries: Paul (Vespa Boy) Hancock on 0439 838336 or Trevor Potter on 8555 2627

Sunday Rides: For any information about Sunday rides, please contact our **Rides Captain Paul Warner on 0418 841 414 email: alfresco@adam.com.au**



More rain!! I never stop mowing/slashing the weeds on my little block. But it's been good news with the country looking great and by and large good returns from cereal crops despite the rain spoilage.

Since our last report we have had another December Tucker and Toy run, which was quite successful, but reflective of the current struggles with the weather and the general economic downturn. This was reflected in the numbers on the ride which were down a bit, as were the donations. Overall a good result considering the conditions.

The other good news is the performance of one of our Mallee Mob in the Masters games. Here is his story.

Mallee Branch member and Vietnam Veteran, (BJ) Brian Johnson, went really well in the Masters Games in Alice Springs in October. He rode a KTM EXC 200cc two stroke bike in all events for motorcycling, in the over 60 class.

The first event was a 4 hour enduro approx. 30 km south of Alice Springs. The track was a north loop of 42km and a southern loop of 33km, with a compulsory 10 min. break between loops for all riders. After 4 hrs. of riding he scored a bronze for third in the class.

The next event was flat track. After going hard for legs of 6 laps each, he came home with a second and silver.

The third event was the long circuit. 6 laps of 3 legs, (and in BJ's words "was fantastic!") A big effort was rewarded with a gold medal.

The last event was the MotoX. Heavy rain (in Alice Springs??) turned the track into a total slush pit. Despite this, BJ stayed upright and came home with another gold medal.

BJ says it's the best fun you can have on a dirt bike. The next one is in 2012, so you've got 2 years, boys, to find that dirt bike and join BJ for a lot of fun. And remember, you are only racing in your age group.

BJ expresses his special thanks to Wendy, his pit crew and support. (Behind every successful man there's a.....yeah we know!!)

For more information on the Masters Games call BJ (08)85881078 or 0412396433.

Well done mate.

**Enjoy life's great ride folks,
Toddy**



**The year is 1910
One hundred and one years ago.
What a difference a century makes!
Here are some statistics for the Year 1910:**



1910 Ford Model R

- The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
- Fuel for this car was sold in drug stores only.
- Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.
- There were only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads.
- The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
- The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower!
- The average US wage in 1910 was 22 cents per hour.
- The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.
- A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year,
- A dentist \$2,500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year, and a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.
- More than 95 percent of all births took place at HOME.
- Ninety percent of all Doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION!
- Instead, they attended so-called medical schools,

- many of which were condemned in the press AND the government as ‘substandard.’
- Sugar cost four cents a pound.
- Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
- Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- Most women only washed their hair once a month, and used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.
- Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their country for any reason.
- The Five leading causes of death were:
 1. Pneumonia and influenza
 2. Tuberculosis
 3. Diarrhea
 4. Heart disease
 5. Stroke
- The American flag had 45 stars.
- The population of Las Vegas, Nevada, was only 30!
- Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn’t been invented yet.
- There was no Mothers’ Day or Fathers’ Day.
- Two out of every 10 adults couldn’t read or write and
- Only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
- Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at the local corner drugstores.
- Back then pharmacists said, ‘Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach and bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health’. (Shocking? DUH!)
- Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.
- There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A. !

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Try to imagine what it may be like in another 100 years.
IT STAGGERS THE MIND

Amazing simple Home Remedies

1. Avoid cutting yourself when cutting vegetables by getting someone else to hold them.
2. Avoid arguments with females about the toilet seat by peeing in the sink.
3. For high blood pressure sufferers, simply cut yourself and bleed for a few minutes, thus reducing the pressure on your veins. Remember to use a timer.
4. A mouse trap placed on top of your alarm clock will prevent you from rolling over and going back to sleep after you hit the snooze button.
5. If you have a bad cough, take a large dose of laxatives. Then you’ll be *afraid* to cough.
6. You need only two tools in life - WD40 and duct tape. If it doesn’t move and should, use the WD40. If it shouldn’t move and it does, use the duct tape.
7. If you can’t fix it with a hammer, you’ve got an electrical problem.

Note: This is a joke: DO NOT FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR # 3. YOU MUST CONTINUE TO FOLLOW YOUR DR’S INSTRUCTIONS AND TAKE YOU MEDICATION.

The Theory of Intelligence

(Been around for a while, but worth another look!)



'Well you see, Norm, it's like this . . . A herd of buffalo can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo. And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members. In much the same way, the human brain can only operate as fast as the slowest brain cells. Now, as we know, excessive intake of alcohol kills brain cells. But naturally, it attacks the slowest and weakest brain cells first. In this way, regular consumption of beer eliminates the weaker brain cells, making the brain a faster and more efficient machine. And that, Norm, is why you always feel smarter after a few beers.'

WOMEN WHO KNOW THEIR PLACE

Barbara Walters, of 20/20, did a story on gender roles in Kabul, Afghanistan, several years before the Afghan conflict. She noted that women customarily walked five paces behind their husbands.



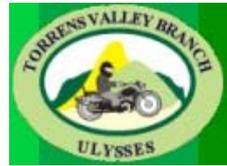
She recently returned to Kabul and observed that women still walk behind their husbands. Despite the overthrow of the oppressive Taliban regime, the women now seem happy to maintain the old custom.

Ms Walters approached one of the Afghani women and asked, 'Why do you now seem happy with an old custom that you once tried so desperately to change?'

The woman looked Ms. Walters straight in the eyes, and without hesitation said, 'Land Mines.'

Moral of the story is (no matter what language you speak or where you go):

BEHIND EVERY MAN, THERE'S A SMART WOMAN



Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

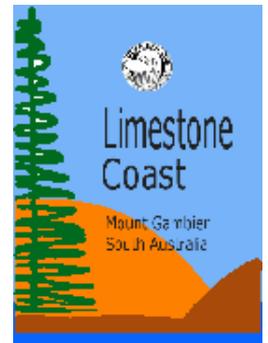
7.30pm

Third Tuesday of the Month

Parafield Gardens Community Club
Shepherdson Road, Parafield Gardens

Meals available from the Club before the Meeting
All welcome

President	David Gritton 08 8725 8322 0418 258 322
Secretary	Gerry Kroon 08 8723 2372 0428 352 838
Rides Captain	Tony Ziemlanej 08 8725 5174 0438 872 551



Sunday Meeting Place : Sunday

Coffee/chat will be held Jen's Hotel at 10am. Breakfast can be ordered earlier than this if needed. Any rides, on the day, will depart at 11am.

Rides : As per Ride Calendar on the Web

Web Site: <http://www.ulysses.org.au/branches/limestonecoast/>

Our Web is now updated regularly, with Ride Calendar, Ride Reports & Photos.

Lower Murray Branch

Meets at Dundee's Hotel, Murray Bridge on the 2nd Tuesday of the month; Dinner @ 6.30, Meeting 8 pm. Everybody most welcome.

We have coffee every Saturday morning @ 10am in Strathalbyn, at Jack's Cafe in High Street.

Rides every 2nd Sunday, with a Wednesday ride monthly. Phone for details.

Branch contacts as follows:-

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Rides Captain: Larry Caspers
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About The Club

How it all began

The Ulysses Club for older motorcyclists, the largest organization of its kind in Australia, is now a familiar part of this country's riding scene. The original suggestion for a club for over 50's motorcyclists was put forward in a letter by Stephen Dearnley published in the August 1983 issue of *Bike Australia*.

Stephen had initially responded to some comments by 'Wrench McTaggart', aka Grant Roff, who had suggested to an over 50's rider; "Hasn't anyone ever told you about growing old gracefully ..."

This drew two significant responses: one from Rob Hall, a reader at Albion Park NSW, who suggested the present name and motto for the club: the other from Peter Thoeming, then the editor of *Bike Australia* who sketched the logo and offered support from his magazine if Stephen could get the club off the ground. This was done at an inaugural meeting in Sydney on 6th December, 1983 when the five people present approved a basic constitution and the Ulysses Club was duly formed.

From that tenuous beginning it has never looked back and the club now boasts a large and extensive network of members throughout Australia.

Why Ulysses

The name comes from a poem of the same title by Alfred, Lord Tennyson. It tells how the great Greek hero Ulysses, now middle-aged and securely in charge of his kingdom of Ithaca, is getting bored with things around him and longs to go adventuring again with his shipmates of old. It describes very well indeed the sort of person who still has enough spark to go on riding into middle and later years. Too long to quote here, you will find it in any good poetry anthology such as the *Albatross Book of Verse*.

What Does it do

It publishes a quarterly newsletter, *Riding On*, which contains information about forthcoming events, provides a forum for members' news and views and carries articles on topics of interest to members of the club.

The club has grown to over 120 branches spread throughout Australia, and continues to grow. Those branches arrange rides and social functions for the club members in their location. By joining the club, a member can choose to attend any branch, branch ride or function of their choice. As well, there are sister clubs in New Zealand and South Africa, and fledgling branches of the club in Canada, Germany, and hopefully in the near future the U.S.A. and U.K.

Each year, club members from all around Australia, as well as some from overseas, travel to the designated location for the Annual General Meeting, an event that has grown from a campover, meeting and meal of the early days, to a major event spanning over a week, and incorporating involvement by the major motorcycle manufacturers and suppliers putting on trade displays and test rides of the latest machinery, a Grand Parade through the town or city, several nights of various entertainment, Friday and Saturday night social events, a church service and of course the official meetings and ceremonies.

Throughout the year, members raise the club banner at rallies and events around the country as a focal point where members and their friends can join in good companionship. Our "Old Man" logo, which has been preserved from its original hand drawn form as our registered trademark, is recognizable throughout the country and club members wear it with pride.

What are its purposes

- To provide ways in which older motorcyclists can get together for companionship and mutual support.
- To show by example that motorcycling can be an enjoyable and practical activity for riders of all ages.
- To draw the attention of public and private institutions to the needs and views of older riders.

Why men don't write advice columns

Dear Walter

I hope you can help me here.

The other, I set off for work, leaving my husband in the house watching TV, as usual. I hadn't driven more than a mile down the road when the engine conked out and the car shuddered to a halt. I walked back home to get my husband's help. When I got home, I couldn't believe my eyes! He was in our bedroom with the neighbour's daughter. I am 41, my husband is 44, and the neighbour's daughter is 22.

We have been married for 10 years. When I confronted him, he broke down and admitted they had been having an affair for the past six months. I told him to stop or I would leave him. He was retrenched from his job six months ago and he says he has been feeling increasingly depressed and worthless.

I love him very much, but ever since I gave him the ultimatum, he has become increasingly distant. He won't go to counsel-

ling and I'm afraid I can't get through to him anymore. Can you please help?

Sincerely

Sheila

Reply from advice columnist, 'Walter'

Dear Sheila

A car stalling after being driven a short distance can be caused by a variety of faults with the engine. Start by checking that there is no debris in the fuel line. If it is clear, check the vacuum pipes and hoses on the intake manifold and also check all grounding wires. If none of these approaches solves the problem, it could be that the fuel pump itself is faulty, causing low delivery pressure to the injectors.

I hope this helps.

Walter

The Office Christmas Party

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
RE: Christmas Party
DATE: December 1

I'm happy to inform you that the company Christmas Party will take place December 23, starting at noon in the banquet room at Luigi's Open Pit Barbecue. No-host bar, but plenty of eggnog! We'll have a small band playing traditional carols . . . feel free to sing along. And don't be surprised if our CEO shows up dressed as Santa Claus!

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
DATE: December 2
RE: Christmas Party

In no way was yesterday's memo intended to exclude our Jewish employees. We recognize that Chanukah is an important holiday that often coincides with Christmas, though unfortunately not this year. However, from now on we're calling it our "Holiday Party." The same policy applies to employees who are celebrating Kwanzaa at this time. Happy now?

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
DATE: December 3
RE: Holiday Party

Regarding the note I received from a member of Alcoholics Anonymous requesting a non-drinking table . . . you didn't sign your name. I'm happy to accommodate this request, but if I put a sign on a table that reads, "AA Only"; you wouldn't be anonymous anymore. How am I supposed to handle this? Somebody?

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
DATE: December 7
RE: Holiday Party

What a diverse company we are! I had no idea that December 20 begins the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, which forbids eating, and drinking during daylight hours. There goes the party! Seriously, we can appreciate how a luncheon this time of year does not accommodate our Muslim employees' beliefs. Perhaps Luigi's can hold off on serving your meal until the end of the party-the days are so short this time of year-or else package everything for take-home in little foil swans. Will that work?

Meanwhile, I've arranged for members of Overeaters Anonymous to sit farthest from the dessert buffet and pregnant women will get the table closest to the rest rooms. Did I miss anything?

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
DATE: December 8
RE: Holiday Party

So December 22 marks the Winter Solstice -- what do you expect me to do, a tap-dance on your heads? Fire regulations at Luigi's prohibit the burning of sage by our "earth-based Goddess-worshipping" employees, but we'll try to accommodate your shamanic drumming circle during the band's breaks. Okay???

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
Date: December 9
RE: Holiday Party

People, people, nothing sinister was intended by having our CEO dress up like Santa Claus! Even if the anagram of "Santa" does happen to be "Satan," there is no evil connotation to our own "little man in a red suit." It's a tradition, folks, like sugar shock at Halloween or family feuds over the Thanksgiving turkey or broken hearts on Valentine's Day. Could we lighten up?

FROM: Pat Lewis, Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
DATE: December 10
RE: Holiday Party

Vegetarians!?!?!? I've had it with you people!!! We're going to keep this party at Luigi's Open Pit Barbecue whether you like it or not, so you can sit quietly at the table furthest from the "grill of death," as you so quaintly put it, and you'll get your #\$\$%^&!*# salad bar, including hydroponic tomatoes... but you know, they have feelings, too. Tomatoes scream when you slice them. I've heard them scream, I'm hearing them scream right now!

FROM: Teri Bishops, Acting Human Resources Director
TO: Everyone
DATE: December 14
RE: Pat Lewis and Holiday Party

I'm sure I speak for all of us in wishing Pat Lewis a speedy recovery from her stress-related illness and I'll continue to forward your cards to her at the sanitarium. In the meantime, management has decided to cancel our Holiday Party and give everyone the afternoon of the 23rd off.



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