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19th September	for the October issue
19th November	for the December issue
19th January	for the February issue
19th March	for the April issue
19th May	for the June issue

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The editor's bit.....

With the AGM on the 1st June, it is time to thank The Odyssey team who gets the magazine out to subscribers on time, every time: Chris Matthews, Ian Ritchie, Wendy and James Ferguson, Pat McNamara and Jann for keeping up the list of subscribers and changes of



addresses, etc., as well as those who send write-ups, photographs and other material to try to make our magazine relevant and interesting. Chris will not be continuing in her role, as she has more responsibilities with the Fleurieu Branch. So a special 'thank you' to her. She'll be missed.

The Committee has had to look at the **levy structure of the magazine** and also the advertising charges, as the magazine has been running at a loss for some time. We (the Adelaide Branch) has always subsidised the many country subscribers, and started when Adelaide was the only branch in SA. With the formation of other branches, it has been increasingly impossible for the Adelaide Branch to carry the burden of postage (approximately \$5,000 per year) especially when the money should be spent within its own branch. The \$10 levy covers the magazine as such, and after much discussion at Committee level and beyond, the plan for next year will be for those who need to have their copy posted will have to pay \$6 extra. There will also be an option for members of other branches who regularly have attendees at the Adelaide Branch meetings, to have their copy collected by them and picked up at their own branch meetings, or make some other arrangement within 'their' branch. Adelaide Branch will still pick up the tab for the *occasional* posting. I believe that even at \$16 including postage, 6 magazines of 36 pages is the best value for money going around. There will be quite some organisation going into the new arrangements from this end, and we expect some teething problems, but with your help and understanding, I'm sure they will be overcome. I look forward to your co-operation in this new turn of events. To assist you, a subscription form will be printed in the magazine from October's issue.

The Central Odyssey at Naracoorte has a centre page spread for your convenience, including the rego form. Sounds like a weekend not to be missed.

At the behest of members from far and wide, Sue Freene has organised a **Poetry Weekend at Peterborough**. If anyone remembers the one at Laura a few years ago, this is not to be missed.

Don't forget the **train ride to Bute** in August - only 45 seats and there are only about 15 left. Ad is on page 9.

On the sick list: Malcolm Baker from Eyre Peninsula Branch - our best wishes to you, Malcolm.

Crows are doing well, but

Go the Power!
Wendy



Cougar Bike Upholstery

Contact Ulysses Members
Andrew or Bundi

for all auto upholstery, including:

- Seats (recover & restyle)
- Trailers (bras, carpets, wheel covers)
- Cloth Patches (sewn to vests, jackets)

0412 312 243

Club Meetings

First Thursday of the Month
West Adelaide Football Club
57 Milner Road, Richmond

8.00 pm
Meals available from 6.00 pm

Visit us on our Web Page

www.ulyssesadelaide.com.au

and check out the latest news on branch happenings

Barossa Group



Barossa rides leave The Old
Steam Train
(opposite the BP Station at
Nuriootpa)
at 10 o'clock
on the 1st Sunday of the month

Rides Captain

Andrew Mill Phone: 8284 4027
Mobile: 0412 312 243

Wednesday Rides Contact
Mick Sandley Phone: 8251 2435
Mobile: 0407 817 362

Wednesday Rides

All runs will leave at 10.30 am

1st Wednesday Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside
2nd Wednesday Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside
3rd Wednesday North: Caltex, Munno Para
or South: Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
4th Wednesday North: Tea Tree Gully Hotel
or South: Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
5th Wednesday Feathers Hotel
(3rd & 4th Wed: There are two rides - 1 north and 1 south)

Bring or buy your own lunch

**Contact Mick Sandley - 8251 2435
or 0407 817 362**

SA & Broken Hill Branches'

Boss Cockies

Broken Hill Branch

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G'Day Everyone,

As promised here are the inaugural Inter Branch Meeting minutes in full. As you can see, all branch representatives were unanimous in the outcomes, which has strengthened the alliance of all the branches across the state.



So I'm looking forward to, and planning for, the Odyssey in October this year at Naracoorte, hosted by the Limestone Coast Branch, then in 2007 at Burra, hosted by the Torrens Valley Branch. There will be another Inter Branch Meeting at Naracoorte to decide where the 2008 Odyssey will be, and announced on the same week end; absolutely fantastic for us guys who take a while to get ourselves organized!!!!

June 1st is the Adelaide Branch AGM and Quartermaster Rob will be having a HUGE, one off sale on the night, the committee will be sworn in and a new year begins!!!! So, I'd like to thank all members for their words of support, for their suggestions and ideas in the last 12 months, I'd like to thank my fellow committee members for their loyalty to the Branch and Club, and upholding the motto of growing old disgracefully!!!!!!

Disgracefully Yours
Liz Fairchild
President
Adelaide Branch, Ulysses Club



INTER BRANCH MEETING
PENDLETON FARM – COMMON ROOM
1ST OCTOBER 2005
4.30PM

History: Adelaide Branch sent out invitations to all branches and riding groups, suggesting a meeting to be held at Pendleton Farm, to discuss future Odysseys.

Present: Liz Fairchild, Adelaide Branch; Rudi Esman, Limestone Coast; Graham Cairns, Lester Launer and Jeff Chilton, Torrens Valley Branch; Chris Matthews and Warren Jamieson, Fleurieu Branch; Malcolm Baker, Eyre Peninsular Branch; Chris Moore, Whyalla.

OUTCOMES OF THE MEETING

All in attendance agreed that:

- the direction and future of the Odyssey needed to be vitalized through co-operative management of all branches in South Australia;
- the Odyssey to remain at the same time of year, long week end in October;
- there will be an Inter Branch meeting at each Odyssey to decide where the future Odyssey will be held;
- as Mt. Gambier had already been decided to host the 2006 Odyssey, there was discussion for 2007, and was agreed that Torrens Valley would host the 2007 Odyssey, providing that it was North of Adelaide;
- the Odyssey is to be held and rotated in all districts of the state, north, south, east, and west, so that all members can participate;
- the destination of future Odysseys will be decided two years in advance and announced on the Saturday night of the current Odyssey. This gives members time to plan and budget for the event;
- all Branches will encourage members to attend the Odyssey, and will not organize conflicting rides or events at that time;
- there needs to be better organization of the entire event, ie riding activities, entertainment etc;
- the hosting Branch is to be accountable for all transactions and there must be total transparency and thorough documentation of all moneys;
- should there be any profit from the event, the host Branch will nominate which organization/s the profits will benefit;
- the hosting Branch to involve local community groups when and where applicable, this will benefit both the local community in their fund raising and will help keep the costs down for our members as well;
- each Odyssey will have its own character and identity, indicative of the district, so that members can come away with a unique experience;
- all in attendance are to sign the outcomes of the Inter Branch meetings and to be published in the Adelaide Branch Newsletter, The Odyssey, to inform members.

The meeting closed: 5.17pm

Letters to the Editor.....



Dear Wendy

In February, three months ago, I was unfortunately hit by a 4WD whilst on my motorcycle. This resulted in several injuries. I sustained multiple fractures which resulted in a ten week stay in hospital, including a five week rehab period, before I was finally able to go home, with services.

I wish to thank all of the fellow Ulyssians who supported me through this time recovering from the ordeal. It was a welcome sight to see the friendly faces of those who visited and all the flowers, cards, phone calls and kind wishes sent to me. I really appreciated all of this extra care and support, which cheered me up and helped boost my recovery.

I still have months to go before I am fully recovered and am able to work once again. My motorcycle was a write-off, but I hope to remain a keen Ulysses member, with or without a motorbike in tow.

**Sincerely
Susan Bok**

Hi Wendy,

Love getting the news from the Odyssey but just thought you might like to know that the photo on page 27 of the current Odyssey top left hand corner of Sharon & Peter Nunan is in fact not us, it is other fleurieu members not sure of their names. We have had lots of calls and a bit of a giggle.

**Regards
Sharryn & Peter Nunan**

Oops! (ed.)

Dear Wendy

I was having a wonderful time in Tasmania until Firday, 10th March, when, about 10 ks out of Ulverstone, heading for Burnie, my bike dumped all of its oil out of the crankcase breather. It did not take long to figure out that a screwdriver and a set of vise grips would not be sufficient equipment to fix the problem. So, a call to a friend, Rory Shaw in Burnie, and to Richardson's Harley, filled in most of Friday getting the bike to Launceston, where we were greeted with coffee and friendly people.

Mark, at Richardson's, assured me that they would sus out the problem asap and kept me informed of the progress right through Saturday. I was having a meal at the AGM site, when he rang to let me know that the bike had been repaired and test ridden. He then organised for me to collect it on Sundlay morning. I guess that this is the kind of service that makes not just a top dealer for this brand of bike, but sets a standard that all others might just try to copy. I am certain that when it comes time to replace the old Harley, it will be done at Richardson's in Tasmania.

The next week or so was absoluttely filled with lovely people and sights of a most captivating part of Australia.

'Thank you' to Ulysses members in Tasmania for a great AGM; it would have to be one of the very best, and we will be back to see more, soon.

**Jim Davies
#22136**

Dear Wendy

They say every dog has his day, well mine was Sunday 26/3/06.

My wife and I were returning from the SA MRA Tourers Tim Hunt Memorial Run for Leukemia.

The run was fine, Jewlz and I left Cape Jarvis before the main mob, to do the Delamere Rd to Victor Harbour. At the T junction approx half way to Victor, approx 100 metres from the junction itself, I was confronted with an aging commodore wagon at speed coming around this junction on my side of the road.

My options were limited; I even considered flicking into the right lane to allow this idiot through, but that would only invite a worse scenario if he could recover and swerve back into me. The left hand roadside was dirt, fence and trees. Bear in mind that this summary was done in a fraction of a second. In the end, I left a lot of rubber on the road, moved left as far as a tractable surface was available, and felt the fool swish past me to recover and take to his lane.

As I pulled up, I glanced back to see him assess my situation and then speed off. The P plate in his back window made up my mind for me. The idiot was also silly enough to pull over when he realised that he was not going to get away from me. At 47, this was my closest call since I'd been licensed at 16, I was running on adrenalin and had the pleasure of making my feelings known.....

My wife then turned up on her CB 1300 (we have a pair of em), the driver was truly frightened and sorry, but that's not enough when he could have done this to my wife, or a club on a run.

Sometimes when things go bad, you think "what if?", like what if my wife had come across my mangled carcass.....

Love your life and keep your bloody eyes open. Jewlz, you are the love of my life !

**Steve Dayman.
Ulyssian
SAMRATS**

This note was sent on behalf of Gramps Pearson of Berrimah in the Northern Territory with his levy for The Odyssey:

Gramps has gone off to WA Kimberleys on another mission, but he would like to send his best wishes to all and might see some of you up here for our Odyssey in Darwin, early September. Dry season has kicked in and the mornings are getting a bit fresh - down to 18° this morning ha, ha, ha - winter in The Tropics - the place to be - endless blue skies and no speed limit (open road).

Gramps



Letters to the Editor.....



To the Editor

Having read the Adelaide Secretary's Report in the April issue, I feel I must reply to what was a series of gross inaccuracies. In that report, Larry Coaker states that what I, as treasurer, was doing was wrong.

Let's look at this. He claimed that I paid cash for several purchases I made for the Branch, knowing that it was "technically wrong". Well, unless I missed something in the last budget, cash was, and still is, LEGAL tender in Australia. By inference, it was also suggested that I was avoiding paying various government charges. However, to the best of my knowledge, the onus to pay government charges rests with the SELLER, not the purchaser. In the course of buying goods for the Branch I was the PURCHASER. By the way, does anyone demand a deli owner pay the government some money after they have purchased a pie and sauce, or the morning paper.

Now to my meeting with Liz Fairchild in early December: Contrary to what has been said, I was NOT, repeat NOT, given the option to "change my ways" as the secretary's report would have you believe. I was bluntly told to resign and if I refused then a special meeting of the Adelaide committee and, if necessary, the National Committee, would be called to force my resignation. When faced with these ultimatums and in shock, I resigned.

It was *not* my intention to retire at the 2006 AGM, so the comments that the President and I were working towards it are rubbish.

When I left, the Adelaide Branch was in a healthy financial position, with stock and cash totalling in excess of \$18 000.

Obviously, I must have "ruffled a few feathers" for these unpleasant events to have occurred, but perhaps now rumour and innuendo can be put to rest.

I am immensely proud of the way that previous committee members and I were able to elevate the Adelaide Branch to a point where it was regarded as one of the best and most stable in Australia.

**Helena Cole
(Ex Treasurer)
Member # 2054**

Dear Editor

As an ex secretary and Committee Member, I read the current secretary's report in the April issue of the Odyssey, with a feeling of disquiet. It seemed more like a thinly veiled attack on various Branch members than a report.

In his report, it is stated that sometimes we pay cash for something in order to obtain an advantage. Sounds good to me and obviously to others as well! Take the electrical firm, "The Good Guys", whose advertising slogan is "Pay cash, Pay less". Perhaps we should refuse to shop there! The responsibility to pay government charges rests with the vendor, not the shopper, regardless of the suspicions the shopper may have.

The report continues on, saying 'we should look at past committees to see where faults lie'. I am a past committee member and if any accusations of wrong doing exist, and I was involved, then let them be attributed to me in a public letter to the editor.

One can only wonder at the reasons the executive saw fit to dismiss Helena, one of the two hardest working committee members the Adelaide Branch has ever known, and so forcing Rob to resign in support of Helena and in protest. Helena and Rob Cole poured their heart and soul into assuring the success of the Branch.

What real reason lay behind the cruel ultimatum given to them? It had obviously been planned for a while. Maybe a loss of face due to a lack of moneys being siphoned to a "favoured charity" was a problem.

I can only hope that, in time, Helena and Rob come to grips with their "dumping", because like the secretary, Larry, I know the difference between right and wrong. What was done to them was wrong!

**Peter Vincent
Ex Secretary.
Member # 4319**

Dear Editor

An open letter from Rob Cole to the Members of the
Adelaide Branch

A few weeks ago I received a copy of a very disturbing email. Since then, several people have spoken to me about matters pertaining to that email. May I be allowed to "set the record straight"?

In the email, it was stated that various people, including the National Treasurer, were concerned over what they perceived to be a missing float of \$1 000 dollars, supposedly paid to me.

There NEVER was a \$1 000 as a cash float. It was simply a verbal figure that some years ago, the Adelaide Committee and I agreed on. It was an amount that we would allow catering events over a twelve month period to lose. For example, if I catered for, say, the Toy Run breakfast, and the weather was poor, then possibly a loss of revenue would occur, due to a lack of people. Most events, luckily, were the opposite, and often a small profit would be returned to the branch.

At NO time was I given a lump sum \$1 000 cash as a float.

Every dollar spent on catering was listed on the Treasurer's books and OPEN for public scrutiny. I resent any implication that a \$1 000 "went missing" AND I RESENT HAVING TO DEFEND MY NAME AGAINST BASELESS ACCUSATIONS.

**Rob Cole
Member # 2453**

Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar Feb-June 2006

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
June 4	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Combined Captains' Ride	Sedan Hotel	McDonald's Magill Rd
June 18	Sunday 8.00 am	Ken Fairchild 8277 5509	Diehards' Breakfast	Hahndorf Inn \$11 All you can eat	Civic Park
June 25	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Normanville	Top o'Taps
July 2	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Mannum	McDonald's Magill Rd
July 9			24 Hour Reliability Trial		
July 16	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Meadows	Top o'Taps
July 23	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Clare	Civic Park
July 30	Sunday 9.30 am	Chris Roberts 8370 6459	Day Ride	Unknown	Top o'Taps
August 6	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Brass Monkey Ride	Cape Jervis	Top o'Taps
August 12	Saturday	Wendy King 8837 3449	Weekend at Wallaroo	See ad opposite page	
August 13	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	McDonald's Magill Rd
August 20	Sunday 9.30 am	Rob Sainsbury 8186 5801	Coast Yamaha Sponsored Ride Breakfast: 212 Sth Road Morphett Vale then ride afterwards		

All enquiries should be directed to the leader of the ride in which you are interested.
Please watch for follow-up details or changes in future editions of The Odyssey



Rides and Social Events



Sue's Poetry Night at

Peterborough

Bring your poetry - any sort

15-16 July 2006

Must phone Sue Freene on 8277 3339

for Saturday night dinner booking and Sunday morning breakfast at the Railway Hotel

Plenty of accommodation:

- *Railway Hotel/Motel 8651 242
- *Peterborough Motor Inn 8651 2078
- *Peterborough Caravan Park 8651 2545
- *Peterborough Motel 8651 2006



Plenty to see in Peterborough:

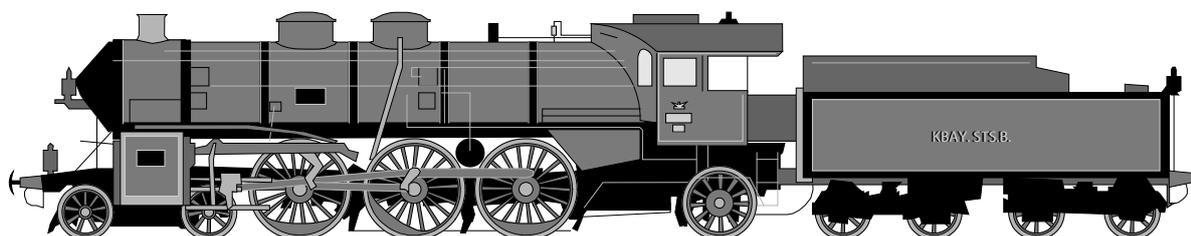
- *Steamtown
- *Meldownfield

Guided bus tours of Peterborough last 75 mins phone 8651 2137

Ride leaves Caltex Munno Para at 9 00 am



Wallaroo Weekend - 12/13 August 2006



Saturday night dinner will be at the Bute Hotel, travelling there by train from Wallaroo.

Numbers are strictly limited - Pre-bookings essential at a cost of \$20 per person (cost of train trip only), and can be paid to

**The Treasurer, Jann Baker PO Box 777, Marlestone DC, Marlestone 5033
(Early bird prize - book before 15th July to be in the draw)**

Dinner at the Bute Hotel: Set Menu of choice of Rump, Chicken or Beef Schnitzel, or Fish @ \$12 per person.
Sweets: Apple or Apricot Danish @ \$4

Lucky Door Prizes

Please book your own accommodation

Sonbern Lodge Motel and Guest House Section 8823 2291 (near train station)
Office Beach Holiday Cabins & Caravan Park 8823 2722 (500m from train station)
Wallaroo North Beach Caravan Park 8823 2531 (3ks from train station)

The V & V Club of Kadina will be putting on a **BBQ lunch on Saturday** for us, at cost. Please inform Jann, when booking, if you will be having lunch with them.

Breakfast on Sunday will be provided at the home of Kerryn and Keith Eacott at cost (approx. \$5 pp).
When booking with Jann, please indicate whether you will require breakfast.

MONTHLY DINNERS



Friday, 9th June, 2006

7pm



Rob and Helena Cole will be guests of honour at this dinner, in appreciation for all they have done for the Ulysses Club Adelaide Branch



Windsor Hotel

**410 North East Road
Windsor Gardens**

for bookings & cancellations phone Jenny Hills on 8262 5493
(leave message on message bank)

**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 7th June, 2006**

Friday, 14th July, 2006

7pm



at

Hampstead Hotel

**143 North East Rd
Collinswood**

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Jenny Hills on 8262 5493
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**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 12th July, 2006**



The Entertainment Book 2006-2007

Did you miss out on an Entertainment Book last year? Well make sure of your copy by purchasing it from Sue Freene or Dale Howard at the Adelaide and Torrens Valley Branch meetings in June or by phoning Sue on 8277 3339.

The June meeting is your last chance. NO EXTENSIONS are possible.

The low price of \$55 per copy will not only save you \$\$\$\$\$s on meals, accommodation, etc., over the year, but will also contribute to the **Andy Caldicott Trust** for his family. All proceeds will go to this fund.

Friday, 11th August, 2006

7pm



at

Windsor Hotel

**410 North East Road
Windsor Gardens**

for bookings & cancellations phone
Jenny Hills on 8262 5493
(leave message on message bank)

**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 9th August, 2006**

What Adelaide's been up to

The Wednesday Riders' Midweek Weekend at Barmera in April

A happy group on twenty-two bikes and in two hard tops set off from Tea Tree Gully Hotel on Wednesday, 28th April, with Mick Sandley leading.

With pleasant weather for riding and not much traffic on the road, we stopped for morning tea at Mannum where Arnie's seat was popular, as usual. Some day riders left us as there and we continued on to the popular riverside park at Swan Reach for lunch. We said goodbye to the more of the day riders and meandered on to Camp Kedron, on the shores of Lake Bonney. To finish a great day's riding, photos of the wonderful sunset over the lake were taken by many members. We then broke out the drinks and nibbles, and chatted, whilst the wonderful bbq cook, Wayne, excelled himself again with a great steak, onion and salad evening meal.

It was a leisurely day on Thursday and, after taking a lakeside walk, some rode off through Monash, Berri and on to Loxton for morning tea/lunch at a very good bakery we hadn't tried before. Others wandered into Barmera and found a great bakery there, too, and explored the city centre. In the afternoon, a group of 10 ferried to Kingston-on-the-Murray for an Eco

River Murray cruise, which had been recommended by Doreen and Mick. It was a great 2 hour trip in the flat bottom boat with canopy cover, along with host, Peter, cheerfully giving us some history of the river and current information. We stopped at Lock 3, walked around and enjoyed a great surprise of fresh, home-made, warm scones, with home-made jam and cream – yummy. Guzzi Bob found a 4-legged friend, which kept us all amused until we got back on the boat to continue our water trip back through the overflow area, which was so peaceful especially with the sun beginning to set.

After the trip, we wandered back to the Barmera Football club for our tea that night, and then home to Camp Kedron for coffee, chat and nibbles.

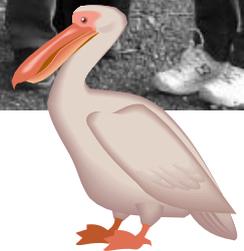
After a lot of rain through the night, we weren't in a hurry to depart in the morning, but when we did, the rain eased off by the time we got to Waikerie. When we stopped at Blanchetown for lunch, it had cleared up.

It was another great camp, and we thank Mick and Ross for organizing everything for us to enjoy.

Jenny Hills



During the boat trip we stopped to look at Lock No. 3



The Brains Trust?!!! Wayne Digance, Moss Robertson, Alan Dyer, Ross Murray and Nick Oliver



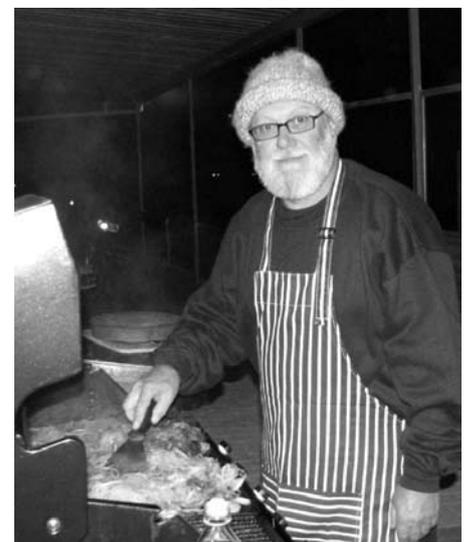
Geraldine Murray, Nick Oliver, Grant Binkley, Moss Robertson, Ross Murray, Alan and Carlene Dyer



'Yeah, I'm house-trained.'
Wayne Digance



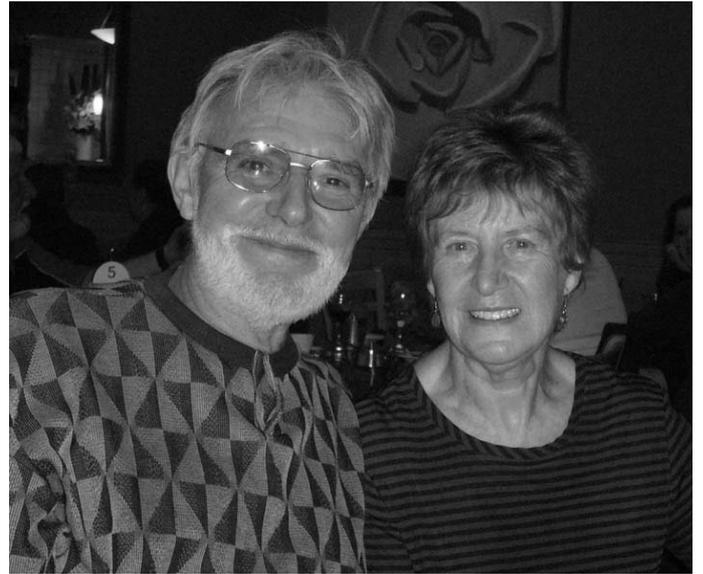
Liz Robertson, Frank Cairry and Guzzi Bob



SEEN AT RECENT DINNERS



Carol and Gordon



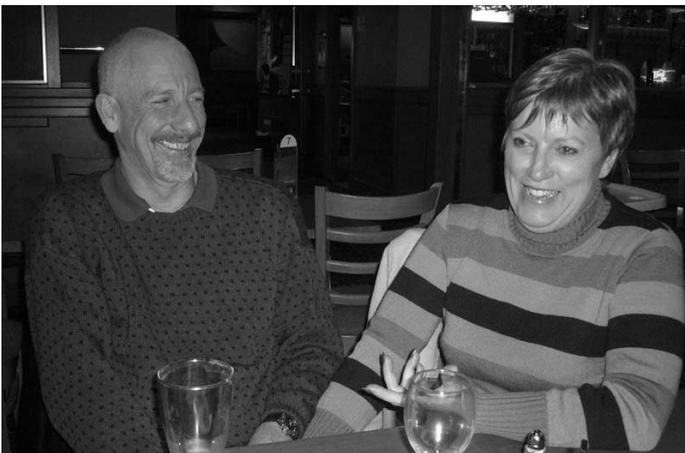
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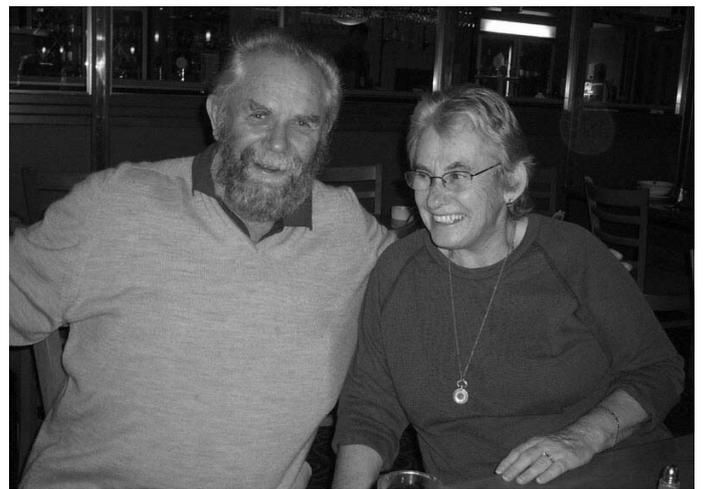
Brian and Kerry



Esther and Grant



John and Rosemary



Rob and Helena



Celebrations



Pauline Crabb



Golden Wedding Anniversary

On Sunday 23rd April, 2006, in the Cafe Nova at Gawler, a group of over 50 friends from the Ulysses Club and relatives arrived to celebrate the 50th Wedding Anniversary of Mick and Doreen Sandley.

Don Smith played the keyboard and sang to put the swing into the music for the dance floor, which many couples enjoyed, including Mick and Doreen.

Before cutting the beautifully decorated celebration cake, made and iced by daughter Ruth's friend, their son, Paul, gave a wonderful short speech and proposed a toast to his parents. Paul told us that Mick and Doreen met in 1952 at the Streatham Ice Rink, where Mick (surprise, surprise) took Doreen home on the back of his Royal Enfield motorbike.

Doreen was interested in netball at the time, but Mick soon introduced her to scrambles and the joys of the motorbike.

They were engaged on 19th April, 1954 and, at the time, Mick was in the Armed Service, but stayed in England while on duty. They married on 21st April, 1956.

After creating a happy family with three children, Catherine, Paul and Helen, they decided to migrate to Australia in 1965. The next year, their fourth child, Ruth, was born in Adelaide. In 1972 they moved to their current home in Yatala Vale and now enjoy the company of 8 grand-children and 3 great-grand-children.

A tasty afternoon tea was served and, of course, we had Champagne for the toast. All this + seeing Mick in a tie! What a day!

All guests had a lovely time, and it became very evident that Mick and Doreen thoroughly enjoyed the celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. They thank all their Ulyssian friends for the many good wishes and for making their anniversary a day they will remember with great cheer, as we all will. Well done!

Jenny Hills



Mick and Doreen cutting their Golden Anniversary cake



Helping Pauline celebrate: Wayne, Janetta, Mick, Jenny and Doreen

From Carmel Sanders

A guy is 81 years old and loves to fish. He was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, "Pick me up."

He looked around and couldn't see any one. He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice say again, "Pick me up."

He looked in the water and there, floating on the top, was a frog.

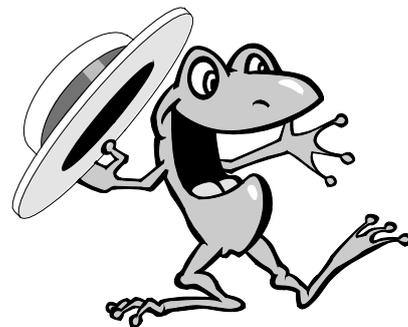
The man said, "Are you talking to me?"

The frog said, "Yes, I'm talking to you. Pick me up. Then, kiss me and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen."

The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in his front breast pocket.

Then the frog said, "What, are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said?"

I said 'kiss me and I will be the most beautiful woman you've ever seen'".



The man opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said, "Nahhhhhh....., at my age I'd rather have a talking frog."

Men strike back!!!!!!

How many men does it take to open a beer?
None. It should be opened when she brings it.

Why is a Laundromat a really bad place to pick up a woman?

Because a woman who can't even afford a washing machine will probably never be able to support you.

Why do women have smaller feet than men?

It's one of those "evolutionary things" that allows them to stand closer to the kitchen sink.

How do you know when a woman is about to say something smart?

When she starts a sentence with "A man once told me..."

How do you fix a woman's watch?

You don't. There is a clock on the oven.

Why do men fart more than women?

Because women can't shut up long enough to build up the required pressure.

If your dog is barking at the back door and your wife is yelling at the front door, who do you let in first?

The dog, of course. He'll shut up once you let him in.

What's worse than a Male Chauvinist Pig?

A woman who won't do what she's told.

I married a Miss Right.

I just didn't know her first name was Always.

Scientists have discovered a food that diminishes a woman's sex drive by 90%.

It's called a Wedding Cake.

Why do men die before their wives?

They want to.

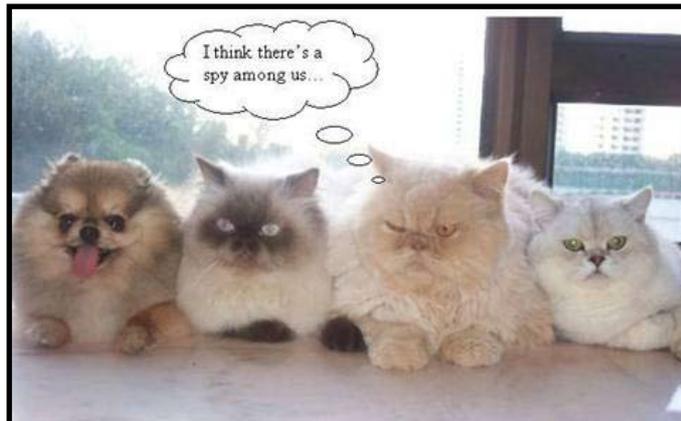
Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.

In the beginning, God created the earth and rested.

Then God created Man and rested.

A Friend Is Like A Good Bra...

Hard to find
Supportive
Comfortable
Always lifts you up
Never lets you down or leaves you hanging
And is always close to your heart!!!





13th CENTRAL FOSSIL FRIENDLY ODYSSEY INFORMATION SHEET



Friday 29th September – Monday 2nd October 2006
Wirreanda Campground, Naracoorte Caves National Park
Proudly hosted by the Ulysses Club Inc. – Limestone Coast Mount Gambier
Branch

Welcome,

The Naracoorte Caves National Park is a world heritage area covering 600ha of limestone ranges and is situated 12 kilometres south of Naracoorte. The discovery of vertebrae fossil material dating back perhaps 500,000 years, and the labyrinth of caves makes this area a very interesting place to explore. Tours of the caves are available 7 days a week.

Our Odyssey logo, the Thylacoleo Canifex, a marsupial lion which lived in the Naracoorte area about 50,000 years ago, is also known as the world's very first "drop bear". This guy had a serious attitude problem, nothing like the wimpy white/pink "Bundy bear" appearing in television ads!

The turnoff to our campsite is located 10 kilometres south of Naracoorte along the Riddoch Highway. Turn left at Russet Ridge Winery and follow the signs to the Naracoorte Caves. The Wirreanda Campground is approx. 1km past the entrance to the National Park.

Registration Fee: covers the cost of hiring the marquee, showers and toilets, DJ, band for Saturday night, Odyssey badge (limited number available), and a delicious roast dinner plus dessert for Saturday night.

Camping: ample grassed sites available for tents and campers. There are 8 sites with power and will only be available to members with a medical condition. Please ring Tim Snigg on (08)87 249408 to reserve a powered site. Please attach medical details with registration form.

On-Site Accommodation: There are two bunkhouses, each sleeping approx 25 with 3 or 4 bunks per room. BYO sleeping bags, pillows and earplugs! Please be prepared to share. Please ring Tim Snigg on (08)8724 9408 to reserve your bed.

Facilities: As well as the showers and toilets on site we will hire in some porta-loos. There is also a laundry available.

Bar: We will be running a licensed bar during the weekend, selling beer, premixed spirits and soft drinks in cans.

Entertainment: JJ-DJ will provide music all weekend.

The Band "Missing Piecez" will entertain us on Saturday night.

Sunday night we will hold a Quiz Night with prizes, and a joke telling competition with an award for the "Odyssey Joker".

Café: At the Naracoorte Caves Information Centre, this is a short walk across the park.

Catering: to assist with ordering please indicate on the Registration Form the meals you require.

Friday night :“a Meet and Greet BBQ” offering burgers, sausages and steak sandwiches will be available from 6:00-8:00pm.

Saturday night: A delicious roast beef dinner and dessert is included with your registration fee. This will be served AGM style beginning at approx 6:30pm

Sunday night: A tasty Chicken Schnitzel, chips and salad dinner and a dessert will be available at a cost of \$15.00. To book for this meal please include payment with your registration.

Breakfasts: A cooked breakfast will be available on Saturday, Sunday and Monday mornings 7:30 – 9:00am.

Tea and Coffee will be available all weekend in the courtyard, free of charge.

Bus Transport: (for Saturday and Sunday night dinners)

Naracoorte Charters will provide a loop around to accommodation in Naracoorte to pick up everyone and bring them to the Odyssey campground for the Saturday and Sunday night dinners. The return bus will drop off in Naracoorte around midnight.

Organised Rides: Saturday and Sunday. Depart caves campsite at 11:00am, return 3:00pm

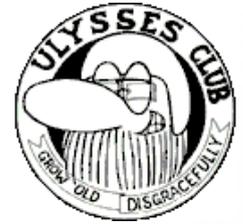
Winery Coach Tour: Depart caves campsite Sunday at 10:30am visit 3 wineries for tastings then travel onto Penola for some time to buy lunch and stroll through the shops and attractions. Return approx. 3:00pm
Minimum 30 required for this tour.

Cost \$28.00 per person includes a cuppa with cheese and biscuits.

Cave Tours: The world heritage listed Naracoorte Caves National Park is open 7 days a week 9:00am – 5:00pm. Tours run regularly throughout the day.

Off-Site Accommodation: To book accommodation in Naracoorte please contact the Naracoorte Visitor Information Centre on 1800 244 421 or check out their website www.naracoortelucindale.com





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REGISTRATION FORM

Please read the accompanying information sheet before completing this form

Name (rider):	Membership #
Name (2 nd rider or Pillion):	Membership #
Postal Address:	Phone:
Email:	

Registration

Registration Fee: includes Saturday dinner & badge (limited number available) [] person/s @ \$45 each (Everyone attending must register & pay this fee)	\$
Late fee (if received after 21 st September 2006) [] person/s @ \$10 each	\$

Camping

On site camping fee is per person per night.	Number of people [] @ \$5 per person per night	\$
Powered sites may be reserved on a medical needs priority (Please refer Information Sheet)		

Bunkhouse Accommodation

On-site accommodation is on a share-room basis. 3 or 4 sets of bunks per room	Number of people [] @ \$10 per person per night	\$
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Bus Transport

Bus pick up in Naracoorte & return For dinners Saturday & Sunday nights	Number of people [] @ \$7 per person per night	\$
Accommodation Address in Naracoorte: (for bus pickup)		

Catering

FRIDAY NIGHT BBQ: To assist with catering please tick if you require	<input type="checkbox"/>		
BREAKFASTS: To assist with catering please tick if you require	SAT <input type="checkbox"/>	SUN <input type="checkbox"/>	MON <input type="checkbox"/>
SUNDAY NIGHT DINNER	Number of people [] @ \$15 per person	\$	

Winery Coach Tour

Sunday @ 10:30am Winery Tour	Number of people [] @ \$28 per person	\$
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TOTAL REMITTANCE

\$

Payment by cheque or money order to: ULYSSES CLUB INC. - Limestone Coast Mount Gambier Branch	Please post to: Ulysses Club Inc - Limestone Coast Branch PO Box 3480 MOUNT GAMBIER SA 5290
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Sensitivity+ No. 1

Three guys were working on a high rise building project in Sydney - Steve, Bill, and Charlie. Steve falls off and is killed instantly.

As the ambulance takes the body away, Charlie says "Someone should go and tell his wife".

Bill says, "Ok, I'm pretty good at that sensitive stuff, I'll do it".

2 hours later he comes back carrying a carton of beer.

Charlie says, "Where did you get that, Bill?"
"Steve's wife gave it to me"

That's unbelievable, you told the lady her husband was dead and she gave you beer?"

Bill says, "Well not exactly. When she answered the door, I said to her, "You must be Steve's widow"

She said, "No, I'm not a widow."
And I said, "Wanna bet me a carton?"

I am told that a 98-year-old woman wrote this to her bank, and the bank manager thought it amusing enough to have it published in the New York Times.

Dear Sir

I am writing to thank you for bouncing my check with which I endeavored to pay my plumber last month.

By my calculations, three "nanoseconds" must have elapsed between his presenting the check and the arrival in my account of the funds needed to honor it. I refer, of course, to the automatic monthly deposit of my entire salary, an arrangement which, I admit, has been in place for only eight years.

You are to be commended for seizing that brief window of opportunity, and also for debiting my account \$30 by way of penalty for the inconvenience caused to your bank.

My thankfulness springs from the manner in which this incident has caused me to rethink my errant financial ways. I noticed that whereas I personally attend to your telephone calls and letters, when I try to contact you, I am confronted by the impersonal, overcharging, pre-recorded, faceless entity which your bank has become.

From now on, I, like you, choose only to deal with a flesh-and-blood person. My mortgage and loan payments will therefore and hereafter no longer be automatic, but will arrive at your bank by check, addressed personally and confidentially to an employee at your bank whom you must nominate.

Be aware that it is an offense under the Postal Act for any other person to open such an envelope. Please find attached an Application Contact Status which I require your chosen employee to complete.

I am sorry it runs to eight pages, but in order that I know as much about him or her as your bank knows about me, there is no alternative. Please note that all copies of his or her medical history must be countersigned by a Notary Public,

Sensitivity+ No. 2

A guy goes to the U.S. Post Office to apply for a job.

The interviewer asks him, "Have you been in the service?"
Yes," he says. "I was in Viet Nam for three years."

The interviewer says, "That will give you extra points toward employment"

and then asks, "Are you disabled in any way?"

The guy says, "Yes 100%...a mortar round exploded near me and blew my testicles off."

The interviewer tells the guy, "OK, I can hire you right now.

The hours

are from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm You can start tomorrow. Come in at 10:00

am."

The guy is puzzled and says, "If the hours are from 8:00 am to 4:00

pm then why do you want me to come in at 10:00 am?"

"This is a government job," the interviewer says. "For the first two hours

we stand around scratching our balls...no point in you coming in for that."

and the mandatory details of his/her financial situation (income, debts, assets, and liabilities) must be accompanied by documented proof.

In due course, I will issue your employee with a PIN number which he/she must quote in dealings with me. I regret that it cannot be shorter than 28 digits but, again, I have modeled it on the number of button presses required of me to access my account balance on your phone bank service. As they say, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery.

Let me level the playing field even further. When you call me, press buttons as follows:

1-- To make an appointment to see me.

2-- To query a missing payment.

3-- To transfer the call to my living room in case I am there.

4-- To transfer the call to my bedroom in case I am sleeping.

5-- To transfer the call to my toilet in case I am attending to nature.

6-- To transfer the call to my mobile phone if I am not at home.

7-- To leave a message on my computer. (A password to access my computer is required. A password will be communicated to you at a later date to the Authorized Contact.)

8-- To return to the main menu and to listen to options 1 through

9-- To make a general complaint or inquiry, the contact will then be put on hold, pending the attention of my automated answering service.

While this may, on occasion, involve a lengthy wait, uplifting music will play for the duration of the call. Regrettably, but again following your example, I must also levy an establishment fee to cover the setting up of this new arrangement.

May I wish you a happy, if ever so slightly less prosperous, New Year.

Your Humble Client

(Remember: This was written by a 98-year-old woman.)

News from other SA Branches



MONTH	DATE	RIDE	CONTACT	ADVISE BY	LEAVE	TIME
July	15	Sea Breeze Hotel Tumby Bay	Bill Crittenden 8833 3382	8/7/06	At Hotel	6.00 pm
July	29-30	Harbour View Caravan Park Cowell: Oyster & Wine tasting tour. Saturday night camp oven Bacon and eggs Sunday Brekky Book own accomm. Ph. 8629 2216	Trevor Hannam 8682 8209	20/7/06	NS	10.00 am
August	7	Police Instructor Training info night By Paul Noble, Ulyssian #26549 North Shields Sports Centre Supper supplied - \$2.00 entry	Geoff Trevor 8683 1008 Cars available to take gear out Ride via Tumby Bay if weather ok PLEASE ADVISE	31/7/06		7.30 pm
August	19	Sheringa Roadhouse	Mick Jesser 8682 4019 PLEASE ADVISE	12/8/06	TJ	10.30 am
September	2-3	O/N at Nyroca Hostel, Coult Bring own food, sleeping bag & pillow. Bunkhouse accommodation \$10 per head MUST ADVISE	Trevor Hannam 8682 8209	26/8/06	TJ	11.00
September	8-10	To Lower Flinders Ranges through Gorges	Marlene Poole 8688 2316	1/9/06	NS	9.00 am
September	24	Ungarra Sports Centre BYO BBQ	Geoff Trevor 8683 1008		NS	11.00 am
October	29/9-2/10	13th Central Odyssey at Naracoorte				
October	15	Port Neill	Trevor Hannam 8682 8209		NS	10.30 am
October	23	AGM at North Shields Sports Centre				
November	12	Breakfast at Cougar's	Bill Sellen 8682 2713	5/11/06	TJ	7.00 am
November	25 Saturday	BYO BBQ at Peter & Lorraine Bradford's home, Coffin Bay Ride via Tumby Bay and Cummins	Bill Crettenden 8683 3382	17/11/06	TJ	10.00 am
December	9	Christmas Dinner at Lincoln Grove Estate Bookings MUST be Made For Directions, ring Trevor	Trevor Hannam 86828209	1/12/2006		5.30 pm for Pre Dinner refreshments
NB:	Come on any Event on any sort of wheels Sunday Impromptu Rides from Town Jetty at 10am Scheduled Rides Leave On Time Indicated : T J (Town Jetty) - N S (North Shields) All rides may be subject to alteration Visitors Welcome PRESIDENT: DES BOYCE:- Phone 86835135 Mob. 0427835135					



Margie Bath

Margie Bath's Prostate Awareness Ride

On the 12th of May, we were able to have Margie address us with her very informative knowledge of prostate health, as well as other health matters.

Margie was accompanied by her husband, Tiger, who received his Life Membership Certificate and Badge at the Tasmanian AGM, as well as Frank and Sandy, who rode with them from Whyalla. Sandy is secretary of the Whyalla 086 Branch.

Prior to Margie's address, we were treated to an excellent evening meal by the North Shields Sports Assoc. ladies at their clubrooms.

Many questions were asked after her talk, which showed the interest our members had in this serious matter.

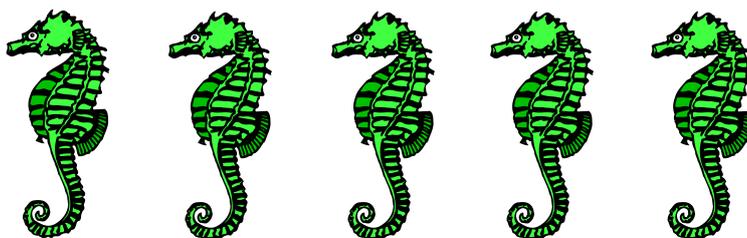
Margie and Tiger were able to stay at the Port Lincoln Caravan Park at North Shields by courtesy of our member Bob Whillas and his wife, Jenny. We thank them both sincerely.

The following day, seventeen members and partners rode to Elliston with Margie and Tiger, visiting some scenic places on the way.

We all thank them for their visit and wish them good travelling for the months ahead.



Tiger Bath



Paul Miller's 50th Birthday 22nd April

A lovely day greeted us for Paul's 50th birthday, and what a beautiful setting greeted some 26 members all set for very well cooked chops, snags, chicken legs, etc., on the barbecue, and served with beautiful salads washed down by the occasional red or two. Congratulations must go to Paul's wife, Lyn, for organizing the day. (You're a lucky man Paul, but I guess you know that!) Thanks must also go to our ladies who brought many very tasty sweets.

Trevor Hannam # 40042

Ride to Arno Bay 26th March

On a rather overcast day, some 15 brave souls gathered at the North Shields Caravan Park for a ride to Arno Bay. As the sky did not look very friendly, yours truly and Geoff Trevor decided that it may be better if we went by car (a decision later in the day that proved to be a wise move). On arrival at Arno Bay, lunch was at the Caravan Park kiosk; after lunch a walk down the jetty by most was followed by a short ride to the marina, which is quite large and very well done. However, most members were now looking towards the ever darkening sky and decided to make a dash for home. I made enquiries the next day and apparently it was quite a wet trip home, for those on motor bikes that is. !!!!

Trevor Hannam # 40042



Hi all

Limestone Coast Branch recently held its AGM and the following are to be congratulated for their commitment to the branch for the next twelve months:

President/Safety Officer -	Tim Snigg
Vice Pres/Rides Captain -	Chris Jackway
Secretary -	Sheila Holloway
Treasurer -	Adrian Van Uitert

Committee Members

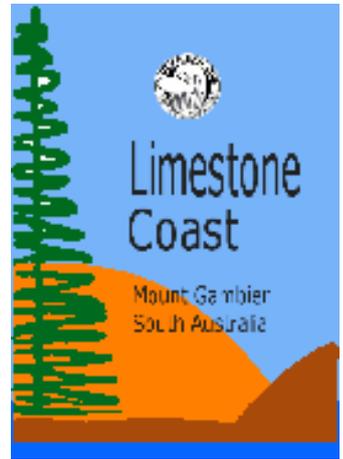
Coralie Jackway	Alison Smyth
Norm Elliott	Bill Hunter
Jill Snigg -	Merchandise
John Bonney -	Webmaster
Jane Esman -	Newsletter Editor

Congratulations to Alison and Adrian on their recent marriage, also to Helena Gritton on being elected to Secretary on Natcom. Helena and David are currently in South Africa meeting up with our Ulyssian cousins across the seas. We look forward to all the piccies when they get back.

Branch organised rides, meetings, coffee mornings and social events have been well attended this year thanks to

fine weather and the members who have embraced the true Ulyssian Spirit and supported all that is organised.

We recently played host to the Fleurieu Branch members who ventured down here for an overnighter. To say we had a ball would be an understatement; I suppose you could say we partied on like true Ulyssians!!! Many thanks to Robyn and Ray Crees, from Kalganyi Caravan Park, for their wonderful hospitality and for putting on such a delicious breakfast on Sunday morning.



As you may or may not know, Limestone Coast Branch is hosting this year's SA Central Odyssey. The event will be known as the *Fossil Friendly Odyssey* and will be held Friday, 29th September – Monday 2nd October at The Naracoorte Caves Campground. Registration forms and information sheets can be downloaded from the Limestone Coast Branch website and are also printed in this edition of the Odyssey. Look forward to seeing you all later this year.

Miss Jane

Sensitivity+ No. 3

The husband and wife go to a counselor after 15 years of marriage.

The counsellor asks them what the problem is and the wife goes into a tirade listing every problem they have ever had in the 15 years they've been married. She goes on and on and on.

Finally, the counsellor gets up, goes around the desk, embraces the woman and kisses her passionately rips off her clothes and makes mad passionate love to her.

Needless to say, the woman shuts up and sits quietly with a very satisfied daze.

The counsellor turns to the husband and says, "That is what your wife needs at least three times a week. Can you do that?"

The husband thinks for a moment and replies, "Well, I can get her here Monday and Wednesday, but Friday I play golf."

Fleurieu Branch Report

Well, this will be my final report as I am stepping down from the committee. After four years, it is time for me to step down and leave the branch in the good hands of those who will be elected at our AGM this month.

I have been fortunate to have had such a fine group of people working alongside me, to ensure that the Fleurieu Branch has been the success that it has been, in the 4 years since it was founded.

Fellow founder, Chris Matthews, has been there with me since before the branch was created, and I thank her for all of her wonderful work. She has been able to keep her thought processes on the big picture at all times, and rise above the emotion of the moment. Thanks Chris.

Michael Cox has been, and will continue to be, the best possible Treasurer this branch could hope for. He has kept us all on the straight and narrow down to the last cent, and is always cheerful and supportive. Thanks, mate.

Crazee Jenkins has worked tirelessly as Rides Captain and no task has ever been too much for him. What a great asset he has been.

Our Vice President, Heather Van Erp, has grown within the position, and believes that the strength of the branch lies in continuing with the winning formula. She will make a superb President, if members choose to vote for her at the AGM, and I wish her every success in her quest.

Chris Roberts, our Webmaster, and, more recently, Committee Member, has a quiet, no nonsense type approach and has provided valuable input which has been greatly appreciated.

Last, but certainly not least, is Rob "Hobbit" Ryan, the ever laughing court jester of the branch. Rob has taken over social responsibilities of the branch in recent times, and has more enthusiasm than you could ever ask for. Another great asset to the branch.

I wish all of these people well for their future association with the branch and publicly thank them.

The weather has come in cold a little early this year, it seems, but that won't prevent us from heading to Horsham on the June long weekend to meet the Shearwater Branch. If you are free, I strongly urge you to make this journey, as it is a large and riotous gathering of good times

with like-minded members from across the border. For more details, ring Crazee. For those unable to go, a Coffee Ride will be held on June 11th, commencing from the Alma Hotel at 10.00am, as usual.

On the 25th June, I will be having my final President's Ride, and hope to see a good turn out and fine weather on that day.

On July 16th, Hobbit has arranged the "Brass Monkey Ride" to Nuriootpa – I guess he is expecting it to be really cold that day. Make sure you wear your thermals.

On July 30th, Crazee is again hosting our Anniversary Ride to Dundee's at Murray Bridge.

On August 13th, Rob and Mick are jointly leading our contingent to Meningie for the Rellies' Ride. Please note that, on that occasion, we are leaving from the Strathalbyn Railway Station, at 9.30a.m., so be there early.

For a full copy of our Rides Calendar, please visit our website.

Well, I guess that is about it for now, so this is me signing off. See you on the road out there somewhere. Safe and happy riding to all.

Warren "Memphis" Jamieson



Yorke Peninsula

April 2, 27 members from Yorke Peninsula, Port Pirie and Adelaide gathered at Ralph and Kath Pattison's for a BBQ lunch and socializing. During the afternoon, future rides/get-togethers were discussed. The weather was great.

May 7, 13 members (most in cars, due to bad weather!) met at Price for a conducted tour of Cheetham Salt, by Rob Chadbourne, who gave us an interesting and informative tour of the place. At the conclusion of the tour, the group ventured to the Price Hotel for an excellent lunch, followed by coffee at Leon and Natalie Hall's at Ardrossan, before heading home. Thanks to Rob for organizing the day.

Coming up

4th June: Ride to Port Vincent to visit the Primay School aquatic display. Meet at the school at 11.15 am for the tour. A BYO BBQ lunch will held at the home of Grant Trotter.

25th June: Ride to Ardrossan and have lunch with Torrens Valley members at the Kings' home. Sausage sizzle lunch.

1st & 2nd July: Ride to Melrose for an overnight stay. Organize own accommodation. Caravan Park and two hotels.

12th August: Adelaide Branch weekender at Wallaroo incorporating train ride to Bute (see ad in this mag.)

3rd September: Proposed ride to St Kilda Mangrove Trail or Tram Museum. Feedback on proposal required. (Fathers' Day!)

For any information, contact

James Bartsch on 8823 3247 or 0429 864 262

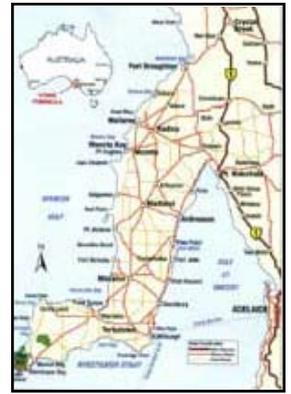
Jim Davies on 8852 1021 or 0417 836 994

**Stay upright and ride safe
James Bartsch**

Wednesday Rides

leave the parking bay in the centre of Kadina Park at 9.30 am on Wednesdays.
Contact Clive Ford for more information
8825 2490

The lunch at Kath and Ralph Pattison's was a great day out. Kath (the hostess with the mostest) treated us to some top goodies that probably few of us should not have been eating! Topped off with some great weather and good company, I'm sure everyone arrived home satisfied with another exceptional day out on their bikes!





Some of the YP members discussing bike paraphernalia and other items of interest at the Pattisons'



Having lunch



Di Chadbourne and Lyn Sawtell

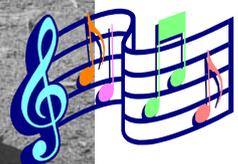


Di Chadbourne, Kath Pattison, Rae Lind, Wendy King

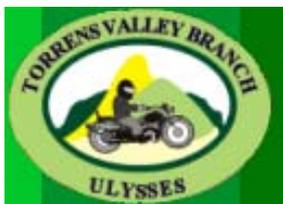


Merv Cole at Mannum

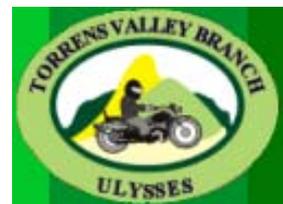
Below: Alby 'Casey Jones' McConnell at Bute



The group which toured the Cheetham Salt: Back - Allan Bowden, Bob Lucier, Rob Chadbourne, Heather Bartsch, Leon Hall, James Bartsch. Front - Di Chadbourne, Rene Power, Phil Ball



Torrens Valley Branch Ride Calendar



Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
June 4	Sunday 10.00 am	Ross Jones 0419 835 800	4 Captains' Ride	Sedan	Gawler
June 25	Sunday 10.00 am	Ross Jones 0419 835 800	Sausage Sizzle @ Kings'	Ardrossan	Munno Para
July 16	Sunday 10.00 am	Ross Jones 0419 835 800	Meet the Fleurieu	Nurioopta	Gawler
July 30	Sunday 10.00 am	Ross & Cancerman 0419 835 800	Twin Event Ride (Novice or experienced)	Mannum	Munno Para
August 13	Sunday 9.30 am	Jeff Chilton 8285 1435	Mitre 10 Sponsored Ride	TBA	Mitre 10 Parafield Gardends
August 27	Sunday 10.00 am	TBA	Arthritis Task Force	Gumeracha	Munno Para

Torrens Valley Ride Report

Hiya all,

The AGM at our monthly meeting will have seen some changes in office bearers and committee members. By the time this issue of The Odyssey is printed, a new Rides Captain will have replaced me. I accepted the position of Ride Captain fully aware that new ground would be broken and with the belief that Torrens Valley would become a Ulysses Branch in South Australia, that would attract much support. Each monthly meeting and, indeed, on most programmed rides, the indication is that support continues to grow. This support is in no small way due to the commitment of our committee members to provide our branch with excellent organizational skills that help to keep our Ulysses members and riders entertained, whether it be at monthly meetings, rides or social events.

I would like to express my thanks to all committee members for making a difficult task so much easier. Each one of you, in some way, contributed advice that was most welcome, while I endeavored to build a platform for our ride calendar that everyone would enjoy. I think, together, we achieved that. "Thanks" to Mark (Cancerman) Bridgeland, our webmaster, for the many hours he has spent collating info for the website calendar, and Wendy King for patiently editing my reports to this magazine. I also thank those riders who assisted with organizing or leading rides.

As Rides Captain I have attempted to encourage more inter-branch participation, and this has been extremely successful. The interaction between our branches has come about due to many phone calls and personal contact with my counterparts. I would like to acknowledge the co-operation of Ken "Cuddles" Fairchild, Andy "Cougar" Mills and "Craze" Jenkins in helping to bring branch riders together. Joint rides involving the Yorke Peninsula and Mallee have also been successful, thanks to James Bartsch and Trevor "Salty" Brine.

In October, 2005, the Torrens Valley riders travelled to Hamilton, Victoria, to meet with our "sister club", the Westgate Wanderers. What an enormously successful event, made possible by our respective committees and the untiring efforts of their Rides Captain, Chris Thomas. I am sure that this year's "meet 'n' greet" at Mildura, in November, will keep the camaraderie going. Mark Seja and his helpers from TV branch, I know, will work hard with Chris to keep this branch friendship intact.

Lastly, I thank the riders of all branches from South Australia and our visitors for allowing me to lead them since our branch was born.

Of course....Jen "let" me ride....thanks dear!

**Ride safe all
Ross "Tai" Jones**

George Carlin's Views on Aging



Do you realize that the only time in our lives when we like to get old is when we're kids? If you're less than 10 years old, you're so excited about aging that you think in fractions.

"How old are you?"

"I'm four and a half!"

You're never thirty-six and a half. You're four and a half, going on five! That's the key.

You get into your teens, now they can't hold you back. You jump to the next number, or even a few ahead.

"How old are you?"

"I'm gonna be 16!"

You could be 13, but hey, you're gonna be 16! And then the greatest day of your life . . . you become 21. Even the words sound like a ceremony . . . YOU BECOME 21. YESSSS!!!

But then you turn 30. Oooohh, what happened there? Makes you sound like bad milk! He TURNED; we had to throw him out. There's no fun now, you're Just a sour-dumpling.. What's wrong? What's changed?

You BECOME 21, you TURN 30, then you're PUSHING 40. Whoa! Put on the brakes, it's all slipping away. Before you know it, you REACH 50 and your dreams are gone.

But wait!!! You MAKE it to 60. You didn't think you would!

So you BECOME 21, TURN 30, PUSH 40, REACH 50 and MAKE it to 60.

You've built up so much speed that you HIT 70! After that it's a day-by-day thing; you HIT Wednesday!

You get into your 80s and every day is a complete cycle; you HIT lunch; you TURN 4:30; you REACH bedtime. And it doesn't end there. Into the 90s, you start going backwards; "I Was JUST 92."

Then a strange thing happens. If you make it over 100, you become a little kid again. "I'm 100 and a half!" May you all make it to a healthy 100 and a half!!

HOW TO STAY YOUNG

1. Throw out nonessential numbers. This includes age, weight and height. Let the doctors worry about them. That is why you pay "them"
2. Keep only cheerful friends. The grouches pull you down.
3. Keep learning. Learn more about the computer, crafts, gardening, whatever. Never let the brain idle. "An idle mind is the devil's workshop." And the devil's name is Alzheimer's.
4. Enjoy the simple things.
5. Laugh often, long and loud. Laugh until you gasp for breath.
6. The tears happen. Endure, grieve, and move on. The only person, who is with us our entire life, is ourselves. Be ALIVE while you are alive.
7. Surround yourself with what you love, whether it's family, pets, keepsakes, music, plants, hobbies, whatever.. Your home is your refuge.
8. Cherish your health: If it is good, preserve it. If it is unstable, improve it. If it is beyond what you can improve, get help.
9. Don't take guilt trips. Take a trip to the mall, even to the next county; to a foreign country but NOT to where the guilt is.
10. Tell the people you love that you love them, at every opportunity.

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER:

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.





Over the Hill

We look forward to Wednesdays
to go on our organised ride,
through the valleys and over the hills,
we've travelled far and wide.

You feel the tension easing,
all problems are left behind,
we feel the country enfold us,
inner peace we're glad to find.

We stop to drink coffee and mingle,
there's so much to talk about,
someone will have the answer
to that question you thought about.

The group is always changing,
nothing in life stands still.
How lucky we are to be part of it
until we ride on 'over that hill'.

We've lived every moment,
we've really loved it all.
We're, oh, so glad we answered
to that 'Ulysses Call'.

Geraldine Murraray

Three of my favourite quotes - Geraldine Murraray-

1. There are two things that one
must get used to or one will find
life unendurable:

The damages of time
Injustices of man

2. There are three sides to every
story:

yours, theirs, the truth

3. In response to your question,
'What is worth doing and what
is worth having?' I would like to
say simply this: It is worth doing
nothing and having a rest.

- Michael Leunig

New Members

Rex Orr	14 St Vincent Close	Aberfoyle Park 5159	83707246
Grant Whitaker	9 Wilga Street	Seacombe Gardens 5047	



Change of Address

Royce and Sylvia Fisher	51 Tonkin Avenue	Barmera 5345	8588 1020
Philip Butterworth	PO Box 133	Stirling North 5710	

Sick Leave

I urgently needed a few days off work, but I knew the Boss would not allow me to take a leave. I thought that maybe if I acted "CRAZY" then he would tell me to take a few days off. So I hung upside down from the ceiling and made funny noises.

My co-worker (who's blonde) asked me what I was doing? I told her that I was pretending to be a light bulb so that the Boss would think I was "CRAZY" and give me a few days off.

A few minutes later the Boss came into the office and asked,

"What are you doing?"

I told him I was a light bulb.

He said "You are clearly stressed out. Go home and recuperate for a couple of days."

I jumped down and walked out of the office.

When my co-worker (the blonde) followed me, the Boss said to her, "And where do you think you're going?"

(You're gonna love this.....)

She said, "I'm going home too, I can't work in the dark!"

Setting the 'record' straight.....

Every 'new' recording of *Unchained Melody* brings on 'discussions' on who recorded it originally. Here is the definitive word on that issue, from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia:

"Unchained Melody" is one of the most recorded songs of the 20th century, by some counts having spawned over 500 versions [citation needed]. One week in the 1950s saw no less than four different cover versions in the British charts alone. The Guinness Book of British Hit Singles lists Jimmy Young, Les Baxter, Al Hibbler and Liberace in May and June 1955.

Originally written by the renowned film composer Alex North as a theme for the now obscure 1955 prison film *Unchained*, the lyrics by Hy Zaret tell of a prisoner's anguish over his wife. Les Baxter recorded it for the film's soundtrack (a version that was also released as a single, Capitol Records catalog number 3055, and reached #1 on the Billboard charts), and it was very soon thereafter recorded by Al Hibbler in a version (Decca Records catalog number 29441) that reached #3 on the chart. Roy Hamilton recorded a version (Epic Records catalog number 9102) that reached #6, and June Valli (reaching #29). The first hit version was by Harry Belafonte, who also sang it at the 1956 Academy Awards. There is a raucous doo-wop version by Vito & the Salutations. Perhaps the best known version is from 1965, credited to the Righteous Brothers but performed as a solo by Bobby Hatfield, who later recorded versions credited solely to himself.

"Unchained Melody" appeared on the Billboard charts again in 1990, reaching #19, after the Righteous Brothers' recording was used in the film *Ghost*. In 2002, Pop Idol runner-up Gareth Gates released it as a single. In 2006, singer Barry Manilow covered the song on his album *Greatest Songs of the Fifties*, and it reached #20.

The song has uniquely been a UK number one hit for four different acts: Jimmy Young (1955); Righteous Brothers (1990); Robson & Jerome (1995); Clay Aiken and Gareth Gates (2002).

Also sung on Australian Idol by Dan England on the 1960's night, and on American Idol by Clay Aiken during the Top 3 finals, as well as Kellie Pickler on Love Songs Week.



One of my favourite versions is by Al Hibbler (ed.)



These salt and pepper shakers were won by Ian and Annette Morgan at the May meeting. They were delighted and congratulate the raffle girls on their prize selections.

Classifieds

FOR SALE



BMW 1100 RT: (Pictured above) 1995. 1½ seat Higgins sidecar outfit. Features include: ABS brakes, 12V heavy duty car battery fitted into sidecar boot, 15" wheels with car tyres all round, rebuilt heavy duty rear shocker, BMW panniers, reworked front end with increased rack angle and spring tension. Chair equipped with rain canopy, nudge bar and stone bra. Original wheels and tyres also available. Fully serviced and ready to go. **\$15,000. Contact Rudi Esman on 0418 800 983**

Honda ST1100: Red, 1997 model. 66 000ks. Custom seat, air horns, back rest, cruise control. **\$10 999. On display at Pitman's or contact Spencer Clark on 8380 9068**

Camplet Trailer: 2003. Good condition + extras. Can be towed by large bikes (Goldwings, etc.). Over \$13,000 new. Sell for **\$8,000. Contact Ken Fairchild on 8277 5509**

1998 MZ 660 Thumper: Contact Rob Hartridge (The Leadlight Man) on **8390 1131 or 0422 114 225.**

1998 250cc Yamaha Zeal: **\$3 500 ono. Contact James on 0427 420 012**

Yamaha FJR1300: 2001. First registered April 2002. 18,600ks. New Michelin pilot tyres, large top box, lambswool seat cover, Shadow trailer with lockable top. Both registered until July 2006. Immaculate condition. Been serviced at all intervals. Regrettable sale. **\$16,500 ono. Contact Vic on 0419 623 169**

Ducati Monster 620 Dark: As new 2005 model. 5 700ks on the clock. Registered until August. Excellent condition. **\$10,000 neg. Contact Steven Lock on 0419 866 733 or 8270 5913 or 8382 2456**

Frog Trailer: Tows great at all speeds. 2 new tyres prior to leaving for Tassie (AGM), 1 good spare on mag wheel. Black in colour, front storage, roof rack. Registered until September 2006. Reason for selling - opportunity to buy



a camper trailer. **\$18 000 ono. Contact Pat McNamara on 0403 974 954 or Louise Goldsmith on 8322 1919 (home)**

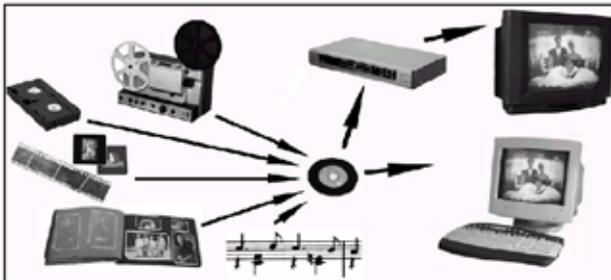
Tent: Free Time Camper 4. Family Deluxe. Very good condition. **\$130 ono. Contact Trevor on 0412 698 059**

Shadow Trailer: As new. Also Caravan: Coromel 535. Single beds, air-con. As new. No further use. **Best offer. For more details and prices, contact Kevin Hausler on 8556 5268**

Bike Trailer: Pewter colour. Registered until early 2007. Stone guard, separate helmet box. **\$1800. Contact Jock on 0411 027 496**

Yamaha XVS 1100 V Star classic cruiser: 2003 model. Excellent condition. Extras: Large windscreen, seatcovers, passing lights chrome engine bars, sackrack, extendable sackpack, saddlebags. 37000ks. **\$11,500 ono. Contact Jeff on 8825 1806**

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