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By the time you get this issue, we'll mostly be back from Coff's and into our own Branch AGM. So I suppose I can say, I hope everyone had a good time now, before we go! Thank you to those contributors who got there stuff in early for this issue.



We have a few members on the sick list, so many, in fact, that I won't risk leaving anyone out and just say that we hope you all will be better soon.

Quite a few 'new' bikes getting around - there seems to be a rush on the Yamaha 650 V Star! Must be the added special of some 'freebies', but it's a nice bike, anyway. Who knows, when we get back from Coff's, Garry might have one, too. Although, he does like the 750 Shadow. He's taken mine for a couple of rallies and likes it well enough. Some test rides are on his agenda at Coff's.

In June, there is a ride to Yorke Peninsula when Garry and I will be privileged to put on a sausage sizzle for lunch. Garry will be able to use the BBQ I got for Fathers' Day, last year. (He didn't want anything, so I put in an order for a BBQ - he wasn't impressed, reckons *he* wants a new helmet for *my* birthday.) I'll try to get the scones right, this time. I might even go for something trickier!

**Go the Power!
Wendy**

Would you like to assist the Adelaide Branch in a practical way? If the answer is 'yes', have we got the job for you!!!!

Position Vacant
Adelaide Branch Quartermaster
Desperate
Phone Liz for details

G'Day Everyone,

Coff's not far away now, some have already gone, others getting ready, others (like myself) are staying at home or working!! Someone has to work, earn taxes and keep their partners in the life style of which they are accustomed!!! According to reports Coff's AGM is going to be BIG, so there will be plenty of stories, to go with a drink or away the winter months.



two to help warn

By the time some members read this article, Adelaide's AGM will have been and gone, and the new committee sworn in! We have a couple of new faces nominate for committee positions.

The last two years I have had a busy and fulfilling time as President and hopefully will continue to serve the members for another term.

As usual the new committee will be listed in the August Mag, and by that time we will be looking forward to the 14th SA Odyssey in October.

So, ride safe and keep having those good times growing old disgracefully!!

See you at the next meeting.

Disgracefully yours
Liz Fairchild
President, Adelaide Branch

G'Day Everyone,

We have been getting some good turnouts on all the rides we have had so far this year and I would like to thank all those who come along - the regulars and the not so regulars.



We are approaching the riding season where the weather can be very changeable from good to not so good, but the rides will still be on regardless of the weather. However, the planned route may change to suit the conditions. After all, getting out on your bike is all about having fun.

The rides cater for all riders on all types of bikes. Whether you are fully experienced or new to riding, come along and explore the beautiful countryside this state has to offer.

Although it has been said that I have a thing for the twisty roads (I'm not saying I don't), the rides take in a variety of roads, so whether you like twisty roads, sweepers or straight bits, there is something for everyone.

There are some good rides coming up during winter, as you can see from the Rides Calendar. Keep an eye on the Adelaide web site for any last minute changes to the rides. We also have an excellent photographer who comes along on most of the rides, and these photos are posted every week on the web site and create a lot of interest - thanks Bernie.

So whatever the weather, get your riding gear on, get on your bike, and come along and see what fun you're missing out on (not that I'm biased).

Andrew Mill (the twisted 1)
Adelaide Branch
Rides Captain

Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar 2007

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
10 Jun	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Combined Captains Ride	Swan Reach	Mcdonald's Magill Rd
17 Jun	8.00am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Die Hards' Breakfast	Cambrai	Civic Park
24 Jun	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Meet the Kings	Ardrossan	Caltex Bolivar
1 July	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Brass Monkey Ride	Victor Harbour	Civic Park
8 July	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	24 Hour Trial/day ride	Mannum	McDonalds Magill Rd
15 July	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride		Top of Taps
22 July	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride		McDonald's Magill Rd
29 July	9.30 am	Chris Roberts 8370 6459	Day Ride		Civic Park
5 Aug	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Mintaro Maze	McDonald's Munno Para
12 Aug	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Normanville	McDonald's Magill Rd
19 Aug	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride		To o'Taps
26 Aug Sunday	9.30am 0412 312 243	Andrew Mill	Adelaide Motors Sponsored Ride		Adelaide Motors 190 Glen Osmond Road
2 Sep	9.30am Sunday	Gnome	Fathers' Day Ride		Top o'Taps
9 Sep	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Memorial Day Ride		McDonalds Magill Rd
16 Sep	9.00am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Bills Sponsored Ride		Bill's City Store
23 Sep	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Hills Market Ride	Various	Civic Park
30 Sep	9.30am Sunday	Chris Roberts Day Ride 83706459			McDonalds Magill Rd
5-8 Oct			BURRA ODYSSEY		
14 Oct	9.30am Sunday	Liz Fairchild 82775509	President's Ride		Top o' Taps
21 Oct			PINK RIBBON RIDE		Burnside Village
28 Oct	9.00am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride		Civic Park
4 Nov	9.30am	Gnome	GP Motorcycles	Sponsored Day Ride	Top o' Taps
11 Nov	9.30am Sunday	Neville Grey 82637566	Friends and Rellies Ride		Civic Park
18 Nov			Yamaha World Sponsored Ride		Yamaha World Sth Rd
25 Nov	9.30am Sunday	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride		Mcdonalds Magill Rd
2 Dec	9.00am	Andrew Mill	Pitmans Sponsored Ride		Yamaha Pitmans

MONTHLY DINNERS

Friday 13th July

7pm

at

**Maid of Auckland Hotel
926 South Rd
Edwardstown**



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

**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 11th July**

Friday 10th August

7pm

at

**The Highbury Hotel
1017 Lower North East Rd
Highbury**



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**DO NOT PHONE HOTEL
bookings close
Wednesday, 8th August**

This one is in the Entertainment Book

SA & Broken Hill Branches' Boss Cockies

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Internet for old farts - by Ken Wagnitz

Have you visited your branch web site lately? In case you aren't aware, each of the Adelaide Ulysses branches maintain a web site for members.

Adelaide: <http://www.ulyssesadelaide.com.au>

Fleurieu: <http://www.fub.org.au/>

Torrens Valley:

<http://www.ulyssesclub.org/branches/torrensvalley>

The national site: <http://www.ulyssesclub.org>

Each site has a rides calendar, which should give the latest rides info. If you are on broadband, it costs you nothing to check it, while ringing your rides captain costs a phone call, and he might be out on a ride or something!

Adelaide members: do you know what is on your web site? Let me describe the sections currently there, as listed in the menu pane:

- Home: The front page, which is a scrolling list of 'happenings' as brought to my attention. The date any part of the web site was last updated is shown at the bottom.
- Committee: All the committee members are shown, along with mugshots, phone numbers and email addresses.
- Branch History: A bit about the branch.
- Activities: A bit about what we get up to.
- Ride Calendar: The list of rides for the year. This usually includes when, where from, where to, whether we get breakfast or lunch etc, the person running the ride, his/her phone number, what the ride is for. For overnighters, there may be more info, or a link to more info. Clicking on the Depart from column will bring up a Google map of the start point.
- Reports: A collection of ride reports and miscellaneous documents.
- Club Gear: Info about gear available from our quartermaster. Current specials appear here.
- Our Magazine: A collection of Odyssey magazines in PDF form, currently back to Feb 2005. The magazine is posted here within days of its printing.
- Club Library: A list of books and magazines for borrowing, held by our librarian, Bob Matthews.
- Events: Details of upcoming events, especially monthly dinners.
- Photo Gallery: A huge collection of photos. It includes photos taken at rides, rallies, dinners, AGMs, and various other places Adelaide members gather.
- Forum: A bulletin board/forum where members can leave a message for others to see, or reply to one already there. You have to register and be 'approved' before you can post a message. (This is very painless.)
- Guest Book: A place to leave a once-off message, intended mainly for casual browsers who aren't local members. Comments to existing messages can also be posted.

- Classifieds: Advertisements from members. Email the webmaster to get an ad with picture(s) put here, or removed once the item is sold.
- Links: A collection of club, member and bike-related internet links. Email the webmaster if you want a link put here.
- Search this site: A search facility for finding something on the web site, including in the Odyssey issues on the Our Magazine page. Important: Spell the words you use correctly. This is the only part of the whole web site which has external advertising on it, because the search engine is provided by a commercial company. (The advertising keeps it free.)

So as you can see, there is a helluva lot there, and it doesn't get the use it deserves!

If any member wants something put on the web site, then you just email the webmaster (me, Ken) about it. I welcome new stuff for the site.

The original website was created by Rhoda Ryan. A lot of its structure still reflects her design.

Unfortunately, there are a bunch of bastards (stronger words come to mind) out there in internet land, who delight in stuffing up things for others. As a result, parts of the web site get spammed. I don't mind deleting the crap soon after it happens (I get emailed), but only for things members actually use.

So use it or lose it! The guest book and forum are continual targets of abuse by people flogging Viagra etc. If members want these to remain, use them, or else they will go. (The photo gallery also gets occasional spurious 'comments', but that is definitely staying.)

If you want to write a report on a ride or rally and have it on the web site, I'd be glad to hear from you. If your home web site would be of interest to other members, let me know and I'll put it on the links page. If you have something to sell, email me details with a picture and you get an ad for free. (Tell me when it is sold, too.)

If you don't have internet access at home, don't forget work, public libraries, mates' computers, etc. Bludge a session on the net wherever you can. (Libraries will actually teach you how to use it.) Have a look at your branch web site. If you have something to contribute, or see something wrong, or would like something changed, or want something different, email your webmaster.

Now I have to go and pack for Coffs Harbour. Happy riding.

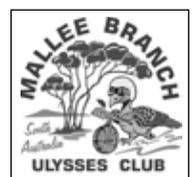
Ken, the Adelaide branch webmaster.

Sunday Morning meeting place

9.30 am Shell Servo Barmera

Come along for a chat over a cup of chino, followed by an informal ride for the energetic ones.

All members and friends welcome



Train Ride to Broken Hill

Sixteen of us departed Adelaide from Keswick Terminal on the Indian Pacific bound for Broken Hill. Most of us ended up in the lounge car enjoying the scenery, playing cards and chatting, some even having little nanny naps.



Nanny nap time for some

On arrival, we all booked into Mario's Palace Hotel (Priscilla, Queen of the Desert fame) and enjoyed a good evening meal at the Barrier Social Democratic Club, across the road.

The next day, some of us enjoyed the 1/2 day bus tour with its unplanned extras, and others did sight-seeing, including op shops, by walking or catching the local bus service. It was an overcast day with light showers and totally appreciated.

We enjoyed tea at the Broken Hill Musicians Club, and soaked up the rain, walking to and from the venue.

The train journey home was enjoyed by all and seeing touches of green in the paddocks was an added bonus.

Thanks Helena for organizing another successful adventure.

Jenny Hills



Jenny! What a big chair you have!



Ridden on

Des Rowe: a good old boy

Motorcycling in Broken Hill is poorer with the passing of stalwart Des “Dog Head” Rowe.

For over 30 years Broken Hill motorcycle clubs have been the beneficiaries of the generosity of a man who placed the needs of family and friends before himself.

When his two sons, Tony and Kerry showed an interest in the sport at a tender age, Des dedicated all his spare time to support them and other members of the Mini Bike Club. As the years progressed both the Silver City Motorcycle Club and the Ulysses Club Broken Hill Branch grew to depend on the support and untiring services of a man who was always available to lend a hand. In recognition of his service, the Silver City club made him a Life Member.



Former Ulysses Club Broken Hill Branch President, Brian Parsons, spoke affectionately about Des Rowe, “Des

was the first person I’d talk to about important issues. I could bounce ideas and suggestions off him and he would always logically and sensibly analyse the situation to come up with the best solution. He was very much an unheralded worker ... reliable and always on hand to help us. He will be sadly missed.”

This commonsense approach by the former mine shift boss foreman was also recognised by his work mates, even after Des retired. Many of his former work mates would come to Des for advice about various work issues long after his retirement.

Des Rowe was a good bloke who made many lifelong friendships. Testimony to that was the huge assembly at his funeral service in Broken Hill.

(Article and photo courtesy of The Barrier Miner newspaper)

Seen at the March/April Monthly Dinners



Lyall, Margaret, Geraldine and Ron



Jamie-T Gryphon



Brian Cook, Michael Ryan, Sue Freene



Rhoda Ryan and Judy cook



Jeannie and Kevin Brenton



Carlene Dyer, Barbara and Jenny Hills



Ann and Des Dixon



Chris and Lyall



Liz and Ken Fairchild

Jann, Jenny and Sue on reconnaissance

Jenny, Jann and I went to the Glenelg Cinema complex (with the Mitsubishi Movie Group, to see *Spiderman 3* and *Because I Said So*, with Dianne Keaton.

We got there at 5.15 pm and had coffee and cake, then went upstairs, picked up our tickets, bought raffle

tickets and found our seats. We saw the first movie, *Spiderman 3* - a fantastic movie with spectacular digital scenes, and not a bad story. Then at interval we all went down to the front of the stage and had supper of 1/4 chickens and wine, and soft drink. Pretty basic, but adequate.

Then the second movie was a chick

flick, -mildly interesting, and overacted. We got out at 11.00 pm, which would be a bit late for some, but *Jenny* works and she had a good night.

Hope to see a few more at the next one on 3rd June. Don't know what the movies are yet, but will let you know.

Sue's film night

On Friday 30th March 2007 over 50 members and friends enjoyed good finger food and two great movies. BO-RAT produced constant laughter from the audience and THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA was another good Meryl Streep movie.

Thanks Sue and everyone who came - it was another great night!



Laura Folk Fair - Wirrabara weekend

About 40+ people went to Wirrabara for the weekend of the 13-14 April, meeting. Members came from Adelaide, Port Pirie, Port Augusta, Yorke Peninsula, etc. Don Freene led the main group from Adelaide via the 'back way' and stopped at Clare for a coffee break, where they met the YP group. Still some others came just for a day ride to take in the Folk Fair and some to have dinner with us in the evening.

The Wirrabara Hotel has been done up and looks great! Mine hosts, Barry and Judy Hoepner, made us all feel most welcome and put on the best meals! The five rooms were booked out by some of our people and the rest camped in the pub grounds - grassy and plenty of room with use of pub facilities.

After a quick run to Laura, most of us headed back to the pub to catch the Showdown on TV. Some of the local identities added to the numbers for the footy. (Bad luck they were all Crows' fans!) I was certainly in the minority, especially when they won. Even those not interested in footy seem to be devoted fans when they win!! Spirits were high in more way than one.

Nevertheless, it was a great weekend and I look forward to 'finding' another venue for a weekend away next year.

Wendy



Above: Trevor McDonald; Ken & Liz Hudson; The Beyers.

Above right: Dale & John Howard, & Don Freene; The Spellacies; The Jenkes.

Then clockwise from right: The Sellens; Mine Hosts; Darren and Ally Hickey from Crystal Brook; The Davies; Shazz Brock & Joe Cairns; Fans singing the Crows 'song'. They must have got the words wrong, because they had to keep singing it until they got it right!



Port Vincent Mid-weeker

The ride started on Wednesday morning 18/4/2007 from Munno Para Shopping Centre with all riders enjoying a pleasant trip to Balaklava, where we enjoyed the sunshine. Joy and David were already busy, but managed to serve us their great scones for morning tea - Thanks.

Then we rode on to Ardrossan and stopped for lunch.

After settling into Tuckerway at Port Vincent, the great Spike hooked up his wonderful IPOD and new speakers for background music – very handy modern technology. We just have to figure out how to select the music we want – but thanks!

We wandered down to the Hotel for tea and caught the bus back where Bob was greeted by a special birthday cake and candle which he just didn't want to blow out.

Lotti, Bob's hearing dog was a joy to all of us.

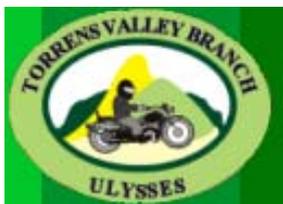
Thursday was another great riding day, so we stopped at Edithburgh where there are now about 40 wind turbines slowly rotating in the breeze, which we enjoyed by the beautiful blue sea for morning tea break. Next, on to Yorketown and up to Minlaton for a great lunch spot. Back to Port Vincent for a leisurely afternoon, enjoying Geraldine's munchies and stories from everyone, then down to the Hotel for another great meal.

Thank You Mick and Ross; we look forward to the next one - hint, hint!!

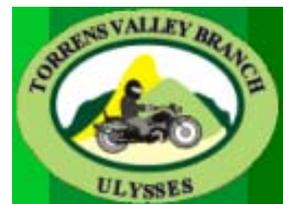
Jenny

Clockwise from top right: Nick, Annette and Ian, Spike, Andy, Graeme and Vito, Wayne, Liz and Geraldine, Guzzi Bob and his 'cake'





Torrens Valley Branch Ride Calendar



Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	Depart
June 9-11	Saturday 9.00 am	David Holland	Queen's Birthday Weekend	Wilpena Pound	Gawler
June 17	Sunday 8.30 am	David Holland	Breakfast Run	Mt Pleasant	Parafield Gardens Community Club
June 24	Sunday 9.00 am	David Holland	YP Group at the Kings'	Ardrossan	Gawler
July 1	Sunday 9.00 am	David Holland	Strathalbyn and Back	Sgrathalbyn	Munno Para
July 8	Sunday 9.00 am	David Holland	Wandering to Waikerie	Waikerie	Gawler
July 14-15	TBA	David Holland	24 Hour Trial	TBA	Gawler
July 22	Sunday 9.00 am	David Holland	The Great Southern Run	Victor Harbor	Civic Park
July 29	Sunday 8.30 am	David Holland	Clare Valley	Clare	Parafields Gardens Community Club

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

Ulysses Club Sponsored Rides

**refer to Adelaide Branch
Calendar for the most up to
date information**

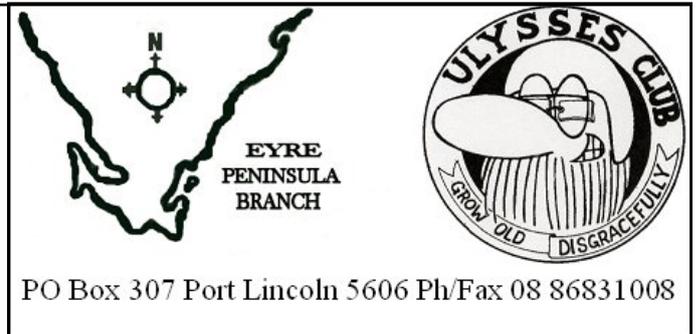
PENONG 3 DAY RIDE 27th - 29th APRIL 2007

Conditions on Friday morning the 27th April were less than perfect for motor bike riding, but true to form, 10 Ulyssians and their wives gathered at the town jetty at 8.30am for an interesting ride to Penong. The group was led away by Trevor Hannam with wife, Janice, at the rear in a very comfortable motor vehicle with Anne Gossink (smart move ladies). During the course of the trip, the Ford become known as "tail end Annie". At Mount Hope we were met by Jim Newland, Bart Carr, Peter and Marlene Poole, and Ray Sims.

With believe it or not slight improvements in the weather, the group headed for Elliston for fuel and from there (with the weather still improving) we headed to Streaky Bay for lunch. After lunch and a break, it was time to mount up again and get the 105 km stretch to Ceduna out of the way and, with conditions still improving, off we went. At about 50kms out of Ceduna, the winds that were forecast arrived and made the rest of the trip to Penong slightly uncomfortable, but this was all forgotten after a few cold ones at the Penong Hotel. Later in the evening, the group enjoyed a meal at the Hotel and I have no doubt would have slept well that night.

Saturday kicked off with a sumptuous breakfast at the roadhouse after which we had three 4WDs lent to us by Penong locals for whatever we wanted to use them for. Shirl Laws gave us his time to show us around, and included Point Sinclair, (see group photo opposite page) Cactus Beach and the Woolshed. Later in the afternoon, Graham Reynolds (Smokey) gave the group a very in-depth tour of the Gypsum Mines.

As it was a 9am Sunday morning start, the group was out of bed reasonably early and after breakfast was ready for the long ride home. Beautiful riding conditions were the order of the day when we left Penong, all the way across to Wudinna. Given the weather that was around at the time, I thought we were very lucky indeed. After lunch at Wudinna, it was a quick cruise to Cummins where the group said goodbyes and headed to their prospective homes, having enjoyed another Ulysses ride. In all, we covered 986 kms. As with all planned rides, it would not be possible without the support of the people at the place you are riding to. I must make mention of the following locals: Sandra and Greg Warminton, Lee Warmington, Sharon and Shirl Laws, Justin (Chook) and Graham (Smokey) Reynolds without your assistance, this trip would not have been possible. On behalf of the Ulysses group, a very sincere thanks to you all. Penong has, and always been and will continue to be special to me. Having not been back their for over 5 years, it's good to see that it hasn't changed, and I hope it never does.



Elliston Overnight trip Saturday 31st March 2007

Mick Jesser must have done some serious talking to the man above for the weather on the weekend, as it could not have been better for a ride to Elliston. A good number of members, wives and partners gathered at the town jetty at 2pm on Saturday for what was to be a most enjoyable weekend.

Mick Jesser, with his wife Jill as pillion, (pictured below) led the group away on a leisurely ride to Elliston, stopping at the usual parking bay just past Warrow and again at Sheringa to stretch the legs. Once we arrived at Elliston, we settled into our rooms or tents and had time to meet the nine Ulysses members that made the journey from Whyalla, also Buck and Heather Yates from Kimba. It was good to see them all again.

As the sun had long gone past the yard arm, it was agreed that a few ales would be the order of the day. With most members agreeing, it was off to the hotel for "happy hour", which was followed by a superb meal enjoyed by 41 members.

After a great night out enjoyed with very good company, you would think it could not get better, but it did. The caravan park owners cooked up a great breakfast! What a way to start the day!

After breakfast and the usual post meal chats, it was on the bikes and away, with some riders riding straight back



down the coast road, and the majority, including the Whyalla members riding across to Lock where we said goodbye to the Whyalla and Kimba members, and headed down to Cummins then across to Tumby Bay for a very enjoyable lunch.

Once again it was a superb weekend enjoyed by all members.

Trevor Hannam
#40042

Month	Date	Ride	Contact	Advise By	Leave	Time
June	24	Borthwick Hill Catered for by Cowley's Motorcycles	Bill Crettenden 8683 3382	17th June MUST ADVISE	Cowley's M/cycles	11.00 am
June-July	29-1	Ferry to Wallaroo - YP Group. Book own accommodation at Office Beach Caravan Park 88232722	Trevor Hannam 86828209 for all information	15th June MUST ADVISE	North Shielda	9.00 am Ferry leaves at 1.15 pm
July	22	BYO BBQ at Tumby Bay Visit Excels' Museum	Shane Graham 86833347	15th July	North Shields	11.00 am
July	29	YLangie BYO-BBQ	Ray Sims		Town Jetty	10.00 am
August	12	Sheringa Roadhouse MUST ADVISE	Mick Jesser 86824019	5th August	Town Jetty	10.30 am

3rd Sunday of each month we will be departing the Town Jetty at 1.30pm.

I was born on the 10th March 1946 in a little town called Oldebroek in Holland. My father was a policeman, and one of my oldest memories is my father riding a Harley Davidson with a big leather saddle and a gear lever next to the tank. (Donated by the American Army to the Dutch Government after the 2nd World War.



I left school at the tender age of 14 and started work in the book-keeping department of a milk factory. My idea of a good job was not punching a calculator all day, so after a year, I changed to the sales department of a paint factory. At the age of eighteen I did national service in the Air Force, during this time both my parents passed away. When I finished national service in 1967 I went back to my old job, and it was during this time that I met and married my wife Anne and we now have four sons and have been happily married for forty years.

I always wanted to be a carpenter and we fancied moving to a warmer country, so I went to trade school and, when finished, we left for Australia with our first son. We arrived on the 5th January 1970 and moved into the Smithfield Hostel in South Australia. Within a week, I started work and completed projects in Adelaide, Burra, Barmera, Berri and Elizabeth.

In 1973, we moved to Tumby Bay to build the new school. We decided to stay and bought a place in Tumby Bay. I have worked as a self-employed builder ever since. In the early days, we worked as far away as Yalata. I stopped that after a few years to spend more time with the family.

We built a house in Lipson (10kms north of Tumby Bay) and lived there for nearly twenty years. We then made the move to Port Lincoln. In October 2006, I bought a Yamaha 250 V star to take with us on a trailer behind our camper. My wife just happens to be friends with the wife of Des Boyce, President of the Ulysses E.P. Branch, and he suggested I join the Ulysses Club. My reply to that was, "I have not got time to ride bikes on Sundays." I have since joined the club and have hardly missed a ride. My wife Anne has been involved in some of the trips and is really enjoying the rides, company and atmosphere.

Trevor's Note: Glad to have you both in the club. A little bird informs me that a Gold Wing or a BMW 1200 LT is in the wind. Look forward to seeing that, and of course Anne on the back seat!



Southern Flinders Ulysses Ride Group



On **March 18th** 5 bikes headed off in fantastic weather. We rode across to Yacka and had morning tea in the park. After that, it was off to Bute, where we were joined by another bike from Yorke Peninsula and 2 from Pt. Augusta. We went to the Bute Hotel for a steak lunch with the biggest steaks I have ever seen. After much talk, we headed home via Pt. Broughton.

April 15th saw 8 bikes head off for a ride to Eudunda. We stopped at Burra for a toilet stop where 2 other bikes caught up with us. Then it was a leisurely ride to Eudunda for lunch. After lunch, we made our way through Saddleworth and Auburn and stopped at Clare for a drink and caught up with some of the Adelaide group heading home from the Laura Folk Fair. While chatting over a drink, Cossie mentioned that he knew someone in Clare that had a collection of Velocettes and wondered if we were interested in having a look. Everyone was interested, so we headed off and had a good look at the Velos and Norton with a service box sidecar before heading for home.

Future Rides:

Sunday 17th June

Ride leader Les Beyer 86325565, 0427632213

Ride to Hawker for lunch. Travel through Jamestown and Orroroo heading up and come back through Quorn. Either bring your own lunch or take away available. Petrol will be available at Jamestown, Hawker and Quorn.

Total distance: approx. 430 km

Sunday 15th July:

Ride leader Rodney Lind 88377260, 0418527977

Leave at 8:30am. Travel via Balaklava and Gawler to the Whispering Wall at Williamstown. Then on to the Willaston Hotel for a 3 course lunch at \$7.90 each. Numbers for lunch to Rodney Lind (88377260) or Les Beyer by July 1st.

Saturday 11th August:

BBQ and bonfire at Paul Berry's 86325810, 210 Esmond Rd., Pt. Pirie. Start at 6:00pm byo meat, drinks and chair. Bonfire if not raining, plenty of room in the shed around the wood stove if it is wet. Camping available if required, just ring Paul to let him know.

Sunday 19th August:

Ride leader Leon Stephens 0407727035

Leave at 9:00am and travel through the passes to Wilmington for morning tea then on to Quorn for lunch. Bring your own, buy or have lunch at the pub.

Weekend ride to Hahndorf 1st and 2nd September:

Ride leader Leon Stephens 0407727035, 86331211

Leave 8:30am for leisurely ride to Hahndorf via the Barossa Valley. Accommodation available at the Hahndorf Old Mill (83887888) or Hahndorf Inn Motor Lodge (83881000). Book your own accommodation.

For further information contact Les Beyer 0427632213 or Leon Stephens 0407727035

Yorke Peninsula

PROSTATE CANCER RESEARCH RIDE

25 th April 2007

Three riders from Yorke Peninsula Ulysses Riding Group met with four riders from Southern Flinders Ulysses Riding Group and enjoyed a ride to the Swan Reach Hotel. We met up with riders from other branches and riding groups and had a great social afternoon. The Hotel served forty five most enjoyable meals. The highlight of the meal was the apple crumble served up for dessert - it was the first time the chef had included it on the menu and the girls were so impressed that they asked for the recipe, which was gladly given to them. It looks like a few of us will have to be counting calories from now on if we are going to be having apple crumble for dessert on a regular basis.

A collection was taken up by the ride organiser, Dave Holland, which raised \$304 and this was handed over to the representatives of C.R.A.B. (Cancer Research Advocate Bikers) and was gratefully received by them.

After lunch, coffee and a bit more socialising, we reluctantly had to leave this picturesque venue and head for home. We said our goodbyes at Auburn with the S.F.U.R.G. heading back to Port Pirie and we returned to Yorke Peninsula.

The Hotel would be a great venue for an overnight stay with two types of accommodation available: hotel rooms or camping at the rear of the hotel on the banks of the river. We found the management and staff only too pleased to make us very welcome.



Happy diners from PY and Port Pirie at Swan Reach.



Left: At the bbq hosted by the Fleurieu Branch at Strathalbyn

Strathalbyn

6th May

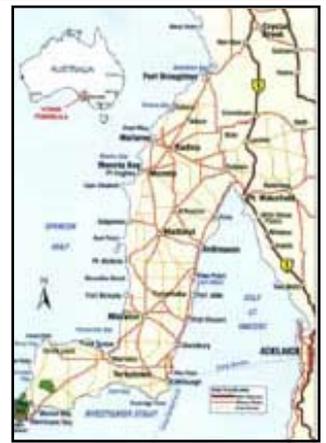
Eight bikes from Yorke Peninsula and one bike from Port Pirie left Port Wakefield and rode to Williamstown where we picked up another five Y.P. members. The Torrens Valley Branch met us there for morning tea before we all continued on the ride to Birdwood. On to Strathalbyn where we met another Y.P. member, which gave us a total of fifteen bikes participating in the ride.

The Fleurieu Branch catered for lunch providing a terrific b.b.q and salads. The day was perfect weather wise and the venue they selected was fantastic. It was certainly great to enjoy interaction with fellow Ulyssians from other branches and riding groups. A lot of the talk was about the A.G.M with many mobile numbers being exchanged, with the aim of getting together again at Coff's Harbour.

Everyone enjoyed the ride - the twisties and the hills are a lot different to what we generally experience on the Peninsula.

We would like to thank the Fleurieu Committee and helpers, for making us feel welcome and putting on such a great show for us, and we look forward to reciprocating in the near future.

P.S Lucky Jim Davies won the raffle.



The family that rides together, stays together!



Here is the Pattison gang at the Strathalbyn ride - from left: Kevin, Val, Sonya (nee pattison), Ralph and Barry

Coming Rides

Friday 29th June & Saturday 30th June & Sunday 1st July

The Eyre Peninsula Branch will be travelling over to Yorke Peninsula by ferry and staying in the Office Beach Caravan Park Wallaroo. At 6.00 pm Friday night we will be having a meal at The Boatshed Restaurant, take away food and restaurant meals are available and can be eaten in the boat shed where they have a fire going which creates a very nice atmosphere. The restaurant is walking distance from the Caravan Park.

On Saturday after a self catered breakfast, a ride has been organised (distance 277kms) will be leaving the Caravan Park at 10.00 am. We will stop about halfway for a light lunch and refreshments. For tea, a meal at the Weeroona Hotel has been organised at \$14.00 per head consisting of a choice of porterhouse steak, fish, or roast lamb and apple crumble for dessert.

On Sunday, once again, you will need to organise your own breakfast, then we will be leaving the Caravan Park at 11.00 am and travelling to the Bute Hotel (40 kms) for a bbq lunch at \$10.00 per head.

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th August

Leave B.P Roadhouse Ardrossan at 9.30 am Saturday 30th June and travel to Corny Point Caravan Park for an overnight stay.

The Caravan Park has an excellent camp kitchen and games room. Cabins are available priced from \$50.00 to \$80.00 per night, there is also a cottage available which sleeps 8 persons for \$90.00 per night. There are heaps of powered sites \$15.50 per night and un-powered sites \$13.00 per night. All of these prices are for two people an extra charge will apply for additional persons. Accommodation will need to be booked and can be made by contacting Charlie or Jenelle Tooze on 88553368.

There are several under-cover bbq's available and a camp fire is lit every night. There is limited shopping available so b.y.o. would probably be the go. On Sunday the option is available to return home via Marion Bay and have lunch at one of the local eateries.

Sunday September 2nd

Meet at B.P.Roadhouse Ardrossan to leave at 9.00am and travel to The Farm Shed at Kadina for a guided tour through the Museum and Matta House. This venue is well worth a look as there are many interesting displays depicting the early days of Yorke Peninsula. The admission fee is \$7.00 per person (no concessions) which covers you from 10.00am until 3.30 pm.

You will need to b.y.o lunch as there is no food available to buy, a gas b.b.q will be available for cooking. Sorry, no alcohol is to be brought onto the premises as it is an unlicensed venue.

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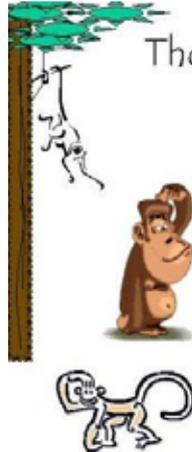
Jim Davies 88521021 Mob 0417836994

Sunday Rides

are held on the first Sunday of the month. Watch this page for details and updates or contact Jim or Rod 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 8825 2490 before **any** Wednesday ride to get the latest information.



Thought for the day...

Life at work is like a tree full of monkeys, all on different limbs at different levels.

Some monkeys are climbing up, some down.

The monkeys on top look down and see a tree full of smiling faces.

The monkeys on the bottom look up and see nothing but assholes.

Positive thought for the day

When you feel that nobody loves you,
Nobody cares for you,
Everyone is ignoring you,
and people are jealous of you
You should really ask yourself...

Am I TOO sexy?



Silent Treatment

A man and his wife were having some problems at home and were giving each other the silent treatment. Suddenly, the man realized that the next day, he would need his wife to wake him at 5:00 AM for an early morning business flight. Not wanting to be the first to break the silence (and LOSE), he wrote on a piece of paper, "Please wake me at 5:00 AM" He left it where he knew she would find it.

The next morning, the man woke up, only to discover it was 9:00 AM and he had missed his flight. Furious, he was about to go and see why his wife hadn't wakened him, when he noticed a piece of paper by the bed. The paper said, "It is 5:00 AM. Wake up."

Men are not equipped for these kinds of contests.

Words

A husband read an article to his wife about how many words women use a day...

30,000 to a man's 15,000.

The wife replied, "The reason has to be because we have to repeat everything to men..."

The husband then turned to his wife and asked, "What?"

Creation

A man said to his wife one day, "I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time."

The wife responded, "Allow me to explain. God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me; God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!"

A Sunday school teacher was discussing the Ten Commandments with her five and six year olds. After explaining the commandment to "honor" thy Father and thy Mother, she asked, "Is there a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters?" Without missing a beat one little boy (the oldest of a family) answered, "Thou shall not kill."

The children had all been photographed, and the teacher was trying to persuade them each to buy a copy of the group picture.

"Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up and say, 'There's Jennifer, she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael, he's a doctor.'"

A small voice at the back of the room rang out, "And there's the teacher, she's dead."

A teacher was giving a lesson on the circulation of the blood. Trying to make the matter clearer, she said, "Now, class, if I stood on my head, the blood, as you know, would run into it, and I would turn red in the face." "Yes," the class said.

"Then why is it that while I am standing upright in the ordinary position the blood doesn't run into my feet?"

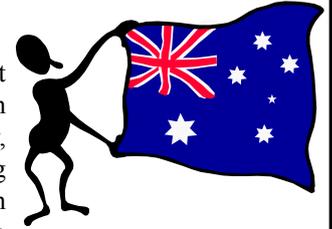
A little fellow shouted, "Cause your feet ain't empty."

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray: "Take only ONE. God is watching."

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies.

A child had written a note, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

Proud to be Australian



Being Australian is about driving in a German car to an Irish pub for a Belgian beer, then travelling home, grabbing an Indian curry or a Turkish kebab on the way, to sit on Swedish furniture and watch American shows on a Japanese TV.

Oh and..... Only in Australia ... Can a pizza get to your house faster than an ambulance.

Only in Australia ... Do supermarkets make sick people walk all the way to the back of the shop to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

Only in Australia ... Do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries and a DIET coke.

Only in Australia ... Do banks leave both doors open and chain the pens to the counters.

Only in Australia ... Do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars on the drive and lock our junk and cheap lawn mower in the garage.

Only in Australia ... Do we use answering machines to screen calls and then have call waiting so we won't miss a call from

someone we didn't want to talk to in the first place.

Only in Australia ... Are there disabled parking places in front of a skating rink.

NOT TO MENTION...

3 Aussies die each year testing if a 9v battery works on their tongue.

142 Aussies were injured in 1999 by not removing all pins from new shirts.

58 Aussies are injured each year by using sharp knives instead of screwdrivers.

31 Aussies have died since 1996 by watering their Christmas tree while the fairy lights were plugged in.

19 Aussies have died in the last 3 years believing that Christmas decorations were chocolate.

Aussie Hospitals reported 4 broken arms last year after cracker pulling accidents.

101 people since 1999 have had broken parts of plastic toys pulled out of the soles of their feet.

8 Aussies had serious burns in 2000 trying on a new jumper with a lit cigarette in their mouth.

A massive 543 Aussies were admitted to Emergency in the last two years after opening bottles of beer with their teeth.

5 Aussies were injured last year in accidents involving out of control scalextric cars.

And finally.....

In 2000 eight Aussies cracked their skull whilst throwing up into the toilet.

Dan found out he was going to inherit a fortune when his sickly father died, he decided he needed a woman to enjoy it with. So one evening he went to a singles bar where he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. Her natural beauty took his breath away. "I may look like just an ordinary man," he said as he walked up to her, "but in just a week or two, my father will die, and I'll inherit 20 million dollars." Impressed, the woman went home with him that evening and, three days later, she became his stepmother.

Women are so much smarter than men..

Hi Everyone,

By the time you read this we will be back from the AGM in Coffs Harbour, no doubt dragging a little more home than we took....the bikes too!!!

However, at the moment we are all getting down to the wire with our planning. Space is a premium and it's decision time, do you take the hair dryer or the chain lube, an esky full of liquid gold or food? It is tough decisions made now that determine how the trip will pan out. Take the hair dryer and the beer, because if the chain goes at least you have something to drink while you wait for the RAA!! See, it's all in the planning!!!..... It is just amazing how much we can fit in panniers, bags, trailers and/or strap on to the bikes (and the pillion too). We have the maps spread out on the dining room table for a final check of where the heck we are going and where are the fuel stops. Some of us ride road tankers that will just about take us all the way, and others need the road tankers following behind to 'top us up' on the way.....but regardless of which way we go, who we go with, how we get there, and how long it takes to do the trip, I am sure we will all have a great time in Coffs Harbour.

Back down on the Fleurieu, we had our annual Progressive Lunch ride a few weeks back and, despite the weather, we all had a fabulous time. Thanks all our hosts for the food and to Michael for leading us a merry dance around the Fleurieu Peninsula once again. Our Social Sub-Committee also organised an movie afternoon to see Wild Hogs. (Funniest movie I have seen for years!) We had about 25 people turn up for this and it was so successful we may keep doing it every second month. Keep your eyes open for that.

Upcoming events include 4 captains ride 10th June, Coast Yamaha Sausage Sizzle 24th June and the Anniversary Ride 24th July. Our Social Sub-Committee has been very busy organising the second annual Trivia night to be held at the Willunga Golf Club on 7th July. If you went to last years event you will know how much fun it was. Tickets are now available from the Social Sub-Committee, and you can bring along your friends as well. The Beast Feast is also on this year with a new venue up on the Range Road at Willunga, and this is 4th August.

As usual, for more details on what's on on the Fleurieu, see the website www.fub.org.au, come to our meetings (third Thursday of the month) at the Willunga Golf Club from 6pm or corner a Committee member.

On a sad note, our founding President Warren Jamieson and the lovely Sonia have decided that Hervey Bay would be a nice

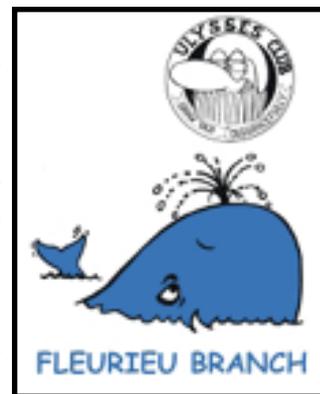
place to spend some time and have sold up and are moving after Coffs Harbour. On the bright side those of us Ulyssians travelling to Townsville next year will have "Camp Jamieson" to look forward to as a staging post for the final assault. I have seen the photos and I reckon you can fit a small platoon in the backyard of their new place. They will be joining Windup Wendy & Bruce & Bronwyn in that neck of the woods.

Plans for the Fleurieu Odyssey in 2008 are now well advanced and the Odyssey Sub-Committee has been very busy organising this important event for next year. It is amazing how much they have accomplished in such a short time and they are ALL to be congratulated for their efforts to date. I have seen some of their plans and it will be great fun and a little different from what I have seen of Odysseys' so far. Anyway, I am sure all will be revealed shortly.....

As this is the last Odyssey Report from me before our own AGM I would like to announce that Michael Cox, our current Treasurer and Chris Matthews our current Secretary will be standing down this year. Michael and Chris have both been on Committee since the Fleurieu Branch's inception and they have done an outstanding job in helping to steer our Branch to its present position. Both will be sorely missed, however, Michael is going to be assisting with the finances on the Odyssey Sub-Committee and we have a couple of little jobs for Chris to do. (if we can get her off that shiny new red V-star of hers!!!) To all the other Committee members and Sub-Committee members I would like to thank you for your input over the last 12 months. Having such a great team really makes being President easy. To all our members at the Fleurieu branch I would also like to thank you for your input, good wishes, fun, advice and friendship over the last 12 months and look forward to doing it again.....

Please ride carefully, have lots of laughs and 'watch out for the ***heads'

**Heather Van Erp
President
Fleurieu Branch**



Fleurieu Peninsula Branch Calendar

Date	Time	From	Event	Venue	Leader
June 10	9.30 am	Willunga	4 Captains Ride	Swan Reach	Go Down Tec: Ron/Al
June 24	10.00 am	Willunga	Sausage Sizzle	Coast Yamaha	Go Down Tec: Ron/Al

Celibacy

Many aspects of human sexuality are very puzzling. Take celibacy. This can be a choice in life, or a condition imposed by environmental factors.

While attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend, Tom and Mary listened to the instructor declare: "It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other."

He addressed the men. "Can you each name and describe your wife's favourite flower?"

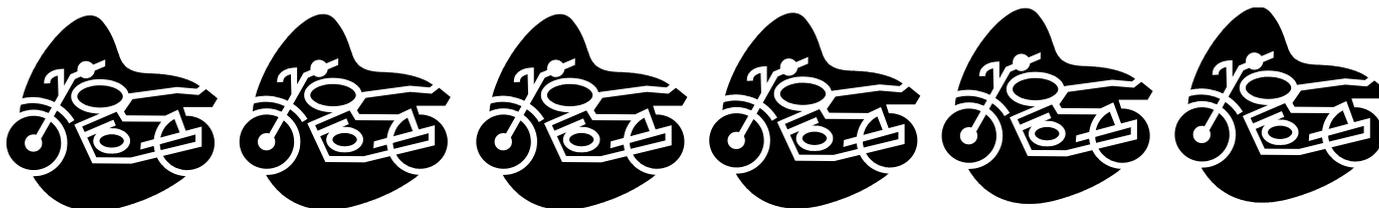
Tom leaned over, touched Mary's arm gently and whispered, "Self-raising, isn't it?"

Thus began Tom's life of celibacy.....

Upcoming Rallies SA 2007

June 9-11	Wintersun	Mildura	John 03 5023 7218
July 13-15	Radiata	South End	Frank 8765 1030
July 28-29	Rhynie Pub	Rhynie	Aidan 8346 4071
August 10-12	Alz. Mallee Rally Sedan	Meataxe 8540 2172 or	Adrian 8568 2503
August TBA	Wombat	Warnertown	Mick 0417 846 668
Sept 7-9	Ghost Town	Broken Hill	Sylvana 8088 1197
Sept 14-16	Bush Pig	Crystalbrook	Greg 8865 2120
Sept 22-23	Buckin' Ride & Rally	Marrabel	Mick 0415 828 544 Tony 0412 602 272
Oct LWE	Oasis Rally Back to basics	Paruna	Jerch 0432 284 529
Oct 6-7	Pattersons Treffen BMW Motorcycle Rally BMW Owners Club of South Australia	Spear Creek just south of Port Augusta All motorcycleists welcome	John (Sarge) Sargent 8344 5770
Oct 20-21	Redback	Lake Bonney	Ivan 0403 210925
Nov 3-4	PMT	TBA	Chris 8577 8568 (ah)

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Please check with individual organisers.**



Have you got an interesting story? Can you write poetry/short stories? Do you know of any ideas that would be of use to our members?

If you do, why not put it on paper or in an email and send it to me for The Odyssey. I would especially like to see profiles of all those interesting people we meet from time to time on our rides, at our meetings or away for weekends.

All my details are in the front of the magazine.

Editor



Classifieds

Honda 900 Hornet: 2002, blue. 21,000km, Extras include screen, cruise control. **\$6,900.**
Contact Annie Lowe 0417 810 902 or (08)83891309

LePera seat to suit 1996 Harley Wide Glide: \$250.00. Contact Paul Sponheimer on 83221828 or 0402246899

Brando Jacket: 52 xxxl as new, **\$180 ono**
GTR Kawasaki 1000 large touring screen: \$120 ono
Seat cover: \$100 ono
Yamaha Virago 535: black low ks female rider **\$4200.ono**
Contact Pat on 0409694629

WOMAN’S POEM

Before I lay me down to sleep,
 I pray for a man, who’s not a creep,
 One who’s handsome, smart and strong.
 One who loves to listen long,
 One who thinks before he speaks,
 One who’ll call, not wait for weeks.
 I pray he’s gainfully employed,
 When I spend his cash, won’t be annoyed.
 Pulls out my chair and opens my door,
 Massages my back and begs to do more.
 Oh! Send me a man who’ll make love to my mind,
 Knows what to answer to “how big is my behind?”
 I pray that this man will love me to no end,
 And always be my very best friend.

MAN’S POEM

I pray for a deaf-mute nymphomaniac with huge boobs
 Who owns a liquor store and a golf course.
 This doesn’t rhyme and I don’t give a shit.

Cooks’ Corner 

Hasty Tuna Mornay

400g tin cream of chicken soup
60g grated cheese
1/2 cup cooked peas
1 large can tune
2 hard boiled eggs
1 packet potato crisps or bread crumbs

Heat chicken soup, add cheese and stir until smooth. Add the peas, chopped boiled eggs and the tuna. Pour into casserole dish and place in moderate oven until heated through. Remove from oven, garnish with potato crisps or bread crumbs. Return to oven for a further 3-5 mins.