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From the editor

Hi to all our members,

Welcome to the October issue of our magazine. This issue has a great story from Ken Wagnitz (pictured on the front cover), who recently completed a round Australia trip on his bike. Accompanied by a friend they completed 15,700km in 22 days. Quite an achievement in anyone's books. You can read his story on Page 12.

There are the usual Sunday ride reports and SABC reports. What's on, for those wanting to check out upcoming events and a reminder for the SA Odyssey at Clare.

I would like to see more stories from our members. They don't have to be motorcycle related as a lot of our members no longer ride but have great adventures by other means. We would love to share those with others.

Sadly, we lost another member, Tom Gouras on 10th August 2023. Tom was a regular at the European Club.

The weather is starting to warm up and I have noticed a lot more bikes out and about. Enjoy the ride and keep safe.

Cheers
Maurice Stevens



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Adelaide Branch President's Report

Hi all,

Not much happening in my camp at the moment, have made a few rides, but not too many. Gail and I have put our Harley's up for sale in Pitmans, we will be buying lighter bikes to load in my van. I leaning towards a Honda 750 hornet it's only 190kg and has a 795mm seat height, so fits me. Gail's considering a cmx 1100 223kg and 700mm seat so both bikes 100 kg lighter than a Harley. We are looking forward to getting new bikes they will be the first brand new bikes that Gail and I have ever owned. We have an electric winch in the Vito van now and have had two bikes in the back without any problems, so getting geared up for retirement.

I think we have the good riding weather on the way, I believe that we may be in for a hot season will need to get used to increasing our water intake.

The Sellen's hosted a ride and lunch at their place in Freeling last weekend Gail and I were unable to make the ride as we were in Kadina, but we turned up for lunch and had a pleasant afternoon, overshadowed by a plethora of dad jokes

We have the Clare odyssey on in a couple of weeks, I'm looking forward to going, as I may have said before, odyssey are great fun, you get to hang out with people from other branches who you know but don't get to see that often or meet new people.

Any ways that's about it for me, as always if you have any ideas for the branch, please feel free to voice them to the committee.



Gary Priest,President, Ulysses Club, Adelaide Branch



It was foggy and wet roads when Judy and I left Forest Range. Thankfully it was a bit better at Pelican Plaza. The six of us, all solo, headed through Inglewood and onto Paracombe Rd to make our way to Gorge Rd. After Cuddle Creek we used Tippet Rd back to North East Rd out to Birdwood. Birdwood to Mt Torrens to Schoenthal Rd, Jungfer, Juers and Graeber roads into Charleston. Then we used Quarry Rd and cut across the back of Woodside through Nairne and into Littlehampton for morning tea. Peter Sellen was on his spider and found the moss somewhat entertaining to say the least, always having 1 wheel on it made it a slippery ride. So far no rain. After morning tea we used Bald Hills Rd and headed out to Wistow, LongValley Rd then Gemmell Rd through Macclesfield, Meadows and used Brookman Rd to get onto Peters Creek Rd. Then down McLaren Flat Rd to Wickham Hill Rd, Range Rd to Penny's Hill Rd over to Main Rd and into McLaren Vale for lunch. No rain was a good reward for the people who turned out. Thanks to Ro bin being TEC Cheers Rob from Rob Hartridge















We had 8 solo bikes leave from Macca's on Magill Rd, it was overcast and a bit warmer than we have had for the start of a ride for a while. We headed up through Norton Summit then past Marble Hill and Montacute to Corkscrew Road. Peter and I stopped here for a while to reflect on the run we had across the top, no traffic and clean roads allowed for some spirited riding. Down Corkscrew to Gorge and UP Torrens Hill Rd for a change and used Murray Rd to get onto North East Rd. Then all the way to Mt Pleasant for morning tea with the weather was starting to brighten up a little. From Mt Pleasant we rode to Springton over to Williamstown and then out to Sandy Creek. We turned right onto the Barossa Valley Highway and took the first left onto Rosedale Road. At the end of Rosedale Rd we went right onto Gomersal Rd into Tanunda and down to Lyndoch for lunch. By this time we were using the sunnies. Lunch at the bakery was good, with other options on the menu. The company was great and lead to a protracted and enjoyable long lunch, with great weather for the ride home.



Sunday Ride Round Up 10th September 2023 St Marys Ride Leader Peter Wood

There were 8 bikes and riders at Top of Taps on a beautiful, sunny cool spring morning. As it happened, Fleurieu branch were also leaving from the same spot, however when we left at 9.30 there were more bikes there for their ride and that ride didn't leave for another half hour!! Where are our riders?? We had a very pleasant and incident free ride to Meadows for morning tea and then back to Sue and Don's at St Marys for lunch. We had a great lunch laid on by Sue, Don and quite a few helpers, and it was well attended with some current and past riders turning up for a chat and an excellent repast! Many thanks to Robin and Judy for tail end charlie duties and to all those who organised and prepared our lunchtime feast. Great day all round.



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Sunday Ride Round Up 24th September 2023

Freeling Ride Leader Peter Sellen

On an absolutely beautiful Sunday morning only 9 bikes and riders set off for the Sellen's with Peter leading the group. We were again overwhelmed by Fleurieu branch, who were also starting from Pelican Plaza (That's 2 in a row we have started from the same location!!) We headed straight up North East Rd and stopped at Mount Pleasant for morning tea. Pete then took us for a little tour of the Barossa before leading us to his home in Freeling. There we were met by Carol who had prepared a wonderful BBQ lunch, with cake for dessert, all of which was delicious. The whole day was organised and prepared by Pete and Carol and it was FABULOUS!! Many thanks to Pete and Carol, well done. Peter Wood













Up Coming Sunday Rides All Rides Depart at 9.30am

When	Leader	Event	Destination	Departing from
08 Oct	Peter Wood 0487 452 200	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	McDonalds, 303 Magill Rd, Trinity Gardens
22 Oct	Brenton George 0432 535 163	Day Ride	Meadows	Top of Taps, Victoria Hotel OHalloran Hill
05 Nov	Judy Hartridge 0412 164 665	Day Ride - BBQ at Rob & Judy's place. All welcome. 225 Deviation Rd Forest Range	Forest Range	Pelican Plaza, 1007 North East Rd, Modbury
19 Nov	Peter Wood 0487 452 200	Day Ride	Balhannah	McDonalds, 303 Magill Rd, Trinity Gardens
03 Dec	Brenton George 0432 535 163	Day Ride	Wistow	Top of Taps, Victoria Hotel OHalloran Hill
17 Dec	Neville Gray 8263 7566	Day Ride	Bow Hill	Pelican Plaza, 1007 North East Rd, Modbury

^{*}Accurate at time of printing. Please check the Website nearer the time of the ride

Vale Tom Gouras





Long time member Tom Gouras passed away on 10/8/23

Tom had to stop riding a few years ago due to ill health but was a regular to the meetings at the European Club and never seemed to miss out on a prize in the raffle.

The club would like to pass on our condolences to his family.

SA Breakfast Club

We had around 34 at the August 2023 SABC breakfast at Em's Cookie Jar Cafe at Freeling.

Despite being flooded by us and locals, the staff coped pretty well. The big breakfast was good, the coffee

was big and hot and tasty.







Approximately 30 enjoyed the September 2023 Breakfast at the Tonsley Hotel, Clovelly Park. The venue is earmarked for demolition for the South Rd project, so this will be the last time there. Various Branches were represented. Great company, conversation and laughs all round.



Ken & Paul's 2023 Round Oz Trip by Ken Wagnitz

Concept

I mumbled to Michele about doing a decent trip round Oz. She expressed interest, then began egging me on. (I think she wanted me out of the house for a while.)

So, casting around for someone to travel with, I asked Paul Harrington, who I'd got to know though the Victorian Breakfast Club gatherings. Michele and I had travelled with Paul and wife Wendy to a couple of AGMs. Turned out Paul had been round Oz a few times before, on four wheels and two.

He was amenable to the idea, but said he could only spare six weeks. (He is a busy farmer, near Arrarat.) Wince. So, I agreed. Closer to the time, he said four weeks was his limit. Gulp, OK.

Paul set the date; I suggested prevailing wisdom said that winds were favourable anti-clockwise.

Sunday Aug 13th, I headed for Paul's home, visiting mate John Harkin at Stawell on the way.

Riding

We left Paul's place at 8.15 (late start) in fog, with frost on the ground. My bike said 0°C. My pinlock stopped the visor from fogging up, but my glasses were a problem!

I saw for the first time that my dash gives a warning of low temperature (black ice problem).

First night at Lakes Entrance, skirting Melbourne fairly well. Arrive, unpack, shower, pub tea, then soon to bed. That was to mostly be our routine for the trip.

Our ride-off time was getting earlier, some days 6.30am (not really daylight a couple of times).

Used to having someone else do all his admin and accounting for him, each day Paul would ring Wendy when we had an idea of how far we would get, and she would find cheap but secure accommodation for us, and book. How easy is that!

Lap of the Map

Having done it before, Paul had a very fixed idea of what we were up to. It was covering highway one! That meant no sightseeing, but we had to go to various spots for a photo opportunity. He led the ride, which was fine by me, as he said, he had the loudest bike, most likely to scare critters off the road. It also meant I didn't have to concentrate as much, and could gaze at the countryside we were passing a bit more. Only a couple of times did I have to stop or severely slow down for fauna, -cows and emus. We saw roos, wallaroos/potoroos, emus, goats, cows of various types, wild horses, but no camels or dingos. Many kites and crows, eagles and large waterbirds. Very few magpies.

We rode along quite a bit of road that was unfenced, so animals were more of a threat there. Fortunately, no incidents.

Stats

I did around 15,700km over 22 days. What was supposed to take a month, took less, as we became comfortable soaking up the miles. And I suspect Paul was keen to get back to the farm. The longest day was 1025km. - Most I've ever ridden in a day.

I used 797L of 91 RON fuel (with a couple of exceptions). Highest price was \$2.90 at Nullarbor. So that's 19.7km/L, or 5.08 L/100km.

We travelled at around 100km/h or a bit less, and on 130km/h roads we mostly did just under 110km/h (sometimes 115). It's fine riding at 130, but fuel consumption just gets stupid. Paul's Harley used (very) roughly 5% more fuel than my Tiger, and he paid 10 to 30 cents more per litre for 95 or 98 RON petrol.

We rode in temperatures ranging from 0°C to 36°C (by my bike, -Paul's usually read a bit higher). Dressed reasonably well for the conditions, I don't think either of us felt unduly uncomfortable. Heated handgrips were a must, heated seat was good except when the Cool Cover was fitted.

The bikes

Paul rode a 2018 Harley Ultra Limited. My bike is a 2018 Triumph Tiger 1200.

He kept telling me how terrific his bike was for that sort of riding, and my "chook chaser" wasn't. I was supposed to take to the dirt short cuts. He would wait for me at the other end. Yeah right. In some ways he is correct. His armchair flat-footed riding position was more comfortable than mine, evidenced by the fact that I had to occasionally stand up to relieve my aching bum and legs. (With running boards, he couldn't do that.)

As for the capability of mine, with road tyres and its high centre of gravity, it isn't a good off-roader. It is a moderately good mile-muncher. I bought it because it is as naked as you can get and have a shaft drive. (Paul's bike has belt drive.)

Paul also moves his bike around more easily than I do mine. Despite it being 100kg heavier, its centre of gravity is much lower. I've always struggled with my bike when stopped or at very low speeds. (The fact that he is a younger, fitter, active farm worker, while I'm an older, sedentary, book-reading computer and electronics nerd, has nothing to do with it.)

Another advantage of Paul's bike seems to be its low wind noise, with its large batwing front and small integrated screen. He happily wore his Shoei Neotec 2 helmet without earplugs, and was able to hear our comms Ok at speed. Whereas I had to use earbuds to be able to hear him. Obviously, the wind noise from my standard screen is louder than his. My Nolan helmet isn't a flip-front like his. I could see the advantage of flip-front for snacks and sips of water while riding, but I've always avoided them as noisier than fixed-front.

Paul has a built-in GPS on his bike. It suffered from its map being out of date. On freeways it sometimes reckoned he was riding on the grass. I had my Garmin XT, with its software and maps updated just before the trip. It sits on a home-made mount just above the bike dash. Perfect positioning. Unfortunately, it can't be trusted to always do the right thing. A few times it tried to send me up the garden path, and despite being told to avoid unpaved roads, it doesn't always. So sometimes we tended to compare what the GPS units were telling us, and decide on one or the other.

I won't be buying a cruiser any time soon, no matter how suitable for touring it might be. And definitely not a Harley. Paul does save a lot on money on his bike by servicing it himself.

I bought a new set of tyres before leaving. Michelin Pilot Road 6. They lasted the distance.

The gear

Paul and I both had the latest Sena comms gear. It wasn't flawless. We sometimes had trouble communicating, he often reported excessive noise from me. Near powerlines and some other vehicles, the static was bad. For music not comms, it was fine. Don't know how Paul found his built-in speakers, because he doesn't listen to music while riding. I do. Sadly, I hadn't got around to replacing leads on my old Etymotic earbuds, so went away with only a new design I'd bought, which I'd been using on local rides. These ended up so painful over the days, I had to switch to a pair that came with my phone. They were lousy for music, but did allow me comms. (At speed, my inbuilt Sena speakers are pretty useless.)

We both took tyre kits, electric pumps and jump-starters. I took my cute tool roll, along with other bits and pieces like cable-ties, tape etc, spare gear lever, brake lever and clutch lever. I carried 5L of extra fuel, Paul carried around 10L Fortunately we didn't need any of that.

I'd fitted larger document-holders to the engine bars on my bike, which held water and port. -The port supply didn't last long, so that bottle became water. I carried about 3-4 litres. I thought we might need extra water when tenting in heat. Ironically it came in handy at a motel where the water was non-potable (same for the whole town).

With Paul telling me how good his "Cool Cover" was, a mesh seat cover for cool airflow, I bought one for myself and packed it. Once it got warmer, I fitted it to the seat. It was definitely cooler, especially on the cool mornings when it negated the usefulness of my heated seat! An unexpected benefit was that it made the seat more comfortable. I bought mine from England, at great expense. However, I have seen one on a BMW where the rider said he bought his cheap from China (AliExpress, I think).

Paul was taking his brother's flash small tent. Mine from 2015 had disintegrated, my 4-man from my last round-Oz attempt seemed a bit large and would be slow to put up and down. So, I bought a tent and air-mattress from Amazon. (I checked the stores out online and theirs looked the best value.) It worked well, but I am completely over squeezing in and out of a small tent. If there is a next time (unlikely), it will be with the 4-man that I can stand up in. Ironically, Paul rang me the other day to ask how my tent fared. His was full of holes! He must have packed it with a tent-chewing bug. -My cheapie was fine.

I'd knocked up some software to track my phone and allow friends and rellies to see where I was on the map. But having the GPS active on the phone all day tends to flatten it, and if we tented, there wouldn't be the opportunity to plug it in overnight. So, I had my small tank bag on the front, put the phone in that, and ran a USB charging cable to it. That worked fine. At night the phone was fully charged. Paul carried a satellite-tracker which stayed plugged in. (My system only worked when we had phone coverage, which was most of the time. -And I had to remember to have the tracking running.)

Paul's family and Michele could see exactly where he was at all times. (Well, his bike anyway.)

I had my usual panniers and top box on. Lots of luggage space, along with a bag strapped to the back seat with all my tent gear in it. One pannier for clothes etc, one for tools, spare fuel, and a few bits. That all worked OK.

Paul's bike has huge storage panniers and top box. He augmented that with a flash purpose-made seat bag, with lots of storage and pockets. He brought a stove and food (which he took home). I didn't bother.

My pannier came in handy when I dropped the bike at a roundabout. (I thought Paul was going to beat a car, so I sped up to join him, only to realise he was stopping. Emergency braking and turning at the same time doesn't work.) The pannier gained a bit more scrape, along with a small panel on the side, and I lost a reflector, as I found later. The left indicator got scrunched a bit, but still worked. (It was already a bit busted.) No great harm done. Motorists rushed to help me stand up the bike, and off we went. -That was the only incident, so we did well, I think.

Weather and roads

The gods smiled on us. We were worried about Fitzroy Crossing being closed (it had been), which was one factor in going anti-clockwise. In the end we had only one day of drizzle, as we were sneaking through Sydney suburbs -we'd taken the harbour bridge route.

The rest of the time was fine, either sunny or occasional cloud. We did carry wet weather gear, but it was mainly used against the cold.

Fitzroy Crossing was a dirt and gravel track, but open. (No accommodation there as it had been flooded.) After our return home, news of floods in some places, bushfires in others (Barkly). Boy did we do well in avoiding all those problems.

We encountered a lot of roadworks, many with traffic lights or lollipop people (some quite cute).

But we didn't strike any closed roads stopping us. Roads were generally good. Especially up the East coast, the number of caravans, campers, RVs, was incredible. -Most heading South. I reckon there must be a million grey nomads on the road.

Across the NT and WA, lots of ore and fertiliser road trains, fortunately, easily passed on a good motorbike. And heaps of mining vehicles. Utes galore. The mining industry's carbon footprint must be half down to workers driving around in company vehicles (mostly hired).

The stupidest situation we found, was a guy sleeping at Willare Roadhouse (where we stayed), commuting to Fitzroy Crossing every day to work on the roadworks there. That is 230km each way! Imagine the time, fuel, risk of animal strike etc etc. Insane.

Photo opportunities etc



Ken ready to leave



At Ballina surrounded by workers



Blue Faced Honeyeater at Marlborough fuel stop. This guy was so keen on a bit of muesli bar, that when my back was turned, he helped himself to the lot.



Capt. Cook memorial at Cooktown

Paul said we had to go to the Lions Den just South of Cooktown. It is an old rustic (tin shed) pub with camping out the back. A photo at the bar with a pint would have been appropriate, but it was 9am and they don't sell alcohol until 10. So, we made do with an egg & bacon sandwich. The place was littered with posh SUVs.



Cute backpacker barmaid



Outside the Lions Den



We also had to get a photo with the replica of the largest croc killed in Australia.

Barkly Homestead (fuel stop) has had a complete remake after its fire. -The old motorbike seems to have been saved, and is still hanging up.

Out front at Barkly Homestead



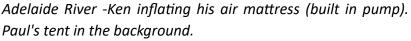
Though I'd been there, we had to visit the Daly Waters Pub. Fortunately, they had my favourite on-tap cider, Orchard Crush. It was a warm day; a pint went down beautifully.

Paul and Ken at the Daly Waters bar

Paul's son had told him that Adelaide River was a great place to camp. -He'd been in a camper-trailer. So, we dropped in. A cabin was going to be expensive, so we got tent sites, -a bit of grass in a fenced area. Never again. Main highway nearby, servo next door that seems to start noisily banging bits of metal around 4.30am, and a promised breakfast opening time of 8.30 which didn't eventuate. -Paul missed out on his egg & bacon, I made do with the usual muesli bars. Just to add to the ambience, some dickheads rocked up in utes in the morning and parked on the road adjacent with their boof-boof music up loud.

In the morning we visited the veterans cemetery. Perhaps the best maintained grounds I've seen.







From Adelaide River, it was a short hop to Darwin, where we had our only rest day. Paul stayed with nephews, I stayed with friends, and we met up on the road next morning.

I had a leisurely lunch with my friends at a sailing club, and tea at a pizza place on the foreshore. Lots of chat and catching up.



Hows this for a lunchtime setting, overlooking the sea.

From Darwin it was South to Katherine then West toward Kununurra. On the way we stopped at Bradshaw Bridge, which intrigued Paul. It is a bridge to a military range area.

Crossing it might see one shot or blown up!



Bradshaw Bridge



We went in for a look at Lake Argyle, which I'd read about, but never seen. Huge. And lots of water going through the spillway. What a shame it isn't closer to a large town.



Ord River Dam



Look at the amount of water spilling out

We rode out to Ivanhoe Crossing, where Paul wanted me to place my "chook chaser" as if I'd ridden over it. I was more concerned about dropping the bike on the sloping narrow ramp, so didn't oblige.



Wyndham sea outlook

Wyndham was a shadow of its former glory.

Ivanhoe Crossing. That is Paul's bike. No he didn't ride over the crossing. Don't know how deep it was, but the flow was pretty strong.



We couldn't pass the Gibb River Road turnoff without getting a photo. Paul offered to catch me up at the other end if I wanted to ride it. No thanks and we checked out the Boab prison tree at King River. Imagine being incarcerated in that!

Nearby was the longest watering trough I've ever seen.



Boab Prison Tree, King River



Gibb River Road



Thought we were onto a winner getting a cheap room at Sandfire Roadhouse. Worst I've slept in. Laminate peeling off walls, GPOs and lights not working, an airconditioner that makes noise but doesn't cool, two beds squeezed into the space for one. Oh well, it was shelter.

The peacocks were a bit noisy. Roaming geese, chooks, didn't spot the camel. Their home-made sausage rolls that I'd read about were good.

While we were having a drink after tea, a chook wandered along, so I went inside and asked a guy for one of his chips. The chook enjoyed it, eating out of my fingers.



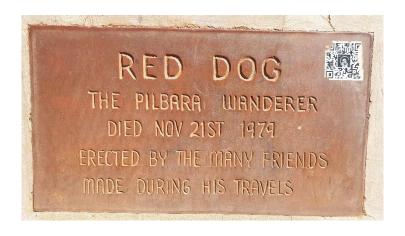


Feeding a friendly chook at Sandfire

Out front at Sandfire

Paul insisted I had to get a photo with the "Red Dog" So we rode to see it at Dampier. (He reckoned the rest of Dampier wasn't worth seeing.)







Wild, behind the memorial wall. They grow like weeds around here

Then toward home. We tented one more night at Nanuturra. Then we stayed in a backpacker place I'd stayed at in Geraldton. Fearing cold and discomfort, we motelled it across the Nullarbor, but it didn't actually get that cold. Paul spent the Sunday night at my place, then rode home Monday.

Thanks Paul, for the company and guidance.



Relaxing with a coldie, contemplating where we've been (and sporting our small branch badges).

Paul about to head for home on his steed.





A Google map of our journey is at

https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/edit?mid=1B5gVXy3728LGxymnfkcb6mM0VGV6rWk&usp=sharing

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Welfare Officer - Friendly Reminder



As Ulyssians we greatly value the camaraderie and support that is provided by our fellow members.

Adelaide's Welfare Officer is a central person in our branch to ensure members in need are assisted in whatever manner is appropriate for that individual.

All members have a responsibility to inform the Welfare Officer if you know of someone who needs support. Perhaps they are unwell, had a close relative / companion die, or experiencing any other physical or emotional need.

Let the Adelaide Branch Welfare Officer know immediately so she can organize a hospital visit, home visit, send a card or arrange any other appropriate help.

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Grandma Misses Me? Hold on, I'm on my way!



2023 Ulysses Club 29th SA Odyssey

Hosted by Ulysses Club Inc. Torrens Valley Branch. Friday 13th - Monday 16th October 2023



Registrations now available online here https://ulyssesadelaide.org.au/odyssey
Centred at the Discovery Caravan Park at Clare. For further inquiries contact Neville Gray on 0416 050 189.

Cabin bookings have been heavy but there are still 10 Units remaining for our weekend. Preferential bookings for Ulysses Club members expire on August 15th - after this date cabin bookings will be more difficult to procure because of competition with the general public. The Management will now give us a 20% discount on cabins and camp sites after some recent negotiations. (This discount will be honoured on payment of the balance owing on the Event weekend.)

All major activities have been locked in and we promise you a great time in Clare during this Event.

Starting on Friday night, we have been invited to the Wine and Food Centre just 50 metres from the Caravan Park, for their regular Friday night wine tasting featuring the fabulous wines of the Clare Valley. Starting at 4.00pm and going to 6.00pm. We then walk back to the undercover kitchen area of the Park and partake of a BBQ hosted by the Park staff commencing at 6.30pm.

Guzzi Bob will lead a ride to interesting parts of the Clare Valley at 10.00pm on Saturday morning. The rest of us can follow our maps to visit various wineries and scenic areas around Clare.

The SA Branch Combined Committees meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2.00pm (to be confirmed).

Saturday night we will be hosted by the Clare North Football Club at their new building a few kms down the road from the Caravan Park on the left. Pre-dinner drinks at 6.00pm with the meals being served from 6.30 onwards. We hope to use member's cars to ferry the troops to and from the Footy Club as that weekend is also the Clare Food and Wine Festival and the Police will surely be out in force!! There will be some very special entertainment after dinner – you will be laughing all the way through the night – guaranteed.

Sunday will be a free day with some work slaves having to return to work on the Monday.

Sunday night's dinner will be held at the Bentley Hotel in the Main Street of Clare commencing at 6.30pm. Please indicate your intention to attend in the tick box of the Registration Form. If numbers are sufficient, we will get our own room.

We will not be supplying breakfast at the Odyssey but the Rise Bakery close by should be open.

The good news is that we will be holding the Registration fee at \$40, as it has been for many years. The Registration Form will be available on the various Websites and Facebook pages from around July 21st.

Clare Discovery Park. To book cabins and powered sites ring 08 8842 2724.

Make sure you identify yourself as a Ulysses Club member for a 20% discount.

Go to the next page for a hard copy of the registration form.



29th SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ODYSSEY CLARE 2023

FRIDAY 13th October to SUNDAY 15th October Host: Ulysses Club Torrens Valley Branch



REGISTRATION FORM

<u>Please Note – One form per person. Registrations close 7th Oct.</u>

Surname: Given Name:		
Member # Email:	Phone:	
Suburb:	_ Post Code:	
ODYSSEY Event Registration Fee (includes enamel Badge)	\$40 [X]	
Optional "Odyssey Clare 2023" Cloth Patch	\$16 []	
Optional Odyssey Clare 2023 Cloui I aton	\$10 []	
FRIDAY 13 th Oct Dinner 6.30pm at Clare Discovery Caravan Pa	ark BBQ \$13.50 []	
SATURDAY 14th Oct Dinner 6.30 pm at Clare North Football C	Olyh	
Cost per meal including dessert, tea & coffee: \$40	Club	
Beef Schnitzel with chips & salad. Gravy on request	t. []	
Chicken Schnitzel with chips & salad. Gravy on requ		
Beer battered fish with chips & salad.		
Lasagne with chips & salad.	[]	
Vegetable Lasagne with chips & salad.	ĪĪ	
Dessert Choices (included with main course)		
Apple Crumble and cream.	[]	
Sticky Date Pudding and cream.	[]	
Correction and American		
SUNDAY 15 th Oct	r 1	
I will come to Sunday night dinner at the Bentley Hotel.	[]	
Please total up your Registration Fee and Meal costs: TOT.	ΓAL: \$	
PAYMENT METHOD		
[] Direct Debit To: Ulysses Club, Torrens Valley Branch		
BSB: 035046 Account: 516889 (Please add your name	e as a Reference)	
[] Cheque / Money Order		
Payable to: <i>Ulysses Club, Torrens Valley Branch</i> Post to: <i>Ulysses Club, 13 Woodland Court Highbur</i>	ry SA 5089	

TO ENABLE US TO INFORM OUR VENDORS OF YOUR REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE EMAIL THIS COMPLETED REGISTRATION to: grayhigh@bigpond.com





Wednesday Midweek Rides

All Rides Depart at 10.30am for more details phone Steve 0405 120 542 or John 0407 794 147. The 1st 2nd & 5th Wednesday depart from The Feathers Hotel Car Park Burnside and the 3rd 4th Wednesday depart from the Top of Taps.



The SABC meets at an eatery somewhere around the state, on the first Saturday of the month, from 9.30am. It doesn't matter what the weather is. Come by motorbike, bicycle, car, or on foot. The SABC is about socialising with members from other branches.

When: **7**th **October 2023 at 9.30am** Where: Breeze, 163 Esplanade, Aldinga, SA.

When: **4**th **November 2023 at 9.30am** Where: TBA Please check our website nearer the time When: **2**nd **December 2023 at 9.30am** Where: TBA Please check our website nearer the time

Please confirm your attendance as venues require numbers to provide adequate staff.

Contact **Ken Wagnitz** by the Wednesday before either <u>ulyssesadelaide+ken@gmail.com</u> or **SMS 0417 353 389** with - SABC, your name, how many require breakfast.

Adelaide Branch Monthly Meeting. Official meeting starts at 7:30pm

Thursday 2nd November 2023 Venue: The Maid Hotel, 1 Magill Rd, Stepney
Thursday 7th December 2023 Venue: The Maid Hotel, 1 Magill Rd, Stepney

Come early and enjoy a meal and drink available at the venue. A raffle is held on the night with numerous prizes. Proceeds go to the running of the branch.

