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In February's issue, I said that the June magazine would not be handed out at the meeting. With a couple of volunteers (new committee members, Mikele (Piper) Amorico and Johan Van Rensberg) you will be able to pick up your copy of the magazine as usual. Thanks, fellas!



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Levies paid are for a calendar year. New subscribers, during the calendar year, will need to pay at the rate of \$2.00 per issue left for the remainder of the year.

While you are reading this, Sue Freene and I are living it up on **Norfolk Island**. There will be a bit of a rundown on what it was like in the June issue.

Went to **Keith for Andrew's 'weekend away'** on the Adelaide Cup weekend, albeit in the car due to the extreme weather conditions. The other seven attendees braved it on their bikes. On the Sunday, the valiant/devoted pillions (Michelle and Chris) stuck it out, even though we offered them the back seat any time they wanted. I had a lot of nanny naps in the car because I could. We visited the Historic Mundulla Pub and the fabric shop where Michelle spent some money. Didn't have what I was looking for so came away empty handed. Garry and I spent the Saturday afternoon in the pub watching the Quit Lightning win the WNBL Premiership and, because the Crows lost on Saturday night, the girls scored the front page of the Sunday Mail. Camino and Phillips were a delight to watch, as usual!

A bit light on for articles, this issue. If you have anything you think might interest your fellow members, please send it in. It is **your** magazine and is only as good as **you** make it.

Not a good start to the footy season for SA teams, but (as they often tell us) there were some positives to be taken from the games. Yair, right! Anyone would think they are on a 'learning curve' and still playing the NAB Cup!

Go the Power!

Wendy

Thought for the Day



**If you feel like doing some work,
sit down and wait . . .**

The feeling does go away.

Adelaide Branch 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

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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
2nd May	for the June issue (due to the AGM in Townsville)

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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
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Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar April- June 2008

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
Sunday April 6	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Mannum	Top o' Taps
13	9.00am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	GC Motorcycles Sponsored Ride		GC Motorcycles Mn Nth Rd
20	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Myponga	Mcdonald's Magill Rd
27	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Victor Harbour	Civic Park
May 4	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Lyndoch	Mcdonald's Magill Rd
11	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Mothers' Day	TBA	Top o' Taps
18	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Clare	Civic Park
25	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	Mcdonald's Magill Rd
June 1	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Normanville	Top o' Taps
8	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Queen's B'Day Weekend/ Day Ride	TBA	Civic Park
15	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride		Mcdonald's Magill Rd
22	8.00am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Die Hards' Breakfast		Civic Park
29	9.30am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Meet the Kings	Arrossan	Caltex Bolivar

When someone has an 'off'

On the *maximoto* ride a few weeks ago, we had an unfortunate incident when a rider came off her bike (she turned out to be OK). Fortunately, there were other riders (including a nurse) close behind to render assistance with first aid and to pick up the fallen bike.

Of course, when there is an accident, the first thing you do is to offer any help you can, be it first aid, muscle in bike retrieval, directing traffic or making phone calls to the ambulance, etc.

Make sure that it is safe for you to do so first; we don't want another casualty as well.

If you are further back in the pack, slow down, stop if it's safe to do so, and ask those attending if they need any help, especially if you know first aid, etc., then, if you are not needed, please continue on with the ride.

On this particular ride there were quite a few bikes & riders parked on the edge of the road doing nothing. This could have created the potential for another accident.

It would also be a good idea to let the corner marshalls know what's happened, and that they might have to wait just a little longer for tail-end charlie, which is what happened on this ride, and it worked brilliantly. Many thanks to those marshalls that sweated it out and didn't leave their corners; you're all bloody champions!

One more thing; for those that haven't heard of I.C.E, it stands for 'In Case of Emergency'.

If you carry a mobile phone with you, and most of us do, place your emergency contact number (wife/husband, etc.)

under the heading of I.C.E in your contacts/address book.

It's one of the first places the medics look for the next of kin. Please tell everyone you know about I.C.E as well.

Safe rides and.....



**Keep da shiny side up,
Bundi :o)**

MONTHLY DINNERS



Friday 11th April
7pm
 at
REX Hotel
172 Richmond Rd
Marleston

Yes, this one is in your Entertainment Book

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

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

bookings close Wed. 9th April 2008



Friday 9th May
7pm
 at
The Feathers Hotel
516 Glynburn Rd
Burnside

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

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

bookings close Wed 7th May, 2008



Above: Jenny and Jeannie



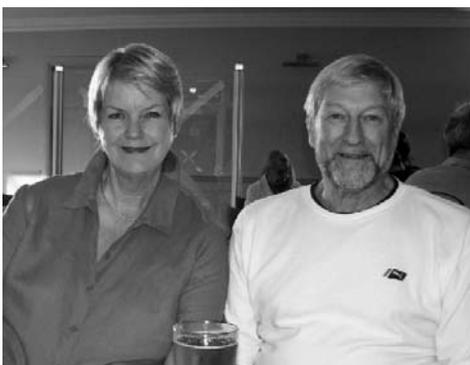
Carlene Dyer



Above: New Committee member, Piper,
and Chris

Seen at the February and March Dinners

Below: Athalie and Bob



The Odyssey



The pick of the bunch: Mick and
Kevin



Ulysses Adelaide Branch



Wednesday Mid-weeker Tuckerway Port Vincent



16-18 April 2008

Dormitory Style Accommodation: approximately \$15 pp (depending on numbers)

Barbecue one night and tea at the hotel the other night

Brekkies at cost

Please contact Mick Sandley on 8251 2435 if you intend going
Everyone welcome



A Weekend at Blyth Wanna go to the pictures Sat'y arvo?



The little town of Blyth has a picture theatre - the best kept secret in SA! Comfy with a lolly and drinks bar to boot!

Saturday and Sunday, 19th & 20th April 2008

The plan:

Leave Munno Para 9.30 am
Smoko at Balaklava
Lunch at Blyth
Pictures in the afternoon
Tea at the pub
Continental breakfast at the pub

Accommodation:

Rooms at the pub (still a couple left)
Some camping available at the pub for small tents
Campers & caravans to park at the footy club.
**ALL ACCOMMODATION BOOKING THROUGH
SUE on 8277 3339**

Pictures \$8 - Good movie guaranteed + a surprise
Rooms \$30 pp (includes continental breakfast)
Camping at pub \$12 pp with use of showers & toilets (in-
cludes continental breakfast)
Tea \$10 pp
Charges for caravans and campers at footy oval \$12 per
person (includes continental breakfast)

Note the changes: Breakfast included and tea has been
changed from a spit roast to 'something else'. I'm sure it
will be good - it always is.

If you would like to go to Blyth, numbers are limited to
about 40. (The theatre isn't the problem, the pub is.)

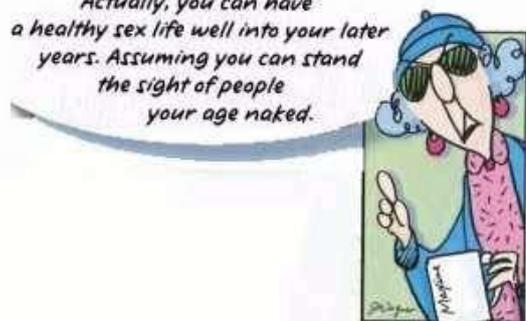
To secure your spot, **give Sue a call on 8277 339 for your
booking or see her tonight.**



Men are always
whining about
how we're
suffocating
them.

Personally, I
think if you can
hear them
whining you're
not pressing
hard enough on
the pillow!

Actually, you can have
a healthy sex life well into your later
years. Assuming you can stand
the sight of people
your age naked.



Halloween

in July

Come to the Gladstone Gaol for a Costume Cabaret

hosted by the Torrens Valley Branch

on the weekend 5th - 6th July

Accommodation will be in the cells, bring your own bedding
Fully catered evening meal and cooked breakfast
A tour of this haunted prison has been organised

You will be entertained on Saturday night by

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And possibly some brave souls backed up by the band!

Cost only \$70

All money raised above cost will go to Arthritis Research

For more information Contact Dave (Dutch) Holland on 0411 378 181

SOME PEOPLE ARE LIKE SLINKIES. NOT REALLY GOOD FOR ANYTHING BUT THEY BRING A SMILE TO YOUR FACE WHEN PUSHED DOWN THE STAIRS.....

My husband, being unhappy with my mood swings, bought me a mood ring the other day so he would be able to monitor my moods. We've discovered that when I'm in a good mood, it turns green. When I'm in a bad mood, it leaves a big F-----g red mark on his forehead. Maybe next time he'll buy me a diamond. Dumb ass.

TEN QUESTIONS WITH ULYSSES MEMBER – LESTER MARTIN

Q1. How long have you been a Ulysses member?

A1. About seven years. I was a junior member for one year.

Q2. What influenced you to join?

A2. I just wanted to ride with guys that had the same interests in motorcycle riding and the Ulysses group really appealed to me. I went on a rellies and friends ride then joined up.

Q3. What bike are you currently riding?

A3. A Ducati ST4S sport tourer.

Q4. How many bikes have you owned over the years?

A4. I started riding late in life and I have owned about 6 bikes so far. But I'm going to make up for the late start and own a few more.

Q5. Name a few of the bikes you have owned?

A5. Started on a Kawasaki GPZ900, then bought a Honda VFR750, a couple of Honda 1100cc Blackbirds and a Harley Davidson Dyna Wide Glide 1450cc.



Somewhere on the Great Ocean Road

Q6. What will be your next bike?

A6. I haven't really thought that far ahead. I like the BMW K1200S sports bike.

Q7. What is your favorite bike?

A7. My current bike the Ducati ST4S is my favorite. I enjoy riding a twin.

A8. If money was no object and you could have any bike in the world, what would it be?

A8. Probably the new Ducati 1098

sports bike in tri colours.

Q9. What do you enjoy about the Ulysses Club?

A9. I particularly like the Wednesday rides but the club has such a diverse group of members and it is great making new friends and contacts in the club who are motorbikes enthusiasts.

Q10. Do you have any nick name?

A10. Yes Peltman. I got that nickname for being hirsute. (Look it up in a dictionary)



A Blast from the Past

Snippets from *Riding On* March 1987

The fourth AGM attendance looks like being a record again with over 300 members now booked to attend.

Fantastic publicity in *Open Road* and *Two Wheels*.

We should be nudging 800 members by the AGM with around 70 coming from the excellent article and photographs in the NRMA's *Open Road* magazine of December 1986.

On 28 December 1986, a group of twelve members of the Ulysses Club met with Peter Reynolds at the Victoria Hotel in the suburbs of Adelaide. It was decided by those members that it was about time that the Adelaide Branch of the Ulysses Club was

formed. There were no volunteers for the position of Secretary, so Neville Rodert volunteered as long as he had help and Lyall Zilm agreed to do so.

It was decided that they would meet on the first Thursday of every second month at the Road Safety Centre at Oaklands Park. These facilities were kindly offered by our member, Les Jackson, who is the Chief Road safety Officer at the Centre.

Secretary (NatCom) attended the Adelaide Branch inaugural meeting on the 5th February. First meeting a success with 22 pmembers and friends attending, 7 of which indicated they would be attending the AGM.

They arranged a weekend at Cape Jervis on 28th February and also planned numerous other outings.

1943 GUIDE TO HIRING WOMEN (Who says we haven't come a long way, Baby?)

The following is an excerpt from the July 1943 issue of Transportation Magazine. This was serious and written for male supervisors of women in the work force during World War II - a mere 65 years ago! Obviously, the intent was not be "funny," but by today's standards, this is hilarious! For those of you with efficiency issues, pay attention to #8.

Eleven Tips on Getting More Efficiency Out of Women Employees:

There is no longer any question whether transit companies should hire women for jobs formerly held by men. The draft and manpower shortage has settled that point. The important things now are to select the most efficient women available and how to use them to the best advantage. Here are eleven helpful tips on the subject:

1. Pick young married women. They usually have more of a sense of responsibility than their unmarried sisters. They are less likely to be flirtatious. They need the work, or they would not be doing it. They still have the pep and interest to work hard and to deal with the public efficiently.
2. When you have to use older women, try to get ones who have worked outside the home at some time in their lives. Older women who have never contacted the public have a hard time adapting themselves and are inclined to be cantankerous and fussy. It is always well to impress upon older women, the importance of friendliness and courtesy.
3. General experience indicates that "husky" girls - those who are just a little on the heavy side - are more even tempered and efficient than their underweight sisters.
4. Retain a physician to give each woman you hire a special physical examination - one covering female conditions. This step not only protects the property against the possibilities of lawsuit, but reveals whether the employee-to-be has any female weaknesses which would make her mentally or physically unfit for the job.
5. Stress at the outset, the importance of time; the fact that a minute or two lost here and there makes serious inroads on schedules. Until this point is gotten across, service is likely to be slowed up.
6. Give the female employee a definite day-long schedule of duties so that they will keep busy without bothering the management for instructions every few minutes. Numerous properties say that women make excellent workers when they have their jobs cut out for them, but that they lack initiative in finding work themselves.
7. Whenever possible, let the inside employee change from one job to another at some time during the day. Women are inclined to be less nervous and happier with change.
8. Give every girl an adequate number of rest periods during the day. You have to make some allowances for feminine psychology. A girl has more confidence and is more efficient if she can keep her hair tidied, apply fresh lipstick and wash her hands several times a day.
9. Be tactful when issuing instructions or in making criticisms. Women are often sensitive; they cannot shrug off harsh words the way men do. Never ridicule a woman - it breaks her spirit and cuts off her efficiency.
10. Be reasonably considerate about using strong language around women. Even though a girl's husband or father may swear vociferously, she will grow to dislike a place of business where she hears too much of this.
11. Get enough size variety in operator's uniforms so that each girl can have a proper fit. This point cannot be stressed too much in keeping women happy.

A teacher gave her class of 11 year olds an assignment: Get their parents to tell them a story with a moral at the end of it. The next day the kids came back and one by one began to tell their stories.

Karl said, "My father's a farmer and we have a lot of egg laying chooks. One time we were taking our eggs to market in a basket on the front seat of the car when we hit a big bump in the road and all the eggs went flying and broke and made a mess."

"What's the moral of the story?" asked the teacher.

"Don't put all your eggs in one basket!"

"Very good," said the teacher.

Next, little Emilie raised her hand and said, "Our family are farmers too. But we raise chooks for the meat market. One day we had a dozen eggs, but when they hatched we only got ten live chicks and the moral to this story is:

'Don't count your chickens before they're hatched'."

"That was a fine story Emilie".

Mick, do you have a story to share?"

"Yes. My dad told me this story about my Aunty Raylene. Aunty Raylene was a flight engineer on a plane in the Gulf War and her plane got hit.

She had to bail out over enemy territory and all she had was 3 bottles of rum, a machine gun and a machete. She drank all the rum on the way down so it wouldn't break and then she landed right in the middle of 100 enemy troops. She killed seventy of them with the machine gun until she ran out of bullets. Then she killed twenty more with the machete until the blade broke. And then she killed the last ten with her bare hands."

"Good heavens," said the horrified teacher, "what kind of moral did your father tell you from that horrible story?"

"Stay the f**k away from Aunty Raylene when she's been on the piss."



Robert King Johnson

#4882

22/5/31 - 1/2/08

Bob lost his fight with stroke and cancer on 1st February.

His was a life devoted to the internal combustion engine and competition, be it on a motorcycle or those others things.

After his first stroke, about six years ago, the riding and driving was over for him, so he found the fastest gopher in town and still competed.



Although he lost further speech and mobility, he still managed to regularly attend 'The Shed' and support our Branch.

Bob's philosophy was simple, but huge - *'no matter what the situation, never give up.'*

Ride on, Mate.

Sandy Sawley #16183

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Eyre Peninsula Branch Ride Calendar April - June 2008



PO Box 307 Port Lincoln 5606 Ph/Fax 08 86831008

Month	Date	Ride	Contact	Advise By	Leave	Time
April	20th	Tod River Reservoir Catered for by Cowleys Motorcycles	Trevor Hannam.	13th April MUST ADVISE	North Shields	11.00 am
May	3rd & 4th	Coodlie Park Via Elliston	Ray Sims	18th April Phone 86854107	Town Jetty	Ring Ray
May	18th	Yangie Coffin Bay National Park	Ray Sims Ride Leader Hank Gossink		Town Jetty	10.30 am
June	15th	Borthwick Hill BYO BBQ	Bill Sellen		North Shields	11.00 am

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

Changes to our Committee at the 2008 AGM

At our recent AGM, William (Bill) Richter was elected President, Trish Pruis was elected secretary/treasurer of the branch for 2008.

Bill is also the Welfare Officer for Eyre Peninsula Branch

Trish Pruis

Paddy was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't find a parking place. Looking up to heaven he said, 'Lord take pity on me. If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of me life and give up me Irish Whiskey!'

Miraculously, a parking place appeared.

Paddy looked up again and said, 'Never mind, I found one.'

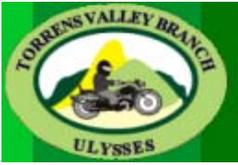


Paddy was in New York .

He was patiently waiting and watching the traffic cop on a busy street crossing. The cop stopped the flow of traffic and shouted, 'Okay, pedestrians.' Then he'd allow the traffic to pass.

He'd done this several times, and Paddy still stood on the sidewalk.

After the cop had shouted, 'Pedestrians!' for the tenth time, Paddy went over to him and said, 'Is it not about time ye let the Catholics across?'

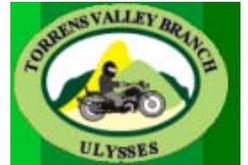


Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

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

Ride Calendar

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	Depart
6 April	Sunday 10.00 am	David Holland 0411 378 181	Arthritis Research Soup Run	Robbo's at Gawler	Civic Park
13 April	Sunday 9.00 am	Sponsored Ride	G C Motorcycles		Main North Road
20 April	Sunday 9.30 am	Mark Seja 0402 982 402	President's Breakfast Run		Gawler
25-27 April	Friday 9.00 am	Trevor Jolly	Anzac Day Long Weekend	Hawker Caravan Park	Gawler
4 May	Sunday 9.00 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
11 May			Mothers' Day		
18 May	Sunday 10.00 am	Uncle 0409 083 436	Many Valley Ride	Balaklava	Gawler
25 May	Sunday 8.30 am	Dave Holland 0411 378 181	Breakfast and Ride to Cape Jervis	Cape Jervis	PGCC
31 May	Sunday 10.00 am	Dave Holland 0411 378 181	Fish and Chips at Wallaroo	Wallaroo	Gawler
30 May - 1 June			National AGM Townsville		

Gladstone Gaol Update

Well, Hi Folks

Dutch here to update you on the Gladstone gaol weekend. A few people have asked can they camp or bring the van and the answer is 'yes'. No, you don't have to ride. Yes, friends and family are welcome - this is after all a social event.

I've also been asked about power in the cells for people with medical needs and the answer is 'yes'. The cells in A wing have power, the location of power points differs, so do look and choose a cell that suits your needs.

Now that you've had time to think about the weekend, I suppose it might be a good idea to tell you where to send the money. Send it to

Gladstone Gaol Weekend
C/O DJ Holland
8/80 Ashfield Rd
Elizabeth 5112.

Please include a self addressed and stamped envelope if you wish a receipt. Until next time, go with the flow and enjoy the ride.

Irish Burial At Sea

Mick and Paddy had promised their uncle Seamus, who had been a seafaring gent all his life, to bury him at sea when he died. Of course, in due time, he did pass away and the boys kept their promise.

They set off with Uncle Seamus all stitched up in a burial bag and loaded onto their rowboat. After a while Mick says, "Do yer tink dis is fer enuff out, Paddy?"

Without a word Paddy slips over the side only to find himself standing in water up to his knees.

"Dis'll never do, Mick. Let's row some more."

After a bit more rowing Paddy slips over the side again but the water is only up to his belly, so they row on.

Again Mick asks Paddy, "Do yer tink dis is fer enuff out Paddy?"

Once again Paddy slips over the side and almost immediately says, "No dis'll neva do."

The water was only up to his chest.

So on they row and row and row and finally Paddy slips over the side and disappears. Quite a bit of time goes by and poor Mick is really getting himself into a state when suddenly Paddy breaks the surface gasping for breath.

"Well is it deep enuff yet, Paddy?"

"Aye it 'tis, hand me da shovel."

086 Group



Whyalla South Australia

Where the outback meets the sea

The 086 Group Lighthouse Weekend Show was a great success. The weather was good, plenty of food and drinks, lots of laughs, jokes and stories. People from Adelaide, the Barossa, Auburn and Whyalla came to relax and catch up.

The 086 Group wishes to Thank everyone who supported its show.



Southern Flinders



On 20 January, 17 bikes joined in our ride, generously sponsored by **Mid North Suzuki**. We headed off for a short ride to Crystalbrook before heading back to Pt Pirie for breakfast at the shop. Stax had called in to say hello and ended up cooking the barby while others were cooking the scrambled eggs, toast and manning the kettles. Everyone got stuck into the breakfast with some going back for seconds. There was plenty of time after breakfast for looking around the shop while some took advantage of the test rides on offer. 'Thanks' to Leon and Debra for supplying the breakfast (and to their helpers); it is always a great day and their hospitality is much appreciated by the group.

Sunday 17 February saw us head to Pt. Broughton for tea. With the day being a hot one, it was good to have an evening ride; even though it was still warm to ride, it was nice and cool at the beach. At Pt Broughton, we were joined by others that had been to Adelaide for a ride and some of the Yorke Peninsula members. Some people brought tea with them while others went to the pub or ate fish and chips on the foreshore. After plenty of gossip and story telling, we headed back to Pt Pirie just as the sun was going down.

Future Rides

12-13 April: Ride leader Les Beyer 8632 5565, 0427 632 213 Weekend ride to Barmera. Leave at 9:00am and stay at the Barmera Lakes Resort Motel (8588 2555) or if you wish to camp, phone the Lake Bonney Caravan Park (8588 2234).

Sunday 20 April: Ride leader Les Beyer 8632 5565, 0427 632 213

Leave at 9:30am to ride to Peterborough for lunch in the park. Either byo (bbq available) or buy in the town. Hopefully, we will be able to do a couple of tours to places of interest in Peterborough (small entry fee).

Sunday 18th May:

Meet at 10:00am at Solomontown and decide on a destination.

Weekend ride Saturday May 31st

& Sunday June 1st: Ride Leader Leon Stephens 8633 1211, 0407 727 035

Ride to Wallaroo then take the ferry across to Cowell. From there we will travel to Elliston where we will spend the night at the Ellen Liston Motel (86879028) or the Elliston Waterloo Bay Caravan Park (8687 9076). Sunday, we will head down to Pt Lincoln for lunch before heading back to the ferry for the trip home.

Sunday 15th June: Ride Leader Leon Stephens 8633 1211, 0407 727 035

Leave at 9:00am and travel Moonta to have a look through the antique shops before lunch. Either byo or buy lunch.

If anyone has ideas for a ride we still need ride leaders for August and November this year.

As of August this year, we will have been riding as a group for 2 years. So, after co-ordinating the rides for 2 years, I am looking for someone else to take over the role and bring in some new ideas. If you are interested, please contact me

All rides leave from the Caltex service station by the roundabout in Solomontown. For further information contact Les Beyer on 8632 5565 or 0427 632 213



Bad boy, Mervyn!



Merv Cole on a Wednesday ride having an ice-cream at Snowtown for afternoon tea. (Best value for money ice-creams around).

Port Wakefield on the Adelaide Cup Weekend.



From left: Natalie Hall, her sister, Beverly from Queensland, Raelene Lind, Leon Hall, Rod Lind, James Bartsch, Heather Bartsch. enjoying their Saturday evening meal.

Yorke Peninsula

Fish Luncheon With The Y.P,V,V Club 2nd February

Nineteen Ulyssians from Yorke Peninsula attended a fish luncheon put on by the Y.P.V&V Club at Point Turton. It was a most enjoyable day with a large variety of seafood available for a modest charge. The profits from the lunch, drinks, auction and raffle amounted to approximately \$1,600.00 and was donated to the Royal Flying Doctor.

Freemasons Foundation Prostate Cancer Ride 17th February

Although this ride was not advertised very well, it attracted quite a few Ulyssians from most branches and riding groups including Yorke Peninsula. It was a very well organised ride from Port Adelaide to Birdwood with about 550 bikes. The ride raised a considerable sum of money which was donated for Prostate Cancer Research. This is a ride to look out for next year as it is a very enjoyable ride for a worthy cause.

V & V Bottom End Rally 1st & 2nd March

This very popular annual event was held once again at Port Vincent. Ulyssians from all over the State, locally and interstate make this rally an annual pilgrimage. There are four rides over the two days (two long and two short) to suit all types of bikes and riders. The catering and accommodation is reasonably priced and of a very good standard. This is another good ride to jot in your diary.

Port Wakefield With The Fleurieu Branch 8th,9th,10th March

What a scorcher! Temperatures were in the high 30's but the attendance was only marginally down.

The Fleurieu group arrived about lunchtime Saturday and booked in. It was decided not to go ahead with the Saturday afternoon ride due to the extreme conditions. Instead of the ride, we just sat around in the air conditioned recreation room and cabins, and socialised.

Saturday night we all went over to the Port Wakefield Hotel where we enjoyed a very good value for money three course meal in an excellent environment.

Early Sunday morning we travelled to Stansbury for morning tea hosted by John and Rita Molnar. What a morning tea it was, after multiple pastries, scones, and cakes washed down with cool drinks, tea and coffee John produced a heap of extra large freshly caught crabs The special effort that John and Rita put in was appreciated by everyone, especially our visitors who gave a short thank you speech. Before we left, Rita packed up some parcels of crabs for those who wanted to take some home with them. By the time we left, it was starting to warm up, so we called into Leon and Natalie Hall's at Ardrossan, on the way back, to re-hydrate with very welcome cool drinks. 'Thanks' to Leon and Natalie for providing this stop-over break. For the rest of the afternoon we just lazed around in the air conditioning or went for a swim. Saturday evening we set off for the Bute Hotel for their legendary bbq tea. (photo: Jono got crabs at Stansbury)

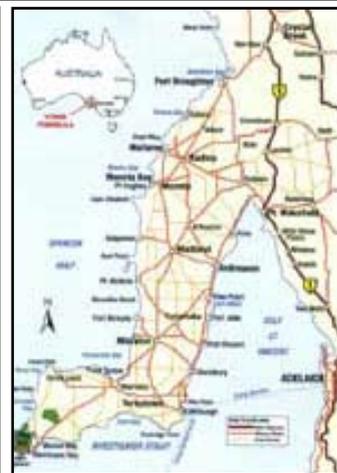
The ride home from Bute to Port Wakefield in the night air was really enjoyable.

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 **8821 1598** before any Wednesday ride to get the latest information. (Note new phone number.)



The leg on which SA stands

Monday morning, after packing up and saying our good-byes, we headed in opposite directions for home. We all agreed that we will do another joint ride in the future to help foster the integration of our respective groups.

COMING RIDES

11th,12th,13th April (Note date Change)

Weekender at Port Augusta. Meeting the Eyre Peninsula Branch. Bookings essential. Let us know if you intend to join us as it helps with the catering.

4th May

Meet at B.P. Port Wakefield 9.30 am for a ride through the Mid North to Port Broughton for lunch. Lunch can be b.y.o. pub or takeaway.

14th &15th June

Overnighter with BMW Owners Club at Corny Point. Saturday night tea byo bbq. There will be a camp fire outside the well equipped games room. All types of accommodation available. Please book early.

6th July

Meet at B.P Ardrossan 10.00 am Ride to Port Turton for lunch at the Tavern. (Numbers required by July 1st)

2nd, 3rd August

We have been invited by the Fleurieu Branch to attend their annual Beast Feast. Saturday tea \$12.00 Sunday breakfast \$5.00. Camping is free. More on this later.

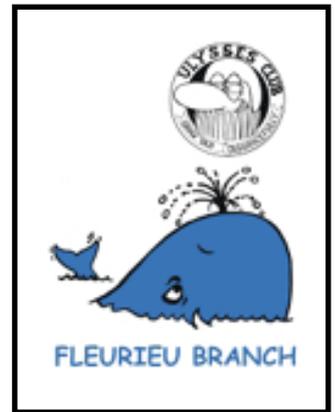
Contacts:-

Rodney Lind 88377260 Mob 0418527977
Jim Davies 88521021 Mob 0417836994



Coming Rides

Date	Time	Event	Leaving	Destination	Leader
6 April	10.00 am	Easter Egg Hunt	Alma Hotel Willunga	TBA	GT/Sandy
27 April	10.00 am	Progressive Lunch	Alma Hotel Willunga	TBA	MMM
11 May	9.30 am	Not the AGM Trip	Alma Hotel	Swan Reach	Doug



RIDES REPORT

Well what a start to the rides calendar it was absolutely amazing seeing members from other branches as well as many of our own Fleurieu members at Mt Gambier.

We ended up with around 95 people staying at the caravan park and also quite a few who were bunking in motels around the place.

We ended up with 120 at the Saturday night dinner and the Sunday night we tallied up to 160 people present at the RSL. I have done an extended article which will be placed on the web shortly with stories and what events took place and even a few pictures of the week end.

In finishing I would have to say that I have never been more impressed than I was this week end with the effort and friendship put in by all the members of our branch who pitched in with jobs needed doing and especially with making everyone feel extremely welcome well done all. We have received a lot of positive feedback from various sources coming from interstate as well as South Australia and I believe that nearly all the hard accommodation has already been booked for next year so looks like it will be happening again so make sure you get in and don't miss out next year..



A wife gets naked and asks hubby 'What turns you on more: my pretty face or my sexy body?' Hubby looks her up and down and replies, 'Your sense of humour.'

And more.....

Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend, Finney.

'Did you see the paper?' asked Gallagher. 'They say I died!!'

'Yes, I saw it!' replied Finney. 'Where are ye callin' from?'

Walking into the bar, Mike said to Charlie the bartender, 'Pour me a stiff one - just had another fight with the little woman.'

'Oh yeah?' said Charlie, 'And how did this one end?'

'When it was over,' Mike replied, 'She came to me on her hands and knees.'

'Really,' said Charles, 'Now that's a switch! What did she say?'

She said, 'Come out from under the bed, you little chicken.'

Father Murphy walks into a pub in Donegal, and says to the first man he meets, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

The man said, 'I do, Father.'

The priest said, 'Then stand over there against the wall.'

Then the priest asked the second man, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

'Certainly, Father,' was the man's reply.

'Then stand over there against the wall,' said the priest.

Then Father Murphy walked up to O'Toole and said, 'Do you want to go to heaven?'

O'Toole said, 'No, I don't Father.'

The priest said, 'I don't believe this. You mean to tell me that when you die you don't want to go to heaven?'

O'Toole said, 'Oh, when I die, yes. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now.'

From the Mallee, President Toddy says.....

What's hot and what's not? Answer – the weather and not much else mate! So be it, but it hasn't kept us indoors all of the time and there have been the usual good rides and the regular Sunday morning get together at the Barmera Shell Pitstop Café.

The main event of note since the last "Odyssey Mag" was our AGM held at Swan Reach on 17-2-08. We made a weekend of it with some of us staying in the caravan park, whilst others took hard accommodation at the hotel. It was a warm one, but nonetheless about 50 members turned up. Most of the committee remained, but we have a new Secretary, Carol Beswick, and three new committee members, Sylvia and Royce Fisher, and Rides Co-ordinator Steve Gilgen. Also, we now have a Welfare Officer Laurie Davison – welcome folks.

The main event at our AGM was the drawing of the Brough Raffle by the generous maker and donor of this fine piece, Mallyssian Vern Wilksch, and the winner was **John Ellis of Broken Hill**. The prize couldn't have gone to a better bloke, as John is an avid collector of motor cycle memorabilia and really appreciates the Brough model.

The raffle was a great event with about \$4,620 raised for UCARF. This could not have been achieved without the widespread support of all those who sold tickets, bought tickets and worked very hard to make this a success. Although this was a fundraiser run by Mallee Branch, we must thank all the SA Branches and Groups and our sister Branches, Broken Hill and Mildura, for

their support, and also the supporters from as far afield as Tassie and Queensland, and all points in between. Thank you one and all.

The next big job is the 2009 Riverland Odyssey to be held at Barmera. We hope to have accommodation details for you in the next "Odyssey" so you can book early if you wish. It's on a long weekend and Riverland bookings will be heavy.

While on the subject, an update on the state of the river and Lake Bonney: The river above lock 1 (Blanchetown) is at normal pool level, allowing recreational activities to continue as normal and, with the river flowing slowly, it makes house boating easy. Lake Bonney at Barmera has dropped a bit over a metre leaving the lake-front with a wide sandy beach. It is not a mess of exposed black mud and vile smells as the doomsayers and the press have said. So when the weather cools a bit, get up here and have a look around – autumn in the Riverland is beautiful with cool nights and misty mornings on the river.

And now as the sun sinks slowly in the west and I sink slowly into an armchair with a cold beer, I say farewell from the beautiful Riverland.

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



Cooks' Corner



2 Minute Noodle Bake

Cook 2 x 85g packets noodles
Drain well, place in large bowl.
Add handful of grated carrot,
shredded ham,
chopped shallots/onion,
grated tasty cheese.

Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sr flour, stir.

Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup olive oil.
Add 4 beaten eggs.
Mix well.

Pour into 23cm round tin.
Bake 180°C 30 - 40 mins.
Delicious hot or cold.

2 Minute Noodle Fritters

2 x 85g packets noodles, any flavour
3 eggs, lightly beaten
1 x 310g can of corn, drained
1 x 415g can red salmon, drained & flaked
oil for frying

Cook noodles as per packet, drain well & place in bowl.
Add eggs, corn and red salmon.
Stir until well combined.
Heat a little oil in fry pan.
Spoon $\frac{1}{2}$ cup lots of noodle mix and place in pan.
Cook medium heat for 3 minutes each side or until golden.
Can serve with dollop of sour cream.

*Can add almost anything to these - chopped capsicum, cooked shredded chicken, spring onions, chopped ham or bacon.

Delicious hot or cold.

Thank you, Michele Wagnitz for these ingenious little recipes. Look for more of Michele's delights in coming issues of The Odyssey.

Ed.

Can the English language survive after Bush?

"The vast majority of our imports come from outside the country."

"If we don't succeed, we run the risk of failure."

"I have made good judgments in the past. I have made good judgments in the future."

"The future will be better tomorrow."

"We're going to have the best educated American people in the world."

"I stand by all the mis-statements that I've made."



Classifieds

Kawasaki ER6N: 2006 model. 650cc twin, fuel injected, water cooled. Registered and new bike warranty to 24/7/08. Top box, radiator guard, tank protectors, workshop manual on CD ROM. 17,800ks. Like brand new. YZD 858. **\$7,200. Contact Kevin Pattison on 8189 1095 or 0438 678 816**

Elite Camper Trailer: 2007 model. Registered until end of August '08. Queen sized bed, awnings x 2, with annex walls, override brakes and lots of extras. All set and ready to travel. **Contact Vicki on 8254 6159 or 0408 816 171.**

Camper Trailer: Butsy's 2006 model. Suit motorbike or small car. Double bed size. Annex on one side, awning on the other. 2.4m x 1.8m each. Weight: 120kg tare. Solid floor and car carry basket on top. **\$3,950. Contact Adrian Renshaw on 8255 9093 or 0427 555 287**

Goldwing SE: 1990 model. Import. Painted pearl white, full SE options. Alarm and immobiliser. Arm rests, highway platforms. 6CD stacker. Spoiler and rack with brake light. Classic towbar. Good tyres. 130,000ks. **\$12,000 ono. Contact Adrian Renshaw on 8255 9093 or 0427 555 287**

Thomas Cook Johnny Reb Boots: Size 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ In excellent condition. **\$120.00 Contact Rodney Lind on 88377260 or 0418527977**

LePera seat to suit 1996 Harley Wide Glide. \$200.00 Contact Paul Spon 8322 1828/0402 246 899

WANTED: Pair of old style (1950-60) mittens, lambswool lined, near elbow length, in good condition. Will pay reasonable price. **Contact Clive Ford on 8821 1598**

"We have a firm commitment to NATO, we are a part of NATO. We have a firm commitment to Europe, we are a part of Europe."

"Public speaking is very easy."

"A low voter turnout is an indication of fewer people going to the polls."

"We are ready for any unforeseen event that may or may not occur."

- **George W. Bush**

