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A Message from Your President, Liz Fairchild

Words from the retiring

Secretary:

I would like to thank the committee for its support and understanding particularly when I made mistakes. I want to thank all of you, the members, for your encouraging words throughout the year. It's been a privilege to have been on the committee and have had the opportunity to contribute to our great club. Thank you all.



**Our new President,
Liz Fairchild**

President's acceptance:

I feel both proud and humbled to be President of the Adelaide Branch. The Ulysses Club was founded on simple principles - older riders socializing and riding together, no social boundaries, no hidden agendas, no agro. I will endeavor to uphold those principles that has made our club so great, and I promise that I will fully support all members to achieve their goal, in growing old disgracefully!!!

**Disgracefully Yours
Liz**

The Editor's Bit.....

The **Central Odyssey** arrangements are well in hand and the regos are rolling in! **You will definitely find the rego form on page 9 of this issue.**

For the **Friday night** early birds we have **Karaoke** as the main entertainment.

For **Saturday night's dinner**, we have **Andy Caldicott** as the guest speaker - if you missed him at Canberra, here's your chance to hear about the Paris Dakar of which Andy is a 'veteran' and successful at that.

On **Sunday night**, we are having a **poetry night** - anyone who has been to our previous poetry events will know that the laughs will come thick and fast from our talented writers, etc. Anyone who has yet to let his or her talent be shared amongst friends, this is your big chance!! We know you're out there.

'A big thank you' to the **Magazine Distribution** crew - you do a fantastic job in making sure subscribers get their copy of The Odyssey every two months.

Sick List: Best wishes to **Bob Hume** who (at the time of writing) is in RAH, and it is expected that he will be there for some time. I'm sure Bob would be cheered by any visits. It might pay to enquire beforehand to see if he is still there. Bob was Rides

Leader when Garry and I first joined Ulysses over 10 years ago. We wish him well.



The way things have been going this season, this might be the last time this year that I can say, 'Go The Power!!!' Let's hope not.

Wendy

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Saturday Night

Guest Speaker 12th Central Odyssey

to be held at Pendleton Farm
30th September - 3rd October 2005

will be

Andrew Caldicott of Paris Dakar Rally fame



Sunday
Night:
Poetry &
Storytelling



Preliminary Notice

New Year's Eve Party

to be held at
The Kings' in Ardrossan
8837 3449

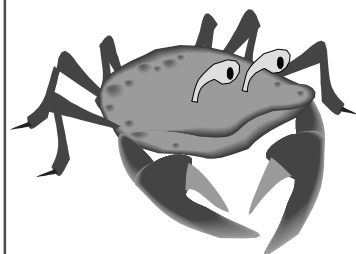
Accommodation:	The Ardrossan Caravan Park: Cabins, P and U/P sites	8837 3262
	Highview Holiday Village: Chalets (sleep up to 6)	8837 3399
	Ardrossan Hotel/Motel (nearest to Kings')	8837 3008
	Royal House Hotel/Motel	8837 3007

All of these (except Highview Holiday Village) are in easy walking distance to the Kings'.

As it will be a holiday period, early bookings are essential.

It will include tea, supper and breakfast on New Year's Day. Details and costs will be published at a later date, but, as is usual with Club catering, the costs will be low and drinks available with the usual arrangements or BYO. Why not make a weekend of it?

- Things to do in Ardrossan:**
- ✓ Crabbing, fishing, squidding - from the jetty
 - ✓ Fabulous walking trail along the cliff tops from the BHP to Tiddy Widdy and return via the beach at low tide
 - ✓ Garage Sales (always plenty on the long weekend)
 - ✓ Museum (early history of the grain boats at Ardrossan)
 - ✓ Op Shop
 - ✓ Tennis Courts (between Kings' and CP)
 - ✓ Golf Links (next door to the CP)
 - ✓ Two Pubs
 - ✓ 35 min ride to the Copper Triangle



2005

Pink Ribbon Ride

RIDE DETAILS:

WHEN: Sunday 30th October 2005

FROM: *Burnside Village Car park*
(Portrush Road)

TO: Wellington Hotel

REGISTER: *From 9am, depart 10am*

\$10 entry includes:

- pink ribbon
- sausage sizzle
- door prize

Prize for best dressed bike

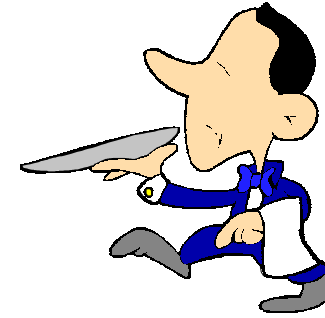


Organised by Women's International Motorcycle Association (SA) in conjunction with the Cancer Council of South Australia.

All money raised will go directly towards breast cancer research.



**Monthly Dinner
Friday 9th September
7pm**



at

Windsor Hotel

410 North East Rd
Windsor Gardens



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

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

bookings close Wednesday 7 September 2005

Advanced Rider Course



An Advanced Riders Course will to be held on Wednesday, 21st September, 2005 at Mallala. The cost will be \$290 (with a rebate of \$60 from NatCom) and **includes everything** (hire of Mallala, instructors, lunch, ambos, insurance, etc.) One vacancy.

Name to Helena on 8376 2261

Letters to the Editor.....

Dear Wendy

On behalf of my husband, Bronte Cocks, I would like to thank all riders who stopped to help him, in whatever manner, on Wed 20th July.

Coming over a rise on Paris Creek Rd, he saw a council weed sprayer ahead (3/4 of the way on the actual bitumen) and realised he would not be able to pass due to an on coming car. Bronte was doing approx. 80kph, but the weed sprayer was only doing 10kph. The long and the short of it all is, he hit the truck, and was thrown off his bike.

Fortunately, Bronte only suffered from severe bruising, with no broken bones or internal injury and we think the ST will be written off. It's not really the way he wanted to 'trade it in'.

Again thank you to all, especially to the couple who stayed until the ambulance left. Your support was fabulous.
Ann Cocks.

P.S. Bronte says, don't ever go in an ambulance on Paris Creek Rd, it's so bumpy he nearly fell out of the stretcher.

Dear Wendy

Just thought I would give a plug to one of our advertisers.

Having a quantity of Standard & Super eight movies, I was looking for someone to transfer them to video or dvd. Looking through The Odyssey, I saw an ad by Media Conversions. I contacted Uwe Sinn, who is a member, and arranged to have them done on dvd. I sorted them out, labelled them and left them with him, and arranged for him to choose the background music.

Not only did he do a fantastic job, but the price was very competitive.

**Regards
Syd Webb #961**





Tom & Tony's Sunday Ride

Sponsored by 'Yamaha World'

Sunday 20th November 2005



Start will be from 'Yamaha World' South Road -100 meters South of the Cross Road overpass.

Breakfast will be available Bacon, Egg etc. from 0930 to 1030 hours. The shop will be open to look around and or purchase any requirements.

After which you will receive certain information, do not fret you will only need half a brain cell to work it out.

Please bring a pen to write your name and Telephone Number, paper provided.

The Ride will be at your pace, no follow my leader, and will be kept very simple for the less experienced and also the old and fragile, help will be available to mount up if required.

The venue we have chosen to arrive at has a bistro, bar, tea, coffee, sandwiches etc. and we have procured a Jazz Band to entertain you in extremely pleasant surroundings.

Now this is where you will need to use that half brain cell to its utmost capability, for a very short time. We have a room made available for us to use for this short completion ceremony.

All Prize presentations will be at the next monthly meeting following the ride.

Just to round off, come and enjoy a good ride out, have fun, ride safe.

Finally a 'Yamaha World' Vehicle will be available should any rider or pillion be in need of help.

Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar Aug-Oct 2005

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
August 7	Sunday 10.00 am	Phil Bancroft 8288 7763	Day Ride		Civic Park
August 14	Sunday 10.00 am	Andrew Mill 8284 4027	Day Ride	Normanville	Top o'Taps
August 21	Sunday 9.30 am	Andrew Mill 8284 4027	Day Ride	Milang	Civic Park
August 28	Sunday		Check Fleurieu & Torrens Valley Calendars		
Sept 4	Sunday 10.00 am	Gnome 8186 5801	Fathers' Day Ride	TBA	TBA
Sept 11	Sunday 9.00 am	Andrew Mill 8284 4027	Remembrance Day Ride	Hindmarsh Island	Eagle on the Hill
Sept 18	Sunday 9.00 am	Andrew Mill 8284 4027	Sponsored Day Ride Bills Motorcycles		Bill's Motorcycles Main North Road
Sept 25	Sunday 10.00 am	Andrew Mill 8284 4027	Sponsored Day Ride Coast Yamaha		Top o'Taps
Oct 1-3	Saturday Sun, Mon	Rob Cole 8376 2261	The 12th Central Odyssey Pendleton Farm	Near Keith	
Oct 9	Sunday 10.00 am	Rob Boram 8396 0745	Day Ride Arthritis Research Taskforce	Highbury	Eagle on the Hill

Dale and John Howard's New Baby!



First photo of the new baby and the never ending smile. I now have to book a week in advance to take the bike out. - John



Brian Cook getting up close and personal with the donkey at Clayton's Heritage Farm, which we visited during our weekend at Keith on the May long weekend



No, Spencer! It's not a Peter Warner! (Bragging, again!)

Nappa's Goldwing's 30th Birthday Bash



It was a bit crispy when Garry and I left Ardrossan for Munno Para at 8.00 am, and it wasn't much warmer in the Barossa Valley, where we went for a ride prior to the 'bash' at Rick and Ronda's in Elizabeth.

When we got back to Rick and Ronda's we were greeted by a happy band of caterers (Cole Corps) and lots of drinkies. I didn't do a head count, but guess there were 60+ people attending.

The Birthday Bike 'blew' out the candles on its cake much to the amusement of the guests.



Top: Nita Curtis and long-time family friend
Then clockwise: Cancerman; What are they plotting now?; Blowing out the candles; Two happy groups in a beautiful garden setting; Liv Andersen and (sorry, unable to identify this member)

It was a beautiful day, weather, friends, food, etc.
Thank you, Rick and Ronda.
Wendy King



Camp Kedron - Barmera

Part 1 - The Trip

Day 1 – Wednesday: We assembled at the Caltex Muno-Para at 10.30 am on the Wednesday. The weather was not the best, very overcast and the occasional drizzle of rain. There were 14 of us including Jenny in here 4x4 with food and goodies. So, at 10.30am we were off and headed via Gawler bypass towards Eudunda for morning tea, by then the weather had cleared and was looking much better. Allan and wife had a little mishap and over balanced on the side stand. A little damage was done to the bike, but, after picking the bike and dusting off his pride, we were of again. Our next stop was for lunch at Morgan.

After stopping for while, we continued towards our destination of Barmera. When we arrived at the campsite, we unpacked and chose our bunkhouses. Ross and Jenny and few helpers had the catering well organised and in no time at all we were all enjoying tea, coffee and nibbles in front of a warm fire.

Later in the evening, we had a BBQ and dessert, and after that we all got stuck into a few casks of Shiraz and Port. You can imagine, after a short while, the conversation was ticking over very well.



Day 2 - Thursday, was started off with breakfast, and then we were off for a run. We rode around the Riverland and with fine weather it made for a really enjoyable day. We stopped for lunch where most of us had ice-cream cones, sitting on the banks of the Murray. It was a great ride heading back to camp, where we rested with a cuppa. Later in the evening, most of rode to the Barmera Football Club for dinner. We suggested that Jenny drive us all in her 4x4, but 14 people would not fit. Everybody voted that the meal at the club was great - we all enjoyed it. The night was finished off when we got back to camp and got stuck back into the Shiraz and port. I think we covered every subject in the conversation, solving the world's problems.

Day 3 - Friday, our last day: We had our breakfast, then we packed up and we all chipped in for the camp clean up. First, a few of us first rode into the town to fuel

up before heading back, and about 9.00am we were off. We went the back road home and stopped at Swan Reach for morning tea, before crossing the Murray on the river ferry. We had agreed at Swan Reach to head to Birdwood and break-up and go our separate ways home.



In all we had a terrific weekend; the group was just big enough to get to know each other. Ross, Mick, Jenny, etc., had the whole week well organised. The weather was fine and good company - what more can you ask for!

Part 2 - The Bike

As for myself, this mid-week rally was a good opportunity to give my new bike a good run and get the feel of it. For the week before the rally I had bought a new BMW R1200RT; at the moment the bike is a bit tall for me, or I am too short for it. I had to pick my parking spots very carefully. But I have arranged to get the bike lowered by Technoflex next week. It was John Mikutta who put me on to these guys as they did a good job on his bike, (his bike is the same make and model). Being 5'3", it is not easy to find a bike that will accommodate my height; I think they make bikes for people that are six feet and over. I had to take time and do my homework in choosing a bike, as my last bike (Triumph Speedmaster) was a disaster. From the day I bought it was nothing but trouble. Every rally I went on, something either fell off or broke, and trying to get good back up service was a task in itself. So a quick decision was made to get rid of the Triumph. I now was looking for something that was reliable, good back up service, and set up for long-range touring. After searching for some months it came down to a choice between two bikes - the 1800 Goldwing or the BMW R1200RT. I took both of them for a test ride, and did many hours of research on reviews, etc. From my point of view, in the end, the BMW walks all over the Goldwing. So I am now looking forward to many years of trouble free riding.

Allan Webster
#36551



The July monthly dinner was held at The Feathers Hotel in the main dining room with a table set up with holly, candles, bon bons, leis, whistles, candy sticks and gifts galore. Back ground Christmas tunes played for all to hear. I can happily say all those who attended had a great, friendly, fun entertaining night coupled with Christmas cheer as a bonus. It was great to see Allan and Sue Webster and Jean and Frank Carey joining in with the meal and activities.

The meal was as tasty as we have always experienced in this hotel and the staff friendly and obliging. After enjoying our soup and roast from the carvery, Santa's helper passed around a bag from which people drew a name and that person had the choice of a selection of mystery gifts in the centre of the table. Everyone appeared happy with their selected gifts and, amazingly, lots received just what they wanted – you would be surprised how many people use a tea pot!

After making the most of the tasty selection of sweets, the highlight of the evening came when the wonderful, tall, good-looking Santa appeared with his 'HO HO HO' and a great big bag full of mystery gifts to our table. He was so happy he jovially greeted the girls and boys on our table and made the night for several other tables, too. I think the whole room stopped while Santa was with us as he did light up the room for everyone. He personally handed everybody a gift which put the smiles even bigger on a lot of faces and then as quick as he had entered he said good-bye till next time – we do hope to see him again for a cuddle and Christmas kiss. I wonder if he bumped into Ken on

Christmas in July

the way out as Ken appears to have missed Santa while he was having his smoke break.

It was cold and wintry outside, but we all enjoyed a night of warmth and friendship inside. Look forward to seeing you all again and thanks for making it a great night to remember.

Jenny Hills



Leslie loves her sweets



Des is happy opening his present while Anne steals a kiss from Santa



Kevin and Des watch Jeannie enjoying Santa's visit



Ken watching Kevin showing Jeannie how it works



Liz and Ken Fairchild



Jean and Frank Carey



Allan and Sue Webster



Leslie Cockrell and Jenny Hills



Margaret and Adrian Gray



...and have you been a good boy, Ross?

On a special teacher's day, a kindergarten teacher was receiving gifts from her pupils. The florist's son handed her a gift. She shook it, held it over her head, and said, "I bet I know what it is - flowers!"



"That's right!" said the boy, "but how did you know?"



"Just a wild guess," she said.

The next pupil was the candy store owner's daughter. The teacher held her gift overhead, shook it, and said, "I bet I can guess what it is - a box of candy!"

"That's right! But how did you know?" asked the girl.

"Just a lucky guess," said the teacher.

The next gift was from the liquor store owner's son. The teacher held the bag

over her head and noticed that it was leaking. She touched a drop of the leakage with her finger and tasted it. "Is it wine?" she asked.

"No," the boy replied.

The teacher repeated the process, touching another drop of the leakage to her tongue. "Is it champagne?" she asked.

"No," the boy replied.

The teacher then said, "I give up, what is it?"

The boy replied, "A puppy!"



A fleeing Taliban, desperate for water, was plodding through the Afghanistan desert when he saw something far off in the distance. Hoping to find water, he walked toward the object, only to find a little old man sitting at a card table with neckties laid out on it. The Arab asked, "My thirst is killing me. Do you have water?"

The little old man replied, "I have no water. Would you like to buy a tie? They are only \$150. This one goes very nicely with your robes."

The Arab shouted, "Idiot! I do not need an overpriced tie. I need water!"

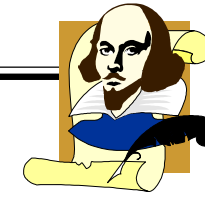
"OK," said the little old man, "it does not matter that you do not want to buy a tie. I will show you that you have not offended me. If you walk over that hill to the east for about two miles, you will find a lovely restaurant. Go! Walk that way! The restaurant has all the water you need!"



The Arab staggered away toward the hill and eventually disappeared. Four hours later the Arab came crawling back to where the little old man was sitting at his table. The little old man said, "I told you, about two miles over that hill. Could you not find it?"

"I found it all right," rasped the Arab. "Your brother won't let me in without a tie!"

Poets' Corner



SKI

A secret I've been keeping
that concerns an inner feeling
when I'm riding on the edge and feeling game
Is the marks I leave behind
that resembles dots and lines
it's good to meet you, Skidmarks is my name

It can happen in the rain
or on a dusty plain
when a corner can produce a frightening slide
It's in this kind of weather
that your glad your wearing leather
you can cover a mistake within your strides

You've got to watch wet arrows
arid the lines on corners narrow
the potholes and the gravel on the verge
And if the traffic stops
when your jammed between the lot
you may receive a sudden back end surge

Now I can well remember
on a Friday last September
my bike and I were travelling smooth and kosher
But my wheels got somehow crossed
then my luggage all was lost
and I was rather busy cutting washers

When I'm pushing up the daisies
on a day to come, old matey
having wheelied off the planet by and by
As sure as gravel came from rocks
you can bet your cotton jocks
they'll call me Bluey Skidmarks in the sky
Blue Coppin #6096

THE FAMOUS SAYING

I heard this thing go pop,pop,pop,
Gumeracha swap meet last year,
Took a look and a Lobethal ride
Now it's home in me shed right here.

The bloke who sold it, (a Ulysses man
Called Kevin *) he told me no lies,
So I gave him me refund tax cheque
A V twin — what a pleasant surprise.

Twas a Honda CX five hundred
To me it's a bit like a girl,
A pretty thing, she looks just right
And makes your heartbeat whirl.

I'd not intended to buy two wheels
'Til a year before me retirement,
But the CX was more than a physical thing
It fulfilled a lifestyle requirement.

Now I've talked at length to 'Skoota' **
He's an expert on the CX five hundred
He patiently listens to me tales of woe
Then tells me where 'Bugger Smith' blundered!

Now you've all heard the famous saying
It's an old and oft' quoted line,
But I have to asterisk the thing
To keep the poem in rhyme.***

I'm widely experienced on both accounts
And occasionally known to skite,
Well the CX is no damn exception.
The tits bit? I'm not game to write!!

With women and bikes, I've no control
One look, I've just got to have it,
With bikes I've been quite successful
The other? Like on old 'mixy' rabbit!

But this was in me younger days
The years of testosterone,
To win a woman you needed a car
To offer 'a ride back home'.

I couldn't afford to manage both
So the bike got swapped for a Morris,
A disastrous move as it ended up
The bloody thing gave me the horrors.

Yeah the Morris mate, you know the type
A convertible red eight forty,
The electrics were stuffed, motor worn out
And dreadfully cramped for a naughty!!

So I traded it in on a REO
It was virtually like a small truck,
She did thirteen miles to the gallon
And had room in the back for anything.

But motor bikes are contagious
They're almost like a disease,
You just can't beat the thrill of the road
When you ride 'Adelaide Ulysses'!

Now I've ranted and raved and waffled
About bikes and birds and things,
But my next move is Saint Peter
And a pair of those gossamer wings.

But might I be so lucky
When I look at my dubious past,
If there's a wait to get to the gates of Hell
In the queue, I'll bet I'd be last!

Mike (Bugger) Smith.

*Kevin Pattison —
**Bill ('Skoota') Hamilton.
***The famous saying...
'If it's got tits or pistons it'll give you
trouble!!'



Bill 'Skoota' Hamilton (an expert on the CX 500.) In my day 'the sign' was two fingers. Today it's one, the middle finger. But Bill seems to be giving me one and a half fingers which I still trying to work out the meaning of!!

JANET (YACK) CULLINAN

Member No 36932

20.09.1957

09.05.2005

Janet was one of those unique people who could light up a room simply by entering. Her ever present smile and constant good humour made her a pleasure to be with. Her nickname, (Yack), was an obvious one as she loved to socialise with her many friends

and have a good yack! She was a very caring, compassionate and generous person who was prepared to listen to other peoples problems and would help in any way possible.

Janet was an accomplished horsewoman in her younger years and was always

keen to experience new adventures. Hence, when her husband (Brian) bought a new bike and they joined the Ulysses Club, it created more opportunities to meet more people and to experience much more horsepower. Brian

commented frequently about being hit on the helmet for travelling too quickly, but they both thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Whether it was a day ride, a camping weekend or any sort of social get together, Janet was always one of the first to commit Brian and herself to it.



Janet and Brian were also members of the Garden Island Yacht Club where they spent many hours together socialising with friends.

Janet's passing is a tragic loss and she will remain in the hearts and memories of all who knew her.

To Janet:

Whenever we ride and we feel the wind in our faces, we know you are with us and we will be thinking of you, dear friend.

Stephen (Wooly) #8631 on behalf of Brian and her many friends at the Adelaide Branch



The Central Odyssey Journey

The Central Odysseys all began on the June long weekend in 1993 with a ride organised to Quorn by Bronte Wood, where we met with the Broken Hill boys. The suggestion that we should meet up more regularly was tossed around and, in talking with Des (Doghead) Rowe (from Broken Hill), it was decided that he would check with the local library for an appropriate name for such a gathering. We met up again at the Alice Springs AGM in 1994 where Des told me he could find only 3, but they didn't sound right, e.g., *Symposium*.

Rob and I continued on around the north and west of Australia, arriving in Whyalla in July, '94 to collect my bike from Fred and Rita Struensee's place (a friend had ridden it back from the Alice). We were sitting around his kitchen table with Bob and Joan Johnson discussing what to call this proposed event and came up with *Central Odyssey* as a title and decided to hold it in **Port Lincoln**. With a lot of help from Robbie Sinkinson, the 1st Central Odyssey was off the ground.

Whyalla held the successful 2nd Central Odyssey with boss, Fred (tickets please) Struensee doing a great job. I know that the weather was a wee bit damp because Gary and Ros Miller were flooded out of their tent, but a really good time was had by all that attended.

Nobody wanted to run the 3rd Central Odyssey, but having got it off the ground, we were very reluctant to see it fold, and Rob said he would like to run one at **Clare** - a great success. He was quite disgusted that he had over ordered on the beer as he had 13 cartons over, but then he worked out that people had drunk 24 dozen bottles of good wine instead!

Broken Hill, with Charlie Cefia as boss, ran the 4th Central Odyssey at the Broken Hill race course - another great party. The ride to Medindie Lakes on the Sunday was one of the highlights. Barry McDonald organised a ride back to Adelaide on the Monday morning, leaving at 8.00, but

knowing our lot we were packed up well and truly before then and were all gone before he turned up. I think that he finally caught up with us at Yunta.

In 1998, the 5th Central Odyssey was again run by the **Whyalla** boys and girls, this time at Nutbush Retreat - a working station on the Eyre Highway north of Whyalla. Another very different experience, with dancing in the woolshed to a really good band from Port Pirie on both nights. The Sunday ride to Whyalla to try our hands at the Go Karts was another experience enjoyed for the first time by most members. Some of us went into Port Augusta and enjoyed a few hours at the Wadlatta Centre, well worth a visit.

In 1999 the 6th Central Odyssey it was back to **Port Lincoln** with Jack Ash and co., out at North Shields. What a feast of seafood - absolutely unforgettable! After the weekend a few of us spent a couple of days in Tumbay Bay and made use of Jeff Woolford's fishing charter; we girls all met up for morning tea at the boat shed before walking the town.

In the year 2000, Adelaide was a bit busy with the Nuri AGM and the Limestone Coast group kindly organised the 7th Central Odyssey under David and Helena Gritton's leadership (their AGM organising apprenticeship). Another top weekend in **Mount Gambier**, but this time the weather was not nice. Fortunately, under the marquee our spirits were not dampened; another memorable Ulysses party. There was a really good ride into Victoria to Casterton and onto "The Pub in the Scrub" at Dergholm.

We announced in Mount Gambier that the 8th Central Odyssey would be held in the Riverland somewhere. Rob and I did an overnight reconnaissance trip via Morgan through to Loxton and decided that **Barmera** had the best facilities, if we could use the YMCA hall and if they would allow us to have a liquor licence. They agreed and, with a lot of hard work

by a lot of people, what a success it was.

The 9th Central Odyssey was in **Port Augusta**, because Rob got it into his head that that was where he wanted to run it. A few objections like "Why would you stay at Port Augusta?" Another very successful party except that Rob dinged the car in front of at least 100 people so he couldn't pretend that it didn't happen!

It was back to **Port Lincoln** and North Shields (now badly singed) for the 10th Central Odyssey. I consider one of the highlights was the visit to the seahorse farm where we learnt that the males carry the babies, - I like that idea! Again, great country hospitality and 'well done' to all those involved now having run their 3rd Central Odyssey.

Friday night in Port Augusta, (the 9th) 3 slightly tipsy mates were at a tall round table by the bar - one was Steve Baines from **Coober Pedy**, asking how he could get to have a Central Odyssey in that town. We slept on the idea and asked Des the Pres to ask for a show of hands on the Sunday night at the dinner if people would be willing to travel that far and 80% said 'yes'. Well how more 'central' can one get?

Meantime, Steve got himself voted in as Mayor and the 11th Central Odyssey again was really memorable; some of us went on the outback mail run to William Creek and Oodnadatta, some of us came off our bikes and all of us went to the Outback Race Meeting where Des presented the Ulysses Cup to the winner of the Ulysses Cup race (there were only 2 horses in it as the rain had made the roads impassable and the horses couldn't get into town from the stations!) again a lot of great memories. Roll on the 12th Central Odyssey at Pendleton Farm in October in 2005 and as the words to the song go 'The road goes on forever and the party never ends'.

Helena (2454) and Rob (2453) Cole

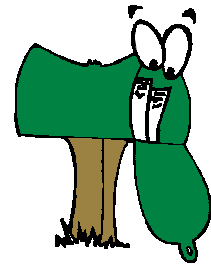


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 "My parrot? Dead? The one that won the International competition?"
 "Si, that's the one."
 "Damn! That's a pity! I spent a small fortune on that bird. What did he die from?"
 "From eating rotten meat."
 "Rotten meat? Who the hell fed him rotten meat?"
 "Nobody, senor. He ate the meat of one of the dead horses."
 "Dead horse? What dead horse?"
 "The thoroughbred, Mr. Lucky. He died from all that work pulling the water cart."



she was a thief, so I hit her with your new Tiger Woods Nike driver."
 SILENCE....."Ernesto if you broke that f @#\$ing driver, you're fired!"

"Are you insane? What water cart?"
 "The one we used to put out the fire."
 "Good Lord! What fire are you talking about, man?"
 "The one at your house! A candle fell and the curtains caught on fire."
 "What the.....!!! But there's electricity at the house!!!! What was the candle for?"
 "For the funeral."
 "WHAT BLOODY FUNERAL?!"
 "Your mother's...She showed up one night out of the blue and I thought

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