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All newsletters and magazines survive on the submissions of subscribers; The Odyssey is no different.

Do you have anything interesting to tell our subscribers holidays, poetry, jokes, motorcycle stories, reports on Ulysses activities, hobbies, photos? Send it in and get yourself in print! The Odyssey, as always, is receptive to 'stuff' from all branches. We want to know what you've been up to.

How about some wedding photos?

Wendy King Editor

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19th November	for
19th January	for
19th March	for
19th May	for

for the August issue for the October issue for the December issue for the February issue for the April issue for the June issue

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Hi All

Here we are again! The end of another eventful Ulysses year! And with the warmer months in front of us, we will have some riding to catch up on.

The 20th Central Odyssey, hosted by the Torrens Valley Branch was a real hoot! It was jam-packed with funny episodes - I had a ball. Congratulations to the organising committee - it was a hit!!



Next year, the 21st Central Odyssey will be at Port Pirie, hosted by the Adelaide Branch and supported by members of the Southern Flinders Group. At the meeting of representatives from the other branches, there being no other takers for the 22nd event, Adelaide Branch, with support from the Whyalla & Districts Branch, will be your hosts in 2015.

A few of the committee and their husbands/wives will be doing a reconnaissance in Whyalla on the Anzac weekend. So you can see it's full on in the Engine Room in the Adelaide Branch.

Diary Dates:

- Toy Run Breakfast & Toy Run 13th December
- Andrew's Ho Ho Ride 20th December
- Adelaide Branch AGM 2nd February
- Morgan Weekender, 8, 10,11 March (Adelaide Cup weekend)
- Not the AGM Weekend 16-18 May at Berri

On the sick list: Chris Matthews has had another bout of bad luck with her health. I think that Chrissie would like to erase 2013, and pretend it never happened. Keep your chin up, Chrissie; everyone is hoping you health is up to scratch very soon.

After the Odyssey, Garry, Daisy and I spent a leisurely 3 weeks along the river in the camper trailer. Weather could have been warmer (I had bought a jacket and skivvy off a rack in an op shop that had 3 items for \$2. Garry guessed right when he said, 'I bet you looked for a third item!' The jacket and skivvy now reside in the local op shop. Best \$2 I ever spent.

Garry and wish everyone a Happy Christmas and New Year with you families and friends, and look forward to seeing more of you in 2014.

Wendy

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Hello Everyone

Well here we are again coming towards the end of another busy year. The year has been full of many highs and a few lows, a couple of our Adelaide branch stalwarts have had a brush with serious illness this



year but I am glad to say they are both doing very well and on the road to recovery.

Our committee has been very busy this year doing all the usual stuff committee's do and also stepping up to the plate to organize another Odyssey under very short time constraints, the organizing of this is going very well and registration forms will be out soon so keep your eyes on the Adelaide web site and upcoming Odyssey magazines.

2014 is looking like it is going to another good year for South Australian Ulyssians with not only the Odyssey but I know of a few weekends away being organized, these are always well organized and a great way to spend time with fellow Ulyssians.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our committee for their efforts throughout the past year and this also includes our sub committees and regular helpers without whom this branch and club would not survive. Nominations are now out for committee positions for 2014 and our branch AGM is be held on the 13th February 2014, so if you would like to be part of the Adelaide Branch committee for 2014 please get yourself nominated and be involved in the running of this great branch.

As this is the last President's report for the year I wish each and every one of you a very safe and merry Christmas and a wonderful new year.

> Andrew Mill President/Rides Leader Life's Too Straight Without the Twisties

The Annual General Meeting of the Ulysses Club Inc., Adelaide Branch

will be held at The European Catering company 2 Chief Street, Hindmarsh

8.00 pm Thursday, 2nd February, 2014

Nominations to be in the hands of the Secretary by 2nd January, 2014

All positions will be declared vacant

Nominations can be handed in at the January meeting or posted to

The Secretary Ulysses Club Inc., Adelaide Branch 2 Hughes Court, Craigburn Farm, SA 5051



ADELAIDE BRANCH RIDE CALENDAR 2013-2014

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Destination	From
December					
13			Toy Run	See ad Further in for more details	Victoria Park Racecourse
20	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Ho Ho Ho Ride		Top of Taps
January					
5	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Normanville	Top of Taps
12	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Williamstown	McDonald's Magill
19	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Goolwa	Civic Park
26			NO RIDE	AUSTRALIA DAY	
February					
2	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Mannum	Top of Taps
9	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	McDonald's Magill
16	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Angaston	Civic Park
23	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Milang	Top of Taps
March					
2	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Wellington	McDonald's Magill
8	9.00 am	Rick Nappa 82551179	WEEKENDER	Commercial Hotel Morgan More nfo further on	Caltex Munno Par
9			NO RIDE	ADELAIDE CUP WEEKEND	
16	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Swan Reach	Civic Park
23	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Meningie	Top of Taps
30	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Yankalilla	McDonald's Magill
April					
6	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Friends & Rellies Picnic	TBA	Civic Park
12	Saturday	Guy Malpass	Guy's Far Ride	Further details in February	
20	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	WABBIT RUN	Milang	McDonald's Magill
27			NO RIDE	ANZAC DAY Weekend	
May					
4	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	5 Captains' Ride		McDonald's Magill
11	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Mothers' Day Ride		Top of Taps
16-18		Wendy King	Not the AGM Weekend More info further on	Berri Caravan Park	Make your own way there
18	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Civic Park
25	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		McDonald's Magill
June					
1	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Top of Taps
8			NO RIDE	QUEEN'S B/DAY WEEKEND	
	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Brass Monkey Ride	Burra	Civic park
15		Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Top of Taps
15 22 29	9.30 am 8.00 am	Andrew Mill	Diehards' Breakfast	ТВА	McDonalds Magi

Top of Taps, Main South Road, O'Halloran Hill

Adelaide Branch Meetings First Thursday of the month			
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Bring or buy your own lunch	Secretary	Peter Mahony	0417 869 768
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	Secretary	Christine Clothier	8644 2264
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	Leader	Clive Ford	8821 1598
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At various venues	Yorke Peninsula		0410 505 055
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1st Wednesday

2nd Wednesday

3rd Wednesday 4th Wednesday 5th Wednesday

and check out





Monthly Dinners

For bookings and cancellations for all dinners, phone Chris Roberts on 0478 589 854

(leave message on message bank)

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

Friday, December, 13, 2013 7.00 pm



Clearview Bowling club Christmas Dinner

Bookings by 11th December

10th January, 2014 7.00 pm



The Windsor Hotel 410 North East Road Windsor Gardens

Bookings by 8th January



14th February, 2014 7.00 pm

Maid of Auckland 926 South Road Edwardstown

Bookings by 12th February



On Friday, 15th November 2013 a small group of us with big stories to tell, enjoyed the evening with a good meal, once again, at the O G Hotel. Stories of Guzzi Bob now being Emu Bob after he and his bike had an encounter with an emu chick. Adrian had a challenge with a flock of galahs taking off, but apparently everyone enjoyed the Flinders ride even with some dodgy accommodation. Adrian was missed, but he was in the band playing for a charity event. Chris was working again, but I am sure we will see everyone together for the Christmas dinner at the Clearview Bowling Club on 13th December 2013; and remember if Santa doesn't pick you off your feet then maybe you will be bowled over on the green.



Above: Jeny Hills and Margaret Gray Below: Alan Malpass



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ARE YOU A PILOT? I THOUGHT I WAS

An old Marine Pilot sat down at the Starbucks, still wearing his old USMC flight jacket and ordered a cup of coffee.

As he sat sipping his coffee, a young woman sat down next to him. She turned to the pilot and asked, 'Are you a real pilot?'

He replied, 'Well, I've spent my whole life flying planes, first Stearmans, then the early Grummans... flew a Wildcat and Corsair in WWII, and later in the Korean conflict, Banshees and Cougars. I've taught more than 260 people to fly and given rides to hundreds, so I guess I am a pilot, and you, what are you?

She said, 'I'm a lesbian. I spend my whole day thinking about naked women. As soon as I get up in the morning, I think about naked women. When I shower, I think about naked women. When I watch TV, I think about naked women. It seems everything makes me think of naked women.'

The two sat sipping in silence.

A little while later, a young man sat down on the other side of the old pilot and asked: "Are you a real pilot?"

He replied, 'I always thought I was, but I just found out I'm a lesbian.'





Adelaide Branch's Legendary Christmas Toy Run Breakfast Sunday, 8th December, 2013

Chris Roberts and his Christmas elves will be at The South Parklands Cnr Greenhill and Glen Osmond Roads

serving up a full breakfast to start your Toy Run day off with a warm, full tummy

for the tiny cost of \$7 per person (PLEASE BRING RIGHT MONEY)

Beginning at 8.00 am, you'll make the start of the parade, a very short ride to the starting point at Victoria Park Racecourse or just join the ride as it goes straight past our BBQ site.

If you've been before, enough said. If not, why not come along and join in with 100+ toy runners





Christmas Dinner

Friday December 13, 2013

7.00 PM

Clearview Bowling club

Bookings by 11th December with Chris Roberts on 0478 589 854



Don't forget your present for Santa's sack!



Ulysses Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 18th December 2013

12.30pm

at

Hahndorf Old Mill Main Street HAHNDORF

Contact - Lester Martin 0417 866 117



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Not the AGM Weekend Friday, 9th May - Sunday, 11th May, 2014

Berri Caravan Park 08 8582 3723

Evening Meals at the Berri Resort Hotel

RSVP and more info: Wendy King 8837 3449 or 0409 881 726 or email king@netyp.com.au

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Adelaide Cup Weekender

Saturday, 8th March - Monday, 10th March, 2014

Leaving Caltex Servo, Munno Para 9.00 am on Saturday

Leader: Rick Nappa

Destination is the Commercial Hotel, Morgan

secure lock up for your bikes, live music (if enough people)

dinners à la carte and breakfasts (\$10) in the Hotel

Saturday afternoon, a trip to the Cadell Winery, just a short trip across on the ferry, might be in order.

Sunday ride

If you wish to travel as a group, meet Rick & Ronda Nappa at the Caltex Servo, Munno Para at 9.00 am on the Saturday, and they'll lead the way.

Cost: \$40 per room and no matter how many are in the room.

Here is a list of what is in each room:

- room 4 double and a single
- room 5 2 singles
- room 6 1 double and 2 singles
- room 7 one double and one single
- room8 1 double, 3 singles and floor space for a swag
- room 11- 2 single
- room 12A 2 singles
- room 14 a double and a single
- room 15 1 double and 2 single also floor space for a swag

Please phone

Bronwyn or Phil on 8540 2107 to reserve your bed(s)!

Wendy King on 8837 3449 to let her know you are attending!

If the hotel gets booked out, the caravan park is just down the road a bit (08) 8540 2207





21st Central Odyssey Pt Pirie 2014 Hosted by Ulysses Club Inc. Adelaide Branch Friday 3rd October - Monday 6th October

Venue: Lions Football Club, Memorial Oval Mary Elie St, Pt Pirie.

Registrations close 22nd August 2014



Registrations are unlimited, but meals are limited to 250.

Activities will be detailed in future editions of The Odyssey and on the Adelaide web site as they get arranged.

Registration

Registration Fee (includes label badge)	\$40 per person
Camping on site	\$10 per night per tent/camper/caravan (unpowered sites only

Expected Events

- Tour of Golden North Ice-cream Factory
- Bus Trip
- Sunday Ride

Meals - served in the Lions Football Clubrooms

Breakfast Sat, Sun, Mon, Continental	Cereal, toast, tea& coffee, juice	\$6 per person
Breakfast, SAt, Sun, Mon Cooked	Continental + bacon, sausage, eggs, tomato	\$13 per person
Friday night BBQ	Steak, sausages, chips & salad on the plate	\$14 per person
Saturday night dinner	Roast beef or chicken, served with potatoes, crrots, cauliflower, peas & gravy	\$18 per person
Saturday night sweets	Cheese cakes	\$5 per person
Sunday night dinner	Coice of Rump steak, beef schnitzel, chicken schnitzel or fish all served with chips & salad bar	\$17 per person
Sunday night sweets	Cheese cakes	\$5 per person

Off-site Accommodation

Travelway Motel	30 motel units	8632 2222
John Pirie Motor Inn	42 motel units	8632 4200
Cabin Park	65 cabins	8633 2666
Flinders Ranges Motor Inn		8632 3555
Port Pirie Caravan Park	4 en suite cabins, 4 standard cabins, 36 powered sites, 26 powered and unpowered sites	8362 4275
Rangeview Cabin & Caravan Park, Highway 1, Port Pirie	6 cabins, 1 family cabin, 1 standard cabin, 4 on site vans	8634 4221

It seems there is another big event scheduled in Port Pirie on the same weekend. It would be wise to book your accommodation as soon as possible. Registration forms will be printed in the February issue of The Odyssey and available on the web site.

Nomination Form for Committee Adelaide Branch AGM 8.00pm Thursday, 2nd February, 2014 at European Catering, 2 Chief Street, Hindmarsh Nominations to be in the hands of the Secretary by 2nd January, 2014 All positions will be declared vacantImage: Comparison of the Secretary by 2nd January, 2014 Destinations to be in the hands of the Secretary by 2nd January, 2014 All positions will be declared vacant			
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for the position of	on the Adelaide Branch Committee for 2014-15		
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GUY'S FAR RIDE 500 Saturday, 12th October 2013

Yet again my Guzzi is in the shop for repairs, so my friend, Gordon, kindly lent me his Honda VT750 Shadow, as the loan bike I have is not suitable for my daughter and I to do this ride. I picked up Gordon's bike on Friday after work.

After a restless night sleep, (probably due to nerves and excitement) my alarm clock rings telling me it is time to rise and get ready for my ride. After a shower at about 7:15am I check my phone for texts from early starters, but nothing. I'm starting to worry; riders from down South should be leaving now.

I check Google Maps for the last time to refresh my memory for the chosen route. The weather forecast is perfect: 28 degrees and not a rain cloud in sight.

It's 8:05am, my daughter, Kirsty, and I leave the house; I lock the backdoor. Almost instantly the phone starts going off; I smile so wide Kirsty comments, "Guess that just made your day, Dad!" also with a big smile. 6 SMSes come though.

We head for Port Wakefield Road then up to Port Wakefield for our first fuel stop. I pull into the servo and I'm followed in by Tony Jarman from the Adelaide Branch. We chat for a minute or 2 then he's on his way.

Kirsty and I head North about 30 kms towards Lochiel, then head East to Clare. We stop for a couple of minutes to rest our bums at a park then continue on to Burra. We fuel up, then stop at the 'Kook O Burra ' for coffee, toastie, and toilet stop. Was that the Colin and Judy Cadman's bikes (Torrens Valley) down the road? Just before leaving Burra, we see Brian Brealey (Torrens Valley) and his friend passing through. It's great, as we are criss-crossing to make up kms and seeing riders taking different routes, but heading for the same destination. We leave Burra and head for Peterborough. I find that we have lost almost an hour somehow for which I hadn't planned, but we will still make it for 13:00 check in. Roads that I thought would be 110kms turned out to be 80kms, plus we struck a lot of road works. Also, perhaps, the coffee stop was a bit longer than planned. I was



hoping to be sipping on a coffee while starting my paperwork at the Capital Theatre Cafe an hour before, but it was not to be. We still have a few minutes, so fuel up and on our way to the information centre.

We are greeted by about 8 bikes and happy riders chatting away. Everyone has had a great ride and enjoyed the experience, and while getting details, more bikes roll in. Some are planning to have lunch and riding on, others are going to do the touristy thing and others are heading away for the weekend, heading further north. Kirsty, a couple of others and I head to the Capital Theatre Cafe for lunch. On completion, the others then head for home. Kirsty and I head for the Motorcycle Museum for a browse, then we, too, head for home.

It's a pleasant ride home stopping to fuel at Burra again. We see other riders stopped at coffee shops and garages as we travel past. It's been a great day and, by all accounts, the others have enjoyed it too.

Guy Malpass





Statistics: 12 bikes/14 people.

Riders from: Adelaide Branch (5), Torrens Valley Branch (6), SAMRATS (1) and the CMA (2).

Furthest travelled: Tony Jarman (Adelaide Branch), 662 kms

Shortest travelled: Colin Cadman (Torrens Valley Branch), 501 kms

Unique bikes: Husqvarna Nuda 900R & Honda Fury 1300

Most noticeable bike missing: Moto Guzzi Norge... again.

(Check out the Adelaide Branch Rides Calendar for more of Guy's Rides in 2014!)







Sunday Round-up

22nd September Day Ride to Normanville

A group of around 20 were at Top of Taps in wonderful sunshine, We made our way to Ackland Hill Road and on to Mylor, from where we followed the main road to Echunga and then Macclesfield, where we turned and headed to Meadows. We then followed Bull Creek Road through Ashbourne then onto the Strath to Goolwa Road, which we followed through Currency Creek and to Goolwa for morning tea. A few of our group left us here and returned from whence they came, and the rest of us set off through Middleton, along Waterport Road and around the Victor Harbour bypass and on to the wonderful Range Road, which we followed as far as Parawa, where we turned and headed down the hill and on to Yankalilla. We then turned right and passed a few obligitary slow cars en route to Myponga. Our journey then took us past the very full looking Myponga Dam, over the dam wall, down the hill to Carackalinga and along to Normanville for lunch



in the glorious sunshine. It was a fantastic day to be riding through the very scenic Adelaide Hills in perfect weather and surrounded by a wonderful group of club mates.

29 September Day Ride to Strathalbyn Twice

29th September Day Ride to Strath A nice sized group of around 18 were at Civic Park again in wonderful conditions; included in our group were 2 new members and, also, Peter on his shiny, sexy, new black BMW. We set off and made our way past the Houghton Golf Course, down Torrens Hill Road, on to Gorge Road, which we followed to Cuddlee Creek, and then on up the hill to Lobethal. We then went around the back of Woodside, on through Inverbrackie and on to Nairne where we turned to go through Mt barker Springs, Wistow and to Strath by the Train Station for morning tea. Once we had watched the free entertainment of a Harley being loaded onto a trailer, we headed off to Langehorne Creek, Lake Alexandrina and on through Milang, Clayton, past the Currency Creek winery, and on to the Strath-Goolwa Road to Bull Creek Road, along here through Ashbourne and on towards Meadows, before taking the precarious turn onto Paris Creek Road, past a car crash and the huge group of CFS volunteers, and on to High Street Strath (which was packed) for lunch.



20th October Day Ride to Milang

Around 24 gathered at Top of Taps and in warm and fine conditions, we set off for Clarendon (well, all of us except one of our Tailend Charlies); from Clarendon we headed around to Whickam Hill Road and on to the Range where we turned and followed Pottery Road to Brookman Road and along to Range Road and down the hill to McLaren Flat. We then went through Blewitt Springs, along Chapel Hill Road on to Seaview Road and eventually into McLaren Vale for morning tea. We left here and went to Willunga and Aldinga, and followed the foreshore to Silver Sands and Myponga, where we turned along Pages Flat Road to the main Victor Road, which we followed through Mt Compass, Cleland Gully Road to the lower reaches of Bull Creek Road, to Finniss and on to Milang for lunch. There were only about 11 of us at Milang, but we had a great time there sampling all the free goodies on offer at the bakery. Oh, and our wayward Tailend Charlie made it all the way to Milang with the rest of us.



27th October Day Ride to Meadows

A smallish group of around 14 gathered at Civic Park under overcast but fine conditions. The Jag club was setting up for a show as we left for Hancock Road, through Snake Gully, past One



Tree Hill to Kersbrook, then over over Checkers Hill Road to Gumeracha, then headed towards Lobethal before turning off to Charleston and following the Woodside Road. We next went to Lobethal and followed the twisties to Lenswood where we turned along Swamp Road, Greenhill Road, Gum Flat Road, on through Mt George to Bridgewater and then to Balhannah for morning tea. We were met there by a few more and, after refueling our bodies, we set off to Hahndorf (the back way) along the main street and on to Mt Barker where we headed to Woodchester via Wistow, Langehorne Creek and into Strath, Ashbourne and along Bull Creek Road, and finally to Meadows for lunch where Ray and Kim were waiting for us. The weather was good all day apart from the 8 spots of precipitation we encountered near Hahndorf.

Sunday Round-up

November 3rd Day Ride to Gumeracha

Around 20 or so of us gathered at the rather busy Maccas at Magill, as were the HOG group. We let them go first and Chris led us off along Magill Road to Norton Summit, Greenhill Road to Uraidla and Lobethal Road which we followed to Lenswood, and Cuddlee Creek. We followed the creek to the main road where we did the tricky left turn and headed back to Chain of Ponds. We then went to Kersbrook, Forreston, Warren Road, which we followed to Williamstown, and then Lyndoch for morning tea. We set off through the Barossa to Tanunda where we turned and made our way over Mengler's Hill and on to Springton where we turned and headed back to Williamstown, and on towards Kersbrook before turning to Forreston and back over Checkers Hill and to Chain of Ponds, along Tippett Road, through Cuddlee Creek and up the hill to Lobethal, where we turned and headed on to Gumeracha for lunch. Chris led us on a great ride, as he always does, and everyone enjoyed themselves, even Brian who took a wrong turn on the first part of the ride and he had morning tea in Angaston ??



10th November Day Ride to Wellington

A group of around 16 were at Top of Taps and, after presenting Peter Jolly with his 70th badge, we set off for Ackland Hill Road, through Ironbank, towards Stirling and on to Longwood. We turned here and went to Mylor, along River Road to Hahndorf, down the main street, and then turned and made our way to Echunga and on to Macclesfield. From here it was off to Meadows and along Paris Creek Road to Strath for morning tea. We then set off to Wistow and through to Nairne, where we followed the Old Princess Hwy to Murray Bridge where Bernie joined the ride. Then it was off to Jervois and on to the Wellington Hotel for lunch, overlooking the mighty Murray. The weather was great all day and the company wasn't too bad either; we had a couple of new members along and they seemed to enjoy themselves along with everyone else.

17th November Pitmans Sponsored Ride

On a magnificent sunny day, around 50 folk gathered at Yamaha Pitmans for their sponsored ride; we were treated to a great bbq brekkie supplied by Doug and Brenton Pitman, and wonderfully helped by Barry and Mary Hall. Once we were all fed and had a good look through the shop, we headed off and made our way to Anstey Hill and on to Houghton and Chain of Ponds, then on to Cuddlee Creek and up Fox Creek Road where we took a very roundabout way to Lenswood where we turned and made our way to Woodside; from here we wound our way to Balhannah for morning tea. We then set off along Swamp Road, back to Lenswood, through the twisties to Lobethal, where we took the Gumeracha Roadturning along Burford Hill Road, then along Angas Creek Road and, eventually, to Gumeracha. Our route the took us to Kersbrook via Checkers Hill Road, made our way

to Gawler and up Calton Hill through Kalbeeba, and into Cockatoo Valley. Next, we rode past the place where people like to run around naked in the bush, then went into Lyndoch where we turned and rode to Williamstown for lunch. It was a great day to be a motorcyclist in the Adelaide Hills today, as seen by the number of bikes out and about.



24th November Day Ride to Goolwa

A cheery group of around 18 were at Civic Park for a great day out; setting off, we made our way through Inglewood, Paracombe and on to Gorge Road, then on to Lobethal and around through Inverbrackie to Nairne. We then made our way through Mt Barker Springs, on to Wistow and down the hill to Strathalbyn for morning tea by the Train Station. After being fed, watered and bladders emptied, we set off again going to Macclesfield, along Greenhills Road and into Meadows. We next headed along Paris Creek Road to Strath and back up to Ashbourne, where we turned for Mt Compass and along the main Victor Road to Cleland Gully Road, Bull creek Road and, eventually, to a Schoolie filled Goolwa for lunch. We had a great day out in fine weather surrounded by some mighty fine Ulyssians.





SA RV Roundup - Christmas at Narrung

With the warmer weather with us once again we were looking forward to another great weekend away. We packed the van and set off for Narrung. It was a very leisurely drive through Strath and onto Wellington. The country is still looking lovely and the grapes are flourishing. The ferry crossing is always fun and free! The Coorong water was the bluer than we have ever seen it. A meandering road along the shore of the lake took us to the ferry at Narrung. It's amazing that this service is 24hr 7 days a week and still free! When we crossed the lake we could see a lots of vans at the campgrounds. I though "hope they are all Ulysses folk." It was great to see all the greeting smiles and waving hands from this mob. They were already well into it and we clearly had a lot of catching up to do!

We grabbed our chairs and joined the circle. Christmas lights and decorations adorned the vans and annexes with Santa and Christmas trees on the tables. We were now getting into the Christmas spirit. We were having so much fun that the mosquitoes decided to join us. The mosquito coils were lit and the problem was solved. Parting and laughter continued on into the night until the cool winds blew us into bed.

Daybreak over the lake was just stunning. It is a very pretty spot with well kept lawns, a jetty and best of all, a flushing toilet! Breakfast smells and chatter filled the air. It was a lovely day to sit back relax and catch up with everyone. Suddenly a beautiful vintage truck pulled into the park. It was followed by a large group that were doing a weekend run. We went over to have a look and who stepped out from the truck but our own MMM. It was great to catch up and of course he showed us around all the trucks on the run. After they left more and more Ulysses arrived and soon we half filled the campgrounds.

As the sun was setting more lights and decorations were appearing and the place looked like a fairyland. It was getting close to the judging of the best Christmas Van. It was a tough decision so we called for a group vote. Brewer and Bottler's van took out the trophy for the best dressed van. It drew thunderous applause from all, with the runner up seen kicking the shit out of Santa. Apparently Santa deserved it! The mosquitoes must have got the hint as there were none to be seen. What a fun night of laughter, jokes and stories true and bold. It was a very happy group of campers that went to bed that night.

SA RV Events

RV events are open to any Ulysses member or partner.

Any type of vehicle can be used to get you there, what is important is that you are there.

Any further enquiries contact Hobbit or Hoppy on Hoppy on 0428 567 811 or Hobbit on 0404 478 741

How quickly Sunday comes around when away. We all had a very leisurely breakfast and then sat down for a morning cuppa and chat. Reluctantly we started packing up and getting ready for the homeward drive. It had been another fun weekend as only Ulysses folk can do.

A big thank you to everyone that has supported the RV group this year. Next year's calendar is nearly finalised and will be sent out shortly. Don't forget that next year we will be hosting the National RV AGM at Black Cockatoo. If you can help at this event please let Hoppy or Hobbit know.

Remember	Good	judgement	comes	from
experience,				

and experience ... well that comes from poor judgement.

Happy wanderings

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Yorke Peninsula

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.

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We meet at Dundee's Hotel, Murray Bridge on the 2nd Tuesday of the month; Dinner @ 6.30, Meeting 8 pm. Everybody most welcome.

We have coffee every Saturday morning @ 10am in Strathalbyn, at Jack's Cafe in High Street.

Rides every 2nd Sunday, with a Wednesday ride monthly. Phone for details.

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There are no rides on the calendar at the moment, but we continue to meet at the Hot Bread Shop for impromptu rides



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Sunday Meeting Place : Sunday Coffee/chat will be held "The Whistling Cat" café in Commercial St West, (near the Odeon Plaza), from 9 - 10am. Any rides, on the day, will depart from here at 10am.

Check our ride calendar on the website as some rides may depart earlier.

Rides : As per Ride Calendar on the Web **Web Site**: www.branches.ulyssesclub.org/limestonecoast Our Web is now updated regularly, with Ride Calendar, Ride Reports & Photos.



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Reg has given up the Kawasaki and taken up flying.



Hotties from the past! Can you guess who they are? Turn to the last page for the answer.



The Odyssey

"You're all over the road!!!!"

I quite often get this retort when I ride with my fellow Ulyssians – allow me to explain.

The best place to ride on a carriage way is in the right hand wheel path and for good reasons. It gives me a wide escape route both left and right when something goes wrong, such as dodging a stray animal on the road or suffering a tyre blowout. I would rather have to emergency brake on bitumen than on dirt or grass! It is also the smoothest place to ride, the left lane being the roughest as it is closest to the pavement edge.

There are some exceptions to my 'right wheel path' plan. When approaching a crest, I veer over to the left wheel path as I never know what is about to come over the hill towards me. I also go to the left when any vehicle approaches – passing a large truck with my right elbow a metre away with a combined closing speed of 220 kph is just scary and you never know what the other roads user's state of mind is, so I need to be as far away as I can as they pass. The other exception is during wet weather when the centre of the lane is my preferred place to be. As the pavement wears down with time, the wheel paths are subject to subsidence caused by the vertical forces of heavy trucks, and this is where water will pond, causing possible aquaplaning. The middle is not subject to these forces and therefore has a courser aggregate texture depth - you can easily see this when riding along. The centre wheel path is therefore drier and will dry out more quickly.

Of course when riding in groups this way it virtually eliminates the possibility of riding in staggered file formation of which I am not a huge fan. I like to ride obeying the 3 second rule. That is keeping at least 3 seconds away from the bike in front of me which allows plenty of time to take evasive action when something goes wrong. The 3 second rule is independent of speed. When staggered riding is practiced, the 3 second rule becomes the 1.5 second rule as really you are only riding 3 seconds directly behind the rider in front. On corners, all this

theory goes pear-shaped, as bikes come together as each rider changes their position in the lane to safely negotiate the corner. The other problem with staggered riding formation is when a fellow geriatric Casey Stoner wannabe blasts past and pulls in front thereby destroying the staggered pattern system that has been carefully set up by the majority of the riders.

The Ulysses Club National Committee, however, has a policy that it never instructs members how to ride. NatCom assumes that each rider has a valid licence, has been instructed in roadcraft practices and needs no reminding of the road rules. The above explanation is purely the way I prefer to ride, honed from many years of crash free riding, especially when riding in groups - touch wood!!

One possible extension of the way I prefer to ride is when on long trips with each rider practicing the above techniques of 'riding all over the road'. If all riders in the group did this and then someone 'forgot' and maintained a constant position, then quite possibly that rider is starting to suffer fatigue and maybe it is time to pull over and take a break. It is like a little game that we can play that maybe could save a fatigue related crash from happening, especially on the longer trips.

So far this year, to date, South Australia has had 9 motorcycle fatalities, which is down on this time last year - let's keep the trend going by constantly thinking as we ride.

The road-craft we practice and where we place our bikes within the lane is a good start to this process. So there you have it, I am not drunk or reckless as I veer all over the lane, but just practicing my chosen road-craft techniques.

> **Ride Safer**, Neville Gray #3394 **Ulysses Club Road Safety Committee** (SA Representative.)



The Odyssey

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Ulysses Club Inc. Whyalla & Districts Branch

Meet and Greet

top shopz deli on McDouall Stuart ave, [Next to Harris Scarfes]. At 9:30am on the first and third Sunday of the month starting Sunday 22nd January.

> **Ride Co-ordinators** Di Lehman - phone **0409 675 829** Graham Gill - phone **0412 059 564**



Branch Meetings When: Our meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of each month

Where: Willunga Golf Club in St Peters Terrace, Willunga

Meeting starts at 8pm, but come along at 6:30pm if you want to grab a bite to eat before hand. All welcome.

All rides leave Alma Hotel, Willunga at 10am.





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Torrens Valley and Yorke Peninsula Riding Group Calendar Inquiries: Rodney Lind 0418 527 927

Ride Calendar December 2013					
Day/Date	Ride Leader	Event	Destination	Departure	
Sunday 8th December	Harald Linderman 8260 4461	MRA Toy Run	Callington Oval	Western Gate Clipsal Track Wakefield Road Adelaide 11.00 am	
Sunday 15th December	Rodney Lind 0418 527 927	Day Ride	Mannum for lunch BYO, take-away or pub meal	BP Port Wakefield 9.00 am Julian Terrace, Gawler 10.30 am	
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Saturday 4th January Sunday	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Rob Watts Memorial Ride	Saturday: Ardrossan Sunday: Port Pirie	Depart Julian Terrace Gawler 10.00 am Memorial at Ardrossan Cemetery 12.00 noon After lunch, BYO drinks at Wendy & Garry King's Accommodation and dinner at Ardrossan Hotel/Motel Depart Ardrossan	
5th January				Motel 8.00 am, meet up with SFRG at Port Pirie for morning tea.	
Friday 24-Monday27 January	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Meet up with Fleurieu Branch Australia Day Gathering	Kalganyi Caravan Park Mount Gambier	Friday, 24th January 10.00 am Shell Roadhouse Tailem Bend	
Sunday 9th February	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Novice Ride	Barossa Area finishing at Williamstown for BBQQ at Pat & Gwen Hannigan's Gold Coin donation BYO drinks	BP Port Wakefield 8.30 am Julian Terrace, Gawler 10.00 am	

Q: What do you call an intelligent, good looking, sensitive man?

A: A rumour.

A couple is lying in bed. The man says, 'I am going to make you the happiest woman in the world...'

The woman replies, 'I'll miss you..... '

'It's just too hot to wear clothes today,' Jack says as he stepped out of the shower..'Honey, what do you think the neighbors would think if I mowed the lawn like this?'

'Probably that I married you for your money,' she replied.

Theatre Seats for Seniors

An old man lay sprawled across three entire seats in the theater.

When the usher came by and noticed this, he whispered to the old man, "Sorry sir, but you're only allowed one seat."

The old man just groaned but didn't budge.

The usher became more impatient. "Sir, if you don't get up from there I'm going to have to call the manager."

Once again, the old man just groaned.

The usher marched briskly back up the aisle, and in a moment he returned with the manager. Together the two of them tried repeatedly to move the disheveled man, but with no success.

Finally they summoned the police.

The officer surveyed the situation briefly then asked, "All right buddy what's your name?"

"Fred," the old man moaned.

"Where ya from, Fred?" asked the police officer.

With terrible pain in his voice, and without moving a muscle, Fred replied, "The balcony."



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Hotties from the past:

Answer: Rodney & Rae on their wedding day 23rd December 55 years ago. (I would like some more photos, please. This is the last one in my file..) Ed.

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