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Hi All

If you didn't have a good time at Mildura, you weren't trying hard enough! The organising committee did a fabulous job - no stone was left unturned to cover all the bases and make sure all our needs were catered for (although, we never DID find those loan chairs! lol. We 'borrowed' one of the plastic chairs and our neighbours had a spare.



Had an email from Liz Robertson: Moss received his 25 year badge in March! Great effort, Moss, and may you have many more years with the Club and on your bike.

Annette Morgan is on the sick list and needs a few prayers. All the best, Annette!

Had a query from an observant member, re a photo in April's Odyssey. He wondered if about a photo in the '*Presentation of Odyssey Proceeds article*. *Is it a Telly Tubby on the right, the antenna & ears look really cute*.'. In case you missed it (I did) here it is for another look.

I guess being a stained glass artist makes one more observant of things out of place. Isn't that right, Rob?!

Cheers Wendy





Hello Everyone,

Well I guess it's true what they say, time flies when your having fun, I can't believe its June already we will soon be packing up the trailer for the Odyssey in Mt Gambier. The weather seems to be on the turn 'cause



it's sure getting colder; there is still plenty of things on offer for us all to participate in - rides, monthly dinners, etc. I also believe Sue and Wendy are in the early planning stages of a weekend away, keep an ear out for this, as any weekends away these two organize are always great.

I received a very sad phone call the other week, a close personal friend from the Fluerieu is in very poor health. I met Phil when I first joined the club and he is a true Ulyssian. So please spend as much time as you can with those you love and care about, and never put off until tomorrow things that you want to do today.

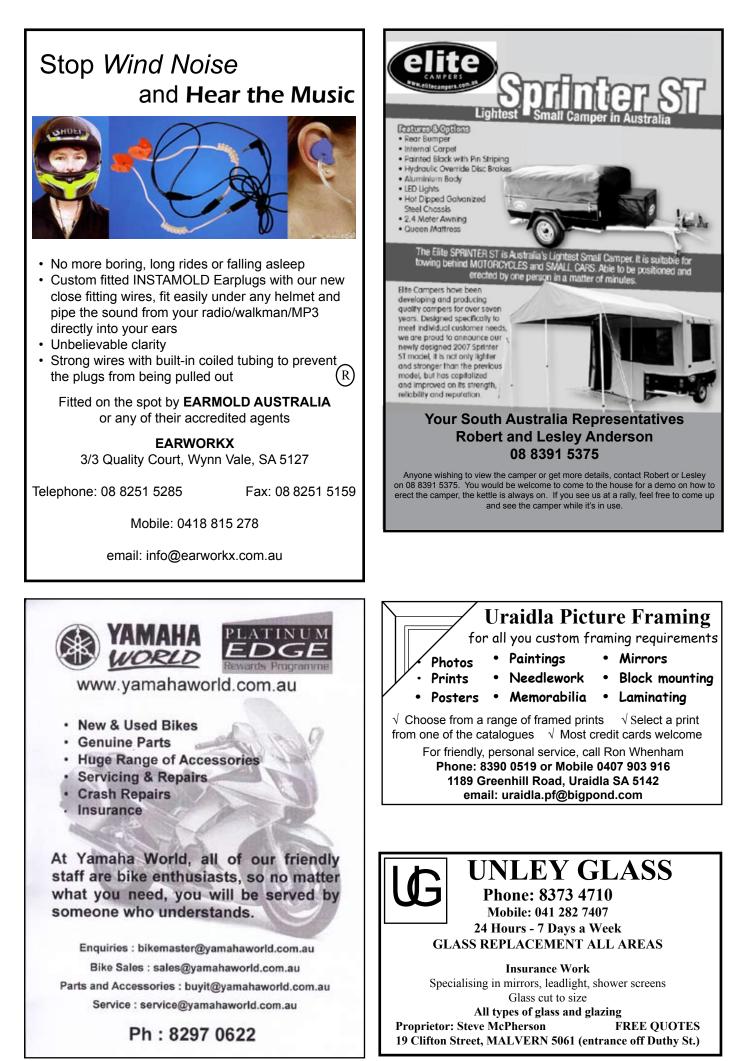
On our web-site are quite a few links to motorcycle related stuff and a couple of links to blogs from travelling motorcyclists. There was one from our last secretary, John, following his travels through South America, until his scary encounter with a local. Some of his blogs were printed in this publication. There is also a current one from Mike Green and his travels through the USA on a motorcycle. Makes for some interesting reading.

As always, any suggestions, etc., on how we can improve the Club experience for our members, please talk to one of our committee and they will bring them up for discussion at a future committee meeting.

> Andrew Mill Ulysses Club Inc. Adelaide Branch President and Rides Captain (Now known as The Fifth Teletubby Ed.) Life's Too Straight Without the Twisties



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Date	Time	Leader	Event	Destination	From
10-June		QUEEN'S B/DAY	LONG WEEKEND		
17-June	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	McDonalds 303 Magill Road Trinity Gardens Magill
24-June	8.00am	Andrew Mill	Diehards' Breakfast	Café Primo	Top of Taps
1-July	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Goolwa	Civic Park Main North East Road Modbury
8-July	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Milang	McDonalds 303 Magill Road Trinity Gardens Magill
15-July	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Brass Monkey Ride	Burra	Civic Park Main North East Road Modbury
22-July	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Mannum	Top of Taps
29-July	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Port Elliot	McDonalds 303 Magill Road Trinity Gardens Magill
5-August	9.30am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Williamstown	Civic Park Main North East Road Modbury

Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar 2012

Motorcycle Licence Safety Levy and Comittee

There has been Government talk about a safety levy on motorcycle licences and a committee to manage the funds, also a newspaper article with comments that sounded like we should take our medicine and feel hip pocket pain to fund safety measures for our own good. Are we all masochists or are we responsible for our own training and safety?

I believe that the greatest common danger to motorcyclists is a wayward car driver who turns or changes lanes without care. That is a human failing and no amount of levy money collected or anything else will ever prevent it. Only luck and rider awareness, our own responsibility, can be of help in that situation.

ARMCO guard railing seems to be multiplying in the hills like traffic lights in the city. How did we ever ride/drive and survive without it? Although fastening another material to it might make it less destructive to human bodies, it also traps wind blown rubbish and increases the road maintenance crews work load. The guard railing is there to stop cars going over the edge as well; why should motor cyclists alone pay to improve it?

Any new levy could well go the way of the vehicle registration fee which, originally, was said to be for funding road building and maintenance. However the amount collected would certainly be diminished by the cancellation of thousands of motor cycle licences not now being used by their holders.

When the reduced fund is eaten up by the expenses of committees and bureaucrats that even the Government Opposition thinks we don't need, will they then want to put a levy on bikes and equipment to make up for it? What would that do to a motor cycle industry already struggling because riders, who can't afford to pay more, would have also cancelled their licences?

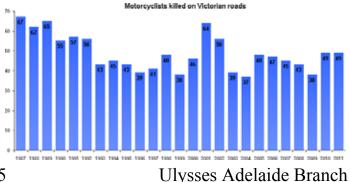
On another vein, if this ever becomes law, how many more people will be riding round without an appropriate licence. No doubt the fine for that offence would then be increased to gain more revenue. I don't think there has ever been a proposal with so many problems attached to it.

I don't want to be protected from myself anymore and I definitely don't want to pay the government to do it. Motorcycle organisations should be providing knowledge, and promoting training and common sense within their memberships. It's inconceivable that they would want their members to pay more money to governments to finance empire building and fund improvements to road safety that is also every other road users responsibility.

Ian Morgan # 842

Editor: I was curious to see how the \$50 motorcycle levy, introduced into Victoria in 2005, had impacted (lowered) the death rate of riders there. Interestingly, the 2 years before the introduction of the levy, the numbers were significantly low compared to the previous 2 years, and actually INCREASED SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS. Also, the last two years have been the highest since the introduction of the levy, 6 years ago!

On these statistics, a levy to improve road safety for motor cyclists???? I don't think so!



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Book by 13th June

13th July

The Oakden Central Cnr Fosters Road and Hilltop Drive Oakden B93 7pm



Book by 11th July



10th August

The Rex 172 Richmond Road Marleston B49 7pm

Book by 8th August



Maid Of Auckland, 13th April

A group of us dined at The Maid of Auckland Hotel with no complaints. It was an evening of catching up and chatting about the AGM. Everyone was well and the meal was enjoyed by all.

Below: Clare Hartley and Mary Hall waiting for their meal.





Hampstead Hotel 11th May

A good group of us met at the Hampstead Hotel for an interesting evening. The service has changed and not necessarily for the best, but once we got the food it was good. Great to see Bob and Athalie (below) looking so good.



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A balding, grey haired man from Yeppoon, walked into a jewellery store last Friday evening with a beautiful much younger girl at his side.

He told the jeweller that he was looking for a special ring for his girlfriend. The jeweller looked through his stock and brought out a \$5,000 ring.

The man said, 'No, I'd like to see something a little more special.' At that statement, the jeweller went to his special stock and brought another ring over.

'Here's a stunning ring at only \$40,000. The lady's eyes sparkled and her whole body trembled with excitement. The old man seeing this said, 'We'll take it.'

The jeweller asked how payment would be made and the man stated, 'By cheque. I know you need to make sure my cheque is good, so I'll write it out now and you can call the bank on Monday to verify the funds and I'll pick the ring up Monday afternoon.'

On Monday morning, the jeweller angrily phoned the old man and said, 'There's no money in that account.'

'I know,' said the old man, 'but let me tell you about MY FANTASTIC WEEKEND!'



Adventures of Rudi and Jane ANZAC Day PNG Style

This year is the 70th anniversary of the fall of Rabaul to the Japanese in WW2 and also the 70th anniversary of the sinking of the Montevideo Maru. Most people know of the first event, but the Montevideo Maru tragedy is only coming to recognition, with a memorial dedicated to all the lives lost in Canberra this July. The Montevideo Maru was a Japanese auxiliary ship that was sunk in World War II, resulting in the drowning of a large number of Australian prisoners of war and civilians who were being transported from Rabaul to Japan. Many of these men who perished had families living in Rabaul up to around Christmas 1941, when they were evacuated and repatriated in Australia. It wasn't until well after the war had finished that the relatives found out the true fate of their loved ones.

The day began very early by leaving Kokopo at 4am for a dawn service in Rabaul. It was still dark as we swung around into Mango Avenue, but we were pleasantly surprised by the avenue of lights made out of beer cans and kero soaked wicks leading the way to the cenotaph. Rudi and I have lived in this part of the world for a year now and didn't even know the cenotaph existed. When the eruption hit in 1993 it was completely buried in ash and a path has only been dug out around buildings that are still buried, it's not actually visible from the main road.



Rabaul Cenotaph amongst the ash

The crowd assembled was a mixture of local nationals, ex-pats, ex-servicemen and women, and families who had some long ago connection with Rabaul, and government representatives from Australia and New Zealand. Most of the overseas visitors had lost a family member or members in Rabaul. The guests of honour included 3 ex coast watchers aged 89, 90 and 92. The ocal police provided the catafalque party and a local choir was here to lead the hymn singing. It was all very simple, powerful, intimate and an honour to be present.

After this ceremony we were all invited to walk down to Simpson Harbour to the Montevideo Maru Memorial, where Coastwatcher Jim Burrowes (aged 82) addressed the crowd. He had lost a brother in this terrible tragedy. From there we all walked down to the Rabaul Yacht Club where a great cooked preakfast was enjoyed by all. Later that morning we all reassembled at the Bita Paka War Cemetery for a moving ceremony by the local padre. As we moved into the afternoon, festivities continued with Two Up and Crown and Anchor games at the local Country Club.



Bita Paka War Cemetery Cross of Remembrance



Coastwatcher, Jim Burrowes, at The Montevideo Maru Memorial in Simpson Harbour

Below: Playing Two Up at the Ralum Club



....And the photos

I can only imagine the amount of time and effort that Carol and John Moore put into organising this event! Although the fifty-five or so who attended had a wonderful time, it deserved a better attendance. Congratulations to them both.

These photos should whet your appetite enough to roll up to the next one **Editor**



Above: Kev & Miranda Garner with the beautiful bears they 'won' at auction (I think there are some lucky grandchildren somewhere)

Below: Gryphy and her winnings. The bar set had a price tag of \$129.95.





Hostess, Carol Moore, with just a few of the prizes, getting ready for the next round of questions

Tom with his winning trophy and wooden spoon



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Ms Laverne Du Pearl



The Bar-rell Sisters



The Winners: Efti Pavlou (AIPC students & friends



Third place: Vicki, Liv, Claire and the other girls/guys from WIMA



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Below: Sue, Dale, Don, Michelle & Maurice and friends

Sunday Round-up - photos by Bundi

25th March Day Ride to Pt Elliott

There were around 16 of us at Civic Park, Darryl volunteered to be Tail End Charlie which was a shock for everyone, not the least Darryl, as I don't think he could believe those words came out of his mouth. We headed up North East Road to Paracombe, Mad Mile, Checkers Hill Road Gumeracha, Lobethal and Lenswood where we turned along Swamp Road and into Balhannah for morning tea where the weather was looking very average. We then set off minus a few and made our way to Echunga, Flaxley and Macclesfield. Meadows was the next port of call and then Mt Compass. We then made our way to Cleland Gully Road and on to the Goolwa Road, we then went through Currency Creek and then turned towards Mt Compass, Flagstaff Hill Road to Middleton, admired the view of the ocean and on to Pt Elliott for lunch. A good time was had by all in cool and fine weather, although it seems we almost lost our Tail End Charlie at Balhannah. We were all getting ready to leave when Darryl spotted a work mate and decided to have a chit-chat with him. Well, they were so engrossed in their conversation, Darryl didn't realise that we had all gone from Balhannah and he was left there on his own. (Centre: Our erstwhile TEC for the day!)





8th April Wabbit Wun to Miwang

Well, there were 10 of us gathered at Top of Taps in weather that was not forecast for the day (you couldn't even see the city), so a new ride was called for, as the plan was to head south and along the coast. As we were heading off, out came the sunshine. We made our way to Clarendon, Blewitt Springs and on to McLaren Flat, back towards Kangarilla before turning along Peters Creek Road and making our way to Meadows and then to Strath for morning tea. We were met here by Craig and Brian and enjoyed the beautiful sunshine. We headed off up the hill to Wistow and then to Mt Barker. Next, we headed to Flaxley and Macclesfield, and down the hill and back to

Strath. We then went to Ashbourne and down the lower end of Bull Creek Road and made our way to Finniss, and then on to Milang for lunch at the bakery. The weather on the ride was fine and cool, but the company warmed things up.

Pictured is Bundi, masquerading as a refugee from the Babushkas of Eurovision fame!



15th April Day Ride to Strath

Around 30 of us were at Macca's in glorious sunshine. We made our way up Montacute Road to Ashton, Summertown and Uraidla. We then headed along Deviation Road and into Lenswood, Cuddlee Creek and then up to Gumeracha where we turned to Forreston and on to Birdwood for morning tea. We then left Birdwood and made our way to Tungkillo whilst all unaware we were being tailed by a plod on a motorcycle. We turned and made our way to Mt Torrens where the majority of our riders were pulled over by said Plod and all were given a STERN talking to, it appears that some of our group were allegedly seen by our peace keeper speeding and crossing double lines. The rest of us waited at Mt Torrens for the them to rejoin us. We then rode to Inverbrackie and through Brakunga to Nairne, then through Mt Barker Springs and on to Wistow where we turned down the hill to Strath for lunch in High Street.

Pictured: Brendon Keach: Hmmm! What to have for lunch, that is the question.



22nd April Chris's Day Ride to Gumeracha

In cool but fine conditions, there were 12 of us at Civic Park. Seems some folk must listen to the weather forecast and actually believe them. We were being led by Chris Roberts today and set off and made our way through Chain of Ponds, Cuddlee Creek, Lenswood and Lobethal, where we headed back to Cuddlee Creek and Gumeracha. We then turned to Forreston, Kersbrook, Williamstown and then Lyndoch for morning tea. Kim and Brian met us here (sleepy heads). We then went through the Barossa to Tanunda where we turned and made our way over Menglers Hill and through Eden Valley to Springton where we turned and headed towards Williamstown, then towards Birdwood before turning off to Forreston and then on to Gumeracha for lunch. Chris led us on a great ride with some fine roads and best of all, great riding weather, even though he persists on riding an unfinished bike :-).

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Sunday Round-up - photos by Bundi

29th April Day Ride to Goolwa

Around 23 of us met at Top of Taps; it was cool and overcast but no rain about. We set off to Clarendon, Bakers Gully, Whickam Hill Road and on to the Range. There was a cycling race starting here which made things a little interesting, but we all got through ok. Next it was on to Pages Flat Road, through Myponga and on to Yankalilla for morning tea. We then went to Normanville and along the coast to Delamere where we turned along Range Road through Parawa and eventually to Victor Harbour. We then went on Greenhill Road and Hindmarsh Tiers Road to the main Adelaide Road, back towards Mt Compass before turning along the Goolwa Road, which we followed to Flagstaff Road and Middleton. We then rode to Goolwa where we had lunch, we avoided the rain and showers all day (more luck than planning) however, the temperature all day was very chilly.

Ed: It's good to see John Crowe (right) back in civilisation.



6th May Day Ride to Williamstown

Around 20 of us were at GC's for the non-sponsored ride, the decision having been made last week to ride to Williamstown as, the guys from GC's couldn't make it. We set off and made our way to Magill Road to Norton Summit, then through the Picadilly Valley and to Stirling. Next, on to Ironbank and past the golf course and through Cherry Gardens to Clarendon and then Meadows for morning tea. We then went to Macclesfield, Mt Barker, through Mt Barker Springs to Nairne where we turned to Brakunga and Inverbrackie, through Lobethal and to Birdwood, where we turned and headed to Williamstown for lunch. It was an interesting ride through some real fine countryside; the weather even played its part by staying fine so my shiny red (old farts) bike didn't get dirty :-)

Below: Admiring the boss' shiny red (old farts) bike.



20th May Day Ride to Normanville

Oh, what a lovely day! Around 22 of us gathered at Macca's before making our way up Greenhill Road and then on to River Road via Hahndorf, Echunga and Meadows before heading to Kangarilla, where we turned and went around the back of Blewitt Springs and on to McLaren Vale for morning tea. There was a car rally on in the southern area, so we had to watch where we went. We headed through McLaren Flat back towards Kangarilla, and then along Peters Creek and Brookman Roads to the end, along the Range and back down the hill, and on to Willunga. As it was such a fine clear day, we headed to Aldinga where we rode along the foreshore. Next, Myponga Dam, through Carackalinga and to Normanville for lunch. It was a great day to be out riding in the Adelaide Hills with some mighty fine folk on a lovely bike :-)

27th May 5 Captains' Ride

17 of us were gathered at Top of Taps for the 5 Captains' Ride. We set off and made our way to Ackland Hill Road, through Ironbank to Mylor and Echunga, where we turned to Hahndorf, past the Cedars and, eventually, into Balhannah for morning tea. We were joined here by fellow members from the Lower Murray, Fleurieu and Torrens Valley Branches, which swelled our number to around 60, which was a great turnout considering the weather forecast included the S word. After a briefing from the Lower Murray Ride Captain (he was leading the ride from here) we set off and made our way through Oakbank and Mt Torrens where we turned to Birdwood and Mt Pleasant. We then headed over the hill towards Walkers Flat, Cambrai and Sedan. We then went on the ferry to Swan Reach where most went to the pub to meet the Mallee Branch guys. A couple of us went to the park by the rather full river for lunch. It was a good day's riding in fine weather and was great to catch up with all the guys from other SA branches. Below:





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Sympathy Thanks from Old No.1's Daughter Alexa Brown



It's difficult to put into words how I feel about all the support & love that has been offered to myself & my extended family by the Ulysses 'family' upon the

death of my father, Stephen Dearnley.

So many cards & emails from various branches as well as individuals that knew & loved him personally. Thank you so very very much, it has been truly wonderful. I wish that I could sit down & write to you all but there are just too many to respond to, so please accept my apologies for not doing this. I'm aware that I have already met a number of you & hope that in the future I will have the opportunity to personally meet more folks who have been so impacted by 'Ulysses'.

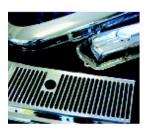
There has certainly been a large gap in our lives with Stephen no longer here but it's people like yourselves that help heal wounds. Both the family service of celebration & the thanksgiving service at the AGM at Mildura were wonderful events to celebrate Dad's life which he would have loved if he was here! I know the heart of Ulysses runs deep in so many members & we will continue to carry with us so much that the Ulysses Club represents.

Many stories have already been told to me about Stephen which have not only been entertaining but enlightening! Feel free to write them down so that my over 50's brain can retain them! I'm sure the team at admin will be happy to receive them on my behalf! Or maybe there's another Ulyssian story (good one of course!) that you think myself & maybe others would like to hear.

So thank you again for all your condolences & love & I look forward to having some chat time ... at one time or another.

With Love, Alexa #25511





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THE MILDURA AGM

I hadn't been to an AGM for a few years, so when Mildura came up I thought that this was one that I could enjoy, not being too far away.

It's not the same when you don't ride! The ride was always the main part. The AGM was always secondary to the thrill of planning, packing up, riding all day, pitching the domie, camping at night and cooking over a little trangia, then doing it all again the next day.

The AGMs are all much the same nowadays - the big tent, the same set up, the same food, the trade centre, the test rides, the huge camp ground, the parade.

The best thing for me was the chance to have a good look around Mildura. I hadn't been there for a few years and it has grown and changed. It is a lovely city with the added beauty of the river. The best thing was the friendliness of the people! There were so many smiles and happy faces. People would say to us in the street, "thank you for coming to our city", and they really meant it.

We went to Wentworth, also, and the same thing happened there. There were special discounts for us and a special menu at the club. The same 'thank yous' and smiles were there too.

A lot of us went into town to have meals and they said that the food was really good value. Don and I stayed at the camp for most of the meals and for the Friday and Saturday nights.

It was great to catch up with people that we had met in Mudgee, and we had a good time with the other branches in South Australia. We caught up with Larry and Jennifer Caspers whom we hadn't seen for years!

Mildura had obviously worked very hard to tick all the boxes. The volunteers were amazing, not least our own Brian Booy who worked every day on the security gate (good on you Brian). I got told by one of our Victorian Ulyssians that I hadn't done anything since Nuriootpa and It was time I got off my bum and did some volunteering (cheeky bugger).

We were going to come home on Monday, but everyone left on Sunday, so we decided to do the same.

Well done Mildura, another AGM over. We will have a think about Maryborough, now.

Sue Freene

Below: Garry & Wendy King, and Craig & Gayle McDonald, dining out.



Packing Frenzy

You'd think after nearly 25 years I'd find packing for the bike trips a breeze but no - when the final decision is to be made It's still a desperate squeeze!

It starts quite early with the clothes I like most in a small heap on the spare room floor then, when I'm in a more practical mood, I add clothes that I've taken before.

Then on a hot day I add clothes to keep cool, And, of course, warm things for when it gets cold. The heap now is starting to tumble -I ignore all advice, I've been told.

When the time comes and decisions are made reality finally hits -You've been kidding yourself once again, And you realise - How Little Fits!

Once I have packed it out of sight, I can relax - I can do no more -But, that 'MUST HAVE ITEM' comes to mind And is pushed in a crevice as we walk out the door!

In all fairness, there's one thing I wont to make clear:

There is never a word of reproach from the one I hold dear.

He packs in 2 minutes, gives me most of the space

He checks the bike and puts the gear in its place.

He quietly watches my packing frenzy And when nearing time to go -He looks at me, shakes his head and say, 'They *do* have shops there you know." Geraldine Murray #2300



The Odyssey

Ride Calendar

JUNE 9th, 10th and 11th – Ride Leader Terry May. Planned ride to Victor Harbor for the weekend. Leave Saturday 9th and return Monday 11th. Currently looking at this to check where to stay.

JULY 1st - Ride leader Leon Stevens - details to be advised.

AUGUST 25th and 26th. - Ride leader Terry May. Ride to Leigh Creek on 25th stay overnight and return on 26th.

SEPTEMBER 16th – Ride Leader Brian Carmody – Movie ride to Blyth and lunch at pub. More details as they become available.

ULYSSES ODYSSEY - September 28th, 30th and 1st October. Some have booked accommodation and are leaving for Mount Gambier on the Thursday 27th and returning home on Tuesday 2nd. Others are leaving on the Friday. If you need want to go you need to book accommodation now

OCTOBER - Vacant

NOVEMBER - Vacant

DECEMBER - Vacant

23rd December last Sunday morning coffee before Christmas.

CHRISTMAS SHOW

- due to the success of the show at Cossie's (thanks Cossie we all had a great time – few sore heads next day???) - the feeling was that a home show is the way to go. More relaxed and informal and everyone



is able to enjoy themselves without having to worry about buying drinks and blowing the budget. If this is ok then we can plan a date asap. Some felt the dater fitted in well as it left the December free for other Christmas shows. If we can get a consensus sooner rather than later we can plan it early.

Note – all official rides will have a ride leader and tail end Charlie – (who will always be last at the back of the group). We will also use Corner Marshals when the ride leader thinks it is required. This means the rider immediately behind the leader will stop and wait on the corner when the ride leader indicates by pointing to the corner. This rider will then remain on the corner directing other riders until tail end Charlie passes. If you are willing to be corner marshal then you need to ride up front behind the ride leader. If you don't then do not ride immediately behind the ride leader. The system will work if adhered to and lets everyone ride with the confidence that they will not get lost or left behind. The ride leader is responsible for relaying the route to the group prior to leaving and - with the tail end Charlie - for knowing how many bikes are in the group. If you intend leaving or joining the ride at a particular point please let the ride leader and tail end Charlie know in advance.

Beverly May



Melrose: an unforgettable weekend

The Gods looked down and saw a gathering of Ulysses RV folk at Melrose and were pleased. To this end, sunshine was granted all day and millions of star were lit at night.

Conditions could not have been better. Over 20 members arrived on Friday. We set up in the bush camping section and had the camp kitchen to ourselves. After setting up camp, the fire was lit and we settled in for a night of fun and laughter. We celebrated Hoppy's 69th birthday with a song and just a few drinks. With thousands of stars above, gum trees all around, laughter filling the air and all was well in the world. Eventually, we headed for bed and peace descended upon the camp.

Kookaburras, possums and other wildlife greeted us the next morning. With the sun shining, birds singing and the smell of bacon and eggs in the air, it was time to get going. Some folk cruised the local town while others went further afield. It is a lovely location with much to offer the tourist. More folk kept coming and by Saturday night there were 30 members at the bonfire. Tea time is always fascinating! Some just used a stove or barbeque for cooking while others had Webbers, a converted gas bottle, camp ovens and wooden box, and some went to the pub. What a spread of methods and meals! Gradually we all gravitated back to the fire; ah the wonderful warmth of a fire. Just when you thought it couldn't get any better, Golden Syrup dumplings were produced and everyone pigged out. What a delightful feast! Ukuleles were produced and a sing-song ensued. Talking, laughing and one or two drinks were had well into the night.

The next morning the coals of the fire still were hot so we soon had a good cooking fire going. Bacon and eggs were the preferred start to the day. Sadly it was time to go. Hugs all round and it was agreed that it had indeed been a weekend to remember. With the sun still shining it was a lovely day to be travelling. Thanks to all that attended; will be looking forward to catching up at the next Ulysses RV event.

Check out the upcoming events and if you would like to come just drop us a line or give us a call.

Remember: Alcohol is a very necessary article ... It makes life bearable to millions of people who could not endure their existence if they were quite sober. It enables Parliament to do things at eleven at night that no sane person would do at eleven in the morning.

Happy Wanderings HoHo, Hoppy and Hobbit Ulysses RV events

Events are open to all Ulysses members and partners. 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:

Hoppy on 0428 567 811 <u>hoho@ulyssesrv.org</u> or Hobbit on 0404 478 741 <u>hobbitfjr@gmail.com</u>

SA RV events for 2012

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Any further enquiries contact Hobbit <u>hobbitfjr@gmail.com</u>

14-15th July	Christmas in July	Milang
15th September	Black Cockatoo Bush Camp	Naracoorte
15-21st October	RV AGM Yarrawonga Holiday Park	Yarrawonga
26-27 January 2013	Australia Day	Kalganyi Caravan Park - Mt Gambier





Above: Hobbit's satellite dish

Below: Around the camp fire



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**



Date	Departure Time	Event	Destination	Contact
June 9,10,11	8.00 am	Border Incident	Renmark	Moo or Graham
Saturday, 16	10.00 am	General Meeting	Port Augusta	Moo or Graham
July Sunday 1	9.00 am (approx)	Ride with Port Lincoln members	Cowell	Moo or Graham
Saturday 7	10.00 am	Melrose loop	Melrose	Moo or Graham
Saturday 21		Yorke Peninsula Overnight in Whyalla	Whyalla	Moo or Graham
Sunday 22	10ish	Mystery ride with Rod Lind	Mystery	Moo or Graham
August Wednesday 8	8.00 am	Mid week ride	Cleve Field Day	Graham
18-19	9.00 am	Wombat Rally	Warnertown	Moo or Graham
September 31/8, 1 & 2	8.00 am	YP & EP combined weekend	Clare	Moo or Graham
15, 16	9.00 am	Bush Pig Rally	Crystalbrook	Moo or Graham
28/9-1 Oct	TBA	Odyssey	Mount Gambier	Moo or Graham
October Saturday 27 Sunday 28	9.00 am 12 noon	Overnight @ Wallaroo then Wallaroo Ferry to Lucky Bay	Wallaroo	Moo or Graham

RIDE CALENDAR

The year's remaining General Meetings and The Pink Ribbon Ride will be added as and when the dates are finalised.



BACK ROW : Graham Gill (Gilly), Robert Vandenbergh, Ray Clancy, Perry Zimmerman, Phil Holliday, Christine Clothier, Ray Clothier

FRONT ROW : Richard Henderson-Wilson (Hendo), Chris Moore (Pom), Julie Holliday, Di Lehman (Moo), Bruce Lehman

ABSENT : Gerry Messias, Tim Edwards, Rick 'n' Sharyn Ellis, Michael Hunt, Wayne Loller, Corinna Flachsenberger, Richard Heffernan, Paul 'n' Tracey

Ray Clancy recieving his 70 year badge from the newly elected President of the Whyalla and Districts Branch, Graham Gill



The Odyssey

Yorke Peninsula

Sunday Rides are held on the first Sunday of the month. Watch these pages for details and updates or contact Rod Lind on 8837 7260/ 0418 527 977 for info.



Wednesday Rides leave the parking bay in the centre of Kadina The leg on which Australia stands

Park at 9.30 am on Wednesdays. Please contact Clive Ford on **8821 1598** before **any** Wednesday ride to get the latest information.

Here's all you need to know about men and women. Women are crazy, men are stupid.



The main reason women are crazy is because men are stupid.

Hey, Maate! Come over and have dip in my pool! Hey, Maaate! You haven't got a pool! I know, but I've got a ute!



COMING RIDES

Saturday, 21st July Overnighter at Whyalla, Depart B.P Port Wakefield 9.00am

Sunday, 12th August

Ride to The Farm Shed at Kadina Depart Caltex Bolivar 9.00am meet up with YPRG at B.P Port Wakefield depart 10.00am. There will be guided tour of the Museum and Matta House, Entry fee is \$8.00.BYO lunch in the cafeteria. No food available only tea & coffee.

31st August-2nd September

Our sixth annual combined ride with the Eyre Peninsula Branch will be held at Clare. Full details and registration form on opposite page. Registrations close Friday, 15th August.

Friday, 28th September-Monday, 1st October

The 19th S.A Odyssey will be held at Mount Gambier hosted by the Limestone Coast Mount Gambier. Registration Forms available on their web site and in this publication.

Sunday, 11th November

A day ride to Burra departing B.P Port Wakefield 8.30am meeting up with Torrens Valley Branch at Julian Terrace at 10.00 am. Lunch can be BYO, Takeaway or Pub Meal.

Sunday, 2nd December

A day ride to Yorke Peninsula Mystery destination departing Caltex Bolivar 10.00am. Meet up with YPRG at B.P Port Wakefield 11.00 am. Lunch can be BYO, Takeway or Pub Meal

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The Odyssey

Wednesday Riders

Adelaide Branch Mid-weeker at Port Vincent

Wednesday morning, 18th April, 18 of us headed off in perfect weather for our stay at Tuckerway Hostel in Port Vincent, with refreshment stops at Port Wakefield and Ardrossan.

We settled into familiar surroundings at the camp and, with many willing helpers, were soon in a relaxed mood with the urn bubbling away and a cask of wine handy.

'The outdoor venue lends itself to a great feeling of togetherness, laughter and 'tall' tales in a lovely bush setting.

An added interest this trip was the arrival of four club friends who arrived 'from across the wide, blue sea'. Well, across the calm Gulf, anyway! Kevin, Ken and Bruce made the crossing, (helping(?) Colin sail his yacht. Not much wind for the sails, we hear, but plenty of hot air and fun on board the vessel. We were



Nick, Lyn, Tony and Geraldine - coffee stop on the way home

happy to see them arrive safely and to join us for a tasty meal.

Thursday was a day of doing whatever we felt like, with an organised ride for some, and various trips, walks and general activities for others. Another happy hour back at camp, then off to dinner at the local hotel. There were several cars available for those feeling the need of a comfortable ride to and fro, while others of more energetic nature enjoyed walking.

All up bright and early on Friday to pack up and leave, stopped at Port Wakefield for a final coffee and 'goodbye'.

A special 'thank you' to Andy, Mick and Doreen for their catering for and transporting of our great meals. Everyone there contributed in their own way, which is why these three days are such a happy interlude. Geraldine Murray #2300



Andy, Mick and Doreen

ARE YOU A SMOKER?



These two pics are of Bruce Lehman's leg after operations to save his leg. This is the result of smoking restricting the blood flow in his leg. The photos don't tell the whole, ongoing painful story! Thank you for allowing me to use these, Bruce. Ed



The Odyssey

Wednesday Riders

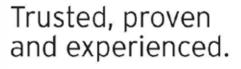
Yorke Peninsula



Just some of our Wednesday riders on Yorke Peninsula. Numbers vary from week to week, and every now and then, a newbie rocks up. Riders come from Ardrossan, Kadina, Wallaroo, Port Clinton, Moonta, Port Broughton and Clare, etc., and leave 9.30 am on Wednesdays from the car park in the Park in Kadina.

Merv Cole, Ardrossan, looking stuffed during a recent ride to Renmark!

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The Odyssey

Date	Event	Organiser	Destination
June 9-11	Wintersun	John (03) 5023 7218	Mildura
July 6-8	Up The Creek	Marie 0407 113 675 Greg (03) 5385 2846	Jung (near Horsham)
July 20-22	Radiata Rally	Andrew 0427 249 779 Frank 8765 1030	South End
Aug TBA	Flat Earth (back to basics)	Feral 08 8568 2503	Sedan
Aug 18-19	Wombat Warnertown (back to basics)	Lefty 0412 767 945	Warnertown
Aug 24-26	Peregrine Rally (back to basics)	Chris 0402 428 468	6km north of Peake How Reserve
Sept 8-9	Buckin Ride	Grot 0412 602 272	Marrabel
Sept 8-10	Ghost Town	Chickenman 0419 983 193	TBA
Sept 15-16	Bush Pig (MRA Mid-North Register)	Greg 0409 842 434	Crystal Brook
Sept 29 - Oct 1	Oasis Rally	Bear 0407 394 322	Paruna
Oct 20-21	Lake Bonney (Redback Tourers)	Shaz 0428 878 113	Lake Bonney
Nov 9-11	Fish Holes	Phil 0412 838 765	Portland (Vic)
Nov 17-18	Caltowie Pub Run	Phil (pub) 8665 5003 Rabbit 0408 082 257	Caltowie

MRA South Australian Rallies

Rallies are listed on marasa.asn.au

List - compliments Andrew and Marlene 0418 803 293 - To report errors, phone 13 tuff tittie



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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.ulvssesclub.org/limestonecoast Our Web is now updated regularly, with Ride Calendar, Ride Reports & Photos.

Hosts of the 19th Central Odyssey 28th Sept-1st Oct, 2012 Check web site for information and rego forms and changes that might occur.



Third Tuesday of the Month

Parafield Gardens Community Club Shepherdson Road, Parafield Gardens Meals available from the Club before the Meeting All welcome

Pres: Bill Richter Sec: Trish Pruis Committee Herman Pruis Mark Rawles Nick Octoman	8682 8212 8682 2358 8682 2358 8688 2415 8688 4217	Come on any event on any sort of wheels! Sunday impromptu rides from Town Jetty 10 00 am All rides subject to change. Visitors welcome.	EYRE PENINSULA BRANCH	SUTSSES BOSCONCUS
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	Eyre Peninsula Branch Ride Calendar - January-June 2012				
Date	Ride	Contact	Advise By	Leave	Time
June 24	(Herman's Whyalla Ten Pin Bowling)?? Depending on work commit- ments	Herman Pruis 86822358 0427322442	ТВА		
July 15	Sheringa Lunch	Herman			
11-12 August	Darke Peake-Wudinna Overnighter Book own accommodation Wudinna Hotel 8680 2019	Bill Richter 8682 8212	7 August	North Shields	10.00 am
31 Aug-3 Sept	Eyre Peninsula and Yorke Peninsula Combined weekend	Rod Lind 8837 7260			
7,8,9 September	Ghost Town Rally Menindee Lakes-Copi Hollow Book own accommodation	Herman Pruis 8682 2358		North Shields	7.00 am
28 Sept-1 Oct	19th Central Odyssey Mount Gambier	Bill Richter 8682 8212		North Shields	7.00 am
27-28 October	StreakyBay Overnighter Book own accommodation	Nick Octoman 8688 4217	10 October	Town Jetty	10.00 am
4 November	Pizza Day at the youngs	Robert Young 8683 1254	26 October	Town Jetty	10.00 am
8 December	Christmas Dinner - Tumby Bay Ski Club More info TBA	Mark Rawles 8688 2415	6th November		6.00 pm

Group photo shows members from Eyre, Adelaide and Whyalla at Port Lincoln





As we get older we sometimes begin to doubt our ability to "make a difference" in the world. It is at these times that our hopes are boosted by the remarkable achievements of other "seniors" who have found the courage to take on challenges that would make many of us wither. Harold Schlumberg is such a person:



QUOTED FROM HAROLD:

"I'm often asked, 'What do you do now that you're retired?'

Well...I'm fortunate to have a chemical engineering background and one of the things I enjoy most is converting beer, wine, whiskey and port into urine. It's rewarding, uplifting, satisfying and fulfilling. I do it every day and I really love it."

Harold should be an inspiration to us all.

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ULYSSES CLUB LOWER MURRAY BRANCH

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.

Branch contacts as follows:

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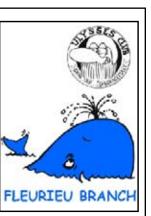
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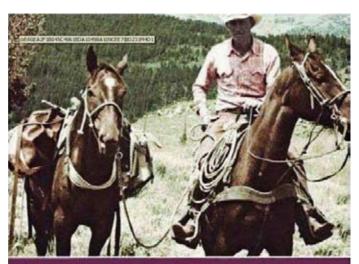
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Branch Meetings

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.



Annual General Meeting Thursday, 21st June, 2012



Bob suddenly realized his wife had fallen off her horse, which was quite a relief to him as just an hour earlier he thought he'd gone deaf.



8th May 2012

Mrs Wendy King 26 Second Street ARDROSSAN SA 5571

Dear Wendy

We would like to update you on plans made to give Foster Children in our region an outing, using money that was generously donated by the Ulysses Club (Adelaide Branch).

We intend taking a bus from Port Pirie to Port Adelaide to go on a dolphin cruise. It is planned for 6th July, during the first week of the school holidays. Many children will not have been on a cruise such as this, and we anticipate they will be greatly excited.

We will take photos of the outing, throughout the day, to forward on to you.

Once again, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the Ulysses Club Adelaide Branch for its very kind donation of \$2,300 which will enable Fostered Children in our region to keep a lovely memory for a lifetime.

Yours faithfully

Anthea Pavy CEO

When I was in India recently, I saw a sign that said, 'English speaking taxi driver'.



I thought to myself, 'What a good idea, why don't we have them in Australia!!'

Hotties from the Past Can you guess who they are? No peeking, but the answers are on the last page





A cooling swim

Two young women were out walking in the country on a hot summer's day when they saw a beautiful lake close to the road.

'It's so hot! Let's go for a swim in that lake to cool down!' suggested the first woman.

'But we haven't got any swimming things to put on,' said the other, 'We can't swim naked!'

'Oh, don't worry about that!' reassured the first woman, ' There's nobody here to see us.'

So they took off all their clothes and got into the lovely cool water for a swim.

After only a few minutes they noticed a farmer walking towards the lake carrying a large bucket.

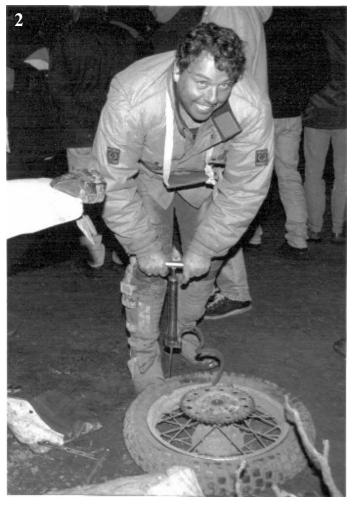
'Are you here to ask us to get out of the lake?' the first woman asked.

'I think he's here to look at us!' said the second woman.

The old farmer frowned and held up the bucket for them to see.

'No, I'm not here to tell you to get out of the lake and I didn't come here to watch you ladies swim naked.' he replied. 'I'm just here to feed the crocodile.'

Remember, just because someone is old it doesn't mean they still can't think fast.







2010 Panther Trike (Wildcat Model): This eye catching 1916cc trike has it all: Automatic gearbox, 50 litre alloy fuel tank and top box including high mount stop light. Has twin headlights and alloy rear wheel, all adjustable foot rests and pedals, ignition steering, lock up and integrated immobilizer. Twisted

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1 x Air Hawke bag (for seat)

Large cover to protect from weather.

l x battery charger.

1 x small hoist (to get bike off the ground for maintenance, etc).

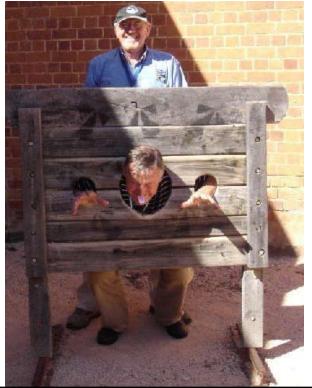
All service papers available, ONE LADY RIDER (Ulysses member).

Price: \$10,500 ono

Has only done about 15,000 kms. Reason for sale is bike is getting too heavy for me to handle. **Contact Louise on 0416770381**

"When you are down and out, everyone wants to screw you"

Ray Murray gives his old mate, Trevor Thomas, at 'a helping hand' at the Wentworth Gaol



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Hotties from the Past

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Is this cute or what??!



The Odyssey