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Hi All

It's 11.30 Monday night, and I'm more than ready for bed.

Had a great time at The Odyssey and caught up with so many people, as I'm sure you all did!

Just like to once again thank our sponsors, Leon and Deb Stevens from Boats'n'Bikes



and Shannons. I forget the exact amount, but the two raffles for prizes donated by Boats'n'Bikes raised in the vicinity of \$1800. Just a reminder that all proceeds from this Odyssey will donated to two charities in Port Pirie. More news on that in December's issue.

The Kroons from Mount Gambier unfortunately didn't make it to Port Pirie, because Gerry had an off and broke his leg. We all wish him well in his recovery.

The Brian and Judy Cook also had a bit of sad story with their trip, but their problem was with the bike (water in the fuel, apparently - guess he won't be going to 'that garage' again). Not often you see a BMW on the back of a trailer, but here's the photo to prove it. Fortunately, it was fixable and they were able to ride home on Monday.



The staff (volunteers) at the Lions Football Club reckon we're a fantastic mob and we'll always be welcome back to Port Pirie! (Of course, we already knew that!)

Anyway, must get this off to the printer and get back to my own bed!

Cheers Wendy



A little old lady was sitting on a park bench in The Sun Lakes, an Arizona Adult community. A man walked over and sits down on the other end of the bench. After a few moments, the woman asks, 'Are you a stranger here?' He replies, 'I lived here years ago.' 'So, where were you all these years?'

'In prison,' he says.

'Why did they put you in prison?' He looked at her, and very quietly said, 'I killed my wife.'

'Oh!' said the woman. 'So you're single...?!'

(Apologies for 'hiding' the punchline last issue. Ed)

G'day everyone,

Well, by the time you are reading this, the Pirie Odyssey will have been run and I hope it was enjoyed by those that attended. A big 'thank you' to all the Committee members and volunteers who are helping to make this event successful, you have all done a fantastic job.



Odysseys are great fun and you get from them what you want, so now its time to start looking forward to next year's Odyssey in Mt Gambier.

I would like to thank Chris Roberts for volunteering to fill the Monthly Dinner Co-ordinator position. From the feedback I have had, he is doing a good job, so don't forget to keep an eye on the Odyssey magazine and the Adelaide Branch web site for the date and venues for the future dinners.

Whilst mentioning volunteers, I would also like to give a big thanks to our raffle chappy, Ray Murray. He has done a wonderful job with the raffles and never ceases to amaze me with how he can come up with so many prizes each month for a reasonable cost. Last month, when Ray was unable to do the raffle, Trevor, Brian and Peter filled in very well.

It finally looks like the weather is turning for the better, so all those fair weather riders will be able to get out on the rides in our fabulous country side. I even had to plan a ride the other week for the President's ride. What a chore that was! I don't know how our Ride Captain does it every week.

Anyway that about enough from me other than to say get out, participate in what's on offer and enjoy yourself.

Andrew Mill
Ulysses Club
Adelaide Branch
President and Rides Captain
Life's Too Straight Without the Twisties

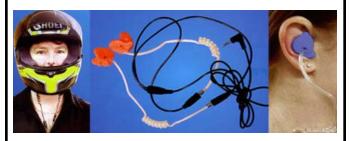
Secrets to a long happy marriage



A old woman was sipping on a glass of wine, while sitting on the patio with her husband, and she says, "I love you so much, I don't know how I could ever live without you"... Her husband asks, "Is that you, or the wine talking?"... She replies, "It's me... talking to the wine."



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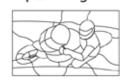


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23 Oct	9.30 am	Poster page	WIMA PINK RIBBON RIDE	Mannum	Arkaba Shopping Centre
30 Oct	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Goolwa	McDonalds 303 Magill Road Trinity Gardens
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4 Dec	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	McDonalds 303 Magill Road Trinity Gardens
11 Dec		More info page or go to http://mrasa.asn. au/html/events/ torun.shtml	MRA TOY RUN Adelaide Branch Brekky will be on again. More info page	Callington	Victoria Park
18 Dec	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	HO HO HO Ride	TBA	Top of Taps

Kim Lim's Chair

Kim is a 72 years young member from Myrtle Bank. He has been a member for 9 years and is a regular Sunday rider with the Adelaide Branch. Kim, a former engineer, like many of our members, has an interesting past life before Ulysses. Originally from Penang (Malaysia), he came to Adelaide in 1959 to study at University, graduated



as an engineer with a PhD in Fluid Dynamics. On arrival in SA, Kim bought his first bike here in Oz, an 'Adler 250', which, for those not in the know, is a 'go fast' two-stroke. Like many Ulyssians, along came marriage and kids and out went the motorbikes. Kim is pleased to be back on bikes again since his retirement, and on a not too slow machine either, considering Kim's current ride is a very 'schmick' FJR 1300 Yamaha. Kim states he got back into bikes when his daughter, Zoe, started riding herself, (both daughter and son-in-law are motorcyclists). Kim, of course, like any caring dad, just had to get himself a bike to accompany his daughter on her rides, as you do.

One of Kim's other talents is carving. The chair (pictured) was carved and made by Kim and won First Prize in the Royal Adelaide Show this year under the woodwork category.

He has entered the competition for years and often gets second or third, but this year he struck the big one. He is currently overseas and we (his mates) decided to surprise him in the magazine..

Ray Murray



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She asks..... "What does that mean?"

He said, "Adorable, Beautiful, Cute, Delightful, Elegant, Foxy, Gorgeous, Hot."

She smiled happily and said, "Oh, that's so lovely. What about I, J, K?"

He said, "I'm Just Kidding!"

His left eye is still swollen, but the doctor has informed him that he is likely to see things much more clearly in the future.







Adelaide Branch's Christmas Toy Run Breakfast

Sunday 11th December 2011

Chris Roberts and his Christmas elves will be at

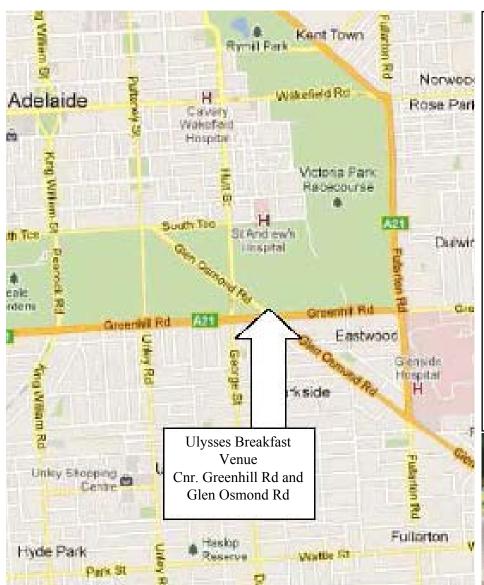


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Hi Everyone

Attached is a map of the site. Venue will be on the corner of Greenhill Rd and Glen Osmond Road. Parking is on Greenhill Rd. Flags and signs will be visible.

The site is a very short ride to the starting point at Victoria Park Racecourse or just join the ride and it will go straight past our BBQ site.

Cost the same as last year \$7, please bring correct money.

Helpers would be greatly appreciated on the day. They can contact me prior to the day on 0422 617 633 or email cgroberts@adam.com.au No experience required and training will be given on the day.....hohoho Regards,

Chris Roberts M 0422 617 633





Monthly Dinners photos by Chris Roberts

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Friday, 11th November

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Seen at the Cafe Palazo, Norwood



Ann and Chris



Michele and Margaret





Guy Adrian

Sunday round-up - photos by Bundi

7th August to Strathalbyn

Wow 7 lucky folk gathered at Civic Park in glorious sunshine - don't know where everyone else was. We set off to Inglewood, turned for Paracombe, (well, a couple of us did, where the corner marshal stopped there were 2 roads on the right). We all eventually got back together and went down Torrens Hill Road and on to Gorge Road, through Cuddlee Creek to Lobethal and Lenswood, Swamp Road, Greenhill Road to Range Road and then on to Bridgewater. From here we went through Verdun and to Balhannah for morning tea. Then to Littlehampton, Nairne, Mt Barker Springs and on to Wistow, Mt Barker and onto the Flaxley Road, then made our way onto the Old Mt Barker Road and into Echunga, Macclesfield, Meadows and along Bull Creek Road to Ashbourne where we turned to Strath for lunch in a very packed High Street. Seems there was a brass band display on. Something to keep in mind though, if you are riding along Bull Creek Road and you feel your bike isn't handling as well as it should, and when you get to Strath you check your front tyre pressure and find its ok, CHECK YOUR REAR TYRE PRESSURE AS WELL.



14th August Normanville

Wow, what a difference a little bit of sunshine makes; there were around 40 of us at Top of Taps in bright sunshine, including Bernie on his new V Star. We set off and made our way to Clarendon, Cherry Gardens, Mylor, Echunga and then Meadows. Next, we made our way to Paris Creek Road to Strath for morning tea. After eating out the bakery of their goods, we set off to Macclesfield, back into Meadows via Greenhills Road, along Bull Creek Road, through Ashbourne and then on to Cleland Gully Road which we followed to the Adelaide/Victor Road where we turned and went through Mt Compass on our way to Pages Flat Road. Next we made our way over the Myponga Dam wall and on to Normanville for lunch. It was a fantastic day to be out riding a motorcycle in some great countryside especially with great company.



The Odyssey

21st August - Williamstown

Well, another great forecast and another great crowd - 34 bikes and around 38 folk gathered at Maccas before heading off to Norton Summit, Piccadilly Valley, Stirling, Stock Road, Aldgate Valley Road to Aldgate and then on to Bridgewater. We then went through Mt George, along Deviation Road, to Lenswood, Woodside and then to Balhannah for morning tea. The guys from the Fluerieu Branch were also there, and it was good to catch up with them. We then made our way to Littlehampton, Nairne, Woodside Road, through Charleston, Springhead and on to Mt Torrens where we turned to Tungkillo, then Palmer before making our way through Appamurra and up the hill to Mt Pleasant then on to Williamstown for lunch. It was another fantastic day weather wise and was made even better by spending it with a group of disgraceful others.



28th August - Goolwa

There were 17 bikes and about 20 folk at Civic Park in sunny and crisp conditions. We headed off through Chain of Ponds, Lobethal via Cuddlee Creek, Lenswood, Swamp Road and into Hahndorf where we turned to Echunga. Now some time back the speed limit on this road was changed from 100 to 80 kph; about half way along, I noticed a Commodore parked on the side of the road with a radar mounted on the side. I did mention over the CB about this, but I guess if you don't have a radio you wouldn't have heard



this, aye, Harry. We then made our way through Echunga, Macclesfield and then Meadows for morning tea. We then set off and made our way along Brookman Road, Pages Flat Road, Hindmarsh Tiers Road, Nettle Hill Road and then we went along Sawpit Road,

Inman Valley Road into Victor Harbour. From here we followed the coast through Pt Elliott to Middleton where we turned and went over Flagstaff Hill and to Goolwa for lunch. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day, even Harry. This is a lovely time of the year to be out riding and enjoying the fabulous scenery on offer.

Sunday round-up - photos by Bundi

4th September, Fathers' Day Ride

There were 15 of us at Top of Taps in fine and cool conditions. We set off and made our way through Clarendon, past Blewitt Springs, McLaren Vale, over the Range and on through the Kuitpo Forest and to Meadows. Next, it was a nice trip down Paris Creek Road to Strath for morning tea. Most of us had a quick look at the Steam Ranger, which actually had a steam engine pulling it (first time in years apparently). We then headed to Milang and followed the lake to Clayton and then on to Finnis, towards Goolwa before turning on to Bull Creek Road to Meadows, Echunga and on to Mylor. Then we went to Longwood, Ackland Hill Road, Main Road and then turned onto Turner Drive and on to Ken and Michele's house for soup and a BBQ lunch. A huge thanks go to Ken and his lovely wife for offering to host this lunch at very short notice. A big 'thanks' to all the helpers as well (Barry, Mary, Vanessa and Adrian). It was a great day out on lovely roads, in nice weather with some fantastic folk.

Below: The Boss and the Moneyman - looks serious! Ed.



11th Sept Memorial Day Ride

13 of us gathered at Maccas in overcast conditions. We set off and made our way up a damp Greenhill Road, all the way to Balhannah, Littlehampton and on to Mt Barker; then Flaxley Road, Stamps Road and to Macclesfield. From here, it was a quick trip into Meadows via Greenhills Road. We met up in Meadows with The Fluerieu and Lower Murray Branches and had quite a sizable group. Well, from here things for me went a little pear shaped. I checked the rear tyre pressure on my bike and it was a little low so I rode to the Servo to rectify this; when I got back on my bike to rejoin the others, I had no electrical power. Well, after much help from some fine Ulyssians, the diagnosis was terminal (cactus battery), so that was it for my ride.



18th September President's Ride

There were 30 of us at Civic Park in fine cool and a little overcast conditions. We set off and made our way up Anstey Hill, through to Torrens Hill Road and on to Gorge Road, through Cuddlee Creek and on to Lobethal. Next, we made our way through Inverbrackie to Nairne, Bald Hills Road and Wistow where we went down the hill and to Strath for morning tea. There was a huge crowd here as the markets were on and the Steam Ranger was running. From Strath we went to Macclesfield, Echunga, Old Mt Barker Road and into Mt Barker, then around the back of Mt Barker and then through Mt Barker Springs and to Nairne. We then followed the Old Princess Hwy to Monarto and went on to Mannum for lunch. If we thought Strath was busy, it was nothing with how busy Mary Ann Reserve was. It seems there was a gathering of Vintage motorbikes here from all over Australia (it was part of the 55th anniversary tour of the VVMCCSA). The day was very enjoyable spent with some wonderful folk. After the ride some folk called in home for a coffee and a piece of birthday cake.



25th September - Chris' Ride to the other Gumeracha

We had a good turnout of around 25 at Top of Taps in fine and cool conditions. We set off and made our way to Pigett Range Road and then things went a little pear shaped; we had a corner marshal on a corner where we didn't need to turn and this sent most of us on the wrong route. We regrouped at Kangarilla and eventually Chris came along and took us up Ackland Hill Road and Old Willunga Hill to McLaren Vale for morning tea. We then headed back to McLaren Flat, towards Blewitt Springs and then on to a road we haven't been along before. Well, after a couple of kms, we found out why: it turns into a dirt road. We next made our way to Clarendon, Cherry Gardens and then Longwood. Next, we twisted and turned, passing near Stirling and Crafers, and made our way to Spring Gully Road, past the Scout Camp and then to Greenhill Road and Deviation Road.



We followed the main road to Lobethal and Mt Torrens, Tungkillo and on to Mt Pleasant for lunch. A really great day spent with fine folk on fantastic roads. A big thank you to Mr Roberts for planning a fantastic route (well thats what Ann says!)

Phil Salter ... The Biker Broker

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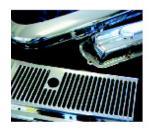












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Hi Everyone,

Sorry for the delay in getting this together, but work and my forthcoming trip to the SA outback with BMW GS Safari has rather tied me up.



I have some ride days planned and these are for **16th October**, **13th November and 22nd January**. Meet at 1000 Mobil Service Station on the corner of Cross, Portrush and S.E.Freeway. I hope this is fairly central for everybody.

If anyone with an Adventure, Dual Sport, Off Road orientated bike wishes to join us, please come along. In my day we used to call them "TRAIL BIKES".

This is not a motor crossing event, but a day's ride not restricted to tarmac roads.

Make a date in your diaries for the Adventure SiG AGM at Streaky Bay 20th & 21st April, 2012. See the web site for more details and bookings.

Cheers

Paul Warner #40107





Motorcycle Riders' Association of SA Toy Run 2011

Yes, the Toy Run will be held in 2011 and will be bigger and better from all accounts.

The Motorcycle Riders' Association has been hard at work planning for the necessary changes brought about because of several issues that are beyond its control.

SAPOL informed us that they could no longer support the Toy Run to the extend they did last year because of the decimation of the police motorcycle fleet.

The long traverse up Cross Road needed many Officers to control the various intersections and this was no longer possible.

The traffic management issues at the Hahndorf Oval were mounting and the one way road closure from Littlehampton to Hanhdorf was no longer supported by SAPOL.

There was little doubt therefore that if the Toy Run was to be held in 2011, there was an urgent need to change both the start and the end locations.

After many investigations, a great starting location was procured and this will be at the Adelaide V8 Track at Victoria Park. This area can easily manage the expected number of motorcycles and scooters and negotiations with the Adelaide City Council have been very successful with one site fencing and toilet facilities being arranged.

Riders can avail themselves of the many cafes and bars in the adjacent Hutt St precinct before the start of the run. The run itself will depart Victoria Park at the usual time of 11.00am and wind up the South East Freeway and exit at Callington and go to the Recreation Grounds. The township of Callington has thrown their weight behind the event as well as the District Council of Mount Barker (who also own the Hahndorf Oval). The total distance traveled will be approximately 11 kilometres longer than using Glenelg as a start location. Gone will be the long, slow traverse up Cross Roads to the expected relief of many participants.

The MRASA has received good feedback on these new plans and we hope to revive the Toy Run by enticing back riders who had a problem with the slow and quite dangerous ride from Glenelg. The Callington Oval will be gradually upgraded with permanent facilities over the years. The object of the Toy Run will never change - that is to attract donations of toys and goods to raise funds for needy families in the wider community.

We thank the Callington community for hosting us for our 2011 Toy Run event.



Neville Gray #3394, Vice President Motorcycle Riders' Association of SA

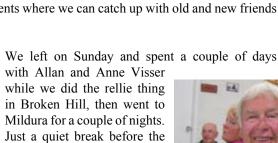
The Ghost Town Rally 2011

Copi Hollow was looking its best for the Ghost Town Rally! A bit windy, but we've come to expect that. There were plenty of fires to keep everyone warm on the chilly nights, the meals were excellent and there was plenty of liquid refreshments, add to that excellent live music - what else would you want?! And the 'pick your own prize' raffle went off a treat!

This was Daisy's first rally! She was well behaved and might get to go to another

Josie was pleased with the numbers that pre-booked (190), but not sure how many extras there were.

How lucky are we to have such events where we can catch up with old and new friends from other branches.



Thank you to Broken Hill Branch for another great weekend!

Wendy King

Odyssey.







Above: Lyn Sawtell, Clive Ford and Garry King





Herman Pruis



Peter and Marlene Poole



Above: Mick and Marg Dolensky Below: Josie Wasley (Secretary) and Johnny Sterr



The Odyssey

The Odyssey - 2011

264 Ulyssians gathered at Memorial Oval, Port Pirie on the October long weekend, to celebrate the 18th birthday of the South Australian Central Odyssey.



Members of the committee were entertained at a Mayoral Reception on Friday morning, where Mayor Brenton Vanstone (pictured left) gave welcoming speech and Wendy responded. Andrew and Wendy were both interviewed by a journalist from GTS4 and some of the interviews were shown on the Friday night's local news.

Weather was a bit unpleasant on Friday, which was a bit of a nuisance for those erecting tents and campers. Nevertheless, everyone kept smiling, happy just to be there!

The majority of those registered had arrived by Friday night's bbq tea, which was appreciated by all; and so the three-day party began! Judging by the noise level, everyone had plenty to say and had a great time catching up with 'old' friends and making new ones.

Saturday, the weather was kinder to us as while 2 tours of the Smelters were filled (morning and afternoon session), some walked the short distance to the main shopping centre and checked out the shops, a number took advantage of tests rides at Boats'n'Bikes (our sponsors), checked out a sprint bike (used in Salt Lake speed records) and still others simply went riding.

Saturday afternoon, there was a meeting of the delegates from all the SA Branches to discuss what worked and what didn't work in the staging of The Odyssey, and Helena Gritton from Limestone Coast, Mount Gambier Branch gave a rundown of what has been planned for the 19th Central Odyssey to be held in Mount Gambier, next year.

Andrew and Bundi Mill will always celebrate their wedding anniversary at the Odysseys, having wed at the Victor Harbor Odyssey, 3 years ago





Chris Moore, Paul Sponheimer, Ros Sponheimer, Brian Booy and Lorelle Esmore show off their certificates and gold medals as the winners of the Trivia Quiz.

After the meeting, whilst many made themselves comfortable in the club rooms to watch the AFL Grand Final, still others took part in a Trivia Quiz, with the usual name-calling and general good fun!

Saturday night's roast dinner was excellent! Mayor Brenton Vanstone welcomed the assembly to Port Pirie showing his obvious dedication and passion for his region. Other official to attend were Cr Mike Basley and his wife Dallas, Cr Leon Stevens and his wife, Deborah (of Boats/n/Bikes) and Mr Geoff Brock, Member for Frome.

Sue Freene, Vicki Ryan and The Hobbitt had everyone entertained with a song 'specially written' for The Odyssey and all joining in the chorus



Ulysses Adelaide Branch

Sunday morning, and with clear blue skies, 61 people were bussed via 'back roads' through some beautiful country (with great views back over the Gulf) to the Golden North Ice-cream Factory. At one point, it threatened to be a long day when a flock of 'escaped' sheep ran in front of the buses for quite a while, until our driver, Deirdre, took the lead (from the other larger bus) and 'pushed' them onto the verge. Rather funny, actually, but I guess you had to be there. We stopped at Wirrabara for a wonderful lunch provided by Deirdre, of Spencer Gulf Coaches. As luck would have it, we were parked across the road from the Craft Shop; I think we made lady-in-the-shop's day! We proceeded to Remarkable Views Winery where we tasted wines in a lovely garden setting and purchased a few 'necessary' supplies. After a short stop at Melrose, it was back to base camp via Germein Gorge.

It was a good thing we had such a relaxing day, as the night was to be wonderfully full of fun! The kitchen staff really turned it on for tea! The entertainment of Ally and her sister (who was an added surprise) had them rocking the night away; Mark Seja and Ros Sponheimer gave a rollicking acted out 'Lady in Red; we had a Conga Line; our own Hobbitt, Vicki and Sue wrote and sang their own song whilst accompanying themselves (and us) on their ukeleles; Eddie True Trio should be on the X-Factor! It was probably the latest so many Ulyssians have stayed up after dark! Finally, with last drinks already had, some of us kept what must be the best bar staff in Port Pirie out late, as we watched Casey Stoner come third in the Grand Prix. What a great note to on which to finish the weekend!

Another beautiful day Monday, breakfast, final bits and pieces to clear up, fond farewells with promises to catch up again next year at Mount Gambier.

Thank you to the volunteers who stepped up to the plate at the event; it was more than appreciated.

The Organising Committee comprising Andrew and Bundi Mill, Glen and Treena Solomon, Sue Freene, Adrian Horan, Barry Hall and Craig McDonald, was an amazing group with which to work. I'd do it all again in a heartbeat (but maybe not tomorrow)!

Wendy King #8818 Co-ordinator

19th SA ODYSSEY MOUNT GAMBIER

Starts: Friday, 28 September 2012 Ends: Monday, 1 October 2012

The 19th SA ODYSSEY MOUNT GAMBIER

This is a preliminary notice so that you can put the dates in your diary.

Further details and registration forms will be available later this year.

The Odyssey will be held in beautiful Mt Gambier, renowned for its Blue Lake, wines, crayfish and caves.

For further details contact:
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Hosted by Limestone Coast Branch (AS)
Contact: Chris McGowan













At The Remarkable Views Winery



Friday's Dinner

Garry, Helena and Rob catch up with Counciller and Ulysses member, Shirley Hortin, who did an enormous amount of work for us on the ground, whilst our flag 'flew' majestically all weekend.





Ulysses Adelaide Branch 19

BARMERA IN WINTER

What could be better than sitting around a roaring fire with friends on a frosty evening in July? Barmera turned on the sunshine during the day, but we paid for it with clear, cold nights.

Seventeen of us left Munno Para with Kevin leading, bound for another mid-weeker at Camp Kedron, with the usual stops at Eudunda and Morgan. We followed in the car with the food. Afternoon nibbles on arrival, and the evening barbecue followed, then everyone gathered round the fire to enjoy friendly chatter and Mick's motorbike quiz. Then a cold night for those in the dormitories, but what about one brave soul in a tent?!

Thursday was bright and sunny again, but cold, when Terry took the bikes off to meet up with Simon from Berri and a morning's ride, finishing at the Renmark Club for lunch. Back to Camp Kedron for nibbles and time to get ready for the evening meal at the football club. Mick taxied two carloads and was complimented on knowing the way - and being able to speak English, (unlike some taxi-drivers).

Another bitter, cold night and it was time to leave for home. (We heard that some early birds had to stop to clean the ice from their visors.) Everyone agreed it was the coldest midweeker we had ever had, but there was no doubt about the warm friendly atmosphere. Once again, it was great the way everyone helped out with the chores. We'll have to do it again some time.

Mick & Doreen Sandley





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The Black Dog Ride 24th August, 2011

Charity ride to raise awareness of Depression

Wednesday morning and the weather was perfect for the Black Dog Ride to the Red Centre. Approximately 41 riders assembled at Wingfield in anticipation of the coming week's adventure.

After a short ride, lunch was provided at Clare for our ever growing group.

We arrived at Port Augusta late afternoon, and dinner that night was at the footy club, where riders from other states joined us - Victoria 26, NSW 38, WA 48. Much conversation was entered into and much ale to settle the dust that seems to accumulate in one's throat after a day in the saddle.

Thursday: We arose to a perfect morning, albeit cool and were advised to head off in small groups, due to fuel stops becoming congested with so many riders. Once on the highway, it was quite amusing being overtaken by other riders accompanied by a small dog in all positions from prostrate to laid back. All participants were provided with a small black dog (symbolic of depression), all named Winston, with suckers on his feet and chest enabling some interesting configurations. Coober Pedy was reached mid afternoon and Radeka's was swamped by riders and their bikes totally filling the car park - quite a sight! At this point, Gary King and I thought it prudent to taste-test the watering holes in town and are pleased to report all was well.

Friday: We all packed our bikes in first light and headed off in groups for morning tea at Marla.



Winston came from a verrrrry big litter - 300, in fact. Just have to love the imagination of this rider, with Winston all decked out as a Ulysses member!

From Mick Sandley: Thank you to everyone for the book on the Murray and the certificate presented to me at the last meeting.

The meal was much appreciated too.

I enjoyed my time as rides leader and hope to continue participating in Wednesday rides for as long as I can. It's the mateship that makes it all worthwhile.



Our group had grown considerably and the logistics of obtaining fuel become interesting, but not as bad as I thought it would be. The group arrived at Alice Springs mid afternoon with the majority staying at Heavitree Gap and enjoying dinner on a balmy night with a backdrop of the rugged MacDonnell Ranges.

Saturday: The casino at Alice Springs was our lunch stop for the next day, and our bikes were displayed on the lawn, looking very impressive and numbering around 300 riders. The ride to our destination was through Alice Springs and west to Glen Helen, where approximately 220 riders set up camp. Glen Helen is a beautiful spot in the West MacDonnells and the flood lights on the cliffs at night absolutely stunning. Saturday night was the spent socialising and debriefing, new friends made and entertainment enjoyed.

Sunday: We all departed, heading home to different states, while Garry and I had decided to spend a few days in the Alice before heading South. Leaving Alice Springs, we rode through a very smoky atmosphere due to bush fires around Alice, arriving at Glendambo that night fairly tired.

Final day: Weather still perfect, breakfast at Spud's, lunch at Port Augusta, bid farewell to Garry at Port Wakefield as he turned off for Ardrossan.

Trevor (Rallyman) McDonald



Garry King and Trevor McDonald enjoying a well-earned refreshment at Redeka's, Coober Pedy



Yorke Peninsula

Saturday, 6th - Sunday, 7th August

What a full on weekend! First of all we travelled to the Range Hall at Mclaren Vale to join the Fleurieu Branch for their annual "Beast Feast" where we met up with members from the Torrens Valley Branch. This event just seems to get better each year the, food and entertainment was once again of a very high standard, and very reasonably priced. This was the first major event organised by the newly formed committee. Once again there was a band of very keen volunteers, cooking, selling raffle tickets and performing all of those unnoticed duties which keep the event running smoothly and enable the cost to be kept at an absolute minimum. Next morning we headed off to Wellington for lunch via Strathalbyn, where we met up with members from the Lower Murray Branch, Mallee Branch, Torrens Valley Branch and Yorke Peninsula Riding Group. After a great meal and a fair bit of catching up talk, we all headed off home. It is certainly great to see so many Ulyssians from the various Branches getting together, and enjoying each other's company.

Sunday, 11th September

Although the weather was quite overcast we had a very good roll up for the day including two first time riders in our group. We had members from Torrens Valley Branch and Southern Flinders Riding Group joining us. Our destination was the Port Hughes Tavern via Ardrossan, Maitland and Moonta. We were allocated a front table which enabled us a magnificent view of Spencers Gulf whilst we enjoyed a fantastic meal. After quite a bit of socialising we headed home, some stopping at Port Wakefield for a coffee break en route.

Wednesday, 14-Friday, 16th September

Four of us from Y.P.R.G joined the Torrens Valley mid week riders for their three day ride to Hawker. The planned ride for Thursday was morning tea at Wilpena, then off to the Blinman pub for lunch, the ride was most enjoyable despite an over abundance of wild life, but as we were pre warned there were no mishaps with all of us arriving back safely. Quite a few of us went on the mine tour which was very enlightening and informative due to having a very knowledgeable guide leading us. The whole trip was very well organised by Guzzi Bob (Hobo), and I know that all that attended had a great time and are looking forward to next event that he runs.

COMING RIDES

Sunday, 6th November

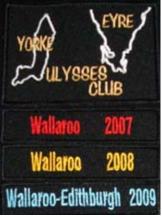
Ride to Yacka leaving BP Port Wakefield 10.00am. Please bring your own lunch and drinks as there are no shops open at Yacka. BBQ cooking facilities are available.

Sunday, 13th November

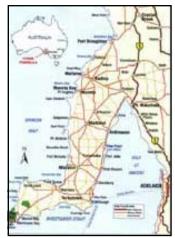
Ride to Mannum to meet up with the Lower Murray Branch and the Barossa Riding Group, travel to Peake for a \$10.00 BBQ lunch. Leaves Julian Terrace Gawler at 9.30am.

Friday, 25th - Monday, 28th November

Combined ride with Eyre Peninsula Branch. We will be staying at the Gawler Caravan Park. Rides have been organised for the Saturday and Sunday. Registrations close 4th November 2011. Please refer Registration Form page opposite for full details.



Please contact Rod if you would like to order a patch as shown above.



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

Note! If you are intending to join us for meals, please ensure that you register by the closing date as I am using the registration information for bookings.

Sunday, 4th December

Mystery ride on Yorke Peninsula there will be a designated lunch stop, leave BP Port Wakefield 10.00am

Sunday, 11th December

M.R.A annual Toy Run

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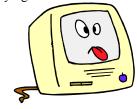
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The ride calendar will be updated every month. Any updates during the month will be emailed out and copies put on the counter at Boats 'n' Bikes. The calendar will also be on display in the window of Boats 'n' Bikes.

All rides will have a ride leader and a tail-end Charlie (will always stay at the back of the group) so that everyone can ride at their own pace. We will also use corner marshals when the ride leader thinks it is required. The rider immediately behind the leader will stop and wait on a corner if the ride leader indicates (by pointing to the corner) and will remain on the corner directing other riders until tail end Charlie goes past. If you are willing to be a corner marshal then you just need to ride up front, but if you don't want the job then don't ride immediately behind the leader. The system works well if adhered to and lets everyone ride in confidence and that they will not get lost even if they cannot see any other riders.

If you would like to have the rides calendar and any updates emailed to you, email me and I will email the calendar to you in future.

October 16th – still vacant November 20th – still vacant. December 18th – still vacant

RE CHRISTMAS SHOW – I have received some feedback re the Christmas show and it has been positive to the suggestion by a group member re a backyard show. I will make all the enquiries and start planning it. If you have any objections forward them to me asap otherwise this suggestion stands

CHRISTMAS SHOW – discussion at Sunday morning coffee and among several members has been going on re a Christmas show. General feeling is that a change from going out to a pub or restaurant to having a backyard home show is in favour as it would work out easier and cheaper and more casual. Suggestions are that we bring sweets and that 1) we can put in an amount of money per person for meat to be cooked on a weber and also get side dishes or 2) I price Alex's meats to supply, cook and deliver the meal at an arranged time. We could schedule a ride for the day having coffee and lunch (or just coffee) then come back to Pirie, drop off bikes to respective homes and make our way to someone's for tea bringing own grog etc. We can then relax at leisure. It could be held either on a Saturday or Sunday – Saturday would allow others from out of town to come if they wish and make a weekend of it.

Bev May Rides Co-ordinator

Southern Flinders Ride Group 5th Birthday Celebration

On Saturday, July 30, the Southern Flinders Ride Group celebrated 5 years since the initial meeting was held at Leon and Deb's shop, Boats'n'Bikes, in Port Pirie. Since then the group has had monthly rides, several weekend rides, social nights and Sunday morning coffee meetings.

About 30 people turned up for a shared bbq tea and drinks, with the group being a good mixture of original members and newer members.

Rod and Rae Lind, who were at the original meeting, put in a good effort to come to the tea from Pt Clinton. Unfortunately, Cossy and Jules were a late scratching (Cossy wanted to check the lengths of the skirts the nurses wear these days), but they sent along photos they had of previous group events.

Many of the rides were relived while sitting around the fire and looking at the photos. We had a cake with 5 candles and all sang happy birthday, but had to watch the candles burn down, as everyone was out of breath after singing with such gusto.

As the night wore on and more empty cans appeared, the rides we had done in the past just got better and better. Everyone enjoyed themselves and we look forward to the future with enthusiasm with more social events and rides being planned.

Les Beyer



Above: Terry, Brian, Greg and Nan relive one of the rides Below: Sitting around the fire.



BREAST CANCER NETWORK PORT PIRIE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE FLINDERS TOURERS MOTORCYCLE CLUB PRESENTS

THE PINK LADY RIDE

Sunday, 16th October Flinders View Park, Ellen Street, Port Pirie

Start 10.30 am, Ride commences at 11.00 am PINK LADY RIDE to travel through Crystal Brook, Clements Gap and back to Port Pirie via Port Broughton Road

FTMA welcomes all interested motorcycle riders to join them on this ride to support the Breast Cancer Network and breast cancer awareness.

For riders interested in supporting this ride by offering to take a pillion passenger, you can contact Mick martin 0403 996 909

Lefty 0412767 945 or Michelle 0437323089

Ride briefing Wednesday 12th October Pirie Sporting & Community Club 7.00 PM

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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.

Branch contacts as follows:

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Secretary Daryl Sparks 0427 813 817

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Rides Captain Larry Caspers (Spook) 0429 727 334

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October 16th: Lunch run to Kapunda

Run distance 230 kms return approx 5 hours. Dine in at Sir John Franklin Hotel, 57 Main St.

Departs Murray Bridge 9.30am.

Ride via Palmer, Tungkillo, Mt Pleasant, Angaston for smoko at the Blonde Café, Nuriootpa, Kapunda.

Return via Greenock, Tanunda, Lyndoch, Williamstown, Mt Pleasant, Tungkillo, Palmer.

October 29th, 30th: Overnighter to Loxton.

Run distance 190 kms to Loxton, 180 kms back to Murray Bridge. Depart Murray Bridge 8.30 am. Smoko at Walker Flat, Lunch at Loxton Hotel.

Subject to a vote take an afternoon ride through Moorook, Barmera, Monash, Renmark and back to Loxton. This run is approx 130kms. Might even keep the reprobates among us a bit more sober.

Accommodation available at Loxton Riverfront Caravan Park or Loxton Hotel Motel.

Dinner on Saturday night at Loxton Hotel. Refer to accompanying information package.

Nov 13th: Run to Peake Tavern Combined with Torrens Valley & Yorke Peninsula Mobs

Run distance total 300 kms. Time 6 hours. Departs Murray Bridge 9.30 am.

Fuel is available at Karoonda (130 kms). We'll be riding via Mannum (where we're picking up riders from Torrens Valley and Yorke Peninsula mobs), Karoonda, Sherlock and thence to Peake. (This section 175 kms total) Return via Yumali to cross the River at Wellington, through Jervois to Murray Bridge.(125 kms).

Greg Morgan the publican is putting on a BBQ lunch with salads for \$10 per head.

November 19th: Darty and Kazz's Nuptials. Further infolater.

Larry Caspers 0429 727 334

Pres: Bill Richter Sec: Trish Pruis 8682 2358

 Committee

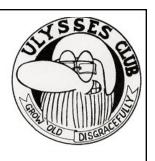
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EYRE PENINSULA BRANCH RIDE CALENDAR JULY-DECEMBER 2011

Date	Ride	Contact	Advise by	Leave	Time
22-23 Oct	Elliston O'Nighter Book own accommodation Waterloo Caravan Park 8687 9076	Phil Green 8682 3553	10 Oct	MacDonald's Car Park	12 noon
6 Nov	Cowell Luncheon	Trish Pruis 8682 2358	30 Oct	Town Jetty	10.00 am
25, 26, 27 Nov	Eyre & Yorke Peninsula Combined	Rod Lind 8837 7260 Herman 8682 2358	16 Oct	North Shields	TBA
10 Dec	Christmas Dinner - Lincoln Hotel	Trish Pruis 8682 2358	6 Nov		6.00 pm

Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

7.30pm

Third Tuesday of the Month
Parafield Gardens Community Club

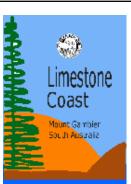
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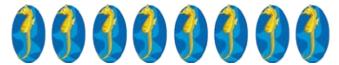


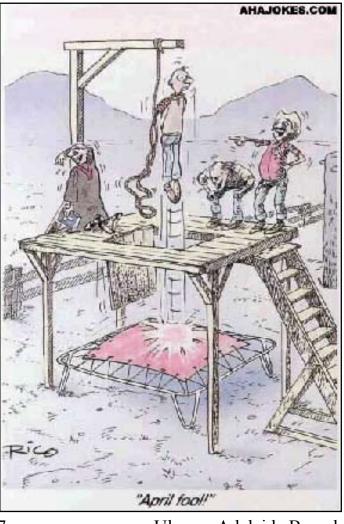
Sunday Meeting Place: Sunday Coffee/chat will be held Jen's Hotel at 10am. Breakfast can be ordered earlier than this if needed. Any rides, on the day, will depart at 11am. **Rides**: As per Ride Calendar on the Web

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Ulysses Club Inc. Whyalla & Districts Branch

Our membership is increasing, with members from as far as Port Augusta and Roxby Downs.

Currently our meetings are held every two months and are rotated on the following basis:

- 1. At a venue with a meal where spouses can join us,
- 2. A meeting will be held at a Port Augusta venue to give Whyalla members an opportunity for a ride and the Port Augusta members to be involved
- 3. A meeting is held at the 086 Group Inc The Shed on Keith Street.

The October meeting will be held at the 086 Group Inc (The Shed), and the December meeting will be at the Melrose overnighter to celebrate Christmas and friendship.

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Ulysses Whyalla & District Branch Committee



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Meet and Greet

At the Foreshore Cafe Every Sunday Morning at 9.30 am for brekky and company



Dad n Dave a true classic.

Dad & Dave saw an ad in the Daily Newspaper in Geelong, Victoria and bought a mule for \$100.

The farmer agreed to deliver the mule the next day.

The next morning the farmer drove up and said, "Sorry, fellows, I have some bad news, the mule died last night."

Dad & Dave replied, "Well, then just give us our money back."

The farmer said, "Can't do that. I went and spent it already." They said, "OK then just bring us the dead mule."

The farmer asked, "What in the world y'all gonna do with a dead mule?"

Dad said, "We're gonna raffle him off."

The farmer said, "You can't raffle off a dead mule!"

Dad said, "We shore can! Heck, we don't hafta tell nobody he's dead!"

A couple of weeks later, the farmer ran into Dad & Dave at the local grocery store and asked.

"What'd you fellers ever do with that dead mule?"

They said, "We raffled him off like we said we wuz gonna do."

Dad said, "Hell, we sold 500 tickets fer two dollars apiece and made a profit of \$898."

The farmer said, "My Lord, didn't anyone complain?"

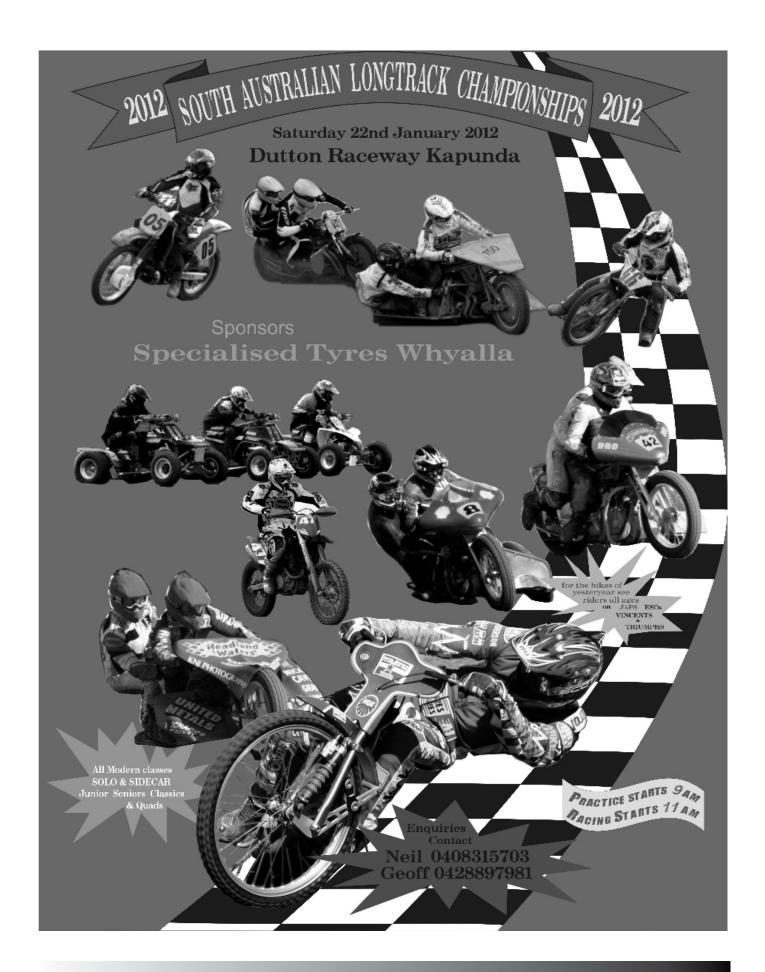
Dave said, "Well, the feller who won got upset. So we gave him his two dollars back."

Dad & Dave now work for the Gillard government.

They're financial advisers to Wayne Swan, Australia's Minister for Finance.

Ride Calendar 2011

Date	Departure Time	Event	Destination	Contact
Sunday, 16th October	0800	Pink Lady Ride	Port Pirie	Graham or Gerry
Saturday, 29th October	1000	Ride to Iron Knob, Kimba, Cowel & Whyalla	Ring Route	Gerry or Graham
Saturday, 26th November		Whyalla Toy Run	Hungry Jacks Car Park	Perry
2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th , December	1000	Christmas Gathering	Melrose Caravan Park	Graham or Gerry
Sunday, 11th December	1000	Adelaide Toy Run	Victoria park	Graham or Gerry



Rally Calendar 2011

Date	Event	Destination	Contact
October 22-23	Redback Tourers	Lake Bonney	Shaz 0428 878 113
November 11-12-13	Fish Holes	Portland (Victoria)	0412 838 765

Adventures of Rudi and Jane

This Issue, I thought I would give you an insight into our recreational activities, and how we occupy ourselves outside of work and stop us pining for the motorcycles!!!

The climate, water temperature and history of Rabaul makes this one of the best scuba diving spots in the world. With days around 30 degrees Celsius and water temperature about the same, makes diving a very relaxed experience. There are loads of coral reefs with the most amazing marine life living and breathing here. No big white pointers, though diving near river mouths one could encounter the odd croc.

One of Rudi's favourite dive sites is Simpson Harbour, Rabaul. This was the scene of many an air battle during the Japanese occupation of WW2. We have been fortunate enough to meet up with Rod Pearce who has been involved in finding wrecks of air and sea craft, identifying them and repatriating any remains. Recently, Rod discovered a new wreck in about 25 metres of water just out of Simpson Harbour. The plane is a US Avenger and still has the remains of 3 air crew within the cockpit area. The plane itself lies on the sea floor upside down and has lost its tails and wings, the engine lying a short distance away. Rudi and a few other divers have been helping Rod retrieve the engine so they can positively identify the aircraft. They have been using a sand dredge to dislodge the engine, and the other weekend they attached a 2 ton air balloon to help lift it into shallower waters so they could tow it into the harbour for ID and cleaning purposes. The lift went well and the engine now sits in shallow water just outside the Rabaul Yacht Club. The next job is to search the engine for some form of ID plate. So stay tuned peoples and we will let you know the outcome.

Snorkelling is a fabulous past time, the underwater gardens are amazing. We are going to purchase an underwater camera so we can send you some pics.

Some weekends we drive to remote beaches for a picnic and swim. One of our favourites is Ganai Beach. The beach is dotted with pill boxes used by the Japanese during the war to look out for allied ships and planes. The locals down here are exceptionally friendly. One of the village elders is called Theo, same name as Rudi's dad, so this Theo now thinks of himself as Rudi's PNG dad!!!

This village has its own farm garden and orchard. They grow kau kau (a form of sweet potato), yams and ibica (greens). The fruits they produce are pomolo which is like a massive grapefruit (very refreshing) and bananas, of course!! I take home made biscuits and lollypops down with me for the kids and we always go home with some fruit or mumu (cooked kau kau). A mumu is the PNG version of a hungi. One of the ladies recently gave birth to a beautiful baby girl called Dorothy, and I have adopted her as my god-daughter. All the kids are an absolute delight. They live a great life just playing on the beach, swimming, catching crabs and butterflies - not a Nintendo or X-box in sight. They are all schooled locally until Grade 6, then they have to travel into Kokopo for school (40kms away).

I have taken up golf since arriving here and find it a great social experience, my golf skills still need a lot of work, though. The

golf club is the social hub of Kokopo for nationals, ex pats, Chinese and Filipino communities. They have the big screen TV for all the major sporting events, the meals are great and very cheap at \$10. A beer costs \$3 and a glass of wine \$4.

This weekend, we are going out to a prawn farm on a friend's boat. Snorkelling and a BBQ should top the day off nicely. Ride safe everyone, and we do hope you had a great time at The Odyssey in Pt Pirie.

The three pictures attached are of myself with baby Dorothy and her Mum and Dad Dora and Daniel. The other is of the dive site with the balloon surfacing once the boys had dislodged the engine, and finally Rudi standing next to a pill box on Ganai Beach.

Cheers

Jane and Rudi

PS: We will be in Adelaide soon and will be attending the Fleurieu meeting on Thursday, 21st October. Rudi is riding to the Moto GP, so if any of you are over there, look out for him.



Above: Jane holding baby Dorothy, and her parents, Dora and Daniel.

Below: Rudi standing near a pill box, used by the Japanese during the war to look our for allied ships and planes



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- People born between 1946 and 1964 are called The Baby Boomers.
- People born between 1965 and 1979 are called Generation X.
- And people born between 1980 and 2010 are called Generation Y.

Why do we call the last group Generation Y?

- Y should I get a job?
- Y should I leave home and find my own place?
- Y should I get a car when I can borrow yours?
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- Y should I clean my room?
- •
- Y should I wash and iron my own clothes?
- Y should I buy any food?

But a cartoonist explained it very eloquently below:



Aging

The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

and

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it. This is so true. I love to hear them say "you don't look that old."

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