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|----------------|------------------------|
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| 19th November  | for the December issue |
| 19th January   | for the February issue |
| 19th March     | for the April issue    |
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Hi everyone,

**Pink Ribbon Ride: Details of a Pink Ribbon Ride on page 25.**

**The Odyssey in Nuriootpa** will be done and dusted by the time most people get this issue of The Odyssey. Really looking forward to it. It beats the AGMs hands down for catching up with so many members, and more relaxed.

**The Sausage Sizzle** was held in good weather again - don't know how I manage that each year! There were 30 members who joined us for Garry's sausages extraordinaire and scones with jam and cream. Sue and Don Freene came and Sue is looking a million dollars.

**Rod Lind's annual Yorke/Eyre Peninsula weekend** was great!! The caravan park is well equipped with a wonderful camp kitchen and the park caretakers bent over backwards to make sure we had a good time. Rod has a few words re this weekend, further on.

If you wish to continue receiving The Odyssey in 2014, there is a **levy form on page 25.**

**Cheers  
Wendy**



Hello everyone,

I cannot believe how quickly this year has flown by; it's Odyssey time again - that's the event and the magazine. I'm sure most of you will be at Nuriootpa and it's always a great time to catch up with folk from all over the state, and a few from interstate, as well.



Planning is well under way for next year's Odyssey in Port Pirie, and the committee is working well, getting all the essential necessities locked in place. We will be giving a brief presentation at this year's Odyssey, and there will be information and registration forms available in December's issue of The Odyssey and on the Adelaide Branch web site.

This is always a great time of year as the weather starts to warm up and more folk get out on their bikes, participating in the club rides and generally socializing more with club mates. There is always something to do, but we are always open to ideas from branch members. So, if you have something to suggest, please talk to one of our committee members.

I know it's a little way off, but in the next Odyssey magazine there will be nomination forms for the branch AGM to be held in February. Nominations have to be in by the beginning of January, so if you would like to be a part of the Adelaide Branch Committee for 2014, don't be backward in coming forward and get yourself nominated. You will find a Nomination Form on page 11.

**Andrew Mill  
Ulysses Club Inc.  
Adelaide Branch  
President and Rides Captain**

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| Date             | Time           | Leader                        | Event                       | Destination      | From  |
|------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|---|
| <b>October 6</b> |                |                               | <b>20th Central Odyssey</b> | <b>Nuriootpa</b> |   |
| 13               | 9.30 am        | Andrew Mill<br>0412 312 243   | Day Ride                    | Mannum           | McDonalds   |
| 20               | 9.30 am        | Andrew Mill                   | Day Ride                    | Milang           | Top o' Taps   |
| 27               | 9.30 am        | Andrew Mill                   | Day Ride                    | Meadows          | Civic Park  |
| November 3       | 9.30 am        | Chris Roberts<br>0478 589 854 | Day Ride                    | TBA              | McDonalds   |
| 10               | 9.30 am        | Andrew Mill                   | Day Ride                    | Wellington       | Top o' Taps   |
| 17               | <b>9.00 am</b> | Sponsored Ride                | Breakfast at Pitmans        | Williamstown     | Yamaha Pitmans<br>320 Main North Road,<br>Blair Athol |
| 24               | <b>9.30 am</b> | Andrew Mill                   | Day Ride                    | Goolwa           | Civic Park  |
| December 1       | <b>9.30 am</b> | Andrew Mill                   | Day Ride                    | Angaston         | McDonalds   |

**For further information, contact: Andrew Mill on 0412 312 243**

Macca's, 303-306 Magill Road, Trinity Gardens

Civic Park, North East Road, Modbury

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



### Christmas Dinner

Friday  
December 13, 2013

7.00 PM

Clearview Bowling club

Bookings by 11th December  
with

**Chris Roberts**  
on **0478 589 854**



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



### Ulysses Christmas Lunch

Wednesday  
18th December 2013

12.30pm

at

Hahndorf Old Mill  
Main Street HAHNDORF

**Contact - Lester Martin**  
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## Adelaide Branch Meetings

First Thursday of the month

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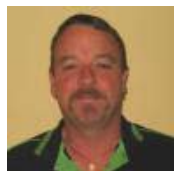
8.00 pm

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## Rides Captain

Andrew Mill

Mobile: 0412 312 243

## Wednesday Rides Captain

Kevin Brenton 8332 4719

## Wednesday Rides

All runs will leave at 10.30 am

|               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1st Wednesday | Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside |
| 2nd Wednesday | Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside |
| 3rd Wednesday | Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps        |
| 4th Wednesday | Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps        |
| 5th Wednesday | Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside |

Bring or buy your own lunch

For details, ring Kevin Brenton  
8332 4719

## Monthly Dinners

2nd Friday of the month

At various venues

Co-ordinator  
Chirs Roberts  
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### Yorke Peninsula Riding Group

Co-ordinator Rod Lind 0418 527 977





# Monthly Dinners

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**Seen at The Excelsior 9 August**



Vicki and Clive

**Friday, October 11, 2013**

**7.00 pm**

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Goodwood



Bookings by Wednesday, 10th October

**Friday, November 15, 2013**

**7.00 pm**

OG Hotel  
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Klemzig



Bookings by Wednesday, 13th November



Ken, tucking into a burger of monstrous proportions!



**Friday, December, 13, 2013**

**7.00 PM**

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Bookings by 11th December



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And, when I try to think it through,  
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Oft times I walk into a room,  
Say 'what am I here for?'  
I wrack my brain, but all in vain!  
A zero, is my score.

At times I put something away  
Where it is safe, but, Gee!  
The person it is safest from  
Is, generally, me!

When shopping I may see someone,  
Say 'Hi' and have a chat,  
Then, when the person walks away  
I ask myself, 'who the hell was that?'

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### How it works

I will give a destination and a time. It is the participant's aim to get there and on time. They must also within 24hrs complete 500ks. This will be a Friends and Rellies ride so bring your friends, family and even the grand-kids.

You will need to plan your route, fuel stops, toilet breaks and coffee/lunch breaks yourself and to arrive at your destination on time also plan your own activities while there, there is heaps to see and do. You need to be mindful that you have a schedule to keep.

This is not a ride for everyone and the fact that it will be run on Saturdays will probably omit some people. This is also going to be a long ride for many; hopefully this isn't too daunting and won't put anyone off. I am planning to do 2 rides a year. I'm looking at the Saturday after the Odyssey (500ks) and the big one (700ks) the Saturday when daylight saving comes to an end in April.

What I suggest is for you to work out how far the destination is from home, using anything at your disposal, paper maps, Google maps, GPS etc. Subtract the distance from the ride distance and plan to have that distance covered by the time you check in. Example: If you live 210ks from the destination, subtract that from 500ks which leaves 290ks. So your ride needs to be 290ks when you check in. What you can do is ride to the destination of 210ks, ride past it another 40ks then return 40ks back to the location, leaving the required trip back home to complete the 500ks. You need to be careful that you don't fall short of the 500ks target. It is hard to make up the shortfall on busy 50kph roads with traffic lights around town.

Time is not your friend. Try and avoid leisurely rides through the hills on roads of low speeds. You have to make your way quickly using the most direct route through to high speed roads and highways capable of 100kph and 110kph. As a guide I use the formula 1 hour and 20 mins per 100 ks to be travelled. So in the above example I would need to travel 290ks to check in, which is close to 300ks, so I would allow 4hrs travel or more.

### Going to give it a go?

On Saturday 12-Oct-2013 we are heading to Peterborough Visitor Centre arrive between 13:00 – 13:30. As your leaving home, send me an SMS, with your name, pillion name, odometer reading and the time of departure. I will get the rest of the details I need at check in. When you arrive home after the ride, send me another SMS with your name, odometer reading and time of arrival.

I hope to see you there!

Guy Malpass

The Odyssey

## The Annual General Meeting

### of the Ulysses Club Inc., Adelaide Branch

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8.00 pm

Thursday, 2nd February, 2014

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

**All positions will be declared vacant**

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

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He said: That's fine with me.

She said: I want to keep my Cadillac.

He said: That's fine with me.

She said: I want to have sex 6 times a week.

He said: Put me down for Fridays.







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Saturday Free Day. Tea at the Robe Hotel (walking distance)  
Sunday Ride Approx. 300 km round trip of the area.  
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AGM

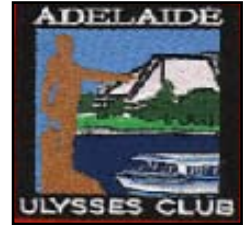
8.00pm Thursday, 2nd February, 2014

at

European Catering, 2 Chief Street, Hindmarsh

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All positions will be declared vacant



I, ..... Member # .....  
(Please Print)

nominate ..... Member # .....  
(Please Print)

for the position of ..... on the Adelaide Branch Committee for 2014-15

This nomination is seconded by ..... Member # .....  
(Please Print)

Nominator's Signature: .....

Seconder's Signature: .....

I, ..... accept this nomination.  
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Nominee's Signature: .....

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### Sven and Ole

Sven and Ole are out hunting and as they are walking along they come upon a huge hole in the ground.

They approach it and are amazed by its size.

Sven says, "Wow, dat's some hole; I can't even see da bottom. I vonder how deep it is."

Ole says, "I don't know, let's tro something down and listen and see how long it takes to hit da bottom."

Sven says, "Der's dis old truck transmission here, give me a hand and we'll tro it in and see".

So they pick up and carry the transmission over, count a one, and a two and a three, and throw it in the big hole.

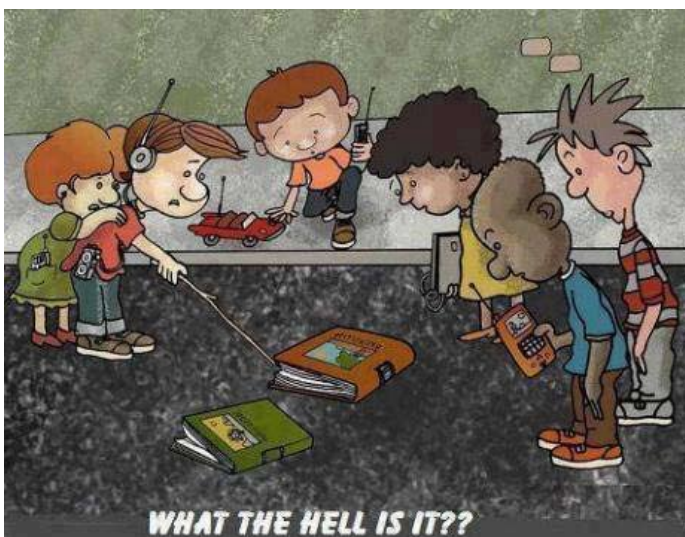
They are standing there listening and looking over the edge when they hear a very loud rustling in the bushes behind them

As they turn around they see a goat come crashing through the bushes, run up to the hole and with no hesitation, jump in head first.

While they are standing there looking at each other in total amazement, looking in the hole and trying to figure out what that was all about, an old farmer walks up. "Say there," says the farmer, "you fellers didn't happen to see my goat around here anywhere, did you?"

Sven says, "Ya, funny you should ask, but ve vas yust standing here a minute ago and a goat came running out of the bushes doin' about a hundred miles an hour and jumped head first into dis big hole here!"

The old farmer said, "That's impossible. I had him chained to an old transmission!"



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### World On Wheels - WOW!

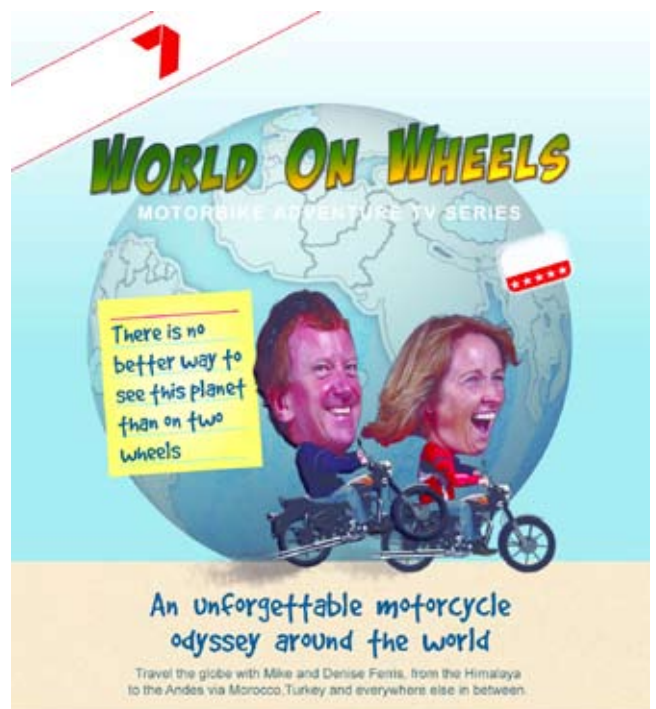
In the interest of promoting motorcycling and building our membership NatCom is publicising this upcoming TV series on motorcycling around the world.

You may or may not know, Mike #25490 and Denise Ferris, have been very busy over the past year or so, in conjunction with a Sydney production company, putting together a 6-part television series called World On Wheels (WOW). It has already aired in Thailand, Singapore and New Zealand, it's been shown in-flight on Qantas, Singapore Airlines and Jetstar, and now it's our turn for the Australia-wide premier. The 7 Network have picked up the program and will be slotting it into Sunday afternoons.

Starting October 6th at 1:00pm, 7Mate will screen WOW for 6 consecutive Sundays. It's early days, but 7 has already alluded to the possibility of a re-run in 2014 in more of a prime-time viewing slot, if the initial response to the series is favourable. They recognise the opportunity for a home-grown motorcycling show to carve a niche in mainstream television.

That's where you come in. Mike & Denise wants everyone who owns a helmet (and even your friends who don't!) to watch World On Wheels and if you like it, phone Channel 7 and ask them to repeat it next year in a mid-week prime time slot -- 7:30pm Tuesdays would be good!

Get behind this push to bring motorcycling into Australia's television mainstream!



6 Episode Series

Starting Sunday, 6th, October at 1:00pm

7mate

[www.worldonwheels.tv](http://www.worldonwheels.tv)



## HELMETS – a matter of life and death.

How often do we see second hand helmets for sale, whether at Cash Converters, on Gumtree or occasionally at Ulysses Club Branch meetings? What is the condition of these helmets on the outside and more importantly, on the inside?

A helmet is a complicated piece of safety apparel which we often take for granted.

Helmets last forever – right? Wrong! A helmet used virtually every day should be replaced every three years as a minimum and those used less frequently will see a replacement period of not more than five years. The outer shell is typically 3 to 5 mm thick and is either injection moulded thermoplastic or a pressure moulded thermoset reinforced with glass or Kevlar fibres.

The shell has at least six roles related to crash performance. It needs to absorb energy, distribute local forces from an impact, protect the face and temples, prevent the inner liner from fracturing, slide easily on the road surface and support other safety related components such as visors and chin straps.

Just as important is the inner foam liner. This is nearly always a polystyrene bead moulding with a regulated variable density. The foam cells are closed so the air inside is compressed in an impact. To provide a vital stopping distance for the head, this foam must compress by 90% during an impact and only partially recovers afterwards.

In other words, if your helmet is involved even in a low speed impact, it will have lost most of its resilience to protect your head in a subsequent impact.

If the helmet falls from your bike seat, how can you be sure that it retains its outer shell resilience? You can't, and the helmet will always have a big question mark hanging over it.

Never, ever purchase a second hand helmet as one cannot be sure of its past history. Do you go to the wreckers to buy a second hand seat belt for the car? You can't anyway, as there is a legal requirement to destroy seat belts from a wrecked vehicle. One can purchase a decent new helmet for a measly \$200 which will conform to AS1698, one of the most stringent helmet standards in the world. The \$1000 helmet may be more comfortable and look a bit more spiffy, but will protect you to the same level a cheaper model will.

Just a casual look around at the commencement of a Club ride will reveal a few very suspect helmets of unknown condition. You will never know just how good they are until it is all too late.

That old helmet sitting in the garage for years that only comes out for the occasional pillion usage – do everyone a favour, cut off the chin straps and chuck it in the bin, so no one else will ever be tempted to use it again. Even if your current 'in-date' helmet has never suffered from any known damage, it will have deteriorated just by wearing it, as the polystyrene layer will be compressed when placed on the head and pulled down. So, have a good hard look at your helmet. How old is it and how many hours use has it had? If the answer is over five years and about a thousand hours use, it is good for only two things. Rip out the liner and use it as a planter pot or place it under the bed as the age of incontinence creeps up on us.

Don't forget the visor, as scratched visors produce problems at night, as the glare from oncoming headlights is increased by the light scattered from scratches.

OK, so you're off to buy a new helmet. Be sure to buy one that is a little on the tight side as the liner will soon settle in after a few hours use to produce a more comfortable and airtight fit which will give the added bonus of lessening the noise level somewhat. The helmet salesperson will know these things and be able to point you in the right direction. Make sure the chinstrap is done up tight as helmet loss in an impact is not uncommon. You wouldn't ride without a helmet, so why risk it coming off in an impact.

**Ride Safer**  
**Neville Gray #3394**



# Sunday Round-up

## 28th July Day Ride to Lyndoch

There was a group of around 18 at Top of Taps including Simon (a new member) on a shiny blue Victory, who set off along dampish roads to Clarendon, Blewitt Springs, Peters creek Road and Meadows. The weather was fining up and the roads were drying out as continued on to Macclesfield, Stamps Road and then to Echunga. From here we went to River Road, Hahndorf, and along Ambleside Road into Balhannah for morning tea. We then it was off along Greenhill Road to Deviation Road and on the Lobethal Road, before turning and making our way to Swamp Road, Lenswood and Lobethal. We then went down the hill to Cuddlee Creek and followed the river and on to Gumeracha. Hee, we turned towards Forreston, over Checkers Hill Road and into Kersbrook, then towards One Tree Hill and on to Gawler where we zigged and zagged our way to Cockatoo Valley, past the Nudist Colony and to our final destination Lyndoch for lunch in glorious sunshine. It was a great day out riding in beautiful green countryside and under fabulous sunny skies; in fact, it almost seemed like it was Spring already.



## 4th August Day Ride to Milang

There were around a dozen of us gathered at Civic Park under sunny skies before heading out to Houghton, Paracombe and through Chain of Ponds to Cuddlee Creek. Then we headed up Fox Creek Road to Lenswood, Woodside, Nairne, Littlehampton and Mt Barker, then along Old Mt Barker Road to Echunga and, finally, Meadows for morning tea. After some sustenance and a brief shower of rain, we headed along Paris Creek Road to Strath and back up the hill to Wistow, Nairne and the Old Princess Hwy which we followed to Callington. Here, we turned to Woodchester, Langehorne Creek, Lake Alexandrina and along to Milang for lunch where we were met by Ken and Liz. The sunshine while we lunched, making it a great day out in fabulous green countryside, even if some roads were a little damp. The upside to this weather is it keeps a lot of the lycra brigade off the roads :-)

## 11 August Day Ride to Williamstown

A large group of around 25 gathered at Maccas in glorious sunshine. We took off for Norton Summit, Uraidla, through the Piccadilly Valley and along Spring Gully Road to Range Road and back to Greenhill Road. Next, we went along Deviation Road and onto Lobethal Road, which we followed to Tiers Road and on to Woodside, from where we went on to Charleston and Mt Torrens, Tungkillo and on towards Birdwood, before heading to Mt Pleasant for an expensive morning tea (just ask anyone who bought anything from the shop). We headed off over the hill towards Walkers Flat, before turning and going through Cambrai to Sedan where we turned up Sedan Hill to Keynton. We then turned to Eden Valley and Springton, Mt Pleasant again and turned here to Williamstown for

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lunch. It was the best day weather wise we have had for a few months and, boy, it was great not to have to rug up in wet weather gear, hopefully a taste of things to come in the near future.



## 25th August Meet the Kings Ride

Well, a group of around 15 gathered at Bolivar in cool but fine conditions. It was going to be interesting as, on the way to the start, my indicators decided to stop working. We headed off and made our way to Angle Vale via Heaslip Road and on to Lewiston before going through Two Wells and on to Malalla, where we turned and went to Balaklava for morning tea in fabulous sunshine by the rotunda. We then headed along the road to Pt Wakefield through the roadworks, to the Yorke Peninsula and over the Hummocks to Kulpara, where we turned onto the Arthurton Road, riding through the farming country full of growing crops, and into Arthurton, where we turned to Ardrossan and to Wendy and Garry's abode, where another group 14 were awaiting our arrival. Garry was cooking up a storm on the BBQ while we availed ourselves of the coffee and tea. We were then treated to a great feast with the BBQ, and after, some homemade scones with jam and cream. It was a great day for this ride, with fine weather and light winds through some fine countryside, capped off by great company. Many thanks to Wendy and Garry for their fantastic efforts in organizing and cooking the feast we all thoroughly enjoyed.

Garry and I look forward to this event every year and love catching up with members/friends from other branches and riding groups. See you all again next year. Ed.





# Sunday Round-up

## 1st September Fathers Day Ride to Pt. Elliott

On the best riding weather day we have had in a very long time, there were around 25 of us at Magill. We made our way to Greenhill Road, through the Piccadilly Valley to Crafers, then we wound our way to Sturt Valley Road and on to Cherry Gardens, where we almost lost our ride leader, thanks to a P plater not staying on the right side of the road. Next, we went through Clarendon towards Bakers Gully, along Peters Creek Road and into Meadows for morning tea. Then we set off and to Strath via Paris Creek and back up to Ashbourne. Next, we went to Mt Compass, along the Victor Road to Cleland Gully Road, and back to the bottom of Bull Creek Road, where we turned to Finnis and over the 3 fiords (the last one of which still had water flowing over it) then through Currency Creek, on to Flagstaff Hill Road with the lovely view of the coast, and on to Pt Elliott for lunch at the pub for most. It was a great day out and it was enjoyable to see so many folk enjoying themselves in the brilliant sunshine.



## 8th September Memorial Ride

A good size group (28ish) assembled at Civic Park, including a shiny orange bike we haven't seen for a while, before heading off to Chain of Ponds, Cuddlee Creek, up Fox Creek to Lenswood and then along Tiers Road to Woodside. Most of us made our way to Brakunga and a few, who missed the corner marshall at Woodside, went their own way! From Brakunga, we went to Nairne, along Bald Hills Road and Paech Road to Wistow, and down the hill to Strath for morning tea, where our few wayward ones rejoined us. We set off again and headed to Macclesfield along what was once a great motorcycling road before the road surface turned to rubbish, and instead of fixing it, they reduced the speed limit! We then went along Greenhill Road, Kondaparinga Road and through Meadows to Brookman Road, where again things went wrong; we were to turn left on to Brookman Road and follow this all the way to Willunga Hill. However, seems someone pulled over directly after turning left, sending quite a few along the wrong road, and then pulled out of the ride (aaaaarrrrgggggghhhhhhh). Most of us then went along Pages Flat Road to Hindmarsh Tiers Road which we followed to the main Victor Harbour Road and then on to Waterport Road. We then followed the coast road to Goolwa for lunch and a catch up with all the group. It was a great day to be out riding in the lush green countryside, however, it shows how easily a really simple corner system can be mucked up by people not doing the right thing and messing the ride up for all the others.

## 15th September President's Ride

There was a smallish group of 12 at Magill including our branch President, which was good as he was to lead today's ride. we headed up the hill past the lycra clad brigade to Norton Summit and on to Ashton, then we wound our way to the Piccadilly Valley and then along Spring Gully Road, where we wound our way to Gum Flat Road and around the back roads to Hahndorf. Mt Barker was our next port of call and then on to Old Mt Barker Road towards Echunga and then Flaxley, where we turned along Whites Road to Mt barker for morning tea. We next went to Kangarilla and on towards Clarendon before turning to Blewitt Springs and McLaren Vale. Then it was on to Wickam Hill Road, Pottery Road and along Brookman Road where we turned along Range Road (well, most of us did). We then headed to Willunga where we picked up our 2 wayward riders and went up Old Willunga Hill, along Pages Flat Road to Myponga and into Yankalilla for lunch. We were treated to a lovely sunny day with dry roads, if somewhat a little breezy in spots. Our ride was wonderfully led by our Branch President and I'm sure our Rides Captain enjoyed not leading this ride and being part of the pack :-). We were surprised to see Brendan today, after returning from the Salt oops I mean Sand mines out west; he is looking more like Ned Kelly than Ned Kelly did.





## Great Southern Land of New Zealand – The South Island.

For many of us ticking off an overseas motorcycle tour is usually on our motorcycling wishlist. For some that includes riding New Zealand's South Island. New Zealand consists of two main islands and many smaller offshore islands. The South Island is the larger island and is about 20% larger than the North Island at 151,000sq km as opposed to the North Island's 114,000sq km. Despite having a larger land mass than the North Island, the South Island's population is only about one-third (1.1mil) that of its northern counterpart meaning from a motorcycling point of view southern roads are relatively uncluttered. The total New Zealand land mass is about the same as that of the US State of Colorado or about 10% bigger than the Australian state of Victoria.

The South Island has two main length of the island arterial highways, being State Highway 6 (SH 6) and State Highway 1 (SH 1 - which also goes the length of the North Island), SH 6 generally follows the western side of the Southern Alps mountain chain and SH 1 follows the Pacific Ocean coastline.

Whereas the North Island has the volcanic activity and the beaches, the South Island can proudly boast the majestic mountain ranges and dense virgin forests. Due to having a ready source of river shingle from the mountain streams, the South Island boasts infinitely superior roads to the North Island. All highways and 'main roads' are bitumen, though for the most part nearly all are only single carriageway. The South Island is roughly 900km in length, approx. 250km in width and boasts over 5000km of coastline, ranking it as the world's 12th largest island. For most overseas folk considering motorcycling the South Island the starting point is usually the gateway city of Christchurch (pop 350,000) where the motorcycle rental firms are based. The other viable tour starting point option is the settlement of Picton which is the terminal town for the inter-island vehicle ferries from Wellington – it is a three hour sailing journey across Cook Strait between the North and South Islands.

If riders are comfortable riding around 350-400km per day then there are many superb roads to ride during a weeks

touring, where one could comfortably circumnavigate the South Island. Must stop overnight stops include the South Island tourist capital of Queenstown, a night at either of the Glacier townships Franz Josef or Fox Glacier, whale watch town Kaikoura and the alpine resort settlement of Hanmer Springs. For sheer kiwi hospitality an overnight stop at a Westland country pub is a must, with two well known motorcycle watering holes being the Mahinapua Tavern south of Hokitika, and the 'Formerly the Blackball Hilton' at Blackball near Greymouth.



A few 'must ride' highways include the 250km SH 73 Trans Alpine Highway which traverses the Southern Alps, and also the 260km SH 94 (also known as the Milford Sound Road, above) which sees motorcyclists start with rural sheep country in Gore, the lakes of the Te Anau area, and finishing with magnificent beech forests and steep mountain ranges. Another route on the local kiwi riders conscience is SH 60 which takes riders from Nelson to Farewell Spit which includes the 23km Takaka Hill which is awash with tight corners and switch-backs, some aptly named with corner names like 'Devils Elbow' and 'Eureka Corner'. Farewell Spit (an 18km long sand spit) is so named as Captain Cook departed here on one of his voyages.

New Zealand's speed limit is 100kmh, though with the South Island's roads being less congested, this can create a false sense of security for motorcyclists as it is not difficult to 'cook a corner' and find yourself in a ditch or the wrong side of the centreline. Exceeding 140kmh will see a rider face an instant 28day loss of licence.

During the summer months, NZ is awash with campervans – particularly the South Island – often travelling slowly and driven by inexperienced van drivers which can cause a build up of impatient drivers behind them.

The South Island also experiences a far greater variance in temperature so its not uncommon to be riding in summer at 25 -30 celsius during the day and then for overnight it to drop to 5 celsius. Further, during the summer months it does not become nightfall until around 9pm, so days with big distances are not such a problem, or the barbecue can be cranked up for many an hour.



Arthur's Pass

## Great Southern Land of New Zealand – The South Island.



**The Trans Alpine Crossing**

Another feature of South Island roads are the road-rail bridges of the Westland province where trains and vehicles share single-lane bridges.

Motorcycle memorabilia can be found at Methven and Invercargill, and is well worth the stop – in fact for Invercargill a very good collection of old motorcycles is located in a long serving large family hardware store in the main street.

When you finish your day's riding, you may want to relax with a beer at a pub, and this will cost you around \$NZ6 for a pint of local bitter, petrol is currently around the \$NZ2.16 mark (Aug '13) and a good three course meal at reasonable restaurant will set you back around \$NZ50, and certainly plenty more if you wish to dine at the higher end of the market.

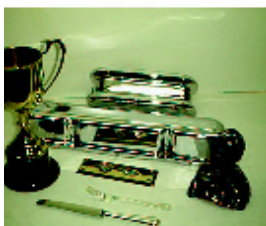
A motel of reasonable standard will set you back around \$NZ150 per night, though, if you tent and using a camping ground this will only be about \$NZ25 per night for your ground plot and use of communal facilities. Holiday parks on a shared room basis can work out a very cost effective at around \$NZ40 per night per person. One thing is for certain though is that it won't take long for fellow kiwi motorcycle enthusiasts to come over and introduce themselves and have a chat on how your tour is going.

New Zealand's South Island represents the pinnacle of motorcycle touring, big enough to have varying terrain and awe inspiring scenery each day and small enough that you can comfortably travel and tour the bulk of the island within a week. Come and see for yourself why New Zealand is motorcycling nirvana.

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## SA RV Round-up - Cruising at Mannum

'Twas a dark and stormy night; the rain fell in torrents — except at occasional intervals, when it was checked by a violent gust of wind which swept up the streets (for it is in Adelaide that our scene lies), rattling along the housetops, and fiercely agitating the scanty flame of the lamps that struggled against the darkness.

It was such an amazing day to be heading out to Mannum, with the leaves being blown along faster than our van could go. The van was finally getting that wash in fresh water that I had been promising to do. Why, why would you head out in this weather? Then I remembered the fun, friendship and campfire that was to be had! The further north we went the better it got. By the time we arrived at Mannum the showers had stopped and the skies pulled back the grey veil to reveal a little splash of blue. How I love crossing the river on the ferry! We then pulled into the Bolto Reserve to find a few people already there.

Guv was there, scratching what is left of his hair and pondering why his van lights were not working. A quick look at the battery revealed a distorted shape that was hot enough to fry eggs. Hmmm, me thinks something is wrong! Apparently, when you jack knife the car and van and crush the main power cable, shorting out the battery, it is not good. What to do! What to do! Where there is a wallet, there is a way. Off they set for Murray Bridge to open the wallet and produce a new battery. A great start to the week end.

Colin and Diane opened their van up and produced about 6 ton of firewood. A good weekend for a fire! After setting up a wind break, people began pouring in and soon there was a happy group of campers around the fire. The laughs, chats and wine flowed well into the night. Entertainment was provided by Guv who, with the assistance of just a few bottles of wine, did a break dance backwards into the shelter, spun, shook and then slipped into his seat; fantastic effort! After this exhausting performance, Barbie assisted him back to their van. Not wanting to finish the night there, Guv escaped from the van only to trip on the water bucket and go arse over tit onto the diagonal brace that holds up the annex. The shape of both Guv and the bar were well departed from manufacturers specifications! With assistance, the bedding of the Guv was now complete; an exciting day to be remembered, maybe! (Right is Guv! Is that a trophy for his dancing skills? Ed.)

Woke up on the Saturday morning to find beautiful blue skies and almost no wind. The fire had already been stoked and made for a great spot to stand around and have a cuppa and a yack. Breakfast was had and plans produced for the day. Mannum is a lovely town to walk around to see the museum and all the lovely little shops. Sitting down at the reserve on the river was just a delight with all manner of river boats and birds going by. The Mannum Falls are not far from Mannum and were in full flight after all the rain, and was probably the best they have ever been. The gorge is about an hour walk through beautiful countryside with ponds, reeds and river gums studded along the track. Back at the camp, folk were still rolling in to join the intrepid campers. With all the wood that was brought the fire was in full action. Ah, this is the life, a good fire, great friends and much laughter. The skies were clear with the stars twinkling on a black blanket with no wind at all. The temperature dropped so the fire was well stoked for the remainder of the night.

Sunday presented itself with a few clouds scurrying across the blue sky. It was time to cook up some bacon and eggs and fill the air with that wonderful smell. The fire was still being tended by a dedicated group of pyromaniacs, bless them. How quickly the weekend goes by when you are having fun. We all started packing up and saying our goodbyes. It takes quite a while, because no one is in a rush and the stories are still going. Some are still doing the panel work on their annex just to get home.

Once again it had been a fabulous weekend catching up and sharing life with other Ulysses Members. Look forward to doing it all again in September.

Remember; Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.

**Happy wanderings  
Hoppy & Hobbit**

### SA RV events for 2013

RV events are open to any Ulysses member or partner.  
Any type of vehicle can be used to get you there, what is important is that you are there.

#### Calendar for 2013

|                  |                               |                     |
|------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| September, 14-15 | Saunders Gorge Sanctuary      | Camping Fees        |
| November 2-3     | Potts Reserve Langhorne Creek | Free Christmas Show |

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





# Yorke Peninsula

## 7th Annual YP – EP Combined Ride

Once again, the event was well supported with members from five Branches attending.

We met up on Friday at Port Wakefield for a bit of a natter before heading off to Ardrossan for lunch at the Ardrossan Bakery. After a leisurely lunch in the very welcome sunshine on the lawn area in the main street, we headed off to Coobowie via Wool Bay and Port Giles.

After an afternoon spent getting to know each other, we headed off to the old School' in the Caravan Park for a two course meal of barbeque, salad and sweets, followed by coffee. A special thanks must go to the Park Managers, Chris and Harold, who were assisted by some of the Park residents, for preparing such an excellent meal and supplying the venue for us.

Saturday morning dawned and, after breakfast, we met up ready for the day's ride. We headed off through Yorketown, Warooka and Point Turton to the Corny Point General Store/ Take-away for our lunch stop.

After lunch, the ride continued on to Marion Bay before returning to Coobowie.

Saturday night's tea was at the local Coobowie Hotel who provided a good range of food with most opting for the seafood.

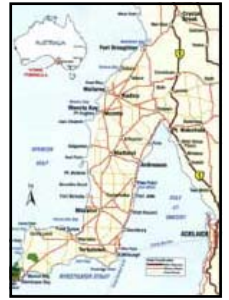
In true Ulyssian style most of us were in bed by 9.00pm.

On Sunday, we headed off to Maitland for lunch at the bakery, stopping on the at Port Victoria, taking in some of the local history at this famous old windjammer port.

After lunch, we headed back to Coobowie travelling through Minlaton and Stansbury.

Sunday's evening meal was at the Coobowie take-away, after tea those that could stay awake watched the Moto G.P. Monday morning we said our goodbyes and unanimously agreed that we should return to this very friendly town for another overnight stay.

**Rodney Lind**  
**Ride Co-Ordinator**  
**Yorke Peninsula Riding Group**



From left: James Bartsch, Margaret Young, Heather Bartsch, Wendy King, Garry King, Rod Lind and Robert Young

### 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.



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

### To Be 8 again!

A man was sitting on the edge of the bed, watching his wife, who was looking at herself in the mirror. Since her birthday was not far off he asked what she'd like to have for her birthday.

'I'd like to be eight again', she replied, still looking in the mirror .

On the morning of her Birthday, he arose early, made her a nice big bowl of Coco Pops, and then took her to Adventure World theme park. What a day! He put her on every ride in the park; the Death Slide, the Wall of Fear, the Screaming Roller Coaster, everything there was.

Five hours later they staggered out of the theme park. Her head was reeling and her stomach felt upside down. He then took her to a McDonald's where he ordered her a Happy Meal with extra fries and a chocolate shake.

Then it was off to a movie, popcorn, a soda pop, and her favourite candy, M&M's. What a fabulous adventure!

Finally she wobbled home with her husband and collapsed into bed exhausted.

He leaned over his wife with a big smile and lovingly asked, 'Well Dear, what was it like being eight again?'

Her eyes slowly opened and her expression suddenly changed.

'I meant my dress size, you f@\*#! retard!!!!'

The moral of the story: Even when a man is listening, he is gonna get it wrong.

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



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

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

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

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

**Rides :** As per Ride Calendar on the Web

**Web Site:** [www.branches.ulyssesclub.org/limestonecoast](http://www.branches.ulyssesclub.org/limestonecoast)



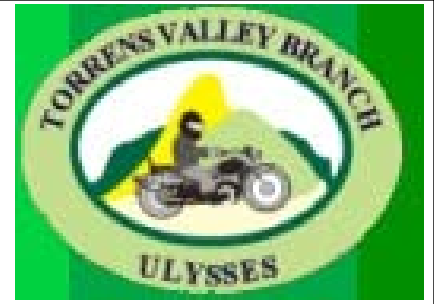
## Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

7.30pm

### Third Tuesday of the Month

Parafield Gardens Community Club  
Shepherdson Road, Parafield Gardens

Meals available from the Club before the Meeting  
All welcome



## Yorke Peninsula Riders' Group & Torrens Valley Branch Calendar

| DATE                       | RIDE LEADER                 | EVENT                        |              | DEPARTURE   |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|---|
| <b>OCTOBER, 2013</b>       |                             |                              |              |   |
| Friday 4th-Monday<br>7th   | N/A                         | 20th Central Ocysey          | Nuriootpa    | Make Own way there                                      |
| Saturday, 12th             | Guy Malpass<br>0402 414 276 | Far Ride 500                 | Peterborough | Make own way there                                      |
| Sunday, 20th               | Lester Launer<br>7070 4759  | Day Ride                     | Melrose      | Port Wakefiels BP 8.45 am<br>Julian Tce Gawler 10.00 am |
| <b>NOVEMBER 2013</b>       |                             |                              |              |   |
| Friday, 1st-Monday,<br>4th | Mark Seja<br>0433 633 924   | Westgate Wanderers           | Robe         | Shell Roadhouse<br>Tailem Bend 10.00 am                 |
| TBA                        | Rodney Lind<br>0418 527 977 | Birhday Bash at the<br>Beach | TBA          | TBA   |
| <b>DECEMBER, 2013</b>      |                             |                              |              |   |
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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.  
All welcome.

All rides leave Alma Hotel, Willunga at 10am.



### ADELAIDE HILLS RIDERS GROUP

Our Sunday rides are held on the 2nd Sunday after the meeting, usually a ride to a meals venue where we can all sit around tables, eat lunch and chew the fat.

Sunday rides start from Millie's Bakery, Gawler St, Mt Barker 0930am.

Check out our facebook page "Adelaide Hills Riders Group" and like.

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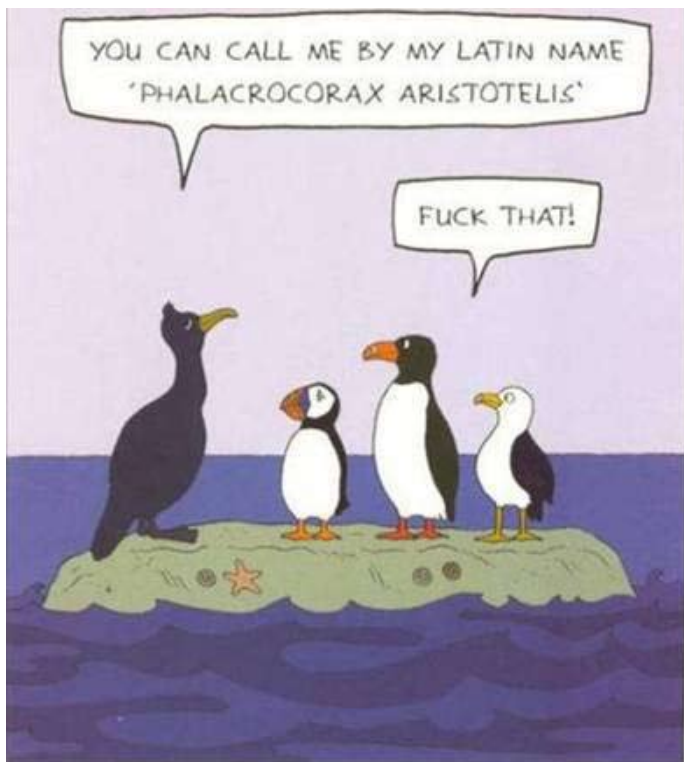
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### Meet and Greet

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Sunday 22nd January.

### Ride Co-ordinators

Di Lehman - phone **0409 675 829**  
Graham Gill - phone **0412 059 564**



Have you been cold whilst riding your bike this winter? If the answer's 'yes', I have the answer.

This time last year, I was looking for a warm shirt to go under my riding jacket, as I am starting to feel the cold in my old age. I had looked at all the thermal underwear options, and the only good ones appeared to be very expensive.

I was looking through the options on e-bay and came across a "Motorbike Mid Layer Top" - it cost only \$26.24 at the time, and it said it's warm, water resistant, seamless, etc. So, I thought I would give one a go.

I didn't get an opportunity to use it until this year when we had a ride on to Peterborough. The weather was very cold and wet all the way, but all I had on was a singlet, the Mid Layer Top and my old Dri Rider jacket. I was amazed at how warm and comfy I was, considering the others on the ride had two or three layers of clothes and jumpers under their jackets, and they were still cold.

Needless to say, when we got home there was a rush of members wanting to get hold of one of these tops. So far I have ordered seven through my account, and I know of at least another five going to members with their own accounts. So far I haven't heard any negative comments about the shirts and they have been worn on most rides during this winter. At \$26.24, they are an absolute bargain, very warm and comfortable and wear very well.

At the Wombat rally, I noticed one of our guys wearing his all day, *and he went in a car!!!!!!!!!!!!!!*

They are available on e-bay. Just type in Motorbike Mid Layer Top Item #170784261265.

If you need to know more or are having problems then contact me.

No, I am not on commission, but when you get on to something good you need to share it.

Gilly

### Baby's First Doctor Visit

A woman and a baby were in the doctor's examining room, waiting for the doctor to come in for the baby's first exam. The doctor arrived, and examined the baby, checked his weight, and being a little concerned, asked if the baby was breast-fed or bottle-fed.



'Breast-fed,' she replied...

'Well, strip down to your waist,' the doctor ordered. She did. He pinched her nipples, pressed, kneaded, and rubbed both breasts for a while in a very professional and detailed examination.

Motioning to her to get dressed, the doctor said, 'No wonder this baby is underweight. You don't have any milk.'

'I know,' she said, 'I'm his Grandma, but I'm glad I came.'





Murphy drops some buttered toast on the kitchen floor. It lands butter-side-up.

He looks at what he has done in astonishment, for he knows it's a law of nature that buttered toast always falls butter-down.

He rushes round to the presbytery to fetch the priest.

He tells the priest that he thinks a miracle has happened round at his flat. He won't say what it is but wants Fr Flannagan to see it with his own eyes.

He brings Fr Flannagan into the kitchen and asks him what he sees on the floor.

"Well," says the priest, "it's pretty obvious what we have here. Someone dropped some buttered toast, and then for some reason flipped it over so that the butter was on top."  
"No, Father, I dropped it and it landed like that."

"Well," Fr Flannagan says, "it's certainly a natural law of the universe that dropped toast never falls butter side up. But it's not for me to say it's a miracle. I'll report the matter to the bishop, and have him send people round, to interview you, take photos, etc."

An investigation of some rigour is conducted, not only by priests of the archdiocese, but by scientists sent from the Curia in Rome. The final ruling is a negative, however. it reads:

"It was certainly an extraordinary event that occurred in Murphy's room, quite outside the normal run of the phenomena. Yet we have to be very cautious before ruling any happening miraculous, ruling out all possible natural explanations. In this case we have declared no miracle. For it possibly resulted from Murphy's having buttered the toast on the wrong side."

### Aussie Cricketers – 2013 Ashes Tour

Q: What do you call an Aussie with a bottle of champagne?

A: A waiter.

Q: What do you call a world-class Australian cricketer?

A: Retired.

Q: What do you call an Australian who can hold a catch?

A: A fisherman.

Q: Why can no-one drink wine in Australia at the moment?

A: They haven't got any openers.

Q: What is the difference between Cinderella and the Aussies?

A: Cinderella knew when to leave the ball.

Q: What does an Australian batsman who is playing in The Ashes have in common with Michael Jackson?

A: They both wore gloves for no apparent reason.

Q: Who spends the most time on the crease of anyone on the Australian cricket team?

A: The woman who irons their cricket whites.

Q: What's the height of optimism?

A: An Aussie batsman putting on sunscreen.

Q: What do you call a cricket field full of Australians?

A: A vacant lot.

Q: What's the difference between an Aussie batsman and a Formula 1 car?

A: None! If you blink you'll miss them both.

Q: What's the difference between Michael Clarke and a Funeral Director?

A: A Funeral Director doesn't keep losing the ashes.

### QUIET SEX

Tired of a listless sex life, the man came right out and asked his wife during a recent lovemaking session, 'How come you never tell me when you have an orgasm?'

She glanced at him and replied, 'You're never home!'

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| Oct 26-27 | Koolunga                      | Andy 08 8664 1401<br>dbu47595@bigpond.net.au |                |
| Oct 26-27 | Marrabel Pub                  | Grot 0412 602 272<br>Les 0411 616 232        | Marrabel       |
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| Nov 8-10  | Fish Holes                    | Phil 0412 838 765                            | Portland (Vic) |

### CONFOUNDED SEX

A man was in a terrible accident, and his 'manhood' was mangled and torn from his body. His doctor assured him that modern medicine could give him back his manhood, but that his insurance wouldn't cover the surgery since it was considered cosmetic. The doctor said the cost would be \$3,500 for small, \$6,500 for medium, and \$14,000 for large.

The man was sure he would want a medium or large, but the doctor urged him to talk it over with his wife before he made any decision.

The man called his wife on the phone and explained their options. The doctor came back into the room, and found the man looking dejected.

'Well, what have the two of you decided?' asked the doctor.

'She'd rather remodel the kitchen.'

### Can you guess who this is?

Turn to last page for the answer.



The Odyssey

### Hotties from the past!

### Can you guess who they are?

Turn to the last page for the answer.



Ulysses Adelaide Branch

## A Great Lesson on Stress

A young lady confidently walked around the room with a raised glass of water while leading a seminar and explaining stress management to her audience. Everyone knew she was going to ask the ultimate question, 'Half empty or half full?' She fooled them all. "How heavy is this glass of water?" she inquired with a smile. Answers called out ranged from 8 oz. To 20 oz.

She replied, "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long I hold it. If I hold it for a minute, that's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my right arm.

If I hold it for a day, you'll have to call an ambulance. In each case it's the same weight, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes."

She continued, "and that's the way it is with stress. If we carry our burdens all the time, sooner or later, as the burden becomes increasingly heavy, we won't be able to carry on."

"As with the glass of water, you have to put it down for a while and rest before holding it again. When we're refreshed, we can carry on with the burden - holding stress longer and better each time practiced.

So, as early in the evening as you can, put all your burdens down. Don't carry them through the evening and into the night. Pick them up again tomorrow if you must.

1. Accept the fact that some days you're the pigeon, and some days you're the statue!
2. Always keep your words soft and sweet, just in case you have to eat them.
3. Always read stuff that will make you look good if you die in the middle of it.
4. Drive carefully... It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.
5. If you can't be kind, at least have the decency to be vague.
6. If you lend someone \$20 and never see that person again, it was probably worth it.
7. It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to serve as a warning to others.
8. Never buy a car you can't push.
9. Never put both feet in your mouth at the same time, because then you won't have a leg to stand on.

10. Nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance.
11. Since it's the early worm that gets eaten by the bird, sleep late.
12. The second mouse gets the cheese.
13. When everything's coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
14. Birthdays are good for you. The more you have, the longer you live.
15. Some mistakes are too much fun to make only once.
16. We could learn a lot from crayons. Some are sharp, some are pretty and some are dull. Some have weird names and all are different colors, but they all have to live in the same box.
17. A truly happy person is one who can enjoy the scenery on a detour.

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18. Save the earth..... It's the only planet with chocolate!\*



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(I would like some more photos, please. This is the last one in my file..) Ed.

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