the odyssey august newsletter of the ulysses club adelaide branch 2008



Above: Members of the BMW Owners Group and Ulysses members at Corny Point Caravan Park

Below: In the true spirit of the Ulysses Club, Bob, Vito, Gerry, Des, Ross and Spike on midweeker to Barmera



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The Editor's bit.....

There goes another National AGM! Time to get organised for the next one - remember, there's only 9 months between Townsville and Penrith.



Garry and I didn't strike any of

the 'weather' that others seem to have done during our trip up and home again. The only 'weather' we experienced was 5 of the 7 days we were in Innisfail (at our son's) when they averaged 2" a day of what they called 'showers'. All I could think of was 'how do we get this down to SA'.

We stayed mostly in cabins, but accommodation was a bit hard to get in some places and we had to motel it a couple of times - damn it! The whole state of Queensland is awash with workers in the mining industry - and of course they all have to sleep somewhere.

The Coles were in a caravan park in 'the sticks', but we managed to meet regularly and go on little outings - Magnetic Island, Aquarium, etc.

On the Saturday night of the AGM, Helena, Rob and I went to the NRL game between the Townsville Cowboys and Penrith Panthers. I had a ticket to the dinner, but when your 'old' team, which you haven't seen play for 40 years, is playing, what do you do? Had a great night - Panthers won with a Golden Point (played for after a draw), and there was a great atmosphere with dancing girls all night and fireworks for tries (theirs not ours).

Just after we got home, the computer 'died' (only 2 years and 4 months old! Not happy! So we had about three weeks of it being in hospital and having to order a new one and then go through all the trials and tribulations of having a Vista operating system. Many hours on the phone and net trying to get previous programs to work, etc., Stress levels were stretched to the absolute limit, but at the time of writing, I am nearly there.

We had about 30 people from Adelaide and TV Branches + a few from Yorke Peninsula up a couple of weeks ago for a sausage sizzle. It was cold, but the rain held off, thank goodness.

Not much to say about the AFL in SA at the moment - it's all doom and gloom for 2008. So I guess this is the time we all say, 'Well there's always next year.' I always compare my team with children - you might not like what they do, sometimes, but you still love 'em. Go Power!

Wendy

PS: Haven't done your tax yet? Check out Marcel Smith - ad on opposite page. The best part is YOU don't have to travel.

Check out our new ads on pages 22 (hats) and 27 (lawyers) and a revamped Dirt Bikes ad on page 19.

Welcome back: President Liz and Ken from up north!

AND all the many members who made the AGM an excuse to explore the 'wilds' of the warmer climes of Queensland. I think some of them are still 'out there' wandering around like lost souls. Look forward to them coming home and telling us of their travels.

Congratulations

to

Neville John Gray, Vice President of the National Committee, who was named the Queen's Birthday honours list for 2008.

Neville was awarded the

MEDAL (OAM) IN THE GENERAL DIVISION

for service to the community through the promotion of motorcycle road safety.

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Adelaide Branch Meetings

First Thursday of the Month West Adelaide Football Club 57 Milner Road, Richmond

8.00 pm Meals available from 6.00 pm

Visit us on our Web Page

www.ulyssesadelaide.com.au

and check out the latest news on branch happenings

Barossa Group



Barossa rides leave The Old Steam Train (opposite the BP Station at Nuriootpa) at 10 o'clock n the 1st Sunday of the month



Rides Captain Andrew Mill Phone: 8284 4027 Mobile: 0412 312 243

Wednesday Rides Captain Mick Sandley Phone: 8251 2435

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Wednesday Rides All runs will leave at 10.30 am

1st Wednesday Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside North: Caltex, Munno Para

or South: Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
4th Wednesday North: Tea Tree Gully Hotel

or South: Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps

5th Wednesday Feathers Hotel

(3rd & 4th Wed: There are two rides - 1 north and 1 south Bring or buy your own lunch

> Contact Mick Sandley - 8251 2435 or 0407 817 362

Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar April - June 2008

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From

10	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride	Morgan	McDonald's Munno Para
17	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride & BBQ at Club Member's House (fee)	Victor Harbour	McDonald's Magill
24	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride		Civic Park
31	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Fathers' Day Ride Led by Gnome		Top o'Taps
September 7	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Day Ride		Civic Park
14	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Memorial Ride		McDonald's Magill
21	9.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Bill's Motorcycles Sponsored Ride	Meet at Bill's Motorcycles 192 Wakefield St Adelaide	
28	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412312243	Hills Market Ride		Civic Park
October 4-6			SA Odyssey Victor Harbor Be there or be disappointed		















Ghost Town Rally - 12-14 September 2008

Hosted by members of the Broken Hill Branch of the Ulysses Club Inc.

The rally will be held this year at

Memorial Oval Williams Street Broken Hill

(In the centre of Broken Hill, as you come in from the Adelaide Road)

Catering from Friday Breakfast to Sunday breakfast

by Broken Hill Legacy

Friday and Saturday night entertainment Prizes, raffles

Camping on grass, power and plenty of toilets Nominations close Friday, 15th August Cost: \$25 pp includes camping fees For further information contact **Don Bearman** on **0418 858 653** or visit **www.ulysses.org.au** and go to the Broken Hill site.

ALSO



The 125th Anniversary Broken Hill Motorcycle Show

Broken Hill Entertainment Centre 11-14 September 10.00 am - 7.00 pm

Over \$1 million worth of immaculate machines

Monthly Dinners



Friday 15th August 7pm

at **OG** Hotel 246 North East Road **Klemzig**

for bookings and cancellations phone Kevin Brenton

on 8332 4719

(leave message on message bank)

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

bookings close Wednesday, 13th August 2008



Friday 12th September 7pm

at

Rex Hotel 172 Richmond Rd. Marleston

for bookings and cancellations phone Kevin Brenton

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bookings close Wednesday, 10th September, 2008



Friday 10th October 7pm

> at Hampstead Hotel 143 North East Road Collinswood

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bookings close Wednesday, 8th October, 2008



Seen at Recent Friday Night Dinners



Elaine Hocking and Mick Sandley

'Thought I'd died and gone to heaven!!!'

One of the many towns Garry and I stayed in during our AGM trip, was a place called Roma (coal and gas). We had a very interesting and informative stay there, but a highlight for me was a shop in the main street that had to be seen to be believed. So, I took some photos to share with you, because if I tried to describe it, you would not have believed it.

I queried a shopkeeper opposite this shop and he said it takes the owner 2 hours in the morning and 2 hours after closing to put all his boxes of excess stock on the footpath and take it in again. He runs the place all on his own. It is so well stocked, he can fulfil any request and what's more *he knows exactly where it is!* A local told me she can *always* get what she wants there. Anyone who sews will know what that could mean to the stress

levels connected to not being able to get what you want until you get to Adelaide, and even then if you're lucky. I thought I had died and gone to heaven when I saw the amount of stock he had. Thank God I had a fully laden bike! I even considered a sewing machine (only \$25 to post it home). He has a cash register *right by the door* and it is literally covered with 'notes' - could hardly see the register! He runs it on his own.

There are three shops in the family: his brother has a clothing shop (it was closed at the time, because he can't keep his staff). I initially thought it was a jumble sale! Can't begin to describe what it was like. His mother has a very nice shop selling furniture and furnishings. Both the brothers are bachelors.

The Editor

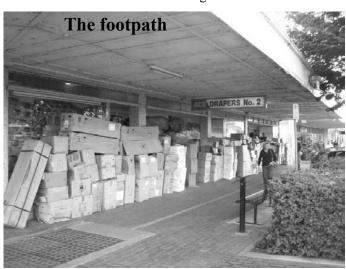


These two aisles are only a small part of the whole shop!



Want some ribbon? Couldn't get it all in the shot!





Happiness is a Home at Halbury

The serenity of Halbury was shattered one May Wednesday, when about twenty motorbikes came into the little town and parked in the front yard of fellow Ulyssian, Sandi Shaw.

The Wednesday mob had been invited to lunch in Sandi's garden. We were greeted by a large group of children who were at a school camp nearby. Wonder what they thought when helmets were removed and there appeared so many 'look alike grandpas'!

In perfect weather the, lunch was set out by Sandi and helpers, Val and Joan, as we wandered around the much loved and cared for garden.

Thank you, Sandi, from us all, for a memorable day of lovely surroundings, good food and time spent with close friends.

Geraldine Murray



Sandi Shaw

Vale Jeff Birkett - Member # 7451

On the 19th June 2008, Jeff passed away after a battle with cancer. He was a long serving member of the Adelaide Ulysses Branch, and keen participant in AGM Events. Riding his "Starship Enterprise" BMW K1200LT and later his R1200RT, Jeff travelled extensively throughout this great country in the true spirit of Tennyson's Ulysses. He had recently retired from his position as a paramedic with the SA Ambulance Service, and Jeff and his wife Gillian had been looking forward to joining the "Grey Nomads" in their mobile home.

Jeff will be sadly missed by his extensive network of workmates and friends, and our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Gillian and his sons Phil and Alec as they mourn the loss of their husband and Dad.

Peter Lawrence #50288













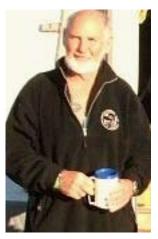


VALE Ray "Rattler" Richards 1941 – 2008

After being involved in a terrible motorcycle accident last January, Ray finally succumbed to the injuries he sustained in the accident, on June 11th 2008.

With his outgoing personality and good natured attitude he had many friends within the Ulysses family; nothing was too difficult for him, and if he could help a mate in trouble, he would go to any lengths to do so.

His funeral was attended by many Ulyssians. When Ray's eulogy was given, it showed another side of Ray that was not commonly known: He



had an undying love of the bush, and spent a lot of time planting and caring for the many trees he planted on his block at Hawker.

His other great passion was rock 'n' roll music, and this was expressed with the songs that his family chose to be played at his funeral.

Ray will be sadly missed by all of us from the Ulysses Club who shared his love of motorcycling with him.

Our condolences go out to his family.

Rodney Lind Y.P.R.G Ride Coordinator

TEN QUESTIONS WITH ULYSSES MEMBER – Andrew Whipp

- Q1. How long have you been a Ulysses member?
- A1. Just coming up to 6 years
- Q2. What influenced you to join?
- A2. I had heard of the Ulysses club previously and had a couple of friends who were members and decided to join up.
- Q3. What motor bike are you currently riding?
- A3. Triumph Sports Tourer 1050 triple and a 1979 Bonneville Triumph 750
- Q4. How many bikes have you owned over the years?
- A4. Only about 5
- Q5. Name some of the bikes you have owned?
- A5. Two 750 Triumph Bonnevilles, 250 Suzuki Hustler,
- 250 RD Yamaha and now the Triumph Sprint



Q6. What will be your next bike?

A6. Not currently thinking about the next one, just enjoying the ones I have.

- Q7. What is you favorite bike?
- A7. Probably the Sprint ST.
- Q8. If money was no object and you could have any bike in the world, what would it be?

A8. \$100,000 Ducati race bike

might be nice to take down Bull Creek Road

- Q9. What do you enjoy about the Ulysses Club?
- A9. Hanging out with like minded people who are into bikes and good fun!
- Q10. Do you have any nick name?
- A10. Whippy (how original, same as both my kids, brother and father!)

M.R.A.S.A. RIDE FOR JAYDEN - 19th July 2008

Whilst browsing the Ulysses web site a while ago, I came across an article entitled Help make a young boy's wish come true. I thought it looked like a nice ride and was for a good cause, so I went along. I was really impressed by the interest shown by so many riders, representing practically every club in Adelaide

Jayden is a very ill young boy with cancer and only has a short time left with us. He expressed a wish to have a ride on a Harley.

M.R.A.S.A. committee, led by Phill McClelland and noncommittee member, Neil Carson, decided to go a bit further than just a quick spin on the back of a bike, hence The Ride for Jayden evolved.

In a very short three week time frame, a magnificent Harley trike, which would accommodate Jayden and his mother, was organised to take them to Hahndorf, where he was going to cash in a lolly voucher at Humbugs of Hahndorf.

Two groups assembled at Mount Pleasant - one from country areas and the other from the city prior to Jayden's arrival. You cannot imagine how overwhelmed he was, when he arrived at Mount Pleasant, to be

greeted by in excess of 350 big hearted motorcyclists, complete with a police motorcycle escort for the ride to Hahndorf.

The number of people who attended the ride was over double to what the organisers expected, so a quick contingency plan for catering was organised. The ride

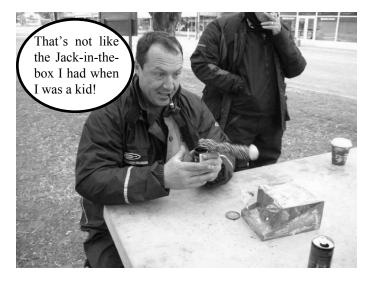
to Hahndorf via Mount Torrens and back to Mount Pleasant, organised by M.R.A.S.A Ride Captain, Jock Rogan, went off without any problems. A lot of the credit must go to the two S.A.P.O.L motorcycle officers for traffic control, and the excellent job done by the marshals and all of the helpers.

After the ride finished, a free b.b.q. and drinks was put on for all of the participants. A special

thanks must go out to the very generous sponsors who provided everything for the day, and also to everyone who put in so much time and effort to make the day such a success.

Rodney Lind Y.P R.G Ride Coordinator

Footnote: Sadly, Jayden lost his fight on 25th July. The thoughts of the Ulysses 'family' and members of the MRASA are with Jayden's family and friends.

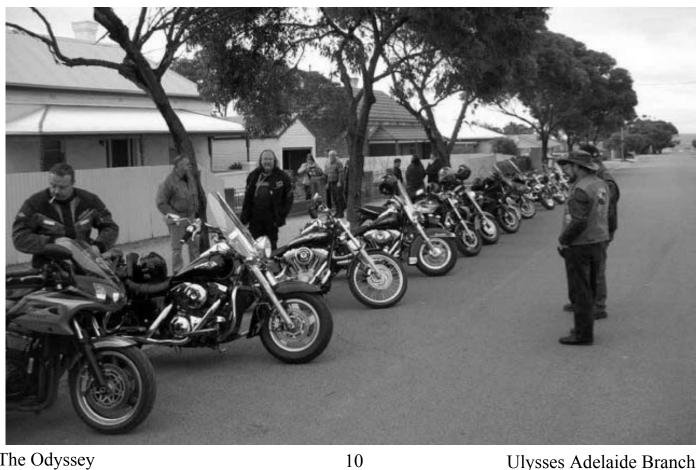








Sausage Sizzle Ride to The Kings' at Ardrossan. Below: Second Street is greatly enhanced!



The Wednesday Riders Barmera Mid-Weeker

























May 2008 Honda Goldwing Casual Get-together at Alice Springs.

My involvement in this venture started in January when I caught up with the Port Lincoln Mob at their BBQ at Coffin Bay. This is an annual event organised by Ray Sims for the Port Lincoln Ulysses Branch, and I have made a point of going each year so I can see old mates like Ray, Peter Poole, Buck Yates and Milton Lewis.

At the BBQ, Marlene Poole asked me whether I was going on the Goldwing ride to the Alice in May and it immediately appealed to me because I like Alice Springs and the country around it. So Marlene gave me the contact details for Andy Akbar, the organiser-in-chief.

Andy advised that it was to be a gathering of Goldwing riders from all around Oz and, in fact, they had a club structured not unlike Ulysses, but anyone was welcome to join them, even if he only had a Honda BlackBird.

The timing for the ride was such that anyone wishing to travel on to the Ulysses AGM in Townsville could continue up through Tennant Creek, then through to Townsville, so there were quite a number of people planning to continue on.

Andy sent me details of the event so I could book accommodation and I joined a group of Goldwing enthusiasts in Port Augusta at the Pointsettia Motel, a place that I was familiar with, and that was where I met Andy. He turned out to be a great bloke, riding a Goldwing trike. Most of us dined at the pub across the road that night, Wednesday the 14th May, and in the morning I had planned to ride to Coober Pedy with them, but they all left in the wee hours, giving me a two hour or so handicap.

It's 285ks from Port Augusta to Glendambo and I had been able to do this previously without refuelling at Pimba, even though it could be touch and go if there was a head wind, (and there always is), so I by-passed Pimba. The BlackBird runs more efficiently on BP 98 octane and this is available in Port Augusta, so I reckoned I could do around 350ks on a tank.

Some of the Goldwings were pulling trailers, several were trikes, and Peter Poole had a sidecar and a trailer, so Andy had advised me they all carried extra fuel in case I ran out. As it happened, they were all at the pub in Pimba when I went passed, so I didn't see them until Coober Pedy. But it was comforting to think they were behind me in case I ran out of juice.

I managed to arrive in Glendambo with the fuel warning light glowing brightly, having managed fuel consumption against speed over the last few ks, and found that they have BP 98 there now, so the 252 ks into Coober Pedy should be a steal.

However a combination of speed and headwind does raise fuel consumption so one has to be careful. There's not much fuel between Glendambo and Coober!

I booked into the first motel on the way into Coober Pedy, having found it was cheaper than the caravan park where the Goldwing Mob were staying, but joined them for a pizza dinner under the stars at the caravan park.

On the Friday I went ahead of the Goldwing contingent planning to go straight through to the Alice to meet a mate who was flying in from Canberra and his flight was to land at 12.30 pm.

In the event, I did the 700 odd ks in six hours and arrived just behind Vince. I had booked into the MacDonnell Range Tourist Park, but their cabin was not convenient and we moved

over the road to the G'Day Mate Park, which was very good. We had a cabin that had its own toilet block outside. This comprised a block of four separate toilets with cabins and camping space adjacent and there were several groups of motorcyclists around it. One couple that we befriended turned out to be the Mayor and Mayoress of Coober Pedy, and they were en route to Townsville, so we had dinner with them and formed what will be a lasting relationship.

We were booked in for a week and, on some nights, we gathered at a superb BBQ area in the MacDonnell Range Park for a barby where we were joined by Peter and Marlene Poole and others from the Goldwing Mob. On a cuppla nights, Vince and I had a barby in the G'Day Mate park, where we met more people.

On the Monday, Andy had arranged for all of the Goldwings to assemble in front of the MacDonnell Range Park for a photo session involving the local paper, then a ride through Alice Springs and out to the Flynn Memorial for more photos. Then we all (there were 45 Goldwings and a few hangers on) did a tour of the gorges out towards Glen Helen. A few of us returned early from this ride and we lunched at the Red Ochre Restaurant, that you will all recall had moved there from Adelaide some time ago. Most of the menu was road kill that was by-passed in favour of a pizza, and then I took the mob to see Bojangles pub.

This is a must for all visitors to Alice Springs. It houses a lot of memorabilia of the area including a skeleton mounted on a motorcycle, lots of rifles, guns and knives, and photos of the Todd in flood.

Vince and I became regulars at the RSL and it's the best in OZ. It's got a good museum, heaps of photos, serves good meals and has a great bar. When I heard that Andy had commissioned several ladies to decide on a venue for a Goldwing dinner I was able to successfully lobby them to choose the RSL, and in the event it was extra grouse. The management put on a smorgy for about \$25 and we all had a great time. Thanks, ladies!

Vince and I rode out to Ross River on the BlackBird to see what was there, because, when I'd been there a cuppla years ago, the place was fenced off. It's not much better now, but there were signs of life, plastic tables and chairs were set up on well watered lawns and we finally found a joker who was reading a book and who appeared to be in charge, but was more interested in the book than us. However, a charming woman of about 45 appeared and offered us a cuppa and gave us a bit of history. Grollo, the Melbourne builder of very large buildings, now owns the place, and he intends to bulldoze the present buildings and put up a resort. There doesn't appear to be any indication of other tenants or inhabitants, save for a python that inhabits the bar and crawls around in the rafters.

I went out to Glen Helen, about 140 ks on a road varying in quality from good to bad, but the scenery is very good.

Saw some of the gorges on the way, only missing those that didn't have bitumen roads, and took a number of photos. I found Glen Helen a very busy spot with a pub, cabins and a camping ground with a lot of tents used as accommodation for tourist companies. Over a sandwich in the pub, I spoke to the manager, who was a good guy, and he advised that they are booked out this time of the year. I noticed a photo of the 1988 flood in the bar and he said that they had had three feet

of water in the pub then. So I went out onto the verandah and I reckon it was fifty feet above the dry riverbed of the Finke, so they had a bit of water there then.

The water banks up because the Finke flows through a narrow gorge through the line of hills adjacent to the pub and when it floods the water can't get through the gap. The water hole in the gap seems to be permanent and has four types of fish in it, Boney Brim being a foot long and the others only inches long. It was well worth the walk down to the gap.

Friday the 23rd May was officially, or perhaps more accurately, unofficially, the end of the Casual Get-together so I took off for Coober Pedy and Vince flew out to Canberra.

I kept seeing some of the Goldwing folk at fuel stops on the way down and also noted the number of dead kangaroos on the road side. They provide fresh meat for an assortment of crows and eagles with the former flying off when a vehicle approaches. However, eagles we are told, have no natural predators and don't consider a car or a motorcycle a threat, so they generally continue eating. Now and then, though, one will take off and always fly across the road in front of you, wings flapping madly to gain height. This happened with the biggest eagle I've seen and I'm glad he just made it. It would have been interesting to see which bird came off best, the eagle or the BlackBird. Then a bit further on, an emu crossed the road in front of me, but got there OK.

That night, I booked into the same motel in Coober Pedy that I'd stayed at on the way up, and had a look around town. I re-acquainted myself with Tom and Mary's Greek restaurant, a place that I'd been introduced to many years ago, and had a great garfish meal there. I can highly recommend the establishment. Whilst there, I got acquainted with a joker at the next table and he turned out to be an opal buyer from the US.

Now, normally, I wouldn't pass the time of day with a septic tank, but this joker shared my views on George W., Hillary and Obama so we got along fine. I'll endeavour to keep in touch with him. His name was Steve Newstrom.

The following day I set out for Port Augusta, refuelling at Glendambo, then about 60ks out of Port Augusta, around 12.30 in the afternoon, I came across a police road block. They had dozens of trucks, cars and caravans lined up and I had no option but to stop, and asked a copper what was going on? It turned out to be a general check on licenses, alcohol and drugs and I wondered who might be intoxicated at that time of the day 60ks north of Port Augusta?

Anyway I passed the test and went on to Wilmington to Glen and Val Hitch's place. It was good to see them again coz Glen had just come out of hospital after seven weeks on the sick list, and I took them to dinner in the local pub and bedded down at their place overnight.

On Sunday the 25th May, I set out for home via the back blocks through Clare and resolved never to go that way again. The road is just too rough and it would have been better to go back though the pass to Port Germein and onto the main road and down through Port Wakefield.

But I was home for lunch and found I had travelled 4.000ks in 12 days. It was a good trip and I made a few new mates and saw a few old mates, so it was well worth it.

Rosco

4 THINGS YOU PROBABLY NEVER KNEW YOUR MOBILE PHONE COULD DO

There are a few things that can be done in times of grave emergencies. Your mobile phone can actually be a life saver or an emergency tool for survival. Check out the things that you can do with it:



FIRST: Emergency

The Emergency Number worldwide for Mobile is 112. If you find yourself out of the coverage area of your mobile; network and there is an emergency, dial 112 and the mobile will search any existing network to establish the emergency number for you, and interestingly this number 112 can be dialed even if the keypad is locked. Try it out.

SECOND: Have you locked your keys in the car?

Does your car have remote keyless entry? This may come in handy someday. Good reason to own a cell phone: If you lock your keys in the car and the spare keys are at home, call someone at home on their mobile phone from your cell phone.

Hold your cell phone about a foot from your car door and have the person at your home press the unlock button, holding it near the mobile phone on their end. Your car will unlock. Saves someone from having to drive your keys to you. Distance is no object. You could be hundreds of miles away, and if you can reach someone who has the other "remote" for your car, you can unlock the doors (or the trunk).

(It works fine! We tried it out and it unlocked our car over a mobile phone!)

THIRD: Hidden Battery Power

Imagine your mobile battery is very low. To activate, press the keys *3370# Your mobile will restart with this reserve and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your mobile next time.

FOURTH: How to disable a STOLEN mobile phone?

To check your Mobile phone's serial number, key in the following digits on your phone! e: * # 0 6 #

A 15 digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe. When your phone get stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset so even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless. You probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody does this, there would be no point in people stealing mobile phones.

Wayne Digance

G'Day All,

We have just had our AGM and had so many members wanting to be on the committee that we actually had to vote! Many thanks to the retiring members VB (ex-president) and Crazee for their terrific service to the branch.

Things are really buzzing at the moment with the Odyssey rapidly approaching. The Odyssey committee has been working hard to provide you with fun, food, friendship, facilities and the Fleurieu festive spirit at the Odyssey. We can now cater for over 600 so come one come all. There is still plenty of camping on the oval so if you haven't registered, do it!

The Beast Feast was held at the Range Hall this year with many staying over night to witness the damage the next day. It was catered for by the Fleurieu Ulysses Catering Corp (FUCCers) and they did a fabulous job. The rides sub-committee met in the afternoon to nut out the rides calendar for next year. It was great to have rides leaders from other branches so that our rides could be integrated with one another. This has allowed us to get to know many members from around the state. Thanks to all who attended and well done for producing an exciting calendar for next year.

Future rides

These rides will leave from the Alma Hotel, Willunga, at 10.00am. Any queries contact Mick Corfield (Rides Captain) on 0434 256848.

Sunday 24th August - Brass Monkey Ride

The Brass Monkey Ride will be led by Vespa Boy. We will be meeting up with the Torrens Valley Branch and then proceeding to Mannum for a great lunch.

Sunday 7th September – Memorial Ride

The Memorial run will again be led by Crazee. With Crazee's experience in leading rides, it is bound to be a great day. The ride will finish at the Pt Elliot pub.

Sunday 28th September – Relatives Run

This is the run where we invite the folk 'n' friends along with us. I will be leading this ride so anything could happen! I am hoping to lead the ride to Mylor where the FUCCers will provide a great lunch.

If you would like to join in all this madness, then feel free to join the rides or come to our monthly meeting. These are held at 8.00pm on the third Thursday of the month at the Willunga Golf Club, St Peters Terrace, Willunga. Meals and full bar facilities are available from 6.00pm. Love to catch up with ya.

Remember – experience is what you get when you don't get what you expect!

Regards Hobbit President Fleurieu Branch Hi All

I would like to inform you all of the results from our AGM on June 19th 2008.

Branch – Fleurieu www.fub. org.au our web page has been updated to reflect these results. Postal Address - PO box 409, Morphett Vale SA 5162

2008 / 2009 Committee is as follows:

President – Robert Ryan **Vice President/ Welfare Of-**

ficer – Phil Close (Unchanged)

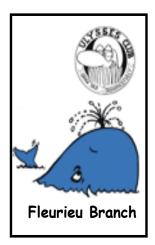
Secretary – Suzanne Terry (Unchanged)

Treasurer – Sharryn Nunan (Unchanged) **Positions within Committee as below:**

Mick Corfield - Rides Captain (unchanged)

Sandy Edwards – Social Co-ordinator

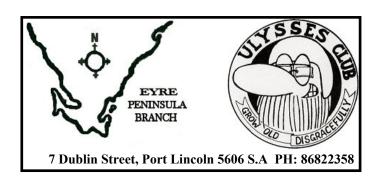
Robert Sainsbury – **Quartermaster** Douglas Ware – **Web Master**



Regards Suzanne Terry 0413 184 893 8fleurieu@adam.com.au

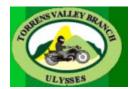
Eyre Peninsula Branch Ride Calendar April - June 2008

Come on any event on any sort of wheels Scheduled Rides Leave On Time As Indicated All Rides May Be Subject To Alteration Visitors Welcome



Date	Ride	Phone	Contact	Advise by	Leave	Time
August 23-24th	Buck Yates- Kimba Book own accommodation	86272163 86272007	Buck Yates Kimba Hotel-Motel	9-Aug	Nth Shields	7.30am
September 13-14th	Pt Kenny	86833347	Shane Graham	31-Aug	Town Jetty	9am
28th	Mikkara- BBQ	86823285	Jack Ash	BYO	Town Jetty	10am
October 3-6th	VICTOR HARBOR ODYSSEY					
19th	Stockman's Diner- Lunch	86822358	Trish Pruis	13-Oct	Town Jetty	10am
November 7-9th	Barossa Valley Weekender Book own accommodation	86842093 TBA	Kevin Warren	18-Oct	Nth Shields	8am Depart Ferry 10.30
22nd	Port Neill Twilight Dinner	86823285	Jack Ash	9-Nov	Nth Shields	5pm
29th	COWLEY'S ANNUAL TOY RUN		To be confirmed			
December 5-7th	Wallaroo Weekender Book own accommodation EARLY	86822358 88232722	Herman Pruis Office Beach C/P	22-Nov	Nth Shields	8am Depart Ferry 10.30
13th	XMAS DINNER Ravendale Sport Centre	86828212	Bill Richter			6-6.30pm

Sunday impromptu rides departing the Town Jetty at 10.00 am

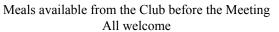


Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

.30pm

Third Tuesday of the Month

Parafield Gardens Community Club Shepherdson Road, Parafield Gardens





Date	Time	Contact	Event	Venue	Leaving
17th Aug	Sunday 10am	Ian Hess 0409083436	Day Ride	Walkers Flat	Gawler
24th Aug	Sunday 10am	Dave Holland 0411378181	Meet The Fubs	Mannum	Munno Para
31st Aug	Sunday 10am	David Holland 0411378181	Hill's Ride	Strathalbyn	Gawler
7th Sept	Sunday 10am	Trevor Jolly 042452999	Circle Ride	Mt Pleasant	Civic Park
12th -14th Sept			Ghost Town Rally	Broken Hill	
21st Sept	Sunday 10am	David Holland 0411378181	Picnic / Kazz's Bthdy	Cromers Park	Munno Para
21st Sept	Sunday 9am	Sponsored Ride	Bill's		City Store
28th Sept	Sunday 10am	David Holland 0411378181	Meet The Mallee Mob	Morgan	Gawler
3rd–6th Oct		Odyssey	2008	Victor	Harbour

Fifty dollars is fifty dollars.....

Morris and his wife Esther went to the state fair every year, And every year Morris would say, 'Esther, I'd like to ride in that helicopter.'

Esther always replied, 'I know Morris, but that helicopter ride is fifty dollars, and fifty dollars is fifty dollars'

One year Esther and Morris went to the fair, and Morris said, 'Esther, I'm 85 years old. If I don't ride that helicopter, I might never get another chance.'

To this, Esther replied, 'Morris that helicopter ride is fifty dollars, and fifty dollars is fifty dollars.'

The pilot overheard the couple and said, 'Folks I'll make you a deal. I'll take the both of you for a ride. If you can stay quiet for the entire ride and don't say a word I won't charge you a penny! But if you say one word it's fifty dollars.'

Morris and Esther agreed and up they went.

The pilot did all kinds of fancy maneuvers, but not a word was heard. He did his daredevil tricks over and over again, But still not a word.

When they landed, the pilot turned to Morris and said, 'By golly, I did everything I could to get you to yell out, but you didn't. I'm impressed!'

Morris replied, 'Well, to tell you the truth, I almost said something when Esther fell out, but you know, fifty dollars is fifty dollars!'

You've got to love the Irish......

'Y'know,' said the Scotsman, 'I still prefer the pubs back home. In Glasgow there's a little bar called McTavish's. Now the landlord



there goes out of his way for the locals so much that when you buy four drinks he will buy the fifth drink for you.'

'Well,' said the Englishman, 'At my local, the Red Lion, the barman there will buy you your third drink after you buy the first two!'

'Ahhh, that's nothing,' said the Irishman. 'Back home in Dublin there's Ryan's Bar. Now the moment you set foot in the place they'll buy you a drink, then another, all the drinks you like. Then when you've had enough drinks they'll take you upstairs and see that you get laid. All on the house.'

The Englishman and Scotsman immediately scorn the Irishman's claims, but he swears every word is true. 'Well,' said the Englishman, 'Did this actually happen to you?'

'Not me meself, personally, no,' said the Irishman, 'But it did happen to me sister.'

Southern Flinders

On May 18th, six brave souls turned up in the rain for the ride to Peterborough and to dispel all myths one of the bikes was a Harley. We headed up the highway and through Horrock's pass to Wilmington for a break and a hot drink. After taping up the cuffs on someone's wet weather pants (not sure if it was to keep the wind in or out) we rode to Peterborough via Orroroo.

First stop at Peterborough was Meldonfield, a display of 1/12 and 1/18 scale coaches and wagons. The workmanship is incredible and the tour of the workshop was very enlightening (and warm by the pot belly).

Next stop was the newly opened motorbike museum. At the moment, this is only open on weekends, but soon will be open longer and will have a coffee shop. The collection is well presented and has some very unusual bikes with nearly all being ready to ride (and are ridden). We then had lunch and headed home after a cold and damp, but interesting ride.

June ride by Leon Stephens

I had a word with God, Saturday the

14th of June, and ordered in a good day for our ride to Moonta (who would have thought he would have listened; we had pearler sunshine and 15 degrees.

We received a lot of interest with 12 bikes turning up and the ride departed on time heading down Highway 1 to Redhill, turning off the Highway down to Koolunga, Brinkworth and into Snowtown for coffee, where good old Stax proceeded to tell Treena that her bum looked big on the back of the Boulevard! Nice one Stax

From there, we went to Bute via the twisties, then Kadina and Moonta, and after a little look around the antique shops, we decided on lunch at the Seagate; great meal.

We regrouped and travelled via Wallaroo through the waterfront, back to Port Broughton for coffee and cake at the waterfront.

Great day great company

Future Rides:

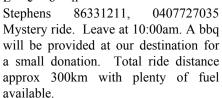
Sunday 17th August: Ride leader Brian Carmody 86322253

Leave at 9:30am and travel to Burra for morning tea and then to the Sevenhill

Hotel for lunch.



L e o n



Sunday 19th October: Ride leader Les Bever 0427632213, 86325565

Leave at 8:30am and ride to the Barossa Valley for lunch and visit a large collection of motorcycles, cars, model trains and memorabilia (gold coin donation).

We now meet every Sunday at 10:00am for coffee at the Hot Bread Shop in the main street (next to the ANZ bank) of Port Pirie. Everyone is welcome.

All rides leave from the Caltex service station by the roundabout in Solomontown.

For further information contact Les Beyer on 86325565 or 0427632213



















Yorke Peninsula

Elliston Ride

The Elliston trip, which was organised by the Southern Flinders Ulysses Riding Group, was well attended by Yorke Peninsula members. We could not have wished for better weather conditions; the sea was glassy, providing a very smooth crossing. Thanks to Leon and Debbie Stephens for organising such a fantastic trip.



Rod Lind

Melrose Weekend

Well the Fleurieu Branch has done it again.

What a top weekend at an excellent venue! If this ride is an indication of things to come, the Beast Feast and the Odyssey are going to be something to look forward to.

Many thanks to the ride organiser, Paul (Vespa Boy) Hancock for a memorable weekend.

Corny Point Overnighter

We met the BMW Owners Club members (most of them Ulyssians) at Port Wakefield on Saturday for a morning tea meet and greet. That out of the way, we set off down the eastern side of the Peninsula to our first sightseeing stop at Port Vincent, then on to Warooka for lunch.

After a short lunch break, we headed for Corny Point via Point Turton. After booking in and unpacking, some of us spent the rest of the afternoon in the Recreation Room socialising whilst the others did the usual sightseeing bit.

Just before dark, we lit up the campfire and flashed up the barby for our evening meal. We were all fairly tired (something to do with age) so most of us retired early to prepare for the next day's ride.

Early Sunday morning, we set off up the western side of the Peninsula, arriving at the Bute Hotel for lunch. After lunch, it was a relatively short trip back to Port Wakefield where we said our goodbyes and headed off for home.

Thanks to the BMW members for joining us and making the weekend such a resounding success; we all look forward to doing another combined ride with them at some other time.

Turton Tavern Lunch Ride

July is traditionally the coldest wettest month of the year, but it turned out to be quite bearable, temperature-wise, and we only got rain in the latter part of the ride home. Just as well that we booked, because there were not many empty seats.

After an excellent and reasonably priced lunch, we were entertained by a very talented jazz duo, which really topped the day off. We probably stayed a bit later than we should have, but it was hard to tear ourselves away from the great time we were having.

We rode back to Minlaton as a group then split up and went on our respective ways home.

Sunday Rides

are held on the first Sunday of the month. Watch this page for details and updates or contact Jim or Rod 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 new phone number.)



The leg on which SA stands

COMING RIDES

Sunday August 31st

This ride will be in place of the 1st Sunday in September due to Fathers' Day. Meet at B.P Port Wakefield 9.00am ride to the National Military Vehicle Museum at Edinburgh Park. B.Y.O Lunch

Friday 3rd October To Monday 6th October

15th South Australian Odyssey Hosted by the Fleurieu Branch to be held at Victor Harbour.

Sunday 2nd November

Meet at B.P Port Wakefield 9.00 am ride to Jamestown for a pub lunch

Sunday 9th November

Ride to Strathalbyn for a b.b.q. with Fleurieu Branch

Friday 5th & Saturday 6th December

We will be hosting the Eyre Peninsula Branch at Wallaroo. As this is a very busy time of the year, please let me know by November 21st if you intend to join us as bookings are required for Friday & Saturday night meals.

Sunday 7th December

V&V M.C.C. of N.Y.P. INC. Toy Run

I have had a couple of excellent suggestions for rides. As they are best suited to the cooler weather, I will schedule them in for next year.

Contacts :-

Rodney Lind 88377260 Mob 0418527977 Jim Davies 88521021 Mob 0417836994



Above and below: The Port Turton Tavern



Above and below: The Corny Point overnighter









HOW TO START A FIGHT

There I was on my way to work ... Getting into a fight was the farthest thing from my mind ...

Wasn't even on the horizon ... I was in a great mood ... And then . I rear-ended a car.

So, there we are alongside the road and slowly the driver gets out of the car (and you know how you just-get-sooostressed and life-stuff seems to get funny)?

Yeah, well, I could NOT believe it ... He was a DWARF!

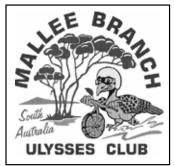


He storms over to my car, looks up at me and says, 'I AM NOT HAPPY!'

So, I look down at him and say, 'Well, which one are you then?' \dots And that's when the fight started \dots

Another National AGM has passed with about a dozen Mallyssians attending. It was a long ride, but a good one and all of our branch returned home safely.

On the local scene, we have been riding well with runs to Mannum, Mildura for the Wintersun Rally and a



longer ride to The Wellington Hotel where we met Fleurieu Branch for lunch.

Future rides include a lunch run to the Sutherlands Hotel (where the inaugural meeting of our branch was held), and a run to Morgan.

Aside from our scheduled runs we are having some great socializing at the Shell Pitstop at Barmera on Sunday mornings.

Also, we have some long term planning under way for the Mouth to Murray Run, and of course the 16th SA Odyssey to be held in the Riverland in 2009. We note with interest that Lake Bonney still looks fantastic, although it has receded on the town side to create a wide sandy beach.

In the last edition we listed the accommodation providers for our Odyssey, so if you haven't booked your hard accommodation yet then do so soon. There will be ample camping available at the venue.

The fuel prices are a bit of a worry these days, but on a recent trip to Adelaide the prices were about 9 cents a litre dearer than the Riverland. Makes you wonder what is going on – well I suppose we know that – someone is getting screwed and it's not the oil companies. Anyway, it's good to travel by motorcycle for the sheer enjoyment, and it's a lot cheaper too.

That's about it from the Mallee mob for now.

Enjoy life's great ride, Toddy

Whilst at the AGM in Townsville, Rick Nappa went for a test ride in this little number. Wonder how it compared to the GoldWing





The three pics on this page is from my 'have they gone mad?' file. Is it a co-incidence they are great mates?

Can you see them racing to Penrith down the Nepean Highway through the Blue Mountains?

Note: All three vehicles have more than two wheels.

Is this Frank Robinson's next bike/trike?!



The Odyssey

Tried and True Old Remedy

During a lecture on Essential Oils, they told us how the foot soles can Absorb oils. Their example: Put garlic on your feet and within 20 minutes You can 'taste' it.

Some of us have used Vick's Vapor Rub for years for everything from chapped Lips to sore toes and many body parts in between, but I've never heard of this. And don't laugh, it works 100% of the time, although the



scientists who discovered it aren't sure why.

To stop night time coughing in a child (or adult, as we found out personally), put Vick's Vapor Rub generously on the soles of the feet at bedtime, then cover with socks. Even persistent, heavy, deep coughing will stop in about 5 minutes and stay stopped for many, many hours of relief. Works 100% of the time and is more effective in children than even very strong prescription cough medicines. In addition it is extremely soothing and comforting and they will sleep soundly.

Just happened to tune in AM Radio and picked up this guy talking about why cough medicines in kids often do more harm than good, due to the chemical makeup of these strong drugs. He was surprised to find Vick's to be more effective than prescribed medicines for children at bedtime, in addition to have a soothing and calming effect on sick children who then went on to sleep soundly.

He also said his wife tried it on herself when she had a very deep, constant and persistent cough a few weeks ago, and it worked 100%! She said that it felt like a warm blanket had enveloped her, her coughing stopped in a few minutes and believe me, this was a deep, (incredibly annoying!) every few seconds uncontrollable cough, and she slept cough-free for hours every night that she used it.

If you have grandchildren, pass this on. If you end up sick, try it yourself and you will be absolutely amazed at how it works.

Jenny Hills

Editor's Note: Hey, my mum used to use *Watkins' Mentholated Chest Rub*. Remember the Watkins man (and the Rawleigh's Man)! At least I got a good night's sleep (and so did Mum!).



Classifieds



Clothing:

* Dririder jacket S-M ex. con. **\$95** * 2 Brando style leather jackets 1S & 1M **\$70** each

*Pair new Fusport leather boots size 8 \$60

*New Dririder leather gloves M-L \$40

*Open Faced helmet \$30.

Contact Mike on 8384 2875 or 0403 356 875

Custom Triek - Hand made: 1800 Subaru. Great for those long trips to AGMs. Performs and handles very well. many extras. \$30,000. Offers considered. Contact Neil & Liz on (08) 8254 4221, Neil 0439 404 334, Liz 0416 792 144



Barbara Walters of Television's 20/20 did a story on gender roles in Kabul, Afghanistan, several years before the Afghan conflict. She noted that women customarily walked 5 paces behind their husbands.

She recently returned to Kabul and observed that women still walk behind their husbands. From Ms. Walter's vantage point, despite the overthrow of the oppressive Taliban regime, the women now seem to walk even further back behind their husbands and are happy to maintain the old custom. Ms. Walters approached one of the Afghani women and asked, 'Why do you now seem happy with the old custom that you once tried so desperately to change?'

The woman looked Ms. Walters straight in the eyes, and without hesitation said, 'Land Mines.'

Cooks' Corner



2 Minute Noodle Bake

Cook 2 x 85g packets noodles Drain well, place in large bowl.

Add handful of: grated carrot,

shredded ham,

chopped shallots/onion,

grated tasty cheese.

Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup sr flour, stir. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup olive oil. Add 4 beaten eggs.

Mix well.

Pour into 23cm round tin. Bake 180°C 30 – 40 mins. Delicious hot or cold.

Michelle Wagnitz