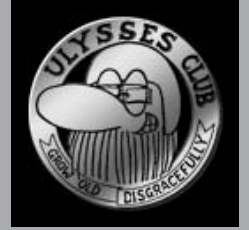


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Hi Everyone

So! We're doing the Odyssey again in 2014! Here I was thinking after 2011, we were done for a while!

Never mind; with the short notice it was decided to go to Port Pirie again, but don't go thinking it will be the same - just a similar format with a few new things added to a more laid-back affair than 2011. The main thing is, we can guarantee a good time mixing it with your 'mates'!

Condolences to **Chris Moore** and his family of Whyalla Branch whose wife, Wendy, passed away on 15th June. Wendy will be sadly missed by the Whyalla mob.

At the time of going to press for the June magazine, I hadn't heard that **Helena Gritton** had a serious off on the way home from the AGM, injuring her leg. 17 screws and a couple of plates later, Helena's injuries are taking the tourist route to recovery. After 14 weeks, she is still not able to weight bear on her leg. Helena also has a slow healing laceration that is still giving her grief. Just a minor detail, considering her injuries, her bike is a write-off! I phoned Helena to reassure her that the Ulysses family is thinking of her and hope her recovery gets up to speed soon.

Please note that the **new postal address for the Adelaide Branch is**

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This is due to higher costs by Australia Post.

Long serving supporter of The Odyssey, **Ron Whenan (Uraidla Picture Framing)** has retired. Best wishes in your retirement, Ron.

Noticed **Neville Gray** in one of the photos taken on the Phil Close Memorial Ride. It's good to see him back in the saddle so soon after his recent illness.

Catch you all in Nuriootpa where I will be available to collect levies for next year from anyone who wishes to do it the easy way!

Wendy

PS: There's a bit of a run down on my recent trip to Italy and the Greek Islands. Had to shorten it a lot from my original notes. Probably a good thing - I wouldn't want you getting bored with endless photos, etc.



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The wife left a note on the fridge....

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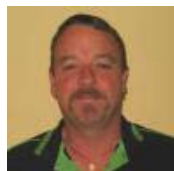
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Old Spot Hotel 14th June 2013

On a good winter's night, we met at the Old Spot Hotel where we enjoyed warm friendly company, and a good meal and drinks. Good to hear that Geraldine and Ross are happy with their new home; Margaret enjoyed her trip overseas, and most of us saw her grand daughter on TV wanting to work "at McDonalds"! must speak to Adrian about that answer! Great to chat with Annette and Ian Morgan looking good as well. We thanked the good gentleman who took the group photo for us - quite a good looking group.



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The CEO said, "Wait right here." He walked back to his office, came back in two minutes, and handed the guy \$1,600 in cash and said, "Here's four weeks' pay. Now GET OUT and don't come back."

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Alice Grayson was to bake a cake for the Baptist Church Ladies' Group in Tuscaloosa, but forgot to do it until the last minute.

She remembered it the morning of the bake sale and after rummaging through cabinets, found an angel food cake mix & quickly made it while drying her hair, dressing, and helping her son pack for scout camp.

When she took the cake from the oven, the center had dropped flat and the cake was horribly disfigured and she exclaimed, "Oh dear, there is not time to bake another cake!"

So, being inventive, she looked around the house for something to build up the center of the cake.

She found it in the bathroom - a roll of toilet paper. She plunked it in and then covered it with icing. Not only did the finished product look beautiful, it looked perfect.

And, before she left the house to drop the cake by the church and head for work, Alice woke her daughter and gave her some money and specific instructions to be at the bake sale the moment it opened at 9:30 and to buy the cake and bring it home. When the daughter arrived at the sale, she found the attractive, perfect cake had already been sold.

Amanda grabbed her cell phone and called her mom.

Alice was horrified-she was beside herself! Everyone would know!
What would they think? She would be ostracized, talked about, ridiculed!

All night, Alice lay awake in bed thinking about people pointing fingers at her and talking about her behind her back.

The next day, Alice promised herself she would try not to

think about the cake and would attend the fancy luncheon/bridal shower at the home of a fellow churchmember and try to have a good time.

She did not really want to attend because the hostess was a snob who more than once had looked down her nose at the fact that Alice was a single parent and not from the founding families of Tuscaloosa, but having already RSVP'd, she couldn't think of a believable excuse to stay home.

The meal was elegant, the company was definitely upper crust old south, and to Alice's horror, the cake in question was presented for dessert!

Alice felt the blood drain from her body when she saw the cake!

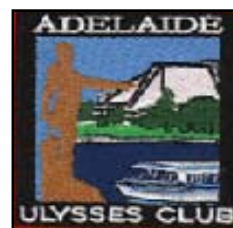
She started out of her chair to tell the hostess all about it, but before she could get to her feet, the Mayor's wife said, "What a beautiful cake!"

Alice, still stunned, sat back in her chair when she heard the hostess (who was a prominent church member) say, "Thank you; I baked it myself."

Alice smiled and thought to herself, "God is good."

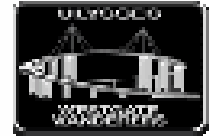


Helena and Rob Cole (right) recently travelled on the Ghan to celebrate their wedding anniversary. As luck would have it, Chris and Bob Mathews were on the same train. Here they are having lunch at Katherine. Rob and Helena are now touring in Queensland after spending a few days in Darwin.





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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?

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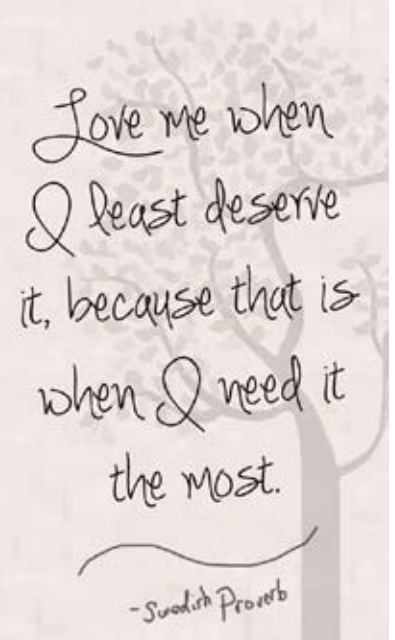
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Left: Miss Jenny Hills, pretty in pink (use your imagination); Above: Sister Booy and patient, Brian; Right: Dr Gyno and a patient that I think is beyond help, Deb Sherman. Below: Wendy thanks Naomi & Jarrod for a great weekend.



Clockwise below: Garry King, patient, Dr Gyno and Matron King; Visiting patients were Dave & Jeannette Wingrove from Wilmington; Ivan O'Hara, and Denise and Kevin Spellacy (standing), visiting specialists; Nurse Sue Ture (Carolyn McDonald and visiting surgeon (Chris Sherman)



Doctors and Nurses Weekend at Blyth

We had 15 members at Blyth for the Doctors and Nurses Weekend and quite a lot of them came in 'fancy dress' - some more fancy than others!

It was good to see Peter Underwood (Port Wakefield there; he came for the movie and then went home after a bit of socialising.

Arriving after lunch, we went to the theatre for the screening of 'Young Doctors in Love'. Funny! After the movie we settled into our rooms (at the old hospital) and prepared for the night's festivities.

It was cold and wet, but a few bevies soon got everyone warmed up in the cosy Blyth Hotel, while some of watched the end of the Power game which they won well against the Swans! I could see it was going to be a good weekend!

It was good to see the bar staff join in the fun by dressing up as theatre assistants!

Tea in the dining room was great! Naomi had gone to the trouble of putting out some gear from the hospital days

(bedside water 'jugs', etc.) to complement the mood.

The effort put into the costumes was great to see and Deb Sherman was voted by Naomi and Jarrod as being the best along with Jenny Hills, patient extraordinaire. They were presented with a bottle of wine each.

After more fun in the bar, we were all trooped off back to the 'hospital'.

A cooked breakfast back at the hotel finished the weekend off just right, as usual.

The welcome we always get at Blyth is always good, and we all agreed that we would be back for another weekend in the future.

Many thanks to Naomi and Jarrod for their hospitality at the hotel, and Ian Roberts of the Medika Gallery, who 'runs' the picture theatre across the road from his gallery.

Thanks, also, to those who came and made the weekend such fun!

Wendy

Below from left (standing) Dave and Jeannette Wingrove, Garry King, Denise Spellacy, Carolyn McDonald, Kerry Booy, Kevin Spellacy, Deb Sherman, Ivan O'Hara, Chris Sherman, Wendy King and Jenny Hills. Sitting: 4 bar staff and Trevor McDonald.



Sunday Round-up

Mother's Day Ride to "Casa de Wagnitz"

Well a small group of about 8 gathered at Civic Park under cloudy but fine conditions, before heading to Ken and Michele Wagnitz's home for Mothers' Day lunch, via Snake Gully, Kersbrook, Gumeracha, Cuddlee Creek, Lobethal, Mt Torrens, Springhead, Charleston and then Woodside for morning tea. We continued on to Nairne, through Mt Barker Springs and Mt Barker, Macclesfield, Echunga, Mylor, Longwood and Ackland Hill Road. Ken led us from here to his and Michele's house at Craighburn Farm where we picked up a light shower.

We were treated to a wonderful feast for lunch and were met here by Chris and Claire, Chris and Ann, Ray and Helen, Kim, and Michele, of course. We were treated to good weather on the ride with cool and fine conditions, (a different story on the way home though). It was again another great Mother's Day ride and big thanks to Ken, Michele, and all the helpers for a wonderful feed :-)

Tao and Michele



26th May Day Ride to Goolwa

There were around 20 of us at Top of Taps; I told the assembled crowd we were going to find the fine weather all throughout the Fluerieu, but I don't think many believed me. As we were about to set off, in came the fog that seemed to envelop everything. We made our way to Clarendon via Education Road, Blewitt Springs, before making our way to Peters Creek Road, Brookman Road, the main Victor Road and Pages Flat Road to Myponga. We then went to Yankalilla for morning tea. Next it was off to Normanville, Delamere, Parawa and on to Victor Harbour. We then made our way to Greenhill, Sawpit, Needle Hill and Waterport Roads and on to Middleton, Airport Road and Goolwa for lunch. The weather all day was close to perfect despite some threatening clouds and a good time was had by all.

The Odyssey



2nd June Day Ride to Palmer

There were around 17 of us at Magill, even a couple of folk that went to Civic Park first, joined us as well :-). We made our way to Greenhill Road, to Balhannah, and Littlehampton where we joined the Old Princess Hwy and followed it all the way to Murray Bridge where we had morning tea at Mcues Bakery. We then headed off over the "murray bridge" through Burdett to Mannum where we crossed over the river again this time on the ferry. Next we went to Purnong and had to wait for the ferry as the Murray Princess had right of way. After the hold up, we then went to Walkers Flat and crossed the river again, (yes 4 times) and headed towards Mt Pleasant, Millendella and on to the Palmer Hotel for a delicious lunch. It was a great day except for the 20 spots of rain near Murray Bridge, the company was mighty fine and the meal at the pub was really good as was the conversation.



Sunday Round-up

16th June Brass Monkey Ride

A group of around 16 gathered at Civic Park in cool and clear conditions. We set off to Chain of Ponds, Kersbrook enroute to Williamstown, Springton, Eden Valley, Angaston, Nuriootpa and then Truro for morning tea. To this point, the temperature gauge showed the outside temp had only reached 12°. Hot coffee seemed to be the go for most, before setting off through Dutton on our way to Eudunda, Robertstown and along the Worlds End Highway to Burra for lunch. The temperature on the second part of the ride was very similar to the first, but it was the Brass Monkey Ride, after all. We met up with Craig in Burra who had done his own overnigher to Peterborough. It was a great day out riding in brisk conditions with some great friendly and warm folk.



**Some of the Fleurieu Branch
flying the flag for Phil**



23rd June Phil Close Memorial Ride

A group of around 16 were at Top of Taps in cool but fine conditions. We set off to Ackland Hill Road to Mylor, Echunga, Meadows, through Kuitpo Forest to the top of Old Willunga Hill, Myponga and down the hill to Yankalilla for morning tea and to meet up with the Fluerieu Branch guys and gals. Hobbit led the ride from here with a group of around 40, to Normanville and along the coast road to Delemere, where we turned along Range Road through Parawa to Victor Harbour. We arived at a lovely little park on the foreshore, where a great bunch of volunteers had prepared a great bbq lunch. The ride was a memorial ride for Phil Close who was originally affiliated with the Adelaide Branch, and then the Fluerieu Branch when they formed, becoming their Vice President. He was a great guy with a killer wit and a lot of life experience, and was always the first to help out.

30th June Day Ride to Angaston

Around 16 of us gathered at Maca,s Magill, before leaving for Norton Summit in quite thick fog which made the going quite slow. We then followed Greenhill Road to Balhannah, Littlehampton, Nairne, Lobethal, Cuddlee Creek, followed the river up to Gumeracha and on to Birdwood for morning tea. We then headed off and made our way back to Forreston, Gumeracha, Mt Torrens, Tungkillo and over the moss rock covered hills to Palmer. Turning left, we went through Appamurra and up Cookes Hill to Mt Pleasant, through Eden Valley to Springton, Keynton and on to Angaston for lunch. The weather for the day was cool to cold and the only precipitation was while we were at lunch.



7th July Day Ride to Strath

A small but hardy group of 8 gathered at Top of Taps, before heading off to Clarendon, Meadows, Tooperang, Goolwa and Middleton, from here we followed the coast to Goolwa where we had morning tea and a shower of rain. We left Goolwa under dark skies and following advice from a local we headed to Clayton, but not along Winery Road and over the 2 fords; instead we went via Finnis, from Clayton we followed the lake to Milang and on to Langehorne Creek. We then headed to Woodchester and Wistow then Strath for lunch. It was a cool and overcast day, but we got caught by only a couple of light showers, it is winter after all.

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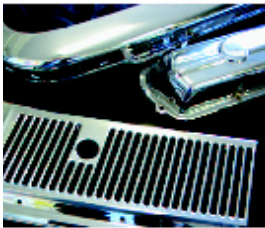
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19th May, 5 Captains' Ride

A great group of 32 gathered at Macca's at Magill for *The Annual 5 Captains' Ride*. We headed up to Norton Summit, past all the lycra clad, mobile road blocks, to Ashton where we turned and made our way through the beautiful Picadilly Valley and along Spring Gully Road and back to Greenhill Road, which we followed to Swamp Road. We then made our way along Vickers Road to Tiers Road and into Woodside. From here we followed the main road to Balhannah to meet the other branches. We had morning tea, and our numbers swelled to around 75 or so. After a brief riders' briefing, we set off through Littlehampton to Nairne where we turned to Woodside, then along Military Road to Brakunga and to Nairne again. We next followed the Old Princess Hwy to Monarto and made our way to Murray Bridge and Mannum Road. We followed this till we got to Belvedere Road which we followed to Mannum. Lunch was at the Pretoria Hotel, and much socialising and catching up with friends ensued. It was great to see such a large group out and about on a lovely motorbike riding day.



Now listen up, fellas!



Below: The Sermon on the Mount



Wendy's trip to Italy and the Greek Islands

11th May: Flew by Emirates to Dubai then, after a couple of hours stopover, flew by an Emirates airbus (don't ask me how they stay up) to Rome. Fly with Emirates any time - nice food, free wine with meals and able to catch up on movies, etc., with personal TV monitors. Not impressed with the Dubai airport - just didn't feel comfortable. Went to the loo and walked into a 'squat' toilet - decided to wait for a 'real' one with a loooooong line-up! Apparently the squat toilets are used by Muslim and Asian women.

12th May: Checkpoints were easy for Australians - had our own line and they didn't even check the passports! 20 euros each for a hair-raising ride, roughly equivalent to a show ride, in a people mover to our accommodation. Didn't see any speed limit signs. Most of the hotels aren't obvious from the street - BIG doors with a buzzer to be let in. Didn't know how to get in the archaic lift so went up 2 flights of stairs with our luggage - challenging. Concierge was most helpful, organising our transport to pick us up for our tours. Rooms at \$240 per night weren't luxurious, but location was the aim and the beds were comfy. Ristorantes everywhere! Stopped at one with cute waiters and had our first wines in the Eternal City.

13th May: Buffet breakfast is different : lots of crusty bread, cold meats, cereal, juices, sweet croissants and other sweet treats and fruit. Coach to the Vatican City and our tour guide speaks excellent English. Drafted into groups by language, we were issued with receivers with ear pieces. I knew it would be crowded, but nothing prepared me for the thousands - a moving sea of bodies in groups all the while keeping a watchful eye on our tour guide's purple scarf attached to a lofty stick. All in all, I found the whole experience a little overwhelming and the Sistine Chapel was wonderful. It had been top of my bucket list forever and could hardly believe I was actually there.

Souvenir shops abounded! Left with some beautiful rosary beads and a silver St Christopher medal.

Didn't go back on the tour bus; decided to wander the streets and just soak up the atmosphere. Lunch was interesting; Dianne ordered an espresso and I asked if I could have a big cup of coffee. The guy said, 'Americano' and I thought that that sounded about right. Well, I got a big cup, with an espresso in it. Hilarious! A Canadian tourist suggested I order cappuccino in future.

14th May

Thought we'd go to a modern shopping centre. The tour bus wouldn't have got us back in time for our afternoon tour of the Coliseum, so we thought 'how hard can it be'? Caught a bus at the depot and mixed with the local housewives etc. Never did get to the shopping centre, but, nevertheless, had an interesting time. The bus driver can't be spoken to as he is completely locked away from the travellers, and with good reason - a passenger wanted to get off just after we left the depot. He spent the next 10-15 minutes screaming at the driver, bashing on the partition, trying to kick out the bus door - all a bit of a circus really. He was finally let off with lots of hand gesturing.

Coliseum: Very interesting to learn that most of the damage was not caused by deterioration, but due to the materials being used for build other constructions. This was after it had outlived its original use. Recycling wasn't invented by us!

Catacombs: after always believing they were built for Christians to escape persecution (a widely held belief), I found that they are actually burial grounds to save space. The bodies were simply wrapped in shrouds and put into horizontal holes in the walls. Sad to see what would have been the spaces for children.

15th May: My birthday ! The concierge greeted me with birthday wishes and chocolates! How good was that!? He took note of details on his copy of my passport. Before leaving home, I planned to go to an operatic concert. Lo and behold, there was one in the church next to our hotel! For 20 Euros I was treated to 16 arias and duets from a soprano, contralto and a tenor, accompanied by a pianist - all in period costume. Probably the closest I'll ever get to a full on opera! Try going to a concert in Adelaide for the equivalent of about \$25!

Travel cards: Some travel cards (mine was an Australia Post Load and Go Visa Card) aren't accepted at all ATMs! After a few different ones, and near to tears, I was directed by a friendly teller to a bank that would 'work'. You've never seen tears turn to cheers so quickly. Lo and behold a gypsy with a child and a baby tried to 'get her share', nothing doing!

Beggars are everywhere - 'crippled', with dogs or babies and children. There are also street sellers everywhere - scarves, watches, rosary beads, Japanese style sun umbrellas - two drops of rain and they are quickly swapped for normal umbrellas.

16th May: Raining, but we're off to Florence! Train reached speeds up to 248kph! Lots of green countryside and two-story houses; obviously a more affluent area. Good markets here - lots of shopping. There is an added bonus of having a Gelati Festival right outside our hotel.

17th May: 12 hour tour of **Tuscany** with lunch at a local farm/winery - local products, plenty of wine and good company. **Pisa:** seeing the Leaning Tower and the church nearby was amazing! Nothing I've read, seen on tv or in the movies really prepare you for the awesomeness (is that a word?) of actually being there. **Siena:** World competition-winning gelati to die for!

Pizza: The only resemblance between Italian and Aussie pizzas is they are both round. Love the ultra thin crust and minimal toppings in Italy, better by far.

18th May: Hello Venice! Found our way to the Harbour and our ship, The Norwegian Jade. Spent some time familiarising ourselves with the boat's layout (didn't stop up getting lost or confused at any time). Meals are outstanding and there is never-ending ice-cream of the machine type.

19th May: Had a wonderful breakfast with 2 Israelis - were able to discuss a book I was currently reading about the oldest living holocaust survivor. They knew of her. Filled the day with reading and massages, casino, etc.

20th May: Corfu! Tender took us ashore for our tour of The Achilleion Palace, two wonderful statues of Achilles and a view to die for. Very old buildings, minimal upkeep quite a number of empty shops, etc. Very hilly and windy roads. Would be good to go back there for a week or so. What we saw was only the tip of the iceberg.

Wendy's trip to Italy and the Greek Islands

21st May: Santorini! What a great, memorable day! Manicure in the morning and left the ship by tender after lunch. Info: Built on a crater - no soil, only crushed lava, no rain, high humidity gives off moisture from the rocks having been absorbed in the day time, to 'water' the crops of olives and grapes and more. All the produce is small but tasty. Gum trees everywhere - they came from Australia and the Santorinis in turn sent olive trees to us. All the buildings are painted white and blue by decree of the Athens government. You CAN paint your house a different colour, but then you have to pay rates! The houses look very small, but that is because most of it is underground - only an entrance area is on top of the ground. There are many personal churches where owners have a big bang up do on their name day. If you are not a good community member, no one turns up to your name day! Big insult! We attended a Greek Fiesta with lots of great food, wine, Greek dancing and smashing of 'plates' (plaster, not real ones).

22nd May: Mykonos! Great shopping! Again, all white buildings with blue trim, a shop that sold only white clothing (bought a dress).

23rd May: Olympia! Docked right in the part! Tour of where the original Ancient Olympics were held. Very informative tour guide - all a bit surreal, really. Back in town bought some silver jewellery.

24th May: At sea all day. I christened my bathers (Garry reckoned I wouldn't wear them). Also had a couple of spins on the water slide and I have the photos to prove it.

25th May: Back in Venice! Did the Gondola thing around some canals where the houses have been abandoned. There used to be 150,000 residents, now there are about only 60,000. Rising water is a problem.

26th May: Murano, Burano and Torcello Islands by boat. Glass-blowing, hand-made lace - just beautiful. Torcello didn't have anything going for it except the fact that it was the oldest civilisation in the area. A toilet cost me 1.5 euros to use. Well, they *are* raising money to rebuild the church!

27th May: Lake Como! Not long enough here to do anything of note. Very upmarket - all the famous brand names are here and, apparently, George Clooney!

28th-30th May: Cinque Terre! Beautiful, beautiful, beautiful! Weather wasn't good - cold, raining and windy, but we did what we intended to do there - nothing for our last few days in Italy. Look it up on the net and you'll see what I mean. There are 5 villages, linked by train (we did the train), but is famous for the villages being linked by walking trails. Two of them were closed while we were there with rock falls, so the 'trekkers' used the trains for a couple of stops. Just about needed 'pushers' to squeeze the people in!

Last night in Rome before flying home. Had another exciting ride to the airport in our own hire car (organised by the concierge) - a Merc! Nothing like doing 160kph on a 3 lane road, where everyone just automatically moves over for the cars coming up behind them. Dianne and I didn't want to leave Rome.

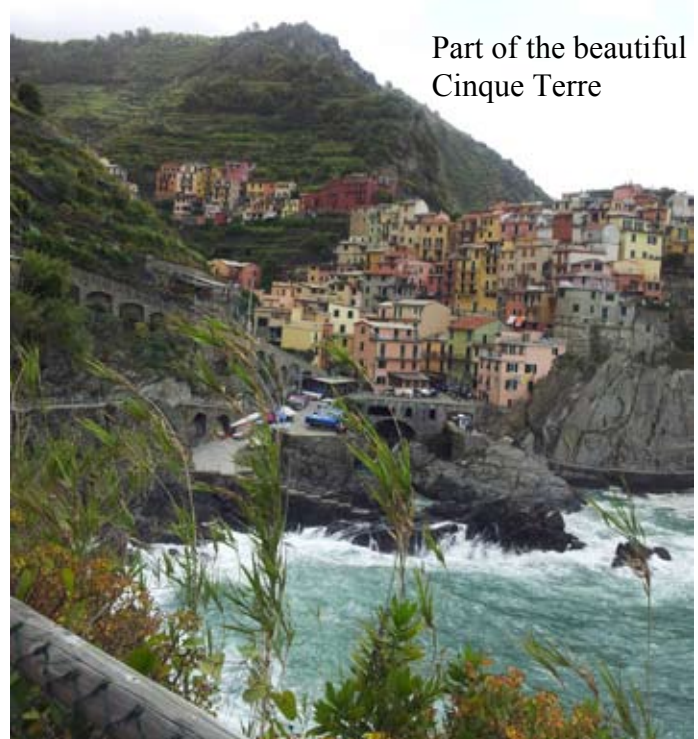
Overseas holidays? Bloody hard work, but I'd do it all again in a heartbeat! It might take me a bit longer than that, but I *will* be going back!



Scratch the surface, and you'll find a little girl!



Plate smashing!



Part of the beautiful Cinque Terre

Rides leave from the Solomon town Caltex Service Station unless otherwise stipulated.



SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE AT HOT BREAD SHOP

THIS YEARS PLANNING – if you have any suggestions for this years calendar I need to know ASAP. At the moment we have a couple of long rides scheduled for those who are able to go. I will continue to send out information received from other groups as it arrives. Can you please let the respective ride leaders and organisers from the other groups know if you would like to go on either of the long rides or the other groups rides. At this stage, we continue to meet at the Hot Bread Shop and have been doing impromptu rides.

RIDE CALENDAR

AUGUST - BLACK DOG RIDE – ride leader – Mick Baldock
SEPTEMBER
OCTOBER - Ulysses Odyssey
NOVEMBER - Vacany
DECEMBER - Vacant

Ride Calendar.

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

Beverly May

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

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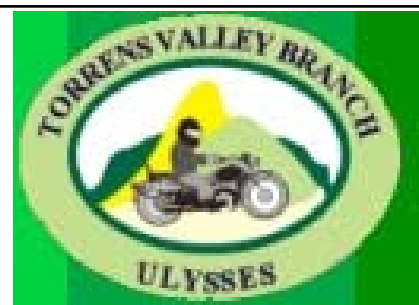
Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

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

AUGUST 2013				
DATE	RIDE LEADER	EVENT		DEPARTURE
Sunday, 4th	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Lunch	Villis Mile End	BP Port Wakefield 9.15 am Julian Tce Gawler 10.30am
Saturday, 24th	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Fleurieu Beast Feast	Range hall	BP Port Wakefield 8.45 am Julian Tce Gawler 10.00 am
SEPTEMBER 2013				
Friday, August, 30- Monday, September 2	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	7th Annual YP-EP Weekend	Coobowie	Friday, Aug, 30, BP Port Wakefield 11.00 am
Sunday, 8th	Pete & Kez 8562 3011	Memorial Ride	Morgan	Port Wakefield 8.15 am Julian Tce Gawler 9.30 am
Friday 13- Sunday 15th	N/A	Ghost Town Rally	Copi Hollow	Make own way there
OCTOBER, 2013				
Friday 4th-Monday 7th	N/A	20th Central Ocysey	Nuriootpa	Make Own way there
Saturday, 12th	Guy Malpass 0402 414 276	Far Ride 500	Peterborough	Make own way there
Sunday, 20th	Lester Launer 7070 4759	Day Ride	Melrose	Port Wakefiels BP 8.45 am Julian Tce Gawler 10.00 am
NOVEMBER 2013				
Friday, 1st-Monday, 4th	Mark Seja 0433 633 924	Westgate Wanderers	Robe	Shell Roadhouse Tailm Bend 10.00 am
TBA	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Birhday Bash at the Beach	TBA	TBA
DECEMBER, 2013				
Sunday, 1st	Rodney Lind 0418 527 977	Day Ride	Mannum	Port Wakefield BP 8.45 am Julian Tce Gawler 10.00 am



Yorke Peninsula

Wednesday Rides

leave the parking bay in the centre of Kadina Park at 9.30 am on Wednesdays. Please contact Clive Ford on **8821 1598** before **any** Wednesday ride to get the latest information.



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.



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
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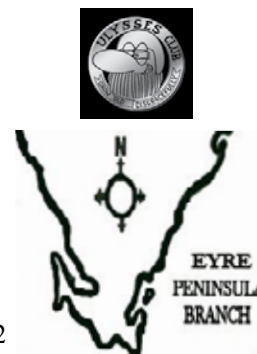
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Fucking Hell

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"Hell" in German means "Light" and the beer is produced in the Austrian town of Fucking.

(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fucking,_Austria)



ADELAIDE HILLS RIDERS GROUP

Since our inaugural meeting way back in August last year, we, up in the Adelaide Hills, have continued to prosper. From the 43 persons who attended that cold winter's night, we knew we had a core to form a group. NatCom assisted in contacting the 90 plus Ulysses members in the Adelaide Hills and it was pleasing to see 20 odd non Ulyssians turn up.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at Auchendarroch House, Mt Barker from 6.30pm for meals and 8pm for meeting. The manager of the venue is a motorcyclist and will become eligible to become a junior member this year!

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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SA RV Roundup – 120 year Birthday Weekend at Yacka

A big thank you to all who came to Yacka and made Hoppy and Hobbit's 60th birthday bash such a great event. What a fabulous time to drive through the Clare Valley! The newly turned brown soil, green fields and stunning views made it a good enough reason just to go for a drive.

Yacka is half way between Clare and Gladstone. The Reserve is situated at the edge of town on the banks of the Broughton River. The locals set the park up in the 80s and are very proud of it. There is a lovely lawn area, with a playground, BBQs, power, toilets and a lovely shower. This is a top spot to camp if you are in the area.

We arrived on Friday evening to be welcomed by a jolly group of folk enjoying themselves around a bon fire. So the fun began and we joined right in. There is nothing like a good fire, great company and a drink or two! With clear skies the stars were absolutely stunning, but the temperature sure did drop. With the fire dying we decided to call it a night and retire to our warm beds.

In the morning, we were greeted with beautiful blue skies and a warming sun. What a great start to the day! The smell of eggs and bacon soon filled the air. The town has put together a listing of its history and its buildings. Our tour guide, Julie, took a group for the historic building walk. She had a little bit of trouble trying to convince them that this was the bank building until they realised that she had the map backwards and the buildings she was looking for were on the other side of the road. They took care of her and made sure she made it back to the reserve safely. There was also a food and wine festival on in Clare. It all made for a fun start to the day.

Mid afternoon, and with Hoppy distracted by a bottle of Green Ginger Wine, the streamers, birthday banners and cakes were soon produced. Let the party begin! We all gathered together for the birthday wishes and cake, then it was time to judge the birthday hat competition. What a selection! There were boobs, boxes and babes on heads with Hoppy having trouble with his two can hat constantly pouring bourbon into him. Brian and Daphne were awarded the top hats of the day for their impressive head gear. How could it get any better? Let's all go to the playground they said! Clearly it wasn't just about growing old it was more about never growing up. There were the cornering experts on the long plank, sliders on the slippery dip and whizzers on the spinners. After

lots of laughs, torn muscles and strained backs, we decided to head back to the safety of the camp fire.

Tea was made and wood was produced for the night. It had been a great day and there was a lot to talk and laugh about. What a way to celebrate a birthday! Off to bed for a well earned rest.

The camp site slowly came to life on the Sunday morning. With such a quiet spot, it is easy to sleep in. Clearly no one was in a rush to go and it was lovely just to sit around having breakfast and enjoying the company of Ulysses folk.

Eventually we started packing up and saying our farewells. It had been another fabulous weekend with the great folk and friendship of the Ulysses club.

Thanks to all that came and made it such a fabulous time.

Remember; nobody cares if you can't dance well. Just get up and dance!

**Happy wanderings
Hoppy & Hobbit**



Above: Brian and Daphne Pengilley wearing the winning hats! And below: One of the birthday boys, Hobbit.



WOMBAT RALLY

17th & 18th August 2013



Warnertown Oval S.A. —At the start of the Flinders Ranges
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Licensed bar facilities and hot food for sale (pies, pasties, soup)

Fire wood available \$20 for you to use

Amenities include: shower / pool table

Use of the oval for the weekend (to be used)

Swamp meet on the 18th (to be used)

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AND FTMA SWAP MEET

Sunday 18th August 2013 on the oval

stall holders set up 6:30am swap meet starts at 7:00am

Breakfast available

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Bowls

Eileen and her husband Bob went for counselling after 25 years of marriage. When asked what the problem was, Eileen went into a passionate, painful tirade listing every problem they had ever had in the 25 years they had been married.

She went on and on and on: neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, an entire laundry list of unmet needs she had endured over the course of their marriage.

Finally, after allowing this to go on for a sufficient length of time, the therapist got up, walked around the desk and after asking Eileen to stand, embraced her, unbuttoned her blouse and bra, put his hands on her breasts and massaged them thoroughly, while kissing her passionately as her husband Bob watched with a raised eyebrow!

Eileen shut up, buttoned up her blouse, and quietly sat down while basking in the glow of being highly aroused.

The therapist turned to Bob and said, 'This is what your wife needs at least three times a week.. Can you do this?'

Bob thought for a moment and replied, 'Well, I can drop her off here on Mondays and Wednesdays .. but on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays I play bowls

My favourite gun

This is a story of self control and marksmanship with an itsy bitsy shooter by a woman against a fierce predator.

What is the smallest calibre you trust to protect yourself?

While out hiking in Alberta Canada with my boyfriend we were surprised by a huge grizzly bear charging at us from out of nowhere. She must have been protecting her cubs because

she was extremely aggressive. If I had not had my little Beretta Jetfire with me I would not be here today!

Just one shot to my boyfriend's kneecap was all it took.....the bear got him and I was able to escape by just walking away at a brisk pace.

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Peterborough Ride Report 22/23 June 2013

Saturday morning six intrepid riders lined up outside Radio Rentals for the ride to Peterborough. I was a bit dubious about the ride as the weather was cold, damp and not very inviting but we were all pretty well rugged up and ready to face the elements. There was very little wind as we headed off and the ride to the 'tanks' was uneventful where we had our first shower of rain which was short lived.

On arrival in Port Augusta we had a quick stop at the Caltex to meet up with Mike. Ray Clancy also arrived just to catch up with us which was great (Good to see you again Ray). Off then to Wilmington where we stopped for a hot pie & coffee. Following the break it was on the road again, up through Orroroo and on to Peterborough not much rain but still very gloomy, cold and wet.

On arrival it was into the Railway Hotel for a great lunch and the overnighters booked into their rooms. After lunch Bernie & John (the day riders) split from us and went to the Motorcycle Museum (they returned to Whyalla later in the afternoon). Meanwhile Chris, Ray and myself went to the Steamtown Rail Heritage Museum. Mike had an easy afternoon looking around the town.

The Steamtown museum was great, we had a tour guide that took us around and we could climb on, over, in and under most of the exhibits. The tour lasted just over an hour and a half and by the time we got back to the pub it was just after 4.00pm and raining very heavily at times. A couple of drinks at the bar and up to our rooms for a cup of tea & a rest.

Dinner was at 6.00pm so down we went for a nice meal. Chris Ray & Mike had the seafood platter and they were HUGE. We (Chris, Ray & myself) had to be back to Steamtown for the 'Sound & Light Show' by 7.15. The rain was pretty constant by this time and the main street was pretty flooded. We decided not to get the bikes out again and to walk. On went the DriRiders and out we went. The water was the shallowest in the middle of the road so we waded along the road for most of the way.

The Sound & Light show was nothing like I imagined. We were seated in an old converted carriage on the turntable with a huge screen that dropped down in front of the roundhouse. The carriage was very warm & cosy whilst it was raining outside. The program was an hour long movie of the history of the birth of Peterborough and the railways. Very informative and well made. Very glad I went. By the time we went home the rain had stopped and the moon had come out, but the roads were still flooded. Into the front bar for a quick drink then up to our rooms.

The next morning we were up showered and ready for breakfast at 0830. Down we went but alas no breakfast (We were supposed to put in our orders by 8.00pm last night). The cleaner lady suggested we go to the old theatre bakery (where we had lunch last time) and they did great bacon & egg rolls with the biggest mugs of coffee I have ever had. Following breakfast (It was still raining off & on) back to the pub, pack the bikes, down to the servo to refuel and we left just before 10.00.

The weather started to clear as we travelled home, even some sun at times. Another stop at Wilmington for coffee. (You know it's cold when the bike doesn't reach normal operating temperature until we ran into Port Augusta). Just after turning onto highway 1 there was a 'semi's' trailer that had been burnt to the ground and the crews were still there mopping up & partially blocking the road. On to Port Augusta where we said goodbye to Mike and carried on home. No more rain except a quick shower just as we came into Whyalla.

What a great weekend, the weather was cold & wet but that didn't seem to matter as we were well prepared rugged up and stayed dry. The company was excellent as was the Hotel, Steamtown and the local people. I will rate this as one of the better rides I have been on for some time. I have never seen the area look so green and wet. All of the creeks were running and there was water over a lot of the paddocks. There was even water running down the main street of Wilmington & at times there was water over the road, but we took it easy and had no incidents. I don't think I/we will see conditions like this again for some years to come. I wouldn't have missed it.

Many thanks to Bernie, John, Christine, Ray & Mike for making it such a memorable weekend.

Gilly



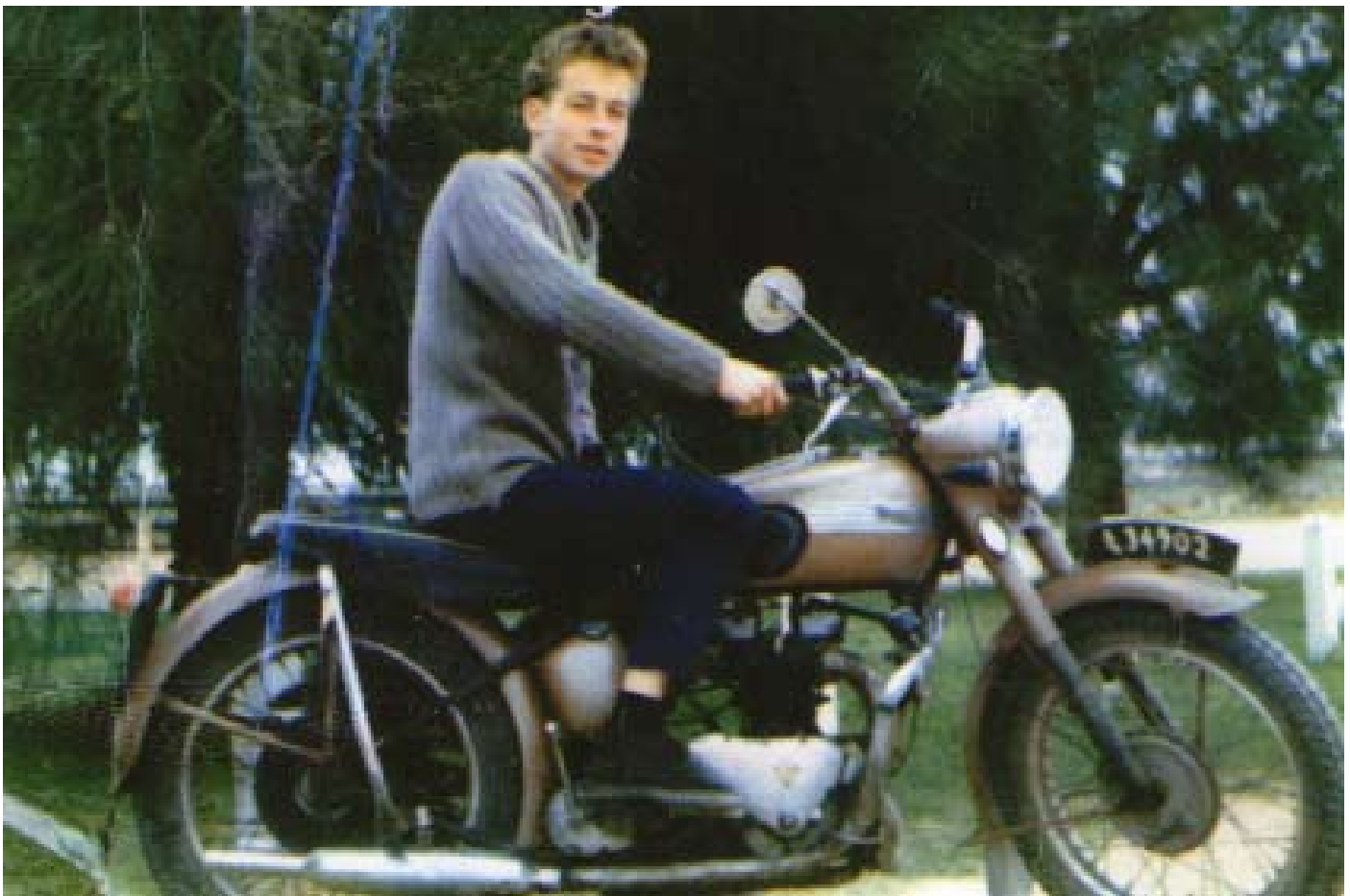
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Aug 23-25	Peregrine Rally	Chris 0402 428 468 chrismcale@gmail.com	Jabuk
Sept 13-15	Ghost Town	Chickenman 0419 983 193	Copi Hollow
Sept 13-15	Bush Pig (MRA Mid-North Register)	Greg 0409 842 434	Crystal Brook
Oct 4-7	Oasis Rally	Bear 0407 394 322	Paruna
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Oct 26-27	Koolunga	Andy 08 8664 1401 dbu47595@bigpond.net.au	
Oct 26-27	Marrabel Pub	Grot 0412 602 272 Les 0411 616 232	Marrabel
Nov 2-3	Caltowie Pub Run	Phil (pub) 8665 5003 Rabbit 0408 082 257	Caltowie
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Hottie From the past: (I would like some more
photos, please. This is the last one in my file..) Ed.

Kevin Spellacy

Bernard Knope turns 80!

This picture was taken at Natalie and Leon Hall's recent BBQ where Bernard was presented with a Ulysses 80 badge and a cake birthday cake. Congratulations, Bernard from all at the Adelaide Branch!



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