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G'Day Everyone,

The holiday season is well and truly over, and I hope you all had a great Christmas and New Year.

Something of concern has been brought to my attention, and that is to remind members when at the petrol station using the petrol pumps, to remove your helmet. It is a legal requirement to remove your helmet when filling your bike with petrol, it is also a courtesy to do so; there have been instances where petrol stations have been held up and robbed by motorcyclists wearing helmets. As Ulyssians we do not want to put ourselves in the same category.

Another reminder, when selling or trading in your beloved bike, remove all of the Ulysses stickers, etc., as some 'young gun' may buy your beloved bike and not treat it as proudly as you would, hence putting our reputation in disrepute!!

Also, February 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th, the Ulysses Club will have an exhibit at the Caravan and Camping Show, at Wayville Showgrounds. The idea is to show and inform the general public how we motorcyclists travel and carry our gear when touring the country. It is a Ulysses Club event, and an ideal time to promote our club and inform the public what the Ulysses Club is all about; that we are mums and dads, grandpas and grandmas, uncles and aunts, over 40 year old and who ride motorcycles for enjoyment and fun. If you want to be a part of the exhibition and help out with manning the stand, please contact me on 8277 5509 or via the web email.

So, ride safe, look after yourselves and I'll see you at the next meeting.



Disgracefully Yours
Liz Fairchild
President Adelaide Branch
Ulysses Club Inc.

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19th November	for the December issue
19th January	for the February issue
19th March	for the April issue
2nd May	for the June issue (due to the AGM in Townsville)

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First of all, apologies to all for the big 'whoopsie' in the distribution/mailout of the last issue of The Odyssey. It was only a tiny thing, but, boy, did it cause some confusion. Hopefully, everyone got a copy, even if it had the wrong name on the front. If you received two (picked up **and** mailed), would you mind handing one back to us at the meeting to give to those who finally realise, one day, that they missed out!



Important Notices

1. For the June issue of The Odyssey, contributions will need to be submitted by 2nd May, due to the AGM in Townsville being at the end of May (and I will be attending).

As those who pick up, hand out, deliver to Pack and Send, etc., will, in all likelihood, not be at the June meeting, **all magazines** will be posted.

2. For all correspondence, levies, submissions, etc.: Postal Address is

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4. Receipts are written out, but will not be posted unless a stamp addressed envelope is supplied with levy. (Cost prohibitive).

From the Welfare Officer of the Fleurieu Branch (Phil Close) we have the following news/updates:

Rod Stone has now been moved from Royal Adelaide Hospital to College Grove Rehabilitation Clinic at 18 North East Road, Walkerville. 08 8168 5700.

He says it's like the Ritz with wine served at mealtime and muffins in the afternoon. From that description, you can see he is in fine spirits, but is now starting a long rehabilitation process. He would welcome visitors (come-on Ulyssians!)

Sadly another of our members has had a serious crash at Tarlee. Ray Richards from Hawker was critical but is now off the critical list and in intensive care at Royal Adelaide. Hoppy says that when Hoppy was in hospital Ray visited him every 3 days...FROM HAWKER!!!! This guy deserves reciprocal support. Phone first to see if he is allowed visitors.

Go the Power!
Wendy

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
on the 1st Sunday of the month



Can you help the Club?

As we are in the process of downsizing our home, Don and I will no longer be able to store the club's catering gear. We just won't have the room that we now have.

If you have, or know of someone who has, a corner of a shed and who could store the club's barbeque, two trestles and some boxes of supplies, please contact us on 8277 3339 or see us at the meeting.

Sue and Don Freene



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Wednesday Rides

All runs will leave at 10.30 am

1st Wednesday	Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside
2nd Wednesday	Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside
3rd Wednesday	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

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Adelaide Branch Ride Calendar Feb-Apr 2008

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	From
Sunday February 3	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Meadows	McDonald's Magill
Saturday February 9	5.00 pm	Rod Stoneman 8396 0937	Twilight Ride	Angaston	Civic Park
Sunday February 10	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Goolwa	Top'o'Taps
Sunday February 17	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Cape Jervois	McDonald's Magill
Sunday February 24	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Strathalbyn	Civic Park
Sunday March 2	9.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	maximoto Sponsored Ride		maximoto Main North Road Enfield
Fri-Mon March 8-10	10.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Adelaide Cup Weekender	Keith	Shell Roadhouse Taillem Bend
Sunday March 16	9.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Bolton's Kawasaki Sponsored Ride		Bolton's Kawasaki South Road Richmond
Sunday March 23	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Wabbit Wun	Milang	McDonald's Magill
Sunday March 30	9.00 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Bill's Motorcycles Sponsored Ride		Main North Road Store
Sunday April 6	9.30 am	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Day Ride	Mannum	Top'o'Taps





Adelaide Cup Weekend

8th-10th March 2008

Keith Caravan Park 8755 1957
Powered and unpowered sites and a few cabins

Keith Hotel-Motel 8755 1122
Some motel accommodation

Dinner Saturday and Sunday nights will be at the Keith Hotel-Motel

A ride will organized for the Sunday.

Departure point: 10.00 am Saturday 8th March from the
Shell Roadhouse at Taillem Bend

MONTHLY DINNERS

Friday 15th February

7pm

**Maid of Auckland Hotel
926 South Rd
Edwardstown**



for bookings and cancellations
**phone Jenny Hills
on 8262 5493**
(leave message on message bank)

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

bookings close Wed. 13 February 2008

Friday 14th March

7pm

**O.G. Hotel
246 North East Rd
Klemzig**



for bookings & cancellations
**phone Jenny Hills
on 8262 5493**
(leave message on message bank)

DO NOT PHONE HOTEL

bookings close Wed 12th March 2008



Wednesday Mid-weeker Tuckerway Port Vincent



16-18 April 2008

Dormitory Style Accommodation: approximately \$15 pp (depending on numbers)

Barbecue one night and tea at the hotel the other night

Brekkies at cost

Please contact Mick Sandley on 8251 2435 if you intend going
Everyone welcome

The Burra Odyssey - Where the profits went!

The Burra Odyssey made a profit of \$3168 and this amount has been equally divided amongst the Ulysses Club's Arthritis Research Fund and three local charities in Burra.

Needless to say all three Burra charities are absolutely thrilled with this windfall and this money will be spent on worthwhile projects within the Burra community.

On Saturday 19th January, the Burra Odyssey Committee members returned to Burra to present three cheques for \$800 each to the Senior Citizens, the Hospital Auxiliary and the Burra Meals on Wheels.

It will be a small reminder of the great time we all had in Burra and to thank the locals for their wonderful hospitality.

Neville Gray

Wanna go to the pictures Sat'y arvo?

The little town of Blyth has a picture theatre - the best kept secret in SA! Comfy with a lolly and drinks bar to boot!

On the Australia Day weekend, the Freenes and the Howards did a bit of reconnoitring for



A Weekend at Blyth

Saturday and Sunday, 19th & 20th April 2008



The plan:

Leave Munno Para 9.30 am
Smoko at Balaklava
Lunch at Blyth
Pictures in the afternoon
Spit lamb & salad tea at the pub
Continental breakfast at the pub

Accommodation

Rooms at the pub
Some camping available at the pub for 2/3 man tents
Campers & caravans to park at the footy club (probably)*
**ALL ACCOMMODATION BOOKING THROUGH
SUE on 88277 3339**

Pictures \$8	Camping at pub \$12 pp with
use Rooms \$30 pp	of showers & toilets
Tea \$10 pp*	Charges for camping at footy
Brekky \$5 pp	oval to be decided*
*Some costs are still on the negotiating table, so only approximate costs are available at this time.	

Although the finer details are yet to be ironed out, we'll do our best to make sure you have a good time! If you are interested in going to Blyth, numbers are very limited about 40. (The theatre isn't the problem, the pub is.) To secure your spot, **give Sue a call on 8277 339 for your booking or see her at the meetings.**

Wendy



Letters to the Editor

Dear Wendy

Thought you might like the attached photo of my daughter Michelle on a 'Vespa or Aprilia' in Rome. Michelle told us that she could not believe where a scooter could go and hung on for dear life, but had fun.

The rider was a 21 year old niece of a friend of mine and, as she could ride around obstacles and over all surfaces, she is a promising Moto GP rider. Michelle spent 2 days travelling around Rome on the back of this rocket and was terrified at first but, as time progressed all was good and she said she enjoyed they ride over cobble stones, up alleys through diners on the footpath and any where these little rockets will fit. Can't say I approve of the riding gear though.

Statistics; Over 1 million scooters registered in Rome and between 3.5-4 million in Italy.

(As my nick name in the Club is 'Vespa Boy', I thought the above might be amusing)

Recently, Neville Grey was asking how my case was progressing re the big bang of 19/09/2004. I advised him that all should be finalized in the New Year – YES! I also mentioned how pleased I was with the law firm of Tindal Gask Bentley, especially the team that has supported Moira and I through this life changing experience. Neville suggested I put a few words of thanks in the Odyssey as other members may require assistance one day, and it helps if you know where to go. (I must make it clear that they only work off reference and do not handle off the street work, as they are very busy. So, I would be happy to refer a fellow member to them if ever the unfortunate occurs).

So, it is with thanks that I would like to acknowledge the good work of Richard Gask (Solicitor), Brendan Connell (Case Manager) and Belinda Thomas (Para Legal); their approach has been fantastic for the following reasons:



This team has handled my case in a very caring and supportive manner by making an effort to put my wife Moira and I at ease, during these last three years. Nothing has been too hard, as they smoothed the troubled waters many times. They have made appointments for me to visit some of Adelaide's leading medical practitioners and this is within a week of a meeting with this very professional legal team.

Apparently, Mr. Richard Gask specializes in road accident cases and has come to the rescue of other Ulyssians in the past, and he also has a good understanding of ABI - 'Acquired Brain Injury' and has been very understanding with my issues.

Thank you for taking the time to read my screed and a BIG thanks for the effort you put into the Odyssey Magazine, it is much appreciated, dear Wendy.

**Regards,
Paul 'Vespa Boy' Hancock & Moira Hancock**

Halloween

in July

Come to the Gladstone Gaol for a Costume Cabaret

hosted by the Torrens Valley Branch

on the weekend 5th - 6th July

Accommodation will be in the cells, bring your own bedding
Fully catered evening meal and cooked breakfast
A tour of this haunted prison has been organised

You will be entertained on Saturday night by

Rockin'on

And possibly some brave souls backed up by the band!

Cost only \$70

All money raised above cost will go to Arthritis Research

For more information Contact Dave (Dutch) Holland on 0411 378 181

10 Questions to Ulysses Member, Alan Coffey

Q1. How long have you been a Ulysses member?

A1. About six years.

Q2. What influenced you to join?

A2. One of my best mates recommended the Ulysses Club to me and because I was almost 50 years old, it seemed like a good idea at the time.

Q3. What bike are you currently riding?

A3. A Cagiva 1000 Navigator and a Honda Blackbird 1100cc

Q4. How many bikes have you owned over the years?

A4. About 25 or 26

Q5. Name a few of the bikes you have owned?

A5. Ok... A Yamaha DT1 trailbike, a Bultaco, Ducati 900SS, Kawasaki GTZ750R, WR400 dirtbike a Suzuki TL1000S and a Triumph Daytona 675.

Q6. What will be your next bike?

A6. No idea

Q7. What is your favorite bike?

A7. The Honda Blackbird

Q8. If money was no object and you could have any bike in the world, what would it be?

A8. You're not going to believe this but the Blackbird.

Q9. What do you enjoy about the Ulysses Club?

A9. Oh, camaraderie, one thing we've all got in common is bikes, a great group of guys to talk to, easy to talk to.

Q10. Do you have any nick name?

A10. Yes. Funky Big Al. I got that name when I used to wear white motorcycle boots.



Funky Big Al hugging his Cagiva

Thank You

I would like to thank all the Ulyssians who so readily gave their time to help us cook and serve the Toy Run Breakfast; there were 17 of us in all and everyone worked hard to give our fellow club members and their friends a cheap, friendly breakfast prior to the Toy Run.

We served 170 breakfasts, and profit was \$298.40. We served sausages, eggs, bacon, baked beans, toast, jam and vegemite, along with fruit juice and cordial.

Huge thanks go to Jann Baker, Rick and Rhonda Nappa, Dale and John Howard, Jenny Hills, Liz and Ken Fairchild, Brian and Judy Cook, Don Freene, Ken and Michelle Wagnitz, Alan Malpas, and Ian Richie and Pat (Blue Tits).

Everyone had a really good time and the morning added to the general feeling of good cheer that accompanies the Toy Run.

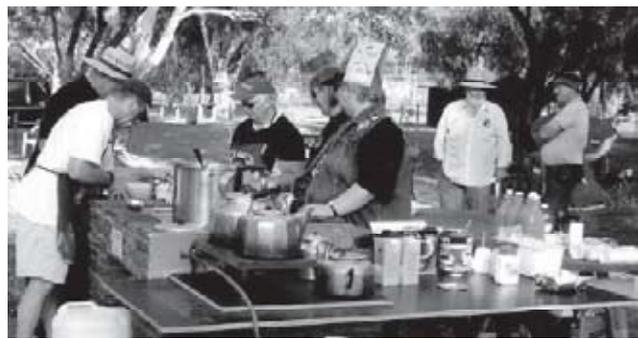
Sue Freene



Left: Jenny Hills - 'Get you tickets here!'



Below: Great early morning weather made the Christmas Toy Run Breakfast so enjoyable, as the did the happy, willing helpers.



Another 'whoopsie'

Hi Wendy, just so as you know, this is Jean. The photo you included on the December mag is that of the girl who dressed up my bike for the uncton - no harm done, all good for a laugh.

Rob Beaumont



In the article on CARA in the last issue of The Odyssey, there was a photo with someone I thought must have been Rob's wife! Sorry about that. (Ed.)

An expensive hair.....

For my birthday, Jean gave me a Harley Davidson watch and, on really close inspection, I noticed a hair inside the glass. So next day, Friday, 14/12/2008, I went back to Peter Stevens to exchange it.

Whilst awaiting this inspection I noticed a black 08 Haya-busa, sold to a customer. Mark Laube of PS mentioned that the deal had fallen through so I rang good old Jeff Twomey and asked him to pop over and see the supposed fastest production bike in the world.

When he arrived we gave it the once over and I'm not really sure what happened or the sequence of events but an hour or so later I had chosen the number plates of my choice and was riding it back to my shop.....

So folks, the moral of the story is.....well, I'll leave that for you to advise me.....the next day my 'friends' dubbed me the 'Busa Boy'.

If ever you want to know what chalk and cheese is.....try going from Heritage Softail Classic to Haybusa and back in the same day.... (Below: Rob Beaumont's Christmas toy)



Vale Robin Watts

19th August 1949 – 7th January 200

Rob Watts was born on the 19th August, 1949 in Yorktown, SA.

After being diagnosed last June and not feeling or looking too well Rob was determined to do the Coffs Harbor trip for the AGM. He came home from that trip with as much, if not more determination to beat the cancer. After Chemo and a Holiday in Tasmania with his son, Rob came home again to bad news and so lost his battle with cancer on the 7/01/08.

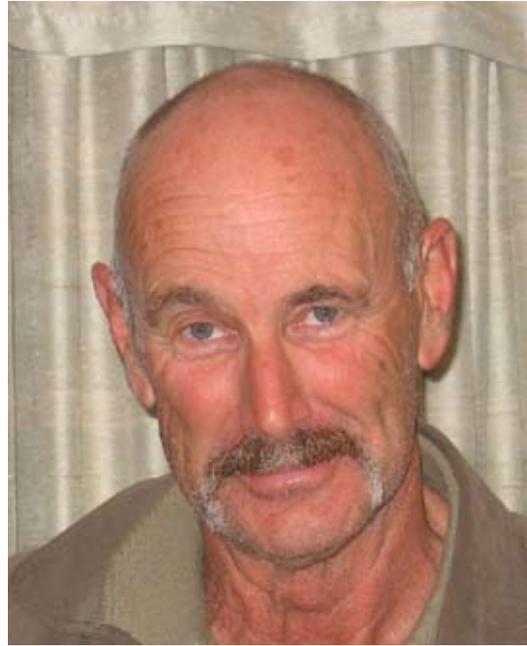
To those who knew him Rob was a great mate, cheeky, charming and with a great sense of humour. His passion of course, his motor bike.

Rob was the major fundraiser of the inaugural 'Ride to the Rock', an annual fund-raising motorcycle ride for the Cancer Council of SA

Rob was a dedicated motorcyclist who got behind the very first Ride in 2005 and raised in excess of \$2,500 by his own actions." Ride coordinator, Steve, said, "Rob simply went to each and every business in Balaklava and asked them for a donation. His natural charm, cheeky smile and dogged determination saw every person he approached dig into the coffers and offer up some money ranging from gold coins up to hundreds of dollars.

That year, we were riding to Ayer's Rock and return, it was determined that all sponsors of that event would be acknowledged on the support car and Rob's efforts saw one

whole side of the car filled with the names of donors he had approached. He continued to raise funds throughout the ride by assisting with the 'tin rattling' and other activities at our road side stops, but he will always be remembered by the other riders and organizers for his 'Meerkating'.



Those who knew Rob will be well aware that he stood in excess of 6 feet 4 inches, was pencil thin and rode a police-style BMW K1100 motorcycle, which, despite its large and tall frame, could not keep Rob comfortable on extremely long runs. In order to ease his discomfort, Rob would often flip the lid on his crash helmet and stand fully upright on the front pegs while cruising at the maximum speed allowed.

In the Northern Territory, a passing road train driver was heard to comment on the CB radio that Rob looked like a meerkat steering a push-bike, and the nickname stuck, with many other riders finally mastering the trick.

Work commitments prevented him joining us in 2006 and the illness ruled him out of the 2007 event. We will remember him via our perpetual trophy which is awarded to each year's highest fund raiser and bears his name as the initial winner.

Rob will be missed by many people!

Submitted by Brendan Corby #37975

Peg Baly, 93, got the ride of her life recently, with an impromptu journey in a motorbike sidecar around Renmark and Paringa.

Mrs Baly was enjoying a coffee at *Pieman's Kitchen*, in Renmark, when members of the Mallee Branch of the Ulysses Club arrived and caught her eye.

The Renmark great-grandmother started chatting to some members of the club telling them that her brother was an avid motorcyclist and they offered her a ride.

The ride in Royce Fisher's 1978 Yamaha XS 1100 sidecar took her from Pieman's Kitchen, in Renmark, right up to Bert Dix Park, in Paringa, and back again.

"I cried the whole way," she joked. "No, I had a lovely ride."

And did the rider travel too fast for her liking?
"Oh no, the faster the better," she said.

Gavin Coombe, who accompanied the riders on his bike, said it 'makes everyone's day' when they get to do something like this.

"We're as tickled pink about taking her for a ride as she is," he added.

A grand old ride

By Andrew Fuss

-courtesy of *The Murray Pioneer*



Sadly, Mrs Bayly has now passed on. Vale, Peg.



Seen at the Adelaide Branch Christmas Dinner 2007 at the Somerset Hotel



Brian and Judy Cook



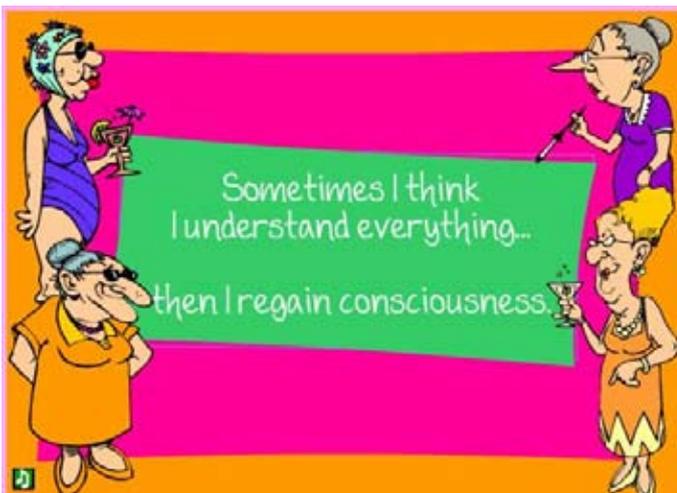
Father Christmas (Kevin Brenton), Jeannie Brenton and Jenny Hills - a present for Father Christmas



Greg and Jo Jenke



Ann and Tony Ashwell



The Odyssey



Ulysses Adelaide Branch

CHRISTMAS LUNCH WITH THE WEDNESDAY RIDES MOB

Around 10-30am on Wednesday 19th of December 07, some 20 or so Ulysses members met in the rear car park of the Victoria Hotel, Top of Taps. At the same time, across the other side of town, around the same number of the northern Ulysses mob were gathering at the Caltex Servo, Munno Para.

The occasion was the usual Wednesday ride followed by the annual Christmas lunch at the Meadows Hotel, Meadows.

The day didn't start all that well for one of the riders who received an early Christmas present in the form of a \$200+ on the spot fine from the boys in blue, for a premature burst of speed up Main South Road on his way to the morning gathering at Top of Taps. Most of the group was sympathetic and the speedster was provided with a complimentary meal voucher to lessen the pain.

The Top of Taps group headed off ably led by Kevin Brenton on a ride which took the group through Clarendon eventually stopping at Mount Compass for a coffee break. From there it was a quick ride back through Ashbourne, then Bull Creek into Meadows for Christmas lunch.

Around the same time, the northern mob had made their way from the Caltex Servo at Munno Para and were also arriving at the Meadows Hotel. The weather was quite warm and the group gathered inside the pub for a few frothies before lunch.

Eventually over 60 members settled in for a wonderful Christmas lunch and a chat.

Once again another great day was had by all who attended and thanks goes to Bryan Cutt for organizing this event every Christmas.

Peltman #22403



Men are always
whining about
how we're
suffocating
them.

Personally, I
think if you can
hear them
whining you're
not pressing
hard enough on
the pillow!

Variety V2 Classic'24-27 April 2008



Overview of the event

The V2 Classic Bike run is an 'upmarket' event designed to attract motorbike enthusiasts who will enjoy firing up their bikes for a four day luxury cruise requiring no organisation on their part, just turning up with their classic bike. The emphasis is on good roads, fabulous scenery, great food and wine and, of course, as with all Variety events, fun and entertainment.

The route

The event will depart from Torrens Parade Ground, Adelaide 8.00 am Thursday, 24th April and travel via Robe, Mt Gambier, Port Fairy, Port Campbell, Hamilton and Penola, concluding with lunch on Sunday, 27th April on the river at Murray Bridge.

Yet to be confirmed: Overnight stops will be Lakes Resort, Mt Gambier, Port Campbell, Vic. and Penola.

The run has been mapped by the event route director, a motorcycle buff with years of experience in organising bike events for the discerning rider, both in Australia and overseas.

Safety and support

As with all Variety events, safety is a major consideration. Our experienced team will be well equipped with the latest communications equipment and there will be a fully equipped mobile workshop travelling with the event.

Entry

The cost is made up of \$550 (incl GST) payable by the entrants, along with a minimum payment of \$4,500 per bike, that can be raised via sponsorship or fundraising.

Thousands of children benefit from funds raised through our events - please help us to help them.

What is tax deductible?

Moneys donated to Variety are generally tax deductible under the Income Tax Assessment Act provided they qualify as an unfettered donation, i.e., the donor can prove that he/she has received no value in return for the donation.

What is not tax deductible?

Sponsors and entrants should accordingly be aware that the following ARE NOT deductible as donations. These costs are met personally by the crew members:

1. The \$550 entry fee
2. Meal costs
3. Accommodation costs
4. Bike purchase, preparation, maintenance and running costs
Merchandise purchases

Dear Fellow Motorcyclist,

Not everybody knows that South Australia has its own autonomous 'tent' in the International Children's Charity 'Variety'. In 2007 Variety SA funded 188 separate grants, totalling \$1.94 million, entirely to benefit disadvantaged children in our State.



At the time of writing there is still room for more entrants (each bike will raise at least \$5,050 and meet all their own food, accommodation and running costs) so if you are interested please let us know immediately. More details of the event are printed on the opposite page.

Please would you consider making a tax deductible donation to Variety or sponsoring us in some other way? If

Variety is an umbrella charity, able to assist all children under the age of 18 years. The majority of people who work for Variety do so in a voluntary capacity, which ensures extremely low administrative costs.

you complete the attached remittance slip it will make it easy to issue an official Variety receipt.

We have entered the latest fundraiser, the V2 Classic Ride to be held from 24th to 27th April 2008 covering around 1400 gentle km south from Adelaide and return via Port Campbell, Vic. The intention is to raise at least \$200,000 towards new neonatal equipment for the Women's and Children's Hospital.

Any amount that you can spare would be greatly appreciated and will certainly benefit the special kids who need all the help they can get.

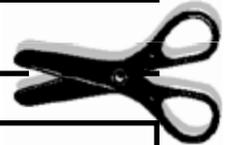
Kind regards,

Barbara & Bernard Knope.

P O Box 222, Port Vincent, SA 5581.

Tel. 8853 7366 Fax. 8853 7365 E-mail bb.2@bigpond.com

See also: www.users.on.net/~bb.2
www.varietysa.org.au



REMITTANCE ADVICE

V2 ENTRY NO. 27

Date: Name: Phone:

Address: Post Code:

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

1. Credit Card

MASTERCARD VISA AMEX EXPIRY DATE:...../.....

Card Number

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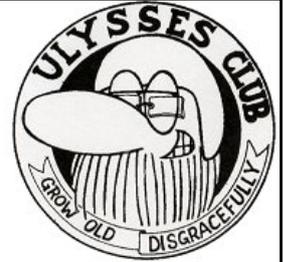
3. Please find enclosed my cheque

Amount: \$.....

To be kindly returned to: VARIETY, THE CHILDREN'S CHARITY
PO BOX 1235
MARLESTON SA 5033
Tel: 08 8293 8744 Fax: 08 8293 8725

On behalf of South Australia's special children, we thank you.

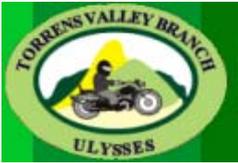
**Eyre Peninsula Branch
Ride Calendar February - June
2008**



PO Box 307 Port Lincoln 5606 Ph/Fax 08 86831008

Month	Date	Ride	Contact	Advise By	Leave	Time
February	18th	EP BRANCH AGM At North Shields Sports Centre				7.00 pm
March	2nd	Tumby Bay Lions Park BYO BBQ	Peter Poole Ph. 86882316		North Shields	11.00 am
March	15th & 16th	Arno Bay O/Nite with Whyalla Branch	Greg Williams 0434904878	8th March	North Shields	2.00 pm
April	4th, 5th, 6th	Southern Flinders Ranges	Bill Crittindon		North Shields	11.00 am
April	20th	Tod River Reservoir Catered for by Cowleys Motorcycles	Trevor Hannam.	13th April MUST ADVISE	North Shields	11.00 am
May	3rd & 4th	Coodlie Park Via Elliston	Ray Sims	18th April Phone 86854107	Town Jetty	Ring Ray
May	18th	Yangie Coffin Bay National Park	Ray Sims Ride Leader Hank Gossink		Town Jetty	10.30 am
June	15th	Borthwick Hill BYO BBQ	Bill Sellen		North Shields	11.00 am

3rd Sunday of each month we will be departing the Town Jetty at 1.30pm.

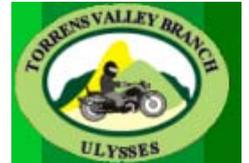


Torrens Valley Branch Meetings

7.30pm

Third Tuesday of the Month

Parafield Gardens Community Club
Shepherdson Road, Parafield Gardens



Ride Calendar

Meals available from the Club before the Meeting
All welcome

Date	Time	Leader	Event	Venue	Depart
Saturday 9th Feb	5pm	Rod Stoneman 8396 0937	Twilight Ride	Angaston	Civic Pk
Sunday 17th February	9.30 am		MRA Badge Ridden On Memorial Ride		Top'o'Taps
Sunday 24th February	9.30 am	Robbo 8522 7474 or 0402 904 670	Skippy & Bev's Sausage Sizzle	Port Pirie	Gawler
Sunday 2nd March	9.00 am		maximoto Sponsored Ride		Main North Road Enfield
Sunday 2nd March	9.30 am		Adelaide Motors BMW Sponsored Ride		190 Glen Osmond Road Fullarton
Weekend 8-10 March	10.00 am Saturday	Andrew Mill 0412 312 243	Adelaide Cup LWE	Keith	Shell Roadhouse Taillem Bend
Sunday 16th March	9.00 am		Bolton's Sponsored Ride		South Road Richmond
Sunday 16th March	9.30 am	C.R.A.B.	Prostrate Cancer Run		St Agnes SC North East Road
Sunday 23rd March	10.00 am	Greg Jenke 8389 1170	Easter Ride	Saddleworth	Munno Para

Southern Flinders Ulysses Ride Group



On November 18th we had a ride to the Cornwall Hotel at Moonta for lunch. 12 bikes headed off taking the scenic route through Snowtown and Bute to Moonta where James and Heather joined us for lunch.

Sunday December 16th saw us head to Wirrabara to have a look at the Farmers Market. Then we went up to Melrose for a coffee at the Blacksmith's shop before heading back to Wirrabara for lunch at the hotel. Everyone had a great lunch with plenty of comment on how generous the servings were with one member surprised at how big the rabbits are in that area and struggling to finish his. This was a short ride but a very social one with plenty of time for a chat at each stop.

Future Rides:

Sunday 17th February Ride leader Les Beyer 86325565, 0427632213

Evening ride to Pt. Broughton for tea on the foreshore. Leave at 5:00pm and either byo or buy your tea to have on the lawns by the beach.

Sunday 16th March Ride leader Brian Carmody 86322253
Leave at 9:30am and travel to Burra for morning tea and then to the Sevenhills Hotel for lunch.

April 12th & 13th Ride leader Les Beyer 86325565, 0427632213

Weekend ride to Barmera. Leave at 9:00am and stay at the Barmera Lakes Resort Motel (85882555) or if you wish to camp the Lake Bonney Caravan Park (85882234)

Sunday 20th April Ride leader Les Beyer 86325565, 0427632213

Leave at 9:30am to ride to Peterborough for lunch in the park. Either byo (bbq available) or buy in the town. Hopefully we will be able to do a couple of tours at places of interest in Peterborough (small entry fee).

Sunday 18th May

Meet at 10:00am at Solomontown and decide on a destination.

Weekend ride Saturday May 31st & Sunday June 1st
Ride Leader Leon Stephens 86331211, 0407727035

Ride to Wallaroo then take the ferry across to Cowell. From there we will travel to Elliston where we will spend the night at the Ellen Liston Motel (86879028) or the Elliston Waterloo Bay Caravan Park (86879076). Sunday we will head down to Pt Lincoln for lunch before heading back to the ferry for the trip home.

For further information contact Les Beyer on 86325565 or 0427632213

086 Group Weekend at the Lighthouse

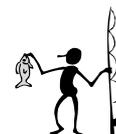


Point Lowly - 26 kms East of Whyalla

**Thursday, 28th February - Sunday,
2nd March, 2008**

Bed in Cottage - \$17 a night.
Meals - \$ 5 each
\$30 for Bed and 3 meals a day

Camping fee - \$ 2 a day
Bring own bedding



**Contact Sandy Sawley
by 14th February, 2008
Ph. 86458334 or 0427127327**



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HOW TO BE A PERFECT BITCH

Jennifer's wedding day was fast approaching. Nothing could dampen her excitement -- not even her parents' nasty divorce.

Her mother had found the PERFECT dress to wear and would be the best dressed mother- of-the-bride ever!

A week later, Jennifer was horrified to learn that her father's new young wife had bought the exact same dress!

Jennifer asked her to exchange it, but she refused.

'Absolutely not, I look like a million bucks in this dress, and I'm wearing it,' she replied.

Jennifer told her mother who graciously said, 'Never mind sweetheart. I'll get another dress. After all, it's your special day.'

A few days later, they went shopping and did find another gorgeous dress. When they stopped for lunch, Jennifer asked her mother, 'Aren't you going to return the other dress? You really don't have another occasion where you could wear it.'

Her mother just smiled and replied, 'Of course I do, dear. I'm wearing it to the rehearsal dinner the night before the wedding.'

Yorke Peninsula

Golden North Ice Cream Factory Visit -2/12/07

What an excellent day for riding - slight breeze, temperature in mid 20's. Five bikes left Port Wakefield, picked up another at Snowtown and continued on to Crystalbrook, where we met up with four more bikes from the Southern Flinders Ulysses Ride Group.

After a bit of a natter, we headed off to Laura and met up with Les & Chris Beyer for the factory tour. It was a most informative and interesting visit, we were shown the whole manufacturing procedure from raw material to packaging the finished product. A lot of interest was shown, judging by the number of questions that Les was asked. On completion of the visit, Les produced some samples including a new line that will be available in January; they were all eagerly devoured.

We then adjourned to the local park for lunch after which a few of us decided that it was such good weather, to head straight back home would be a wasted opportunity, so we extended the ride.

We headed off to Melrose for mandatory coffee, scones, jam & cream at Bluey Bludstones Blacksmith Shop, then back to Port Pirie via Horrock's Pass. Thanks to Brian & Louise Carmody for supplying afternoon drinks. After saying our goodbyes to the Pirie riders, just to cram the most into the day, we then enjoyed coffees at Di & Rob Chadbourne's at Port Wakefield. It was a long but most enjoyable day.

Barossa Vally Ride - 6/1/08

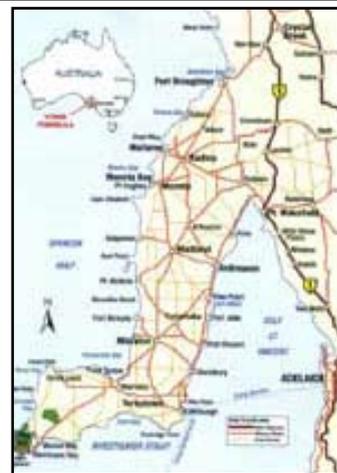
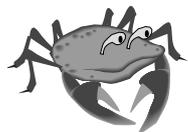
Nine riders met at Di & Rob Chadbourne's for pre ride coffees to wash down a huge feed of freshly baked scones with all the trimmings. I don't know where Di found the time to do them, as she has had some demanding shifts of late, but she managed to produce two batches, plain and wholemeal, the latter she claimed were for the health conscious. I think the calorie side of things were blown out of the water after we piled on heaps of jam & cream.

After we left Port Wakefield, our first stop was Angaston via Gawler, we then rode on to Truro travelling through Sedan, returning to Port Wakefield after a short stop at Auburn. Robert flashed up the barby in his newly constructed you beaut fly & mossy proof enclosure, where we cooked our evening meal. After the barby, we devoured more scones, sat around, relived the days activities and discussed ideas for future rides. Thanks to the Chaddies for making their facilities available and we will certainly take up their offer to return for another ride.

Friday 11/1/08

On behalf of the riders who took part in the funeral cortege from Gawler to Ardrossan for our late member, Robin Watts, I would like to thank Rick & Rhonda Nappa for providing cold drinks and finger food at the cemetery. It was really appreciated by everyone. Also, many thanks to Leon & Natalie Hall for making their home available and providing refreshments and nibbles after the service. Well done - true Ulyssian spirit.

Rodney Lind.



The leg on which SA stands

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.)

Coming Rides

1st & 2nd March

No organized ride this month due to Bottom End V & V Rally

8th 9th 10th March

Hosting the Fleurieu Branch at Port Wakefield Caravan Park. Early bookings essential to secure accommodation.

11th, 12th, 13th April (Note date change)

Weekender at Port Augusta. Meeting the Eyre Peninsula Branch. Please book early.

4th May

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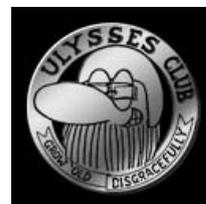
14th 15th June

Overnighter at Corny Point with B.M.W Owners Club.

For More Details Contact

Rodney Lind 88377260 Mob 0418527977

Jim Davies 88521031 Mob 0417836994





Ralph and Kath Pattison from Clare invited the Y P Wednesday riders for a morning tea of scones in December. No one needed lunch after the beautiful Christmas themed spread Kath provided. (We didn't need afternoon tea, either.) Talk about a long morning tea! Thank you Kath and Ralph for a lovely day.



Above: At Rob and Di Cahdbourne's after the Barossa ride: Di, Rob, Raelene and Rod Lind, Heather and James Bartsch

Below: James and Heather Bartsch with their outfit



The Odyssey

Ain't it the Truth!!!

A woman goes to the doctor for her yearly physical. The nurse starts with certain basic items.

"How much do you weigh?" she asks.

"62kg," she says.

The nurse puts her on the scale. It turns out her weight is 70kg.

The nurse asks, "Your height?"

"5 foot 8," she says.

The nurse checks and sees that she only measures 5' 4".

She then takes her blood pressure

And tells the woman it is very high.

"Of course it's high!" she screams,

"When I came in here I was tall and slender! Now I'm short and fat!"

I think you're the father of one of my kids.....

A guy goes to the supermarket and notices an attractive woman waving at him. She says hello.

He's rather taken aback because he can't place where he knows her

from. So he says, "Do you know me?"

To which she replies, "I think you're the father of one of my kids."

Now his mind travels back to the only time he has ever been unfaithful to his wife and says,

"My God, are you the stripper from my bachelor party that I made love

to on the pool table with all my buddies watching while your partner whipped my butt with wet celery???"

She looks into his eyes and says calmly, "No, I'm your son's teacher."

Hi Everyone

Well, we all survived Christmas and the New Year and we are back to work/normal life. We are just about to leave for the now infamous "Mt Gambier weekend" ride where hardy souls test themselves against the elements, the food, and the alcohol to see which will come out on top. (Not literally! Although I believe there is just a chance.....) February ride is a Relaxed/Experienced ride to Phil & Pams' place at Victor which is always a good outing (first year was stinking hot, then it rained, last year just wasn't quite hot enough to swim....go figure. The Presidents' Mystery ride has been moved to March 29th and as usual it will remain a mystery to me until I get a few minutes to figure out something (still plenty of time) Also in March is the Yorke Peninsula weekend ride to Pt Wakefield and in April there is an Easter Egg Hunt and the Progressive Lunch for the foodies among you.....anyone that says they are bored and don't know what to do on the weekend - you are just not trying hard enough...!!!

I would also like to congratulate the winners of the Warren Jamieson Perpetual Trophy (Doug & Sandy), and also our newest OAKS (Older, Alive & Kicking Still) recipient Paul Hancock, on their awards which were presented by "Get Knicked" or was it "Get Knackered" (it's getting very confusing) at our Xmas BBQ in December. All very deserving winners.

The 2008 Odyssey at Victor Harbor is well in hand with our Sub-Committee, led by Phil Close doing a magnificent job with the planning, and ideas just keep coming as to how to amuse all participants. Watch this space! A BIG thank you to all involved and if you would like to lend a hand in any capacity, let Phil know.

Our Ride for Toys was held in December and was a HUGE success. We had about 40 odd bikes start at the Old Noarlunga Football Club and nice ride down to Goolwa. Many thanks to all who attended/donated toys....you have made many kids very happy.

For those who don't know, our Webmaster Chris Roberts has resigned from this position and Doug Ware has volunteered to take over. Chris has been our Webmaster for the last 4 years and has done a fabulous job. Thank you Chris. If you want more details of what is happening down on the Fleurieu Peninsula try www.fub.org.au If you can't find what you are looking for during the transition from Chris to Dougie, please ring one of the Committee who will be able to help you. If you want to come and check us out in person just turn up at our monthly meetings at the Willunga Golf Club, 3rd Thursday of the month from 6pm onwards. Meals

and full bar facilities available and I guarantee you will have a great time mixing with some great people....

Please remember to have a great time, great riding and watch out for the d****eads!!!!

**Heather Van Erp
President
Fleurieu Branch**



invitation

**TO
FLEURIEU BRANCH MEMBERS**

**FROM
FROM YORKE PENINSULA RIDING GROUP
VENUE**

PORT WAKEFIELD CARAVAN PARK

Phone 88 67 1151

**Cabins From \$55.00 per night - Powered sites \$22.00
per night - Unpowered sites \$16.00 per night**

DATES

SAT. MARCH 8TH SUN. MARCH 9TH

MON. MARCH 10TH

FORMAT

**Arrive around lunchtime Sat. (lunch available from
several takeaways or servos on main road)**

**Book in and get ready for group tea at local hotel
(Three courses 18.00 per head) Menu Attached
A short ride will be available for those who want to.**

**On Sun. afternoon a ride around Yorke Peninsula
finishing at the Bute Hotel for BBQ tea \$11.00 per
head. After tea a short ride back to Port Wakefield.**

Mon. Pack up and head for home.

**Early booking is essential as this is a peak period.
I suggest book by end of October 2007**



From the Mallee, President Toddy says.....

Crikey, it's February already—where did the silly season Go? Oh well, it's only about 42 weeks to Christmas. Since the last mag. we had the Mallee Christmas dinner at Goolwa and it was a good one, although numbers were down on the previous year at Camp Kedron. Perhaps the next one can be in the Riverland. Mallee Branch organized the Tucker and Toy run again this year, having now fully taken over from the stalwarts Des Watts and Terry Kearney who have run the show for many years and who are now taking a well earned rest—Well done, fellers!

After a fairly hairy run in 2006, we had two Police Speedies with us this year and it almost completely eliminated foolish behaviour, and the run went smoothly, although a bit slower. The collection of tucker and toys was down a bit this year, but the cash collection was up at about \$2800, with about \$1300 of that raised through the efforts of the Pink Ladies, Julie Krollig and Gail Kuhlmann through the Barmera Markets. Some riders joined on the run while a few others dropped off with the number of bikes peaking at about 170. A very successful day and a big thank you to all those who contributed.

It's good to see the Mallee Branch thriving and growing. Activity has been good with the rides organizers providing us with lots of variety and the rides mostly well attended.

There has been a steady trickle of new members and the Sunday morning get together at the Shell at Barmera is becoming more and more popular with 42 people there recently and about 30 bikes. Even when there is a scheduled ride we have at least a few people turn up for morning coffee as not everyone can afford the whole day away. Recently, morning coffee turned into an impromptu ride to Overland Corner for lunch anyway. It's a very pleasant way to spend a Sunday and the variety of machinery creates a lot of interest while the girls have a good information exchange session.

Sorry to hear a couple of our Mallee Mob have bent themselves lately (Ray (Rhino Weiss - hit the water! and Barry Challen - hit the dirt!) and we wish them well.

Please if you know of any of our members who are a bit crook (red wine influenza excluded) then tell a committee member and we'll make contact.

Another matter which is now well and truly on the boil is preparation for the 2009 Odyssey to be held at Barmera 2-5/10/09. We are planning to have it "All in the Bag" by the October long week end this year so we can distribute brochures at the 2008 Odyssey at Victor Harbour. If you are going to Victor, then chase accommodation now, as the place is virtually booked out.

Another substantial task almost completed by our hard working members is the sale of all of the 2,500 tickets in the Brough Model Raffle. Be at the AGM for the drawing. Tickets have been sold all over Australia, but principally in S.A. and with the bulk of sales being in our Branch area. Salty, who has had the responsibility of organizing the raffle, will have a detailed report at the AGM.

Finally, a reminder that our Mallee AGM will be at Swan Reach Hotel at 11:00 AM on Sunday 17-2-07. Elections will be held for committee positions, and there have been a couple of retirements, with others nominating to fill vacancies. Yours truly has put his hand up for Pres. again if that is the decision of the meeting. A sincere thank you to the outgoing Committee members for the work they have put in—it's gone like clockwork.

After the meeting we will we will hold a 2009 Odyssey Sub Committee Meeting.

**Enjoy life's great ride,
Toddy**

Below: A normal Sunday at the Barmera Pit Stop



Cooks' Corner



Simple Meat Dish

4 – 6 pieces scotch fillet
little butter

1 pkt French onion soup or crème of mushroom soup (salt reduced is good)

Place meat on a large piece of alfoil.

Cover with dry soup mix.

Place nob of butter on each piece of meat.

Fold alfoil over.

Place in ovenproof dish.

Cook in moderate oven 35 – 45 mins.

Peanut Butter Balls

These are great put in mini patty pans for presents or after dinner treats.

1 cup crunchy peanut paste

½ cup melted butter

Mix together.

Add:

2 cups icing sugar

1½ cups rice bubbles.

Roll into balls and place in fridge until cold enough to roll.

Roll teaspoons quickly in hands and place on tray back in fridge.

Melt milk chocolate over hot water.

Dip in balls and sit on trays or put in mini patty pans.

Michele Wagnitz



**Important Changes
SA Rallies Calendar
printed in the December
issue of
The Odyssey**

**The Ghost Town Rally
at Broken Hell
will be held on 12,13, 14 September
Contact Don Bearman 0418 8858 653**

**The Bush Pig Rally
at Crystalbrook
will be held on 19,20,21 September
Contact Greg on 08 8855 2120**



Classifieds

Honda CBR900 Fireblade: 1996. Red/white (Marlborough colours); 19,000 original kms; new tyres. **\$6,950 ono.**

Also,

Suzuki TL 1000R V-Twin: 2000. 33,000kms; new Bridgestone tyres; RS-3 Stainless Yoshimura exhaust. Regrettable sale. **\$10,500. Contact 0423 547 157**

Hyosung Aquilla 250 Cruiser: 2006. 2,400kms; lady owner; as new. **\$5,500 ono. Contact John Strauss on 0431 273 049**

Kawasaki ER500: 42,000kms; learner app. **\$4,250. Contact Helena on 080 8376 2261**

AS NEW Portable Welder

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Dual range: Low 30 -100 Amps, High 60-140Amps.

All cables and fittings.

2 helmets Plus brand new unused Auto Darkening helmet

Chipping Hammer and lots of electrodes.

Must sell due to medical implant. \$250.00 ono.

Contact Wayne Digance on 0418816695



Another Housekeeping Tip from Maxine

Tip...

Always keep several
get well cards on the mantle...
So if unexpected guests arrive,
They will think you've been sick
and unable to clean

From Traxion - specialist motorcycle clothing (p26)



Thought we'd send you a pic of some custom **cordura pants** we've done for a guy in NZ - waist measurement 74"!!!!