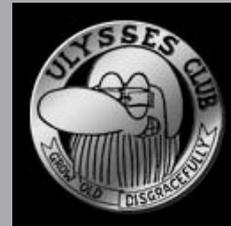


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Above: Enjoying the Toy Run Breakfast, and below: At the start of the Rob Watts Memorial Ride



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Hi All

By now you would be over all the Christmas and New Year Celebrations, and many of us are looking forward to the 2013 AGM in Maryborough. I think I mentioned before, that Garry and I aren't going this year. So, if you find you are at a loose end for the AGM weekend, why not come to Iron Knob with us and enjoy the hospitality of Angela and Allan at the hotel. **Free camping!** More info further on.



My holiday in Italy and Greece is now organised and all I have to do is pack my bag!!! One of the places that my daughter, Dianne, and I have booked into for 2 nights is Cinque Terre. Look it up - beautiful fishing villages with the houses like little boxes on top of each other, going up the hillsides. Wish we had now booked a couple of extra nights there. It will be a great place to finish up our three weeks. Imagine the seafood we will eat!!!!!! Straight off the boats!!!!!!

Meanwhile, Garry will be three weeks sans Wendy! Hope he doesn't get to like it too much!

Happy 70th birthday to **Sponny** on 29th December! But keep it quiet - he doesn't want anyone to know!

Cheers
Wendy



"Do you want to go for a ride in grandpa's cool station wagon, or on grandma's boring motorcycle?"

Hello Everyone,

Well I hope that everyone has recovered from the silly season and those of you like me that are unfortunate enough to still have to work have settled back into the old routine.



The upcoming year looks to be a good one for Ulyssians whether you're going to the AGM in Maryborough, on a weekend away, to the Odyssey in Nuriootpa or just on one or all of the many day rides on offer you are bound to have a ball.

The committee has organized a Family fun day in conjunction with a Friends and Rellies ride on the 24th March, we have hired an oval and BBQ area and will be providing lunch for all, there are more details in the magazine and it would be good to see you all there, hopefully this will be a success and we can plan more events like this.

As this is the month of our branch AGM I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our committee and sub-committee members and all our many helpers we have, without your help and input throughout the year our branch wouldn't be as great as it is.

Any comment and or suggestions that any of you may have please come to me or any one of our fine committee members and we will give them due consideration at a committee meeting.

Well that's enough waffle from me for now so as always get out, participate, be disgraceful and above all enjoy.

Andrew Mill
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President and Rides Captain
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24th March as per ride Calendar
at Belair National Park**

We have hired an oval and bbq area for the day, bbq lunch will be supplied for free, and there will be fun and games.

Members are quite welcome to have their wives/partners, kids, grandkids meet us at Belair after the ride at 12.30, at Gums Oval 2.

There is a charge to get in to the National Park: \$7 per motorcycle and \$12 per car, or you can walk in for free.

We need people to book for this event and pay a \$5 deposit which will be refunded on the day.

RSVP Andrew Mill 0412 312 243

Cut off day for bookings is the 10th March

Not the AGM Weekend

Friday, 19th - Sunday, 22nd April, 2013

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(Port Augusta & Whyalla)

Happy hour on Friday and Saturday afternoons (nibbles courtesy of the Adelaide Branch)

More details in the next edition of The Odyssey



**Mid-Weeker at
Port Vincent**

April 24-26

Leave: Munno Para 10.30 am. Morning smoko Pt. Wakefield, Lunch stop at Ardrossan

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Payment: \$10 deposit required with name at time of booking. Balance to be paid on the day.

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Adelaide Branch Meetings

First Thursday of the month

European Catering
2 Chief Street
Hindmarsh

8.00 pm

Meals & bar available from 6.00 pm

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and check out the latest news on branch happenings



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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	Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
4th Wednesday	Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
5th Wednesday	Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside

Bring or buy your own lunch

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Monthly Dinners

2nd Friday of the month

At various venues

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Monthly Dinners

photos by Chris Roberts

For bookings and cancellations for all dinners,
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11 January 2013 Payneham Tavern

The Payneham Tavern, where a good meal and atmosphere was enjoyed by the regulars who meet at the dinners, was a great way to start our monthly dinners for 2013. We all compared notes about New Years Eve and our recent festive travels from Newcastle/Port Augusta, and it was great to hear about the travels up to Queensland by Coral and Neil. There has been success, so far, for Adrian and Margaret's grand-daughter, who had an operation overseas recently. She is now back in Australia - good news for everyone. Good luck with your op Ross, and we look forward to seeing everyone and more on 15th Feb at The Goody.



Michele and Ken Wagnitz, and Peter Wood



15th February, 2013

7.00 PM

The Goody
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Bookings by Wednesday, 13th February



15th March, 2013

7.00 pm

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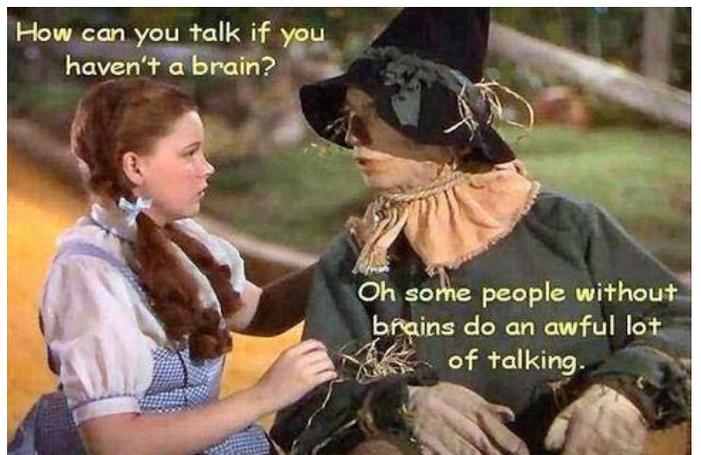


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The Older Woman

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We drank a bit, and had a bit of a snuggle, and then she asked if I'd ever had a Sportsman's Double.

'What's that?' I asked.

'It's a mother and daughter threesome,' she said.

I said, 'No,' - excitedly.

We drank a bit more, then she says that tonight was my 'lucky night'.

I went back to her place.

She put on the hall light and shouted upstairs, 'Mum! You still awake?'

The Pill

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Date	Time	Leader	Event	Destination	From
10	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Goolwa	Macca's Magill
17	9.30 am	Chris Roberts	Day Ride	TBA	Top of Taps
24	10.00 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Meadows	Civic Park
March 3	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Yankalilla	Macca's Magill
10		No Ride	Adelaide Cup Day	No Ride	
17	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Port Elliott	Civic Park
24	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Friends & Rellies Ride	BBQ lunch at 'Gums 2' Belair national Park. \$7 per bike and \$12 per car entrance fee	Macca's Magill
31	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Wabbit Wun/Day Ride	Milang	Civic Park
April 7	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride	Williamstown	Top of Taps
14	9.30 am	Andrew Mill	Day Ride		Civic Park

Macca's, 303-306 Magill Road, Trinity Gardens
Civic Park, North East Road, Modbury
Top of Taps, Main South Road, O'Halloran Hill

For further information, contact:
Andrew Mill on 0412 312 243 or
Chris Roberts on 0478 589 854



PICK YOUR BATTLES

Some things are better left alone

Here's a story to gladden your biker heart.

I just got a fine from SAPOL for \$464 for running a red arrow on the corner of Anzac Highway and Morphett Rd at 11:03 pm on Boxing Day. The registration of the vehicle was that of my little red Beemer.

I had no memory of: a) running a red light, or b) even being remotely in the vicinity at that time. I rang the appropriate cop branch and they looked at the photo - the offending vehicle wasn't even a motorbike. Expiation notice withdrawn.

Holy snapping catfish Batman! Please be more careful with your fines' procedures next time. And, of course, for the innocent motorist - always ask for the evidence !

Cheers,
John Crowe



Your child is being eaten
by a camel.
Do you...

a) save your child or
b) take a photo.



Sunday Round-up - photos by Bundi

2nd December Day Ride to Milang

Well a good size group of around 27 was at Top of Taps; we set off and made our way to Cherry Gardens, Scott Creek Road, Longwood and Mylor. We then attempted to go along Aldgate Valley Road, but about 1km along, the road was closed, so a retreat to Mylor was called for (it was quite entertaining watching folk do U turns; the only one who didn't have a problem was Brendan he is a Kiwi :-). So we then went along River Road into Hahndorf and Meadows. A quick trip along Paris Creek



Road took us to Strath for morning tea. The next part of the ride proved sh*t happens. We set off towards Macclesfield, well, all but Trevor did. He didn't turn and went to Langehorne Creek. From Macclesfield, we wound our way to Mt Barker and headed towards Nairne where things got interesting. At a large roundabout, the ride proceeded straight and 95% of riders did this, However, it seems one of the group pulled over near

the intersection with his indicator on and 4 riders turned left accordingly (including our tailend Charlies) - thanks for that Mr Jarman. So, after a regroup and electing a new tailend Charlie, we set off along the Old Princess Hwy to Callington, Woodchester and Langehorne Creek, and on to Milang for lunch. Our intrepid tailend Charlies and others, who were led astray, ended their journey in Murray Bridge! As I said, SH*T HAPPENS.



16th December day Ride to Goolwa

There was a group of around 17 at Macca's under cool and overcast skies as we set off to Norton Summit and then towards Marble Hill before we turned along a new, to our rides, road, and followed it all the way down to lovely valley, and then back up to join the Lobethal Road. We followed this over Cross Hill Road and on to Swamp Road to Lenswood, where we turned along Fox Creek Road, made our way along some back roads and in to Lobethal. We next headed towards Nairne and Oakbank, Swamp Road again and on to Beaumonts Road to Verdun, and then Balhannah for morning tea, where we were met by

Bunny and Bev on 4 WHEELS. Next, we went to Hahndorf, Mt Barker and Echunga, then on to Meadows and along Bull Creek Road to Ashbourne and Strath. Milang was our next port of call and around the lake through Clayton Bay. We then headed to Currency Creek and finally Goolwa for lunch. Apart from a couple of brief showers, the weather was fine all day if not a tad cool for a summer's day. We didn't lose any tailend Charlies today, however, we did lose one of our group when he took a wrong turn and headed off at a great rate of knots, despite Brendan trying to get his attention.



6th January Day Ride to Strath

Well, despite the pristine weather, a small group of 11 were at Macca's. We made our way to Montacute Road and up the hill to Ashton, Summertown and Uraidla. We then zigged and zagged our way to Bridgewater and Verdun. Swamp Road was next and onto the Lobethal Road to Lenswood, where we took Tiers Road to Woodside where we had morning tea at Lovells. Three of our group left us here and the rest of us continued on to Littlehampton and Nairne where we turned and made our way to Brakunga and back to Nairne, Mt Barker and then Macclesfield via Stamps Road. We then went to Meadows and along Paris Creek Road to Strathalbyn for lunch in the High Street. We had absolutely fantastic weather all day with nothing over 32 degrees, and most of the day ridden in the mid 20s. It was good to spend the day out riding and socializing with some great club mates.



Sunday Round-up - photos by Bundi

13th January Day Ride for Ducks

Well who can work out this weather; when it rains in Palmer early in the morning, you know it's a not a good omen for the rest of the day. There were around 10 of us at Civic Park all huddled under the verandah of the toilet block. We set off in the constant light rain through Chain of Ponds to Gumeracha, where we turned to Lobethal and on to Woodside, where we turned and headed to Nairne. We then made our way to Wistow via Bald Hills Road and then down the hill to Strathalbyn for what was to be morning tea - well, that was the plan! Seems pretty much everyone was wet and rather chilly by the time we got to Strath, as it hadn't stopped raining all the way there. The fact that the forecast was for 23 degrees, and the temp on the ride never got above 14 probably had some thing to do with the decision to terminate the ride here, and after a warming coffee head off home for some dry clothes.



20th January DC Motorcycles Sponsored Ride

Well a great crowd of around 40 gathered at DC (formerly GC Motorcycles) in fantastic conditions. Don cooked us a bbq brekky and answered a multitude of tyre questions. We then set off and wound our way to Ackland Hill Road and then through Cherry Gardens and on to Clarendon, and Kangarilla where we turned and made our way through some fine countryside to Blewitt Springs and McLaren Flat. From here, it was a quick trip to McLaren Vale for morning tea. We next headed to the Range and to the top of Willunga Hill, then on to Pages Flat Road where Daryl must have had trouble with his headlight, 'cause one minute I could see it then the next thing it was pointing up at the tree tops. Anyway, on we went to Myponga and down the hill to Yankalilla before heading up to Parawa. Delamere was our next port of call before following the coast road back to a rather busy Normanville for lunch. Everyone seemed to have enjoyed the day out riding some great roads with some even better company.



The History of 'APRONS' I don't think our kids know what an apron is. (Ed: Forgive me if this is a repeat, but worth it!)

The principal use of Grandma's apron was to protect the dress underneath because she only had a few and because it was easier to wash aprons than dresses and aprons required less material. But along with that, it served as a potholder for removing hot pans from the oven.

It was wonderful for drying children's tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning out dirty ears.

From the chicken coop, the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came, those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids. And when the weather was cold, Grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove. Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron.

From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls.

In the autumn, the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men folk knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that 'old-time apron' that served so many purposes.

REMEMBER:

Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her granddaughters set theirs on the window sill to thaw.

The Govt. would go crazy now trying to figure out how many germs were on that apron.

I don't think I ever caught anything from an apron- but love...

We Aussie blokes are so good to women.

My wife and I walked past a swanky new restaurant last night.

"Did you smell that food, it smelt incredible?" she said.

Being the nice fellow I am, I thought:

"Bugger it, I'll treat her!"

So we walked past it again!

The Three Wise Men



Andrew, Ray and Brendan



Gail With Father Christmas



The Nashies



Above: Brian Pengilly and Jenny

Below: The Robertses



Above: Clare and the Booyes

Below: The Halls



The Odyssey



Ulysses Adelaide Branch

14th December 2012 XMAS

Outside, the weather may have been dull and wet putting water on the green so we couldn't bowl, but we all know that wouldn't stop a bunch of Old Farts having festive fun with food and Santa. Thanks to the great Clearview Bowling Club, who served a great, filling, tasty meal at a great price, we were happy eaters! Then Santa and his trusty helper appeared! We could only keep our chosen gift until someone else wanted it. There seemed to be a couple of desired gifts and in particular two members just had to keep getting up to choose more wrapped gifts as everyone wanted the ones they had. It was all in fun and a quite a few laughs especially when a male got a lovely handbag and nobody wanted to take it from him! We are all looking forward to next year and hope the same Santa and venue are booked in our name.

A Flamin' Good Toy Run

As usual, the Ulysses Adelaide Branch Club Toy Run Breakfast was held and the loyal band of volunteers turned up early on the day. Chris had done all the shopping for the munching. We got organised, lit the barbies (three of them), opened tins of baked beans, (I got into trouble for stirring the beans with a stick I found on the ground - it was a clean stick, I know because I spat on it to clean it) ha ha not really!

We set up tables, chairs, plates, cutlery and soon the hordes of hungry bike riders descended upon us. All was going well - we had served about a hundred, with eggs bacon, beans, sausages, toast, when one of the gas cylinders caught fire and flames were going everywhere!!

After the initial panic, we settled down to a system of chucking water on the fire, which we got from the nearby toilet, but it was obvious that we couldn't put the fire out. We didn't have a fire extinguisher with us, something we should remedy. Piper called the fire brigade and they arrived within a few minutes. They had this huge hose and they drowned the cylinder and it went out.

All the knobs melted off the front of the barby - Don knows this because he tried to grab one to turn off the gas and burnt his fingers on the hot piece of metal that was left.

The worst thing about this incident was that all the ice that our beer was in, got thrown on the gas cylinder, and we had no cold beer to drink.

The best thing about this incident was that one of the firies was GORGEOUS!! What a hunk! He was telling me something about the fire, but I didn't really remember what he said.

I'm really sorry for the people who didn't get their breakfast. We were about three quarters through the morning, but quite a few people missed out, and that was really unfortunate because it was a beautiful morning, with great food and great people, better luck next year..

Sue Freene

Ed: Of course Don burnt his fingers! It was a given!

The Toy Run Breakfast

G'day Wendy,

You may have heard about the little fire at the Ulysses Toy Run Breakfast.

The Truth

Don Freene and I were coming to the end of the cooking activity for the hungry hordes, and I noticed the gas was going out on the hot plate burners. Given that the hot plate was full of snags and bacon, I asked for a new gas bottle to be connected. Andrew Mill assisted and, as he started to connect the new gas bottle, a sheet of flame shot up from under the BBQ hot plate 'SHIT!' was the immediate response then we headed for the hills as Andrew and a couple of others tried to put the fire out or at least keep the gas bottle cool.

A quick call to the Fire Brigade saw the flame extinguished, but all the food on the hot plate was well done, or charcoaled if you like.

However, the Fleurieu Branch heard of this incident and presented me with the 'Bloody L' award at the their January monthly meeting. This is awarded to individuals or more in our branch that have funny mishaps or laughable happenings. **It is not presented where personal injury results from an event.**

As much as I tried to explain the situation, these buggers had a laugh on me - 'Nothing is sacred', therefore, I thought that I should share it with my mates! - Mr. Andrew Mill and Mr. Don Freene, the latter not being at the Adelaide January meeting -(WHOOSEY). So, the photo is only of those brave enough to show up.

Regards,

Paul 'Vespa Boy' Hancock.



Paul Warner selflessly sharing his 'L' Award with Andrew Mill

Editor's note: I'm just so glad that a potential disaster was averted and that no one was seriously injured.

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The Black Dog Ride 2013

In 2013, the Black Dog Ride to the Red Centre will depart on August 17th and wrap up in Alice on the 23rd August. The routes and itineraries are still being finalised, but will be available when registration opens in March. To ensure you receive the announcement of registrations opening, please sign up for the BDR e-newsletter here: <http://www.blackdogride.com.au/view/newsletter/>

Riders can register for the full ride, or an overnight ride with the group, or a day ride, and registration prices are adjusted accordingly. Riders are responsible for fuel, food and accommodation. However, we arrange discounted prices on accommodation for Black Dog Riders and most days include at least one reasonably priced meal provided by a local Lions Club. We will also include information for riders regarding companies who can transport your bike home if you prefer to fly home.

Once registered, riders will receive regular rider updates with more detailed information. The ride starting from Adelaide meanders a little bit, as it would be a pretty short ride from Adelaide straight to Port Augusta, but the aim of the ride is not the destination but the journey itself. If you have a read on our blog about Bill from Burra: <http://www.blackdogride.com.au/view/post-archives/bill-from-burra/> you can see the positive impact we have on townships we ride through.

If you need any further information, please don't hesitate to contact us.

**Fiona Duffield
Administration
Black Dog Ride
[blackdogride.com.au](http://www.blackdogride.com.au)**

<http://www.blackdogride.com.au/view/red-centre-2012/>
under "Past Rides".

Ed: From my email files:

Sincere Apologies To Everyone,

Over the past months I have forwarded funny pictures and jokes to friends who I thought shared the same sense of humour.

Unfortunately, this wasn't the case and I seem to have upset quite a few people who have accused me of being sexist and shallow. If you were one of these people, please accept my humblest apologies.

From now on I will only send emails with a cultural or educational content such as old monuments, nature and other interesting structures.

For example, below, you'll find a picture of the Pont Neuf Bridge in Paris ...

For those of you who are interested, Pont Neuf is the oldest bridge in Paris and took 26 years to build. Construction began in 1578 and ended in 1604. 'Le Pont Neuf' is actually made of 2 independent bridges, one with seven arches and the other with five arches.

Fascinating.

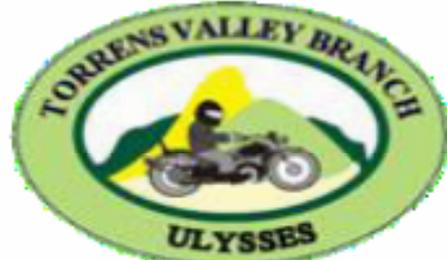


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20th S.A. Odyssey
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Friday 4th October –
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Venue: Nuriootpa Sports & Community Club, Penrice Rd, Nuriootpa SA 5355

Registrations close: 31 August, 2013.

Please note that while registrations are unlimited, seating availability for evening meal catering is limited to the first 300 registrations

REGISTRATION DETAILS – Please use a separate form for EACH person registering

Surname		Given name		Membership No.	
Address					
Town/Suburb			State	Postcode	
Phone		Mobile		Email*	

*Please note – all communication will be via email where possible.

Registration	Unit cost	Total
Odyssey Death Patch	\$40	\$40
Number required	@\$10 each	\$

MEALS – LIMITED TO FIRST 300 REGISTRATIONS. Saturday & Sunday Evening meals will be served to your table

Meal	Unit cost	Total
Friday Dinner		
Hot Baked Potato with choice of 8 toppings	\$10	\$
Saturday Dinner		
Roast medley of meats with vegetables and bread roll. Dessert – Alternate drop of German Apple Strudel with Chantilly cream or Fresh Fruit Salad with Mango Gelatin	\$24	\$
Sunday Dinner		
Alternate drop- Beef Lasagne with chips, salad and bread roll or Chicken Maryland with washed potato, salad and gravy. Dessert – alternate drop of Apple & Rhubarb Crumble with Cinnamon Chantilly Cream or Tart Citron with Citrus Syrup and Chantilly Cream	\$20	\$
Breakfast – Saturday, Sunday & Monday		
Full cooked breakfast of bacon, eggs, sausage, tomatoes, baked beans or spaghetti, toast and fruit juice. \$12 per day. Tick boxes for days required	Saturday \$12 <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday \$12 <input type="checkbox"/> Monday \$12 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$

We are unfortunately not able to cater for special dietary requirements

TOURS AND RIDES

Sunday Mystery Bus Tour leaving at 9:50 am – minimum booking of 25 people.	\$25	\$
Organised ride – Sunday		
200km ride from Nuriootpa, through the Barossa Valley, Mt Crawford Forest to lunch at Swan Reach and return. \$10 per person deposit required for lunch at Swan Reach Hotel. Lunch at own cost	\$10	\$

Please tick if receipt is required **Grand Total** \$

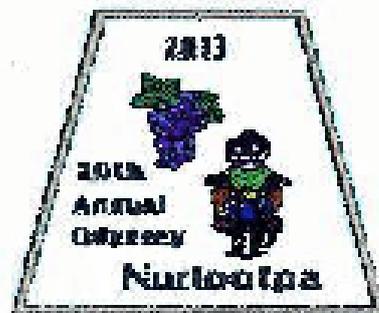
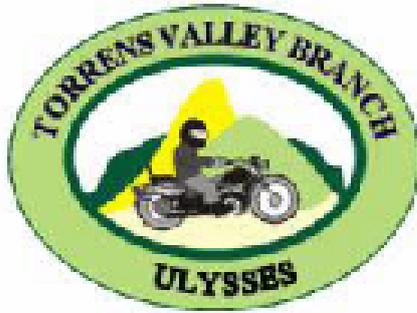
Cheque/ Money Orders to be made payable to Ulysses Club Inc, Torrens Valley Branch or payment by EFT/ Direct Credit to BSB 025-050, Account Number 04187115, People's Choice Credit Union

Amount Paid	\$	Reference: Membership #	Surname
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If paying via EFT, please forward registration form via postal details below or via email to jester26@optusnet.com.au

**Cheque / Money order, with registration form to be sent to:
 2013 SA Odyssey Treasurer, Mark Seja, 12 Freshman Rd, REDWOOD PARK SA 5007
 Enquiries to 2013 Odyssey Co-ordinating Committee members**

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Ulysses 20th S.A. Odyssey

Friday 4th October – Monday 7th October 2013

Nuriootpa Sports & Community Club, Penrice Rd, Nuriootpa SA 5355

Registration

- Please use **DNE** registration forms for **EACH** person attending the Odyssey
- Registration due by **31st August, 2013**
- Fees payable with registration, every person attending must pay regardless of whether they are a member or guest of a member
- Payment to be made to the Odyssey 2013 Treasurer, Mark Seja, 12 Sunhaven Rd, **LEDWOOD PARK SA 5087** for payment by cheque or by EFT to BSB 085-050, Account Number 04317115 at the People's Choice Credit Union in the name of Ulysses Torrens Valley Branch. **PLEASE ENSURE YOU INCLUDE YOUR SURNAME AND ULYSSES MEMBERSHIP NUMBER AS THE PAYMENT REFERENCE.**
- Please show membership cards at registration
- Cancellation after the end of August 2013 will only be accepted under exceptional circumstances, and refunds after 31/8/13 at the discretion of the committee on a case by case basis
- Check in will be available from 1pm on Friday October 4, 2013 at the Nuriootpa Sports & Community Club, Penrice Rd, Nuriootpa, **PLEASE NOTE WRISTBANDS/ LANYARDS WILL BE ISSUED AND MUST BE WORN FOR ADMISSION TO MEALS AND EVENTS**
- Cloth badges available at registration - \$10 each

Accommodation options

- Barossa Valley Tourist Park – adjacent to the venue. Booking information on (08) 8562 3404. Sorry -No camping on roads. The park offers 35 cabins sleeping from 2 to 7 people (prices start at \$50 per night), 200 powered sites (\$26 per double) and 200 unpowered sites (\$23 per double). Please note these prices are current as at July 2012 and subject to change.
- Vine Inn, Murray St, Nuriootpa. Tel (08) 8562 2133 . 18 Executive and 18 Standard motel rooms plus 11 fully self-contained apartments (1 or 2 bedrooms)
- Additional off-site accommodation options available at SA Tourism website <http://www.southaustralia.com/search/booking-search.aspx> or Barossa Visitor Information Centre on 08 8562 0400



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- All meals to be ordered and paid for via registration forms. Saturday & Sunday evening meals will be served to tables, please be seated by 6:00 pm for 6:30 pm service. Unfortunately we will not be able to cater for any special dietary requirements
- Friday Dinner – Hot baked potato with 8 toppings to choose from. \$10pp. Served from 6:30 pm to 8 pm
- Saturday Dinner – Meat meal of meats, served with vegetables, bread roll and condiments. Dessert is an alternate drop of German Apple Strudel with Chantilly Cream or Fresh Fruit Salad and Mango Gelato \$24.00pp
- Sunday Dinner – Alternate drop – Beef lasagne served with chips, salad & bread roll or Chicken Maryland served with mashed potato, salad and gravy. Dessert is an alternate drop of Apple & Rhubarb Crumble with Cinnamon Chantilly Cream or Tart Citrus with Citrus Syrup and Chantilly Cream. \$20pp
- Breakfasts – Full cooked breakfast available Sat/ Sun/ Mon morning 7 am to 9 am. \$12pp
- Tea and coffee available all weekend while Odyssey venue is open

Entertainment

- Friday night – background music
- Saturday night – ‘Fresky’ theme night – Enjoy Rock and Roll band – Rockin On
- Sunday night – Vocalist Linda McCarthy, sings favourites from the ‘50s to the ‘80s
- Entertainment included in registration

Tours

- Sunday Mystery Bus Tour (departing 9:50 am) of the Barossa with full commentary. An opportunity to visit renowned wineries, tour local sights, with time aside to explore Barossa towns and enjoy lunch at local cafes or hotels (lunch at own expense). 25 minimum participants required for bus trip to go ahead (incl \$80). If required booking numbers are not reached, tour will be cancelled and monies refunded.
- Further information on tours available at <http://www.barossa.com/> . Guides to be supplied at registration.

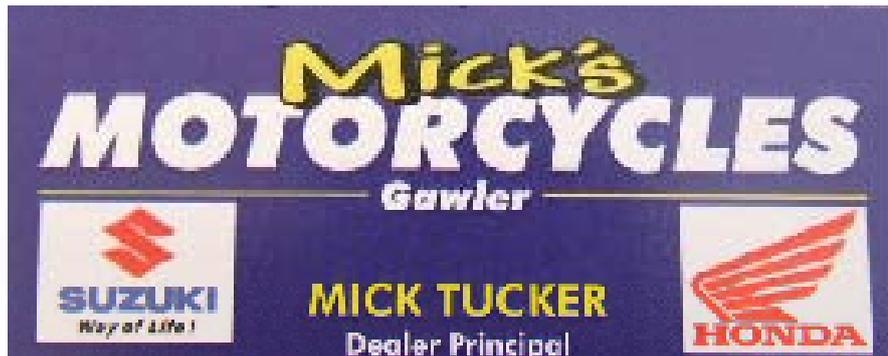
Sunday ride

- Starting from Nuriootpa at 8.00am.
- Travel to The Whispering Wall at Williamstown via the Barossa Valley Way (first stop with sightseeing)
- Through the Mount Crawford Forest to Mount Pleasant (short rest break).
- Over Cooks Hill to Walker Flat.
- Following the river to Swan Reach for lunch and a spectacular view at the Swan Reach Hotel. Deposit of \$10 required to confirm meal booking. Lunch is at own expense.
- Returning to Nuriootpa via Sedan Hill and Angaston, arriving back at 3.00pm.
- The trip includes two ferry crossings.
- Travelling a total of 200 kilometres.
- All bikes to be fuelled before departure.

Grand Parade

- Grand Parade will commence at 11am on Saturday morning, travelling from the Barossa Valley Tourist Park, via Murray St Nuriootpa and the Barossa Valley Way, through Tanunda to Heintzmann Park.

The ongoing support of the following sponsors is gratefully acknowledged by the Tomera Valley Ulysses Branch and the 2013 Odyssey committee

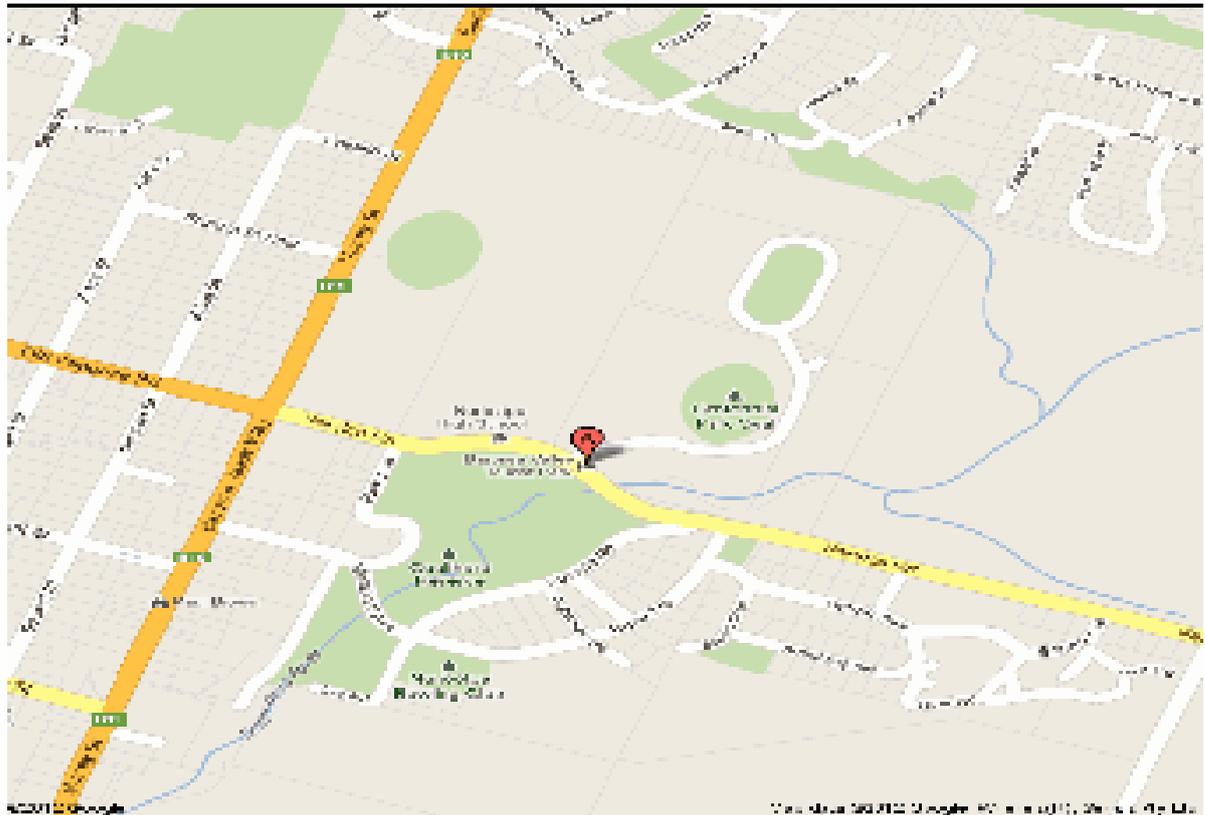


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THIS YEARS PLANNING – if you have any suggestions for this years calendar I need to know ASAP. At the moment we have a couple of long rides scheduled for those who are able to go. I will continue to send out information received from other groups as 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 – last one we went for tea at Port Broughton – great ride in the evening and then back to take over Macca’s for a coffee or icecream. It was a good start to the year.

RIDE CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

MARCH- Ride Leader Ross Greenfield – please read forwarded information sent with this calendar. Anyone interested please contact Ross in the first instance

APRIL

MAY

JUNE

JULY

AUGUST - BLACK DOG RIDE – ride leader – Mick Baldock – please read information

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER - Ulysess Odyssey

NOVEMBER - Vacany

DECEMBER - Vacant

CHRISTMAS SHOW – Christmas show will once again be a “home show” and Phil Paparella has offered to host it for 2013. Watch this space for further information.

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.

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If this does not touch your heart, then you just don’t have one. An incredible story of luck and inspiration! This has to be THE feel-good story of the year!



Can you believe it?

This guy wins \$181 million in the lottery and then finds the love of his life just 2 days later.

In a dark and hazy room, peering into a crystal ball, the Mystic delivered grave news:

“There’s no easy way to tell you this, so I’ll just be blunt. Prepare yourself to be a widow. Your husband will die a violent and horrible death this year.”

Visibly shaken, Laura stared at the woman’s lined face, then at the single flickering candle, then down at her hands.

She took a few deep breaths to compose herself and to stop her mind racing. She simply had to know.

She met the Fortune Teller’s gaze, steadied her voice and asked, “Will I be acquitted?”

For some reason, wives tend to like this joke.....

A Man Called Brian

A man walked out onto the street and caught a taxi just going by.

He got into the taxi and the cabbie said, "Perfect timing. You're just like Brian"

Passenger: "Who?"

Cabbie: "Brian. He's a guy who did everything right all the time. Like my coming along when you needed a cab, things happen like that to Brian, every single time."

Passenger: "There are always a few clouds over everybody."

Cabbie: "Not Brian. He was a terrific athlete. He could have won the Grand Slam at tennis. He could golf with the pros. He sang like an opera baritone and danced like a Broadway star and you should have heard him play the piano. He was an amazing guy."

Passenger: "Sounds like he was something really special."

Cabbie: "There's more. He had a memory like a computer. He remembered everybody's birthday. He knew all about wine, which foods to order and which fork to eat them with. He could fix anything. Not like me. I change a fuse and the whole street blacks out. But Brian, he could do everything right."

Passenger: "Wow. Some guy then."

Cabbie: "He always knew the quickest way to go in traffic and avoid traffic jams. Not like me, I always seem to get stuck in them. But Brian, he never made a mistake, and he really knew how to treat a woman and make her feel good. He would never answer back even if she was in the wrong; and his clothing was always immaculate, shoes highly polished too. He was the perfect man! He never made a mistake. No one could ever measure up to Brian."

Passenger: "An amazing fellow. How did you meet him?"

Cabbie: "Well, I never actually met Brian. He died. I'm married to his ! widow."

SA RV events for 2013

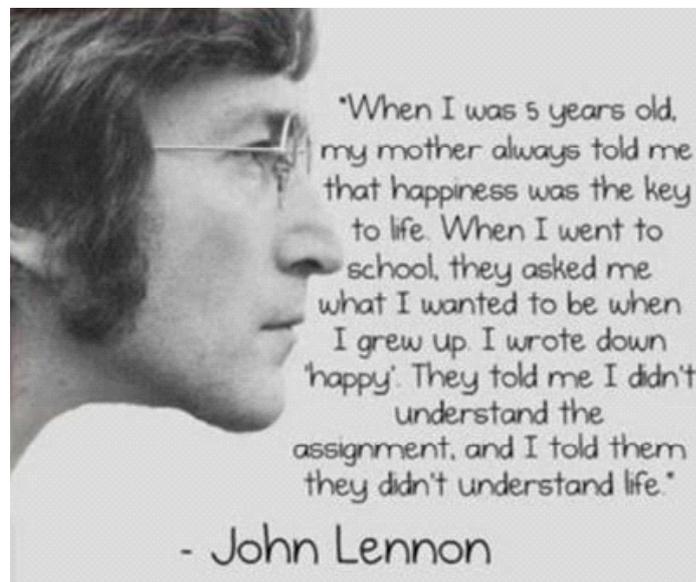
RV events are open to any Ulysses member or partner.

Any type of vehicle can be used to get you there, what is important is that you are there.

Calendar for 2013

March, 16-17	Rapid Bay	Camping Fees
May, 18-19	Yacka Reserve	Camping Fees
July 20-21	Mannum	Camping Fees
September, 14-15	Saunders Gorge Sanctuary	Camping Fees
November 2-3	Potts Reserve Langhorne Creek	Free Christmas Show

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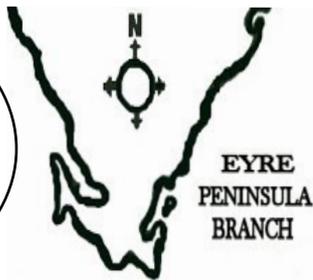
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DATE	RIDE	CONTACT	ADVICE BY	LEAVE	TIME
FEB 10	Lincoln Grove BBQ lunch after ride. Catered \$10.00 per head.	Bill Richter 8682 8212	28th Jan	Town Jetty	10.00 am
FEB 16 &17	Overnight to Streaky Bay	Robert YOUNG 86831254	Just turn up	Coles' Carpark	10AM
FEB 24	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
MAR 3	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
MAR 9-10-11	LONG WEEKEND to PETERBOROUGH.	Murder Mystery \$150.00 pp 2 nights. Includes accommodation, 1 dinner, 2 breakfasts, costume hire.	Shane GRAHAM 86833347 (\$50 deposit payable by 20/2/2013)	North Shields Sat. 9th	8.00 AM
MAR 17	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
MAR 24	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
MAR 31	Easter long weekend Sunday Ride			Town Jetty	10 AM
APR 7	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
APR 11	Thursday departure for Fraser Coast AGM (15th – 21st April.	Bill RICHTER 86828212	ASAP	North Shields 11th April	7.00 AM
APR 14	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
APR 21	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
APR 28	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
MAY 4-5	Ceduna overnigher. (Lunch Port Kenny Pub) Book own accommodation	Bill RICHTER 86828212	28th April	Coles' Carpark Sat 4th	9.00 AM
MAY 12	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
MAY 18-19	Kimba overnigher (Lunch Cowell)	Rob YOUNG 86831254	12th May	North Shields SAT 18	10.AM
MAY 26	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
JUNE 2	Mystery Ride (BYO lunch)	Rob YOUNG 86831254	Just turn up	Town Jetty	10AM
JUNE 8-9-10	June long weekend. Border Incident with Torrens Valley branch at Pinnaroo. Book own accom.	Bill RICHTER 86828212		North Shields	8AM
JUNE 16	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
JUNE 23	Sunday ride			Town Jetty	10AM
JUNE 29-30	Whyalla overnigher. (10 pin bowling) Book own accom.	Herman PRUIS 86822358	16th June	North Shields	10AM



Yorke Peninsula

Sunday Rides

are held monthly. Watch these pages for details and updates or contact Rod Lind on **0418 527 977** for info.

Wednesday Rides

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



Ride Calendar 2013

Date	Departure Time	Event	Destination	Contact
March 9, 10, 11		Long Weekend		
Sunday 17	8.00 am BP Port Wakefield	Undercover Market Lunch	Port Augusta Meet Whyalla Branch	Rodney Lind
April Sunday 14	8.30 am Julian Terrace Gawler	Lunch - BYO, pub or take-away	Meningie	Rodney Lind
May Saturday-Sunday 11/12	Lunch BP Port Wakefield 12.30 pm	Overnighter Clare	Clare Caravan Park	Rodney Lind
June Saturday-Monday 8-10	10.00 am Shell Tailem Bend	Border Incident Torrens Valley	Pinnaroo	Kez Mahony Mark Seja
July Sunday 7	10.00 am BP Port Wakefield	Yorke Peninsula Tour	Yorke Peninsula	James Bartsch 8823 3247
August Saturday 10	10.00 am Caltex Bolivar	Beast Feast Fleurieu Branch	Fleurieu Peninsula	Rodney Lind
September Friday-Monday 30 August-2 September	Friday August 30 11.00 am BP Port Wakefield or Make own way there	7th Annual Yorke Peninsula/Eyre Peninsula Weekend	Coobowie	Rodney Lind
October Friday-Monday 4-7	Make own way there	20th Central Odyssey	Nuriootpa	Lorraine Robinson (All info in this mag)
November Friday-Sunday 1-4	TBA	Meet and Greet Torrens Valley Westgate Wanderers	TBA	TBA
December Sunday 1	10.00 am Julian Terrace Gawler	Mannum - Lunch BYO, pub or take-away	Mannum	Rodney Lind



Y.P.R.G IS 10 YEARS OF AGE

Yorke Peninsula Riding Group History

A situation existed where a lot of Ulysses members residing on Yorke Peninsula were travelling to Adelaide to attend organised events. The reason for this was that it was the only Branch east of Port Augusta and south of the Riverland.

An advert was placed by Bernard Knope & Kerry Cornish in the February 2003 Odyssey advising of an informal meeting to be held at the Ventnor Hotel Port Vincent, to gauge interest in having local rides. The interest shown was very encouraging, and it was decided that a ride would be organised for the first Sunday of each month with Bernard Knope being ride coordinator.

A program for the next four months was agreed too, the rides were diversified in an attempt to have something for everyone. It appears that the rides were fairly well patronised, with riders from Port Pirie, Clare Valley & the Riverland bolstering the local Y.P members.

After the lunch on the July 2003 ride a program for a further seven months was agreed upon. In the December 2003 Odyssey, the first mention of the name Yorke Peninsula Riders Group and the group's flag was mentioned. The Y.P.R.G. patch and unisex polo shirts were introduced in October 2007.

Ride Co-Ordinators Since Inception

Bernard Knope & Kerry Cornish	Feb 2003 to April 2004
James Bartsch & Snayle	April 2004 to October 2005
James Bartsch & Jim Davies	October 2005 To Dec 2006
Jim Davies & Rodney Lind	Dec 2006 to Dec 2007
Rodney Lind	December 2007 to 2013

(Printed in the odyssey, February 2003)

Yorke Peninsula Proposal: Informal Sunday Rides

A number of local members have shown some support for informal Sunday rides on Yorke Peninsula. Nothing elaborate or expensive, jus a regular monthly/bimonthly gathering, similar to the Barossa Mob. We could meet around lunch time somewhere for lunch (deli, hotel, bbq, byo) and have a yarn, then take the long or short way home, or do a tour of the local area. After each ride, we could agree on the location for the next ride, alternating between north and south, making allowances for AGMs, camping weekends and rallies. To gauge interest of members in the Yorke Peninsula and nearby areas, there will be an informal gathering at the Ventnor Hotel, Port Vincent on Sunday, 9th March, at lunch time. Ideas on the format, etc., that these rides would follow can be brought along.

If you are interested, but cannot make this meeting, please ring

**Kerry Cornish on 8821 2662
or Bernard Knope on 8853 7366**



ROB WATTS' MEMORIAL RIDE 2013

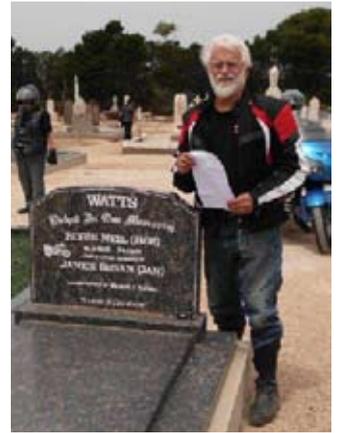
This year the ride was very well supported with members from Y.P.R.G, Whyalla, Torrens Valley, Fleurieu and Adelaide members attending. Guzzi Bob, from Torrens Valley Branch, composed and read a very touching poem at the grave side, which truly epitomised what Rob was: a true and stalwart Ulyssian.

We then all headed off to Wendy and Garry King's place for an afternoon of socialising and a few drinks. Thanks to Wendy and Garry for their hospitality and the nibbles etc. Saturday night's meal was at the Ardrossan Hotel where we had a great and reasonably priced feed from their extensive menu.

Sunday morning was an early 8.00am start; we rode up to Port Pirie and met up with the S.F.R.G for coffee and chat at Macca's. It was good to catch up with them again and we hope to join them on some rides in 2013.

The weather was starting to look a bit ominous as we departed for Port Wakefield travelling via Cattle Track Road. We got as far as Snowtown where we stopped, and those who had wet weather wear quickly donned them. We hurriedly said our good-byes and headed for home in continual rain. Who would expect rain this time of the year? All in all it was a great weekend, thanks to all who supported it.

Rodney Lind



Rob Watts Remembered

A sad part of life is the parting of our ways,
But always, we'll remember the days
When we rode together and had such fun
With Ulysses on ride days in the sun
And sometimes in the wind and rain,
Though we've come back for more again and again.

Rob Watts is riding a road we don't know,
A road that some day we'll each have to go
Beyond all pot-holes, mud, gravel and cars
Though with no speed cameras beyond the stars,
Where aches and pains are a thing of the past
And the rides will be fast and safe at last.

The love of biking is something we've shared,
A joy that can hardly be compared,
Yet most of the public just don't understand
For us, life without bikes would be boring and bland.
Our old mate Rob certainly knew
The joy of riding 'neath the Aussie skies blue.

So today, though we're parted and feeling sad,
It's comforting knowing we can also feed glad
We spent time together, riding as friends,
As true blue Ulyssians to the end.
Though Rob Watts has sadly parted and gone,
In our hearts with us, he will always ride on.
Guzzi Bob

Ulysses Club Inc. Whyalla & Districts Branch

Meet and Greet

top shopz deli on McDouall Stuart ave, [Next to Harris scarfes]. At 9:30am on the first and third Sunday of the month starting Sunday 22nd January.

Ride Co-ordinators

Di Lehman - phone **0409 675 829**

Graham Gill - phone **0412 059 564**

Visit by members of the Ulysses Club Inc St George Sutherland Branch

On November the 27th, the Whyalla & Districts Branch hosted a group of 14 riders from the St George Sutherland Branch. They were in the midst of their annual 'Long Thursday Ride'. The goal was for a nine day ride from Sydney through Broken Hill, down to Wallaroo, across the Gulf on the ferry, then to Whyalla for a two day break. Following the break, they were going back to Sydney via Renmark, Hay, West Wyalong and Cowra.

Tuesday

On their arrival Tuesday afternoon, we met the intrepid group at the southern entrance to Whyalla. There were four of us to welcome them and distribute information packs to each rider. These were kindly arranged by our tourist information centre. Bruce then escorted each rider to their accommodation.

That evening, the 086 Group put on an excellent BBQ evening tea at The Shed, and we made our cars available to taxi our visitors to and from the shed, so that they could enjoy some drinks. It was a very successful, social night enjoyed by all the visitors.

Wednesday

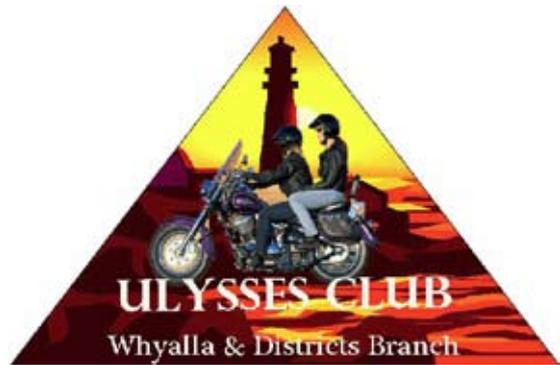
Wednesday was a rest day with our visitors doing some washing, shopping, having a look around the town and the Point Lowly area, and generally having a rest. Wednesday night, we again provided a 'taxi service' to the Sundowner Hotel for a combined Ulysses Club dinner. After an excellent meal, our visitors were keen to have an early night, as they planned for an early start in the morning for their ride to Renmark. The estimated temperature was to be around 45°, but, in actual fact, turned out to be 47° (too hot for me).

What a great bunch of people they were; a lot of friendships were formed and it is intended that we will catch up again at the AGM in Maryborough.

Gilly

Excerpt from 'The Disgraceful Rider', newsletter of the St George Sutherland Branch

Prior to the journey, Garry had contacted the Whyalla Branch of Ulysses. Who was to know that they would be such wonderful hosts? We had two fabulous nights in Whyalla with these incredibly generous Ulyssians who cooked a BBQ dinner one night and met with us at a local pub another night. If you are ever in Whyalla, a call to the local branch is a must. We have invited them to visit us here at the St George Sutherland Branch and truly hope they will take up our offer. If not, we hope to see them in Maryborough at next year's AGM.



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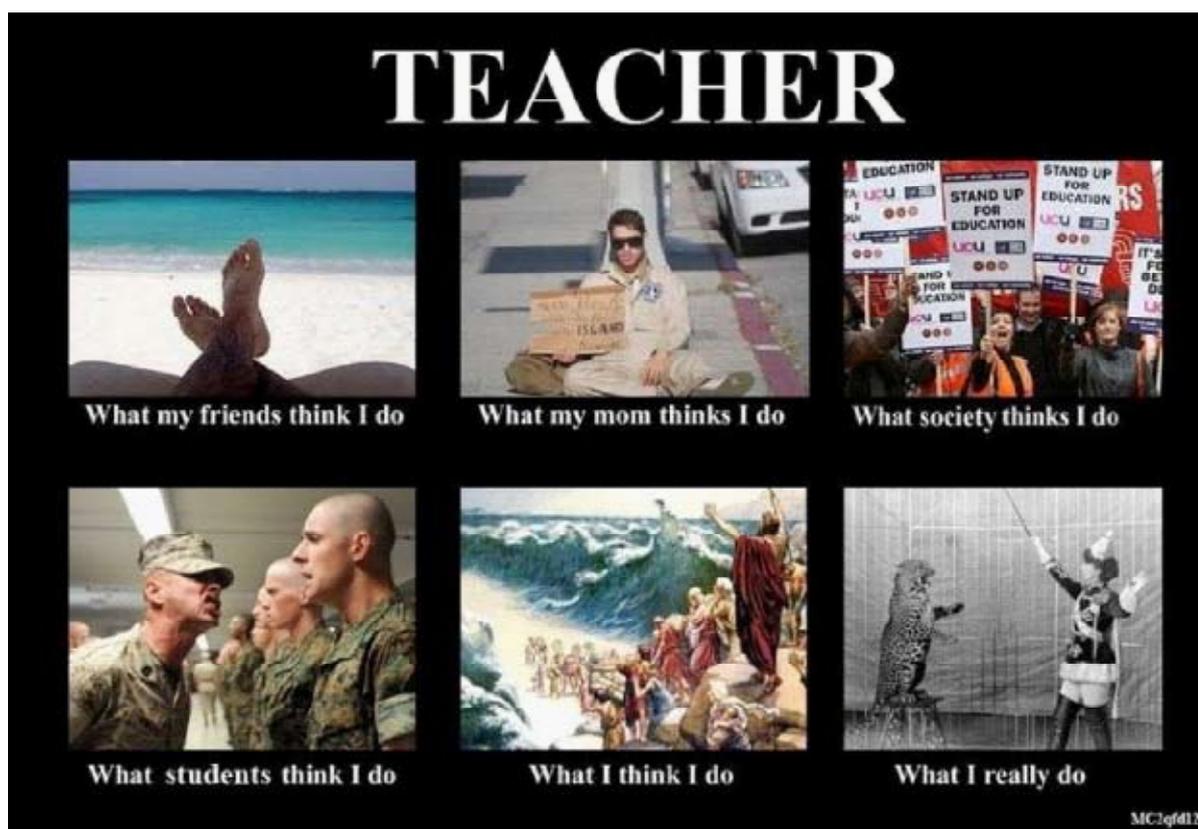
February 21-24 Round East Cape Tour
March 2-15 Grand Panoramic NZ Tour



Whyalla & Districts Branch Ride Calendar 2013

Date	Departure Time	Event	Destination	Contact
February				
Saturday, 16	9.30 am	Port Neill-Lunch	Port Neill	Moo/Gilly
March				
Long Weekend 9, 10, 11	10.00 am	Cleve Weir Camping	Cleve Weir	Moo/Gilly
Sunday, 17	9.00 am	Port Augusta Undercover Market - lunch	Port Augusta	Moo/Gilly
Sunday, 31 Easter Sunday	10.00 am	Cowell - lunch	Cowell	Moo/Gilly
April				
Saturday, 6	9.00 am	Steam & Traction Rally	Booleroo	Moo/Gilly
15-21	TBA	AGM Fraser Coasts	Queensland	Moo/Gilly
May				
TBA	TBA	Roaming Swagman Rally		Moo/Gilly
Sunday, 19	9.30 am	Melrose Loop	Melrose	Moo/Gilly
Saturday, 25	TBA	AGM - Whyalla & Districts Branch	Whyalla	Gilly
June				
Queen's Birthday Saturday-Monday 8, 9, 10	9.00 am	Hawker Overnighter	Hawker	Moo/Gilly
Saturday-Sunday 22-23	9.00 am	Peterborough Roundhouse - lunch (Possible overnighter, TBA)	Peterborough	Moo/Gilly

Contact Details: Ride Co-ordinators - Moo 0409675829 Gilly 0412059564



MRA RALLIES FOR 2013

Date	Event	Contact	Destination
Jan 25-28	Narrung Run	Andrew 0418 803 293	Narrung
Feb 2-3	Sedan Rally (Redback Tourers)	Ivan 0403 210 925	Sedan
Feb 8-10	Redback Rally	redbackrally.com	Charlton (Vic)
March 9-11	Rivergum	Les 0411 616 232 Grot 0412 602 272	
March 24	Black Dog Ride	Mick 0434 256 848 mb_mick@hotmail.com	Mannum
Apr 13-14	RAC Coonalpyn Pub Run	Andy 0411 212 076	Coonalpyn
Apr 20-21	SA Tourers	Ray 0400 202 994	TBA
May 4-5	Roaming Swagman	Lefty 0412 767 945	Burra Creek Gorge
May 18-19	MRA Great Escape Rally (back to basics)	Harald 0421 289 714 Peter 0414 399 000	Marrabel
May 25-26	Wunkar Pub	Grot 0412 602 272 Grot 0412 602 272	
June 8-10	Wintersun	John (03) 5023 7218	Mildura
July 5-7	Up The Creek	Marie 0417 113 675 Greg (03) 5385 2846	Jung (near Horsham)
July TBA	Radiata Rally	Andrew 0427 249 779 Frank (08)8765 1030	South End
Aug 9-11	Flat Earth (back to basics)	Feral (08) 8568 2503	Sedan
Aug 17-18	Wombat Warnertown (back to basics)	Lefty 0412 767 945	Warnertown
Aug 23-25	Peregrine Rally	Chris 0402 428 468 chrismcale@gmail.com	Jabuk
Sept 6-8	Ghost Town	Chickenman 0419 983 193	TBA
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
Oct 19-20	Lake Bonney (Redback Tourers)	Shaz 0428 878 113	Lake Bonney
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
	Marrabel		
Nov 2-3	Caltowie Pub Run	Phil (pub) 8665 5003 Rabbit 0408 082 257	Caltowie
Nov 8-10	Fish Holes	Phil 0412 838 765	Portland (Vic)

OLD people have problems that you haven't even considered yet!

An 85-year-old man was requested by his Doctor for a sperm count as part of his physical exam.

The doctor gave the man a jar and said, 'Take this jar home and bring back a semen sample tomorrow.'

The next day the 85-year-old man reappeared at the doctor's office and gave him the jar, which was as clean and empty as on the previous day.

The doctor asked what happened and the man explained, 'Well, doc, it's like this -- first I tried with my right hand, but nothing. Then I tried with my left hand, but still nothing.'

'Then I asked my wife for help. She tried with her right hand, then with her left, still nothing. She tried with her mouth, first with the teeth in, then with her teeth out - still nothing.'

'We even called up Arleen, the lady next door and she tried too, first with both hands, then an armpit, and she even tried squeezin' it between her knees, but still nothing.'

The doctor was shocked! 'You asked your neighbour?'

The old man replied, 'Yep, none of us could get the jar open.'



Wallaroo Ferry Weekend

It all started on Saturday morning, 27th October, 2012, with 10 bikes (2 Whyalla visitors riding as far as Pt Augusta with us then venturing on their own way) ready to leave Radio Rentals car park at 10am. We were all geared up, bike motors roaring ready to leave when the Ride Leader's bike wouldn't start.....good one Bruce! After about half an hour of waiting around, we sent the guys on their merry way, and about 11am we finally got the bike to start with jumper leads, and buying a new battery which we haven't needed to use YET!!!!

We were finally on our way to meet the guys in Pt Augusta, arriving in VERY good time (I will leave that bit of info to your own imagination). We were soon on the road again heading to the Tin Man for lunch and fuel. After spending about an hour there, we continued our journey with another stop-over at Pt Broughton, where we had another big break which was full of chatter, jokes, sore ribs from laughing and just sitting or standing around in the quite nippy wind, etc., etc.

We eventually left Pt Broughton and headed to Wallaroo for the night. On arriving in Wallaroo about 4.30pm, we met up with another member from Pt Augusta and another visitor from Adelaide who joined us. We all booked into our rooms which were quite nice and some of the guys headed to the bar to have a few drinks while others opted to sit out on the lawn area near our rooms to have a cuppa and continue the chatter, etc., for a couple of hours.

Round 6pm we headed to the dining room to have dinner and the meals were enjoyed by all (as I never heard one complaint at all about the meals). Even the Malteser cheesecake was huge and YUMMY along with all the other deserts I saw.

After the meal was over and we all had a belly full, we ventured out to the lawn area again for a few more drinks/cuppas where there was a lot more jokes, stories and sore ribs from laughter happening..... which is what we do to end a perfectly fantastic day.

After awhile, we decided it was time to hit the hay so with one of our new members tucking in her Suzie V with her sarong (not mentioning any names SILVIA), we headed to bed.

Sunday morning, we headed to breakfast between 8-9am then hang around the motel till 10am with a couple of hours to spare before boarding the Ferry. Around 10am, 3 bikes, including our member from Pt Augusta, left the motel, as they were riding home instead of going on the ferry.

Before our departure, one of our members decided to break the key off in a pannier..... NO that doesn't help in closing it, another decided to see if he could take off on his bike with the disc lock still on.....NO that doesn't work, and another decided to take off on his bike with his stand plate dragging behind.....NO that doesn't work either.

After all that, the rest of us headed to Ferry departure terminal.... incident free.

Round 11.30am, we boarded the ferry and began the relaxing trip to Lucky Bay where we were met by two of our Whyalla

members, Bernie and Eddie, and sadly said our 'see yas' to Shane and Liz from Pt Lincoln, who had ridden to Whyalla on the Friday night to join us for the week-end in Wallaroo. It was really great to see and spend some time with you guys..... THANKS Shane 'n' Liz.

WHAT A FANTASTIC WEEK-END!

Thank you to everyone who came to make it such an enjoyable time

**Happy riding everyone
Moo**



Silvia Friedrich (left) a new member that had just joined us and bought a new bike (Suzuki 650 VStrom). Gloria (Gill) (right) has known her for about 25 years. She comes from a family with a long motorcycling history although she is the first not to own a BMW.

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Paddy and Murphy are on incapacity benefit claiming to be deaf. They are sent for a check up, Paddy says, 'Crafty bastards caught me out, told me to close the door and I did.'

Murphy says, 'Sure they tried the same trick with me, but I was too smart for that. I told them to close the f#@\$ing door themselves !!'

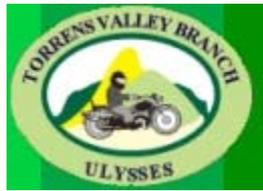
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We meet at Dundee's Hotel, Murray Bridge on the 2nd Tuesday of the month; Dinner @ 6.30, Meeting 8 pm. Everybody most welcome.



We have coffee every Saturday morning @ 10am in Strathalbyn, at Jack's Cafe in High Street
Rides every 2nd Sunday, with a Wednesday ride monthly. Phone for details.

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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.

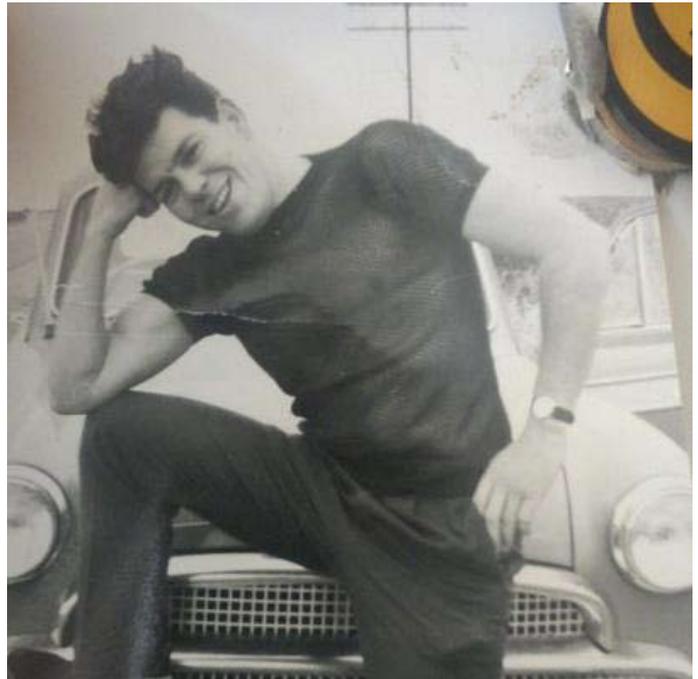
Check our ride calendar on the website as some rides may depart earlier.

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Our Web is now updated regularly, with Ride Calendar, Ride Reports & Photos.

Hotties from the Past
Can you guess who they are? No peeking, but the answers are on the last page.



Prince Harry?

Fire & Rescue NSW and WorkCover issue gas cylinder safety alert

10th October 2012

WorkCover NSW and Fire & Rescue NSW (FRNSW) today issued a warning to the NSW community to be careful when firing up the barbecue and filling their LPG cylinders this summer.

The warning follows two recent fires at Sydney service stations involving LPG cylinders as well as a series of LPG and barbecue fires caused largely by the wear and tear of gas hoses and burners.

General Manager of WorkCover's Work Health and Safety Division, John Watson, said the service station fires at Newtown and Hoxton Park were the result of unsafe practices when decanting LPG into smaller cylinders, such as those used in barbecues.

"Working with LPG cylinders can be dangerous due to the risk of fire and explosion when cylinders are over-filled or potential ignition sources, such as static electricity, are not controlled," Mr Watson said.

"LPG cylinders should be "earthed" while being filled, by placing them on the ground to limit the risk of static electricity build from the flow of gas. They should also never be left unattended while being filled as this can lead to overfilling and gas escaping.

"In the five years to June 2011, there have been 782 claims for incidents involving gas cylinders.

"Although no-one was injured in these incidents, significant damage was caused to both properties and a serious threat was posed to workers, members of the public, and surrounding residential and commercial properties."

"There are a number of risks that businesses need to address when decanting LPG into cylinders, such as not using cylinders that are damaged or corroded, not using cylinders with damaged attachments or leaking hoses, and decanting a safe distance from fuel dispensers, flammable materials, tanks containing dangerous goods, public places, and building entries and exits."

FRNSW Commissioner Greg Mullins said since 1 June, firefighters had responded to 64 barbecue fires and 67 leaking or damaged LPG cylinders and hoses, the majority of which were BBQ cylinders.

"When a cylinder leaks, especially on balconies, the gas pools until something ignites it like a cigarette or an electrical spark," Commissioner Mullins said.

"We saw this recently on 29 August where the resulting explosion and fire caused extensive damage and nearly claimed the life of the family who lived in the unit. The barbecue hadn't been used for several months and the cylinder had not been turned off. When the air conditioner kicked in, the gas ignited.

"By following some simple precautions you can protect yourself and keep other people, properties and bushland safe when firing up the barbecue.

"With the warmer months coming on, check your LPG cylinders and the hoses and if they look old or perished, have them checked by a specialist at your local BBQ, camping or caravan store. For less than \$50 you can buy a new hose and regulator and the experts there will ensure your fittings and cylinders are in good order

"Always make sure your cylinder is connected properly before igniting the BBQ. Don't use LPG cylinders or barbecue indoors and make sure the LPG cylinder valve is turned off when not in use.

"If your BBQ or LPG cylinder does catch fire, call Triple Zero (000) immediately and ensure everyone gets away and stays away from the fire until firefighters have attended and rendered it safe."

FRNSW's barbecue safety tips include:

- Service and maintain your barbecue correctly - check cylinders for rust or damage and make sure connections are clear and fit properly before lighting.
- Never use an LPG cylinder indoors or in a confined space.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions and use the correct start up and shut down procedures.
- After use, make sure the gas is turned off at the cylinder.
- Never put flammable liquid on to a barbecue.
- Keep children away from the barbecue and store lighters and matches in a secure place.
- If a gas leak occurs, and it is safe to do so, shut off the cylinder immediately and allow any gas to disperse.
- After use, make sure the gas is turned off at the cylinder.
- Get out and call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency - and stay out.

WorkCover has published a safety alert for the decanting of LPG cylinders. Businesses and workers seeking further information on LPG cylinder safety should visit <http://www.workcover.nsw.gov.au/> or call 13 10 50.

For more barbecue fire safety tips visit <https://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=716>

AGAIN:

"If your BBQ or LPG cylinder does catch fire, call Triple Zero (000) immediately and ensure EVERYONE gets away and stays away from the fire until firefighters have attended and rendered it safe."

Ed: Timely advice for the future! I'm sure some valuable lessons were learnt at the last Toy Run Breakfast.

AUSTRALIA, YOU LITTLE BEAUTY !

**Want some good news to start 2013?
Then read on.**

There are 195 countries in the world, and there are many ways to measure the relative well-being of their citizens. Below are some facts that measure how we compare to the other nations:

- Human Development Index. Australia is 2nd in the world on the Human Development Index. (The HDI measures life expectancy, literacy, education, quality of life and standard of living.)
- Per capita Income. Australia has the 5th highest per capita income in the world. (USA = 11th)
- Economy - Size Matters. Australia has the 12th largest economy in the world.
- Legatum Prosperity Index. Australia is 4th in the world on the LPI. The USA is 12th (The Legatum Prosperity Index is an annual ranking of 142 countries based on a variety of factors including wealth, economic growth, personal well-being, and quality of life.)
- Income Inequality. Australia is 25th in the world on the Gini Co-efficient (which measures income inequality). In other words, there is not a big gap between the 'haves' and the 'have-nots' in Australia.
- Economic Growth. The Australian economy has grown at an average annual rate of 3.6 per cent over the last 15 years, in comparison to the OECD annual average of 2.5 per cent.
- Economic Recession. Australia was the only advanced economy not to experience a recession due to the global financial crisis in 2008–2009.
- Big Mac Index. Sydney is 4th in the world on the Big Mac Index. Tokyo is number 1. (In Tokyo it takes 11 minutes to earn enough money to buy a Big Mac, while in Sydney it takes 14 minutes.)
- Life Expectancy. Australia has the fourth highest life expectancy in the world after Iceland, Japan and Hong Kong.
- Most Liveable Cities. Four out of the 10 most liveable cities in the world are Australian. Melbourne is number 1, Adelaide number 5, Sydney number 7 and Perth number 9. Yes

boys and girls, little old Adelaide is the 5th most liveable city in the world. (Economist Intelligence Unit)

- Population Density. At 2.8 inhabitants per square kilometre, Australia has one of the lowest population densities in the world. Spread your wings, ride and be free.
- Religiosity. Australia is one of the least religious nations in the western world, coming in 17th out of 21 countries surveyed. (Bertelsmann Foundation International Survey). Good or bad, make up your own mind.
- Literacy Rate. Australia has a literacy rate of 99% - as good as it gets. (The 1 % are mostly members of Ulysses – You guessed, I just made that up.)
- Student Assessment. Australia is in the top five of the 30 OECD countries tested. (The Programmed for International Student Assessment.)
- Qualifications. Approximately 58 per cent of Australians aged from 25 to 64 have vocational or tertiary qualifications. Some have both.
- Tertiary Graduation Rates. The Australian tertiary graduation rate of 49 per cent is the highest among OECD countries.
- International Students. The ratio of international to local students in tertiary education in Australia is the highest in the OECD countries. Tertiary education is Australia's 3rd largest export.
- Freedom Reigns? According to Freedom House, 45% of the nations in the world are free. The other 55% are unfree in one way or other, to a greater or less extent. Australia is one of the fortunate 45%.

No country is perfect, and certainly not Australia. However, put rather frankly, people who whine about the ways things are in Australia bog me to the back axle. Some people need to get more perspective. That, of course, is what the preceding statistics are about – to put some perspective on how good we've got it.

Abraham Lincoln once said, people are about as happy as they make up their minds to be. Be Happy Australia, and have a great 2013.

John Crowe

Michele's Roast Pumpkin & Spinach Salad

baby spinach leaves
 butternut pumpkin, cubed
 sunflower seeds or toasted sesame seeds or both
 balsamic vinegar
 olive oil

Roast pumpkin cubes in hot oven.
 Cool.
 Place spinach leaves in salad bowl.
 Add pumpkin.
 Sprinkle with balsamic vinegar & olive oil.
 Add seeds at last minute so they are crunchy.

The teacher gave her fifth grade class an assignment:
 Get their parents to tell them a story with a moral at the end
 of it.

The next day, the kids came back and, one by one, began
 to tell their stories. There were all the regular types of stuff:
 spilled milk and pennies saved.

But then the teacher realized, much to her dismay, that only
 Janie was left.

"Janie, do you have a story to share?"

"Yes ma'am. My daddy told me a story about my mummy.

'She was a Marine pilot in Desert Storm, and her plane got
 hit. She had to bail out over enemy territory, and all she had
 was a flask of whiskey, a pistol and a survival knife.

'She drank the whiskey on the way down so the bottle
 wouldn't break, and then her parachute landed her right in
 the middle of 20 Iraqi troops.

'She shot 15 of them with the pistol, until she ran out of
 bullets, killed four more with the knife, 'til the blade broke,
 and then she killed the last Iraqi with her bare hands.'

'Good Heavens!' said the horrified teacher. 'What did your
 daddy tell you was the moral to this horrible story?'

'Don't f#@k with mummy when she's been on the piss.'

A man goes to a shrink and says, "Doctor, my wife is
 unfaithful to me. Every evening, she goes to Larry's bar and
 picks up men. In fact, she sleeps with anybody who asks
 her! I'm going crazy. What do you think I should do?"

"Relax," says the Doctor, "take a deep breath and calm
 down. Now, tell me, exactly where is Larry's bar?"

John was on his deathbed and gasped pitifully, "Give me
 one last request, dear," he said.

"Of course, John," his wife said softly.

"Six months after I die," he said, "I want you to marry
 Bob.."

"But I thought you hated Bob," she said.

With his last breath John said, "I do!"

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 which one is which)**

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