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## Torrens Valley

### Branch

### Meetings

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## Torrens Valley Ulysses - President Report



President - Torrens Valley Ulysses Branch

Terry 'Sparky' Mader - #39025

Hello fellow Ulyssians, winter is upon us and for the most of us would rather hibernate in our warm and cozy homes. But the wheels must keep on turning.

The committee continue to work hard on getting new members and organising events for all members which includes rides, dinners and up and coming events.

The two ladies Tracy Nash and Peta Tedmansons continue to do a great job on the Dinners, the last one at The Rezz Hotel was another success, I regrettably couldn't attend but from all accounts was a good meal and everybody enjoyed themselves. The next one will be at the Blue Gums Hotel, Friday 21st of August.

Paul Dennes is working on the Meet and greet with the Westgate Wanderers, which is the 1st - 4th of November at Mount Gambier, all staying at the Pine Country Caravan Park - 2 Kilsby road, Moorak. Also working with the Limestone Coast for a dinner and Ken to combine with the Breakfast Club, again looking like a great weekend away with our friends.

Neville Gray, what can I say? He is devoting a lot of time to our 2019 Copper Coast 26th SA Odyssey and again Ken from the Adelaide branch is setting up the registration for the event. Michael Morgan setting up the links and info on our website. Also like to thank Ian Stone who is running the Saturday ride for the Odyssey and Guzzi Bob for the Sunday ride/parade. Chis Stone, Sue Nichole and Marilyn Braunsthal are busy creating the table settings and decorations and Sue Freene is organizing the Op shop tour. All is coming together quiet nicely. There will be more about this in the magazine.

Lester Laurner will be back to have more bikes on the floor for Bike Talk, thanks to Nev for bringing in his Bridgestone at the last meeting, a ripper of a machine with a great background story.

Bob Braunsthal, still soldiers on with the Wednesday and Sunday rides including the new Classic ride which seems to be a popular event. Many thanks to Marilyn and her helpers for putting on a soup lunch after the first Classic ride, magnificent food with great company.

I think we all agree that Cathy is doing a fantastic job on our new look magazine even if the President gets the report to her at the last minute. Thanks to our members that took the time to write reports and stories about themselves or the events of the past couple of months, well done to all.

There is a lot more to talk about with Yvonne and Terry as secretary, Marilyn keeping the our books in order, Brian Cook and Lester always on hand for help and providing great ideas, more about those committee members in the next addition. In closing, Thanks to all my committee members for all their great work and support.

To our fellow Ulyssians keep enjoying life and remember when you were little you could just rip off all your clothes and run around naked. Everybody thought it was cute and funny THEN.

# Torrens Valley Social Dinner 21st June 2019

## Rezz Hotel - Newton



## 25 years an Ulyssian - Pam Gray

Neville joined the Ulysses Club a couple of years before me in 1991 and came home after a meeting at the Earl of Leicester Hotel and said 'you ought to join'. My quick retort was 'I am not going to any blokes meeting' and he said 'there are lady riders and partners of riders who attend. When I started to attend rides and weekends away, I started to believe him.



Back in the early 90's, the Club was growing at a rapid rate and the Adelaide Branch had to find a bigger venue, then moved to the Terminus Club where I went to my first meeting. There were approximately 150 people, about 15% women. Neville in his inimitable style decided to buy me a membership and I should be happy as it was gift and I would be doing what he enjoys.

At this point, it may be of interest to know that my first birthday gift from Neville was a helmet. I quickly learnt in the social hierarchy of his life that No.1 bikes, No.2 Ulysses and No.3 was me. Having ridden pillion for a while he announced one day that I was up for the cost of a new back tyre. 'Why is that so' I replied'. His answer was 'you sit on the back tyre'.

While at the Terminus Club, we both worked in Merchandising and back then, sales were very brisk at the monthly meetings. I guess this was due to the fact that you couldn't buy on-line.

I used to enjoy the weekends away which there were many and by attending I have probably done things I may never have done otherwise. For example the Broken Hill Mine tour, Smelters tour in Port Pirie, tour of the Port Augusta Power Station, Blast Furnace tour at Whyalla, Leigh Creek Mine tour and boat tour on Port Lincoln Harbour, chartered by the then Mayor. Also the Glenelg River Cruise at Nelson and a memorable stay in Parachilna due to a dust storm. Who would not forget the tour of the Golden North Factory at Laura with the free Giant Twins.

I also enjoyed the breakfast runs because you would be home by late morning and you could make other plans for the rest of the day. Memorable breakfast runs were Balaklava, Cambrai, Williamstown, Two Wells, Mannum and one to the Owen Hotel where 96 members showed up to completely overwhelm the staff.

The biggest Sunday ride I attended was to the Port Broughton Hotel where there were 120 bikes in a huge convoy. Neville started an Annual Rellies Ride, one which attracted 180 members to Victor Harbor with full Club catering.

I have attended 20 AGM Events, 10 of them on the bike, some being more memorable than others. On our trip home from Bunbury in 1998, we endured 3 days of 40+ degrees across the Nullarbor. One memorable AGM highlight was the 2002 Event in Mount Gambier where on the Sunday we participated in a huge ride from the Mount to Portland Victoria – the community support was amazing! The very best Saturday night dinner was at Sea World in 2001 while at the Gold Coast AGM.

Neville served on Natcom for 10 years and I got to know the intricate workings of the Club and attended many interstate venues (at my own expense of course.) The wives were the caterers.

## 25 years an Ulyssian - Pam Gray continued...

The Adelaide Branch meeting venue was forced to again move on in the late 90's and we were accommodated at the West Adelaide Football Club for many years where we regularly saw up to 350 attend. In 2004 it was deemed necessary to form another Branch north of the city as the Fleurieu Branch was already well established. Neville and I, with other interested members, visited several prospective venues and settled on the Parafield Gardens Community Club which is still our home. The inaugural meeting of the Torrens Valley Branch was held at the Somerset Hotel with 250+ members attending.

I put my hand up for a Committee position and conducted the raffle for 5 years and organised the social dinners. I enjoyed spending other people's money and nowadays, I just sell the tickets and enjoy the social aspect.

In the past 25 years I have met a lot of people and formed many new friendships along the way. I hope the Ulysses Club will continue to prosper for many years to come.

Pam Gray #6624



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## May Meeting



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Nick Oliver  
receiving his  
20 Year  
Service Badge



Sparky's Corner  
with  
John Kappe  
(Broken Hill)



Lester Launer  
receiving his  
70th Birthday  
Badge



Lorraine Robinson  
receiving her  
70th Birthday  
Badge



The Old and the New...  
Darren Tedmanson spoke about his Ducati  
450 Single Silver Shotgun Mark 3 1972 and  
Tracy Nash spoke about her new Ducati 803  
2019 Full Throttle Scrambler



## June Meeting



Steve Slee receiving his  
70th Birthday Badge



Neville Gray spoke about his 350cc  
Bridgestone/2Stroke Twin Street Scrambler  
1971

Rotary Disc Valves, one of 2 Bridgestones  
registered in SA. This one is extremely rare,  
only a handful remaining in the World.







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# Pelican Plaza Classic Run - Marilyn and Bob's Soup Run



## THAT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT!!

Whilst doing a "Winter" check-over on our GL1800 last weekend, I was reminded of a possible catastrophic event that could easily be noted as a "near miss". My beloved wife Cathy and I were returning from the Wodonga Rally 2015 with my brother-in-law Dave and his lovely wife Robyn. The trip there and the event itself was great, we have all good memories from it. Returning however, threw a little "curve-ball" at the Mallee Hwy/Murray Valley Hwy turnoff near Piangil, almost bang-on half way back to Willaston.

We had pulled up for a short stop to have a stretch and a bite to eat, then we were off again. As we sauntered off at a leisurely pace my blessed Wing felt strange at low speed. It felt like small, slow wobbles. THAT DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT!! I thought to myself. I slowed to walking pace and slowly went up through the gears again, twice more. Mmmm.... such a strange sensation!! I couldn't pin-point what or where it was coming from but each time I reached 40kph-ish everything smoothed out, returning to the "silky smooth" ride that only the "King" of Touring bikes can provide, putting the strangeness down to the minor undulations in the road.

On we went enjoying the scenery, open road freedom and the joyousness that only Motorbikes could deliver. 200km later as we slowed, coming into Murrayville, to my intrigue there again came this strange wobble at low speed. This was to be another short rest break so whilst the others found shade, I once again put my mechanical know-how to the test. The front wheel seemed to give the most indication of "wobble" so where better to start my checks. Up on the centre stand we go and an inspection revealed nothing. Ship-shape. Good tread, no stones, splits or anything untoward to show me. Ok, lets have a squiz at the rear. Nothing as I rotate the rear slowly.

Close inspection mandatory due to the fact my "Queen" was pillion. Safety, paramount to say the least. Slowly over the circumference of the tyre I go. Nothing. Nothing. Nothin.....WAIT!! What the.....??

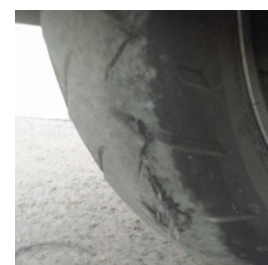
A flap of tread dropped down as I rotated said wheel, approx.. 4inches by 2inches still attached. My heart skipped a beat. Horrible thoughts of coming around some of those bends at 110kph. Bike and trailer weighing in at 650kg easily, passing Road-trains and B-doubles heading in the opposite direction with "CANVAS" showing. The horrors that could have happened at the apex of a bend.....Faaarkkk!!!

Well... that was it. No further for us. RAA can show us how good their Premium service is. Arrangements made. An RAA mechanic was dispatched and in-tow was a trailer that he expertly secured our Wing and took us to Pinnaroo, as far as he could go due to hours worked that day. RAA asked did we want transport to the nearest repairer and therefore over-night in a hotel or home? HOME please.....so after spending 4hrs at the Pinnaroo Roadhouse a flat-top arrived and again the representative secured with care our precious Tourer and trailer.

We arrived home safely but tired. We off-loaded the bike and were glad to be home, albeit in the wee hours of the morning. RAA could not have provided a better service and we were sure to let them know. The moral to my little story is "If it doesn't feel right.....it probably ain't". Definitely a testament to Bridgestone's 404. Over 200km with a delaminating tread.....Sheesh!!! Stay up-right my friends.

Terry McGuirk

#45090.



## Nothing Says "Old Dude" Like Getting a Motorcycle

### Author - Frank T. McAndrew Ph.D.

Summer is upon us once again, the windows of my house are open, and I am spending more time sitting on my front porch. One of the annual rites of passage associated with this mostly welcome reconnection with the out-of-doors is re-acclimating myself to the sound of motorcycles thundering up and down the streets of my small city.

There must have been a time when motorcycles conjured up all of the usual associations for me: the romance of the open road, freedom, rebelliousness & coolness, manliness, adventure, and sexiness. In fact, I rode bikes a bit when I was young because my brother owned one, as did several of my grad school friends. Now, I just find them to be really irritating. I must be getting old.

I put my fingers in my ears and curse the idiots who are disturbing the peace as I fantasize about exactly how I will bushwhack the next one who dares to come down my street. This all got me to wondering who these people are.

Quick, focus your mind's eye and tell me what pops into your head as you think about the images you have of motorcycle riders from the movies. I'll bet you see sexy, tough, no-nonsense guys like we all want to be but only me and a few other guys actually are. Steve McQueen jumping the fence as he runs from the Nazis in *The Great Escape*; Marlon Brando winning over the girl in *The Wild One*; Peter O'Toole speeding to his death in *Lawrence of Arabia*; Sly Stallone and Henry Winkler being so cool in *Lords of the Flatbush*, and everyone being so cool in *Easy Rider*. The list could go on from there.

Now, poke out your mind's eye as you contemplate the reality. Have you actually looked at these guys? And I do mean guys because almost all of them are men. Old men. Old fat men. Old fat white men. Old fat bald white men with pony tails flapping in the breeze like plastic grocery bags in a dead tree. I am not the first one to notice this, of course. Bill Saporito, in an article in *Time Magazine* in June of 2014, wrote "It's bike night at the Harley-Davidson Museum near downtown Milwaukee . . . bike night in Milwaukee sure looks like Old White Guy's Night."

People used to avoid biker bars out of fear of being beaten to death by hot-tempered young toughs; they now avoid them out of fear of being bored to death by long-winded old geezers.

What is it with old dudes and motorcycles? Is it a last defiant statement that the real man hiding inside looks more like Steve McQueen in *The Great Escape* than Kevin James in *Paul Blart: Mall Cop*? Or is it the simple joy of having something powerful throbbing between your legs once again?

Undoubtedly, many middle-aged men will respond that it was not until later in life that they accumulated enough disposable income to be able to afford a motorcycle. Fair enough. But the interesting question is why, after years of struggle to reach a certain level of financial stability, does one choose to spend money on a motorcycle rather than on something else?

## Nothing Says "Old Dude" Like Getting a Motorcycle continued...

Author - Frank T. McAndrew Ph.D.

It is a marketing truism that people buy products to prop up self-images that are something of a stretch, and that we use consumer goods to project to the world the kind of person we want to believe we are. This is as true for motorcycles as for anything else, and marketers are well aware of this. A 2010 market study by J. D. Power & Associates discovered that the average motorcyclist in the United States is a man who is about 50 years old, and Forbes Magazine confirms that the "sweet spot" for motorcycle buyers is the mid-40s to the early 50s. In fact, one of the leading suppliers of motorcycle parts is the aptly named Old Dude Vintage Parts & Service.

The problem is especially acute for Harley Davidson, as the 109 year-old company has a customer base that is almost as old as it is. It may just be an urban legend that Harley handlebars are now designed to comfortably support a beer belly during a ride, but I sure do like the sound of it.

Do a "Google Image" search of motorcycle ads and you will find nothing but slick pictures of sexy young women and handsome, fit young men to fuel the fantasies of middle-aged men that they still inhabit that world (as if they ever really did).

Motorcycle manufacturers lure old buyers with a promise of a return to their youth. Other products, however, seize upon the motorcycle as a prop to get older men to buy stuff that they may actually need. One of my favourites was an ad that was on TV a couple of years ago for a product called "Male Guards," which is a protective undergarment for men suffering from incontinence. The ad featured a group of tough looking older men slowly sputtering down the main street of a small town on their "hogs." The male bystanders watched them with a mixture of respect and envy, as the local women were clearly smitten by the eye candy that had suddenly rolled into town. The riders winked at the ladies and acted like the masters of all that they beheld, since they could now afford the luxury of motoring slowly through town without any fear of peeing in their pants.

Yep, nothing captivates a young woman quite like a corpulent older man ensconced in leather while sporting a diaper.

I think it might be time for me to buy a motorcycle.



I'm not easily  
distracted. I just...  
OMG, do I hear a bike?



# The 26<sup>th</sup> South Australian Odyssey 2019

**Come and join the Ulysses Club – Torrens Valley Branch for the 26<sup>th</sup> SA Odyssey. Relax with us in the booming tourist towns of Kadina, Wallaroo, Moonta and Port Hughes, forming the Copper Coast.**



## Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October to Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> October

**To be held at the Kadina Football and Cricket Clubs, 1 Doswell Tce. Kadina, SA 5554**

### **Registration:**

Registration forms can be accessed electronically through the Adelaide Branch Website and Branch Magazines. Registrations both by electronic means and via post, will close on September 21st 2019 as we need to inform the Caterers of final numbers.

(Please consider registering by electronic means as this is much less work for the Organising Committee).

### **Meals:**

Evening meals are available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Breakfasts are available on Saturday, Sunday and Monday mornings. Meal tickets must be purchased when registering and presented at each meal.

### **Theme: “Cornish Miners”**



### **Entertainment:** Saturday and Sunday nights.

### **Accommodation:**

Onsite camping is available on the Oval directly in front of the Kadina Football Club for tents, caravans and motorhomes. The use of tent pegs will be restricted to short versions. There is a camping fee of \$10 per site for the one night or \$20 per site for two or more nights. The Copper Coast has four caravan parks in close proximity to the Kadina Football Club. The Kadina Football Club is adjacent to the magnificent Kadina Sports and Recreation Centre complete with swimming pool and café facilities.

### **Events include:**

Organised rides, participation in the Moonta Markets with a special Show and Shine display of bikes, bus tour of selected OP Shops and rides for Ulyssians on the Moonta Tourist Train.





## 26th SA Odyssey, Kadina 2019

Hosted by Ulysses Club, Torrens Valley Branch

Venue: Kadina Football and Cricket Club  
off Doswell Terrace, Kadina SA 5554

Friday 4th October - Monday 7th October 2019

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Mixed Grill (sausage, scotch fillet, marinated chicken, salad bar)				\$18
Ice cream and fruit salad				\$4
<b>Saturday Breakfast</b> (check one)				
Continental				\$10
Cooked				\$17.50
<b>Saturday Dinner</b> (check one dinner, one dessert)				
Chicken Schnitzel, tossed salad, coleslaw, potato, mushroom, egg & lettuce				\$20
Beef Schnitzel, tossed salad, coleslaw, potato, mushroom, egg & lettuce				\$20
Sticky Date Pudding				\$6
Cheesecake				\$6
<b>Sunday Breakfast</b> (check one)				
Continental				\$10
Cooked				\$17.50
<b>Sunday Dinner</b> (check one dinner, one dessert)				
Roast Chicken, pumpkin, potatoes, cauli/broccoli bake, peas, corn, carrots, gravy, rolls				\$20
Roast Beef, pumpkin, potatoes, cauli/broccoli bake, peas, corn, carrots, gravy, rolls				\$20
Apple Crumble with ice cream and/or custard				\$6
Pavlova with cream and berries				\$6
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# Great Ocean Road Trip fro Mount Gambier

## 4th - 8th November 2019

This five day ride continues from the Meet and Greet event at Mount Gambier from 1st - 4th November. Anyone who wants to go on this ride and is NOT going to the Meet and Greet event at the Pine Country Caravan Park (Kilsby Road, left off Bay Road about 4 km south of Mount Gambier) will have to ride there, find accommodation overnight and be ready to ride off with us at 9am on Monday 4th November. Each morning thereafter we'll leave at 9am.

This ride is twisty in the Otway Ranges making it difficult for low-clearance cruisers, heavy bikes and mega tourers. Bikes under 500cc won't cope. The limit is 20 bikes to keep it manageable. Pillions are welcome.

The twisty sections are on days 1, 2 and 3. You will need to be fit and well with a well-maintained, comfortable bike with good tyres to do this **2000 km** ride safely. In Victoria cold, wet weather is possible at any time of the year so be prepared. On the last day you should reach home before the Friday afternoon traffic peak hours.

Make your own accommodation bookings. You can keep expenses down by sharing rooms with mates to save at the stopovers listed below. When booking, tell them you're with the Ulysses group so we can hopefully be near each other. Ask for bed linen when you are booking your accommodation if you don't want to cart a sleeping bag, pillow and blankets all the way (a real nuisance) Book early rather than later so you don't miss out.

Please let me know if you are coming on this ride. I need to know how many I am to lead.

Phone 0419 829 543 or email me - [bobmerlot7@gmail.com](mailto:bobmerlot7@gmail.com)

If you have any questions, please contact me - Bob Braunsthal.



### Itinerary

Day 1:	<b>Hopkins River</b> via Nelson, Casterton, Harrow, Coleraine, Hamilton, Warrnambool	398 km
Day 2:	<b>Lorne</b> via Port Campbell, Simpson, Colac, Laver's Hill, Apollo Bay	325 km
Day 3:	<b>Lorne</b> loop via Skene's Creek, Forrest, Colac, Moriac, Airey's Inlet	229 km
Day 4:	<b>Naracoorte</b> via Beech Forest, Laver's Hill, Warrnambool, Hamilton, Casterton, Apsley	496 km
Day 5:	<b>Adelaide</b> via Padthaway, Keith, Taillem Bend	340 km

**Total distance: 1559 km** (plus 432 km to Mount Gambier) = **almost 2000 km**.

Bookings (suggest you do these a.s.a.p.)

Monday - November **4th**, Hopkins River Caravan Park\* Phone **(03) 5565 1327**

Tuesday and Wednesday - November **5th** and **6th**, Lorne Foreshore Caravan Park\* Phone **(03) 5289 1382**

Thursday - November **7th**, Naracoorte Caravan Park Phone **(08) 8762 2128**

\*Unfortunately accommodation in Victoria has a Melbourne Cup Holiday surcharge, but if you consider you've already ridden to Mount Gambier, that's fuel and accommodation you don't buy twice to do the trip at another time.



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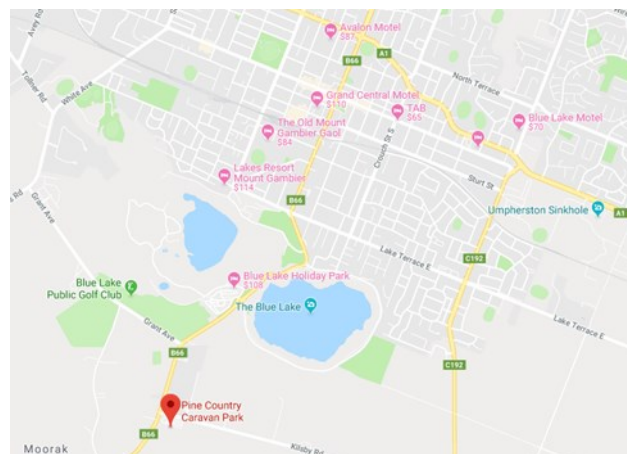
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## Sparky's Run to Coby

July 20th - 21st 2019

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Psychs on Bikes (PoB) is a national organisation of mental health professionals (volunteers) who ride motor bikes and conduct free health checks for men (but women often drop in) with the main thrust being prevention of suicide among rural males and to raise public awareness of the problem. The group have a few week end rides but have a big ride once a year. The next big ride is from Adelaide to Darwin August 3<sup>rd</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> inclusive.

PoB is predominately an east coast organisation with the usual notion that South Australia is a bit boring. It is my intention to let these east coasters know that SA is good to ride, that South Aussies are a nice bunch and we enjoy our bikes too.

So can you help me do this? I invite Ulyssians to escort the PoBs from Adelaide to Port Augusta via the nice way and not the Port Wakefield road! So far the PoB group will be about 15 with 2 chase vehicles to cart all the clinic gear.

Roughly, the group will leave Adelaide Clinic, Gilberton, at 10am (PoB is sponsored by the Ramsay health group so they use the clinic for the briefing as a two-way courtesy) and travel up through the hills, Barossa, Clare etc. and arrive at Port Augusta to immediately run a clinic for one hour after which accommodation check in is carried out then we can all enjoy a meal and a jug of your favourite beverage.

Ulyssians may wish to come half way to Port Augusta to make it a day trip or come all the way to Port Augusta for an overnigher and get a free health check (no bending over required) and enjoy the company of likeminded riders over a pub or café meal.

Because PoB try to arrange media coverage to raise the awareness of rural suicide issues, Ulysses could get a bit of positive spin off publicity.

So please help me with this escort to have a good ride and a bit of fun (not to mention supporting a good cause).

Thanks for considering,

Ian Pascoe - 0410 444 962

Ulysses Member #56638

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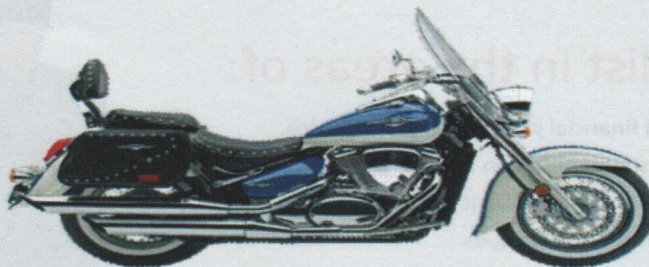
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## Nick's Desert Ride

Nick and Gerry left Gawler. Went to Burra, stopped for smoko and then onto Yunta Hotel. The next morning we started a 320 km dirt road ride which was very rough and had lots of big rocks on the road like footballs.

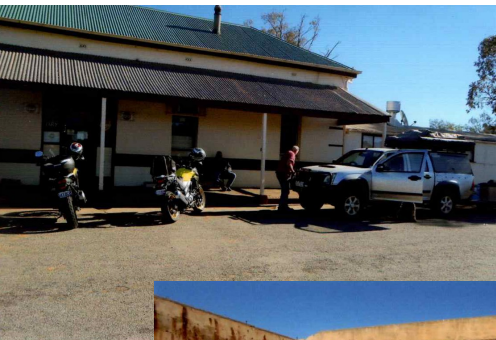
We stopped at Waukaringa which is a ghost town where they use to dig out gold.

Then on to Arkaroola for the night, which was very dry. Then on to Leigh Creek for lunch. We stayed the at the Craddock Hotel. Home through Jamestown.

We did approximately 430 km of dirt riding. All up over 1200km.

Was great fun!

Nick Oliver



Remains of the Hotel and Post Office at Waukaringa.



Mike and Mal Leyland's signatures on the Hotel wall at Waukaringa remains.



The May 2019 edition of the Valley View magazine is now available for download in the News tab section of the Torrens Valley website. The link to the Torrens Valley site article follows:

<http://torrensvalley.ulyssesclub.org/News/tabid/4821/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/28263/The-Valley-News-May-2019.aspx>

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### Ride Calendar

**July 20 - 21**

#### **Sparky's Run to Coby**

9:30am - Ride starts at the Tea Tree Gully Hotel, 1349 North East Rd, Tea Tree Gully

Leaving at 9.30am riding to Cobdogla via Sedan and Waikerie to Coby Station Caravan Park. Dinner at the Coby Club, head home Sunday. Phone 08 8588 7164 to book your cabin.

**August 31 - September 1**

#### **3 Peninsulas Ride - 13th Annual Y.P - E.P**

Venue – Quorn - Friday 30th, Saturday 31st August & Sunday 1st September 2019

Ride up Friday 30th August - Dominic will meet up with riders at 10 am at Mt Pleasant, then ride for lunch at Burra. Ride on to Melrose via Jamestown & Wirrabara at the painted silo for arvo break. Ride via Horrocks Pass & Pichi Richi Pass to Quorn.

Fri night we will meet up with Eyre Peninsula Branch for dinner at the Transcontinental.

Saturday ride Blinman for lunch and then ride back to Quorn for tea at the Transcontinental.

Sunday morning ride to Warren George before heading home via Peterborough Motorbike Museum.

### Torrens Valley Branch Social Dinner Calendar

Pay \$5 deposit per person, receive \$10 back on the night



## **ULYSSES TORRENS VALLEY BRANCH SOCIAL DINNER CALENDAR**

**Friday August 23 6:30pm – The Blue Gums Hotel – 345 Hancock Road, Fairview Park.**

**Sunday October 27 4:30pm – Teddy's (Tedmansons) Twilight Ride followed by dinner at 6:00pm at The Cudlee Creek Tavern – Meetup point for ride TBC**

### Ulysses RV

August 2 - 4

Tanunda Caravan Park - 08 8218 5505 (To book mention Ulysses)

October 14 - 20

RV AGM - Lake Albert Caravan Park, Meningie SA

For bookings contact the Caravan Park - 08 8575 1411 (Say you are with Ulysses)

November 8 - 10

Kingston on Murray - 08 8583 0209 (Say you are with Ulysses)

## Rallies 2019

Wombat Site to be advised	August 9 - 11 Back to basics	Lefty 0412 767 945
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Burra Bon Accord Pub SA Tourers	Sept 6 - 8	Ray 0400 202 994
Ghost Town Copi Hollow	Sept 6 - 8	Chickenman 0419 983 193
Torrens Valley Odyssey	October 4 - 7	Neville Gray 0416 050 189
Oasis Paruna	Oct 4 - 7 Long weekend (SA)	Bear 0407 394 322
Koolunga Pub	Oct 12 - 13	Andy Burford 0437 516 105 Pub 8846 6181
Redback Tourers Overland Corner Pub	Oct 11 - 13	Pete 0437 930 699
2019 Meet & Greet Mount Gambier	Nov 1 - 4	Paul Dennes 0437 789 846
Fish Holes Portland	Nov 8 - 10	0401 522 786

### Melbourne Branch Odyssey back at Mansfield 18 - 20 October 2019 Advance Notice

Even if you haven't been to a Melbourne Branch Odyssey for ages you may want to **put this date in your diary**

- We are back in Mansfield
- Dennis Tucker will be entertaining us on Saturday night at the Golf Club
- More details will follow and registration form is still being polished
- **Registration fee is \$15 per person** and you buy your Saturday meal at the golf club. Great choice and seniors' meals available
- We much prefer direct deposit to branch bank account. Simply pay \$15 per person and include your name in payment. I paid \$30 and entered "***Cook Odyssey x 2***" as an example. The banking details are: BSB 033 371 Account no. 231845 Account name: "***Ulysses Club Inc Melbourne Branch***"
- Simple format of casual BYO drink and food BBQ on the Friday night. Dinner and entertainment at Golf Club on Saturday night order from menu and pay. More detail to follow. There will be a escorted ride
- Consider coming along to catch up with old friends even if you're no longer riding
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## Weekend Rides

Our rides start from various locations, some starting points are:

*Gawler* - meet in the car park opposite Repco on Julian Terrace.

*Pelican Plaza* - meet at the car park next to Hungry Jacks, corner of North East and Golden Grove Roads.

*Nuriootpa* - meet at the car park near the Steam Engine (opposite the BP) Murray Street.

All rides will leave from any of these destinations unless otherwise stated.

For information on a specific ride, please contact the ride leader.

## Wednesday Rides

All Wednesday riders are requested to read 'Torrens Valley Midweek Rides Group Information' which is available on the website.

Depart at 10.00am from the Tea Tree Gully Hotel North East Road at the corner of Haines Road, Tea Tree Gully. Meet in the car park behind the hotel (you can't see the car park from the road).

***Rides are abandoned if the forecast temperature is 37°C or more, or if there is a storm or heavy continuous rain around the time of departure making riding hazardous.***

'Guzzi' Bob Braunsthal and Neville Gray lead these Wednesday rides.

Further details:

**Neville** - 08 8263 7566 or 0416 050 189

**Bob** - 08 8395 0224 or 0419 829 543

## Ride Requirements

1. Ride Leader: brief riders, where ride is going, where the breaks are going to be and who is Tail-end Charlie (TEC). If the destination is not a well-known location, Ride Leader to supply all riders with a destination address and your phone number. If you are meeting up with other riders at other stops, re-brief ride so that everyone knows what is going on and who Tail-end Charlie is.
2. Corner Marshals to remain on corners until Tail-end Charlie arrives and flashes you; join just in front of TEC. Remember who you are following before you do your corner marshal duty, and when they go past Tail-end Charlie should be following them shortly. If they don't go past something is wrong. Wait on corner until someone arrives.
3. Tail-end Charlie (TEC) to wear fluoro vest and flash lights at corner marshals. Slow down and let corner marshal join in front of you.
4. If there is a problem (break down or accident ) Tail-end Charlie should assess situation and continue where possible as soon as they can.
5. If a rider has run out fuel leave them to their own devices. They should have started with a full tank of fuel, and they should know the destination if they were listening to the riders brief.
6. Riders responsibility. Start with a full tank of fuel. Keep your bike well maintained. Get to the start point before departure time and listen to ride brief from the ride leader.
7. Only Tail-end Charlie should wear fluoro vest. If you wish to wear a fluoro vest when riding you should stay just in front of Tail-end Charlie.
8. Only bikes, spiders or trikes to be Tail-end Charlie. If you wish to follow the ride in a car you should follow behind Tail-end Charlie.

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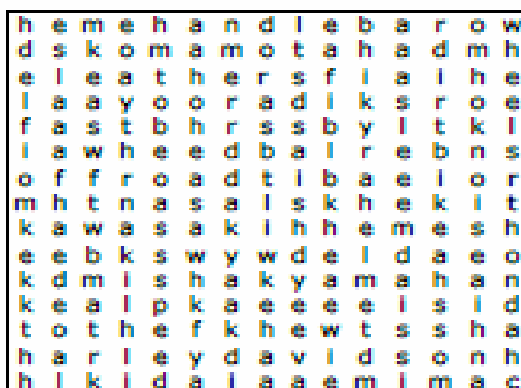
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- photos
- poems
- reminiscences
- stories
- tales from the saddle

## Motorbikes Word Search



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| Yamaha          | Handlebar |
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| Dirt Bike       | Skid      |
| Kawasaki        | Honda     |
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'Ninna Marni' - welcome in the Kurna Language

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