

# THE JUG TIMES

February 2010

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## We're all going on a summer holiday ...

With acknowledgements to Sir Cliff Richard for the song.

Jim and Janine, Wally and Aud, Ross and Fran, and Sue and Bigsy will be touring the south island of New Zealand for the latter two weeks of February.

You can be sure that we will be thinking of you because I'm certain that at some point in time (beer) we will be talking about you. So if your ears start burning you know it will be us.

Hopefully we will have lots of stories and pictures to show when we get back in March, so until then ... Ride safe.

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Give them to the Door  
Chick at each meeting

Next meeting  
2010  
Tues 9th March



## Minutes of Meeting in January 2010

Estimated Attendance: Approx 50

### Opening: - KEN EATON MC

Ken opened the meeting AT 8.10 pm.

Numerous jokes followed, concluding with one about a car crash and a monkey. Ken had his acting abilities on display during this one, guess which part he was acting??????

### President – Welcome & Notes:

**Tina** welcomed us all with a big Happy New Year.

Advised that there was a members register to be filled in this meeting. Requires all information to be filled in so that we have a current, up to date contact list for all members.

Tina welcomed the visitors this month being **John Bilton and Barbara Bell**, John rides a BMW 650, we will look forward to seeing him on club rides.

Tina advised she has set up a board for all external rides, the board will be at each meeting, please check it for rides with other clubs or groups.

JUG badges are available at the door each meeting, \$5.00 each and you may also order a nickname badge for \$5.00.

The club has received a pamphlet advising what was done with the money donated to the Victorian Bush Fires appeal, see Tina if you wish to view it.

Tina advised that **Audrey** (secretary) will not be at the February or March meetings and called for a volunteer to take the minutes for these two meetings. Your response was overwhelming !!!!! Apathy reigns supreme !!!!! Looks like Tina will have another job to do.

Tina advised that **Keith** (spiderman) is back from his 3 month sabbatical and the web site will now be updated.

### **MORE JOKES, UNFAITHFUL WIVES ETC...**

Ken called for all the January birthday Ulyssians, **Brian & Robin** were turning a year older. We sang a rendition of Happy Birthday, what a RABBLE !!

We wished our unwell Ulyssians a speedy recovery. Tina gave an update on Brian's progress, he is doing really well and will be out of hospital soon. **Hyabusa Nick** broke his leg in a bike accident and developed a DVT, a bit scary that one. **Wally** fractured his T5 when he stacked his dirt bike, but is also recovering well. Might I add that there is a HUSQUAVANA 450 dirt bike for sale – not the one he stacked.

### Secretary's Report:

Nothing to report.

### **WONDERFUL WITCH & TOAD JOKE**

### Treasurer's Report:

**George** was not at the meeting, in NZ on holiday. Everything is steady in this department.

### Editor's Report:

There were no ride reports - were there no rides ?????? As **Jim** says people enjoy the ride reports but someone has to write them. This is the last time Jim will mention the lack of RIDE REPORTS.

Called for a volunteer to do a Personal Profile for the next Jug Times – thank you to Bryan for volunteering.

### Tourmasters Report:

Same old, same old. We need ride leaders. The same few people volunteer all the time, we need some new people to step up.

**Pete** talked about the confusion over the ride start times from Beldon on Sunday mornings. It was decided that all rides will leave at 8.00 am until next meeting in February, at which stage it will be reassessed.

### Any other Business:

**Kon** kicked this off, bringing up the issue of what appear to be alternative rides to the club ride, leaving from club members homes. The previous Sunday 4 people turned up for the club ride but there were 15 club members on another ride that left from a private residence. What is going on ??



**Tony** said the other ride was not a club ride, but a private ride only.

### **January's Meeting Minutes—continued**

**Biggsy** then asked why people didn't want to go on the club rides, there is obviously a problem so let's get it sorted out.

It appears that there are a large number of members who feel that the ride leaders are riding too fast and therefore they are not comfortable on the rides. It was suggested that ride leaders must ride at the speed limit, anyone who wants to pass the ride leader may do so and everyone will all meet up again at the morning tea or lunch stops. This way everyone is still riding as a club ride and all levels of riders will be catered for.

If the majority prefer to ride at the speed limit, then they need to volunteer to lead rides and run the ride from within the club for all club members. Alternative rides are fragmenting the club.

**Ken** adjourned discussion on this until the next meeting.

### **Mug of the Month:**

**Wally** was the unanimous winner for falling on his head.

### **General:**

Heads & tails was run. **Tourmaster Pete** was nominated as Tosser for the night.

**Jude** sorted out her head from her tail so well that she won!!

**Colin** was the other one who knew his anatomy.

The raffle was run with 12 winners.

**Ken** finished off the meeting with another wonderful joke about the creation of men & women. A great punch line about Gods work of perfection (woman) just needing a bit of make up to fix her.

**Meeting closed at 9.05 pm.**

## **Seniors Moments**

An elderly lady called 000 on her mobile to report that her car has been broken into She is hysterical as she explains her situation to the dispatcher: "They've stolen the stereo, the steering wheel, the brake pedal and even the accelerator!" she cried. The dispatcher said, "Stay calm. An officer is on the way." A few minutes later, the officer radios in. "Disregard.." He says, "She got in the back-seat by mistake.."

### **SUPERSEX**

A little old lady was running up and down the halls in a nursing home. As she walked, she would flip up the hem of her nightgown and say "Supersex.." She walked up to an elderly man in a wheelchair Flipping her gown at him, she said, "Supersex."

He sat silently for a moment or two and finally answered, "I'll take the soup."

### **ROMANCE**

An older couple were lying in bed one night. The husband was falling asleep but the wife was in a romantic mood and wanted to talk. She said: "You used to hold my hand when we were courting." Warily he reached across, held her hand for a second and tried to get back to sleep.. A few moments later she said: "Then you used to kiss me." Mildly irritated, he reached across, gave her a peck on the cheek and settled down to sleep.

Thirty seconds later she said: "Then you used to bite my Neck." Angrily, he threw back the bed clothes and got out of bed. "Where are you going?" she asked..

"To get my teeth!"

### **DRIVING**

Two elderly women were out driving in a large car - both could barely see over the dashboard. As they were cruising along, they came to an intersection. The stoplight was red, but they just went on through.

The woman in the passenger seat thought to herself "I must be losing it. I could have sworn we just went through a red light." After a few more minutes, they came to another intersection and the light was red again. Again, they went right through. The woman in the passenger seat was almost sure that the light had been red but was really concerned that she was losing it. She was getting nervous. At the next intersection, sure enough, the light was red and they went on through. So, she turned to the other woman and said, "Mildred, did you know that we just ran through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us both!"

Mildred turned to her and said, "Oh! Am I driving?"



## Ride Report from Eric and Jennie's ride—24 Jan 2010

Dearest Fran [*Note: Fran has not been the editor for over 18 months, but news travels slowly*],

Met at Maccas at Beldon bright and early 8 am.

Our run to the Serpentine Dam was designed by **Jennie and led by Eric** as Jennie was busy with puppy training of Brillo. I arrived early and it was great to see **Diamond Jim**, whom I have not seen for many months. Coffee was served and all the other riders rocked up including, **Ross and Fran, Con and Irene, Robyn, Bryan and Cathy, Wayne, Ken** and the dog (**Sophie??[Chloe but close]**) Fran do you know. Do you know the rest Fran [*come on Fran, you are not the editor and you are in New Zealand—What kind of excuse is that??*]? Around 10 people all up.

A quick chat about the route, the tail end Charlie (**Diamond Jim**) and corner markers and our intended speed and off we went at a little after 8 am. We travelled east to the Gngangara Road and finally right on the Middle Swan Road down to the lights at Roe Highway and left turn. We were heading for the Kalamunda road and climb up to the hills and the township of Kalamunda.

Wandered through Kalamunda heading for the Brookton Highway and then first right onto Gardener Road and the start of the forests and a very pleasant ride through this area. Anyway, next **Jennie** took us on the McNess Drive to the Canning Dam which was a great road with many turns and twists and a little bit of gravel just for excitement.

Nearly forgot we saw **Biggsy and Angus** at the corner of Gardener Road.

We then rode past Canning Reservoir and left onto Albany Highway for about 20 km to turn right onto Jarrahdale Road with a handful of gravel to make sure we were paying attention.

On the approach to Jarrahdale we went left onto Kinsbury Drive which is a beautiful road and took us to the Serpentine Dam Cafe. We had been there the day before and warned the staff of our arrival. Coffee and cake and some even had chips; cannot be fed at home one guesses.

With us all full of coffee and cake we got dressed again and headed across the dam, did I say the weather was beautiful if somewhat warm [*no, you did not. But you have now*]. Over the dam and through more beautiful forest until coming down a gentle slope I could see a policeman who was slowing us down on the apex of a corner. I slowed and approached the policeman but he waved me on. Around the corner there was an ambulance and various medics and crew attending to a biker in the ditch. On the other side of the road were 15 or 20 Ulysses Club Members all in a line looking fairly shocked. We all saw something different but there was some poor person being attended to in the ditch having not made the corner.

We all filed past and went on our way to the South West Highway. Left towards the turn-off for Lakes Road via Murrayfield turn-off. Several of our number left us at the motorway fly-over and the rest on to the Mandurah Marina for fish and chips which looked yummy and that is nice in biker speak [*Hmmmm, I think it's nice in any other speak*].

After a good feed, the remainder headed north on the new freeway [*What a beautiful new freeway it is*] barring a short stop for fuel. One more bit of excitement when all the cars ahead of **Cathy, Bryan** and I decided to stop half way up the Mitchell freeway. Why I hear you ask [*Why, why please tell me.*] and bugged if we know but they did and we took evasive action.....GTF to the right hand lane and speed up and get away from the idiots!

Great day and good fun, thanks [*You are welcome*].

Have not checked the grammar Fran [*that's okay E and J I'll take care of it.*] and have run out of time really.

**There is an annual contest at Texas A&M University calling for the most appropriate definition of a contemporary term. This year's term was: "Political Correctness"**

**The winner wrote:**

***"Political correctness is a doctrine, fostered by a delusional, illogical minority and rabidly promoted by an unscrupulous mainstream media, which holds forth the proposition that it is entirely possible to pick up a turd by the clean end."***



## PRESIDENT'S PONDERINGS February 2010

It was great to attend the Ulysses fund raiser for the Toodyay Fire Appeal on Sunday 31 January. Neil and I did not make the actual ride but did manage to get to Toodyay before everyone arrived. After the obligatory coffee and snack at the Cola Café we all walked to the town hall to listen to the two speakers who told us how the appeal is going and how the appeal money helps those affected. One of the organisers is going over to Victoria to meet with the Black Saturday Committee to see how they have handled things, one year on. The coordination at Toodyay and what they have achieved so far is very impressive and as problems come to light they quickly find a solution. By far though, people's generosity far exceeds expectation. We came away feeling warm and fuzzy that we too can lend a helping hand albeit only with the folding stuff. The run raised just under \$2,000 from the around 60 riders that attended.

You can please some of the people some of the time BUT never please all of the people all of the time. Such is the nature of a cross section of people who ALL have views and it seems ALL believe they are right. Having said that it explains why we will NEVER will have full agreement on the ride issues which have been on going for as long as I can remember (15 years) in many branch's all over Australia.

The Ulysses Club is a Social Club for like minded motorcyclists.

The only criteria are you have to be over 40 but not over the hill to enjoy a ride together and have a bit of fun. Here in lies the problem. We all ride the bikes we love. Be it cruisers, sports, sport cruisers or Harleys. We are all different ages. We are all different riders. Some like to meander. Some like to cruise. Some like to wring its neck. We all get there in the end, just by different means. By being a rider you are riding the bike you love the way you like to ride, which means you enjoy your ride and at the end of it, the social intercourse. How we get there, does it matter?

We ride because we love riding. We ride with other JUG members because we like their company. We only need a few guidelines surely.

**Ride Leader:** who has a destination in mind, a morning drinks break, a pit stop for fuel and the loo (this is much appreciated by the older ladies in our branch and I'll vouch for that). Does it matter whether he is the hare or the tortoise? Should this affect the way you enjoy your ride?

**Tail End Charlie:** so no one get lost and to help the break downs [*mostly Jap bikes*].

**Corner markers:** These really are crucial to keep us on route

These last two make the ride go smoother and add to the enjoyment. The rest is all road sense and courtesy which keeps you safe and your fellow rider safe.

To ride is to smell the roses, enjoy the moment, live life while we can. Neil and I have been riding together for nigh on 40 years. Firstly with his brother (5 yrs), then with the MRA (15yrs), now with the Ulysses Club (20yrs) and we have enjoyed every moment we ride and have met a variety of riders from all walks of life and along the way, we have become firm friends. We live to ride, we ride to live.

I am looking forward to the Albany AGM in fact I am counting the sleeps (28) till I get there. I will spend 10 days there and have volunteered for 7 of those days. I have enjoyed many an AGM so I thought I had better put something back this time. We will also be catching up with interstate friends we have not seen for years. Good excuse to party, not that I need an encouragement. I will also attend the AGM meeting. Let it be noted this is the one exception when I will camp. The atmosphere in the camp ground is electric. We have named streets with a patch of grass just like house lots, complete with street lights. Groovy eh.

So I will not be at the JUG's March meeting, me and a bottle of red and maybe if I locate Neil amongst the throng will toast you from Albany.

**Papa Smurf** our Emcee will also be down at the AGM in Albany.

**Audrey** won't be at the next meeting as she will be gallivanting in Aotearoa (maori) aka Land of the Long White Cloud (maori translation) aka Enzed (kiwi translation for NZ) aka New Zealand.

So who will be Emcee? Who will take the minutes?

And who will be me and add glamour and class to whole proceedings?

Watch this space .....

May you always have love to share, health to spare and friends who care.

**Tina 7047**



## Profile: Bryan Sherwood



I was born in Marlborough, Wiltshire, England some years ago. I was brought up on a farm and got interested in bikes at quite a young age.

My first bike was a Greeves 250 scrambler/dirt bike which I traded for a BSA Bantam road bike when I was 15. This was quickly upgraded to a BSA 250 C15, followed by a BSA Fleetstar. When I was about 18 I swapped this with my mate for a Hillman Imp cos I got into cars and needed to take my mates round and pick up girls !!

Got engaged at 19 and was living very contentedly until the 2 wheel bug hit me again

when I was 21. Bought a CB500T Honda, brand new and hated it almost instantly. Within a few months I had traded it in for a 750GT Water Cooled Suzuki which

was a fantastic bike. My fiancé at the time wasn't over keen on motorbikes but I was having great fun.

That was when, in 1978, a girl on a 400 Yamaha came into my life (back then not many girls rode bikes) My fiancé wasn't too pleased about this and my whole life changed.



Which one of these two girls is Bryan?

I sold the Water Cooled to buy a Ford Corsair cos we needed the back seat of a car !!!

Have now been married 30 years and in that time I have bought and sold various bikes, a Honda 500/4, GT380 Suzuki, 750 shaft drive Yamaha, amongst others. Then I bought a 1978 Triumph Bonneville which we had some fantastic holidays on thru the English countryside. Took this off the road when our first son was born in 1985 and kept it in bits in the spare bedroom. Totally rebuilding it and restoring it as and when I could afford it. Finally got it back on the road a couple of years later just after second son was born. I thought I would never, ever part with this bike but then we decided to emigrate and as this was during the big recession, when houses weren't selling, everything else had

to be sold to fund the move including my beloved Triumph.

Emigrated to Perth Jan 1990 with two small sons. And our youngest son, Daniel, was born here in 1991. Was bike-less for many years before buying the 800 Vulcan around 4 yrs ago. Nice bike but still not as

good as the Triumph and I was also always making trips down to Frasers and looking longingly thru the window at their range of Harleys that I couldn't afford. I was only allowed to go when they were closed so I didn't buy anything !!

However having lost my Dad thru heart probs at a young age it came as a shock to lose my younger brother, at the age of 43, a couple of years ago to the same condition. I decided then that you never know how long you have left so I bought my dream bike....a Harley Heritage. Best thing I ever did...especially as Cath decided to take up riding again and took over the Kawasaki.

We are now a two Harley family and the Kawasaki has a new home in Mindarie. We are often to be seen cruising around together, sometimes with our youngest son who rides a 250 Virago on L's. We also ride with the Harley Owner Group and if we're not on a Ulysses ride you'll find us out with them or on our own basically doing what we did when we first met (riding the bikes that...I haven't bought a Ford Corsair again) !!



## Ride Report — Alan's Harley Ride Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February

The title of the ride on the calendar suggested to me that we might get a good turn out from cruisers and every day rides that would prefer to ride at a moderate pace but while attendance was good there were few of the above, in fact had **Diamond Jim** not met us on the Freeway, Mine would have been the only Harley.

We took the Freeway all the way down to Lakes Rd and across to North Danderlup where some legs were stretched and some smokes were smoked before continuing on to Dwellingup. A small section of well rolled gravel was successfully negotiated by all on the road in but drama struck while parking



when loose gravel and a wayward kick stand brought **Angel** and

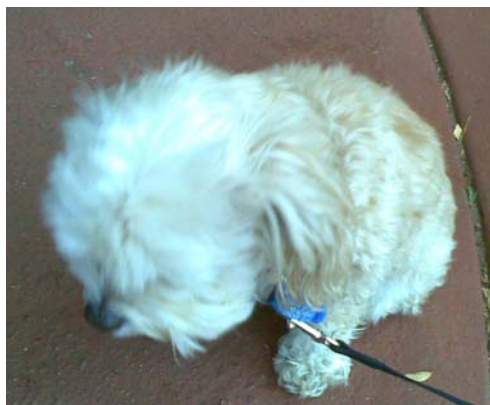
her cruiser down popping her shoulder out in the process. Fortunately help from those nearby and her own positive attitude got her back on the road home after some R&R and coffee.



The next stage took us through excellent winding roads via Nanga Brook to Waroona then via Pinjarra and North Danderlup again where most topped up their tanks. A few Kms along we turned right onto Kingsburry Drive another favourite ride through forest, across the Serpetine Dam wall and on to Jarrahdale for lunch at the pub.

By this time the field had reduced to six, **Peter, Con, Robin, Don, Ken** and me plus of course Ken's dog and as all who had pressing reasons to press on had gone we had a very relaxing and enjoyable lunch together.

The final stage was via Nettleford Rd which gave us a clear road and a fast finish to cap off the day. My thanks to **Ken** for again handling the Tail End Charlie role.





**Tour Master**  
**Peter Culverwell**  
**9409 7625 or 0439 671 962**



All rides leave from MacDonalD's car park Beldon  
 corner of Ocean Reef Road & Eddystone Avenue

## Ride Calendar

### February 2010

Sun 7th	Tues 9th Monthly meeting at the GLENGARRY Tavern  8 pm	Sun 14th  8 am start Robin's BMW Ride	Sun 21st  8 am start Ride and Decide	Sun 28th  8 am start Paul's Cruiser Ride
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### March 2010

Sun 7th  8 am start Ride and Decide	Tues 9th Monthly meeting at the GLENGARRY Tavern  8 pm	Sun 14th  8 am start Ride and Decide	Sun 21st	Sun 28th  8 am start Jim's Cruiser ride. But Sports and Touring bikes are also welcome
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**NOTE:** The Albany AGM goes from the 8th to the 14th of March. It's possible that many JUG members will be in Albany. Therefore it's probable that the ride for the 14th will be R&D. It's also probable that there won't be too many people at the monthly meeting. But, there will still be a meeting for those who are not in Albany and who would still like the chance to catch up over a cold one (or two).

**Wednesday "fish and chips" rides are back on. Start at 6.30 pm from Maccers Beldon**

**Saturday Social—every Saturday at 4 pm  
 Plakas on Scarborough Esplanade**

