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THE JUG TIMES

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Ride Leaders—Your club needs you!

Ride calendar is in "POOR" shape — See last page.

So If you are thinking about organising a ride, see Brian and he'll be happy to help out in any (and I mean "any") way possible.

JUG Times

For an annual subscription of \$20 you can have something in your postbox that isn't a bill. But wait there's more ... For \$10 you can get it emailed direct to your own inbox.

Save those ring pulls!
Give them to the Door Chick at each meeting



Next meeting
12 May 2009
8 PM





Minutes of Meeting Tuesday 10th of March 2009



MC Tony opened the meeting, in his usual jovial manner. Lots of great jokes.

BIRTHDAYS

Tony (Wing) and Jane (Mini Wing), with their birthdays in the same month it was suggested they may have been twins; **Rosco, Audrey and Tourmaster Brian** – Happy Birthday was sung by all present.

FOR SALE

Three Ulysses badges.

Clive has a 250 Vespa (30,000 Ks) \$5,250 ono.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

After being notified that the Whitfords Tavern was increasing the cost of the meeting room from \$45 to \$220. George, Gail, Neil and your President decided to survey several of the local venues and decided the best offer was the Glengarry Tavern –great food, room rent was to be \$50 but was subsequently offered for \$0, on the assumption, that some of us, may dine in on the night and perhaps sample some of their 19 beers on tap. Added value was the fact that a women's bikers club had their meetings there on the same night as ours. It was agreed, by all, the next meeting would be held at the Glengarry Tavern, corner of Glengarry Drive and Warwick Road, Duncraig

Door entry change next month – Entry \$2 which includes 2 games of Heads N Tails. This will streamline things and make it easier for our door chick, Pauline (legs) who has to sit and count the money during the meeting.

Also JUG price will increase to \$20 mail out and \$10 Email – this from 1 April 2009.

VISITORS

A warm welcome was extended to **Mark Brown** (who rides an FJR and also a Triumph not both at once I hope), **Adrian Short** (Harley super bike – more parts for Jim) and a special welcome to Sue's sister Sylvia, here from the UK on holidays. The new members were told about the buddy system available to them if they wished.

Rosco was welcomed back, hopefully on a full time basis and it was great to see Audrey back we wish her all the best with her recovery.

CONGRATULATIONS

To "mini wing" **Jane** for becoming a legitimate Ulyssesian – Member no 53645. Jane rides a 750 Kawasaki, (with L plates.)

TREASURERS REPORT

George reported that his accountant has "run her eyes over our books" and we are solvent, at least until some finality is reached with our GST issues. George will keep us up to date on this issue. Biggsy expressed his admiration of George's style in dealing with this matter. Until some resolution was reached we would have to put a hold on making further donations to charities.

EDITOR'S REPORT

A booming voice from the clouds, our illustrious **JUG Editor Jim**, who was, I believe left eating the exhaust fumes of one of our more senior members, 81 years young Noel, thanked George Batt for his Profile and Garry for the ride reports. He said he would like more Profiles. Brock the Webmaster, Spiderman said he would re-submit his profile to Jim.

Jim repeated his request to Biggsy for his profile – for which we wait with bated breath – it should be most interesting.

Minutes of last month's meeting – Continued

TOUR MASTERS REPORT

Krusty Brian asked the future ride leaders, to give a brief description of their coming rides.

John Biggs will lead the Super Bike ride approximately 450-500Ks return – Matt asked was it ok to come on Clive's 250 Vespa the reply a resounding silence. **Tony** (MC) is organising a camping weekend to Ravenswood 20-21-22 March.-

Clive has put a lot of thought into his ride, which will be leaving from McDonalds Beldon, on Sunday 22nd March.

Roger's birthday ride on Sunday 29 will end up at his house for a BBQ (all welcome.)

Matt, Brian and Stumpy are organising a four day Easter camping trip, Hyden to Coolgardie via the Holland Track – all welcome to join in. Bush Camps 4 x 4s and trail bikes. For more info ring Brian 0401322343

Mark Baker plans a group for Phillip Island in October – trucking bikes to Adelaide (at \$208 per bike) then riding to Phillip Island (for more information contact Mark 0409 711945.)

Reiner and Ken put forward the suggestion of a SEDATE Saturday ride for the Cruiser, 250 or the interested super biker.

Reiner reminded members of his proposal for a seven day (or part thereof) camping trip and asked those interested to contact him 0429722321.

Matt at the request of an unnamed lady (not me but I like the idea) suggested a "ladies only" Saturday ride – to end up at Scarborough Café in time for coffee. Sue took the matter in hand, to be dealt with after her sister has returned to the UK. Interested ladies ring Sue 0414717301 – should this publishing of your phone number result in lots of heavy breathing calls – don't forget to share.

Editor Jim told us about a Classic Car Show, on this Sunday 15th March, starting at 10.00am – 4.00pm at Whitmans Park. This will finish in time for you to get to Sorrento Beach for the Retro Rock 'n Roll and Classic Car Show at 5pm - 8pm.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

I thank **Tony** for his kind words of introduction – which we shall not (in the interests of my blushes) discuss further. There was no incoming mail to be dealt with and all other matters have been dealt with in foregoing reports.

MUG OF MONTH

Nominations were:-

Young Rosco – in his Cleanaway Truck for overtaking George on Marmion Avenue at a speed which will remain undisclosed

Biggsy for a sudden stop and near heart attack at the sight of a pseudo cop with white bike, helmet etc pointing a pseudo camera in his direction – vengeance is sweet said the sweating Peter after a ¾ hour wait for his taunters to come by.

Without a doubt **Tony (Wing)** for thinking that the newly purchased Kawasaki was common or joint property. Jane Mini Wing) soon shattered his illusions and laid sole claim to the wheels.

Rosco Senior – for coming back to the club.

Biggsy was the overall winner.

HEADS AND TAILS

A real family affair, with **Cathy Sherwood** winning the first game and hubby **Bryan** winning the second game. Hope they bought a Lotto ticket this week. Thanks Mark for being the tosser.

THANKS again Mark, for being, our stand in (sitting down) door chick (our regular has better legs though.) To **Irene and Kon** for organising the raffles. Great job as usual.

Meeting closed (for the last time at the Whitfords Tavern)

President's Ponderings

President Bitch was remarkably quiet this month. So we have enclosed some quotes from another well known president. **Can you guess who might have said these?**

'There's an old saying in Tennessee — I know it's in Texas, probably in Tennessee — that says, fool me once, shame on — shame on you. Fool me — you can't get fooled again.'

"Too many good docs are getting out of the business. Too many OB-GYNs aren't able to practice their love with women all across this country."

"Free societies are hopeful societies. And free societies will be allies against these hateful few who have no conscience, who kill at the whim of a hat."

"Our enemies are innovative and resourceful, and so are we. They never stop thinking about new ways to harm our country and our people, and neither do we."

Finally, for all out there confused by Gary's writings ...

From: Gary Thorpe [mailto:GaryT@wpc.com.au]

Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2009 9:24 AM

To: jimcarr@inet.net.au

Subject: Explanation of my ride reports plus a bit of a spray (you can publish this if you so choose)

People continue to comment that they do not understand my ride reports, so for the benefit of all, here are some observations.

Off Road Report (September Jug Times). There are only four members of the JUG who ride off-road. So I apologise for having bored the rest of you with this report.

Capel Enduro (October Jug Times). Plain English. If anybody struggled with this one they have a literacy problem. Ditto the above comment

Kon's Kattanning Overnighter (Nov Jug Times). Same as the comment above

Tony's ride (January Jug Times). 'kin is an abbreviation for 'fuckin'. I used this liberally because of the complaint about Tony's jokes (October Jug Times). The objective was to point out that the people who were offended, chose to be offended, and should realize that because they are offended by something, it doesn't mean that other people are obliged to be.

I submitted two reports for Stumpy's ride to Moora (February Jug Times). One was in English so that people with no imagination could understand. The other was exactly the same, but typed backwards from the bottom to the top. A total of three people figured it out.

There are +-120 tossers at the JUG who do nothing for the club, but feel that they are entitled to gripe about everything. If you aren't prepared to contribute (and attending rides is not a contribution), then shut up!

The next tosser who says that the dirt bike contingent (including the dirt road riders) should submit a ride report might like to count the number of ride reports that we have submitted – for both dirt and road rides – over the past seven months.

Sincerely

Far Canal



National Security Levels

The **British** are feeling the pinch in relation to recent terrorist threats in Islamabad and have raised their security level from "Miffed" to "Peeved."

Soon, though, security levels may be raised yet again to "Irritated" or even "A Bit Cross." Brits have not been "A Bit Cross" since the blitz in 1940 when tea supplies all but ran out. Terrorists have been re-categorized from "Tiresome" to a "Bloody Nuisance." The last time the British issued a "Bloody Nuisance" warning level was during the great fire of 1666.

The **French** government announced yesterday that it has raised its terror alert level from "Run" to "Hide". The only two higher levels in France are "Collaborate" and "Surrender." The rise was precipitated by a recent fire that destroyed France's white flag factory, effectively paralyzing the country's military capability.

It's not only the French who are on a heightened level of alert. **Italy** has increased the alert level from "Shout loudly and excitedly" to "Elaborate Military Posturing." Two more levels remain: "Ineffective Combat Operations" and "Change Sides."

The **Germans** also increased their alert state from "Disdainful Arrogance" to "Dress in Uniform and Sing Marching Songs." They also have two higher levels: "Invade a Neighbour" and "Lose".

Belgians, on the other hand, are all on holiday as usual, and the only threat they are worried about is NATO pulling out of Brussels.

The **Spanish** are all excited to see their new submarines ready to deploy. These beautifully designed subs have glass bottoms so the new Spanish navy can get a really good look at the old Spanish navy.

Americans meanwhile are carrying out pre-emptive strikes, on all of their allies, just in case.

And at a local level...

New Zealand has also raised its security levels - from "baaa" to "BAAAA!". Due to continuing defence cut-backs (the airforce being a squadron of spotty teenagers flying paper aeroplanes and the navy some toy boats in the Prime Minister's bath), New Zealand only has one more level of escalation, which is "Shut, I hope Australia will come and rescue us". In the event of invasion, New Zealanders will be asked to gather together in a strategic defensive position called "Bondi".

Australia, meanwhile, has raised its security level from "No worries" to "She'll be right, mate". Three more escalation levels remain, "Crikey!", "I think we'll need to cancel the barbie this weekend" and "The barbie is cancelled". There has not been a situation yet that has warranted the use of the final escalation level...

Old Guys Don't Care

As we age, we tend to end up seeing more of the medical establishment.

For example, my doctor referred me to a female urologist.

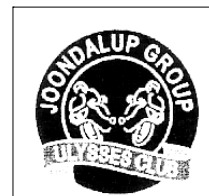
I saw her yesterday and she is gorgeous.

She's beautiful and unbelievably sexy.

She told me that I have to stop masturbating.

When I asked her why, she said ...

'Because I'm trying to examine you...'





The ultimate GoldWing??



Yep, it's definitely JAPANESE



It saysHONDA



Ooooooh yeah, looks good, comfortable, practical, seats 9, two V Twin engines; sounds awesome.....

Ride Report : Ravenswood 20th – 22nd March

Being 'new' to Ulysses I thought I'd report how my ride went for Tony's camping adventures.

Now I should mention that weeks ago Tony told me it wasn't going to rain for this weekend and I, being a new member, thought he looked like he knew what he was talking about. So, even tho the weatherman was telling me different...I thought, no, Tony said 'its not gonna rain'.

Well, technically I guess he was right cos it chucked it down on the way *to* Ravenswood....maybe that didn't count??

Left Kinross 2.30 pm Friday to meet some other Ulysses (Ken, George and Reiner) in Rockingham. Got coffee and were just setting off again when the heavens opened. My first ride in the rain for a while and I scared myself stoopid at one set of lights where I crossed over the slippy bit in the middle while joining the main road. This was after Ken's *short cut* thru the housing estates!!

Rain stopped just long enough for us to dry out before starting all over again!! Stopped again tho just before we got into Mandurah so by the time we got to the campsite at Ravenswood we were mostly dry again. Of course we could have put our wet weather gear on but Tony said it wasn't going to rain!! At least I know I can still ride in the rain...sort of...don't like it much tho.

Campsite was lovely, right next to the river. Tent went up without argument and all was well. Dinner at the pub with a few beers and back to the campsite where more alcohol was consumed and a friendly possum visited, who was well fed with crackers and chips.



Sat morning was overcast and after cooked brekkie at the pub we set off. Decided to wear a t-shirt and a long sleeved shirt under my jacket and was warm enough at first but by the time we got to Collie I was

friken freezing. Had jumper to put on under jacket but had to borrow some gloves cos I only had fingerless ones and the feeling had gone out of my hands some ks back. (Thanks to Gail and Brian for the loan of the gloves) Went into the deli to get coffee and warmth when one of locals came in wearing t-shirt, shorts and no shoes, took one look at us and said "*welcome to Collie...you're not from round here are you?*" I think the amount of clothing and the shivering gave us away!!

From there we went further south, Bridgetown, Manjimup, Nannup and all points in between. Don't take my word for this either...I get lost if I have to turn round in the street!!

Manjimup proved interesting. Nice pub to re-group in before setting off again. Then the fun started. I can only tell our story cos I have no idea what happened to everyone else. Ken, Bryan and myself got held up leaving and suddenly everyone had gone. We headed off ok but at 1st junction there was no corner marker. Now apparently if there's no corner marker we should go straight on....however, this is only my second ride, I'm female (I knew that excuse would come in useful one day) and I'm sure I have blonde bits somewhere, so I absolve myself of all responsibility....!! Anyway straight on looked like a dead-end and we did ask at the servo if any bikes had gone by...they said 'NO'. Well we were quite happy, knew where the group was heading and could make our own way there. We were concerned about the corner markers waiting tho so I texted the ride leader and told him *don't worry...meet you in Nannup*.

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Now if only the ride leader had taken his phone with him....!!! Tried to ring Tony a few times too but, what can I say, men just don't seem to get this whole *mobile* phone thing. Well then we thought we saw Judy on the Duc but she whizzed by so quickly we weren't sure. Just saw this flash of red. Anyway it was her but more confusion arose and we missed each other.

So we head off to Nannup where we meet some Bunbury Ulysses and stop for a chat and fuel but no sign of the JUG and having had a phone msg from Gail we head off towards camp again...would have been quicker if we'd been going in the right direction of course but as soon as the clouds parted and the sun came out we turned around and headed back the other way...!! Also could have done without the endless ks of fresh blue metal that we suddenly came upon....I really, really didn't like that bit.

Ended up doing 580 ks by the time we got back to the campsite and only scared myself once. Lack of concentration and tired arms I think... I don't do long sweeping right handers as well as I do left handers for some reason. (yes I know Tony, 'counter-steer'...I'm trying, honest) Got to that 'oh crap' stage whilst watching the looming gravel on the side of the road before snapping out of my impending panic and pulling back onto the road proper...not before the foot went down and the heart skipped many beats tho..!!

I should maybe mention that altho I've had a full bike licence since I was 17, I've only been riding the Vulcan for 2 months following a 20 year absence from 2 wheels....still a little rusty...!!



Arrived at campsite to texts from Gail and George wondering if we were ok and expressions of concern from Tina who was overjoyed her flock was now safely complete.

Sat night was spent in the pub and round the campsite where lots of laughter and alcohol was enjoyed whilst discussing today's *comedy of errors* and listening to stories of past rides, both successful and unsuccessful.

Sunday we all went our separate ways and made our way back North along whichever route took our fancy. Me and Bry went via Serpentine and stopped for coffee at the dam then had a steady ride back thru the hills.

My 1st solo Ulysses ride the other weekend was 306 ks and I was very proud of myself, my second was 580 ks....(door to door, 936)...I don't think I'm going next time.....!!! J

I have to say tho...thanks to everyone for making this such a nice weekend...it was a great experience and I'm getting to know some lovely people. Thanks to Tony for organizing things, Jane for taking the excess baggage for us and Gail for brekkie at the pub.

Oh and Bryan enjoyed himself too...!!!

Cathy Sherwood

PROFILE OF EX-SPIDERMAN—Brock Leatt-Hayter



I was born a long time ago (Yes I wasn't always here) in Bunbury. I wasn't riding a bike back then.

After the usual childhood of moving all around Oz, I decided to join the Air Force and stayed for 22 years. During this time, around 1980 I decided to get a bike (then a licence) a Kwaka Z250. A little later, I crashed that into the rear of an Escort S/wagon towing a caravan. Not a good idea, it killed the bike and banged me up a little. Soon replaced that with another Z250. After a couple months, decided the riding into the Freo Doctor and losing 30Ks was not on so visited Savage Suzuki and put together a brand new Katana 650 shaft drive.

1983, I was posted to Malaysia (it was a large envelope) and remained there for 3Yrs 3Mths 3Days, no bike riding there, as I thought it was a little dangerous, tho I did ride a time or two when holidaying in Thailand. Got married and had a daughter before returning to Oz (Melbourne) in 1985 (October, jeeze it was cold, took two years before I could take a jumper off)

Anyway, to cut along boring story to a short boring one, I retired from the RAAF (Redundant actually) in Jan 94 after about 22 Yrs and moved to WA. After a while found my self working for a Company contracted to the RAAf, back doing wot I dun already, Doh. Been there now for nearly 15 Yrs. About 6/7 Yrs ago, saw a Kwaka ZZR 1100 at Northside Yamaha, bought it, and still have it. Some how I found out about the Ulysses Club from some one (Ross Shaw) and joined up, some times wonder if that was a good decision (a bit like getting married ???)

I have served as Club Treasurer for two years, and spiderman for three (one while still holder of the purse). That's about it, any Questions???..... No good, goodnight.

Oh, have two blocks of land in Thailand, and plan to build soon. It can be seen on Google Earth at 13 34 01.23N 99 58 16.50E (cut and paste)



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Tour Master
Brian 0401 322 343



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 corner of Ocean Reef Road & Eddystone Avenue

Ride Calendar April 2009

Tues 14th Meeting at GLENGARRY Tavern 8 pm	Sun 19th Ride Leader Needed Contact Brian 0401 322 343	Sun 26th Ben's Ride 9 am start
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May 2009

Sun 3rd Ride Leader Needed Contact Brian 0401 322 343	Sun 10th Ride Leader Needed Contact Brian 0401 322 343	Tues 12th Meeting at GLENGARRY Tavern 8 pm	Sun 17th Ride Leader Needed Contact Brian 0401 322 343	Sun 24th Ride Leader Needed Contact Brian 0401 322 343	Sun 31st Ride Leader Needed Contact Brian 0401 322 343
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Ride Leaders—Your club needs you! Ride calendar is in "POOR" shape.

The "calendar" above is a rather sad testament to the fact that we need some more people to step up and lead rides. If you do nothing, then don't be upset when nothing happens!

Saturday Social—every Saturday at 5 pm
Plakas on Scarborough Esplanade

The Wednesday "Ride and Feed" rides are continuing for Autumn. Depart Maccers at 6.30 pm. Bit of a ride and some nosh somewhere, not necessarily fish and chips.

