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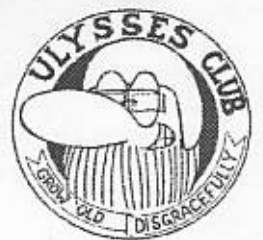
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HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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EACH MEETING

Every Saturday
Socialize at Spinackers,
On The North Mole
Hilarys Boat Harbour.
Meet at 4:30-5.00pm

NEXT MEETING
FEBRUARY 12TH 2008
8.00PM
WHITFORDS TAVERN
Meals from 6.30pm

**RIDE CALENDAR ON THE BACK PAGE
OF THE JUG TIMES.**

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 11TH DECEMBER 2007

THERE WAS A GOOD TURNOUT FOR THE XMAS SPECTACULAR MEETING

JIM CARR OPENED THE MEETING WITH A SEASONAL WARNING ABOUT DRUNKS IN CARS. HE NEXT GAVE OUT THE DETAILS OF A RED TRIUMPH SPRINT 1AY 783 WHICH HAD BEEN STOLEN IN WARNBORO - ALL MEMBERS PLEASE KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR THIS BIKE.THERE

THEN FOLLOWED SOME TRUE STORIES,FIRSTLY ABOUT A BLOKE IN BRISBANE WHO RINGS HIS SON AND SAYS THAT HE'S GETTING DIVORCED AFTER 45YEARS AND THEN HANGS UP. THE SON THEN RANG HIS SISTER IN PERTH WHO RANG HER DAD TO SAY THAT THEY WOULD BOTH BE HOME FOR XMAS. DAD TURNS TO HIS WIFE AND SAYS, YES THEY'LL BOTH BE HERE FOR XMAS AND THEY'RE BUYING THEIR OWN TICKETS!

THE NEXT TALE WAS NOT AS SEASONAL IT WAS ABOUT A GUY WHO SAID TO HIS WIFE I THOUGHT I SAW A LOAF WITH YOUR NAME ON IT TODAY BUT WHEN I CHECKED IT SAID THICK CUT.

THE THIRD STORY WAS THAT OF THE GUY WHO SAID TO HIS WIFE TELL ME SOMETHING THAT WILL MAKE ME HAPPY AND SAD SO SHE TOLD HIM THAT HE HAD A BIGGER DICK THAN HIS BROTHER.

BIRTHDAYS: ONLY NORM (RON) ADMITTED TO GETTING OLDER AND WAS REWARDED BY THE USUAL SONG WELL SUNG

VISITORS AND GUESTS:-

PETER MOORE FROM GERALDTON (ACTUALLY IN PERTH TO COLLECT A NEW BIKE AND GOT LOST ON THE WAY BACK TO GERO)
DAVE STROUD FROM WOODRIDGE (TRIUMPH ROCKET 3)
PAUL FROM WOODRIDGE (VIAGRA VIRAGO)
PAUL ON A 250
PAUL JENNER (650 V-STROM)
STEVEN & PAM BACK FROM A TASSIE WEDDING

PREZ LARRY BROUGHT THE CLUB UP TO DATE ON THE UPCOMING ODYSSEY TO GERALDTON WITH THE NEWS THAT SHANNONS WILL BE SPONSORING THE EVENT.SOME MEMBERS WILL BE RIDING UP IN JAN/FEB TO VIEW VENUES ETC.

LARRY ALSO GAVE OUT THE WELCOME NEWS THAT JACKIE PRECIOUS WAS NOW OUT OF HOSPITAL AND MOBILE FOLLOWING HER ACCIDENT DOWN IN KULIN. ON A SADDER NOTE THERE HAD BEEN A GOOD TURNOUT TO DICE ROLLINGS FUNERAL. LARRY ALSO REMINDED US TO TAKE EXTRA CARE OVER THE HOLIDAY PERIOD.

TREASURER WAS AGAIN SUSPICIOUS BY HIS ABSENCE BUT ASSURED US THAT THERE WAS STILL MONEY IN THE ACCOUNT AND THAT AUSTRALIA DOES HAVE AN EXTRADITION TREATY WITH THE USA.

SECRETARY'S REPORT WAS AS INTERESTING AND INFORMATIVE AS USUAL (AFTER ALL I AM WRITING THESE MINUTES) JUSTIN HAS DECIDED TO EMBARK ON A TRANSCONTINENTAL TOUR LEAVING IN LATE FEBRUARY AND ANYONE ELSE WISHING TO DO THE LONG RIDE EAST SHOULD CONTACT HIM.

EDITOR FRAN ASKED IF RIDE LEADERS WOULD GIVE THEIR CONTACT DETAILS FOR KON TO PUBLISH SO THAT ANY QUERIES REGARDING THEIR RIDE MAY BE ANSWERED DIRECTLY.

SOCIAL - STUMPY REMINDED US OF THE GO KART RACING AT WANNEROO THIS SATURDAY AND PROMISED TO GIVE A BLOW BY BLOW COMMENTARY AT THE NEXT MEETING.

KON ADVISED OF THE XMAS PICNIC RIDE TO WHITEMAN PARK ON THE 23rd DECEMBER MATT HAS ARRANGED A WEEKEND AWAY RIDE TO AUGUSTA FOR THE LONG WEEKEND IN MARCH, DOWN SAT RETURN MON SPACES ARE LIMITED SO GET YOUR NAME DOWN ASAP. BROCK APPEALED FOR PHOTOS FOR THE WEBSITE AND MORE DETAILS OF RIDES eg APPROXIMATE DISTANCE AND DIFFICULTY 1 - 3 3 BEING THE EASIEST.

TONY WARD BROUGHT UP THE FACT THAT THERE WAS STILL NOTHING ON AFTER THE TOY RUN.

ERIC CALLED FOR ANY E-MAILS PHOTOS OR JOKES ABOUT BIKERS FOR A COMPILATION HIS SON WAS DOING.

M.O.T.M. THE SOLE CANDIDATE THIS MONTH WAS NEIL WHO HAD MANAGED TO WEAR HIS BACK TYRE DOWN TO THE WIRE IN UNDER 4000ks DESPITE THE FACT THAT THE BIKE WAS NEW AND RUNNING IN!

HEADS N TAILS WAS WON BY JENNY AND ROSS

THERE WAS THEN A HUGE XMAS RAFFLE AND JUST ABOUT EVERYONE WON SOMETHING AND

WE WENT HOME AT 9.10

Endurance Race

Barbagallo 15/12/07

(photo's have been submitted to Spiderman for loading onto the 'net)

Team Captain and event organiser Stumpy, got us to part with our weekend beer money, so that we could sit in the rock hard seat of a vehicle with no springs, that vibrated like a jack hammer because of the twin 100dB motors bolted directly behind the drivers ears, needed arms like Arnie Shweizinigie to turn the steering and shook one around like a rag in a Rottweiler's mouth for four hours on a Saturday night!

... and he didn't even have to try too hard!

...and after having ones derriere within millimetres of hard, unforgiving, very un-skin friendly abrasive tarmac, I doubt if any of the drivers are finding it easy to relax the elastic in the old brown-eye as I write this.

Saturday the 15th of December 2007, and three fine teams entered into The 'event'

In no particular order these were;

The Big Arses	The Zoomers	The Killers
Pres Larry	Matt (Matman)	Stumpy
Diamond Jim	Brian (Bobbin)	Konsun Nic
Dapper Derek	Steve	Gary T
Jamie	K'k'k'Kon	Jason



Ably supported by Sally, Gayle, Jo, Jenny and one of Kon's other sons.

Each driver had 10 minutes warm up before drivers briefing and I use the term warm up very loosely – like some of the driving (including mine). The JUG teams did wonderfully. Out of eleven teams, ours were placed 7th, 9th and 11th on the starting grid.

Unfortunately for you, and because everything is me, me, me, I can only describe the race from my pit of misery. The first lap saw me up to 5th, 2nd lap to 4th and pulling away and holding station with the leaders. In the 6th lap there was a crash and I didn't get passed the pit before the pace kart came out directly in front of me. The down side is that the three leaders were then able to catch up from behind thereby gaining a full lap. Back to green and some kamikaze driving from positions 1 and 2 saw them lap me shortly thereafter. Next up was Konsun Nic, first time in a Kart and an impressive learning curve (including some intentional [?] power drifts), saw us maintain a close 5th for the 30 mins he was out, developing both his racecraft and his headache. A bit of confusion over refuelling resulted in the loss of about ¾ of a lap, but Jason, the quietly competent son of Steve, went out and blasted us back up to a secure 4th overall, with a fastest lap time of 58.45 and consistent times in the 58's. Stumpy, (third man out) complaining over race radio that he couldn't see over the steering and didn't know where the track was, brought some stability and consistency to proceedings. The 3rd hour brought rain and a substantial number of drivers got confused and tried (successfully and with no visible effort) to turn around so that they could see the last corner they had driven through. This resulted in lost time, but as it was the same for almost everyone – except the three pro teams, it was more entertaining than penalising. Konsun Nic proved adept at powersliding onto the main straight under full lock with his left front wheel in the air and kept us comfortably in 4th overall. Jason, in his last session enjoyed a drying track and passed all but one, lifting us into 3rd (a full lap up on the 4th placed team). Stumpy went out for the final 15 minutes, maintaining our position until the rain came down again. Unfortunately for the Killers, the team behind us had a wet weather specialist on the track and he got past Stumpy when he stopped for smoko in a previously unmarked lay-by. (no money was seen to change hands). Stumpy then impressed the hell out of us by some damn good wet driving in the pouring rain, keeping us firmly in 4th. Considering that we had virtually no experience, no strategy and were in desperate need of beer, The Killers were happy. 4th overall, 6 laps down. 4th fastest lap of the night at 58.13

On to the Big Arses;

8th overall, 31 laps down. No experience at all. None of them (except for Dapper Derek) fitted in the seats. Lap times in the 1.04 to 1.11's. Unfairly penalised five laps for failing to re-fuel on the hour (they couldn't as there was a yellow flag at the time). Lost an additional lap every time they changed drivers (you try breaking a suction vacuum held in place by 120kg's). Got cut up by faster drivers on every corner

And smiled and laughed all the way through

AND they beat one of the hot favourites – The MTWA – by 11 laps. How? By being consistent and not stacking their kart.

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Hopefully one of them will write a report on the race from their perspective

What can we say about the Zoomers? 7th overall, 25 laps down. Best lap at 1.00.33 (Mattman), Stylish steering and startled expressions (yes, visible though his full face helmet) from Brian (Bobbin), Grim determination and a fiendish grin from the Valkerie (as well as any number of 'Wanna pass me in this corner? The hell you will' techniques), and last but not least, 'if you want to know where I am on the track just look for the silver helmet' K'K'K'Kon.

Ditto a report from one of them?

A couple of observations for future events;

- Only one driver to do the warm-up session. Grid positions are dependent on the number of laps completed in the 20 minutes allocated.
- Communicate pit signs to avoid confusion when refuelling and/or driver change stops are required. The Killers effectively lost a lap due to the first pace kart, and another for driver/refuel confusion.
- The organisers appear biased towards the pro teams and did not penalise them for things like overtaking under yellow or missing compulsory fuel stops. If they had been consistent, the Killers team would have got 2nd overall (too bad, so sad).
- Do lots of neck wrist and forearm exercises for a month before the event. Sleep late the following morning.
- Butt clenching exercises are recommended for those with weak or overstretched elastic. Kart seats are not designed to allow for drainage of unscheduled slurries.
- Farting does not reduce gravitational forces, and thereby grip or traction.
- Try to avoid sneezing with your visor down (or up for that matter)
- Bumping competitors from behind (in corners) can help you to get past. Accept their accolades of appreciation with dignity when you see them pushing their kart back onto the track on the next lap.
- At the next Sunday ride, do not attempt to emulate the front and rear wheel drifting techniques that you mastered in the kart.

The worst drivers are the best source of advice. Anything you need to know? Ask me.

Have a happy and healthy 2008

Editor's note: Many thanks to Gary for the report.

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Tour Master

	Jan 13	Jan 20	Jan 27	
	Larry's Run 9 AM	Brian's Run 09:00 AM	Gerard's Ride 9 AM	

Feb 3	Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 24	
Steve's Secretary Run	Kezza's Valentines day River Ride 0900 Maccas	BMW Norm's Ride 9 AM	Kons Ride to Cervantes 0830 Maccas	

Mar 1 & 2	Mar 9	Mar 16	Mar 23	Mar 30
2 nights at Augusta	Biggsy's Ride 9 AM	Stumpy's Ride 09:00 AM	Easter Sunday RideN Decide	LINDSAY'S RUN 9AM

Apr 6	Apr 13	Apr 20	Apr 27	
PATRIC'S RUN 9AM	Matts Ride 0417939057 9 AM	Malcolm's Ride 09:00 AM	Steve Cook's Ride 9 AM	

