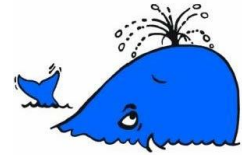




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Branch AGM

The branch AGM will be held at the Alma Hotel Willunga on Thursday February 16th 2023 at 7:30 pm. Nominees for the following positions are:

- **President - *Philip Wilson #53322***
- **Secretary - *Marie Wilson #64175***
- **Treasurer - *Peter Swallow #69011***
- **Committee members - *Brett Wise #65152***
- **Committee members - *Mike Thorpe #63939***
- **Committee members - *Vicki Ryan #30737***

The annual President Secretary Treasurer reports are attached as appendixes and will not be read out at the AGM.

Branch Beast Feast

"THE LAST BEAST FEAST" Saturday 4th March, 2023, 142 Hancock Rd Inman Valley

This will be the last beast feast at Hann's Haus as they are moving on to their new retirement residence. So come along and make this final BEAST FEAST an event for Jo & Ray and the Fleurieu Branch to remember.

The famous Hann's Haus three course menu will be confirmed subject to the forecasted temperature on the day.

There is plenty of room for Caravans, Coaster Buses, Camper Trailers & Tents allowing for an overnight stayover.

To pre pay and register for this event please EFT the total amount for your Saturday & Sunday Breakfast meals to the branch bank A/C Using "FAMILY " name as the reference.

Account Name: Ulysses Club Fleurieu Branch

BSB: **105-186**

A/C: **035498140**

Reference: **(Your family name)**

Saturday Night Meal: \$15.00 per person, Sunday Breakfast: \$5.00 per person

Cut-off Date for registration and payment, Friday 25th February 2023. As we exclusively cater for this event, we do need to confirm actual numbers.

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Branch Rides

Sunday Rides

- Every Fortnight, refer Ride Calendar.
- Departing from the Alma Hotel Willunga unless there is a scheduled change.
- Meet at the Alma Hotel well before at 10:00 am.
- Ride Briefing at 09:50 with Stands Up at 10:00 am Sharp.

Ride Leader – February

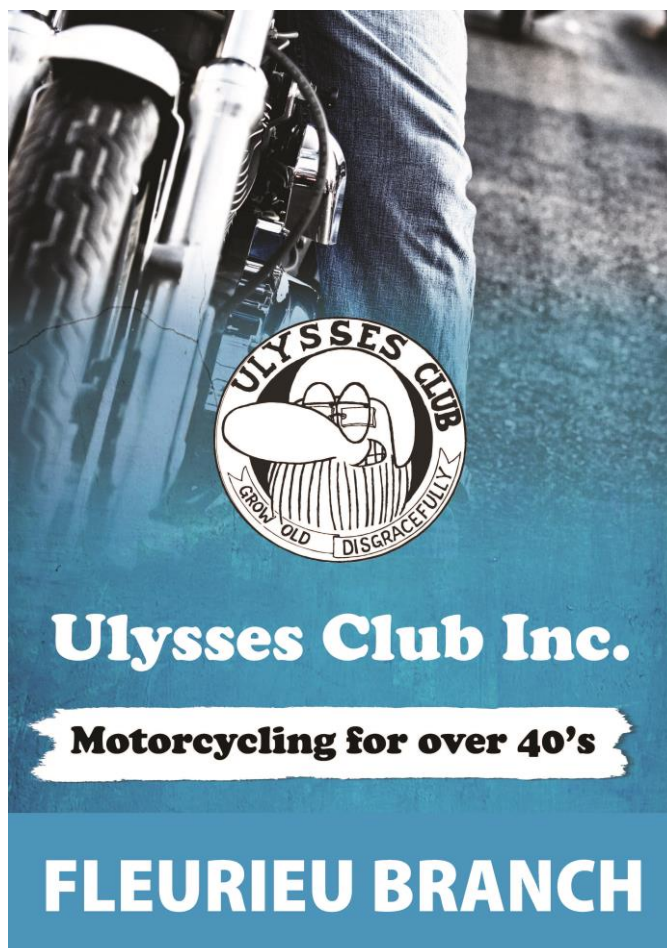
12th Philp Wilson, **26th** Marie Wilson.

Ride Leader - March

12th Mike Thorpe, **26th** Jack Ash.

Ride Leader - April

9th Hobbit, **23rd** Peter Swallow.



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- Branch Sunday Rides
- Gary Parker Friday Rides
- Committee Meetings
- Social Meetings
- Public Holidays

2023

Fleurieu Branch Ride Calendar

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Please note that Wednesday Rides have been cancelled

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There is a Friday Ride between the Sunday rides. Refer to Ride Calendar above for dates.



Gary Parker leads Friday Rides.

Meet at the Alma well before at 10:00 am,
Stands Up at 10:00 am Sharp

Next rides

March 3rd, March 31st.

For details please contact

Gary on 0410 803 633

Ride Coordinators Comments

Greetings all. In late 2021 I was asked to join Fleurieu committee. I agreed and was given the Ride Coordinator role. It has been an interesting year of managing this position. Firstly, I had to get people to lead rides then manage the email distribution process called Mailchimp. This system does have other names, none of which are printable.

I found that once members had agreed (sometimes under a little pressure) to lead a ride there are several processes that need to be undertaken before that ride. I have been very fortunate, as all ride leaders sent me a draft of their ride well in advance so I could compile and add maps as needed,

The important part of early advice is so I have a good idea of where we are going in case the ride leader cannot make it on the day and I have to fill in. Furthermore, this year the choice of rides has been well thought out and covered several different areas. The leaders are thinking about the rides and how to make them interesting whilst remaining "rideable" by all members.

Then there is the morning sermon. Making sure everyone is across what we are doing and reminding them of our responsibilities as riders and a branch/club. In addition, trying to make it interesting. Then ensuring everyone understands corner marshalling and the responsibilities of the ride leader and tail end Charlie, especially if you are a CM and have a small one. I think I now have a good idea of what is needed each week and I have introduced the speed camera locations for the area.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all ride leaders for their input and leadership. A special mention must also be added for Poida (the orange umpa lumpa) in his role as TEC. There were a couple of occasions when he had to ring myself and have the RL stop and regroup due to fall or incorrect turn.

There have been about a dozen different ride leaders this year. Many of those have already agreed to lead again in 2023. But if you want to lead there is always a space to fill, but no pressure yet.

The other part is the ride reports. Some leaders do not wish to write them themselves and this is not an issue, I and the Beautiful Marie are always happy to write them on your behalf. Photos of rides are also a great addition.

Be it Sunday, Wednesday or Friday rides keep the information and photos coming to me and everyone will see what a great time we have.

My beautiful wife Marie has been a great support through this year with the ride communications preparations and dealing with my early angst of Mailchimp. I love Marie.

Phil Wilson, #53322 – Ride Coordinator of the magnificent Fleurieu Branch of Ulysses

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Indian Motorcycle History

1897 - 1952

In 1897, industry pioneer George M. Hendee founded a bicycle production company called the Hendee Manufacturing Company. Along with co-founder and chief engineer Oscar Herdstrom, Hendee opened the company's first factory in downtown Springfield in 1901.

The first Indian motorcycles, having chain drives and streamlined styling, were sold to the public in 1902. In 1903, Indian's co-founder and chief engineer Oscar Hedstrom set the world motorcycle speed record of 56 mph. In 1904 the company introduced the deep red colour that would become Indian's trademark.

What followed was half a century of unparalleled growth in motorcycle production and innovation, and foundational leadership in curating a true American riding culture. In 1923, the company changed its name from The Hendee Manufacturing Company to The Indian Motorcycle Company – no 'r' in 'motorcycle' when the word was first used with the name Indian. Less than two decades later, Sturgis, South-Dakota -based Jackpine Gypsies rider group held a race called the Black Hills Classic, which evolved to become the world's largest motorcycle rally.

Over its early years of existence, the company displayed extraordinary resilience as its trailblazing success in innovation and on the racetrack continued despite the advent of the Great Depression and two world wars. In fact, not only did the brand survive these tumultuous times, but its considerable contribution to the war effort during WWI and WWII provided essential vehicles to both the American and French troops on the ground.

1953 - 2010

Indian Motorcycle's halt in production of all models in 1953 kicked off a five-decade break in the company's rich history. Although several efforts during this era of brand history saw the trademarked 'Indian Motorcycle' name on several different imported bikes, these tumultuous times plagued by several major changes in ownership proved to be a real divergence from the overall path to success laid by Indian Motorcycle's original trailblazers. The period of uncertainty finally ended when Polaris Industries acquired the Indian Motorcycle Company in 2011, decisively ushering-in a period of renewed success reminiscent of the company's early sustained growth.

2011 & Beyond

The 2010's have been a decade full of exciting development and growth for Indian Motorcycle. Revitalized by the company's acquisition by Polaris Industries in 2011, Indian Motorcycle has since re-joined the trail blazed by the company's early pioneers in the first half of the 20th century. The present-day Indian Motorcycle Company combines high-performing technological innovation, rewarding partnerships, and an ever-expanding line-up of authentic, iconic bikes.

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Dehydration & Fatigue for Motorcyclist

With the weather starting to get hotter, it is important to remind ourselves of the dangers of dehydration and the safety implications due to fatigue and a lack of concentration whilst we are riding. This can be easily overcome by drinking enough fluids, this includes plenty of water but does not include coffee, alcohol, or sugary drinks etc.

This was recently highlighted on a Ulysses Club overnight ride, when one of the group's riders had a big night and followed it the next morning with multiple cups of coffee. The result was the rider starting to lose control of the motorcycle and finally collapsing on the roadside in a remote area, before being transported to hospital where they were given intravenous fluids and told that they were lucky to have survived.

Water makes up the largest component of the human body representing 45% to 70% of our body weight. For example, a 75 kg person would contain 45 litres of water, representing 60% of body weight. Any excessive change in the normal body water balance, such as fluid loss causing dehydration can be a serious outcome for the motorcyclist.

We lose body water daily through normal tasks such as breathing, sweating, urinating and some medications for example. A reduction of only 1% can start to impair our body's normal temperature regulation system and dehydration will kick in. During heat exposure, body water is primarily lost as sweat. Individuals can sweat anywhere between 800 mL to 1.4 litres per hour. People normally do not perceive thirst until a deficit of approximately 2% body weight loss has resulted from sweating. Thus, thirst provides a poor indicator of body water needs during rest or physical activity.

When individuals are encouraged to drink fluids frequently during heat exposure, the rate at which we can replace the fluids by mouth is limited by the rate at which fluids can be absorbed from the stomach to the intestines (where the absorption process starts to take place).

Fluids can only empty from the stomach at a maximum rate of approximately 1 to 1.2 litres per hour.

The important message is that once dehydration occurs, it becomes more challenging to rehydrate adequately by drinking water. The key to preventing dehydration for the motorcyclist is to begin consuming water before going on a ride and to maintain hydration by taking frequent drinks of water during the ride.

Just remember that you can sweat more per hour on a hot day than what your body is capable of absorbing. That is why it is critical to maintain your water intake before, during and after the ride.

First Aid

Keep an eye out for common signs (*something you see*) and symptoms (*something you hear, or the patient tells you.*) of dehydration. Also keep in mind that each person may experience symptoms differently, they include:

Less frequent urination & dark in colour

- Thirst
- Fatigue & light-headedness
- Confusion
- Dry mouth
- Frontal headache

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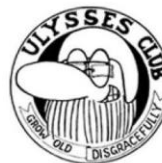
DRINK, DON'T SIP

Cool the individual down and get them to drink as much water as possible (may include electrolytes). Be aware that large amounts of oral fluids may increase bloating, nausea, and vomiting due to the delays in stomach intestine absorption rate. In this case, the individual needs urgent medical attention and intravenous (I.V) fluid replacement. Please remember that the volume of oral fluids ingested typically must at least equal the volume of fluid lost.

Future Event Odyssey 2023



Save The Date - 13th to the 15th October 2023
South Australian Odyssey



The next South Australian Odyssey will be held at Clare in the Mid north of the State.

Party Central will be at the Discovery Park, just to the south of the Township from the **13th to the 15th October 2023**.

All accommodation in the Park has been held for us and early bookings are highly recommended to ensure a cabin or space for your caravan.

We will get a 10% discount on mentioning the Ulysses Club when booking.
Phone 8842 2724 to book.

Planning is well advanced, and we will do a few things very differently to past Events.
The Saturday evening festivities will be held at the Clare Golf Club.

Registration will be available mid next year.
For further information, phone Nev Gray on 0416 050 189.



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Ride Reports

Brenton's Ride Sunday 27th November 2022.

On a cool and slightly overcast Sunday morn we had 22 riders on 21 assorted bikes and trikes assemble with new riders Stuart and John with Denise to hear Phil`s Sunday sermon.

With Guv playing catch up we headed off down Aldinga Road onto South Road and wound our way to Normanville via the Myponga Dam and Forktree Road.

A few spots of rain, but nothing substantial and traffic was quite sparse for a Sunday which is always good.

The usual banter and chat with refreshments.

From here the group rode off to Yankalilla, Myponga, Pages Flat, Mount Compass, Nangkita and Finniss arriving at our destination of Milang for lunch.

More banter and chat over lunch whilst being set upon by a few hungry mozzies, before heading homeward only to encounter a heavy shower of rain near Currency Creek. (I did anyway).

Did anyone notice the number of potholes today?

All in all a good days ride with a great group of people.

Brenton.



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Ulysses Mallee Toy Run Sunday 4th December 2022.

There were 4 Fleurieu members that met at Strathalbyn Train Station on Saturday 3/12/2022 Scott Robertson, Andrew (Lurch) Swearse, David (Rainman) Polkinghorne and myself.

We headed off for our destination of Renmark crossing the River Murray at Walker Flat and having lunch at the Swan Reach Hotel to view the river in flood. Arriving at Renmark mid-afternoon we settled into our motel before being collected by our Uber driver Carmel who took us shopping for supplies and a tour of the flood affected Renmark, Paringa, Lyrup and Berri locals. It was amazing to see the height of the river and the levee system which we hope is going to keep Renmark dry. We then all went to the Renmark Club for great meal, thanks Carmel for the transport it was greatly appreciated.

Sunday 4th we fuelled up the bikes and had breakfast and coffee a Macca`s before meeting the Ulysses Mallee members for the Toy and Tucker Run. We headed off for Loxton via Paringa to meet up with the riders coming from Waikerie, then back through Renmark to Berri and Barmera 150 riders in total for this great event. \$3440 was raised plus a substantial amount of food and toys donated for the Riverland Christmas Appeal.

A great effort by the Ulysses Mallee Brach for organising this fantastic event.

With Lurch and Rainman staying an extra night Scott and I headed off home early afternoon, making sure to take adequate hydration and rest breaks every hour.

Sitting on the riverbank under a tree at Walker Flat in the cool breeze for a while watching the river flow by, I sincerely hope that the river towns levees and flood protection system hold out through this flood event.

This event will be held on the first Sunday in December 2023.

Brenton.



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Toy Run 2022 Sunday 11th December

The weather again provided an interesting start to the day. Having come off mid to high 30's on Saturday the change certainly set in for Sunday.

An intrepid 15 bikes left Café de Vili's after various breakfast and coffees and headed for the Victoria Park track. We all dropped our presents off at the "drop and ride site" near the old grandstand. Once parked we had a wander up and down looking at the assortment of bikes present. There was very little merchandising at the start and only 2 locations to get food or drink.

There were several hundred bikes already in place, with a number still coming in. Although it was the first full Toy Run to Callington for 3 years the numbers would have been considered medium to low. This was further enhanced by our ride out of the city, there were very few onlookers and those that were present were spread out.

Anyway 11 am came around and off we went. There was a police presence at the start and most intersections on Hutt Street and Greenhill Road. After that we were on our own. Those present began in an orderly fashion but once we had reached the Mount Barker Road and Freeway the riding habits of some deteriorated rapidly. There was an obvious presence of those that do not ride often or well with others. One rider deciding to pass bikes and cars on the wrong side of Glen Osmond Road and then abuse a driver who for some reason wanted to turn right off GO Rd into a side street.

Onto the freeway and we were again faced with the concertina effect, which is manageable, unless you have a rider behind you who is not paying attention. This happened to Shirley (Suzy Quatro) Parfitt when a rider ran up the back of her bike. Only small amount of damage to Shirley's bike and she remained on and was OK. Shirley obviously stopped but hubby Jerry did not see the incident and once we reached Grunthel Brewery just outside Hahndorf and she wasn't behind him he went back to find her.

About 10 of us headed off through Hahndorf, Echunga, and Macclesfield and into Strathalbyn for a coffee and pie. Shirl and Jerry joined us at Strathalbyn which was great to see.

Phil Wilson, #53322 – Ride Coordinator



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Ad hoc Ride Saturday 31st December 2022.

So, a couple of us were talking about going for a ride on Friday (30/12) and I thought I will just put out a quick comms in case anyone else is interested. On Friday morning Marie and I headed for McDonalds at Christies Beach. Once there and coffee purchase a steady line of members arrived, with others having messaged me to advise where they will join the ride. Here we had a happy bunch of riders including some of the regular Friday riders.

Off we went following the coast as best as possible until we reached Silver Sands, then back to South Road and through to Myponga, Yankalilla, and Delamare for coffee. We regrouped just outside of Yankalilla and got caught behind a vehicle, poorly towing a boat, and refusing to pull over and let others by on the way to Delamare.

Once coffee was done with at Delamare onto the magnificent 50+km road to Victor. Bypassed Victor and then on to Strathalbyn. We got a bit stretched out near Middleton, but all caught up at Strath. Coffee, lunch, chat and home. All up 29 bikes were involved. A great turn out for an unofficial ad hoc ride. Everyone seemed to have a great ride and the weather was really good. Thanks for coming Marie and I really appreciated the turn out.

Phil Wilson, #53322 – Ride Coordinator of the magnificent Fleurieu Branch of Ulysses



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Black Friday Ride Friday 6th January 2023

Four brave men took to the streets, they were bold in their endeavours, 4 hefty bikes rumbled from Willunga via Pages Flat, Crows Nest into Victor. Coffee on the esplanade facing the Bluff. Onwards they called to Delamere along the Range Rd, then Lady Bay into Normanville Pub for lunch and camaraderie!

A mighty day with mighty men on mighty machines braving all elements!

See ya next month.

Gary Parker



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Presidents Ride or Reverse Corkscrew Ride January 15th 2023

A ride reversed is a totally new ride. Also, it makes it easier to plan. However, on the day before, a bushfire started in Black Hill Conservation Park, requiring the closure of Corkscrew Road. A rethink was needed.

It was a fine day for a ride with about 20 bikes in attendance. I decided to avoid Brookman Road due to the ongoing bridge works and elected to go via Kangarilla instead. The first leg was fairly simple, via Meadows, Echunga, Hahndorf, and Lenswood to the Cuddly Café. No way in the world was I expecting the number of bikes at the café, it was packed!

After a half hour break, off we went, partially the way we had come. At Forrest Range we turned toward Mt Lofty for the scenic part of the ride. Lots of slow twisties with some slow pushbikes. Past the beautiful Mt Lofty House, along Upper Sturt Road, to the very awkward 'T' junction onto Main Road (I should have taken the little bypass), then to The Duck in Coromandel Valley. A nice pub with a good menu.

All in all, a good ride and my last Presidents Ride.

Cheers, Brett,



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Ride With Rainman 29th January 2023

What would a ride with Rainman as the leader be without a little bit of precipitation? After a brief and informative briefing up the famous Willunga Hill, a great piece of bitumen, along Range Road and down Pennys Hill Road offering spectacular views of the McLaren Vale area with views down to the coast, turned into Main Road and Malpas Road and turned left onto Main South Road. Unfortunately we lost a couple of rider on Main Road. Turned right onto Quinliven Road, the roadworks in Aldinga did not cause an issue as first thought. A beautiful ride along the coast, we have some of the best beaches in the country, back onto Main South Road and up Sellicks Hill, a bit windy, turning right onto Reservoir Road and over the dam wall, another great ride which you never get enough of, stopping in Normanville for a break where we found our riders we lost earlier on in the ride.

After the break headed to Yankalilla and along Inman Valley Road, which is one of the worst roads around, so the ride took a right turn into Torrens Vale Road and up to Parawa and onto Range Road, another great road, turned left onto Inman Valley Road and right onto Sawpit Road and Nettle Hill Road. This is a section of road the Tour Down Under used for the King of the Mountain classification. Onto Hindmarsh Tiers Road and left onto Pambula Road and left onto Victor Harbour Road stopping at Mount Compass for lunch. Staff at the Dish Café made us welcome and served great food and coffee.

Until next time keep upright and dry. Cheers



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Friday Ride 3rd February 2023

A dreary day was met by 8 Brave souls, leaving Willunga dry, we headed for Mylor, through McLaren Flat, Clarendon, Cheery Gardens, Heathfield. New owners at the Mylor Cafe, we're happy to invite us for coffee n cake.

Then off to The Great Eastern Hotel for lunch, through Hahndorf (wet), onto Balhannah, then Oakbank and Woodside. Bird in hand Road. Over the top to Harrogate, here it teemed down, and only one set of wets among us, notably the road back towards Nairne is now completely bitumen, so only water spray. We rocked into Littlehampton around 12.45 and enjoyed a terrific lunch and much hurrah about the weather! It just felt like Rainman was with us.

Cheers till next Friday's adventure
Gaz



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Welfare Matters



Cherie Thorpe is our Welfare Officer.

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Cherie's role is to be the central person in our branch to ensure members in need are assisted in whatever manner is appropriate for that individual. Just let inform Cherie if you know of a member who needs support.

Awards, Age & Membership Badges

2022 OAKS

"Older, Alive & Kicking Still"

Ray Hann



2022 W.J. Award

"Warren Jamieson Award"

Trevor Staples



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Age Badges



Sharryn Nunan 70 Year

Membership Badges



Pat Rice 25 years,



Robert Rayan 20 Years



Vicki Ryan 20 years

Please remember to contact our Quartermaster, Peter Swallow if you are due for an **AGE** or **YEARS** of **SERVICE BADGE**. You need to supply your membership number, and your current membership status needs to be confirmed by NATCOM.

New Branch Shirts are now available to members. Please contact Peter for details to order these new branch Shirts.

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Mount Compass Caravan Park.
March 31st to April 2.
 To book Ph 8556 8600
 Things to do Harvest the Fleurieu,
 if you prefer, Alexandrina Cheese or Mount
 Compass wines or Boho farm.
 Or just sit back and enjoy the peace and
 quiet. 83 Heysen Blvd Mt Compass.

Peterborough Caravan Park
May 12th to May 14th.

To book 8651 2545
 Steamtown Heritage Rail centre, The
 light and sound night. Step back and
 enjoy our early rail and rural history.
 36 Grove St, Peterborough.



SARV Odyssey
September 6th to 13th
 To book email hobbitfjr@gmail.com
 This is a guided trip through history

From	Destination	Distance	Stay time	Park
Adelaide	Silverton	500	2 nights	Penrose Pk
Silverton	Tibooburra	330	5 nights	Granites Pk
Tibooburra	Milparinka		Day trip	
Tibooburra	Mt Wood		Day trip	
Tibooburra	Camerons Cnr		Day trip	
Tibooburra	Tibooburra		Rest day	
Tibooburra	Copi Hollow	400		

Point Turton Caravan Park
November 10th to 12th

To book Ph 8854 5222
 Come along for an end of year celebration.



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Ulysses SA Breakfast Club 2023

The Ulysses SA Breakfast Club meets at different locations around the state on the first Saturday of every month, giving our membership an alternative opportunity to socialise with other Ulysses Branch members.

Saturday March 4th at 9:30 am – 11:30 am.

- **Artisan Oak Café, 85 Princess Highway, Littlehampton.**
- **Please call Ken 0417 353 389 to confirm attendance**

The Funny Side



"Hey God, it's me again..."



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Hey Harley,



Can I copy your homework?

Yeah, sure. Just change it
up a bit



so it doesn't look obvious
you copied.

OK.



~ ROLE REVERSAL ~

Please can I have a gopher
I want to ride the street,
Tearing up the pavement,
Waving to folks I meet.

I promise to wear L plates
And have an orange flag,
I'll even have a battery,
In case I start to sag.

You see I'm getting older,
But I don't want a rocking chair,
I want to be out and about,
With wind blowing in my hair.

I could go and visit Tom,
He has lots of chooks,
I could bring back some eggs
And even borrow some books.

Andy wants me to play cards
And Bill likes to have a beer
But I will just drink Coke.....
If the thought fills you with fear.

The widow Jones makes good cakes,
I know she'd like me to call
I promise not to stay the night,
But maybe I'll have a light, after all.

So please can I have a gopher
If I promise to be good?
I'd obey most road rules
Honestly I would !

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Fleurieu Branch Wines



Any Branch member who would like to purchase Dogridge Winery Canvas red or white wines please contact Phil Wilson marie.selby@optus.com.au

The Canvas wine is a variety prepared by the winery without labels to enable the purchaser to place any design of their making on the wine. As a member of the Winery I can purchase the wines for any member who would like some. I can purchase both the red and white at the following rates.

No label affixed Fleurieu Branch Label attached

\$10.00 per bottle

Fleurieu Branch Label attached

\$12.00 per bottle

Branch Classified ads

Pete Flynn
33 Justin Crescent
Christie Downs
SA 5164
pflynn@adam.com.au
Mobile: 0493 408 711

Please call first to ensure i am there!

New Computer Sales, Service & Upgrades

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Ducati ST4S for Sale - \$12,000 ONO. Contact Dominic Cali on 0433 052 053



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Appendix - Annual Reports

Presidents Report for the year 2022

This past year is my last as President of Fleurieu Branch. When I took over from Julie five years ago, I took over a Branch that was in a good place. So, the new committee only had to continue the legacy that Julie's committee had left us. During those last five years, I am proud to report, as President that there was no doubt your committee members worked as a team, with a shared goal of what was best for branch. I cannot thank them enough for their hard work and commitment, and how they made it all fun. However, there comes a time to move on, a time for new energy, for new for ideas. I will not be stepping down completely. I will remain as a committee member, with the role of vice president and Odyssey organiser.

At the first social meeting of the year, the Warren Jamieson Shield was awarded to a most deserving Trevor Staples, for going above and beyond in devoting time and assistance to the Branch. The OAKS Award (aka Old, Alive and Kicking Still) was presented to Ray Hann for what could only be described as coming through the most frightening time a person can have and within weeks holding the Beast Feast.

Speaking of the Beast Feast, the event on March 4th will be the final one at the Hann's property as Jo and Ray are moving to a new phase in their life. I for one cannot thank them enough for allowing us to use their house and land for the BF. It was, without doubt, the perfect venue. I must also mention the effort put in by Jo and Ray, with the help of Sharryn and Julie (primarily) to make it such a success. We will now have to decide on two things. Do we say goodbye to the Beast Feast, has it run its course. Or, do we seek another venue. Any members with, or know of, a suitable property?

2022 was the year that we bade farewell to John Potter. Not just a much loved member of Ulysses, but also a south coast surfing identity. We had the pleasure of being guard of honour at his ashes spreading in true surfing tradition.

At the start of the year there were a number of Covid restrictions in place, one of the more contentious being the requirement that all members attending indoor events and Sunday rides be fully vaccinated. This decision, generally well received, was not made lightly. But then. as the government eased restrictions, so did we.

Riding is one of our main pursuits, there were many Sunday, Wednesday, and Friday rides. Some were cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances such a rain or temperature. An important factor the committee revisited was that cancelling of a ride would not be taken lightly. Whilst many riders are often still keen to ride and tackle the elements, the committee determined that safety would not be compromised. For instance, a forecast temperature of 35 deg' or above. If the Rides Coordinator, Rides Leader, or Tail End Charlie have any concerns, a ride may be cancelled. One thing was quite noticeable during the year. At any gathering, be it local or State, Fleurieu Branch was always well represented. I am so pleased at the way you all get involved. Well done to all members for your commitment to the branch.

So, this year there will be a new President and Secretary on the committee. Be kind, they are learning the ropes. Expect some new ideas, a different style of committee maybe.

Brett Wise #65152
Fleurieu Branch President

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Secretary Report - Feb 2022 – Feb 2023

1. Committee Meetings:

The Constitution requires the committee to meet a minimum of 6 times per year. Even through the COVID challenges, the Committee met on 9 occasions since the last Branch AGM.

At these Meetings, the elected committee members discussed their various areas of responsibility including Finance, Correspondence, Whaler Newsletter, Rides & Events, Website & Social Media, Overnighers, Membership & Branch Promotion, Welfare & Socials, Quartermaster Orders and Members Awards.

2. Communications

Mailchimp is the electronic message format we use to communicate with our membership. This has been the most successful resource, in keeping our contacts up to date with the Branch activities. We currently have 227 contacts on our mailing list receiving our regular electronic communications.

3. The Whaler Branch Newsletter:

As an additional role this year I have taken on the role of "The Whaler" editor. The electronic Whaler continues to be an excellent format for getting news updates to our members.

New content will be needed, so please, if you have some good motorbike advice, a great article to share, a story or a funny joke, or a photo of yourself, please consider emailing it to the branch for inclusion in the Newsletter.

4. Website, Social Media

Special thanks to Vicki Ryan, our dedicated Webmaster & Social Media Co-ordinator. Vicki continues her valuable input maintaining our Website, Facebook, Calendar as well as in a number of local forums.

5. Raffle:

The monthly raffle raises Branch funds enabling the committee to "give back to our members" by way of subsidizing badges & events. The recently introduced random number selection process, for our Raffles prizes, has significantly reduced the workload now required.

6. Branch Promotion:

Lion Bike Show:

This event has proven to be the most productive venue to promote the Ulysses Club and Fleurieu Branch. We will continue the support this event.

Business Cards:

We have a supply of "Fleurieu Branch" business cards, and we encourage our members to carry a few of these with you, to hand out if you meet interested people. Contact details are printed on the reverse side. This is a great way to promote the Ulysses Club & Fleurieu Branch. If you don't have any cards, please talk to one of the committee members and you can help spread the Ulysses Club word to encourage potential new members.

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7. Regular Rides:

We are very fortunate that the Fleurieu Peninsula has some of the most beautiful riding roads in South Australia.

An Annual ride calendar is produced each year allowing members to plan in advance for our regular rides. Sunday rides are now scheduled every fortnight along with Wednesday and a Friday rides scheduled between the Sunday fortnight rides.

We have a new Rides Co-Ordinator for this year, Philip Wilson. He has introduced Fleurieu Branch Riding Guidelines that have been well received.

Regular Friday rides have been coordinated by Gary Parker with Wednesday rides coordinated by Dominic Carli.

Many thanks to Phil, Gary, Dom, & all the other ride leaders for their valuable input to these rides throughout the year.

A very special thank-you to our Tail End Charlie Peter Swallow and Trevor Staples when he has been able to ride.

8. Quartermaster:

Special thanks to Peter Swallow for his valuable input as our branch Quartermaster.

We ask our members to inform the committee if they are due for age or length of membership badges. The Branch subsidizes them in the spirit of "giving back to our members".

- Year Length of membership badges: 10, 15 & 20, 25 & 30 years.
- Age Badges - 60, 70 & 80.

We also encourage members to order a special person **Name Badge** from the Quartermaster.

Branch shirts & Jackets:

Peter has available order forms for Branch shirts & Jackets. Your name can be embroidered at a small fee.

9. Welfare & Social Events:

A special thanks to Cherie Thorpe for her valuable input as Welfare Officer keeping the Branch up to date with member's welfare.

10. New Membership:

A special thanks to Marie Wilson & Cherie Thorpe for their valuable contribution welcoming our new members into our Branch.

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11. Annual Awards:

OAKS - "Older, Alive & Kicking Still"

- **2022 – Ray Hann #52647**

W.J. Award – "Warren Jamieson Award"

- **2022 – Trevor Staples #57421**

12. Ulysses SA Breakfast Club

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Mike Thorpe
Secretary
#63939

Treasurer's Report

Ulysses Fleurieu Branch Cheque Account January 1st 2022 to December 31st 2022

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Year
INCOME													
Age / Year Pin Badges	\$24.00								\$7.00				\$31.00
Fleurieu Bike Stickers		\$4.00					\$3.00						\$7.00
Raffle Monies			\$120.00	\$95.00	\$100.00	\$90.00	\$120.00	\$140.00	\$130.00	\$8.00	\$135.00	\$355.00	\$1,293.00
Beast Feast			\$185.00	\$160.00	\$295.00	\$15.00							\$655.00
Polo Shirt			\$40.00										\$40.00
Name Badges / Patches						\$33.00							\$33.00
CD Sales							\$50.00						\$50.00
Christmas Meal Refund												\$50.00	\$50.00
Interest													\$0.00
Income per Month	\$24.00	\$4.00	\$345.00	\$255.00	\$395.00	\$138.00	\$173.00	\$140.00	\$137.00	\$8.00	\$135.00	\$405.00	\$2,159.00
EXPENCE													
Bank Charge	\$8.00												\$8.00
Polo Shirts	\$752.00				\$40.00								\$792.00
Age / Year Pin Badges		\$7.00			\$14.00		\$7.00			\$7.00			\$35.00
Name Badges / Patches		\$35.80			\$26.80	\$20.00							\$82.60
Raffle Prizes			\$60.03	\$40.00	\$40.00		\$153.83		\$145.00		\$40.00		\$478.86
Engraving			\$70.00										\$70.00
Brass Bike Badges				\$147.30									\$147.30
Stationary				\$5.00									\$5.00
Funeral Expenses				\$118.50									\$118.50
Mobile Phone Top Up				\$30.00						\$70.00			\$100.00
Materials For Plaques				\$6.43						\$28.90			\$35.33
Beast Feast (Supplies)					\$11.40	\$597.64							\$609.04
Beast Feast (Refund)						\$70.00							\$70.00
Advertising Materials									\$50.00	\$75.00	\$225.50		\$350.50
Christmas Meal Subsidy												\$570.00	\$570.00
Expenses per Month	\$760.00	\$42.80	\$130.03	\$347.23	\$132.20	\$687.64	\$160.83	\$0.00	\$195.00	\$180.90	\$265.50	\$570.00	\$3,472.13
Balance at end of month	\$6,184.48	\$6,145.68	\$6,360.65	\$6,268.42	\$6,531.22	\$5,981.58	\$5,993.75	\$6,133.75	\$6,075.75	\$5,902.85	\$5,772.35	\$5,607.35	
Closing Balance													\$5,607.35