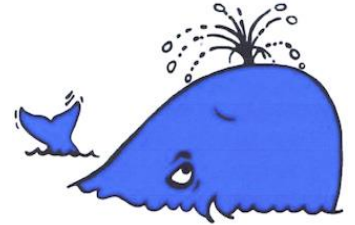


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ULYSSES CLUB INC. FLEURIEU BRANCH NEWSLETTER October 2021



Presidents Chat

Hello All,

Firstly, a huge shout out to Mallee Branch for the Odyssey at Berri. Very well organised. The venue's, camping and socializing were just about perfect. Honestly folks you would be hard pressed to find any fault with the event. Well done all concerned with organizing the Odyssey.

The Branch AGM will be held on Thursday 17th Feb. The process starts from this Thursday's meeting, at which, nomination forms and job descriptions will be available to all members. Some committee positions will become available at the AGM with the stepping down of:

David Polkinghorne – Treasurer.

Trevor Staples – Rides Coordinator.

Tony Jarman – New Member Officer.

Judy Summers – Whaler Editor.

Jack Ash – Committee Member.

Any financial member of Ulysses Club, Fleurieu Branch, may stand for one of the available positions, or in fact contest any position. We will be looking for vibrant, outgoing, members who are willing to put in the time and effort to keep our Branch as great as it is.

This year, our Christmas get together will be different in many ways. I will be a Saturday night dinner with no ride involved. It will be at our pub, The Alma, on December 18th. Check inside for full details and the menu.




Congratulations to Cherie on purchase of her new Spyder. Next step, get your licence girl!

Cheers, Brett.








Carpe Diem

Your Committee 2021

EXECUTIVE

| | | |
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| <u>President</u> | Brett Wise 0422 399 503 brett_wise@internode.on.net |  |
| <u>Secretary</u> | Mike Thorpe 0484 938 130 |  |
| <u>Treasurer</u> | David Polkinghorne |  |

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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|  Rides Coordinator Trevor Staples |  Web Master Vicki Ryan | |
|  New Members Tony Jarman |  Quartermaster Peter Swallow |  Whaler Editor Judy Summers |
|  Speakers Jack Ash |  Welfare/Socials Cherie Thorpe | |

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Fleurieu Sunday Rides

| Date | Leaving | Ride Leader | Destination |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------------|
| October 31st | Alma 10am | Tony Jarman | TBA in Branch Comms |
| November 14th | Alma 10am | Roger Horne | TBA in Branch Comms |
| November 28th | Alma 10am | Ian Kennedy | TBA in Branch Comms |

Up Coming Social Events & Weekenders

| Date | Event |
|----------------|---|
| October 30th | CCC – Coffee, Cake, & Chat. Last Saturday of each month from 2pm. See page 14 |
| November 5-7th | RV Weekender at Wallaroo Caravan Park |
| November 7th | Lions Macclesfield Bike Show. Page 15 |
| December 18th | Christmas Dinner Alma Hotel 7.30pm See page 17 |



Getaways with all bases covered.

Ride Reports

Sunday 19th September The M & P Ride



Another wonderful morning greeted an enthusiastic gathering of riders. The ride brief was conducted with an introduction of new rider Martin, and with Philip leading with Marie nominating the corner marshalling points, 17 bikes left Top of Taps and travelled to the east. Chandlers Hill, Cherry Gardens, Ironbank, Stirling, Uraidla, Basket Range, Lenswood, Lobethal and into the Woodside CFS car park for morning tea. Those interested wandered around to the Lovells bakery. The first part had its share of corners, some sharper than others, but some great scenery. We travelled through country roads with paddocks, a high hedge of trees and assorted wildlife. I think Marie counted 812 sheep, 622 cows, (both of varying colours) horses, bulls, a variety of birdlife and no doubt a few other furry little creatures.

After morning tea, we travelled from Woodside to Brukunga, Nairne, skirted Mount Barker, Wistow, almost to Strathalbyn, Macclesfield and Meadows.

Once at Meadows some went to Pic a Pie for lunch, some to the Meadows Hotel and others just wandered off to their homes. The second part had more straights and a little speed ending up entering Meadows via Greenhills Road.

Due to a phone call from Lesley (Goldwing trike) on the evening before the ride a last minute change was made to the ride. Coming from Strathalbyn on the Long Valley Road we were going to turn left into Gemmels Road. This turn is where an overtaking lane finishes and two lanes of traffic merge into one. It is a designated black spot with three fatal accidents in the last four years. The local knowledge of Lesley was important for rider safety (Thank you). Any members planning rides in the future should bear this matter in mind.

Thank you all for contributing towards an enjoyable day.

Philip and the Beautiful Marie.

Sunday 3rd October Stephen Robert's Ride



Lead by Stephen, the magnificent seven braved what threaten to be heavy showers for the Sunday ride. Luckily it turned out to be just the occasional drizzle and no heavy downpours. Well done to all those who decided to ride.

Sunday 17th October John Green's (Roundabout) Ride



We left Willunga and headed towards Strathalbyn. Between those that left at Willunga and those that joined in at Strathalbyn there were about 30 bikes. It was a beautiful day for riding. We travelled to the Victor Harbour Road and on to Mount Compass, left on to the Nangkita Road and then to Bull Creek Road, Ashbourne Road in into Strathalbyn for morning tea. This part had long straights with lovely sweeping bends, the bends into Strathalbyn were particularly enjoyed by some of the riders of smaller go fast bikes. By the time we reached Strathalbyn it was obvious there were a lot of other groups large and small on the road riding. We left Strathalbyn on the Paris Creek Road and

manoeuvred the horrible 45 degree right turn as it joins the Bull Creek Road, through Meadows and right towards Echunga. By this time the group was riding well in convoy, albeit annoying cars that also wanted to use the road. Into Hahndorf where we did a quick left and right, made easier by pedestrian lights, and then onwards through Lobethal to the very large Rocking Horse at Gumeracha for lunch. Some had not seen the rocking horse before and spent time looking to avoid any large piles of rocking horse (*&^ This had been another section of sweeping roads and some generous straights. There was one minor issue at a roundabout (of all places considering it was Roundabouts ride) on the Lobethal Road in that a couple of "fair weather riders" had mixed in with our convoy thus causing a few issues in some following the wrong bike. During the ride we saw lots of farm animals, deer and assorted wildlife, some of which seemed to enjoy flying between oncoming bikes and coupled with smell of three fires at different farms.

Great time, great weather, great ride. Well done Roundabout.

For those who were away for the weekend or weeding garden beds you missed a good ride. See you soon.

Phil

Wednesday and Friday Rides



Dominic Carli is leading **WEDNESDAY** Rides. Meet at the Alma at 10am or Victor at 9.30.
Next ride is **Wednesday 3rd November**.
For details please contact Ducati Dom on 0433 052 053



Gary Parker is leading **FRIDAY** Rides.
Meet at Alma. Stands up at 10am. and ride for lunch.
Next ride is **Friday 22nd October**.
Gary's contact mobile is 0410 803 633

2021

Fleurieu Branch Ride Calendar

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- Sunday Rides
- Wednesday Rides
- Friday Rides
- Public Holidays
- Social Meetings

Event Reports

RV Weekender – Black Cockatoo Bush Camp near Naracoorte

Black Cockatoo Sept 9th - 13th



Well aren't we lucky to be able to get away and travel within our state. Our thoughts go out to the Eastern States in particular.

What a relaxing extended weekend it was. Many will remember Black Cockatoo from when we had the RV AGM there a few years ago. It is a lovely setting among the gum trees with a lake in the centre. The fire pits were loaded with wood ready to go.

It was great to catch up with so many members from many branches. The weather was fabulous on the Friday, making for a wonderful evening. As the sun was setting the cooking fires began with 'CRex' ie chef Rex, getting the camp ovens ready. What a storm he cooked up, roast meat, vegies etc. Many a happy camper there. Meanwhile we got the main camp fire going with a huge log as only Black Cockatoo can do. What a lovely night sitting around the campfire with just a few drinks and a lot of laughter.

There were so many places and things to do and see in the district; there were folks going everywhere. Later that afternoon the BBQ trailer was fired up and the crowd gathered around for pancakes. Yum very nice.



Although the weather turned a bit wintery, a cold day out was a lot better than a great day in lockdown.

Upcoming event

Wallaroo November 5th - 7th
Wallaroo Holiday Park Ph 8823 2531

15th Annual 3 Peninsula's Ride 2021 17th-19th Sept.



Another great annual event on our calendar. Big thank you to Dominic Carli for the organisation and effort he puts into making this three day event and group ride such a memorable experience.

27th SA Odyssey Berri 8th-11th October

Hosted by Mallee Branch

Photo Essay

1. Berri Caravan Park Pizza Dinner Night and group gatherings



2. Out and About.

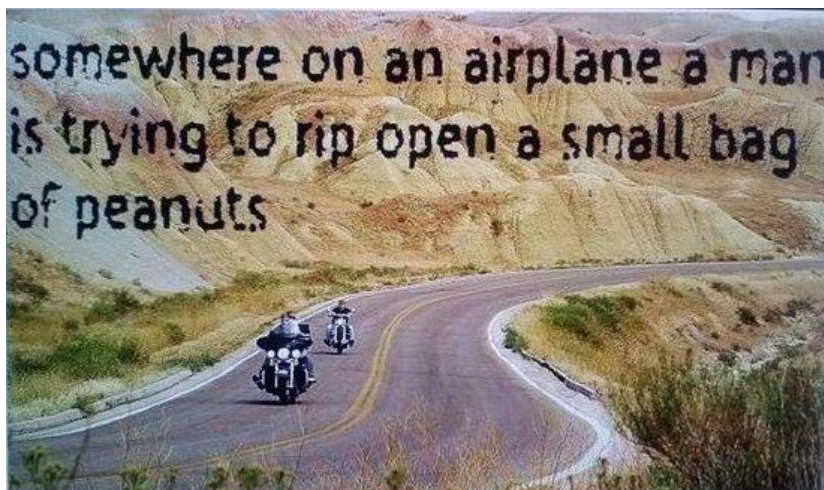
Including celebrations for Brewers 60th birthday and Lesley and Robert's 50th Wedding Anniversary.



3. Sunday's Ride



4. Sunday Night Dinner



Nothing beats it!

Up Coming Events

CCC – Coffee, Cake and Chat Saturday 30th October, 2pm



***Ulysses Fleurieu Branch CCC
Venue - Tin Shed Cafe
168 Main Road, McLaren Vale***

***Come along and enjoy this opportunity to catch up
with all your friends over a cup of coffee and a cake
in our own beautiful Fleurieu Peninsula.***

Last Saturday of each month from 2pm onwards.

We are getting good numbers for our CCC.

Hope to see you at the October get together. **Saturday October 30th for the next CCC.**



A comfortable roomy venue for both winter and summer with plenty of great food options, just ask one of these lovely people.

Lions Bike Show Sunday November 7th



The Lions Bike show is an annual event on the branch calendar. This year once again we are planning to have a gazebo, our branch feather flags and a range of bikes on display. Please support this event if possible. There is usually a large group of riders in attendance at the show. This makes it an ideal venue to promote our branch and introduce prospective new members to the joys of being part of the Ulysses Club.

SA Breakfast Club Saturday 6th November

The SABC meets at an eatery somewhere around the state, on the first Saturday of the month, from 9.30am.

It doesn't matter what the weather is. Come by motorbike, bicycle, car, on foot, or by plane.

The SABC is about socialising with members from other branches.

The next SABC breakfast is on Saturday 6th November 2021, from 9.30am, at [The Wallaroo Sailing Club](#), Heritage Drive, Wallaroo.

This location because the RV group are at Wallaroo for the weekend.

Please RSVP Ken by the Wednesday before, with a text to 0417 353 389 - SABC, your name, how many require breakfast.

In these COVID19 times, numbers are important so venues can fit us in.



Chat n Coffee

The next Adelaide Branch Chat n Coffee is Tuesday October 26th from 10am

Adelaide Biplanes Café, Aldinga Airfield, 174 Colville Rd. Aldinga.

All Ulyssians are welcome.

If intending to come, let Michele Wagnitz know by 22nd Oct. An SMS to 0429673381 will do.

Welfare Matters



Cherie Thorpe is our Welfare officer.
mob. 0498 711 137
email.
fleurieubranh.welfare@gmail.com

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.

This note is a friendly reminder to inform Cherie if you know a member who needs support.

Age & Service Badges

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 NAO.



Fleurieu Branch Wine

Any member who would like to purchase Dogridge Winery Canvas red or white wines please contact Phil Wilson via email at marie.selby@optusnet.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. (Club emblem, Wedding Photo, Kids first drawing)

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 \$10.00 per bottle

Fleurieu Branch emblem \$12.00 per bottle.

Regards Phil



Christmas Dinner Saturday December 18th at the Alma Hotel, 7:30 pm sit down

\$28.00 per person

Please Mark this date in your Diaries

The committee has managed to secure our function room at the Alma for our end of year Christmas Dinner on December 18th starting at 7:30 pm (sit down).

As our December Thursday social function is scheduled to be held at the Alma on the 16th, 2 days prior to our Christmas Dinner on the 18th, we have elected to postpone this social meeting and include the formal part of that social meeting into a **short time slot** during our Christmas meal.

The Alma Hotel Festive Christmas Menu below is set at \$38.00 pp.
With a \$10.00 pp Fleurieu Club subsidy provided at entry.

The meal cost will be **\$28.00 per person.**

However, we do need to know by RSVP the expected numbers to meet the COVID requirements that are in place at present.

Please RSVP to mike.thorpe@bigpond.com with your name and numbers you expect to attend.

We need a minimum of 20 people.



Entree

Pumpkin and pistachio soup served with a bread roll
or
Traditional prawn cocktail with Christmas cocktail sauce

Main

Aldinga turkey breast served with roast potato and vegetables,
baby spinach, gravy, and cranberry jelly
or
Roast Pork or Beef with roast potatoes and vegetables,
gravy and a warm apple sauce/horseradish (choose one roast)

Dessert

Traditional Christmas pudding served with brandied custard
or
Individual pavlova served with berry coulis and passionfruit pulp

*Meal orders and payment (EFPOS or cash) will be taken only at each table.
If you plan to pay by cash please endeavour to have the correct change.*

Branch Classifieds

If branch members would like a classified in the Whaler please see the committee.



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