



Ride Reports:

Fraser Coast 22nd July

At the appointed time of 10.00 am the group gathered to escort Marg and Tiger to meet the Fraser Coast Ulysses Branch at Scarness. There were 23 in all counting those in the quad who were joining us and taking the goodies.

Lloyd led the way and was soon off at a rate of knots. So quick in fact he was nearly the only one away. The problem of crossing Quay Street was quickly remedied and we were all away. The journey was undertaken at a good pace with most enjoying a spirited ride directly to Hervey Bay through Torbanlea. The rain was enough to remind us that it can be cold after a shower but no other harm was done and no wets were out.



We were met by Rod Gatt and some of his branch colleagues who joined us for lunch at the BBQ. Lyn was her usual busy self, cooking up

a storm on a somewhat slower BBQ. By the time all was done some riders were ready to eat the arm off anyone that stayed still long enough. And that was not a reflection of Lyn's cooking, which was again of the highest order.

We formally farewelled Marg and Tiger expressing our best wishes and agreed we looked forward to seeing them again in around 3 months.



Hendo led the ride home while some made some personal visits to friends in the Bay area. Apple Tree Creek again proved a pleasant obstacle but this was overcome after a quiet coldie and the pleasures of home were then sought by all.

Good company on good day out. *Ron*

Who joined Northern Gateway while they were in Bundy for the weekend? Well, we know Minda did on Sat (the 22nd) at Brothers Club. Hope you had a good time Minda, sorry there weren't more of us able to be there!

Mel's 60th – Saturday 29th July

It was a surprise for Mel and an impromptu ride that saw about 21 turn up for a ride up to Gin Gin to meet the Mt Perry Bakers to celebrate Mel's 60th and present her 60 badge. All had a lovely time at Pancake Heaven and even Evan



Young (we haven't seen him for ages!) joined in the feasting and celebrating. The group then caught up with Di on her way back from Cairns and a good ride back to Bundy for those going that way. Happy Birthday also to Linda Scott!



The Old Bleeders – Blood Bank 31st July

Eight of us arrived at the blood bank to donate. As usual, the staff there made a fuss of all. Peter Litzow's 16 year old son did him proud by donating for the first time and despite his fear of things sharp and pointy, he says he will be back! Thanks to all bleeders. Lets see if we can get more there next time?

The Meeting of the 1st August

Still a fantastic turn out for each meeting – an excellent opportunity to catch up, have a meal and a yarn.

We welcomed newbies Greg, John and Rod. Mike and Jan from Biggenden showed up too. And welcome to Gumby, current president of Logan Branch. As usual, we acknowledged apologies from those unable to attend.

NATCOM minutes are available if anyone would like to read them.

Ride reports on club and individual or group rides were provided.

There was a letter and some gear received from the Leukaemia Foundation – thanks to those who took it off for a cure.

Marg and Tiger donated a half dozen pairs of sunglasses to the group. One pair was presented to Peter Litzow's son for setting a good example with his early commitment to the bleeding habit!

And speaking of bleedin' – whilst at the blood bank several of our group were disappointed to hear that the frying pan used to make the obligatory post-bleed pikelets (there has to be some level of reward for effort, hey) had turned up its little electrical non-stick toes. The group unanimously agreed to donate up to \$80 to the Blood Bank for the purchase of a new frying pan.

Money, money, money

Current balance is \$1264.86. The raffle was drawn and the winner of the whirlybird, kindly donated by Roofin' Spot was (drum roll please) ... Janice Horton! Congratulations Janice!

Polo Shirts – another order has been placed and should be ready in a couple of weeks. Some people are now asking for the embroidery on the pocket. If you would like this, please let Cathy know – the best option is that the shirt is made without embroidery, and you purchase a patch and sew it onto the pocket.

Newsletter – don't forget that we rely on your donations to keep the newsletter getting out to you. We have now reduced the number being sent out to about 50 people who have made a donation. A copy also goes out to anyone who donates a prize for a raffle. If you know of anyone who should be getting one and isn't (or if you are reading this on a bike shop copy and want one for yourself), please contact Ron.

Christmas 2006:

Set for the second last weekend in November – the 18th and 19th.

To arrange your attendance, you need to contact either Lyn Henderson or Linda Scott. If you are seeking hard accommodation, you ALSO need to contact Ian Lawley. We have been asked NOT to contact the Hivesville Pub ourselves to book accommodation.

All double rooms are now booked, but twin rooms are still available. If you want to sleep on the floor in someone's room, the camping fee applies.

Costs:

Camping, meals incl brekkie and music - \$29

Hard accommodation, meals incl brekkie and music - \$41

Numbers:

Lyn Hendo – 4157 4272

Linda Scott – 4159 1175

Ian Lawley – 4157 7727

Website – www.rumcityriders.org:

Links to rallies and events have now been included. Check it out!

If you have some photos to be published, please send them to webmaster@rumcityriders.org.

Items for the newsletter –

newsletter@rumcityriders.org

Badges, Patches and Club Flag:

There has been some communication with NATCOM regarding this as the cloth patch does not meet the requirements under the Constitution – the Club views the copyright of the Old Man seriously and any reproductions must be black and white (*not saying anything about shirts with black on grey here*). So, the upshot is that Ron is still discussing cloth patches and flag screen printing with NATCOM. Watch this space, but if you want a cloth patch, please let Ron know. They will cost about \$7.00 each.

Three samples of name badges were circulated and the group agreed on one that incorporated first name only and the Rum City Riders name, along with the old man logo. If you would like a badge, please let Ron know. They will cost about \$8.25 each.

Ride Calendar – see the back page. NOTE: a change to the August club ride due to the venue being unable to accommodate us for the 13th.

There was also a suggestion for a ladies only ride (and looking good in a dress does not count, Hendo). Any lady riders interested please contact Michelle Bragg (4151 1078).

And, a suggestion for an overnigher – maybe Rainbow Beach. For further discussion next meeting.

2007 AGM – Ian discussed the website, accessible through the main Ulysses Club website – look for the link on the left side of the page. Hard accommodation bookings are being managed through the Coff's Harbour Visitor Information centre 1300 369 070.

Camping sites at the main venue will not be released until September.

Impromptu Rides – telephone tree: Ron has heard nothing from anybody! Still, it seemed to work OK for Mel's surprise.

The Gympie Branch newsletter and the Wing Riders Newsletter were circulated for info and are available through Ron.

At the end of the meeting, our visitor Gumby congratulated the group on formation of a branch, commended our informality and provided the following advice from a branch recently troubled by infighting – don't worry about the politics, stop the bullshit and just ride and have a good time.

We reckon we do alright with that!

Date Claimers:

Biggenden Auto Spectacular –12th and 13th August

Biggenden will be staging their eleventh annual Car, Bike Truck and Machinery display this year and invite all who are interested to come along and help celebrate this event. There will be Trade displays and Swap Meet stalls to interest the machinery buffs, but they also have other entertainment to keep everyone happy. On Saturday there will be a Show 'n' Shine for Cars, Bikes, Tractors and Trucks.
Camping available

Gin Gin Auto and Machinery Show 19th and 20th August

Including 9.15am – street parade with public viewing commencing 10 am, tractor pull and motorkhana events all day, grand parade and monster auction, entertainment and a bar.
On Sunday 20th the show is open from 9.00 am to noon and includes a huge swap meet and stalls.
Where? At the Football Grounds about 500m outside of town on the north side.
For more information contact Alan Lawson (4157 2899), Paul Allwood (0427 573 428), John Ford (4157 4329) or Anne Bradford (4156 7546)

Blackwater Poker Run 19th August

Meet 9.30am At The Blackwater Aussie Rules Ground or at the Marraboon Tavern Emerald 11.30 am.
Mystery Card Stop with Food & Drinks Available \$20 for the hand All Bikes & Cars Welcome
Cash Prizes for the Best & Worst Hands
Licenced Bar From 5.30pm
All proceeds to St John Ambulance Blackwater

Bucca Pub Annual Bikes Boobs and Bands Charity Bash 25th – 27th August 2006.

Saturday Charity and Poker run, commencing East End Hotel 10.30am, finishing at Bucca Hotel for:

- Show and Shine (7 Categories)
 - Free camping
 - Meals and Snacks
 - Wet T Shirt Comp
 - Band and BBQ Sunday Lunch
- 4 live bands!!**

More info call Scotty at the Bucca pub 4157 8171 or email buccahotel@dodo.com.au

Darwin Odyssey 1st – 3rd September 2006.

For more information log onto the website at: www.ulysses.org.au/branches/topend/odyssey_2006.html

Southern Cross Poker Run 4th – 8th September

Clermont to Townsville. Best hand - \$1000
Entry - \$80 – includes T Shirt, poker hand, badge, and give aways.
Form up at Clermont Showgrounds, Sun 3rd Sept, leaving for Barclay Monday morning (4th)
For more info call 0407 591 043 or 0417 670 304
All welcome including cars
www.southern-cross-association.org.au

Trivia Night 8th September

Bundaberg RSL (upstairs), 6.30pm – 9.30 pm
\$10 per adult and \$5 per child
Nibbly and tea and coffee provided, money raised goes to Leukaemia Foundation. Come along and support Belinda Findlay, contestant in Miss Wide Bay Australia Bundy Thunder Quest and local sponsors including Roofin' Spot.
For more info or to join the Bundaberg Ulysses team, contact Di Buchbach (4155 1608)

Gateway to the Rainforest Rally – 9th – 10th Sept,

Border Ranges Branch
Kyogle Showgrounds. Admission - Pre-Paid - \$12.00., At The Gate - \$15.00 (includes badge)
All moneys to charity. Beneficiaries are: Westpac Lifesaver Helicopter, Summerland House With No Steps, Camp Quality and Arthritis Research Taskforce.
Family oriented rally, sealed roads to site.
Fully catered for by Kyogle Rotary Club and assisted by Border Ranges Ulysses.
Camping facilities, showers & toilets on site. All available from Friday night.
www.ulysses.org.au/branches/borderranges/rainforest.htm
Contact: Bill (0266331293), Peter.(0266331203) Jack.(0266323767)

Sunshine Coast Odyssey – 15th – 18th Sept,

Registration fee covers tea/coffee/biscuits during the weekend, metal badge and live entertainment.
Hosted by SUNSHINE COAST Branch
Contact: Sandy Ph: 07 5472-7496 or 0409-727-496
Email: aawun@aanet.com.au
Refer to website: <http://ssulysses.org.au/ssc/SunshineCoastOdyssey2006.pdf> for more information.

Back to the Basics Rally 29th Sept – 1st Oct, email: nifty@skymesh.net.au

Hosted by GYMPIE Branch
Refer to website: <http://members.optushome.com.au/memeau/rallies/b2basic/backtobasics.htm> for more information.

Frogs Hollow Run Saturday 30th September

Apple Tree Creek Pub. In conjunction with the American Motorcycle Club, Wide Bay

- Live Band
- Bike Display with 6 categories: Best EVO, Best pre-EVO, Best post-EVO, Best British, Best Jap and people's Choice
- Food available
- Burn out Comp
- Stalls and Raffles

Gates open 10am. Further information contact Apple Tree Creek Hotel – 41261216 or Viv 0439 484666 or Silva 0409 344319
NO BYO, NO DOGS, NO BAD ATTITUDES, ALL WELCOME

Ulympics – 21st and 22nd Oct

Hosted by Redcliffe Branch.
Bikers Dream Camp Ground, Goomburra

Compete in the tyre toss, Saturday night brew off and the 50 metre stagger.

For more information or to register go to www.ulyssesredcliffe.org/html/ulympics_2006.html

NO GLASS NO BYO & DEFINITELY NO ATTITUDES!

Flight to Fassifern

Friday 26th – Sunday 28th January 2007

Boonah, Queensland

Organised by Ulysses Club Inc,

Brisbane Branch

Registration Fee: \$45 (includes metal badge)

Late Registration Fee: \$10 (All registrations received after 8th December 2006 will incur this fee).

Venue

The venue for the rally is the Boonah Show Grounds. Gates open Thursday 25th at 2pm.

Rally Enquiries

Regular updated information will be available from Brisbane Branch Website.

(www.brisbaneulysses.org.au)

Pat Gardner - Email: gardne2@optusnet.com.au or

Phone: 07 3848 9018 (between 6pm to 8pm only)

Cherryl Window - Email:

cherryrider@yahoo.com.au or Phone 07 3271

4711 (between 5pm to 7pm only)

Ulysses AGM 2007 – 21st May – 28th May 2007

Book early... It's going to be big...

For all hard bed accommodation contact the Coffs Tourist Information Centre Coffs Harbour NSW 2450. Phone: 1300 369 070

email: tourism@coffscoast.com.au

Hosted by Coffs Coast Branch (NSW)

Contact: Phil Johnson

Ph: 02 6653-6619

Email: coord2007agm@coffscoastulysses.org

Refer to website:

<http://robyn2450.tripod.com/agm2007.html> for more information.

More Shamelessly Stolen Jokes

The patient was lying in bed, still groggy from the effects of the recent operation. His doctor came in, looking very glum.

"I can't be sure what's wrong with you," the doctor said. "I think it's the drinking."

"Okay," the patient said. "Can we get an opinion from a doctor who's sober?"

A little boy got on the bus, sat next to a man reading a book, and noticed he had his collar on backwards. The little boy asked why he wore his collar backwards.

The man, who was a priest, said, "I am a Father." The little boy replied, "My Daddy doesn't wear his collar like that."

The priest looked up from his book and answered "I am the Father of many."

The boy said, "My Dad has 4 boys, 4 girls and two grandchildren and he doesn't wear his collar that way.."

The priest, getting impatient, said, "I am the Father of hundreds" and went back to reading his book.

The little boy sat quietly thinking for a while, then leaned over and said, "Maybe you should wear your pants backwards instead of your collar."

At the end of the tax year, the Tax Office sent an inspector to audit the books of a synagogue.

While he was checking the books, he turned to the Rabbi and said: "I notice you buy a lot of candles. What do you do with the candle drippings?"

"Good question," noted the Rabbi. "We save them up and send them back to the candle makers, and every now and then they send us a free box of candles." "Oh," replied the auditor, (somewhat disappointed that his unusual question had a practical answer; but on he went, in his obnoxious way)

"What about all these biscuit purchases? What do you do with the crumbs?"

"Ah, yes", replied the Rabbi, realizing that the inspector was trying to trap him with an unanswerable question. "We collect them and send them back to the manufacturers, and every now and then they send a free box of holy biscuits."

"I see," replied the auditor, thinking hard about how he could fluster the know-it-all Rabbi. "Well, Rabbi," he went on, "what do you do with all the leftover foreskins from the circumcisions you perform?"

"Here, too, we do not waste," answered the Rabbi. "What we do is save up all the foreskins and send them to the Tax Office, and once a year they send us a complete prick".

For Sale:

(Ed note: Once items are sold, please let me know, otherwise the ads will continue to run. Thanks Cathy)

Women's Draggin' Jeans, good condition, size 10. \$100 Call Michelle Bragg 4151 1078

2003 Yamaha FJR1300 Silver. ABS, 33,000 klms, reg to 7/06. New tyres, factory panniers, top box, lambs wool seat cover, towbar. Full service history. Excellent condition. \$13,750 0418 743 900

2002 BMW F650GS Mandarin, 22,000 klms, Reg to 9/06, Heated grips, top box, lambs wool seat cover, full service history. Excellent condition. \$8,300 ono 0419 226 567

Honda Goldwing GL1500 late 1995. Magenta. With Premier Sidecar for 2. Leading link. 12 month rego. 97 000 klms. Raked forks. Rear light truck tyre. External tank. Electric fuel pump. New alternator 1800. Intercom and stereo to chair. More than \$2000 in accessories. Towbar. \$25000, Bundaberg-QLD, contact James on 07 4157 7629

10/2003 Kawasaki VN1600 Classic, 4500 klms, Rego to 12/2006, Cobra Pipes & EFI Fuel Management system, Full Service history, Like New, \$14,500 ono. Graeme 0439768840

2003 Honda ST1300, 36,000 klms, Rego to 08/2006, Excellent Condition, \$14,000 ono. Graeme 0439768840

SOCIAL AND RIDE CALENDAR

<u>COFFEE GATHERINGS</u>	<u>RIDES</u> For Riders' Choice days, contact Ron Henry 0417 787 180 in the first instance.
MEETING PLACE RIVER CRUZ CAFÉ RIVERSIDE PARKLANDS 7:00pm for 7:30pm start Come a bit early, enjoy a meal and a chat at River Cruz Cafe.	STARTING PLACE FOR RIDES RIVER CRUZ CAFÉ RIVERSIDE PARKLANDS Gather at 8.30 am (generally) to leave from <i>River Cruz Café</i> at 9.00 am – with some exceptions noted
NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR CLUB RIDE!!	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 13th August – Lunch Cruise to Agnes Water, led by Ron Henry. Meet at River Cruz 0930 for 1000 departure</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 19th August Rider's Choice</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 27th August Club Ride Club Ride - Boobyjan Homestead – Janice Horton/Graeme Henderson <i>Heritage-listed</i> Boobyjan Homestead is on the register of the Australian Heritage Commission, the National Trust of Queensland and the Queensland Heritage Act 1992. Cost - \$6. There will be a BBQ lunch (club costs to be decided) and coffee and tea. BYO booze. Those intending to ride, please confirm attendance with Janice by 23/08/06 (4152 1469).</p>
Tuesday 5th September	<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 8th September Trivia Night, in aid of fundraising for Belinda Findlay, contestant in Miss Wide Bay Australia Bundy Thunder Quest at the Bundy RSL. To register or for more info please call Di Buchbach (4155 1608)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 10th September – Club Ride Gayndah – James Parrott will lead the group, following some of the excellent back roads. Leave River Cruz at 9.00 am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 16th September Rider's Choice</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 24th September Coffee Cruise</p>
Tuesday 3rd October	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 8th October – Club Ride Many Peaks via Mt Perry and Monto and back through Calliope, includes 25km of “good” dirt. About 600km round trip. Ride Leader Owen Mitchell. <i>Meet at River Cruz 0730 for 0800 departure.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 14th October Rider's Choice</p> <p style="text-align: center;">At a date to be determined due to opening times of Pancake Heaven Coffee Cruise – breakfast at Pancake Heaven, Gin Gin, more details next month</p>
Tuesday 7th November	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 12th November – Club Ride TBA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday/Sunday 18th and 19th November Christmas Party – Hivesville Pub</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 26th November Coffee Cruise</p>
Tuesday 5th December	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 10th December – Club Ride TBA</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 16th December Rider's Choice</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 24th December Christmas Eve Coffee Cruise</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Toy Runs – TBA Christmas Lights Tour - TBA</p>