



Ride Reports:

Agnes Water – Sunday 13th August

Twenty-three people on 19 bikes headed out around 10am after brekkie with Mac McGinn (see below). The group lunched at the Agnes Water Tavern, did a bit of sight-seeing and left in the early afternoon. They noted with keen



interest a very nice looking double story house with a nice wide verandah that would do nicely for an overnight stop sometime. If only we knew whose place it was ...

Riding within the legal limits was in order as the group encountered three sets of the boys in blue on the way back to Bundy. Apparently one of the group was stopped for a little “chat” but no-one is owning up to that. A good day for all (well maybe a bit expensive for one???)

Farwell to Mac – Sunday 13th August

Before leaving for Agnes a slightly larger group met at River Cruz at 9am to farewell Mac McGinn. Mac and his wife are off to Toowoomba to live



and we couldn't let them go without a final hooray. Some jokes, some tales and a fond farewell, all mixed with food and coffee as tasty as we normally find from River Cruz.

Cheers, Mac, ride safe, you are always welcome back!

Booubijan Homestead – Sunday 27th August

About 14 bikes got off to a late start as someone in a tin top (a Citroen did you say?) locked her keys (and helmet) in the car. Ahem! Had to wait for the RACQ to assist

Anyway, eventually all were off, a brief stop at Ban Ban Springs, then off down the highway. The road in to Booubijan was a little rougher than expected, but all made it and were rewarded with a beautiful setting. John Butters and Janice sparred over the cooking and clearly enjoyed the conviviality of the lovely setting. The group were then taken through the homestead with the site managers declaring how much they enjoyed having the group.



The hosts put on a demonstration of a cattle muster for the group as well.



A nice relax on the verandah, then it was time to head back. A few went their own way, but all got back in one piece and a great time was had by all. If you are interested, the homestead hires out their BBQ and has a BYO license. All declared it worth another visit at some time.



Thanks to Janice for organising such an interesting and fun day.

The Meeting of the 5th September

As always, a warm welcome to newbies – this month Graham and Tammy. Welcome also to visitors from Dubbo, Kathy and Peter (visiting with Dave Hertel).

NATCOM minutes are available if anyone would like to read them and of interest is that NATCOM are saying that about 5750 registrations are expected at the 2007 AGM.

Ride reports on club and individual or group rides were provided. The Hendos and Mal are off on the Southern Cross Piker Run at the minute. We look forward to a long and detailed report for next meeting and newsletter. In the meantime, get an idea of what they have been up to on the ABC website at:

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/newsitems/200609/s1733919.htm>

Money, money, money

Ron reported on the current financial situation. \$80 was donated to the Blood Bank. Current balance is still a healthy \$698.84

As always, there was a quick raffle – this time for a pair of sunglasses. Winner was Kathy from Dubbo!

Polo Shirts

Shirts from the last order are ready for collection/delivery. All current shirts will be collectors items as the logo is now changed to the NATCOM approved version. Remember, it is most cost effective to place an order of 10 or more shirts. If you are in a hurry for your shirt and are happy to bear the additional cost placed on a small order (\$8.50), please let Cathy know.

Newsletter

Don't forget that we rely on your donations to keep the newsletter getting out to you. Ron may have some spares at each meeting, so feel free to ask him for one.

Christmas 2006:

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

Ian reported that all hard accommodation is now booked but plenty of camping left. Don't forget, please DON'T call the pub direct re accommodation.

Neither Lyn or Linda were at the meeting but please call them to let them know you are attending.

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:

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:

Well, it has been a bit of a saga and Ron seems even greyer than before, but our club patch and logo have now been approved.

The badges also area ready for either pick up or ordering. Both the cloth patch and the badge are \$8.00 each. This does allow for a small margin for covering postage or other to date unforeseen issues.

Ron will provide the badge or patch in a plastic bag with your details on the a label on the front. Please help an old man's memory by using that plastic bag for your payment. If you are paying by Direct Debit, the account details are on the label, please just send the plastic bag back to Ron with "DD" or "direct debit" written on the label so that he can track the transaction

Ron will also now go ahead and organise the screen printing of the Club Flags. If you have a flag you would like screen printed, please let him know ASAP.

Ride Calendar

See the back page. NOTE: the suggested date for brekkie at Gin Gin will need to be re-advised as Pancake heaven is apparently not open on Sundays (minor technical hitch there!). More info next meeting and newsletter.

Owen will be doing a recon of the suggested Many Peaks route and if too rough, will have an alternate route arranged.

The suggested ladies' ride is still in planning and any lady riders interested can still contact Michelle Bragg (4151 1078).

And, more suggestions for an overnighter – maybe Kin Kin. For further discussion next meeting, may hang over until next year. Di Buchbach will suggest some dates.

2007 AGM

Ian provided an update. The organising committee is seeking an indication from Branches regarding how many members are likely to be attending. Numbers from those present were taken at the meeting, but if you are thinking about going, please let Ian know. John and Minda Adrieans were in Coffs recently and brought back copies of tourist and accommodation info, which Ian has if anyone is interested in seeing them.

The website has been updated with new info. Camping at the showgrounds will be available when registrations are open. Ron is planning to book at the campground to make a site available as "common area" for Bundy members to meet, take a Nanna nap if feeling tired and emotional, save toing and froing with hard accommodation. An excellent idea.

The website is 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 Coffs Harbour Visitor Information centre 1300 369 070.

Ron has suggested a possible motion the Branch might like to put forward at the AGM. It has been very frustrating to discover part way through our logo/patch discussions that protection of the copyrighted trademark is a priority for the current NATCOM. Ron suggested that a motion that each

outgoing NATCOM develop a plan of priority actions for the coming term to be approved and then undertaken by the incoming NATCOM. This will save the incoming committee spending up to six months trying to get a handle on the priorities, resolve problems of reactivity rather than proactivity. It might also assist in addressing issues such as that with the logo/patch in that branches will also know what the priority areas are going to be for the next term.

All present supported the development of this motion.

Other Business:

The Gympie and Fraser Coast Branch newsletters were circulated for info and are available through Ron. Ron also has a flier form the Ulysses quartermaster re current merchandise specials.

Ron discussed an idea about staging a Trivia night in collaboration with the Motorcycle Enthusiasts, to raise money for an agreed charity. Some motorcycle orientated questions but also general. Ron and Owen will discuss further with the members of the Enthusiasts.

Rick Hutton the manager at the Lighthouse Hotel at Burnett Heads says they have a free sausage sizzle just after 2pm every Sunday. "I thought if you guys ever need an excuse to jump on the bike and go for a short ride and maybe a drink on a Sunday arvo we would be more than happy to have you guys drop in on us. If it was a planned ride a bit of notice would be good so I could have a few more snags for you.

Hope to hear from you, Rick"

Vale: Alan Park

It is with sadness that I share with you news of the passing of ALAN PARK, a fellow Ulyssian and member of the Bundaberg Branch. Alan is an early member of the Ulysses Club, the register showing him as number 165. Our branch recently has taken every effort to acknowledge the contribution the early members made to the life of the Ulysses Club. Alan was one of those people.

Few of us knew Alan as in his later years here in Bundaberg, ill health limited his lifestyle considerably. Alan lived in Barolin Homestead here at Coral Cove, a grand home for a grand man. He shared this home with his partner, Sue, who shares a love of motorcycles. Alan would regularly tell us of the many times he had to catch up with Sue who tended to ride a little faster than he did. He would also add his vigorous laugh with the telling of the story.

Alan never lost his love of motorcycles showing with pride his collection of badges and medals he had acquired through his participation in various events.

Alan at various times owned a Suzuki GS1100S, a BMW Paris Dakar, A 1975 Honda Gold Wing 1000 (with which he won many prizes), a Kawasaki Z650, A Kawasaki Z500, and 2 original Bridgestone bikes.

On my arrival here in Coral Cove three years ago, Alan was one of the first Ulyssians I met and although unable to ride, Alan loved to talk about and look at bikes of any kind. He readily shared his

joy for motorcycling with anyone else around him. He was quick to find my garage and my bike and indulge in animated discussion about biking generally. His greatest bike love was his early model Gold Wing which led him to a long participation with the Gold Wing Association of Australia.

Alan's years here were shared between his home and RSL Fairways where he has spent his last year or so.

Alan rode on in peace on Friday afternoon 11 August around 3.00 pm.

Ron

Date Claimers:

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

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!

Bums on Bikes – 22nd Oct

Great day for motorcycle enthusiasts and those who would like a ride on a motorcycle. Ride commences in Bundaberg, to Childers then Grantie Creek for a picnic/BBQ lunch at Granite Creek. Cost \$10 per bike. Raising money for Qld Cancer Fun Nurse of the Year quest. For more information contact Noddy 4152 7726 or NOTY quest entrant Derek McCabe on 0427 123 626.

Mt Perry Dump Truck Pull – 11th Nov

In support of the prevention of Youth Suicide through 'Youth Focus'

Man verses machine! Can a team of 12 people actually pull a 70 tonne monster?

Why not form a team and give it a go.

This special event has been organised to help raise awareness and offer financial support to our local communities in the prevention of youth suicide, depression and self harm under the banner of Youth Focus, a not for profit organisation who has worked with Equigold and Golding Contractors over the past 4 years in support of this cause

Highlights

Adult teams

Kids teams to pull the local Fire Truck's Car

Some of the F.O.G.'s members will be there.

PALLET of beer up for grabs.

Truck pull is in the main street in front of the Mt Perry Hotel

Markets

Live Night Band

Hot Food

Entertainment and land Auctions

Where: Heusman Street (main street) Mt Perry

Contact: Bianca Evans

Phone: 07 4156 2222 (w)

www.mtperrydumptruckpull.com.au

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.

Wot You Larfin' At?

A young monk arrives at the monastery. He is assigned to helping the other monks in copying the old canons and laws of the church by hand. He notices, however, that all of the monks are copying from copies, not from the original manuscript. So, the new monk goes to the head abbot to question this, pointing out that if someone made even a small error in the first copy, it would never be picked up! In fact, that error would be continued in all of the subsequent copies. The head monk, says, "We have been copying from the copies for centuries, but you make a good point, my son."

He goes down into the dark caves underneath the monastery where the original manuscripts are held as archives in a locked vault that hasn't been opened for hundreds of years.

Hours go by and nobody sees the old abbot. So, the young monk gets worried and goes down to look for him. He sees him banging his head against the wall and wailing, "We missed the "R" ! , we missed the "R" !"

His forehead is all bloody and bruised and he is crying uncontrollably. The young monk asks the old abbot, "What's wrong, father?"

With a choking voice, the old abbot replies, "The word was..."

CELEBRATE

Two builders (Chris and James) are seated either side of a table in a rough pub when a well dressed man enters, orders a beer and sits on a stool at the bar. The two builders start to speculate about the occupation of the suit.

Chris - I reckon he's an accountant.

James - No way - he's a stockbroker.

Chris - he aint a stockbroker! A stockbroker wouldn't come in here!

The argument repeats itself for some time until the volume of beer gets the better of Chris and he makes for the toilet.

On entering the toilet he sees that the suit is standing at a urinal. Curiosity and the several beers get the better of the builder.

Chris - Scuse me mate. No offence meant, but me and me mate were wondering what you do for a living?

Suit - No offence taken! I'm a Logical Scientist by profession!

Chris - Oh! What's that then?

Suit - I'll try to explain by example. Do you have a goldfish at home?

Chris - Er mmm well yeah, I do as it happens!

Suit - Well, it's logical to follow that you keep it in a bowl or in a pond. Which is it?

Chris - It's in a pond!

Suit - Well then it's reasonable to suppose that you have a large garden then?

Chris - As it happens, yes I have got a big garden!

Suit - Well then it's logical to assume that in this town if you have a large garden then you have a large house?

Chris - As it happens I've got a five bedroom house, built it myself!

Suit - Well given that you've built a five bedroom house it is logical to assume that you haven't built it just for yourself and that you are probably married?

Chris - Yes I am married, I live with my wife and three children.

Suit - Well then it is logical to assume that you are sexually active with your wife on a regular basis?

Chris - Yep! Four nights a week!

Suit - Well then it is logical to suggest that you do not masturbate very often?

Chris - Never.

Suit - Well there you are! That's logical science at work!

Chris - How's that then?

Suit - Well from finding out that you had a goldfish, I've told you about your sex life!

Chris - I see! That's pretty impressive, thanks mate! Both leave the toilet and Chris returns to his mate.

James - I see the suit was in there. Did you ask him what he does?

Chris - Yep! He's a logical scientist!

James - What's that then?

Chris - I'll try and explain. Do you have a goldfish?

James - Nope.

Chris - Well then, you're a wanker.

A biker stops by the local Harley Shop to have his bike fixed. They couldn't do it while he waited, so he said he didn't live far and would just walk home. On the way home he stopped at the hardware store and bought a bucket and an anvil. He stopped by the feed store/livestock dealer and picked up a couple of chickens and a goose. However, struggling outside the store he now had a problem: how to carry all of his purchases home.

While he is scratching his head he was approached by a little old lady who told him she was lost. She asked, "Can you tell me how to get to 1603 Mockingbird Lane?" The biker said, "Well, as a matter of fact, I live at 1616 Mockingbird Lane. I would walk you home but I can't carry this lot."

The old lady suggested, "Why don't you put the anvil in the bucket, carry the bucket in one hand, put a chicken under each arm and carry the goose in the other hand?" "Why thank you very much," he said and proceeded to walk the old girl home.

On the way he says, "Let's take my shortcut and go down this alley. We'll be there in no time." The little old lady looked him over cautiously then said, "I am a lonely widow without a husband to defend me. How do I know that when we get in the alley you won't hold me up against the wall, pull up my skirt, and ravish me?" The biker said, "Holy smokes lady! I am carrying a bucket, an anvil, two

chickens and a goose. How in the world could I possibly hold you up against the wall and do that?" The lady replied, "Set the goose down, cover him with the bucket, put the anvil on top of the bucket and I'll hold the chickens."

For Sale:

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

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

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

Warning: The following message is ADVERTISING!!!

Hello Ron,

We would like to introduce our caravan park and accommodation village to your organisation as a place to stay when in the Stanthorpe & Granite Belt Area.

The park has up to 80 powered sites for caravans and camping, which includes 2 ensuited sites, as well as 20 acres of natural bushland for those wishing to experience the unspoilt beauty of "the bush".

We have ensuited cabins which sleep 5 people, 2 roomed cabins which sleep 4 people and a cottage which can sleep up to 6 people.

Our newest form of accommodation are our 6 Motel rooms which can accommodate up to 4 people per room and contain tea & coffee making facilities, ensuited, small fridge and T.V.

We invite you to consider our park, for the next time that your organisation may be visiting the area. We are at the northern end of town (the only caravan park in town) 1.5 kilometres from the post office.

We look forward to meeting you and accommodating your organisation, the next time you are in this area.

Fran Mc Laughlin (Manager – Top of the Town – Stanthorpe) www.topoftown.com.au

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 6.30 pm for 7pm 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
River Cruz Café Et Restaurant - Relax in peace and tranquillity overlooking the Burnett River. Open daily from 8.00am for breakfast, lunch Et seafood. Bus tours, individual Et tour groups most welcome. Catering available. Live music Sunday lunch. River Cruz Café Et Restaurant Riverside Parklands, 3 Quay St, Bundaberg Qld 4670 Phone (07) 4153 4899 or 0427 099 009	Saturday 16th September Rider's Choice Sunday 24th September Coffee Cruise
Tuesday 3rd October	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. Meet at River Cruz 0730 for 0800 departure. Saturday 14th October Rider's Choice Sunday 22nd October Coffee Cruise
Tuesday 7th November	Sunday 12th November – Club Ride TBA Saturday/Sunday 18th and 19th November Christmas Party – Hivesville Pub Sunday 26th November Coffee Cruise
Tuesday 5th December	Sunday 10th December – Club Ride TBA Saturday 16th December Rider's Choice Sunday 24th December Christmas Eve Coffee Cruise Toy Runs – TBA Christmas Lights Tour - TBA

Another Caption Competition:

What are these two codgers up to?

You know the score; come up with a bewdy. and there will be a great prize

Please send to your entries to:

newsletter@rumcityriders.org

Which of our riders has become a motormower racer at the Mt Perry Camel Cup? He might have won the event if he had not stopped to empty the catcher! Driving his compact mower on the fast dirt track was a good deal of fun for PB.



RUM CITY RIDERS
Events and rides summary

This calendar is a summary of the coming period with details hopefully found in other parts of the newsletter. Some items come from other newsletters or other sources. This can be used as an overview. Please ring the relevant ride leader/organiser or Ron for further details or suggestions about events for inclusion.

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Mon 11 Sept	Tues 12 Sept	Wed 13 Sept	Thurs 14 Sept	Fri 15 Sept Sunshine Coast Odyssey	Sat 16 Sept Sunshine Coast Odyssey <hr/> Club - Riders' Choice	Sun 17 Sept Sunshine Coast Odyssey
Mon 18 Sept	Tues 19 Sept	Wed 20 Sept <small>Ron's birthday</small>	Thurs 21 Sept	Fri 22 Sept	Sat 23 Sept	Sun 24 Sept Club – Coffee Cruise – Riders' Choice <hr/> Fraser Coast Branch visits Moore Park Hotel for lunch
Mon 25 Sept	Tues 26 Sept	Wed 27 Sept	Thurs 28 Sept	Fri 29 Sept Back to Basics Rally - Gympie	Sat 30 Sept Back to Basics Rally – Gympie <hr/> Frogs Hollow Run - AMC Hervey Bay	Sun 1 Oct Back to Basics Rally - Gympie
Mon 2 Oct	Tues 3 Oct Branch meeting 7.00 pm at River Cruz	Wed 4 Oct	Thurs 5 Oct	Fri 6 Oct	Sat 7 Oct	Sun 8 Oct Club Ride to Many Peaks – <i>note 8.00 am departure</i>
Mon 9 Oct	Tues 10 Oct	Wed 11 Oct	Thurs 12 Oct	Fri 13 Oct Mt Lindsay Branch Blues Rally	Sat 14 Oct Club - Riders' Choice 9.00 am <hr/> Mt Lindsay Branch Blues Rally	Sun 15 Oct Mt Lindsay Branch Blues Rally
Mon 16 Oct	Tues 17 Oct	Wed 18 Oct	Thurs 19 Oct	Fri 20 Oct	Sat 21 Oct Redcliffe Branch Ulympics	Sun 22 Oct Redcliffe Branch Ulympics <hr/> Club – Coffee Choice - Riders' Choice 9.00 am <hr/> Bums on Bikes to Granite Creek
Mon 23 Oct	Tues 24 Oct	Wed 25 Oct	Thurs 26 Oct	Fri 27 Oct	Sat 28 Oct	Sun 29 Oct
Mon 30 Oct	Tues 31 Oct	Wed 1 Nov	Thurs 2 Nov	Fri 3 Nov Australian Motorcycle Expo, Brisbane Convention Centre	Sat 4 Nov Australian Motorcycle Expo, Brisbane Convention Centre	Sun 5 Nov Australian Motorcycle Expo, Brisbane Convention Centre
Mon 6 Nov	Tues 7 Nov Branch Meeting – time to be confirmed	Wed 8 Nov	Thurs 9 Nov	Fri 10 Nov	Sat 11 Nov Tractor “pull” at Mt Perry	Sun 12 Nov Club Ride – to be decided
Mon 13 Nov	Tues 14 Nov	Wed 15 Nov	Thurs 16 Nov	Fri 17 Nov	Sat 18 Nov Club Christmas Party - Hivesville	Sun 19 Nov Club Christmas Party - Hivesville

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