

CHATTERBOX

July
2011

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PRESIDENTS REPORT

A big apology from Dennis. Due to work commitments he has been called away to Canberra and could not make the deadline for the Presidents Report



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THE MONTH ON JULY GO TO
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ALAN EDNEY
RAY HARRIS
LANCE PORTER
REX ROGERS
MAL BOSWELL



ADVICE TO AN OLD GUY

An old guy was working out in the gym when he spotted a sweet young thing.

He asked the trainer nearby 'What machine in here should I use to impress that sweet girl over there?'

The trainer looked him up & down & said, "I would try the ATM in the lobby



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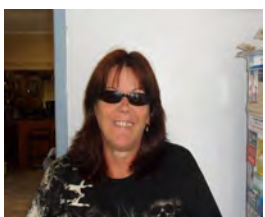
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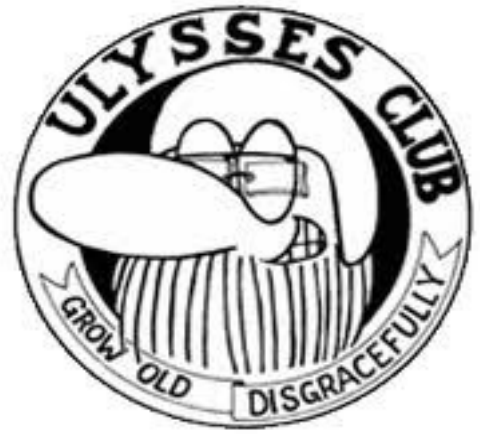


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Contributions from members are always welcomed as well as articles, photographs, etc.

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Remember all correspondence to be received by the Editor by the 20th of each month

The advertisement features a blue and white color scheme. On the left, the 'K&R' logo is written in a stylized, cursive font. Below it, a dark blue banner contains the text 'PLUMBING SUPPLIES' in white. To the right of the banner is a circular logo with a red checkmark and the words 'PLUMBING PLUS' around it. Further right, the text 'YOUR REPRESENTATIVE' is written in blue, with the email address 'sales@krplumbing.com.au' below it. Below these elements, three checkmarks are followed by the text 'Bathroom Kitchen Laundry Design Centre'. At the bottom, the text 'PLUMBING SUPPLIES SPECIALISTS FROM ROOF TO UNDERGROUND' is written in blue. The background of the advertisement is a light blue grid pattern with a wavy blue line at the bottom. The contact information is listed at the bottom left: '71 Kenilworth St Warwick Qld 4370 www.krplumbing.com.au'. The phone and fax numbers are listed at the bottom right: 'Phone: 4661 5399 Fax: 4661 5499'.

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MINUTES OF THE WARWICK DISTRICT BRANCH MEETING

WARWICK -30/06/2011

MEETING TYPE-COMMITTEE

TIME COMMENCED- 5.30PM

MEMBERS PRESENT-Dennis King, Les Aspery, Mal Boswell, Wayne Farrugia, Ross Atkinson, Bill Doran, Barb

Doran

APOLOGIES-Rex Rogers

Minutes of the previous meeting were read, Accepted, Moved Worm, Seconded Angry

SECRETARY'S REPORT

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS

1. Letter received from The Cancer Council concerning cooking at BTAB. This was passed on to the BTAB Committee.
2. Received an e-mail from Don Hewitt of the Logan Branch inviting us to the Splitters Swamp weekend at Bolivia on 28th-30th October, 2011. He has also invited the Glen Innes & Northern Rivers Branches.
3. Received an e-mail from the Kilcoy Classics on Wheels who will be having a display of classic cars & motorbikes plus a swap meet to be held on Sunday 1st Sept, 2011 at the Kilcoy Showgrounds. Gates open at 6am & trophies presented at 2.30pm. Entry fee is \$10 with no additional fee for vehicles entering the competition.
4. Received a flyer from Timor Adventures.
5. Received e-mail forwarded on from Dennis King from Henry Van Beelen of the Broxburn Bash Committee, stating that they have a venue for daily or overnight stops. The venue is just over 8 acres & has a natural timberland setting. The grounds are 4km east of Pittsworth.
6. Received an order form from Ulysses Administration for a Clubs Aims Promotion Banner. The banner is 209cm high x 84cm wide. Cost is \$242 + \$20 freight.
7. Received an e-mail from Sarah Ellis on behalf of the Expo Planning Group who will be holding the 2011 Seniors Expo at WRIAC on Thurs 25th Aug, 2011 from 10am – 2pm. She has invited us along to display 3 bikes (max) to accompany a display. We have decided to attend with Granny's bike (cruiser), Bill's bike (custom) & Dennis with a sports bike.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

1. Replied to Don Hewitt re Splitter Swamp
2. Replied to Sarah Ellis re Seniors Expo

BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

Accepted, Moved Bones, Seconded Bex

TREASURERS REPORT

A full report is available from Angry upon request

RIDE CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Bones spoke about the ride we had to Haigslea Motorcycle Museum. A great time was had with a couple of members buying miniature bikes for display, followed by a gourmet meal at the pie cart. He also said a big thank you to Rob Cowling for donating the raffle prize money back to the kitty. Bones also want to form a Ride Committee & is looking for volunteers.

WELFARE OFFICERS REPORT

Nothing to report

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. The Cancer Council said they will do an all-day BBQ for the BTAB with the profits going to them.
2. The Lions Club turned down our offer of them to cook at BTAB
3. Bex said he will get in contact with the Killarney Lions Club to see if they may be interested in cooking at BTAB.
4. A reminder of the upcoming Blues Rally
5. Bill to e-mail Natcom about Public Liability insurance as the old PL1 runs out on 31st June, 2011.
6. Fester & Angry said they would go along to the Cancer Council Meeting to clarify the BTAB with them.

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7. It was decided that we would purchase the Ulysses Club Aims Banner.
8. Xmas in July was discussed & a number was agreed upon with Bones to finalize dealing with the caterer.
9. The Endeavour Ride this year was decided to be on the 27th November, 2011. (Let Gardens Galore know there will be no coffee morning that month). Bones was voted in to do the corresponding with the Endeavour Foundation for the annual ride.
10. Members were in favour of going to Splitters Swamp in October with some members thinking of going down on Friday 28th – Sunday 30th October, 2011.
11. Fester spoke about an away ride to be put into the Ride Calendar. It was decided that the warmer months would be better suited for an overnighter. There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.15pm

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A Few Facts.....

It takes your food 7 seconds to get from your mouth to your stomach

One human hair can support 3kg

The average mans penis is 3 times the length of his thumb

Human bones are stronger than concrete

A woman's heart beats faster than a man's

There are about 1 trillion bacteria on each of your feet

Women blink twice as often as men

The average person's skin weighs twice as much as the brain

The body uses 300 muscles to balance itself when you are standing still

If saliva cannot dissolve something, it cannot taste it

Women reading this will be finished now

Men who read this are probably still busy checking their thumbs



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Ride Report for July

Following the coffee morning some members went on a ride down to Boonah to visit Ned's. Reports from members who went said they had a good ride.

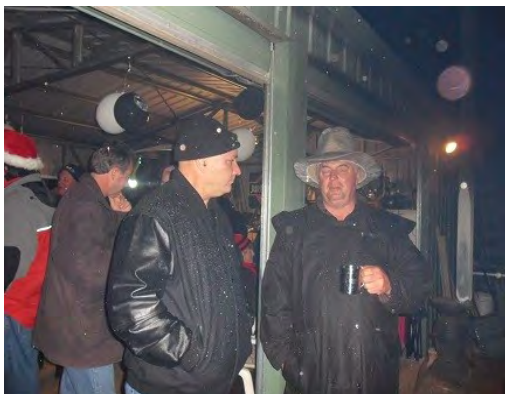
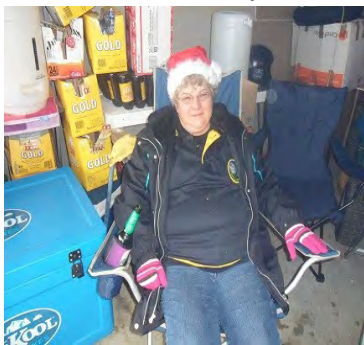
Instead of our monthly ride we travelled out to Fox and Rose's home for our Christmas in July Get Together. A big thank you to Fox and Rose for their great hospitality. We had 31 members attend a very entertaining evening where warm fires, cold beers and stories of previous bike runs were discussed.

We had great music played by a local DJ and were able to rock away the hours. Peter from Darling Downs Spit Roast produced a great meal to a very high standard.

A Mick Doohan signed Ulysses shirt was raffled and won by CK with a second prize of a bottle of Moët being won by Rose.

The Butcher, BJ, Pat and Steve cooked up a storm with bacon and eggs for breakfast, a big thanks to these members.

It was good to see so many members come out to enjoy this event. Also thanks to all members who participated to make this event possible.



A special thank you to anyone who helped to make our Christmas in July a success. There are too many to mention by name but I'm sure you all know who you are

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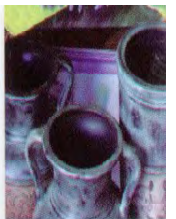
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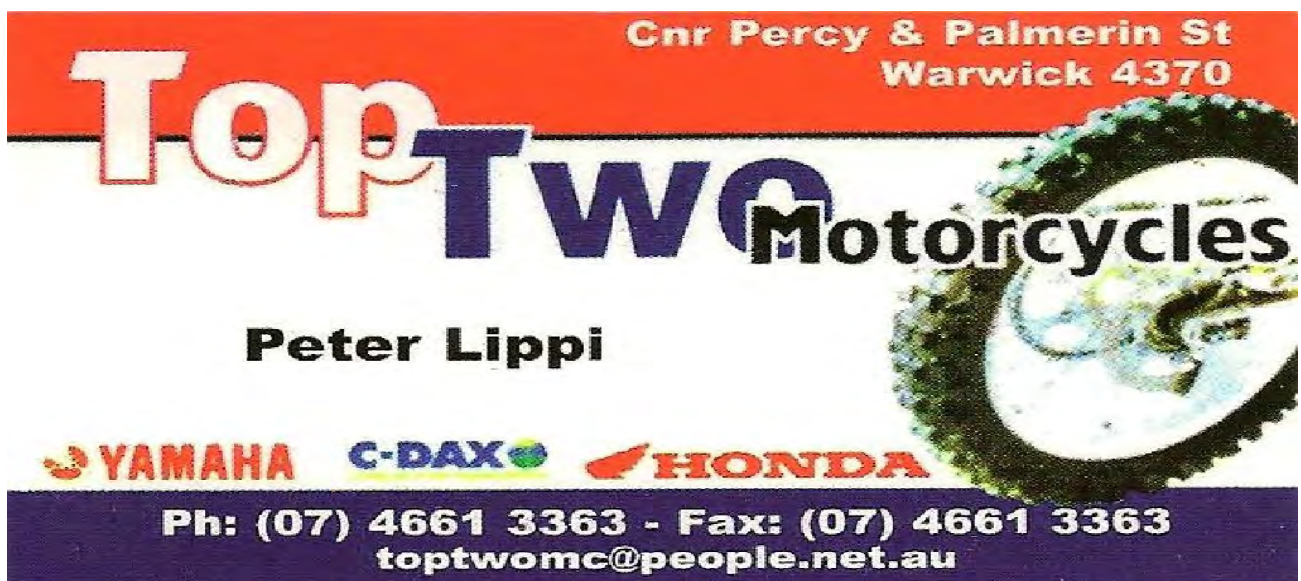


True Friendship.....Aussie Style (none of that sissy crap)

Are you tired of those weak friendship poems that always sound good, but never actually come close to reality? Well, here are a series of promises that actually speak the truth.

1. When you are sad—I will help you get pissed & plot revenge against the bastard that made you sad.
2. When you are blue—I will try to dislodge whatever is choking you.
3. When you smile—I will know that you are thinking of something that I will probably want to be involved in.
4. When you are scared—I will take the piss out of you every chance I get.
5. When you are worried—I will tell you stories about how much worse it could be until you stop whining.
6. When you are confused—I will try to use only little words.
7. When you are sick—stay the hell away from me until you are well again. I don't want whatever you have.
8. When you fall-I will laugh at you, you clumsy arse, but I'll help you up.

This is my oath.....I pledge it to the end.” Why?” you may ask;
Because you are my friend.



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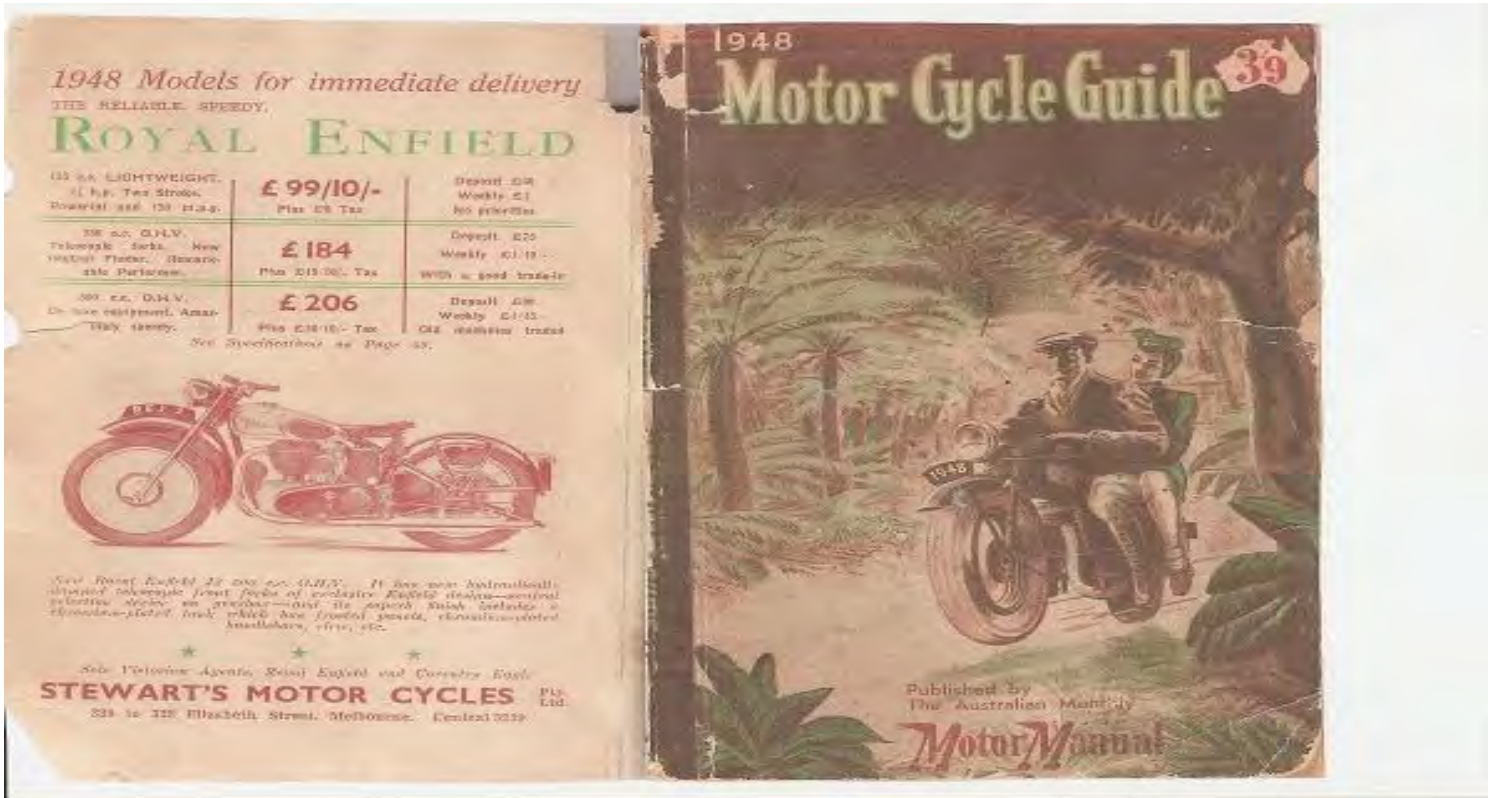
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A BLAST FROM THE PAST



Front & back pages of a Motor Cycle Guide Book issued in 1948

This is a new addition to the Chatterbox. Any contributions from members for this section or any other are welcome



WORD ABOUT TOWN

One ex-Honda rider tried very hard to sneak his Harley into Shane's Bike, Boat's & Performance last week in the hope no-one would notice it needed some repairs. Bound to be the Butt of a few jokes now.

When this member makes a bet with you, you can be sure (if he loses) that he will stick to his end of the bet. He would have been Angry if he had to shave his legs as well as his eyebrows.

A retired couple that recently moved made a comment that they cannot understand why the couple they were staying with got up so early. They didn't realise there were hours in the day between 9pm & 9am.



I DON'T EXERCISE!
It makes my coffee spill.



Seriously good message...

I arrived at the address where someone had requested a taxi. I honked the horn but no one came out. I honked again, nothing. So I walked to the door & knocked. "Just a minute", answered a frail, elderly voice. I could hear something being dragged across the floor. After a long pause, the door opened. A small woman in her 90's stood before me. She was wearing a print dress & a pillbox hat with a veil pinned on like someone out of a 1940's movie.

By her side was a small nylon suitcase. The unit looked as if one had lived in it for years. All the furniture was covered with sheets.

There were no clocks on the walls, no knickknacks or utensils on the benches. In the corner was a cardboard box filled with photos & glassware.

"Would you carry my bag out to the car?" she said. I took the suitcase to the taxi, then returned to assist the woman. She took my arm & we walked slowly to the taxi. She kept thanking me for my kindness. "It's nothing", I told her. I just treat my passengers the way I would want my mother to be treated.

"Oh, you're such a good boy", she said. When we got in the taxi, she gave me an address, & then said, "Could you drive through downtown.

"It's not the shortest way", I answered quickly. "Oh, I don't mind", she said. "I'm in no hurry. I'm on my way to a hospice".

I looked in the rear-view mirror. Her eyes were glistening. "I don't have any family left", she continued. "The doctor says I don't have very long". I quietly reached over & shut off the meter.

"What route would you like me to take?" I asked. For the next 2 hrs we drove through the neighbourhood where she & her husband had lived when they were newlyweds. She had me pull up in front of the furniture warehouse that had once been a ballroom where she had gone dancing as a girl. Sometimes she asked me to slow down in front of a particular building or corner & would sit staring into the darkness, saying nothing.

As the first hint of sun was creasing the horizon, she suddenly said, "I'm tired. Let's go now." We drove in silence to the address she had given me. It was a low building, like a small convalescent home, with a driveway that passed under a portico. Two orderlies came out to the taxi as soon as we pulled up. They were solicitous & intent, watching her every move. They must have been expecting her. I opened the trunk & took the woman was already seated in a wheelchair.

"How much do I owe you?" she asked, reaching into her purse. "Nothing" I said. "You have to make a living" she answered. "There will be other passengers" I responded. Without thinking I bent & gave her a hug. "You gave an old woman a little bit of joy. Thank you".

I squeezed her hand then walked into the morning light. Behind me, a door shut. It was the sound of the closing of a life. I didn't pick up any more passengers that shift. I drove aimlessly lost in thought. For the rest of the day, I could hardly talk. What if that woman had gotten an angry driver, or one who was impatient to end his shift? What if he refused to take the run, or had honked once, then driven away? On a quick review, I don't think that I have done anything more important in my life.

We're conditioned to think that our lives revolve around great moments, but great moments often catch us unaware-beautifully wrapped in what others consider a small one.

PEOPLE MAY NOT REMEMBER EXACTLY WHAT YOU DID, OR WHAT YOU SAID, BUT THEY WILL REMEMBER HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL.

Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we are here we might as well dance

Ride & Social Calender, Warwick Ulysses Branch, July 2011

June			
5/06/2011		"Ad Hock Ride"	
10-12/06/2011		Morgan Park QLD Historic Road Racing Championships	
19/06/2011		Motorcycle Museum(Haigslea)	
26/06/2011	9.00am	Coffee Morning	
30/06/2011	6.30pm	Branch Meeting	
July			
3/07/2011	9.00am	"Ad Hock Ride"	
16-17/07/2011		Christmas in July (Fox's)	All meet at Fox's
28/07/2011	6.30pm	Branch Meeting	
31/07/2011	9.00am	Coffee Morning	
August			
7/08/2011	9.00am	"Ad Hock Ride"	
21/08/2011	10.00am	Stanthorpe Maze	BJ
21-26/08/2011		Nat Veteran M/C Rally (Kingaroy)	
25/08/2011	6.30pm	Branch Meeting	
28/08/2011	9.00am	Coffee Morning	
September			
4/09/2011	9.00am	"Ad Hock Ride"	
23-25/09/2011		Blues Rally	
29/09/2011	6.30pm	Branch Meeting	
October			
7-9/10/2011		Bikes Through the Bar	
27/10/2011	6.30pm	Branch Meeting	
29/10/2011		Gatton Swap Meet	
29-30/10/2011	10.00am	Splitter's Swamp (Bolivia Hall Bolivia)	Bill
29/10/2011		Coffee Morning	
November			
6/11/2011	9.00am	"Ad Hock"	
20/11/2011	10.00am	Hampton Pub Lunch (Markets and lunch)	Angry
24/11/2011	6.30pm	Branch Meeting	
27/11/2011	09.00am	Endeavour Ride	
December			
2-4/12/2011		Ulysses x-mas Party	
		Holidays _ Break	
30/12-1/1/2012		Pickled Galah (Maidenwell Hotel)	
January			
8/01/2012		"Ad Hock Ride"	
15/01/2012	08.30am	Lions Road BBQ	
?	6.30pm	Branch Meeting to be decided	
29/01/2012	9.00am	Coffee Morning	

Branch meetings are held in the Allman Room at Criterion Hotel, Palmerin Street, Warwick on the last Thursday of every month except December.

Committee Meetings, unless otherwise advised, will commence one (1) hour prior to Branch Meetings.

Ride Committee Meetings: - Held as required.

Coffee Mornings will be held on the last Sunday in that month. These will be held at Warwick Gardens Galore, 21 Albion Street, Warwick. (Next door to Warwick Motor Inn)

"AD HOC" First Sunday of the Month Rides may be organised by the Members. (In other words, if you feel like a ride and some company, please let the other members know- includes Mid Week)

Organised rides are on the third (3) Sunday of the month.

Unless otherwise stated Club Rides leave from Hungry Jacks car park, Corner of Wood and Albion Streets, at 9.00am. – Changed times highlighted in **RED**

There are no ride rules, but some suggestions are:-

How you ride is up to you, however due consideration should be paid to the safety and enjoyment of others, as well as legal requirements.

Correct Ride Apparel is a personal choice. However, boots, long ride pants/jeans, jacket and gloves will improve your personal safety.

Second Rider from Ride leader to drop off as indicated "Corner Marker". Corner markers may be required to indicate a change of direction. No2 in the group usually fills this roll, positions themselves prominently, but safely, to indicate the turn and waits till waved on by "Tail End Charlie".

No Passing within a single traffic lane- this can be an extremely dangerous manoeuvre.

If Ride Group becomes separated, Rider Leader will find a safe area to stop and Re-group. Each rider to keep the next rider in rear view mirror- if not seen then low/stop/turn around. If all riders deep rear rider in mirror all riders will eventually stop to ascertain if a problem has arisen.

Please ensure you have a full tank of fuel and tyres checked prior to departure time.

Attendance to Ride Destination is not compulsory; however, if you intend to leave the ride please inform the Ride Leader or Tail End Charley.

Please identify "Tail End Charlie" and what bike he/she is riding prior to commencement- Reflectorised Jackets are provided for this purpose.

Please complete the Ride Register prior to each ride.

Each event attended will have an "Instant Raffle", whereby each Rider/Passenger purchase a ticket for \$2.00 At the destination/ conclusion of the event. Ticket stubs will be placed in a helmet and a winner drawn. The winner will receive 50% of the total paid for that event. The remainder will be banked into the Branch Account for future Branch Activities.



Thought you all might like to see the club's latest acquisition of The Ulysses Club Aims & Promotional Banner which will be on display at the Seniors Expo to be held at WIRAC on the 25th of August, 2011 between 10am-2pm

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Warwick Credit union has kindly donated the printing of our newsletters and I take this opportunity to thank them for doing so. I urge members to speak with them for their financial needs.