

Eurobodalla



Ulysses Branch

NEWSLETTER

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Ed's bit



Bugger !!! Ross's newsletters have been terrific, and I will try to keep up the standard Ross has given us. With that thank you Ross for the terrific newsletters. We will miss your prowess with the keyboard. Contributions on all topics will be most welcome, email to vd00@people.net.au

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi One and All

Summer is fast approaching and we will hopefully see a few more bikes on the rides, Rob has been going to great lengths to make the rides varied and interesting yet there seems to be only a few that show up, I unfortunately am one of them as I have been trying to spend more time with Ann to help her get ready for next years big ride to Coffs via Yeppoon QLD.

The Social Committee has been doing a great job and recent event was uncalled for leading to some of the committee not wanting to continue next year which would be sad it's a shame they don't get as much positive feed back as they deserve that includes All the committee members . On a more serious note recently I was approached in a very reasonable manner by a member who was concerned that other members objected to paying an admission price of \$12 (normally \$18) for the upcoming Mogo Zoo meeting, when I explained that we were suppling breakfast (which I assure you will be far more nutritious than Macca's) to compensate he was happy and when you consider it normally costs about \$12 to \$20 when you include drinks what's the difference between paying for you meal or an admission price to the Mogo Zoo, which includes a tour, I might add is a very fine Zoo which has won many awards and achievements. Now the sore point another member saw fit to e-mail the social committee with the following message:- *I will not be attending any meeting of any group that cost money to attend. This is a democracy that we live in and it is wrong that anyone may miss out on their vote or voice at a meeting because they cannot afford to attend such a meeting out of principal.* I think this member should stop and think before speaking, as he would have found if he had checked the facts and add up the costs you come out in front and you can have your say to all the members attending in a real democratic situation at the Quarterly Members Meeting not a morning coffee which is meant for socialising, I will speak about some more at the meeting.

Bob Edwards just recently suggested that we may be able to have a B B Q on one of the rides funded by the branch and he mentioned that a couple of other members would be happy to bring along a *cont. next column*

Presidents Report cont.

barbie in their trailers (as I would to) we would only need to bring 2 or 3 to cope which I reckon is great idea so al those interested come to the meeting and we can discuss the venue. Till I see you next keep the rubber side down and don't forget enjoy the ride.

Cheers to all

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MELT DOWN !!!!



What's left of Bryan Overdijk's bike !!

We wish Robert & Kerry Overdijk's son Bryan a speedy recovery after an accident recently. Bryan ended up with two broken ankles, cracked kneecap, massive bruising and friction burns, but besides that he is OK. It appears that the front wheel washed out just before he got into a uphill righthand bend then slid into the rock cutting feet first.

DON'T FORGET

Quarterly Meeting on Sunday 5th November at Mogo Zoo: details on page 3.

The Snowy Ride : Saturday 11 November 2006 Thredbo

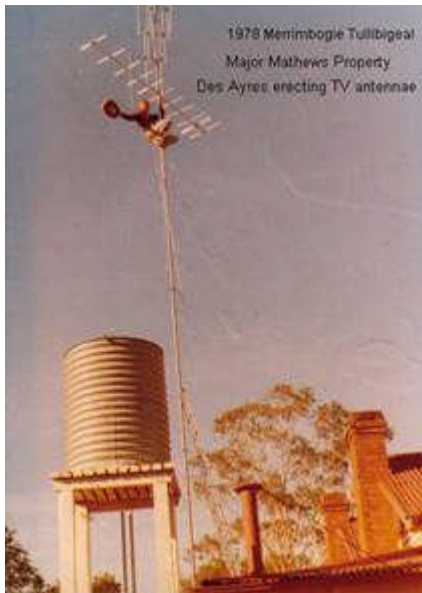
www.snowyride.com.au

DARE DEVIL DES

One of our distant characters of our branch. Des lives in Ungarie, NSW. He has close ties with Lyell & Helen Jenkins of Tuross Head.



3.3.2006 at Tallangatta Vic., Des Ayres on rare 1975 Kawasaki W3A-RS -650cc -Parallel Twin Air Cooled, that he had imported Oct '74 whilst at Akashi Kawasaki Factory on Dealer Study Tour. This machine has never been unregistered & has carried its owner reliably to numerous rallies / journeys over 31 years achieving 83 MPG on journey to Ulysses AGM in ACT-2005.



SOMETHING TO PONDER !!!

Taken from Ulysses Club website for your interest.

The Immutable Laws of Motorcycling

Motorcycling is not dangerous. Crashing is what is dangerous.

Learn from the mistakes of others. You won't live long enough to make them all yourself.

You start with a bag of luck and an empty bag of experience. The trick is to fill the bag of experience before you empty the bag of luck.

Good judgement comes from experience. Unfortunately the experience usually comes from bad judgement.

Keep scanning and doing head checks. There is always something you have missed.

In the ongoing battle between motorcycles travelling at high speeds and the ground travelling at zero, the ground has yet to lose.

In the ongoing battle between vehicles weighing over a tonne and motorcycles weighing less than a tonne, the rule of weight applies.

The only time you have too much fuel is when you are on fire.

If you wear an open face helmet, avoid crashing face down.

Tests have shown that good leathers slide on bitumen for 80 metres before wearing through. Denim slides 8 metres and everything else is worse than that. Only wear denim for short slides.

It is always a good idea to keep the end with the large light going forwards as much as possible.

Stay out of fog (clouds). The silver lining is probably a Mercedes.

THE BEAST

What a beast !! Daimler Chrysler's concept four wheel motorcycle the **Dodge Thomahawk** is a mean machine. Boasting a Viper 8.3 litre ohv 20-valve V10 motor, with 500bhp, and estimated top speed 500+kmh.

Construction: Billet Aluminium

Length: 2590 mm

WheelBase: 1930mm

Curb Weight: 680 kgs

Wheels: 20x4 front, 20x5 rear, billet aluminium disks

It was all for power, the Thomahawk's designers were so bent on making a brutally powerful motorcycle that they were forced to mutate most of the bike's components to accommodate the massive V10 Viper engine. To shield the fuel tank from the engines heat, they relocated it to the front fender. Two standard tyres couldn't handle the power so to keep the 4 wheeler feeling like a bike, designers devised a unique independent suspension. All four wheels are independently controlled, the rider can lean the bike up to 45 degrees into a turn and keep all four wheels on the road.

All rockets go fast, but stopping them is another matter. The disc brakes, sporting 16 pistons in the front and eight in the back, take the job seriously.

Cost \$200,000.00 +

NEW PRODUCT



SUPER-VISOR: Blinded by the sun ? Now there's a solution ! Super Visor has hit the shores! Available in 3 colours; black- white- smoke (semi transparent). Features

of the SuperVisor: *Allows you to ride safely into the sun; *Stylish, aerodynamic, vented; *Universally fits all full face helmets; *Latest design upgrades introduced; *Mounting height is now adjustable; *Removable from face shield. For more info go to www.safetysolutions.com.au or contact Peter on 02 8850 7298 or email peter@safetysolutions.com.au Cost is \$19.00

FREE COFFEE IN MORUYA

Moruya Motorcycles Invites all Ulysses Members to take advantage of our Over The Hill 10% discount on all of our Products. This can mean a potential saving of Thirty Dollars on a rear Tyre, or Up to Sixty Dollars Per Set.

This 10% Discount only applies to Ulysses Members and Their respective Partners.

We Stock a Huge range of tyres for all motorcycles, including the ever-popular Metzeler series; Pirelli sports tyres, Michelin and Avon (upon Request).

Nitro Helmets, Ferodo Brake Pads, K&N Filters, Motul Oils, RK Chains make up just a small amount of products we offer.

Take Advantage of our "FREE" tyre fit and balance to your bike (some conditions apply), whilst enjoying a Complimentary Coffee at the AIR RAID CAFE.

Take a look at our Range of Mini Bikes for the Grand Children – Remember Christmas is Just around the Corner!

So Come in and Say Hi to Angela and Clint at Moruya Motorcycles, Unit Seven, The Highway Centre Moruya.

With Compliments

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Branch Notice Board

Quarterly meeting Sunday 5th November 2006

The quarterly meeting (the last for the year) will be a breakfast meeting at mogo zoo. there is an entry fee of \$12 per head (normally \$18.50) and this will include a fully provided cooked bbq breakfast (bacon, sausage, egg, tomato & toast) plus tea / coffee, and later a tour of the zoo at (other) animal feed time. itinerary: arrive at zoo from 8 am (bbq helpers please)bbq area near lion enclosure (bear viewing platform) meeting : 9 am (during breakfast) tour/animal feeding: 10.30 am from the zoo, ride to ulladulla to view /tour old ship Duyfken (replica of first ship recorded to come to Australia in 1606) then lunch (optional) if you are h u n g r y a g a i n ! You must pay to get into the zoo - you cannot come in later for free (but who'd miss out on such a good deal anyway...you wouldn't get that sort of brekkie & show anywhere else for that price !)bring your own knife, fork, plate, & cup.

Contact Di & Tony Pye on 44737747 or Col Black on 44728016

BMW INFO

Information for BMW owners. I was given the website of Eastcoast BM's eastcoastbms.com.au and subsequently found it was Mick Owen Motor Cycles of Unit 3/74 Townsville Street, Fyshwick. A.C.T., phone 02 62281855. I contacted him and his prices are very competitive. Further, he travels to Bermagui from time to time and can deliver goods down this was. Saving freight if not urgent. *Frank Hopkins*

ARL stands for Australian Rugby League and AFL stands for Australian Football League

Does the following apply to the

ARL OR AFL?

This is good !!!!

36

Have been accused of spousal abuse

7

Have been arrested for fraud

19

Have been accused of writing bad checks

117

Have directly or indirectly bankrupted at least 2 businesses

3

Have done time for assault

71,

Repeat

71 cannot

Get a credit card due to bad credit

14

Have been arrested on drug-related charges

8

Have been arrested for shoplifting

21

Currently

Are defendants in lawsuits, and

84

Have been arrested for drunk driving

In

The last year

Can

You guess which organization this is?

Give

Up yet? . . . Scroll down,

Neither,

it's the 535 members of the AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT IN CANBERRA

The

Same group of Idiots that crank out hundreds of new laws each year

Designed to keep the rest of us in line.