

Eurobodalla



Branch

NEWSLETTER

December 2008 19th - Edition

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*A very merry Christmas
And a happy new year
For weak and for strong
For rich and the poor ones
The near and the dear one
The old and the young
Let's hope it's a good one
Without any fear*

John Lennon

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



and had a good time with other Ulysses at the gathering there. I then rode back to

*Greetings
Eurobodalla Members,
Time is flying by and
it's almost Christmas
again. The highlight
for me this quarter
was the trip to Valla
Beach with Frank
where we met Bob*

*Windsor with Frank then continued to
Ungarie, Albury and got back to
Braidwood in time to do the camping night
at the Big Hole.*

*Helen and I, Robert and Kerry and Jim
and Margaret braved the weather that
wasn't too bad and camped the night.
Cliff and Jenny, Nigel McFarlane, John
Gillett and a BMW club member (Clr Chris
Kowal, ed) whose name has fell through
attended for brunch on Sunday.*

*On the weekend when we camped at the
Big Hole, members of the Sydney Branch
including Vic Lesslie joined us at the
Bodalla Bakery on Saturday. The Sydney
Branch was holding an Odyssey at
Ulladulla.*

*Frank and Sandy Hopkins, Steve Jones
and Barry Apps camped at Burrill Lake
with them and went to dinner on the
Saturday night at the Ulladulla RSL.
Barry Apps won the prize for the oldest
bike and rider combination, 90 years! A
great time had by all.*

*The coffee and conversation mornings are
still being quite well attended with Cliff
and Jenny from Mollymook getting an A
for effort, travelling to the venues most
Saturdays. There is a suggestion of a
change from O'Brien's due to the variety*

of nice fattening creamy cakes, pies ect not being available. There is also the fact they are not really staffed to handle a number of coffee drinkers. There will be more discussion at the Christmas Party with the members that attend.

I would like to welcome new members to the Eurobodalla Branch since last Newsletter. Ray Vane, Dave Richards, Bob Wagstaff and Sue Barber. I hope I didn't miss anyone.

Many thank to the other committee members for their input through the year. Special thanks to Frank with his 2 hats, Secretary /Treasurer, Robert has 3 hats, Ride-Coordinator/ Newsletter Editor/ Webmaster, a big job and Murray with the Quarter Master duties and keeping us with a few dollars. Fortunately the rest of us have life a little easier.

Merry Christmas and safe riding next year to everyone.

Lyell #438

QUARTERMASTERS REPORT

How quickly the months go by. Just to remind you all, the down side is we are all 3 months older. The good part is another 17 items have been purchased from the gear shop by members and although this is down considerably from previous quarters it is still a good result.

For those who are not aware Branch items and prices are displayed on our website www.ulyssesclub.org/branches/eurobodalla under gear shop. If you require any item my

contact details are on our website or you can catch up with me at most Saturday meetings where I have the items with me.

Thanks for the support. Have a safe and happy festive season and remember to Gear up to Ride.

Murray Osborne

CONGRATULATIONS FRANK



Our Secretary/Treasurer Frank Hopkins receiving his 3rd clasp on 1st November for 49 years of combined Police and Rural Fire Service. It was awarded by the Hon. Phil Koperberg, Minister for Emergency Services and Mayor Fergus Thompson.

2009 BRANCH AGM

At our previous quarterly meeting on 28th September it was decided to have the next meeting on the last Sunday in February which will be 22nd as it is only a short month. This will also be our Branch AGM, mark it on your calendar. More details in the next ride calendar and closer to the date.

RIDES & EVENTS

Blue Ribbon Run 19th October.

10 Eurobodalla Riders joined the Sapphire Coast Branch for their Blue Ribbon Run at Bermagui. \$2000 was raised for the Prostate cancer Foundation which was a fantastic result and a great effort by the organisers. Chris and Jenny Zammit won the first prize of the raffle which was sponsored by Dragging Jeans. It was presented by Gary Smith at Suzuki World in Bemboka.

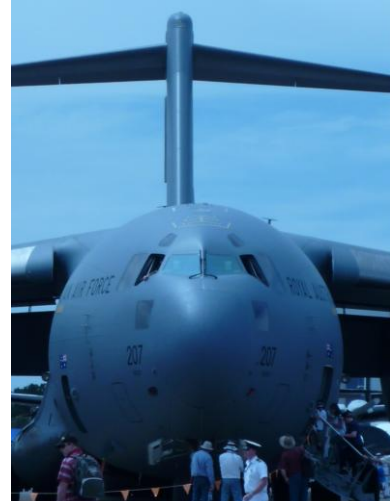


Chris, Jenny & Gary



Stewart and Peter having a deep and meaningful conversation at the Blue Ribbon Run.

The Nowra Airshow on 26th October saw a good number on the ride. A great warm sunny day and some fantastic aerial displays of old and new and the deafening awesome FA-18



Chris & Steve inside the gigantic C-17

The Saturday coffee mornings have increased in popularity during 2008 and the



numbers are strong with the Bodalla Bakery proving a very favourite event on the calendar.

Bodalla
1st November

Big Hole camping weekend.

Only a week

earlier a few ladies decided to turn the 2nd November Big Hole Sunday ride into a camping weekend. The ride up the Clyde was a little cold, wet and foggy but from then on the weekend was great. Lyell, & Helen, Jim & Margaret, Robert & Kerry camped and Cliff & Jenny, Nigel, John and Chris dropped in on the Sunday for lunch before all headed home in the sunshine.



The ladies starting the fire, well done.



Old fashioned remedy for cold weather.

Phillip Island Superbikes

John Van Der Heul is interested in how many of our members would like to make the sojourn to Phillip Island next year for the Super Bikes (27 Feb - 1 March 2009) & Moto GP (16- 18 October 2009). He needs some idea on numbers so he can try to organise accommodation. Please forward replies to John at vdh00@people.net.au

Christmas Party Saturday 6 December.



Another great turnout for the Christmas party at Doc & Fay Adams property. Many thanks to the hosts for having us again. Also thanks to Gary for supplying the coffee and machine for an excellent cup. It kept him busy. Many stayed overnight for the BBQ breakfast on Sunday.

MEMBER PROFILE

Member: Basil Doherty #47140
Age: 48
Born: Lockhart NSW



Basil getting last minute advice from Bob before the his postie bike fundraising ride around NSW and ACT in March 2007.

Occupation

Pensioner/part time recycle worker

Life history

He went to school in Lockhart. Apprentice electrician in Albury where he was a full blown bikie. In 1980 after heavy drinking he had a head on collision with a car and suffered severe brain injury. Rehabilitation took many years and was incomplete. Basil still has major disabilities. He spent 16 years on his parents' farm in Lockhart before moving to Moruya in 1996.

Basil spends a lot of time talking to young people about his accident and the

consequences of drink driving. He currently rides a Honda 110 postie bike which he can handle with his disabilities.

He reckons he has got to be the only Ulysses member who rides a postie bike.

Bike riding history

Started riding a Honda125 farm bike at the age of 16 and when 17, switched to a new Honda 250. He got his full licence on his 18th birthday and bought a Honda CB750 K2. The bike threw its timing chain and tried to kill itself.

While it was in the workshop Basil borrowed a Suzuki RM 250 2 stroke on which he had the accident at the age of 19.

The best bike I have ridden/owned

Honda 750 K2, 8 inch extended forks and raked frame, 4 into 1 exhaust extractors and fat rear wheel.

The worst bike I have ever ridden

The one he crashed.

Likes

Heavy metal music, community work (Basil is an active member of the local Lions Club), mixing with young people and playing the pokies.

Dislikes

Bad food and ugly women.

Best thing I ever done

Riding his postie bike around NSW and the ACT in early 2007 to raise \$13,000 for the Goulburn brain injury unit and talking to over 2,600 young people along the way. Equal to that was giving up the booze and smokes.

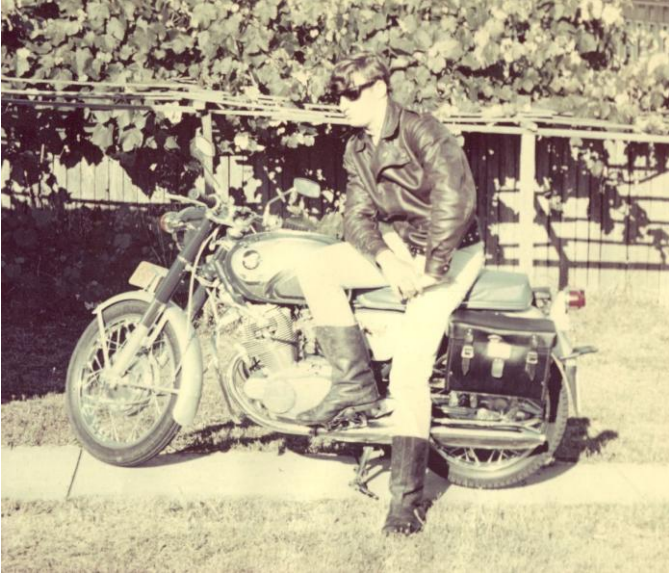
Ambitions

Find a permanent home and keep improving his lifestyle.

Save for a new Honda CB 200.

To undertake a fund raiser for prostate cancer.

THOSE WERE THE DAYS



Our Quartermaster on the good old CB350.



Cees de Rover on patrol on the Dutch freeways with some Dutch sense of humour. " Please address front of helmet"



Another shot of Cees with his brand spanking new R80RT (1983) in the Dutch "outback" .

Keep those pictures coming. I need your help with this one by forwarding some of those great old photos you must have somewhere, ed.

HUMOUR

While attending a Marriage Seminar dealing with communication, Tom and his wife Grace listened to the instructor, "It is essential that husbands and wives know the things that are important to each other." He addressed the men, "Can you describe your wife's favourite flower?" Tom leaned over, touched his wife's arm gently and whispered, "It's self-raising, isn't it? The rest of the story gets rather ugly, so it will stop right here....."



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\$100.00 plus postage.

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JIGSAW PUZZLES

Christmas is again around the corner again and if you are looking for a different gift for a birthday or just for anything, a photo of Nan & Pop on their bike, kids, grand kids or anything that is nice and beautiful, have it made into a good quality jigsaw by Ernie

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