



Newcastle Lower Hunter Branch

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Branch Social Meeting: 2nd Saturday of the Month
Edgeworth Bowling Club 6pm for Dinner & 7pm Meeting



January 2012



YOUR COMMITTEE

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President's Report

I hope everyone had a great Christmas Break and enjoyed their holidays. Lynne and I went to Tasmania on our bike. Lost parts coming back into NSW on the way home. Great holiday, great roads, great food, great company. A great place to visit. The service on the ferry wasn't crash hot but we got there.

Another big year ahead for all of us. We have our Australia Day BBQ coming up so come along. Please support the Branch and buy some raffle tickets with good prizes to be won.

The Branch AGM is coming up so don't be shy, step forward and put your hand up for a position on the committee and have a say in running the Branch.

Brian



Thanks to Edgeworth Bowling Club
Home of the Newcastle Lower
Hunter Ulysses Branch

Do you have something to contribute to our newsletter???

This is your newsletter and we need your contribution. If you have been on a good ride or trip away, write a short story, send in some photos and let us all know about.

Please send all contributions by email to: newcastlelowerhunterulysse@gmail.com.

Happy Birthday:

Simon Clarke

Christine Tapping

Colleen Abberfield

Bev Kevill



And Happy Anniversary to:



Karen & Stanley Black

Faye & Terry Shepherd

Sylvia & Phil Ross

Colleen & Mike Abberfield

Upcoming Branch Events...

13 January	From: Your Home	Edgeworth Bowling Club 7.30 pm for our monthly social meeting NB the change of date and time
15 January	From: Your Home	Coffee Morning at Wickham Motorcycle Café
22 January	From: Hexham McDonalds	Wisemans Ferry
26 January	From: Your Home	Stockton
4 February	From: Your Home	Newcastle Harness Club, Broadmeadow - a social night out - keep your eye on the ride calendar for more details
11 February	From: Your Home	Edgeworth Bowling Club 7 pm for our monthly social meeting



AUSTRALIA DAY 2012

We will again celebrate Australia Day on the Stockton Foreshore with a game of cricket or what some say resembles a game of cricket! Teams will be the cruisers against the sportsbikes.

Come along and join in the fun. Bring some shelter and your swimmers for a dip in the ocean if you get too hot.

There will be soft drinks available to quench your thirst courtesy of the Branch. The Branch BBQ will be available for those wishing to cook their lunch.

We will be located behind the swimming pool at the corner of Pitt and King Streets on the Pitt Street Reserve from around 10am.



Upcoming Ulysses Club Events

****MILDURA AGM 26 MARCH – 1 APRIL 2012****

The Ulysses Club 2012 AGM Event will soon be here. Don't forget to register early either on line via the Ulysses Club's website or use the registration form in Riding On.

Volunteers are required to help run and make the event a success, so please set aside a few hours to help.

MOREE MUSTER - 4 to 6 MAY 2012

This is the 10th year for the Moree Muster and the Cotton Country Cruisers plan to make it special. Put the dates in your diary and keep an eye on their website for more details as they become available:

<http://www.ulyssesclub.org/branches/cottoncountrycruisers/>

PORT STEPHENS MEET & GREET - 18 to 20 MAY 2012

It's on again this year. It's close to home so come along and have an enjoyable weekend. If you can't make it for the whole weekend, it's not too far to go just for dinner. All details including the registration form can be found on the Port Stephens Branch Website:

http://www.ulysses.org.au/branches/portstephens/Upcoming_Events.htm

COFFS CAPERS - 1 to 3 JUNE 2012-01-09

Coffs Capers will be held to coincide with the Wintersun Festival this year. More details available from the Coffs Coast website:

<http://branches.ulyssesclub.org/Default.aspx?alias=branches.ulyssesclub.org/coffscoast>

Last month's rides

Twilight Ride

It was a quiet month for rides and Branch functions last month. Our only ride was the Twilight ride which left Hexham McDonalds at 4.30 to follow Kathy Parker on a mystery ride south before winding our way back to Tenambit for dinner.

With many just coming along for dinner after the ride we ended up with more than expected for dinner and a last chance to get together for a laugh and a chat before Christmas.



Ulysses Club Raffle

Make sure you buy your raffle tickets for the Ulysses Club's raffle to be drawn at the Mildura AGM Event. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT WHEN THE RAFFLE IS DRAWN. Funds being raised are supporting UCARF. Prizes are as follows:

- 1st Honda VT750S including ORC valued at \$7,939
- 2nd Trip for 2 people to Aust Superbike Championship at Phillip Island November 2012. Incl accommodation, car hire and 2 tickets to VIP area valued at \$3,300
- 3rd 12/240V Cooler/warmer with cover valued at \$425
- 4th \$300 voucher Motorcycle Accessories Supermarket
- 5th \$250 voucher Thomas Cook Boot & Clothing Co
- 6th \$100 voucher 2Wheel Importers P/L

We have books of tickets available for you to sell. Tickets may be sold to anyone, it is not necessary that ticket buyers are Ulysses members. Tickets are only \$2.00 each. Money and tickets will need to be returned by our next Social Meeting.

Please see Kathy Parker at our next meeting to collect a ticket book to sell or purchase tickets yourself.



Giggle time



A guy was teased everywhere of his totally bald head. After going through years of this, he decided that he should say something about it. So he stood up on the tallest statue and shouted for everyone to hear: I AM NOT BALD, IT'S JUST THAT I'M TALLER THAN MY HAIR!

A man walks into a bar and orders a beer. He takes his first sip and sets it down. While he is looking around the bar, a monkey swings down and steals the pint of beer from him before he is able to stop the monkey. The man asks the barman who owns the monkey. The barman replies the piano player. The man walks over to the piano player and says "Do you know your monkey stole my beer." The pianist replies "No, but if you hum it, I'll play it."

A middle-aged Jewish guy is out to dinner with his wife to celebrate her fortieth birthday. He says, "So what would you like, Julie? A Jaguar? A sable coat? A diamond necklace?" She says, "Bernie, I want a divorce." He says, "I wasn't planning on spending that much."

Members in Business:

John Beddoe – 0418 651 547	Gold Financial (Financial Planning)
Kathy Parker - 4961 4616	Inside Window Furnishings
Kerry McLeish - 4929 3800	Herron Todd White Independent Property Advisors
Peter - 4969 2466	Custom Cruiser Accessories
Peter & Michelle Thurlow 1300 322 708	Hunter Valley Landscaping
Dave Brown 0415 498 773	Elders Real Estate
Greg Ford - 4954 6343	Cardiff Curtains
Chris Garrod - 0410 668 690	Molded Ear Plugs (fitted)

Don't forget, all Newsletter articles are to be forwarded to newcastlelowerhunterulysses@gmail.com no later than 10 days prior to the next Social Meeting

The following article about Stephen Dearnley was found by a Sydney member of Ulysses Club in a magazine in a doctor's waiting room which you may find interesting.