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Hello again,

March is here already and Ulyssians from the West Australian branches are preparing to head off to the AGM in Newcastle. I wish them all a safe and enjoyable ride and lets see who comes home with a new bike.

Speaking of the AGM, if you are not attending don't forget you can still vote for positions on the national committee, via postal vote. If you wish to vote please email or phone the secretary Rob Toshack **randk.toshack@bigpond.com 02 9948 4625** to request voting slips. Or click on the link "REQUEST POSTAL VOTE" on the Ulysses Club Inc. National website "members" page.

Voting closes 18th March. The candidates are also on the Ulysses Club Inc. National website "members" page.

On the subject of gatherings the 2011 Odyssey hosted by Armadale Heritage Branch will be held at the Wagin show grounds on the 27^{th} to 30^{th} October.

The full details of this event and nominations forms can be found on the Odyssey web site;

http://odyssey.ulysses-wa.org/

Volunteers are needed to assist with the successful running of the Odyssey in tasks such as:

- * Registration
- * Venue set up and post event closure
- * Security
- * Marshalling
- * Chairs/tables set out and put away
- * etc, ...

Please contact:

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It should also be noted that this years event will be held from Friday to Sunday and not as usual Saturday to Monday. This change has been necessary because the State Government has moved the Queens Birthday long weekend.

Until next month Ride safely

Douglas





FREMANTLE BRANCH MEETING 2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT SWAN YACHT CLUB.

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RIDE CALENDAR

Note: Next meeting Wed 9th Mar 2011

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Monthly social Meeting 8pm Swan Yacht club Come earlier for a great meal and drinks at the bar.

Sat 12th 2011

Beverley Tractor pull 9-30 Karagullen Gull Roadhouse. \$15 entry fee Tony Collins 93864154

Sun 13th Mar

Two Rocks 9-00am Gateways

Gary Phillips 93132131

Sat 19 Mar

Sausage in a bun at Jackadder Lake 7pm Jackadder Lake cnr Jackadder Way & Rosewood drive.

Doug Brown 0409291485

Sun 20th Mar

Ravenswood pub. 9am Gateways

Doug Brown 0409291485

Sun 27th Mar

A ride to somewhere from somewhere else starting at sometime. Andy Gibb 0419938032

Sun 3rd April

Free ride

Sun 10th April

Free Ride

Wed 13th April, Monthly meeting

And as always

Wednesday morning Plod from South beach kiosk at 9-30am for a 10am start. If you're an early riser, some members meet for breakfast at Douro rd cafe at 8am before the plod.

The Saturday morning coffee get togethers at 10:00 AM at the DOURO Rd cafe!

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NATCOM MUTTERINGS

Announcing the National Committee for 2010

National President: Denis Paulin
National Vice President: Helena Gritton
National Secretary: Robert Toshack
National Treasurer: Leo Farrelly

<u>Committee Members:</u>
Jennifer Woods
Peter Maguire
Chris Glover

R.I.P Carlien Paulin

Carlien Paulin, beautiful and loving wife of our National President Denis Paulin, lost her lengthy battle with cancer (February 20, 2011).

The National Committee extends their sincere condolences to Denis, his daughters, sons in law and grandchildren during this very sad and heartbreaking time and we offer them and their families our support through love, thoughts and prayers as they grieve for their loss.

Carlien enriched many peoples' lives. She will be sadly missed by all those who knew her.

It is Denis's wish that the website remains free of threads relating to his beloved Carlien and we ask that his wish is respected; however we offer the opportunity for members who wish to express their sympathy to send cards to the Administration office where they will be collected and forwarded on to Denis at an appropriate time.

Helena Gritton National Vice President A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU

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Branch Social Get Together

(Instead of Friday night ride this month)

Saturday 19th March 7pm

Please join us for an evening under the stars at Jackadder Lake Woodlands and enjoy a sausage sizzle.



Sausage in a bun will be provided and all you need to bring is your nibbles and drinks.

The Friday night ride this week will be moved to Saturday night. So if you want to have a short ride before the event please join Douglas at Gateways 6-30pm. Or just make your own way to the venue if you wish.

Here are some good Motorcycle web sites. Just move your mouse pointer over the item and it will show web address, then CTL Click to go to the site. (For some reason this doesn't work on the printed version.)

Asian M/C Tours

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Protec Hearing Protection

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TOTAL Motorcycle Accessories

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Yamaha Bikes

CHOOK DROPPINGS

Stick E Beak

CHOOK DROP-PINGS

Bv Stick E Beak

BELTS AND BRACES

We need to get one thing said before I go any further......all reports of my early demise are grossly exaggerated! Sorry about that however there you are. Nonetheless 10 days in hospital with Cellulitis is not my idea of fun. I have not been through Triage at the hospital so fast since I had my heart problems. Suffice to say all is well and although I am still on antibiotics things are slowly getting better. Many thanks for all the peeled grapes and kind thoughts.

The cause of all this was safety equipment! Never let it be said that safety equipment is not good for you however in this case I got bitten. It was the reflective belt that I used to wear that caused the drama when my over generous tum got caught between that and the belt holding up the heavy Kevlar jeans. Small nick, and within four to five days it was a full blown staph infection. Ah well......no more reflective belt and now I wear braces!

On to other matters of interest.

The Friday night rides have proved very popular and it is good to see that as we need to have as many different things going on so that while some may be able to get to one thing they may not get to another. With the Plod, the Saturday coffee mornings, the normal Sunday rides and now the Friday night summer rides we are doing well. While on the subject of rides we still need lots more Ride Leaders for the Sunday rides please. I know we always seem to be hearing this call however there are rides nearly every Sunday so we get through the ride leaders pretty quickly.

There has been a steady trickle of new bikes sneaking in too. Tony Collins has procured at huge cost to the tax-payer an almost new V Strom 650. Well deserved Tony although that is one hell of a way to get a new bike! It is white so that hopefully the blind dingbats driving around will have a better chance of seeing it. I guess he will not be counting on that but it all helps. Dick and Judy have been seen wafting along in elegant style on a new BMW R1200 RT. Magnificent machine of course however we all know that old Stick is a little biased. Coral has at last upgraded the rear suspension on her little Breva. It

seems that they are built for more generously proportioned souls than little Coral as when she sat on the thing the suspension did not move! Not something I have ever had to worry about! Two new Ikon rear shocks with soft springs have made life a great deal better and she is a happy camper. Just don't go and do what I do every time I upgrade my bike.....within a few months I finish up selling it!

The weekend at Manjimup is this weekend. We will not be there the whole weekend as we have a family do this on Saturday night however let's hope we can meet up on the Sunday with the remnants. There is a vague possibility of rain forecast so I don't doubt a certain Gold Wing will remain at home! Who am I to talk...we are going down by car!

Peter McGregor is settled in to his arduous position on the Maldives. We have had a couple of e-mails and it seems that between learning to dive and attending cocktails he does work every now and again. Sounds like the perfect job to me. Getting paid to sit in a tropical paradise should beat working in the mines or all kinds of weird hours in other industries. I don't doubt there will be down sides however good luck Peter and we all hope you are having a ball.

OK folks......enough prattle from him and goodbye from me. Be well, ride safe and be nice to your web footed friends.

LATEST NEWS By Stick E Beak

Hot off the press......Harley Bob buys Goldwing!..

Yes the earth shook a little at the coffee morning on Saturday when Robert Thompson arrived on a very nice looking Goldwing. The Black Harley has gone and been replaced by a 2005 low km Metallic Red 50th anniversary model (they are the best!) Judging by the grin that never left his face for over an hour, it would be fair to say that the deal has made him very happy.

Well done Bob.....may the wind be always at your back.

Fremantle Branch FASTER WANDER 2011

Friday 22 April to Tuesday 26 April

What do we have planed?

We are going to have a weekend away riding and enjoying each others company. We will start from the Gateways Start Point at 9am on Friday 22 April. Brian Lowther will lead the easy paced ride to lunch along the way before arriving at our accommodation.

We will spend 4 nights relaxing and having a good chin wag. Each day a ride will be organised to a different lunch spot.

This long long weekend will be similar to the Wave Rock weekend run last year but without the organised games.

Where are we going?





1960 timber workers cottages which have been modernised and converted to tourist accommodation

What will it cost?

The 4 days of enjoyment will cost is \$200 per head. A \$50 deposit is required at the time of booking with the balance payed by the 1st of April.

What do I get?

You will be provided 4 nights accommodation in a shared room, Towels, Sheets, blankets, 4 breakfasts and 4 evening meals.

What do I need to bring?

You will need to bring your clothes for 4 days, toiletries, any special food requirements, drinks and nibilies.

How do I get on board?

See Douglas Brown and hand over your \$50 per person deposit.

2010 Island Classic at Phillip Island (PI)

For those who aren't in the know, this is an annual event for what we call Classic and Post Classic solo and sidecar racing. The periods of time represented are 1945 to 1962, up to 1972 and up to 1982/3. I race in Periods 4 and 5 with my Suzuki TR250 and Honda RS125. I've been racing since I finished Uni in 1981. I've had a fair bit of success, lots of trophies and have also competed in the Isle of Man Manx Grand Prix from 1986 up until 2004 with a best placing of 7th and a 95.4 mph lap (same as the TT except we don't get any pay!) Funny how a lot of the world's best racing is on Islands eh?

I first went to PI three events ago in 2009 and had the ignominy of breaking my collar bone in practice at Southern loop, corner 2...no, not on my first lap!! 2010 was ok but nothing spectacular just a learning curve and I came home in one piece...hur!

This year I had brought back my Suzuki which had been kept in the UK for many years for the Manx as we call it. I was still in SA when it arrived and so spent time getting it going right as it was misfiring badly and not selecting gears properly. That turned out to be down to running weak, not enough fuel in the mixture. And the gearbox was changed for the one out of the spare engine I have. All systems go! I also was using the 125 Honda. I'd bought that recently from the UK. That was going great guns and I'd got my lap times down to 2 minutes 18 secs but the Suzuki I was still getting comfortable with as I'd not ridden it for 6 years. at 2m30s. I'd qualified as 3rd 125 on the grid which I was really pleased with (the class leader was running 2m6s). Young Stevie is a great rider and had several dices with a WA local on a 1250cc Vincent! In a straight line Stevie didn't stand a chance but, in the corners he was all over him like a rash. In race 1, I finished 3rd 125 but, as I came in to the pits it had jammed in first gear and refused to move. It was unfixable at the track basically and turned out to have broken a dog off a gear and that stopped the mechanism moving. Those who know will realise how lucky I was that it didn't lock up and chuck me off! With the 125 parked, my goal was to at least beat it's lap time on the 250 (it is twice the size after all). Of course, the 125 has 14 years of extra development and watercooling. I wasn't going to get 3rd in the 250 class for sure! I managed to get down to 2m17s by the last race so I'd done it! Whoo hoo! I checked the results of all other riders in the 125 class and assuming I'd kept going at the same pace I'd have made 3rd overall by the end of the weekend. So shame about that but there's next year! A bonus was that I found out later was that Kate who is the only lady rider in the 125 class (on a TZ125 Yamaha) had taken 3rd overall and if anyone else got it I'm overjoyed that it was her!

Some of the Freo club members came to see our twilight meeting at Wanneroo raceway where I was riding the 250 recently. Thanks for the support fellas! I had a fair run in the handicap race but in the scratch race it went onto one cylinder and I don't know why yet as I'm busy with my new home in Armadale. More on that in the future! Cheers, Brian Donovan.





Photos courtesy of Steve Duggan: sdipics.com

When <u>Harley-Davidson</u> shuttered its <u>Buell Motorcycle Company</u> subsidiary in October 2009, America's greatest motorcycle pioneer of the last three decades, Erik Buell, seemed to be out of the bike-building business.

But anyone who is familiar with the ever-tenacious Erik Buell knew that we'd again see him and his influence in another streetbike. It was only a matter of time.

Well, that time became this weekend at the Powersports Dealer Expo in Indianapolis, Indiana, when Mr. Buell rolled out his new 1190RS streetbike.

"I'm into this deep!" he told *Motorcycle.com* during the bike's debut, with a mix of elation and exhaustion painted on his face.



Erik Buell enters the next chapter in his dream to produce an American sportbike that can compete with anything on the market. Enter the EBR 1190RS.

After Harley-Davidson killed the Buell Motorcycle Company, it restricted Buell from building streetbikes, allowing construction solely of racing motorcycles based on the previous production bikes. That agreement has now ended.

Buell's vision of producing an American sportbike enters a new chapter with the 1190RS, a serious evolution of the 1190RR racebike privately campaigned during the 2010 AMA Superbike season with rider Geoff May.

Buell's RS is cloaked in fresh new skin, now with a full fairing in a slim and edgy new design constructed of carbon fiber. Its nose is now much pointier, fitted with a pair of projector lens headlights stacked atop each other similar to Ducati's 999 but in a more streamlined layout.

Meanwhile, the tailsection is skimpier than anything we've seen before, with just slits of bodywork underpinned by a spidery cast-magnesium subframe built in the USA.

Speaking of magnesium, the wheels of the RS are quite special. Magnesium alloys aren't normally used for streetbike wheels, as the pounding from bumps and potholes can damage the stiff and relatively brittle metal.



The EBR 1190RS has roots in the Buell 1125R, but nearly everything is new, including a sharp new fairing and a more powerful engine. Weight is pared down to just 400 pounds.

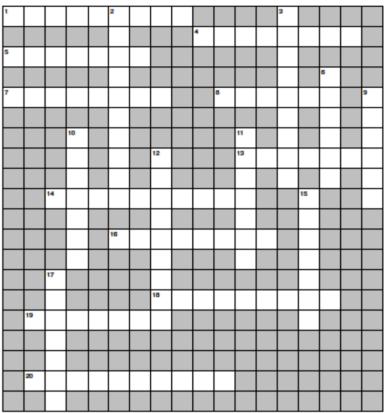
But a newly developed casting process – ablation casting – has the ability to vary the properties of the metal depending on what's needed where, and it enables complex castings in which the metal can be formed in a wide variety of thickness. It's proving to work especially well for magnesium components which can be difficult to cast to precise levels. Buell says this new method allows a ductile rim area (able to slightly deform on impact to retain structural integrity), while the spoke and hub region can be built stiff enough to support the motorcycle.

This is courtesy of El Presidente. The plan is to produce one each month.

The answers are in next months, that way I get to have a go as well.

For the time being you'll have to print the page to do the crossword. I'm still battling the software gremlins. Ed

Have a Go.



EclipseCrossword.com

Across

- The aboriginal name for the "Black Kangaroo Paw" plant.
- It is the second largest city in Western Australia.
- All eyes will be on it in 2012
- 7. It is a start.
- 8. it is at the end of 30.
- 13. Len Beadell's start point
- 14. A popular coffee stop
- The longest river in Westen Australia.
- This Perth metropolitan lake was once known as "Butler's Swamp"
- Birthplace of the West Australian pearling industry.
- 20. Rev heads know this place.

Down

- The place of the Southern Cross.
- It joins us.
- 6. they headed here from London in 1968.

- 9. You may find an easter egg here.
- 10. The highest mountain in Western Australia.
- 11. A steam ship gave it its name.
- 12. Where two railway lines meet.
- It can be found at the border.
- It was once called "Newcastle"

Last months solution

Have a Go

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SIX CHIX BY RINA PICCOLO





GONNA BE A BEAR

In this life I'm a woman. In my next life, I'd like to come back as a bear. When you're a bear, you get to hibernate. You do nothing but sleep for six months. I could deal with that.

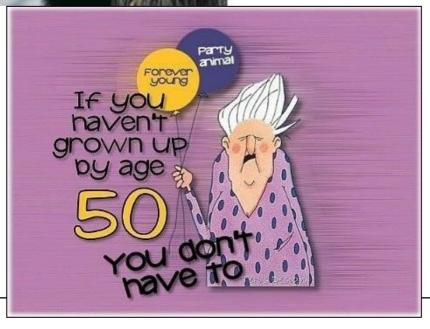
Before you hibernate, you're supposed to eat yourself stupid. I could deal with that too.

When you're a girl bear, you birth your children (who are the size of walnuts) while you're sleeping and wake to partially grown, cute, cuddly cubs. I could definitely deal with that.

If you're mama bear. everyone knows you mean business. You swat anyone who bothers your cubs. If your cubs get out of line, you swat them too. I could deal with that

If you're a bear, your mate EXPECTS you to wake up growling. He EXPECTS that you will have hairy legs and excess body fat.

Yup, gonna be a bear!



Exquisite Pommy humour!!

The train was quite crowded, and a U.S. marine walked the entire length looking for a seat, but the only seat left was taken by a well dressed, middle-aged, French woman's poodle.

The war-weary Marine asked, 'Ma'am, may I have that seat?'

The French woman just sniffed and said to no one in particular

'Americans are so rude. My little Fifi is using that seat.'

The Marine walked the entire train again, but the only seat left was under that dog. 'Please, ma'am. May I sit down? I'm very tired..'

She snorted, 'Not only are you Americans rude, you are also arrogant!'

This time the Marine didn't say a word; he just picked up the little dog, tossed it out the train window, and sat down.

The woman shrieked, 'Someone must defend my honour! This American should be put in his place!'

An English gentleman sitting nearby spoke up, 'Sir, you Americans seem to have a penchant for doing the wrong thing.

You hold the fork in the wrong hand. You drive your cars on the wrong side of the road.

And now, sir, you seem to have thrown the wrong bitch out the window'.





I am passing this on to you because it definitely worked for me today, and we all could probably use more calm in our lives.

Some doctor on television this morning said that the way to achieve inner peace is to finish all the things you have started.

So I looked around my house to see things I'd started and hadn't finished and, before leaving the house this morning I finished off a bottle of Merlot, a bottle of shhhardonay, a bodle of Baileys, a butle of vocka, a pockage of Prunglies, tha marinder of botl of prozic and Valum pscriptins, the res of the Chesescke and a chox of bocolets.

Yu haf no idr who freakin gud I fel.

Preas sen dis orn to dem yu fee ar in ned ov inr pece.

Inland Revenue decides to audit Grandpa, and summons him to their office. The I R D auditor was not surprised when Grandpa showed up with his attorney..

The auditor said, 'Well, sir, you have an extravagant lifestyle and no full-time employment, Which you explain by saying that you win money gambling. I'm not sure we find that believable.'

I'm a great gambler, and I can prove it,' says Grandpa. 'How about a demonstration?'

The auditor thinks for a moment and said, 'Okay. Go ahead.'

Grandpa says, 'I'll bet you a thousand dollars that I can bite my own eye.'

The auditor thinks a moment and says, 'It's a bet.'

Grandpa removes his glass eye and bites it. The auditor's jaw drops.

Grandpa says, 'Now, I'll bet you two thousand dollars that I can bite my other eye.'

Now the auditor can tell Grandpa isn't blind, so he takes the bet.

Grandpa removes his dentures and bites his good eye.

The stunned auditor now realizes he has wagered and lost three grand, with Grandpa's attorney as a witness. He starts to get nervous. 'Want to go double or nothing?' Grandpa asks 'I'll bet you six thousand dollars that I can stand on one side of your desk, and pee into that wastebasket on the other side, and never get a drop anywhere in between.'

The auditor, twice burned, is cautious now, but he looks carefully and decides there's no way this old guy could possibly manage that stunt, so he agrees again.

Grandpa stands beside the desk and unzips his pants, but although he strains mightily, he can't make the stream reach the wastebasket on the other side, so he pretty much urinates all over the auditor's desk..

The auditor leaps with joy, realizing that he has just turned a major loss into a huge win.

But Grandpa's own attorney moans and puts his head in his hands.

'Are you okay?' the auditor asks.

'Not really,' says the attorney. 'This morning, when Grandpa told me he'd been summoned for an audit, he bet me twenty-five thousand dollars that he could come in here and piss all over your desk and that you'd be happy about it!'

Don't Mess with Old Guys!!