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Hello again,

What a wonderful Odyssey. Robyn and her crew from Armadale did a superb job of putting on what I consider to be the best Odyssey yet.

The Wagin venue was just what we needed with friendly towns people, ample hard accommodation, an excellent camping area and undercover dining, skit stage and bike parking. I hope we revisit Wagin in years to come.

The Odyssey program just flowed without a hitch. The rides were interesting and on roads that we do not normally venture on. The meals were simple and wholesome and served in a very relaxed atmosphere where socialising was the order of the day. The Ulympics introduced some new challenges and although yours truly got accused of breaking one of the "land punts", we did not disgrace ourselves. Pippa was the first to successfully complete the "drunk line walk" (must be all that Sambuca training) and Warwick just got pipped in the finals of the "Land punts" (but made up for this on the dance floor later in the evening, being seen with several different partners). I believe that the overall winning branch for the Ulympics has not yet been decided as an intensive count back is still underway.

Now for the skit. **WE WON!** Yes, that's right, our little team of Fremantle thespians (without big watches – private joke) creamed the opposition and took home the bacon.

What skit? Some of you may say. Well... all will be revealed at the November meeting as the second public performance of the 2011 *WINNING* skit will be performed for all who are present.

Also at the November meeting we will be conducting a "bring and sell table". So if you have any items surplus to requirements bring them along, name your price and you may sell them. All proceeds go to the owners of the items.

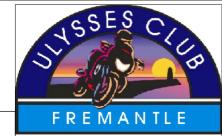
Don't forget that the November meeting is the final meeting for the year with only our Christmas party on the 26th November to follow.

So if you have not made your way to a monthly meeting for a while, or a prospective new member, why not join us for the final meeting of the year and have some non riding fun.

Until next month Ride safely

Douglas





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

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Note: Next meeting, Wed 9th Nov 2011

As Doug has already mentioned, there will be a Re staging of the WINNING Fremantle Skit from this years Odyssey. So try and make a point of being there.

And as always

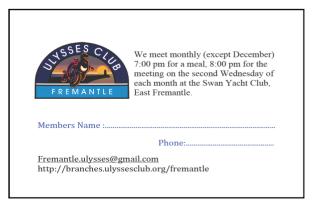
Wednesday morning Plod from South beach kiosk at 9-30am for a 10am start. If you're an early riser, some members meet for breakfast at 8am before the plod.

The group will meet at the Ill Capriccio Café Bar cnr of South Tce and Commercial St Sth Freo. 2 hr parking across the road and also behind the Indian restaurant on the opposite corner of Commercial St.

The Saturday morning coffee get togethers at 10:00 AM.

Coffee mornings will now be at the Victoria Café Fremantle "E" Shed markets. Great Coffee, come and give it a try.

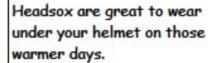
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This is the card Bob Thompson has had printed. They will be available for you to take a few at the next meeting. Just another way of getting the message out there

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Hi Everyone,

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Regards Chris Glover National Purchasing Officer

Safety Report October 2011

We are holding the Motorcycle and Scooter Safety Awareness week from October 31st - November 6th and will include the Perth Motorcycle and Scooter Show Nov 4th – 6th, the MAD ride on Sunday 6th. Ride your bike to work day Friday 4th. A Motorcycle and Scooter Safety Advisory Group forum on Saturday 5th. This will be open to all interested riders (those who attended the previous forum will be invited) we have some interesting presentations from some invited experts in their field. Liz De Rome from the George institute will be presenting her findings on her recent study into the effectiveness' of protective clothing. We also have Professor Raph Grzebieta from Monash University Accident research Centre (MUARC) who will be presenting his finding on his study into roadside barriers. We also have Ken Beer from Vicroads and he will be giving us the rundown on his publication for road engineers, Making Roads Motorcycle Friendly. This is your opportunity to have your say on what you think can help to reduce the incidence of fatal and serious rider accidents at the workshop sessions after the presentations.

As from 10th October the Department of Transport will be introducing the new motorcycle theory test. They will be changing the theory test requirements for applicants for a learners permit authorizing you to ride a RN class (moped not exceeding 50cc) RE class (motorcycles not exceeding 250cc) This means that you will no longer be required to undertake the car theory test for a motorcycle learners permit. The new motorcycle theory test is computer based and covers motorcycle specific questions as well as general road rules. It contains 35 questions that must be answered within 35 minutes and you must score 80% to pass. All questions will be drawn from the new Ride Safe handbook (available from all Licensing Centre's) the cost of the motorcycle theory test is the same as the car theory test. I believe there will be some sample motorcycle theory tests on the Dept. of Transport website for you to try at home www.transport.wa.gov.au

We have meeting scheduled with Hon. Troy Buswell (Minister for Transport) whose portfolios cover Main Roads Dept, Dept of Transport, and Office of Road Safety. We hope to cover and reach some agreement on a number of motorcycle safety and transport issues and on a related matter I also have a meeting with Ken Travers (opposition spokesman on Transport) so we can keep both sides of politics up to date with our issues, hopes and aspirations'.

Now that the great riding weather is upon us please keep in mind that we need to be extra careful on the roads because in the end we are the only ones that are responsible for our own safety.

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Marco Simoncelli

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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.)

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CHOOK DROPPINGS

Stick E Beak

There has been a lot of frantic activity around the chook pen these last few weeks. What with rides every Sunday, evening rides every second week, plods every Wednesday, meetings, and coffee mornings, life has been busy. Throw in the Odyssey and the Jurien Bay weekend and it has been almost manic.

Reports in from the Odyssey were very good and it was enjoyed by all. Congratulations to the organisers and all those that went and had a ball for the three days in Wagin. Sadly old Sticky is not able to get to these functions at the moment however there will come a time I am sure.

Believe me I miss them.....

The weather has been weird to say the least and we need to spare a thought for the poor old farmers. What it must be like to look out of the window at a perfect crop one day and, after a night of rain out of season, look at the same crop damaged the next morning is beyond me. They are a tough breed out there on the land. All the more reason for us to head out to the country over the next few months and spread the money around a bit. The run to Beverley is a perfect example. Last year the dams had a puddle in the bottom.....now they are full and it is still raining! It is green all round as far as the eye can see and yet they are still getting soaked.

Back to matters of a bike nature.......The Plods have become a victim of their own success of late. Last week we left with 23 bikes! That is a pretty big ride even on a Sunday however on a weekday it is close to impossible. The traffic is held up for too long and TEC is very often over a kilometre behind the leader. After some discussion it has been decided to float the idea of two start times, one at 0900 and one at 1000 both from the same start PLACE. The rides may decide for themselves where they head to. This will allow those who want to start early to get out and about and back earlier and those who want to sleep in or have some breakfast as usual to have a choice. It will also allow those of us leading the rides to have an easier time with smaller numbers to lookout for. The plan is to start this idea on Wednesday the 16th November and see how it works.

New bikes abound with the ladies hitting the plastic in a big way. Wendy has fallen for a Triumph and Kim has gone for a V-Strom. Looks like we have some enthusiasm building up in the distaff side of things. Congratulations folks......may the wind always be at your back.

As for old Sticky he has decided after a little look around to stick with what he has. The mighty Vulcan is beginning to become more familiar again after the years with the side car attached. It takes a while to remember to get the feel of a bike and now that we have done a few thousand kms I am beginning to get more confidence. I have to be honest too, after the prices I was offered for the old beast it stays with me.

The Christmas party is coming up so please get your bookings in quickly. (Me too!!) Dates are in the ride calendar. Numbers are needed soon so that the catering can be set up. Thanks also to Tony and Kirsten for the Armageddon evening. It seems quite a few suffered their fate as numbers were down however those that went had a great time. We were exhausted from shifting house. I give you the tip......don't.

That seems about it from the old Chook for this month so peck well and often and see you on a ride.

Hooroo Sticky.....









Triumph introduces three new motorcycles for 2012

Fresh from recording record sales in 2011, Triumph Motorcycles will celebrate its 110th anniversary in 2012 with its strongest ever line-up, boosted by three new models which will be officially unveiled at the EICMA show in Milan, on November 8.

Triumph Tiger Explorer

Brand new for 2012 is the Tiger Explorer, a flagship model for Triumph's Adventure range. Following on from 2011's phenomenally successful Tiger 800 models, which have become Europe's best selling sub-800cc adventure tourers, the Tiger Explorer is powered by an all-new, shaft-driven, three-cylinder engine in excess of 1200cc, delivering class leading performance to the adventure touring class.

Featuring a high-specification as standard, the Tiger Explorer debuts Triumph's new 'ride-by-wire' throttle system and includes cruise control, switchable ABS and traction control as standard. The high specification continues in the chassis department with a strong steel chassis and

cast alloy wheels, 19" front and 17" rear, the latter showcased thanks to the stylish single-sided swingarm.

A suite of bespoke accessories have also been developed for the Tiger Explorer's launch with hard and soft luggage, low and high seat options and a wide range of heated and electrical accessories which can be run simultaneously thanks to the Tiger Explorer's best-inclass 950w generator.

Triumph Speed Triple R

Following the success of the uprated versions of the Street Triple and Daytona 675, Triumph is introducing a premium version of its iconic Speed Triple, the Speed Triple R. Working in close collaboration with Swedish suspension brand Öhlins, the Speed Triple R sports the latest specification NIX30 43mm forks at the front, with a jewel like TTX36 unit at the rear. To minimise unsprung weight as much as possible, the lightweight five-spoke forged aluminium wheels from PVM are over 1.7kg lighter than those on the standard machine, delivering even more precise and agile handling. Stopping the Speed Triple R are top specification four-piston radial monoblock calipers from Brembo, the leading brand in MotoGP racing, with a switchable version of Triumph's electronic anti-lock system available as an option. Together, the brakes and wheels offer a 5% increase in braking performance over the standard Speed Triple.

The Speed Triple R's choice of metallic Phantom Black and Crystal White colour options are complemented with red coloured subframe and detailing, as well as the iconic gold forks, to create a sportier and more exotic look that confirm its status as Triumph's premier naked sports model.

Triumph Steve McQueen TM Edition

Triumph has joined forces with the estate of Hollywood icon Steve McQueen to create a limited edition motorcycle that pays tribute to the late actor's love of the British brand's products.

Based on the classic Bonneville T100, just 1,100 of the Steve McQueenTM Edition will be sold worldwide. Featuring a host of modified parts, the design is inspired by the Triumph Trophy TR6 that McQueen insisted on riding during the famous stunt scene in The Great Escape, and features a military-style Matt Khaki Green livery, stencil-style Triumph decal on the tank and the actor's signature on the side covers.

Featuring a solo seat and black luggage rack, the McQueen bike has also been fitted with a rugged skid plate and small black-bodied headlamp. The Triumph Steve McQueenTM Edition features a host of other blacked out components, including wheel rims and hubs, handlebars, rear springs, mirrors and front mudguard supports. To confirm the bike's provenance, each machine is individually numbered with a plaque placed on the handlebar clamp, while owners will also receive a certificate of authenticity with their machine. Full details of Triumph's new-for-2012 models will be announced at Triumph's press conference at EICMA, held on stand H26 at 12:30 local time on 8 November.



Does anyone recognise who this is, the flying ladybird may give it away.

Well the Jurien trip went off without a hitch. People went there via varying routes, and by various modes of transport. Some went on Friday, most on Saturday and one even stayed until Monday. Rumours that he was fairly comatose on Sunday morning can not be confirmed because he still hadn't surfaced when we all left. I'm sure I speak for all when I offer hearty thanks to them wot done all the work. Bill and Joan for the food organisation, and to the various cooks and bottle washers for their joint efforts. It rained on the night so we moved into the TV lounge kitchen area and, combined with the veranda the party was enjoyed by all. An open window served to allow communication between the indoor and outdoor revellers. I believe the action continued on, in one of the houses, until very early, I don't know, I was asleep.

The Italian Grandmother

An Italian grandmother is giving directions to her grown grandson who is coming to visit with his wife. "You comma to de front door of the apartmenta. I am inna apartmenta 301. There issa bigga panel at the front door. With you elbow, pusha button 301. I will buzza you in. Come inside, the elevator is on the right. Get in, and with you elbow, pusha 3. When you get out, I'mma on the left. With you elbow, hit my doorbell."

"Grandma, that sounds easy, but, why am I hitting all these buttons with my elbow?"

"What...you comma empty handed?"

The Italian Grandfather

Why Italian fathers and grandfathers pass their guns down through the family?

An old Italian man is dying. He calls his grandson to his bedside, Guido, I wan' you lissina me. I wan' you to take-a my chrome plated .38 revolver so you will always remember me."

"But grandpa, I really don't like guns...How about you leave me your Rolexwatch instead?"

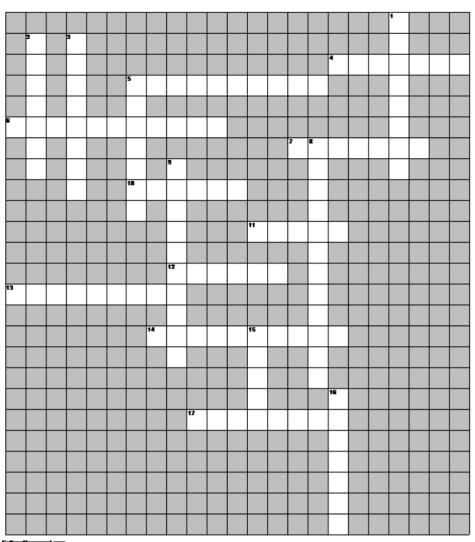
"You lissina me, boy. Somma day you gonna be runna da business, you gonna have a beautiful wife, lotsa money, a big-a home and maybe a couple of bambinos. Somma day you gonna come-a home and maybe finda you wife inna bed with another man."

"Whatta you gonna do then? Pointa to you watch and say, "times-up."??

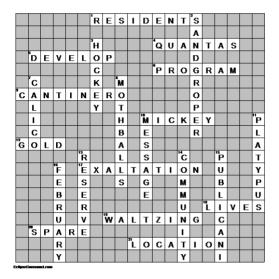
EMPLOYEE EVALUATIONS

For everyone who has ever had an evaluation - just remember, it could have been worse. These are actual quotes taken from Federal Government employee performance evaluations.

- 1. "Since my last report, this employee has reached rock-bottom and has started to dig."
- 2. "I would not allow this employee to breed."
- 3. "This employee is really not so much of a has-been, but more of a definite won't be."
- 4. "Works well when under constant supervision and cornered like a rat in a trap."
- 5. "When she opens her mouth, it seems that it is only to change feet."
- 6. "This young lady has delusions of adequacy."
- 7. "He sets low personal standards and then consistently fails to achieve them."
- 8. "This employee is depriving a village somewhere of an idiot."
- 9. "This employee should go far, and the sooner he starts, the better."
- 10. "Got a full 6-pack, but lacks the plastic thingy to hold it all together."
- 11. "A gross ignoramus -- 144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus."
- 12. "He doesn't have ulcers, but he's a carrier."
- 13. "I would like to go hunting with him sometime."
- 14. "He's been working with glue too much."
- 15. "He would argue with a signpost."
- 16. "He brings a lot of joy whenever he leaves the room."
- 17. "When his IQ reaches 50, he should sell."
- 18. "If you see two people talking and one looks bored, he's the other one."
- 19. "A photographic memory but with the lens cover glued on."
- 20. "A prime candidate for natural de-selection."
- 21. "Donated his brain to science before he was done using it."
- 22. "Gates are down, the lights are flashing, but the train isn't coming."
- 23. "He's got two brains cells, one is lost and the other is out looking for it."
- 24. "If he were any more stupid, he'd have to be watered twice a week."
- 25. "If you give him a penny for his thoughts, you'd get change."
- 26. "If you stand close enough to him, you can hear the ocean."



August Solution



Across

- The trip home from Troy (7) 4.
- 5. Changed to another (10)
- 6. Needed to find a winner (11)
- 7. Perplexed and confused (7)
- 10. Evidence of victory (6)
- 11. To keep unused (5)
- 12. The _ __ of life (6)
- 13. fixed in direction (9)
- 14. Brings together (10)
- 17. No deficency (8)

Down

- 1. All together (8)
- made In the form of a human (7) 2.
- Prevents unraveling (8) 3.
- 5. Union of three (7)
- 8. No principles (12)
- 9. Severe reaction with oxygen (10)
- 15. Hold fast (5)
- 16. A Kindly greeting (7)

Cheerful Christmas Joke

Not long ago and far away, Santa was getting ready for his annual trip...but there were problems everywhere.

Four of his elves were sick, and the trainee elves did not produce the toys as fast as the regular ones so Santa was beginning to feel the pressure of being behind schedule. Then Mrs. Claus told Santa that her mom was coming to visit. This stressed Santa even more. When he went to harness the reindeer, he found that three of them were about to give birth and two had jumped the fence and were out, heaven knows where. More Stress. Then when he began to load the sleigh, one of the boards cracked and the toy bag fell to the ground and scattered the toys. So, frustrated, Santa went into the house for a cup of coffee and a shot of whiskey. When he went to the cupboard, he found the elves had hidden the liquor and there was nothing to drink. In his frustration, he dropped the coffee pot and it broke into hundreds of little pieces all over the he kitchen floor. He went to get the broom and found that mice had eaten the straw it was made from. Just then the doorbell rang and Santa cussed on his way to the door. He opened the door and there was a little angel with a great big Christmas tree. The angel said: "Where would you like to put this tree Santa?"

And that my friends, is how the little angel came to be on top of the Christmas tree.

Punctuation Parable (This is why spelling and punctuation are important Doug)

Dear John,

I want a man who knows what love is all about. You are generous, kind, thoughtful. People who are not like you admit to being useless and inferior. You have ruined me for other men. I yearn for you. I have no feelings whatsoever when we're apart. I can be forever happy - will you let me be yours? Gloria

Dear John,

I want a man who knows what love is. All about you are generous, kind, thoughtful people, who are not like you. Admit to being useless and inferior. You have ruined me. For other men, I yearn. For you, I have no feelings whatsoever. When we're apart, I can be forever happy. Will you let me be?

Yours,

Gloria