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Hi All, yes its on again. The grand bowling challenge against Warnbro.

Round Two!

Return Bout Freo -v- Wanbro @ Melville Super Bowl at 7:00pm, April 14th \$19:50 per head for two games. There are a couple of restaurants downstairs that are ok and food available onsite also. Confirming with Tony Barton that you're going to represent us - either as a spectator or a participant would be helpful! SMS or Call: 0409 770 570

See the entry on the Calendar: <a href="www.ulyssesfremantle.com/Calendar.htm">www.ulyssesfremantle.com/Calendar.htm</a> for April 14th.

The annual general meeting is on the second Wed in June, that's the 13th. Nomination forms for all committee and executive positions will have to be handed in at the May 9th meeting. Don't forget to pick up your nomination forms at this months meeting. I'm assuming that lots of you will be nominating for the various positions, the more the merrier.

I'm not sure how I heard about this, but it seems that Tony Collins and Co. recently went on a motorcycle trip to New Zealand. It is reported that they had a great time, and would happily do it again. Some photographic evidence, including shots of Bert Munroe's bikes, is making its way to the web site as we speak. That's one trip I would love to make, and I suspect I'm not Robinson Crusoe in that desire.

Anyway keep upright, at least when you're on the bike.

Ed.





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

The committee is the servant of the Group, not the Master

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# Note: Next meeting, Wed 11th April 2012

#### And as always

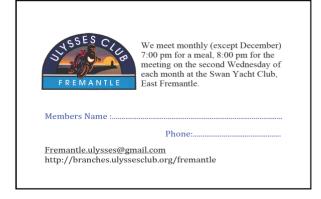
Wednesday morning Plod from South beach kiosk at 9-00am for a 9-30am start. If you're an early riser, some members meet for breakfast at 8am before the plod.

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

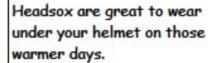
Coffee mornings will now be at the Victoria Café Fremantle "E" Shed markets. Great Coffee, come and give it a try.

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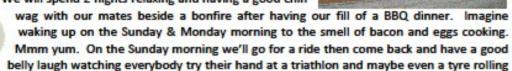
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# Yahoo a Wave Rock Weekender Again!!

When? 2nd to 4th June 2012

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game.



#### Where are we headed?

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#### How much for a bed and a feed?

The 2 nights of enjoyment will cost \$125.00 per head. A \$50 deposit is required at the time of booking with the balance to be paid by the 21st May 2012.



#### What do ya get?

You will be provided 2 nights' accommodation in a 2 bedroom cottage with Towels, Sheets, blankets, 2 breakfasts and 2 evening meals.



#### What do I need to bring?

You will need to bring your clothes for 2 days, toiletries, any special food requirements, drinks and Nibblies.



#### How do I Sign up?

See Tony Barton or Pippa Leahy and hand over your \$50 per person deposit.

If you have any questions contact Pippa on 0418 940 766.



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# Safety Report April 2012

We have had a really bad start to 2012 with the number of motorcycle fatal and serious injury accidents accounting for over 30% of the total. I am at a loss to explain why it is so high this year especially after a improved result last year with a 18% reduction in fatal accidents. All I can say is we all need to be responsible for our own safety on the road and assume that the road ahead is in a bad condition and that car just up ahead has not seen you and ride to the conditions and your ability. As I mentioned in the last safety report we are working with the Department of Transport to look at the possibilities of a Motorcycle and Scooter Transport Policy. We had our first meeting of the working group on February 19<sup>th</sup> that consisted of people from the Dept of Transport Policy branch and from their safety branch, Main Roads manager, RAC advocacy member and me. This was an informal meeting to discuss the opportunities and benefits of Motorcycle Transport Policy. We agreed that we need a representative of the Public Transport Authority and police on the working group. We discussed a range of options to use motorcycle and scooters in the reduction of congestion on our roads and parking stations and we will be investigating these further in coming meetings.

I also had a meeting with Main Roads Department Management to discuss motorcycle infrastructure improvements and to see if we can get a funding for a dedicated motorcycle black spot program, to do this we need to develop a motorcycle black spot criteria (the current black spot criteria is car based and motorcycles would struggle to qualify.

I have held meetings with both Main Roads Department and the Police Department major crash unit to see if we can identify any improvement that can be made to crash investigations why did it happen, how did it happen and what can be done to prevent it being repeated at other similar location. In other words we have an action from that crash scene that will reduce the risk of other people suffering the same outcome. This is the true meaning of Towards Zero.

While I was at the meeting with the police I enquired about the legal position on lane filtering. This is riding between two lanes of stopped or very slow moving vehicles (the rules adopted by other countries is – the surrounding traffic is travelling at less than 20 km/hour and the rider is travelling at no more than 40 km/hour.) This is not to be confused with lane splitting, where a riders travels between two rows of faster moving traffic at a much higher speed. So legally you can pass a car only on its right and you do not cross the dotted white line and pass cars on their left hand side. You must also indicate your intention to pass a vehicle in dotted white line and you cannot pass over a solid white line. This must be done in a safe manner or you can be charged with overtaking in an unsafe manner. Lane filtering on either side of a stationary or slow moving vehicle is legal in 24 countries throughout the world including. United Kingdom, Spain, South Africa, New Zealand. We are engaged in attempting to have the Australian Road rules changed to allow lane filtering to be legal on both the left and right of other vehicles. In the United Kingdom, Motorcycle Roadcraft, the police riding manual is explicit about the advantages of filtering (greatly reduces the risk of rear end collisions and being sandwiched between cars and reduces congestion) but states that it must be weighed against the added vulnerability whilst filtering.

I have added an agenda item to the Motorcycle and Scooter Advisory Group for the establishment of a Motorcycle and Scooter specific safety strategy to compliment the Western Australian Towards Zero 2008 - 2020 strategy with targets to reduce motorcycle and scooter fatal and serious injuries over the next 5 - 10 years. I have brought this subject up before and have been met with resistance from the Office of Road Safety but I believe the focus has changed and now we need to look seriously at strategies to reduce the number of riders who are dying on our roads.

The York Motorcycle Festival is being held this year on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will be in the main street with the Road Wise Safety Trailer. So come along and say hi and while you are there fill in a competition form to win a dinner for two.

I will keep you informed of progress on these issues. I you want to discuss these matters further contact me on Ph 0418 954 424 of e-mail davmar08@bigpond.com

Dave Wright

#### RIDE LIKE YOUR LIFE DEPENDS ON IT.

#### **Female Heart Attack Signs**

I was aware that female heart attacks are different, but this is the best description I've ever read.

Did you know that women rarely have the same dramatic symptoms that men have when they experience a heart attack, the sudden stabbing pain in the chest, the cold sweat, grabbing the chest and dropping to the floor?

Here is the story of one woman's experience with a heart attack.

'I had a heart attack at about 10.30pm with **NO** prior exertion, **NO** prior emotional trauma that one would suspect might have bought it on. A moment later, I felt that awful sensation of indigestion, when you've been in a hurry and grabbed a bite of sandwich and washed it down with a dash of water. This was my initial sensation, the only trouble was that I hadn't taken a bite of anything since about 5pm.

After it seemed to subside, the next sensation was like little squeezing motions that seemed to be racing up my SPINE. This process continued on into my throat and branched out into both jaws. 'AHA' now I stopped puzzling about what was happening.

I started to take a step and fell on the floor. I pulled myself up with the arms of the chair, walked slowly into the next room and dialled the Paramedics. I told her I thought I was having a heart attack due to the pressure building under the sternum and radiating into my jaws. She said she was sending the Paramedics over immediately and told me to unbolt the door and then lie down on the floor. (I thought you must never lay down... but sit up in a chair). I unlocked the door and then laid down on the floor as instructed and lost consciousness. I don't remember the medics coming in, their examination, lifting me onto a gurney or getting me into their ambulance.

I know it sounds like all my thinking and actions at home must have taken at least 20-30 minutes before calling the paramedics, but actually it took perhaps 4-5 minutes before the call. My Cardiologist was already to go to the OR in his scrubs and get going on restarting my heart (which had stopped somewhere between my arrival and the procedure) and installing the stents.

Be aware that something very different is happening in your body, not the usual men's symptoms. It is said that many more women than men die of their first and last MI because they didn't know they were having one and commonly mistake it as indigestion. They take some anti-heartburn preparation and go to bed, hoping they'll feel better in the morning when they wake up ... which doesn't happen.

Your symptoms might not be exactly like mine, so call the Paramedics if anything is unpleasantly happening that you've not felt before. It is better to have a 'false alarm' than to risk your life guessing what it might be'.

Paraprosdokians are phrases or sentences that lead us down the garden path to an unexpected ending.

"Where there's a will, I want to be in it," is a Paraprosdokian - Winston Churchill loved them.

1. Do not argue with an idiot.

He will drag you down to his level and beat you with experience.

2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you.

But it's still on my list.

3. Light travels faster than sound.

This is why some people appear

Bright until you hear them speak.

- 4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
- 5. We never really grow up, we only learn how to act in public.
- 6. War does not determine who is right only who is left.
- 7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit.

Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

- 8. Evening news is where they begin with 'Good Evening,' and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.
- 9. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism.

To steal from many is research.

10. A bus station is where a bus stops. A train station is where a train stops.

On my desk, I have a work station.

11. I thought I wanted a career.

Turns out I just wanted paychecks.

- 12. Whenever I fill out an application, in the part that says,
  'In case of emergency, notify:' I put 'DOCTOR.'
- 13. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
- 14. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
- 15. Behind every successful man is his woman.

Behind the fall of a successful man is usually another woman.

- 16. A clear conscience is the sign of a fuzzy memory.
- 17. You do not need a parachute to skydive.You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
- 18. Money can't buy happiness, but it sure makes misery easier to live with.
- 19. There's a fine line between cuddling and holding someone down so they can't get away.
- 20. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
- 21. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian

  Any more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

Biker and

This is what the kids take keys.



his Babe.

happens when away your car