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Our illustrious leader has been given a break this issue because of his current status. Historical reasons as follows:

Ronald Patrick Spencer's

Odometer Reading has reached 60,000 km!







An URGENT 60K service is now required and **you are especially required to attend** this on the Saturday closest to the odometer ticking over to 60,000 KM on: **Saturday 8th March 2014 at 7.00pm**

University of Western Australia, M412, Car park 23, Hackett Drive (Corner Stirling Highway and Mounts Bay Rd) Crawley, WA 6009

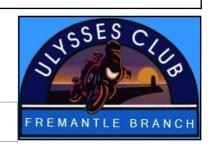
All tools and victuals provided. Lubricants and fuel BYO (preferably Shell to last the distance!)

Music will be played as Ronald Patrick is put through his paces, Irish reels and blues will figure

Full chronological report as follows on the next page



We don't care....We ride there



RPS BODY WORKS AND STORMDOOR CO.

SERVICE LEVELS PER ODOMETER READING

Level 1: Safety Service @ 15K – RECKLESS, FECKLESS SERVICE only lasts 12 years

The bare minimum service you should go for and is an option if you're running pretty low on cash.

A safety service involves replacing your oils daily. Checking your tank, topping up fluids and lubricants, inspecting belts and pipes and testing the battery frequently.

Level 2: Major Service@30K – DOMESTIC SERVICE may last 24 months to 25 years??

A major service will cost a little bit more HOPEFULLY last you for twice as long — 24 months at least

It should cover all the things that are covered by the safety service, with a few important extras, including engine management system, a diagnostic scan and fault code analysis, replacement of the fuel filter and non-platinum spark plugs!

Level 3: Premium Service@45K – MIDLIFE SERVICE may involve overseas expertise of size 4- 6 tools from SE Asia

Even better than the Major Service and lasting an extra year (36 months) and an extra 15,000km (45,000km total), a premium service should do everything you'll get in a major service with crucial additions.

Some say that brake fluid doesn't necessarily need replacing if it's functioning okay, but if you don't use it regularly or change it, you run the risk of rust wearing away your body parts! Cobwebs may also develop.

<u>Level 4: Ultimate Service @60K – REPLACEMENT / REJUVENATION SERVICE arranged via Indian call centre, approximately 90 minutes away!</u>

<u>It's called an ultimate service for a reason — it does everything that the other services do and goes that extra step to make sure you're in tip top shape for up to 48 years or for 60,000km.</u>

In an ultimate service, you should receive a fuel injector flush, throttle body clean, engine decarbonisation and fuel tank additive.

It's also the most expensive service but it will benefit you in the long run with replacement and new management of body parts.

Saturday 8 March 2014 – service and condition report of RPS Body Works by expert assessors (friends & family). Condition report by Dept. of 2 wheel Transport UC -Messrs Turner, Katarski, Bloomfield and Booth.

PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS FOR ASSESSMENT AND CONDITION REPORT BELOW

Some photos of this most memorable event















Good on you Ron, may there many more



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Note: Next meeting, Wed 9th **April 2014**

Plods and Saturday morning coffee

Wednesday morning Plods will now revert back to South Beach at 9:00am for a 9:30am start as previously however if you are an early riser members will still meet at the Victoria Café that is located at the eastern end of the Fremantle 'E' Shed Markets for breakfast. Great coffee. After breakfast members will migrate to the South Beach start point via Marine parade in order to meet the 9.00am start time

For Plodders having breakfast at the Victoria Café, there is plenty of parking over near 'B' Shed outside the other cafe if the bays outside the Victoria Cafe are full.

The Saturday morning coffee get togethers will also continue to take place at the Victoria Café, however commencement will be from 10.00am.





Meet Ulysses' Fremantle New Ride Coordinator Colin Booth 61215



Some background history on Colin

Colin grew up on a farm in Wagin at that was his introduction to riding motorcycles.

From the age of 7 he was riding a Honda 90 Ag bike a yellow version of a postie bike. Occasionally he and his brother would get Dad's old Panther 500cc (nick named Thunderguts) out of the back corner of the shed, get it start and ride around on it with a flat back tyre (if only his Dad did sell it to a shearer for a carton of beer in the early 70's).

One day when riding the Honda (at full throttle) Colin cooked the motor. That meant the end of the Honda but it was replaced with a Yamaha 125 Ag Bike, wow the power and it had a clutch!!

Colin spent most weekends riding that cross country around the farm, when he wasn't going mad in his Ford Prefect Ute that he bought from an old neighbour for \$25. That was when he learnt about controlled skids, getting the back wheel to hang out around corners, donuts, wheel stands and ... falling off.

He never got a road license for a couple of reasons, he was silly enough in a car and his parents knew that so discouraged it. Then a wife, kids and responsibility kept him from getting it. Finally the wife left him, the kids grew up and as soon as the youngest turned 18 he was off to get his road license.

He loves his Thunderbird and rides whenever possible even just to the shops. He rides to work every day except in the middle of winter.

He loves the Ulysses Club, the rides and social side of the club. One of the highlights of his life (apart from marrying Allison) was the USA Trip last year when he kept a blog going of the exploits with some slight exaggeration on the truth sometimes.

PS

Colin was a brilliant backstop for Tony on the US trip and was always willing to assist with research and navigation tasks. Colin also has the ability and agility to perform aerobatic riding in a similar fashion to flying however instead of doing 'loop the loop' up and down, he can 'pelvic thrust' back and forwards at normal speed. I'm sure you'll do a great job Col, all the best.

Ed

BROUGH SUPERIOR: THE 'NEW' SS100

EXCERPT COURTESY OF BIKEEXIF



So here is the new <u>Brough Superior</u> — the first all-new bike from the famous marque in seven decades. The rights to the brand name are now owned by the Austrian-based businessman Mark Upham, who's been teasing us for the past three years with <u>beautiful recreations</u> of George Brough's 1920s originals.

Upham has now taken the bold step of commissioning a 'new' SS100, a vintage-flavoured machine with a mix of new technology and retro styling. It's due to enter small-scale production in 2014 and will retail for just over \$65,000.



The heart of the SS100 is a 997cc powerplant—an 88-degree liquid-cooled v-twin. (Top marks to Brough for keeping the engine compact, and not getting into the silly figures favored by US cruiser manufacturers.) The motor is the work of the French firm <u>Boxer Design</u>, and it's an eight-valve DOHC unit capable of up to 140 hp.



In keeping with Brough Superior's venerable reputation for engineering, the frame is a mix of steel and titanium, and the swingarm is an aluminum-magnesium composite. Up front is a girder-style 'Fior' double-wishbone fork; like the back end, it's suspended with an Öhlins shock.



The front brakes, looking strangely small for a machine of this calibre, are actually four 230 mm discs aligned to look almost like a drum brake. The system has been designed by Beringer to reduce gyroscopic forces. The wheels are 18" front and back, and we're told that the dry weight of the SS100 is just under 400 lbs.



I think George Brough would have approved of the specification. The question that remains is around the styling, an entirely subjective issue.



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More shots of the US trip



A very early Indian



An Ariel 'Square Four'



An overabundance of Dodge Vipers



A real 'Woody'



New 'Batmobile'



Inside Tammy Allen's bar area



Eating lobsters in Las Vegas



Our beloved place of residence in Las Vegas

Shots of US Trip (cont.)



Lake Mead (Nevada)



Helicopter view of the Hoover Dam



Al Capone's jail cell at Alcatraz



A typical jail cell in Alcatraz



View of San Francisco from the Golden Gate



Another aerial view from the Golden Gate



The 'Queen Mary' in Longbeach California



The pier at Santa Monica California

SOME LIGHT HUMOUR

Sex after Surgery

A recent article in the Dominion Post reported that a woman, Anne Maynard, has sued Wellington Hospital, saying that after her husband had surgery there, he lost all interest in sex.

A hospital spokesman replied:

"Mr. Maynard was admitted for cataract surgery. All we did was correct his eyesight."

A Testimony to True Friendship

A man brings his best mate home for dinner unannounced at 5.30 p.m. after work.

His wife screams at him as his friend listens in,

"My hair & makeup are not done, the house is a mess, the dishes are not done, I'm still in my pyjamas, and I can't be bothered with cooking tonight! What the hell did you bring him home for?"

"Because he's thinking of getting married."

DON'T MESS WITH OLDIES

Phillip Hewitson, an elderly man, from Norwich was going up to bed, when his wife told him that he'd left the light on in the garden shed, which she could see from the bedroom window. George opened the back door to go turn off the light, but saw that there were people in the shed stealing things. He phoned the police, who asked "Is someone in your house?" He said "No," but some people are breaking into my garden shed and stealing from me.

Then the police dispatcher said "All patrols are busy. You should lock your doors and an officer will be along when one is available."

George said, "Okay." He hung up the phone and counted to 30. Then he phoned the police again. "Hello, I just called you a few seconds agobecause there were people stealing things from my shed. Well you don't have to worry about them now because I just shot them." and he hung up.

Within five minutes, Six Police Cars, a SWAT Team, a Helicopter, two Fire Trucks, a Paramedic, and an Ambulance showed up at the Hewitson's' residence, and caught the burglars red-handed. One of the Policemen said to Phillip, "I thought you said that you'd shot them!"

Phillip said, "I thought you said there was nobody available!"

Never drink tequila.....



A man walks into a bar, notices a very large jar on the counter, and sees that it's filled to the brim with \$10 notes. He guesses there must be at least ten thousand dollars in it. He approaches the bartender and asks, "What's with the money in the jar?"

"Well.., you pay \$10, and if you pass three tests, you get all the money in the jar and the keys to a brand new Lexus."

The man certainly isn't going to pass this up, so he asks, "What are the three tests?"

"You gotta pay first," says the bartender, "those are the rules."

So, after thinking it over a while, the man gives the bartender \$10 which he stuffs into the jar.

"Okay," says the bartender, "here's what you need to do:

First - You have to drink a whole quart of tequila, in 60 seconds or less, and you can't make a face while doing it."



"Second —There's a pit bull chained in the back with a bad tooth. You have to remove that tooth with your bare hands."



"Third —There's a 90-year old lady upstairs who's never had sex. You have to take care of that problem."



The man is stunned! "I know I paid my \$10 but I'm not an idiot! I won't do it! You'd have to be nuts to drink a quart of tequila and then do all those other things!"

"Your call," says the bartender, "but, your money stays where it is."

As time goes on, the man has a few more drinks and finally says, "Where's the damn tequila?!"

He grabs the bottle with both hands and drinks it as fast as he can. Tears stream down both cheeks -- but he doesn't make a face -- and he drinks it in 58 seconds!

Next, he staggers out the back door where he sees the pit bull chained to a pole.

Soon, the people inside the bar hear loud growling, screaming, and sounds of a terrible fight -- then nothing but silence!

Just when they think that the man surely must be dead, he staggers back into the bar. His clothes are ripped to shreds and he's bleeding from bites and gashes all over his body.

He drunkenly says,

"Now...., where's that old woman with the bad tooth?"