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Hi All I hope you all had a Safe and Happy Easter.

The rides over the last month have been pretty well supported. Simon finished his ride (on his nice new Blue Wing) that was started last year on his old bike. Andy took us to Moore River for lunch after a staggered start from Midland & Gateways. There were also a couple of Free Rides.

The Weekend to End Women's Cancers was again a great success, raising \$1,800,000 this year. Thank you Ron for all your hard work. The organisation of the Moto Crew, both beforehand and on the 2 days of the walk is a difficult task. Especially this year when we had quite a few members away at the AGM. Have a look at the slideshow Ron has put together about the day. It is in the gallery on our website.

It is that time of year again when nominations for the Committee need to be thought about. All the positions become vacant, so have a think about who you would like on the Committee or if you think you could do a good job get yourself nominated. The position of President is also becomes available to anyone that would like to take it on. Nominations need to be lodged by the May social meeting for AGM in June. Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Downloads page on website, I will print some out for the social meeting too.

Wongan Hills Weekend proposed for the June long weekend is being organised. I will know more at the Social Meeting and would like some idea of numbers. At this stage it looks like a Saturday night at the Wongan Hills Pub with a ride to New Norcia on Sunday for lunch before everyone heads home.

Tony Collins asked me to remind everyone about the Esperance ride 4th-7th September. If you have not booked your accommodation for Esperance & Albany you need to do that soon. (Details still in this Wheezy)

Esperance Motor Hotel – 9071-1555 – ask for Rae and mention Ulysses Group \$100 for twin room. Sleepwell Motel (formerly Metro Inn) 270 Albany Hwy 9841-7399. \$85 per twin/double – ask for Aga and mention Ulysses Group. Also the Jurien weekend on November 7th accommodation needs to be booked if you are attending that. Three cottages have been put aside for Ulyssians phone Apex on 9652-1010 and Dianne will allocate your choice of bed.

Upcoming Rides – Eileen's ride to Waroona Australian Car Show, my ride to Gingin for lunch (the long way), Mick Katarski – (Unknown destination), Geoff & Jill Ball Moondyne Festival Ride. They all look like good fun so dust off the cobwebs and get your bike out to join one of the rides.

The polo shirts were ordered several weeks ago but there was a slight holdup with getting the correct logo embroidery. Hopefully I can update you after tonight's committee meeting.

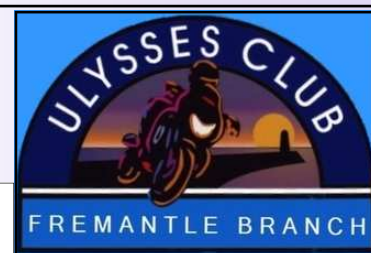
That's it for now.

Remember— it's not what you ride, it's your attitude that counts!

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2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT SWAN YACHT
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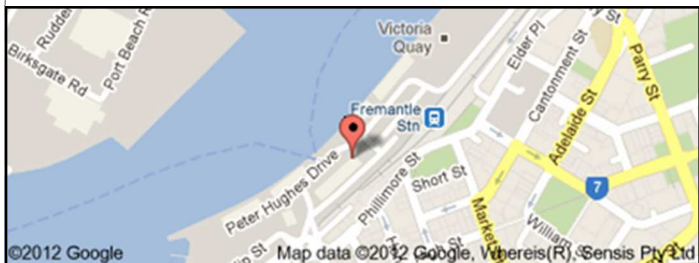
Note: Next meeting, Wed 13th
May 2015

Plods and Saturday morning coffee

Wednesday morning Plods have reverted back to South Beach for a 9:30am start as previously.

Any enquiries regarding plods can be directed to Mick Katarski on 0415 568 089

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



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Esperance Stonehenge & Albany 4 day Ride (Update)

The Plan so far!!

PERTH to ESPERANCE

Friday Sept 4th 2015

7.30am sharp!

Depart Karragullen Service Station Brookton Hwy corner Canning Mills Rd

Accommodation

Esperance Motor Hotel – 9071-1555 – ask for Rae and mention Ulysses Group

\$100 for twin room

Book ASAP as this is the beginning of their busy season

Other Motels are also available in town to suit your personal preference

Budget accommodation is also available at the Pink Lake Caravan Park

9071-2424

Saturday Sept 5th

MORNING

Own choice

Half day Island Cruise – 9071-5757 www.woodyisland.com.au

Wild Flower Tour – 0427-536-674

AFTERNOON

1pm – ride to Pink Lake

3pm Ride to Stonehenge – sunset watch – BYO drinks and nibbles

Dinner with Local Ulysses Members

ESPERANCE to ALBANY

Sunday Sept 6th

Ride to Albany via Ongerup and Stirling and Porongurup Ranges

Accommodation - Albany

Sleepwell Motel (formerly Metro Inn) 270 Albany Hwy

9841-7399

\$85 per twin/double – ask for Aga and mention Ulysses Group

Dinner at Earl of Spencer with local Ulysses members

ALBANY to PERTH

Monday 7th Sept

Return to Perth via back roads - Darkan Quindanning etc.

Lunch probably at Quindanning pub if open

Tony Collins

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Jurien Bay Blessing of the Fleet
(Friday 6th and Saturday 7th November 2015)

32 beds in three cottages have been put on hold for Ulyssians for 2015

Dinner will be a barbeque with salads and desserts provided at cost.

Money will be collected on prior to meal.

Sunday breakfast will be DIY.

Three cottages have been booked for Ulyssians for Friday and Saturday nights.

If demand warrants Dianne will hold a further cottage or two for Ulysses members.

A deposit will be required to hold a booking for you as this is a busy weekend with the Blessing of the fleet on Saturday morning 7th November at 11am and fireworks at night after sunset.

Any rooms not confirmed by August/ September will have to be released for other people so get in now while beds are available.

WHAT TO DO

- ◆ Mark dates in your calendar
- ◆ Phone Dianne at Apex on 9652-1010 and book your bed for one or two nights
- ◆ Pay deposit
- ◆ Volunteer for a job as below

I NEED

- ◆ Ride leader for Friday 6th for early birds
- ◆ Ride leader for Saturday 7th
- ◆ Event Treasurer to collect food money on the day
- ◆ Three TONGMASTERS to cook the barbeque on Saturday night
- ◆ A few assistants to help prepare the salads on Saturday afternoon
- ◆ Slaves to wash up after the meal

Details on the program for the blessing of the fleet will be forwarded when available.

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RAISING FUNDS AND AWARENESS FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS RESEARCH

RIDE FOR A CURE



POKER RUN



SATURDAY 18th APRIL 2015

Departs from Stockman's Rest Café

1409 Karnup Road, Serpentine

REGISTRATION: 9.00am to 10.00am

RIDE DEPARTS 10.15am – INCLUDES LUNCH

This "Ride For A Cure" will travel via Pinjarra, Dwellingup for a break stop, Marradong, Boddington for lunch, back onto the Albany Highway to Williams and finally finishing in Quindanning at Ye Olde Quindanning Inn where good times are had by the river with our hosts George & Neta Lavender. This event will raise much needed funds for research into this life threatening disease. The most common affecting our children today.

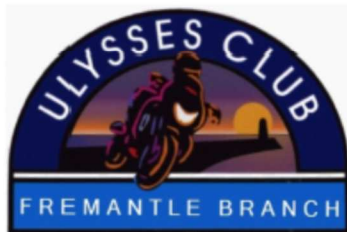
EVERY 4 DAYS A CHILD IS BORN WITH CYSTIC FIBROSIS. We need your help! *"Together We Can & Together We Will"* Don't miss out on the fun planned for the evening with live entertainment. Accommodation is available at the inn but book early. Contact Neta on (08) 9885 7053.

Contact Teresa on 0407 433 321 or Email cf.cure@hotmail.com

What a great repeat weekend it was again this year!

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Certificate of Appreciation



Folks,

I'm sure the rest of Fremantle Branch joins me in thanking the 40 members and friends (on 31 vehicles – bikes, trikes, cars and a bicycle!) listed below who gave up their time to assist the Conquer Cancer campaign over the week-end of March 28th & 29th 2015.

Their efforts assisted nearly 600 walkers to safely cover 2 x 30 kilometre walks through Perth suburban streets over 2 days (some starting as early as 03:00) and raise \$1,800,000 for

The Weekend to End Women's Cancers™
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This was the second year for this event and we look forward to participating again in the years to come - the next time in 2016.

Ange Fyneman, Bernie Fyneman, Alan Bennett, Alan Collins, Alan Leahy, Alice Robb, Alison Booth, Annie Collins, Bruce McLeod, Christine Ray, Colin Booth, Danna Bouffier, Dave Hay, Don Longville, Eileen Garside, Eric Ilett, Fran Spencer-Greeve, Geoff Ball, Glenda McGregor, Ian Dix, Jeff Bloomfield, Jessica O'Callaghan, Jill Ball, Julie Kern, Karin Peagam, Kaylene Zaretsky, Mark Thomas, Mick Katarski, Mick Webb, Pam Bennett, Pat Tinnelly, Patric O'Callaghan, Paul Turner, Pippa Leahy, Sandra Dix, Shane Ivic, Steve Zaretsky, Tim Vowles, Tony Collins

It was a big job and I couldn't have done it without your enthusiastic support!

Ron Spencer (53780); Fremantle Branch: Ulysses Club Inc. 30/03/2015

2015 Victory Gunner—First Ride Review

Jon Langston
March 27, 2014



**Victory's interpretation of the bobber is aimed squarely at Harley's Softail Slim.
(Photos by Barry Hathaway)**

From its gray matte paint to its straight dual exhaust and solo seat, Victory Motorcycles' new Gunner is brazenly targeting Harley-Davidson's Softail Slim. Victory's press information even uses the catty tagline, "Slim chance you'll find another bobber like it." Me-ow. I had the opportunity to run the Gunner up and down the backroads on a bright Daytona Bike Week morning. I've ridden a Slim, and found the Gunner takes things a step or two further in terms of style, power and handling. If those factors aren't enough, the nearly \$3,000 price difference should sway the undecided.

It starts with the mill. From dead stop to top gear, Vic's Freedom 106 V-twin is a solid engine. For the retro-styled Gunner, Victory's spec sheet claims 110 lb-ft of torque, and on a low-slung bike bereft of accoutrements—this is nearly the lightest bike in the Victory line; only the Vegas 8-Ball weighs less—that power is tangible. The fierce-sounding straight pipes and solo bucket saddle offer an aggressive, unvarnished riding experience that must be the inspiration for Victory calling the bike a "bobber" (it certainly isn't the profuse rear fender).

The Gunner's light weight combines with its low seat height, forward controls and straight handlebar to position its rider down in a true cockpit, and the grin factor is immediate and rewarding. Throwing the bike through twists (or what passes for them in Florida) is a breeze, and accelerating out of turns is rush-inducing. The Gunner's copious lean angle means touching down pegs takes a real effort—albeit a rewarding one.



The Gunner offers great power, good handling and decent cornering clearance. That red seat could be more comfortable.

Victory does sacrifice function for form in at least one area: While the Gunner's optional red seat looks undeniably cool, its pan is hard and its lip intrusive. The Gunner is readily customizable via the Victory catalogue, though, so there's no need for owners to be stuck with that cool-but-uncomfortable saddle.

At US \$12,999, the Gunner should appeal to retro V-twin aficionados looking for a stripped-down but sexy bike, whether or not you call it a bobber.

2015 Victory Gunner Specs

Website: victorymotorcycles.com

Base Price: \$12,999

Price as Tested: \$13,279 (Red Mission seat)

Engine Type: Air-cooled, transverse 50-degree V-twin, SOHC, 4 valves per cyl.

Bore x Stroke: 101 x 108mm

Displacement: 1,731cc

Transmission: 6-speed, cable-actuated wet clutch

Final Drive: Belt

Wheelbase: 64.8 in.

Rake/Trail: 32 degrees/6.7 in.

Seat Height: 25.0 in.

Claimed Wet Weight: 678 lbs.

Fuel Capacity: 4.5 gals.

MPG: NA

(This article was published in **Kickstarts** in the June 2014 issue of *Rider* magazine.)



Message for those intending to attend the Ulysses Club 2016 AGM in Launceston Tasmania.



Thank you for registering your interest to travel with Spirit of Tasmania to the Ulysses Club 2016 AGM in Launceston.

Spirit of Tasmania departs from Port Melbourne, Victoria arriving in Devonport, Tasmania a short 50 minutes from Launceston.

Our inventory is now open to book your travel to and from Tasmania for travel dates between 15 January 2015 and 31 March 2015 inclusive.

We anticipate strong demand for travel to this event during February, March and April of 2016 and encourage you to make your booking as early as possible. It is recommended to book both your forward and return journey.

Tips for booking:

- Special Event discounted fares available to book via the internet. Accessible by following this link: www.spiritoftasmania.com.au/ulysses
- Bookings can be made with our Group and Special Events Team by calling [1800 635 877](tel:1800635877) or email groups@spiritoftasmania.com.au
- Book both your forward and return journey
- Trikes and Spyders are classified as a 'trike or motorbike with sidecar' when choosing vehicle type
- Motorcycles, Trikes or Spyders towing a trailer should be booked as 'motorbike with trailer'
- Refer to our FAQs page for important information relating to the carriage of gas cylinders, gas canisters, firearms, fishing gear and Tasmanian Quarantine regulations.
- Be sure to book over-height space if your vehicle is over 2.1m high
- For general questions please call our Customer Contact Centre [13 20 10](tel:132010)

We thank you for choosing to travel with us and we look forward to welcoming Ulyssians, their friends and family on board Spirit of Tasmania.

Wow. This is unbelievable.....

It's happening off the South Australian coast, near Port Lincoln.



LOVE STORY

The French Magazine "Le magazine des voyages de pêche" in its 56th edition, brought up an amazing news: An astonishing love story.

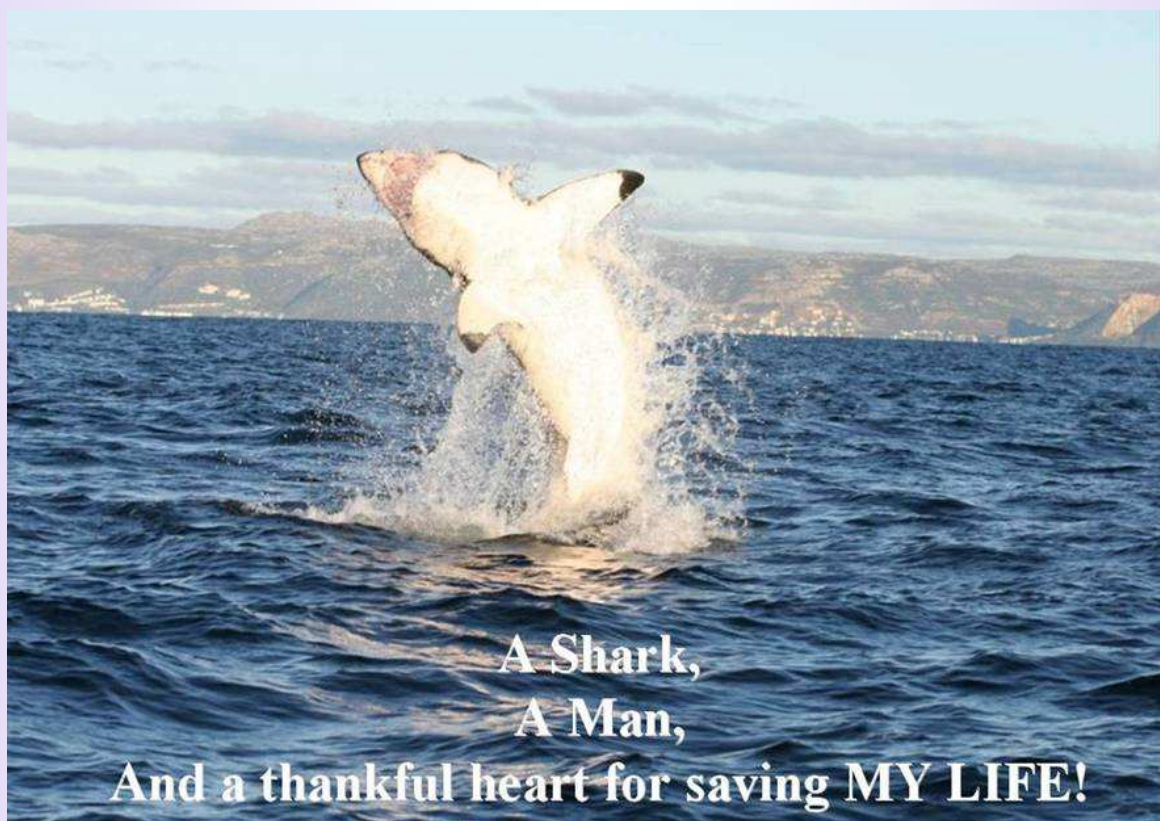
"Arnold Pointer a professional fisherman from south of Australia set free from a certain death a big female White Shark that was caught in his fishing nets. Now the fisherman has a problem: He says: *"It's been 2 years and she doesn't leave me alone. She follows me everywhere I go and her presence scares all the fishes. I don't know what to do anymore."*

It is hard to get rid of an almost 17 feet long shark since the White Sharks are protected by the wildlife conservation, but a mutual affection established between Arnold and "Cindy". Arnold Says: *"Once I stop the boat she comes to me, she turns on her back and let me pet her belly and neck, she grunts, turn her eyes, and move her fins up and down hitting the water happily..."*

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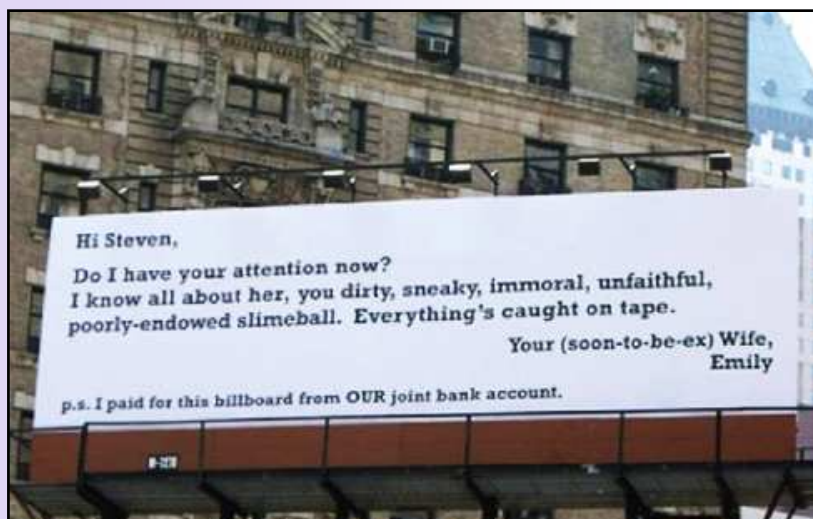
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SOME LIGHT HUMOUR



You can't get more romantic than this!

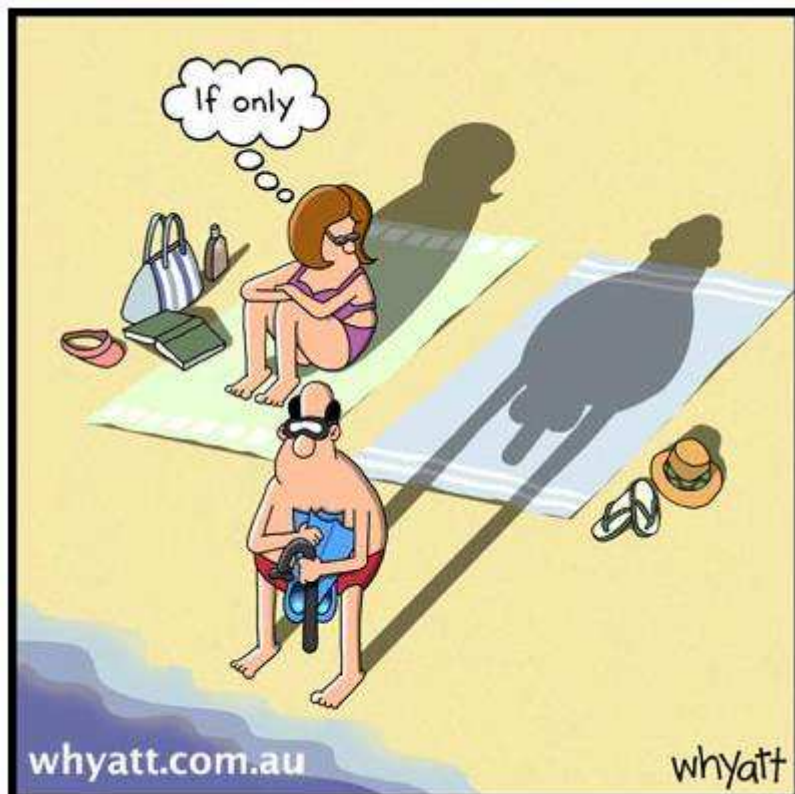
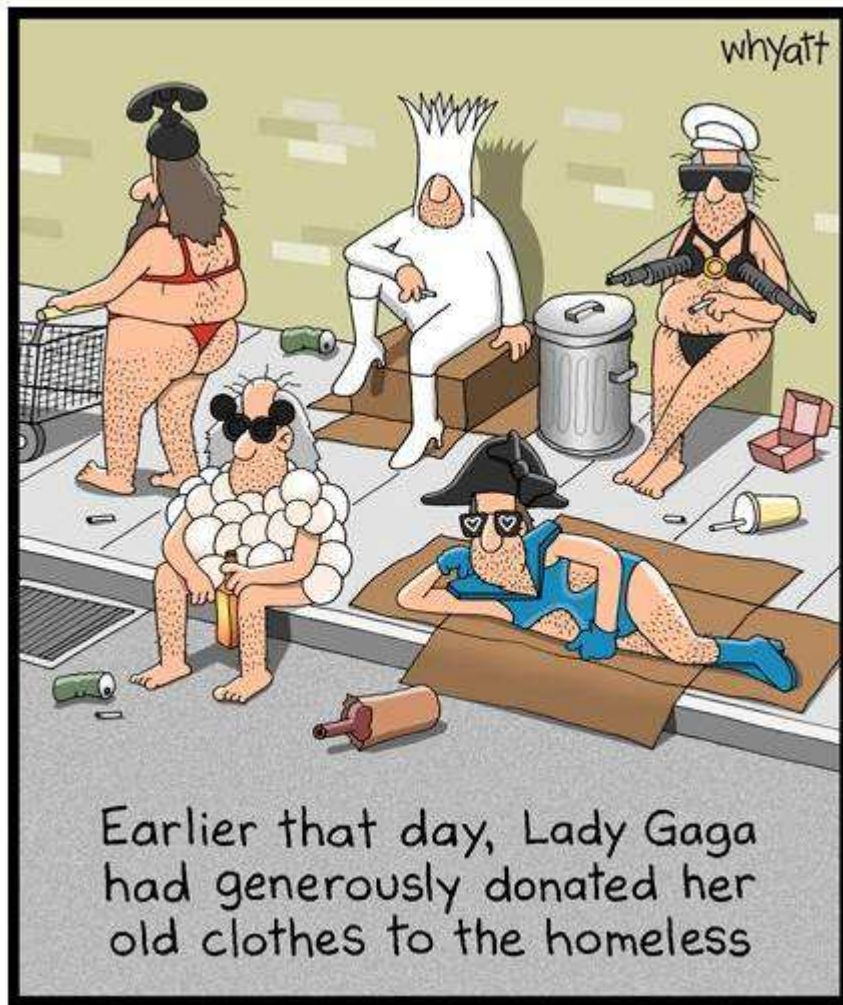
Aussie stockman and his wife had just got married and found a quiet hotel for their wedding night.

The man approached the front desk and asked for a room.

He said, 'We're on our honeymoon and we need a nice room, with a good strong bed.'

The clerk winked, 'You want the 'Bridal'?'

The drover reflected on this for a moment and then replied, "Nah, I reckon not. I'll just hold onto her ears until she gets used to it."



Two Aussies, Ferret & Knackers, were adrift in a life boat.

While rummaging through the boat's provisions Ferret stumble across an old lamp.

He rubbed it vigorously, sure enough out popped a genie! This genie, however was a little different. He stated he could only deliver one wish, not the standard three.

Without giving much thought, Ferret blurted out, "Turn the entire ocean into beer..... Make that Victoria Bitter!"

The genie clapped his hands with a deafening crash, and immediately the sea turned into that hard-earned thirst quencher.

The genie vanished.

Only the gentle lapping of beer on the hull broke the stillness as the two men considered their circumstances.

Knackers looked disgustedly at Ferret whose wish it was that had been granted.

After a long, tension-filled moment Knackers said, "Nice going Dickhead!"

Now we're going to have to piss in the boat."