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## Newsletter of the Fremantle Branch of the Alysses Club of Australia Inc.

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#### Hi Everyone,

I have just returned from the ride to Albany and Manjimup with a great bunch of members. The weather was kind, even though it got cool down on the South Coast. Thank you Tony for leading the ride from Albany to Manjimup (the long way) on the second day. There were some great roads travelled through some beautiful country. At the end of the day there were the usual frivolities with a few drinks and nice meals each night. This is what the club is about.

The other rides that were done during the last month included Tony Collins ride through the canals back to Mandurah, Pat Tinnelly took us to Quinns Rock on an eventful ride (after we went to the shops and bought jumper leads to start his bike). Gary Phillips lead a great ride through a lot of new roads to Two Rocks for lunch, we were joined by Mike & Sue Limbert who have come back to the fold on a trike (licenced to carry 4 people).

Committee Nominations are open for the next year. As mentioned last month we have two committee members resigning, including the position of Secretary/Treasurer. Please consider nominating yourself or someone else to the committee. It is not a big task but we need a good committee to help keep the club active for all members and make it attractive for try new people to join. I have already started asking people to come on board. If you are not prepared to put your hand up, you have no right to complain about any decisions the committee make. Of course anyone is welcome to nominate for President too.

Odyssey 2017 Update – there has been a proposal submitted to the Collie Council for the use of their recreation centre. Depending on the outcome of their meeting later this month a budget can then be put into place and more planning can start. Tony Collins will keep us informed as we move forward. So far everything sounds very positive.

The 2016 Weekend to End Women's Cancers will be held over 2nd & 3rd of April. The assistanceof all the volunteers on the Moto-Crew last year was crucial to the success of the week-end. If you can help again this year please contact Ron Spencer on emails <a href="mailto:ronpspencer@gmail.com">ronpspencer@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:webmaster@ulyssesfremantle.com">webmaster@ulyssesfremantle.com</a>. It is a very worthwhile cause and usually a lot of fun.

A date to put in your calendar 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016 is Collie Round The Houses. Motoring South West are organising a weekend to commemorate the "Round The Houses" motorcycle races that were run in Collie in years gone by. It is in planning at this stage but we will keep you up to date as details come to hand.

Social Meeting Raffle organiser Allison Booth has been doing it for 4 years now and it is time for someone else to take over. She volunteered the first meeting we attended and has been doing it since so I'm sure we can find someone to take over. Again it is not a big job but one that needs to be done by someone. So if you are good at stapling raffle tickets together and want to help out, you are the person we need!

While on the subject of the raffle, the committee think we should reintroduce the novelty prizes of "others unwanted gifts" for a bit more fun. So bring along those gifts to the next meeting.

Enjoy the rides over the next month and have a happy and safe Easter. That's it for now.

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

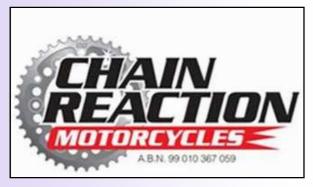
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# **Note: Next meeting, Wednesday** <u>April 2</u>016

## Plods and Saturday morning coffee

Wednesday morning Plods meet at South Beach for a 9:30am start.

Any enquiries regarding plods can be directed to any of the following:

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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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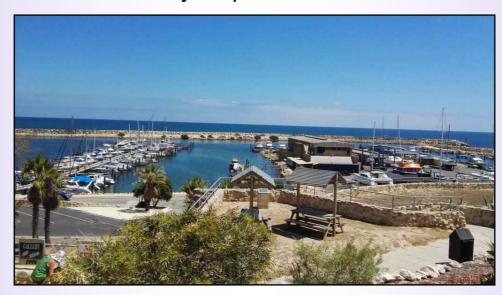
# Photos from Tony Collins' ride to Mandurah 14 Feb







# Photos from Gary Phillips' ride to Two Rocks 28 Feb







**Excerpt from Motorcycle Classics Magazine (www.motorcycleclassics.com)** 

# **BARBER'S BEST**

A virtual tour of the classic motorcycle collection on display at the Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum in Leeds, Ala.

# 1932 Indian Model 403

9/16/2015 10:22:00 AM By the Motorcycle Classics staff



Engine: Air-cooled, inline 4-cylinder, 4-stroke

**Ignition:** Magneto

Power rating: 30bhp (estimated) Bore x stroke: 2-3/4in x 3-1/4in

Displacement: 1,265cc

Valves: Overhead inlet, side exhaust Fuel system: Schebler carburettor Transmission: 3-speed, hand shift

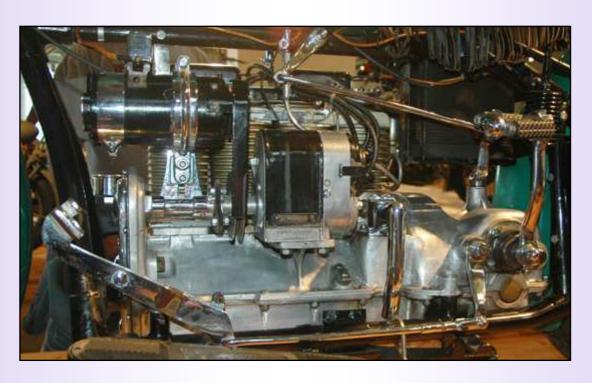
Suspension: Front trailing link with leaf spring, rigid rear

Brakes: Front and rear drum

Weight: 515lb Top speed: 75mph



Indian Fours were known as the Duesenbergs of motorcycling, and were produced from 1927 to 1942. Smooth and powerful, these machines could be cruised at 70mph for hours. A 1930s ultimate touring machine, it was the Honda Gold Wing of its time.







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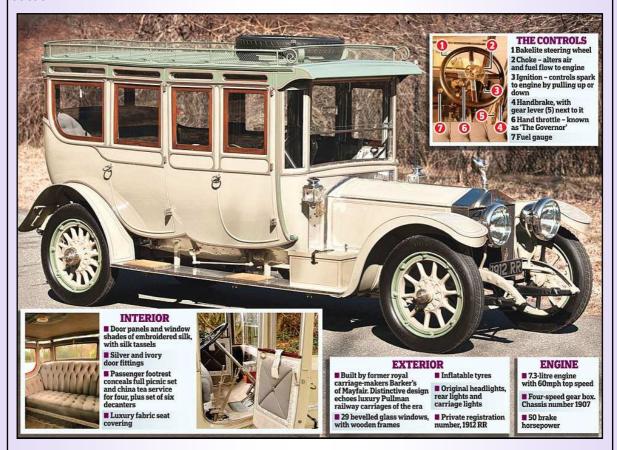
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### **100 YEAR OLD ROLLS ROYCE**

THIS CAR IS MORE THAN 100 YEARS OLD --- AND STILL HAS ITS LOOKS, A BEAUTIFUL, ELEGANT CAR. STILL RUNS AND GETS 15 MPG; NOT BAD AT ALL.

It was originally bought for \$1,000 in 1912 (almost 93,000 in today's money) but has now gone under the hammer for \$4,705,500, making it the most expensive Rolls- Royce ever sold at auction.





Unique: This 100-year-old Silver Ghost Rolls Royce has sold for a world-record price of 5 million after a furious bidding war at Bonhams.



Through the roof: The lengthy auction saw two enthusiasts duelling for the pristine car as the bidding went up in increments of 100,000, smashing past the 2million estimate.



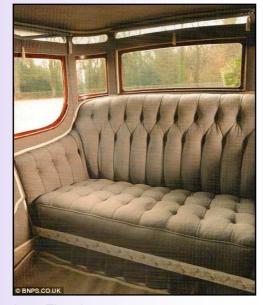
In great nick: The six-cylinder, 7.3-litre car comes with perfect provenance and is still purring smoothly, doing about 15 miles to the gallon. What it lacks in gadgetry, the British-made classic more than compensates for with an extraordinary level of luxury that leaves its modern-day counterparts looking a little unsophisticated. Its gleaming interior fittings are made of silver and ivory, while the door panels are embroidered silk, with brocade tassels attached to silk window shades for privacy.

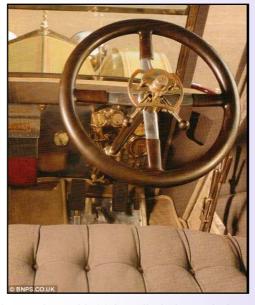
THE PASSENGER FOOTREST HIDES A FULL PICNIC SET FOR FOUR, A CHINA TEA SERVICE, COMPLETE WITH AN ALCOHOL-FUELLED BURNER AND KETTLE TO HEAT THE WATER, AND A SET OF SIX DECANTERS – THREE IN STERLINGG SILVER AND THREE IN LEATHER-WRAPPED GLASS.

The sale took place at the Goodwood Festival of Speed in West Sussex on Friday. Auctioneers had expected it to sell for around 2million and were astonished when the bidding between two rival collectors topped 4million. James Knight, from Bonhams auctioneers, said: "There were three bidders, then one of them dropped out at 2.3million and we thought it would end there.



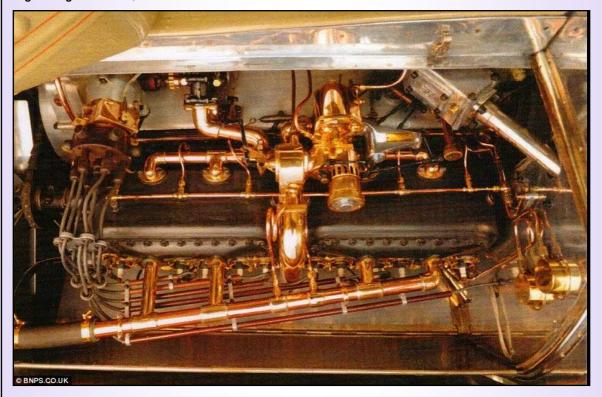
Traveling in style: The design chosen by its original owner echoed the luxurious ' Pullman ' Railway carriages pioneered by American George Pullman.



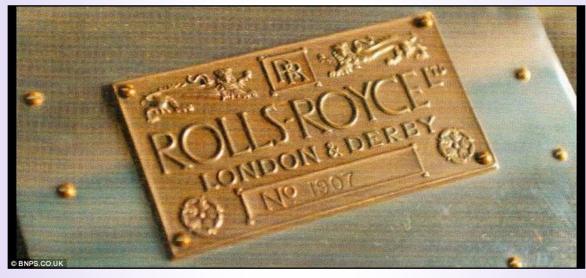


Luxurious: The elegant passenger compartment (left) complete with 29 bevelled glass windows and (right) the stylish steering wheel.

But then another bidder entered and the bidders were duelling. It went up in increments of 50,000, and then 100,000, and then back down to 50,000. It went on and on and on and was the longest car sale I have ever witnessed. It was pure theatre. Everyone was very respectful but when the price reached a milestone, like 3million, there was an intake of breath. The bidders were duelling and when the hammer came down there was spontaneous applause. It was fitting because the car is celebrating her centenary. The car was commissioned by Rolls Royce connoisseur John M. Stephens, who also bought the first Silver Ghost the luxury car-maker produced in 1906. The body was built by former royal carriage-maker Barker's of Mayfair, which had previously built coaches for King George III and Queen Victoria.



Standing the test of time: The 7.3-litre, six-cylinder engine is still purring smoothly and is capable of doing around 15 miles to the gallon.



Mark of history: A plaque bearing the vehicle's chassis number of 1907.



Touch of class: The original owner employed the services of the best coach-making company, Barker and Co. Ltd, to do the bodywork.



Classic designs: One of the car's brake lights. The Rolls- Royce still had its headlights, carriage lights, rear lights and inflatable tyres when it went up for sale.

The car even had an early speedometer — an important addition given that a 20 mph speed limit was introduced in 1912. Unlike most car enthusiasts of his time, Mr. Stephens, from Croydon, South London, asked the makers not to include a glass division window between the driver and the passengers as he wanted to drive it himself rather than rely on a chauffeur.

The car's distinctive cream and green design echoed the luxury "Pullman Railway carriages of the time, and it was known as a Double Pullman Limousine. But it was nicknamed "the Corgi Silver Ghost in the 1960's after the toy-maker based its Silver Ghost toy car on this model.

Mr. Stephens's car is believed to be the only one of its kind to survive with its full interior and bodywork, as many Rolls Royces from the era were converted into ambulances during the First World War.

## SOME LIGHT HUMOUR

#### Out with your biker buddies...

I called your house the other day and was told you were down at your favourite biker bar with some friends.

I wasn't sure where that was, but was told I wouldn't have much trouble finding it.

Sure enough, I drove just a couple blocks and there it was... There is nothing like the feel of the sun on your face and the wind in your hair, is there?



A middle-aged frumpy couple return to a Mercedes dealership where the salesman has just sold the car they were interested in to a beautiful, leggy, busty blonde.

"I thought you said you would hold that car till we raised the \$75,000 asking price," said the man.

"Yet I just heard you close the deal for \$65, 000 to the lovely young lady there. You insisted there could be no discount on this model."

"Well, what can I tell you? She had the ready cash and, just look at her, how could I resist?" replied the grinning salesman.

Just then the young woman approached the middle-aged couple and gave them the keys. "There you go," she said. "I told you I would get the dope to reduce it. See you later, dad." Never mess with the old ones!



I can't believe that you've been visiting prostitutes for sex," screamed my wife. "I'm really disappointed."

"You can hardly blame me," I answered. "It's not like I was getting any from you.

"Well that's your fault," she replied. You never told me you were willing to pay for it .







