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# <u>Note: Next meeting, Wednesday</u> <u>8th</u> <u>June 2016</u>

# 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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# Collie 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016

# **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.

Draft plan at the moment is:

## Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November

- Vintage and Veteran bike parade around town I assume following the old race route
- Bike display
- Memorabilia and other stalls
- Saturday night speedway
- Music
- Food

## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November

• Vintage and veteran bikes to ride around the Collie Motorplex

Perhaps we could make a weekend of it and stay Saturday night.

More information will be provided as it comes to hand.

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# Safety Report April 2016

(provided by Dave Wright Ulysses Club Road Safety Committee's WA representative)

#### **IN THIS REPORT –**

European standards (ECE22.05) motorcycle helmets now legal in WA Next actions – lane filtering, motorcycles in priority bus lanes, motorcycle route road safety audits. Results of the WA Strategic Direction for Improving the Safety of Motorcyclists and Moped riders

Motorcycle safety videos on our website

#### **Motorcycle Helmets**

As most of you would of heard by now the Minister for Road Safety Hon. Lisa Harvey announced on April 1<sup>st</sup> that W.A will now allow motorcycle riders to wear helmets that meet the European standard ECE 22.05 As action No 4 of the WA Government Strategic Direction for Improving the safety of Motorcyclists and Moped Riders (SDSMM) this is a welcome announcement as we have been working towards this for over 5 years, why so long as hear you ask. Well in order to get this over the line Australia wide it took us working with the Australian Motorcycle Council (we are member of their Helmet Committee) to convince the Australian Consumer and Competition Commission that we need to change the regulation that restricted the sale of international standard helmets in Australia. This was done last year. We then needed to work on each State Government to change the definition of what is a legal helmet to wear in that state, so we have been pushing hard over here to get this completed. A big thank you must go out to all the state representatives in all the States for their hard work over a long time on this important issue. We can now look forward to our motorcycle shops stocking these helmets, and we should also have a bigger range of helmets to choose from as they cab be imported directly from the suppliers without the need for an expensive retesting and manufacturing to Australian standards. The European helmet standard is based on research of over 10,000 real motorcycle crashes looking at the damage to the helmets and injury's to the rider including neck and thorax damage, based on the findings of this extensive research the weight of European helmets can be 300 grams lighter that the Australian counterpart and reduce the risk of neck and thorax damage while still giving good impact and abrasion protection. I will be going out and buying a ECE 22.05 helmet as soon as they appear in the shops.

#### Next Actions Bus Lanes

Now That we have that helmets sorted we are now pushing for the next issue that we have also been working on for many years (thing move slow in Government sometimes) The next action that we should be seeing approved soon is the acceptance of Motorcycles to use priority bus lanes. The trial that has been running on Beaufort Street and South Street ended last month without any issues in relation to rider safety or bus use. We will in the near future once the Department of Transport have completed their evaluation, be asking that all possible priority bus lanes be made available to motorcycle riders.

## Lane filtering

Legalised lane filtering for motorcycles this is action No 14 of the SDSMM and we have been pursuing changing this legislation for many years, we support the adoption of the Victorian model of this which legalises lane filtering between slow moving traffic at a speed of 30km hr. this is already a common practice by motorcycle riders and it just makes sense to legalise the practice given that it presents no safety implications if done sensibly and with a regard for other road user behaviour.

## Motorcycle Road Safety Audits of Popular Motorcycle Routes

Action 34 of the SDSMM is to carry out motorcycle specific road safety audits. We have been calling for this also for many years and is good to see that the Government has seen the benefit of adding this to the actions. I have been invited to Victoria twice in recent months to carry out just these motorcycle road safety audits and have sent the reports to the Road safety Commission to highlight the benefit of these audits to motorcycle riders. I have also held a meeting with them to investigate securing funding to carry out the audits in the near future. The Road Safety Commission will be applying for funding for this action. We as riders all know that the roads and roadside have a huge impact on causing and affecting the severity of motorcycle crashes and it is encouraging that this is now being progressed. Many of these actions where raise by riders at our Motorcycle Safety Forum as part of Motorcycle Safety Week Last November and I believe that our input as riders has had some influence on the Governments actions. The full list of the actions from the W.A. Strategic Direction for Improving the Safety of Motorcyclists and Moped Riders Can be found at:

https://rsc.wa.gov.au/Statistics-Research/Motorcycle-Safety-Review

## Safety Videos on our website

Our website guru Peter Butler has been working his magic on our website again. He has now added lots of videos from the Rider Risk series that we got from New South Wales along with the Road Safety Commission videos and the Safer Roads for Motorcycles videos. He has also added our booklets – Braking Habits and our newest publication Make Yourself Visible, which has now gone national through all the various State organisations in Australia. You can now download these publications free of charge directly from our website www.mrawa.org and view the videos by clicking on the YouTube link on our website. Thanks peter and all your team for Smarter Websites for all your help in building a great website.

That's it from me for now, as always please feel free to contact me on any issues you may have.

## RIDE LIKE YOUR LIFE DEPENDS ON IT



Some classics sent by Col from the US

## (Odyssey Update)

Ulysses Odyssey 2017

Thank you to those people who have already volunteered to help with the Odyssey in Collie in September 2017.

Your support is appreciated and team leaders will be contacting you closer to the date when your assistance or expertise will be most needed.

There is a lot of enthusiasm out there with over 20 people coming to each of our first two meetings.

In the early stages of organising the event we will be focusing on the broad structure of the weekend and this work will be done by the team leaders as part of the event committee.

If you would like to attend committee meetings please let your team leader know so we can ensure you have a seat.

Suggestions are always welcome - please pass them on to the appropriate person.

Contact details for team leaders are as below.

Tony Collins Odyssey 2017 Coordinator

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

# 1957 Douglas Dragonfly

By the Motorcycle Classics staff 25/9/2013



# 1957 Douglas Dragonfly

Country: Great Britain Engine: Horizontally opposed twin-cylinder, 4-stroke Ignition: Battery and coil Power Rating: 23hp @ 6,000rpm Bore x Stroke: 60.8mm x 60mm Displacement: 348cc Valves: Overhead, pushrod activated Fuel System: Single Amal Monobloc carburettor Transmission: 4-speed Suspension: Front Earles type forks, rear twin shock Brakes: Front and rear drum Weight: 365lb Top Speed: 70mph



Douglas' bold new styling on a very old design was their last fling before the collapse of this famous British company. They commissioned the Renolds Tube Company to design a new chassis to house the existing power unit, but the result was too radical, and sales were poor. The first Douglas, built in 1907, was a horizontally opposed 350, as was the last in 1956, 50 years later. Westinghouse, an American company, owned Douglas for the final four years and they are the ones who finally called a halt to motorcycle production. Total production of the Dragonfly was less than 1500 machines.



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# SOME LIGHT HUMOUR

## **Mathematics and Logic**

There were two nuns called Sister Mathematical (SM) and Sister Logical (SL) They were walking back to their convent.

- SM : A man has been following us for an hour. I wonder what he wants.
- SL : It is logical. He wants to violate us.
- SM : Oh no. At this rate, he'll reach us in 15 minutes. What can we do?
- SL : The logical thing to do is to walk faster.

## After a little while.....

- SM : It is not working.
- SL : Yes, it is not working. The man did the logical thing. He walked faster too.
- SM : At this rate, he'll reach us in a minute. Now, what shall we do?
- SL : The logical thing we can do is to split. You go that way, and I'll go this way. He cannot follow the both of us.

#### The man decided to follow Sister Logical. Sister Mathematical arrived at the convent but worried for Sister Logical. Finally Sister Logical arrived.

- SM : Thank God you are here. Tell me what happened?
- SL : The logical thing happened. As he could not follow both, he followed me.
- SM : Yes, yes. But what happened then?
- SL : I ran as fast as I could. So did he.
- SM : And ?
- SL : The logical thing happened. He reached me.
- SM : Oh dear! And what did you do?
- SL : I did the logical thing. I lifted my dress up.
- SM : Oh no! And what did the man do?
- SL : He did the logical thing. He pulled down his pants.
- SM : Oh God! What happened?
- SL : Isn't it logical Sister. A nun with her dress up runs faster than a man with his pants down

## And the Moral of the story is.....

Logic beats Mathematics anytime, And Mathematics cannot survive without Logic.

Most of the newest cars have a Back-Up Sensor that warns the driver before the rear bumper actually comes in contact with something.

Most people probably think that this valuable feature came out of the minds of engineers, but it was recently disclosed that the concept was first developed by a Chinese farmer.

His invention was simple and effective. It emits a high-pitched squeal when the vehicle backs into something. (Please see over)



The Husband lays dying, with his wife by his bedside...

He says in a weak voice "There's something I must confess."

"Shhhh" said the wife, "There's nothing to confess. Everything is all right."

"No" the husband replied "I must die in peace. I had sex with your sister, your best friend, her best friend and your best friend's mom!"

"I know," she whispered, "That's why I poisoned you, now close your eyes.

## The Darwins are out !

Yes, it's that magical time of year again when the Darwin Awards are bestowed, honouring the least evolved among us. Here is the glorious winner:

1. When his 38 calibre revolver failed to fire at his intended victim during a hold-up in Long Beach , California, would-be robber James Elliot did something that can only inspire wonder. He peered down the barrel and tried the trigger again. This time it worked.

Continued.....

## And now, the honourable mentions:

2. The chef at a hotel in Switzerland lost a finger in a meat cutting machine and after a little shopping around, submitted a claim to his insurance company. The company expecting negligence sent out one of its men to have a look for himself. He tried the machine and he also lost a finger. The chef's claim was approved.

3. A man who shoveled snow for an hour to clear a space for his car during a blizzard in Chicago returned with his vehicle to find a woman had taken the space. Understandably, he shot her.

4. After stopping for drinks at an illegal bar, a Zimbabwean bus driver found that the 20 mental patients he was supposed to be transporting from Harare to Bulawayo had escaped. Not wanting to admit his incompetence, the driver went to a nearby bus stop and offered everyone waiting there a free ride. He then delivered the passengers to the mental hospital, telling the staff that the patients were very excitable and prone to bizarre fantasies.. The deception wasn't discovered for three days

5. An American teenager was in the hospital recovering from serious head wounds received from an oncoming train. When asked how he received the injuries, the lad told police that he was simply trying to see how close he could get his head to a moving train before he was hit.

6. A man walked into a Louisiana Circle-K, put a \$20 bill on the counter, and asked for change. When the clerk opened the cash drawer, the man pulled a gun and asked for all the cash in the register, which the clerk promptly provided. The man took the cash from the clerk and fled, leaving the \$20 bill on the counter. The total amount of cash he got from the drawer... \$15. *[If someone points a gun at you and gives you money, is a crime committed?]* 

7. Seems an Arkansas guy wanted some beer pretty badly.. He decided that he'd just throw a cinder block through a liquor store window, grab some booze, and run. So he lifted the cinder block and heaved it over his head at the window. The cinder block bounced back and hit the would-be thief on the head, knocking him unconscious. The liquor store window was made of Plexiglas. The whole event was caught on videotape...

8. As a female shopper exited a New York convenience store, a man grabbed her purse and ran. The clerk called 911 immediately, and the woman was able to give them a detailed description of the snatcher. Within minutes, the police apprehended the snatcher. They put him in the car and drove back to the store. The thief was then taken out of the car and told to stand there for a positive ID. To which he replied, "Yes, officer, that's her. That's the lady I stole the purse from."

9. The Ann Arbor News crime column reported that a man walked into a Burger King in Ypsilanti, Michigan at 5 A.M., flashed a gun, and demanded cash. The clerk turned him down because he said he couldn't open the cash register without a food order. When the man ordered onion rings, the clerk said they weren't available for breakfast... The man, frustrated, walked away.

10. When a man attempted to siphon gasoline from a motor home parked on a Seattle street by sucking on a hose, he got much more than he bargained for... Police arrived at the scene to find a very sick man curled up next to a motor home near spilled sewage. A police spokesman said that the man admitted to trying to steal gasoline, but he plugged his siphon hose into the motor home's sewage tank by mistake. The owner of the vehicle declined to press charges saying that it was the best laugh he'd ever had.

In the interest of bettering mankind, please share these with friends and family, unless of course one of these individuals by chance is a distant relative or long lost friend. In that case, be glad they are distant and hope they remain lost.

## Remember.... They walk among us, they can reproduce, and they vote!!!!!

