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Hi Everyone,

The weather is starting to cool down now so it is ideal riding conditions before the rains start.
The ride calendar is full with plenty of ride so get on your bike!

Thanks again to the dedicated few that lead rides each week. Anyone else that has never led a ride why not have a go, it is not hard and there are plenty of members willing to help you. You may know some places that we have not discovered yet. Don't worry about getting lost – ride leaders NEVER get lost (except Paul wrong Turner but he gets forgiven).

Committee Nominations – I have the numbers..... Ok I'm off my soapbox now.

Walk for Cancer - Fremantle Branch has a crew of five intrepid ladies who have committed to walk 30 km to raise funds for cancer research. It appears as if we will not be providing corner marking so instead we plan to the rolling support crew for our team. Please let Tony Collins know if you are prepared to help encourage the Fremantle team.

There was a Presidents Meeting on April 1st, no one from the Committee could not attend so Tony Collins represented us as he was attending to update the other branches on the Odyssey. Some points from the meeting:

- Possible ride for Easter - Donnybrook apple festival is on
- Branches sharing ride calendars
- Joint branch rides
- Reminder that Freo is organising the Memorial Ride this year
- John Gliddon Perth was nominated as the WA branch liaison with Natcom
- Proposal is to have branch president's meeting three to four times a year to establish closer ties between branches
- Tony gave an outline of the Odyssey program and the Collie Motorcycle Festival - they appeared to be happy with the planning
- Tony gave a brief outline of the WA bid submitted for the 2020 AGM in Mandurah

Cheap & Cheerful Rides – Thank you Paul Turner & Tony Collins for leading the rides. Although there were not a lot of people the ones that went enjoyed themselves. We will wait until the days get longer again before we do more. That does not mean we will not have any social functions in the meantime.

Any other ideas you may have for social events or rides away please send them to the committee.

See you at the Social Meeting Wednesday 12th March at the Leopold Hotel 8pm.

That's it for now

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

Colin Booth 61215

President Ulysses Fremantle Branch



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FREMANTLE BRANCH MEETING
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Note: Next meeting, Wednesday
10th
May 2017

Plods and Saturday morning coffee

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

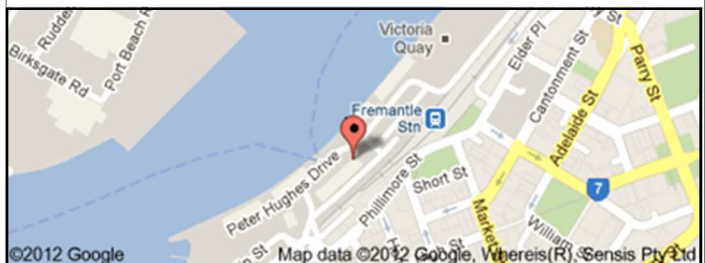
Any enquiries regarding plods can be directed to any of the following:

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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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RIDE TO CONQUER CANCER 21 & 22 OCTOBER 2017 WE NEED YOU TO MARK CORNERS

The ride to raise funds for the Perkins Cancer Research Institute is on again in October this year. Ride is from Perth to Mandurah on Saturday and return to Perth on Sunday

Ulysses, HOGS and other motorcyclists have assisted in the running of the event in past years by providing corner markers and acting as safety marshals along the route.

We need approximately 50 people to adequately cover the whole route on each day.

If you can assist for one day or both please contact Tony Collins Ulysses Club Fremantle Branch – preferably by email but SMS is OK.

I will even accept snail mail if it provides a warm body and a working motorcycle underneath to mark a corner.

Please provide the following information in your reply:

- Contact details – email & mobile phone number
- Rider solo
- Rider with Pillion
- Car driver - solo or in company
- Day available – Saturday or Sunday - or preferably both
- Time of day – morning or afternoon
- If you volunteer for both days then if it is at all possible you will have one morning and one afternoon so it is fair to all
- Locality – if you live in Mandurah then obviously 7am in South Perth is not the best option for you
- Any corner you would prefer NOT to mark for personal reasons
- Special dietary requirements – lunch will be supplied
- Other special needs – toilet close by corner etc.
- Overnight tent in Mandurah – tent is supplied at no charge but BYO everything else

This is very worthy cause so please consider helping
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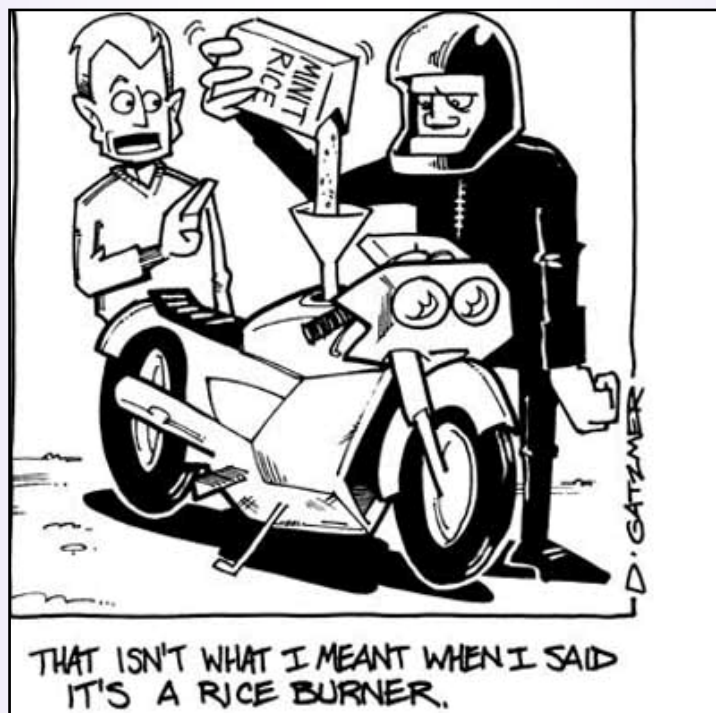
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(Odyssey Update)

Odyssey 2017

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Vietnam Ride with Platypus Foundation Nov Dec 2016

Part THREE

Day 8 Meo Vac to Ba Be Lake

Boat cruise on Ba Be lake this morning – would have been perfect if we could have gone without the noisy, smoking long tail motor but then you would not get anywhere very quickly.

Beautiful scenery in a relatively untouched part of the world.

Back onto the bikes and more adventure riding.

Day 9 Ba Be Lake to Ban Gioc and Quang Uyen

Ban Gioc waterfalls are on the river that is a border between China and Vietnam. The Chinese have dammed the river upstream but as a concession to non- Vietnamese tourists they will release a quantity of water at 11.15am each day so the falls can be seen in full flow.

If Vietnamese tourists arrive then no water is released - needless to say there is little love lost between the two countries.

A lot of back road riding today and by the end of the day we were all over dirt riding

Glad to get to accommodation for a shower and cold beer to wash away the dust.



Day 10 Quang Uyen to Lang Son

More riding through mountain scenery with an endless number of locals waving and smiling.

Day 11 Ha Long

Last day on the bikes today and it was a bit of an anticlimax knowing the ride was almost over.

Reached Ha Long where we bid farewell to the trusty bikes that had travelled over 2100 km without any major issues. The bikes were serviced every night of the trip by our mechanic Ngoc and he fussed over each one to ensure it was in top mechanical condition for the next day.

One bike did break down when the head stock bearing collapsed it and was replaced by Ngoc who drove 200km back to Hanoi (5 hour's drive), picked up a new bike, said hello to his wife and children and returned early next morning.

I took some riding gear that I always intended to leave behind as it was at the end of its useful life – I left my jacket, boots, helmet and pants because quarantine would have had kittens if I tried to bring it back to Australia impregnated with all manner of biological materials. No amount of cleaning could have got them clean to quarantine standards - I deliberately took these along as “disposable” gear and I am glad I did.

I strongly recommend NOT taking your best riding gear because it will most certainly not be best at the end of the ride.

Next morning the group were taken to the harbour to get onto a boat for a cruise and overnight stay on the bay before returning to Ha Long where a bus took everyone back to Hanoi. Everyone was most impressed with the accommodation on the boat, the scenery and most of all the quality of the food provided for meals. The on-board chef was given tops marks for the food.

Back for an overnigher in Hanoi and then it was off home for some and on to other destinations for others.

Cooney our leader, Nogoc the mechanic and Koong the tail-end-charlie did an amazing job ensuring everyone was safe, happy and had an unforgettable experience in Vietnam.





The ride was organised by Platypus Foundation a WA charity established to raise money to provide scholarships for talented students who are selected by the Women's committees in each village. Names are passed upwards through the local and provincial committees and recommendations are made to the Platypus Board as to which students deserve assistance.

We visited one school that has five Platypus sponsored students and four are planning to be teachers with the fifth wanting to become a Doctor

Each ride participant makes a \$500 donation - with the average scholarship being about \$50 per year - it does not sound much but the money goes a long way in Vietnam and it does make a difference.

The 12 day ride including bike, accommodation, and evening meals was about AU\$2,500 for a rider and about AU\$1500 for a pillion / passenger in support vehicle

Rides are run several times a year and represent great value for money while helping a very worthy cause at the same time.

Tony Collins

Fremantle

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Fremantle Branch Ride Leader Steve Zaretsky
2017 Ulysses AGM Trek
Port Macquarie and Return

Departs Perth Saturday 6 May 2017

Arrives Port Macquarie Sunday 14 May 2017

Week 1: Overall seven days riding plus two days leisure probably Ceduna or Streaky Bay.

Week 2: Have a week of your own time or volunteer to help with AGM setting up.

Week 3: AGM Week. Plenty of Rides and Socialising.

Week 4: Overall seven days of riding plus one leisure day getting back to Perth.

Return Date Sunday 4 June 2017

WANTED - 2x Support Vehicle Driver/s (Beer wagon drivers/cooks)
(May be rider interchange)

I am happy to provide a vehicle for the return trip but it will need a driver or two. Here is **WHY**:

- A Pint of Beer will cost about \$11.00.
- If 6 people have three pints each every night then the cost of beer alone will be around \$3400.
- If we have a support vehicle we can drink 6 cans each per night at @\$2 / can for \$1200.

This unbudgeted cost saving alone will pay for the support vehicle. The savings are even greater if we factor in the support vehicle carrying our tents / stretchers and other cooking gear and food supplies. We can also reduce our riding distances by cutting out our leisure days.

8 days riding @ 525km / day

9 days riding @ 460km / day

With support vehicle and sleeping in Tents on cots we have greater control over where we stop for overnight camps. We can eat reasonably healthy and fresh food and can have hot coffee, cold beer or cheap red at our own price.

Provide own tent and cot (assume currently owned)	\$0	(also reduces AGM accom cost)
The occasional Caravan park fee (Return)	\$400	

Fuel for Support vehicle	(Return)	\$2200
Food per head /day \$20 x 17 x 8	(2x drivers)	\$2700
	Sub total	\$5300

Item	Nights / KMS	Total approx
Fuel @ \$1.40/ltr	8400km	\$850
Meals	17 days	\$340
Occcasional C/van pk fee		\$50
Support vehicle fuel / 8	\$2200	\$275
	Total per rider return	\$1515

Add 6 cans of beer per person per night @\$2 can - \$200 (\$1715 each total)

The savings increase exponentially if Red Wine is consumed.

The support vehicle driver's share of cost is approx. \$765

How it works. Each person deposits \$800 (rounded for contingency) into a specified credit / debit card account. Two cards are issued. All costs associated with Support vehicle (including wear and tear costs like blown tyres), with food and caravan parks / camping are to be drawn against the card balance.

Unsupported costs as follows

Accommodation (to Port Macquarie) – Budget about \$120 per night for a double bed or twin share in Motel style.

Food – if you carry your own brekky cereal and stove for coffee

Lunch as a burger or similar about \$15

Tea - a pub meal or roadhouse about \$20 - \$30 per night depending on choice. Obviously if you have a stove you can cook / reheat your own food a lot cheaper

Fuel - I think the most expensive fuel I paid for was \$1.68 per litre. A big cruiser doing 14.25km/ltr would use about 600 litres, return. Average that at \$1.40 /ltr and you will need to allow \$850 for fuel for the return trip. Average ride day is 600km.

AGM - Accommodation – best on offer is a Tent City Tent on site at Port Macquaire. Each tent has two camp stretchers / cots and full rubber floor and usually a 12v light and two chairs. See AGM Registration. If you volunteer for a few days starting the Monday 15th May you will usually be allowed to camp for free (to be confirmed) at the AGM site in set up week.

Item	Nights / KMS	Total approx
Fuel @ \$1.40/ltr	8400km	\$850
Lunch	17 days @ \$15	\$255
Evening meals	17 days @ \$25	\$425
Motel accom	17 nights @ \$120/2	\$2000 / \$1000
	Total per person Share	\$2530

Add \$560 for an allowance of 3 pints of beer per person per night (\$3090 each Total)

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Excerpt from motorcycleclassics.com

1961 Triton

By the Motorcycle Classics staff 8/5/2015



Country: Great Britain

Engine: Air-cooled, vertical twin, 4-stroke

Ignition: Lucas magneto

Power Rating: 45bhp @ 7,000rpm

Displacement: 649cc

Valves: Overhead, pushrod activated

Fuel System: Twin Amal Concentric carburetors

Transmission: Triumph 4-speed

Suspension: Front Norton Roadholder telescopic forks, rear twin shock

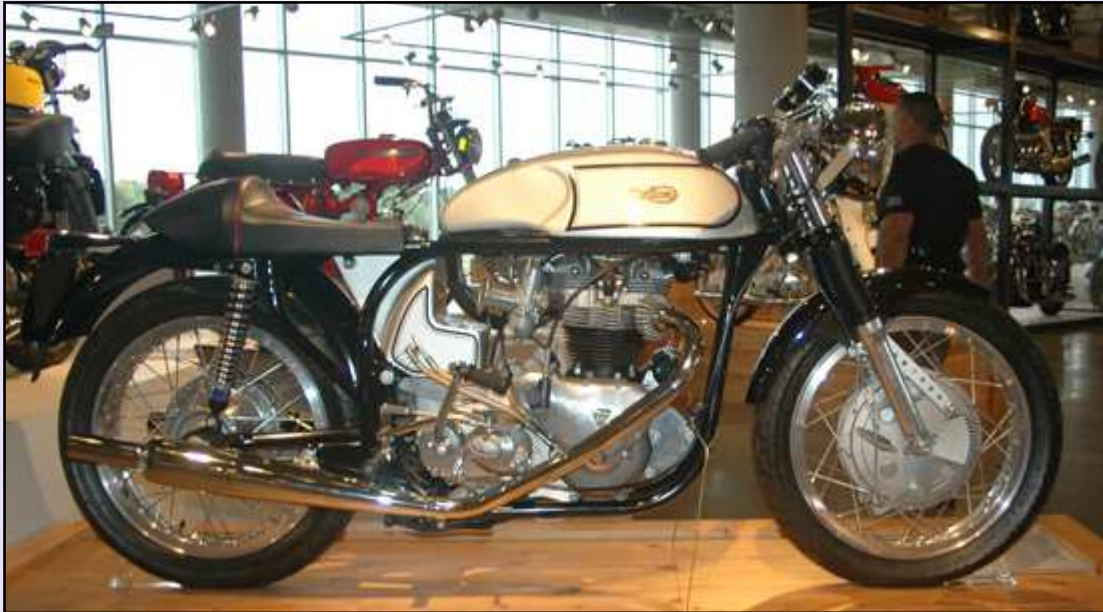
Brakes: Front, four shoe Fontana drum, rear Triumph drum

Weight: 360lbs

Top speed: 125mph



A Triton is a Triumph power unit installed in a Norton Featherbed frame, a combination of the best engine in the best frame at the time. No two Tritons are alike but an expression of the special builder's art. This example was built by Jerry Cartwright in a small village in North Wales, U.K. The Triton was the most popular sport bike favoured by the Rockers in the 1960s.





SOME LIGHT HUMOUR

Something for all you romantics

An elderly couple had just learned how to send text messages on their mobile phones.

The wife was a romantic type and the husband was more of a no-nonsense guy.

One afternoon the wife went out to meet a friend for coffee.

She decided to send her husband a romantic text message and she wrote:

"If you are sleeping, send me your dreams. If you are laughing, send me your smile.

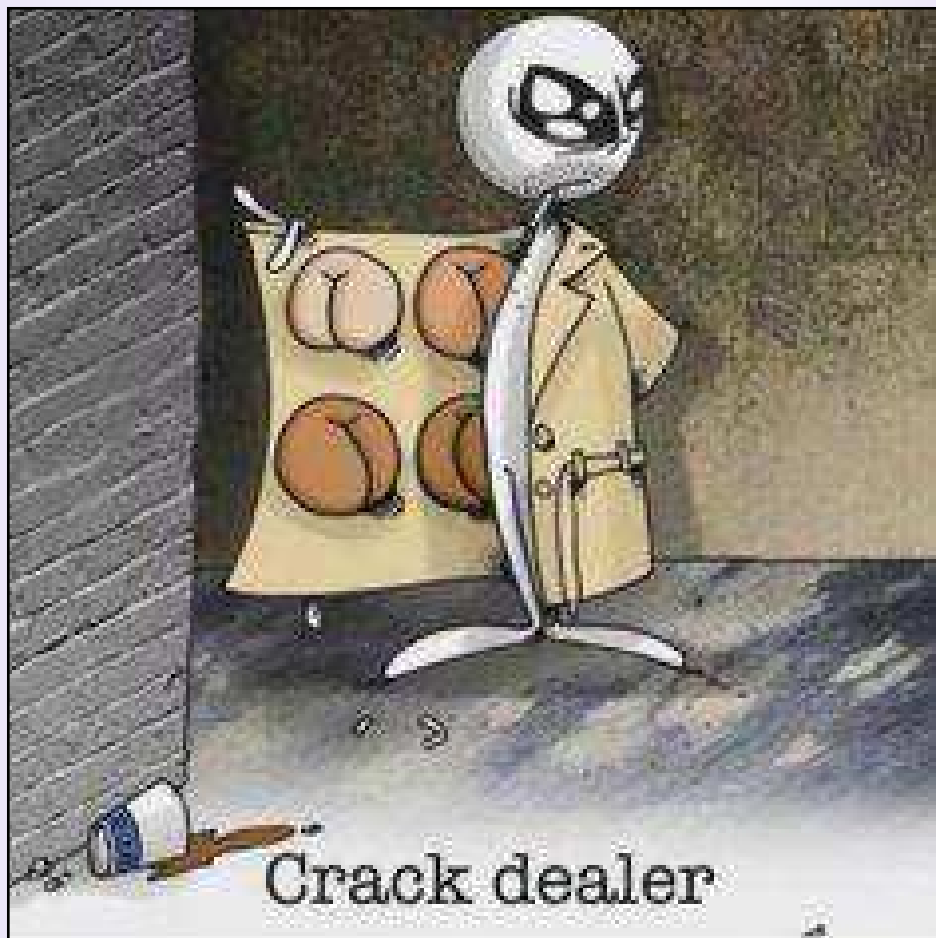
If you are eating, send me a bite. If you are drinking, send me a sip.

If you are crying, send me your tears.....

I love you."

The husband texted back to her:

"I'm on the toilet. Please advise."





Woman's Poem

Before I lay me down to sleep,
I pray for a man who's not a creep.
One who's handsome, smart and
strong, one who loves to listen long.
One who thinks before he speaks,
one who calls, not wait for weeks.
Oh send me a king to make me a queen,
a man who loves to cook and clean.

Man's Poem

I pray for a deaf-mute gymnast nymphomaniac
with big boobs, who owns a bar on a
golf course, and loves to send me
out to go fishing and drinking.
This doesn't rhyme
and I don't give a shit.



"IF GOD MADE EVERYTHING, HE MUST LIVE IN CHINA."