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Hi Everyone,

Happy 2018 to you all. May all your New Year's resolutions last more than a few weeks.

The first ride of the year was led by me last weekend and it was a good start to the year, (14 people & 10 bikes I think was the count). It was a very pleasant ride at the speed limit because of the Double Demerits still being in effect. More will be revealed by TEC at the meeting this week.

We need some ride leaders for the next few months so if you can help out let Patrick know by email at <u>rideco@ulyssesfremantle.com.au</u>. If you have never led a ride why not make 2018 the year you lead one! We can help you out with planning if you would like assistance.

**Website** – On Line News, a new page for stories about rides or social weekends etc. has been set up. There is a link on the home page. So far there is a story about the Borden weekend but we would like more in there. So if you have a story that has been submitted to the Riding On or you write one about a ride; maybe you can send a copy to Ron at (WebMaster@UlyssesFremantle.com) to upload. If you can, some embedded photos into the document would be helpful.

**Breakfast Club** - After two great breakfast meetups Warnbro Sound Wanderers have kindly put up their hands to host January at the Nino's Café at Dolphins Quay, Mandurah on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January @ 9.30am. See the Calendar for details. Try to get there as they are a great way to meet up with other members.

Armadale will be doing February and Perth will do March. In March it will be one week earlier to move it away from Easter Saturday.

#### More things in the planning -

Weekend away - Are there any ideas for another weekend away? If you have any ideas send them to me so we can get something organised. We won't force you to lead the ride so any ideas are appreciated. Maybe a weekend sometime in March, before Easter would be good?

Australia Day Celebrations – Tony Collins has again offered his house (& Swimming Pool) for a get together on Australia Day. More details will be sent out once finalised.

Any other ideas you may have for social events or rides away please sent them to the committee, the more events we have throughout the year, the more chance you have to catch up with other members you may not have seen for a while.

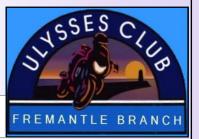
On another note, I will not be renominating for the position of President next AGM. Having been on the Committee for a year and being RideCo before becoming President for the recent few years, I feel it is time for someone fresh to take up the role. There are a few in the Branch that could do a good job so hopefully someone will be keen to take up the position.

That's all 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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#### <u>Note: Next meeting, Wednesday</u> <u>14th</u> <u>February 2018</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 together will also continue to take place at the Victoria Café, however commencement will be from 9.00am.





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# THE BREAKFAST CLUB IS HERE

Thanks all, the breakfast at Kings Parks was well supported

Breakfast is on again Saturday January 27th @ 9.30am

Get over the Australia Day Parties

**Breakfast By The Water** 

Hosted by the Warnbro Sound Wanderers Branch

Where

#### Nino's Fish Bar Mandurah

Dolphin Quay, Shop 21, 4 Zephyr Mews Mandurah

Free Wine Raffle

Coming up February – Armadale March - Perth



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#### Excerpt from MOTORCYCLE.COM

#### First Look: 2018 Ducati Multistrada 1260 Ducati goes bigger and techier

Brent Jaswinski November 5, 2017



In Europe, Ducati will again offer a D-Air version that works with airbag-equipped Dainese jackets.

With a long list of upgrades over the last generation of Multistradas, this year's 'Strada is pretty much all new for 2018. It gets an upgrade with the new <u>Ducati</u> Testastretta DVT (Desmodromic Variable Timing) 1262cc engine, a new chassis, more advanced electronics, and an aesthetic update that includes new fairing panels and lighter, sportier looking wheels.

Ducati says the Multistrada essentially offers four bikes in one: from sportbike to long- distance tourer, from everyday runabout to enduro. The 1262cc Testastretta DVT engine, derived from its XDiavel stable mate, is Euro 4 approved and gives ample low- and mid-range torque for better rideability in everyday use. Ducati says the motor offers 85% of max torque from below 3,500 rpm and output at 5,500 rpm is 18% higher compared to its 1200 predecessor.

The 2018 Multistrada's bigger displacement was achieved by increasing piston stroke from 67.9 to 71.5mm (bore remains 106mm), requiring new connecting rods, crankshaft and cylinders. The DVT system was recalibrated to maximize low-to-midrange torque delivery, bringing maximum output to a claimed 158 ponies at 9,750 rpm and maximum torque of 95.5 lb-ft at 7,500 rpm.

Both the exhaust and intake had to be redesigned to achieve this performance. The exhaust piping was remodeled, and the presilencer received a new inner layout and a new muffler as well. At the intake end, the air intake mouth was reshaped.



Ducati says the new Ride-by-Wire system offers smoother throttle control. This, combined with the smoother, more accurate up and downshifting offered by the Ducati Quick Shift (DQS) system (standard on the S model, optional on the base model), should offer enhanced levels of control.

Other electronic upgrades include the Ducati Traction Control (DTC) system that has eight different intervention levels with level 1 offering the lowest degree of system intervention, while level 8 is intended for wet road surfaces and gives maximum wheelspin prevention.

The Multistrada 1260 also features a Bosch Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU), which controls Ducati Wheelie Control (DWC, also with eight levels of intervention), Bosch Cornering ABS and electronic speed control. The bike has four different riding modes including Sport, Touring, Urban and Enduro. Each mode has tailored power delivery, DTC, DWC and ABS presets uniquely beneficial to the various riding conditions, however the rider can create custom levels of his/her own to suit riding styles and preferences.

On the Multistrada 1260, all relevant information is easily seen on its LCD instrument panel, while the S model receives a new five-inch thin film transistor (TFT) screen. The new TFT panel offers higher resolution, improved readability in the sun and a simplified graphic layout for user-friendly navigation through the menus.

The S version features a full LED headlight with Ducati Cornering Lights (DCL), which activate in curves to give optimal illumination of the road surface based on lean angle. Additionally, lean angle triggered self-cancelling turn signals also come standard.

The dual 320mm disc front brake system on the Multistrada 1260 features radially-mounted Brembo four-piston monobloc calipers coupled to a radial master cylinder with adjustable lever position. At the rear, there is a single 265mm disc gripped by a floating caliper, again from Brembo. On the Multistrada S version, the braking system is shared with the Ducati Superbikes – twin 330mm discs at the front coupled with Brembo M50 monobloc radial four-piston calipers bring the S to a halt. Both the base and S version take advantage of the Bosch 9.1ME Cornering ABS ECU.

The Multistrada 1260 features a Kayaba 48mm upside-down fork, fully adjustable for spring preload, compression, and rebound. The rear is controlled by a Sachs monoshock, also fully adjustable in compression and rebound and with spring preload manually adjustable via a handy remote twist knob.



The S model is suspended by an inverted 48mm fully adjustable Sachs fork as well as a fully adjustable Sachs rear shock. The difference between the 1260 and 1260 S is that the S model will feature Ducati Skyhook Suspension (DSS) Evolution technology. The DSS Evo system analyzes data from numerous sensors on the sprung and unsprung weights of the bike to calculate and electronically set the compression and rebound damping needed to make the ride as smooth and as controlled as possible. Both suspension systems provide 6.7 inches of travel (both front and rear).

The chassis of the Multistrada 1260 features a new frontal trellis frame and includes a longer singleside swingarm. Steering angle increases from 24- to 25-degrees, and the new swingarm is 48mm longer. As a result of these changes, wheelbase is now 55mm longer. This, along with the new engine's character and suspension setup should lend the Multistrada 1260 sharper handling skills in curves while ensuring full stability when riding two-up or fully loaded.

In addition to all these changes and upgrades, Ducati has provided other user-friendly features such as a keyless ignition, where the rider can keep the electronic fob in their pocket and as long as they're within 2 meters of the bike. A metal key flips out of the fob to open the gas cap and underseat storage. Other features include cruise control (Something John Burns seemingly can't survive without), seat height adjustability and Bluetooth smartphone integration with the Ducati Multimedia System (DMS). Finally, perhaps the icing on the cake, the Multistrada 1260 offers *looong* maintenance intervals. With an oil change required only every 15,000 km (9,320 miles!) and a "Desmo Service" every 30,000 km (18,640 miles!), you can spend more time on the road and less time in the garage.

If all these features and upgrades on the Multistrada 1260 base and S models aren't up to your standards, Ducati is also offering a Pikes Peak Edition, aimed to *really* bring out the bike's sporty character. Incorporating all the S model's features, the Pikes Peak version is equipped with even lighter forged aluminum wheels and is fitted with a mechanically adjustable Öhlins fork and an Öhlins TTX36 shock. In addition, a carbon fiber Ducati Performance exhaust by Termignoni provides the bark. Finally, carbon fiber replaces much of the bodywork and a race-inspired color scheme rounds out its appearance.

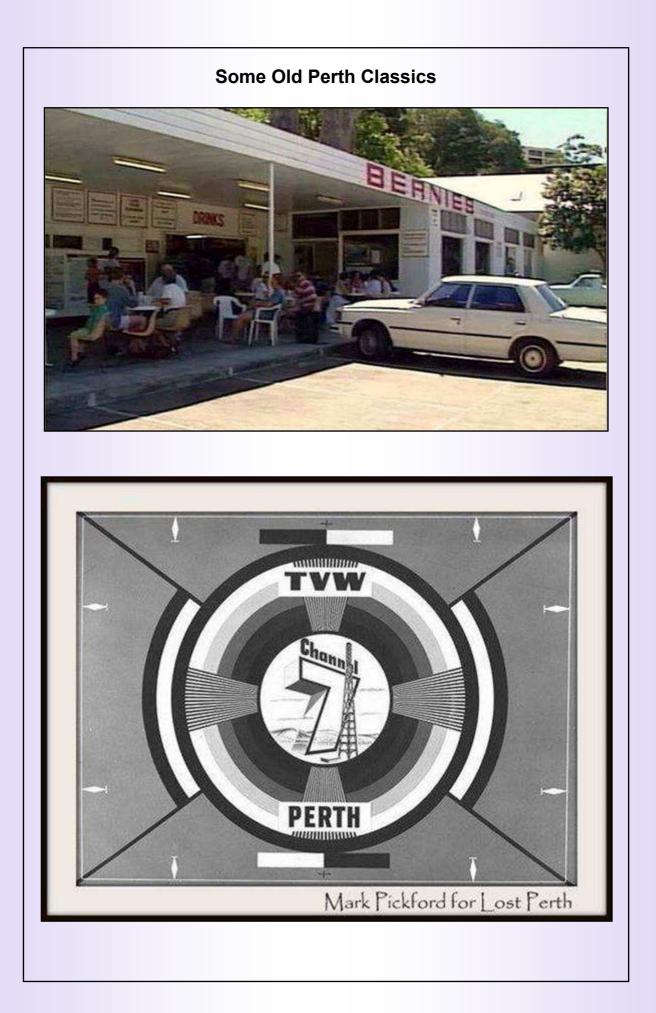


Front Suspension	48 mm fully adjustable usd forks	Suspension Evo (DSS)	Sachs 48 mm fully adjustable usd forks. Electronic compres- sion and rebound damping adjustment with Ducati Skyhook Suspension Evo (DSS)	Öhilins 48 mm fully adjustable usd forks
Front wheel				
Front Tire Rear Suspension	Fully adjustable Sachs monoshock unit. Re- mote spring preload adjustment. Aluminum single-sided swingarm	Fully adjustable Sachs unit. Electronic com- pression and rebound damping adjustment. Electronic spring pre- load adjustment with Ducati Skyhook Sus- pension (DSS) Evo. Aluminum single-	rail II 120/70 R17 Fully adjustable Sachs unit. Electronic com- pression and rebound damping adjustment. Electronic spring pre- load adjustment with Ducati Skyhook Sus- pension (DSS) Evo. Aluminum single- sided swingarm	x 17" Fully adjustable Öhlins TTX36 shock absorb- er. Aluminum single- sided swingarm
Rear Wheel Travel			n (6.7 in)	
Rear Wheel	5-spoke Y-shaped cast light alloy 6.00" x 17"	5-spoke Y-shaped	5-spoke Y-shaped casted light alloy 6.00"	3-spoke Ψ-shape forged light alloy 6.00" x 17"
Rear Tire			Frail II 190/55 R17	
Front Brake	2 x 320 mm semi- floating discs, radially mounted monobloc Brembo callipers, 4- piston, 2-pad, with cornering ABS as standard equipment 265 mm disc, 2-p	floating discs, radially mounted Brembo mon- obloc Evo M50 4- piston callipers, 2-pad, radial pump with cor- nering ABS as stand- ard equipment iston floating calliper, w	obloc Evo M50 4- piston callipers, 2-pad, radial pump with cor- nering ABS as stand- ard equipment vith cornering ABS as st	mounted Brembo mon- obloc Evo M50 4- piston callipers, 2-pad, radial pump with cor- nering ABS as stand- ard equipment
Fuel Tank Capacity			gallon (US)	
Dry weight Wet weight Seat height Instrumentation	461 lb (claimed) 511 lb (claimed) LCD	467 lb (claimed) 518 lb (claimed) Adjustable 825 – 84 Color TFT display 5"	470 lb (claimed) 520 lb (claimed) 5 mm (32.5 – 33.3 in) Color TFT display 5"	454 lb (claimed) 505 lb (claimed) Color TFT display 5" Vehicle Hold Control (VHC), Riding Modes,
Ducati electronics	Vehicle Hold Control (VHC), Riding Modes, Power Modes, Ducati Safety Pack (Bosch Cornering ABS + DTC), Ducati Wheelie Control (DWC), Cruiso control, Hands-Free, Backlit handlebar switches, Auto-off indicators, ready for Ducati Quick Shift (DQS) up/down, Ducati Multimedia System (DMS), Anti- theft system	Power Modes, Ducati Safety Pack (Bosch Cornering ABS + DTC), Ducati Wheelie Control (DWC), Ducati Cornering Lights, Ducati	Vehicle Hold Control (VHC), Riding Modes Power Modes, Ducati Safety Pack (Bosch Cornering ABS + DTC), Ducati Wheelie Control (DWC), Ducati Cornering Lights, Ducati Skyhook Suspension (DSS) Evo, Ducati Quick Shift (DQS) up/ down, Cruise control, Hands-Free, Backlit handlebar switches, Ducati Multimedia System (DMS), Full- colour TFT display, Full LED headlamp, Auto-off indicators, ready for D air system, Anti-theft system	Control (DWC), Ducati Cornering Lights, Ducati Quick Shift (DQS) up/down, Cruise control, Hands-Free, Backlit handlebar switches, Ducati Multi- media System (DMS), Full-colour TFT dis- play, Full LED head- lamp, Auto-off indica- tors, Ducati Perfor- mance by Termignoni homologated exhaust, Carbon fibre wind- screen, High perfor- mance Öhlins suspen- sion Carbon fibre font
Emissions Standard Fuel Consumption			iro 4 g (claimed)	

**Plodding** Wednesday 20th of December saw 18 "Plodders" turn up for our pre Christmas ride. Mick Webb had done some research on venues suitable for a Christmas lunch and finally decided on The Mount Helena Tavern, which turned out to be a good choice, with friendly staff who looked after us. Jim McMahon led the ride stopping at Karragullen for morning tea. Unfortunately after this, and before reaching Mount Helena we had our usual corner marker 'Stuff up". Not sure if the age of the riders has anything to do with this but it has happened on the last three rides, or is that four? Happily every one eventually arrived and enjoyed the occasion. Peter Brown









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