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Hi All

Branch AGM

We have some good news since the AGM. Reg Williamson has agreed to be our Secretary / Treasurer. Many thanks Reg for taking on this essential role.

Rides

The much-needed rain last month has meant the cancellation of some of our rides and the continuing postponement of some others. Unfortunately, that is just the way our Perth weather is at this time of year. However, we are always looking for Ride Leaders and new / different destinations.

Knee replacements do take a lot of time to get over and be fully functional again. Mine is going to plan at this time and I hope to be able to get back on the bike sometime in August.

Welfare Officer

Debra Johnson is our Welfare Officer and she can be contacted on welfare@ulyssesfremantle.com Please let her know if you or someone you know in our Branch needs assistance. I was very glad to receive a "Get well soon" card whilst recovering from my knee surgery. Others may require some Branch involvement – mowing of lawns etc. so please let our Welfare Officer know..

Natcom Dinner

Our National Committee will be here in Perth on Saturday 7 December. The Meet and Greet Dinner will be held in Mandurah that evening. If you would like to attend, please advise our 2021 National Rally Director, Tony Collins director@ulyssesrally2021.com. The venue will be chosen when we have an adequate idea of the numbers attending.

John Peffer 40751 President Ulysses Fremantle Branch





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THE BREAKFAST CLUB IS HERE

A Big Big Thank You from Chloe and Ken for all your donations to the Black Dog Ride 'Buy Chloe a Coffee' campaign \$365 -00 in total (thats a lot of coffee!)

Breakfast (It's a Brunch) Club

Saturday July 27th @ 10.00am on

Come up to the Foothills for an Early Lunch

HAYNES BAR AND GRILL

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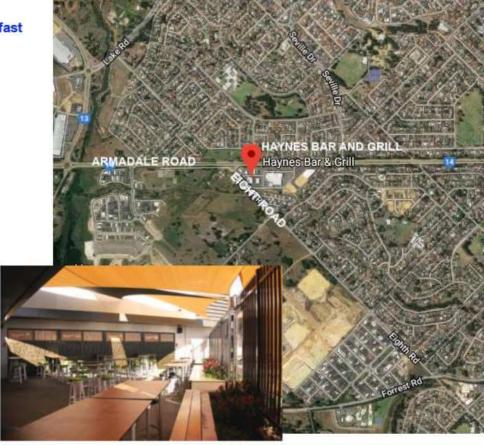
Hosted by the Armadale Branch

Free Wine Raffle

Coming up August- Swan Valley Hills September - Odyssey Breakfast



More Information Gerry - 0418 907 140 Ken - 0418 925 081



FREMANTLE BRANCH MEETING 7:30pm 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE HAMILTON TAVERN 330 CARRINGTON ST, HAMILTON HILL WA.

The committee is the servant of the Group, not the Master

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Note: Next meeting, Tuesday 13th August 2019

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 former site of the Victoria Café, however commencement will be from 9.00am.





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For those dealing with depression before/during/ after addiction rehab we have been requested to promote Dr Keenan's guide for those requiring more information.

Dr Keenan's guide can be accessed via the following link:

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Message from Jude Gliddon (Joondalup Branch)

OK kids, I'm organising a 2 week soft cycling trip in north Vietnam in May next year for the Platypus Charity. We usually do motorbike rides to raise money but I'm keen to do this. The same local team that does the bike rides will lead, organise and support the cycle one. These guys are seriously good at this and we've been refining the processes for years. Quite a few members came along a few years ago and we had a ball.

So, 'what is soft cycling?' I hear you ask. Well it means not hard core - mainly good surfaces, relaxed pace and a support truck and bus so you can jump in if you've had enough or a hill looks too big. Then you can get out and ride down the other side. Your call. I'd like to include some massages (working on this). We will end up at a posh stilt resort on the private Cat Ba Island where we can kayak, snorkel and swim. I don't have a price or set date yet but it will start in the second week of May and the rides have been very reasonably priced. The idea is to get to Hanoi early and get used to it. Our guys will arrange your transport from the airport to our hotel.

You can read about Platypus here: http://www.platypus-charity.org/about-us/ - we're all volunteers so the money goes to the kids.

If you're interested, please contact Jude at judithpq54@gmail.com





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Period 6, Now Fra. 1983 to 1909

Some Blasts From The Past



Stonehenge Esperance



Bridgetown

Below is the program for the Bridgetown Odyssey in September 2019 hosted by the Mandurah Murray Ulysses Branch kindly provided by Ian Dix

Welcome to The Bridgetown Odyssey



Friday 27th.

Arrive Midday 4.00pm-6.00pm Check in Bar opens at 5.30pm bring in a take away & chat with long lost friends. Or check out Restaurants/Hotels in Town.

Saturday 28th.

7.00am—8.30am Breakfast 7.00am—8.30am Check In.

7.00am—8.30am Quartermasters.

9.00am Parade, Sports ground, through to Blackwood River Park. 6ks Organised ride, leaving from Blackwood river Park.

9.30am Casual Rides From Blackwood River Park.

Suitable for Trikes & Solo Riders that prefer to enjoy the scenery. Approx 120ks Doug & Jan will be leading this ride to Boyup Brook for Brunch, on the way back to town they will take you to the Green Bushes Lithium Mine Lookout.

Approx 150ks ride with Mike & Justine/ Jeff & Linda.

Alternatively, a time to check out this beautiful Town & surrounding areas.

- 3.00pm until 5.00pm gives you the chance to compete against other Branches in the Olympic Games, come prepared.
- 3.00pm--5.00pm Late Check in.
- 6.00pm A Bus will be taking you along to The Town Hall, for a night of Food/Raffles/Skits & Dancing to live music, in fact everything that Ulysses members enjoy best when not riding. Come on Branches, start organising your Skits these have always been a favourite in the past.

Welcome to The Bridgetown Odyssey Hosted by Mandurah Murray



Sunday 29th

7.30am—9.00am Breakfast

7.30am—9.00am Quartermasters

8.00am- 9.00am Check In

9.30am Organised Ride leaving Sports ground, heading for Clancy's Fish Pub Dunsborough & back of course

10.00am Leisurely Wine Tour. From Sport's Ground\$10 Per Person

4.00pm --5.00pm Presidents Meeting

Casual BBQ Dinner

Music

Monday 30th

7.00am—9.00am. Breakfast

Farewell when ready to leave

The following is an excerpt from amcn.com.au

Living With Triumph Street Twin | Gassit Garage | Long Term

03 June 2019

There are no marks on the Street Twin (just one on the rider)

I have a bruise on my left big toe. I know; 'hero' is an overused word, but I am selflessly pressing on, and thank you for your understanding at this difficult time.

It turns out that riding Triumph's Street Twin in street boots rather than riding boots can lead to such orthopaedic setbacks. But four days trudging around Albert Park during Grand Prix week dictated that 'walking comfort' rather than 'riding comfort' was a priority. It was either that, or commuting from home with more spare footwear than your average Kardashian (who usually do not have size 12 feet).

But that is about as bad as it got. My month with the Streety came to an end with nothing worse than a bruised digit. The gearshift is new/stiff and takes a bit of effort, but nearly everything else about the black beast I liked.

Like, the speedometer. The single gauge reads to 200km/h. That suits me fine. My car's speedo goes to 240km/h, which may be achievable if I drove it out of the rear of a C130 Hercules at altitude. The realism of a 200km/h bike having an appropriate clock fits just fine.



The risers on the handlebars are about right. There are plenty of Triumph logos on board, but they are never intrusive. The mirrors work, but are in that middle zone of looking cool enough if you want to keep them, but no so cool you do not want to thumb through the parts catalogue for something more individual.

I am informed that more than half of Triumph owners buy genuine accessories for their rides, and I can see why. The Street Twin is a good starting place to personalise and make the bike your own but, at the same time, it looks just fine if you are satisfied with what came in the box.

Ditto for the exhaust. Messrs Vance & Hines can provide a set of mufflers that will make sure your neighbours know you have a new ride, but the standard exhaust provides enough music to keep you happy, particularly if your commute involves a tunnel. And if it doesn't, you may be tempted to make a detour.



The upgrades over the previous model have been well-detailed in full road tests, suffice to say that more revs, more power and torque, and better... most things make the bike a forward step over the previous model, for not a significantly bigger outlay.

I also admire what the Street Twin doesn't have. Adjustable suspension is all well and fine, and heaven knows there are some cool aftermarket options out there, but the standard stuff suited me. The same for the brakes, though I can see why the much faster Speed Twin comes with more stopping power. Almost everything I own now comes with Bluetooth but it was not missed on this bike.



Look; it would be wrong, and somewhat dismissive, to describe the Street Twin as a grown-up LAMS bike. At 900cc, it clearly is not. What it is, is so dead simple to ride that it would make an ideal bike on which to return to the streets on two wheels. It's not going to pull your arms off.

If, as I detailed in the first column in AMCN 68-17, you have spent a decade or two on four wheels rather than two while you dealt with so-called real life – but at the same time kept your bike licence – this is a good ride on which to return to action. Get up to date with some rider training first, and feel free to set the riding mode to 'Rain' if you want, and get ready for some stress-free fun.

Some may refer to the modern bikes from the marques as 'Thai-umphs'. Not me; the Britishness of the Street Twin shone through. I'll miss it.

And now, I'm off for a pork pie and a pint. A bruised toe never slowed down Churchill, did it?

Phil Branagan





Photos compiled courtesy of Lost Perth (Facebook)









SOME LIGHT HUMOUR



A drunk staggers into a Catholic Church, enters a confessional booth, sits down, but says nothing.

The Priest coughs a few times to get his attention but the drunk continues to sit there.

Finally, the Priest pounds three times on the wall.

The drunk mumbles, "ain't no use knockin', there's no paper on this side either!"

I'm no wildlife expert, but I think this monkey might be drunk.





Tiger Woods goes to Ireland

On a golf tour in Ireland, Tiger Woods drives his BMW into a petrol station in a remote part of the Irish countryside.

The pump attendant, obviously knows nothing about golf, greets him in a typical Irish manner completely unaware of who the golfing pro is.

Top of the mornin' to yer, sir" says the attendant. Tiger nods a quick "hello" and bends forward to pick up the nozzle. As he does so, two tees fall out of his shirt pocket onto the ground.

"What are dose?, asks the attendant. "They're called tees" replies Tiger.

"Well, what on god's earth are dey for?" inquires the Irishman.

"They're for resting my balls on when I'm driving", says Tiger.

"Fookin Jaysus", says the Irishman, "BMW tinks of everyting!"

