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Hi all members

The first thing that came to mind in writing this report is the passing of Tony Collins' wife Kirsten. This has come as quite a blow to most of us and I am sure that you join with me in this sadness whilst we think of Tony as he comes to grips with the loss of his wife.

It was good to see so many Fremantle Branch members as well as members from other branches present at Kirsten's funeral.

Rides

Over the last month, there has been some good riding weather, apart from 1 September (Fathers' Day). I enjoyed Andy Gibb's ride to Seabird via Bindoon. This was my first ride with the club since my knee replacement in June, 10 weeks altogether. My total distance was over 450km for the day. A great day. A couple of pointers from this ride though:

- **Corner Marking** If there are new people on the ride, they should acquainted with how we corner mark and the role of Tail End Charlie.
- **Fuel** it is wise to know the fuel range of your bike and fill up accordingly. It is better to "top up" the tank knowing that you have plenty of range than to risk running out of fuel. Not much fun waiting on the side of the road for help. I know, after being too slow to switch over to Reserve and suffering "vapour lock" several weeks ago.

Ride Leaders Wanted

We need ride leaders for 15, 22 September and 6 October. The annual Mike Smith Memorial Five Towns Ride is scheduled for 13 October Our Ride Co is currently away so please let me know if you can lead a ride.

Christmas

Now that we are in the last quarter of the year, it is well overdue to start planning our Branch Christmas party and I hope to have some news for you all on this shortly. The available dates are 16 Nov, 23 Nov, 30 Nov and 14 Dec. December the 7th is not available as we have the Natcom Dinner in Mandurah that evening.

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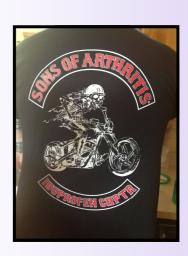
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FREMANTLE BRANCH MEETING 7:30pm 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE HAMILTON TAVERN 330 CARRINGTON ST, HAMILTON HILL WA.

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

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Note: Next meeting, Tuesday 8th October 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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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 judithpg54@gmail.com

(September Breakfast Club) - Please Note

In view of the Bridgetown Odyssey we will miss a formal one and hopefully have a general catch up in Bridgetown at the site.

October's Breakfast Club will be hosted by Dave Wright (NatCom!!) with the venue to be announced. Will advise as soon as known.

When I was a kid, my parents would always say, "Excuse my French" just after a swear word... I'll never forget my first day at school when my teacher asked if any of us knew any French



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Some Blasts From The Past (Andy's Ride to Waroona 2016)







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 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

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The 502C and will set you back \$9,790 ride away and is backed by a two-year unlimited-kilometre warranty and roadside assistance.







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SOME LIGHT HUMOUR

A Mafia Godfather finds out that his bookkeeper, Guido, has cheated him out of \$10 million dollars.

His bookkeeper is deaf. That was the reason he got the job in the first place. It was assumed that Guido would hear nothing so he would not have to testify in court.

When the Godfather goes to confront Guido about his missing \$10 million, he takes along his lawyer who knows sign language.

The Godfather tells the lawyer, "Ask him where the money is! The lawyer, using sign language, asks Guido, Where's the money? Guido signs back, "I don't know what you are talking about." The lawyer tells the Godfather, "He says he doesn't know what you are talking about" The Godfather pulls out a pistol, puts it to Guido's head and says, "Ask him again or I'll kill him!" The lawyer signs to Guido, "He'll kill you if you don't tell him." Guido trembles and signs back, "OK! You win! The money is in a brown briefcase, buried behind the shed at my cousin Bruno's house.

The Godfather asks the lawyer, "What did he say?" The lawyer replies, "He says you don't have the balls to pull the trigger."

Don't you just love lawyers??

THE IRISH PROSTITUTE

An Irish daughter had not been home for over 5 years. Upon her return, her Father cursed her heavily.

'Where have ye been all this time, child? Why did ye not write to us, not even a line? Why didn't ye call? Can ye not understand what ye put yer old Mother through?'

The girl, crying, replied, Dad... I became a prostitute.'

'Ye what!? Get out a here, ye shameless harlot! Sinner! You're a disgrace to this Catholic family.'

'OK, Dad... as ye wish. I only came back to give mum this luxurious fur coat, title deed to a ten bedroom mansion, plus a 5 million savings certificate. For me little brother, this gold Rolex. And for ye Daddy, the sparkling new Mercedes limited edition convertible that's parked outside plus a membership to the country club ... (takes a breath) ... and an invitation for ye all to spend New Year's Eve on board my new yacht in the Riviera.'

'What was it ye said ye had become?' says Dad.

Girl, crying again, 'A prostitute, Daddy!.'

'Oh! My Goodness! Ye scared me half to death, girl! I thought ye said a Protestant! Come here and give yer old Dad a hug!!!

Eating in the 50's and 60's

Pasta was not eaten in Australia.

Curry was a surname.

A takeaway was a mathematical problem.

A pizza was something to do with a leaning tower.

All potato crisps were plain; the only choice we had was whether to put the salt on or not.

Rice was only eaten as a milk pudding.

Calamari was called squid and we used it as fish bait.

A Big Mac was what we wore when it was raining.

Brown bread was something only poor people ate.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold. Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Fish didn't have fingers in those days.

Eating raw fish was called poverty, not sushi.

None of us had ever heard of yoghurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible.

People who didn't peel potatoes were regarded as lazy.

Indian restaurants were only found in India.

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognised food.

"Kebab" was not even a word, never mind a food.

Prunes were medicinal.

Surprisingly, muesli was readily available, it was called cattle feed.

Water came out of the tap.

If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than petrol for it, they would have become a laughing stock!

But the one thing that we never ever had on our table in the sixtiesElbows or Phones.

During his physical, the doctor asked the patient about his daily activity level. He described a typical day this way:

"Well, yesterday afternoon, I waded along the edge of a lake, drank eight beers, escaped from wild dogs in the heavy brush, jumped away from an aggressive rattlesnake, marched up and down several rocky hills, stood in a patch of poison ivy, crawled out of quicksand and took four leaks behind big trees."

Inspired by the story, the doctor said, "You must be one hell of an outdoorsman!"

"NAH," he replied, "I'm just a shitty golfer."

