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Hi All

Not quite the month some of us had planned....

Eight of us went to the Kalbarri Rally and had a great time. Great ride up there and great exploration of the surrounding tourist spots. A fabulous venue at the Red Bluff Tourist Park with awesome views of the ocean and Red Bluff from the cabins. Sunsets were amazing and it was nice to catch up with friends from other branches. It was sadly quite eye-opening to see the cyclone damage still very much in evidence.

BUT... COVID came calling with two members going home unwell on the Sunday and the rest of use turning positive over the next few days. I don't recommend the ride back from Kalbarri full of COVID symptoms. Never been so glad to get home!

As some Warnbro members pointed out – more of Fremantle copped COVID than them, so we have finally won a competition... Being crook and in isolation has meant not getting out to play and of course with so many on the sick list we moved the AGM to this month. Hopefully we are back to full strength now.

We have also had some dodgy weather lately so had a couple of breakfast catch ups instead of rides. Well, it is winter, but I do hope for some reasonable days soon. Need to get out there!

Don't forget that Tony C is constantly collecting second-hand gear for RFDS fundraising, so if you are looking for some kit or have something to donate, speak to Tony.

As always, a big thank you to our ride leaders whether planned or impromptu, for leading us astray around our beautiful countryside. Remember to **check the calendar** to see where we are going and if there is a change in starting point. We need to be sure where to be.... Also remember, if you or a member you know is going through a rough patch, please do not hesitate to let our Welfare Officer know if we can offer any support, or just someone to have a friendly chat with. Thoughts are with those on the sick list at present.

Upcoming events

Keep an eye on the calendar for details:

- Saturday July 23: Christmas in July at Wongan Hills Cafe of Note. Book accommodation at the pub or caravan park. Pippa and Allan may have some spare beds. We need final numbers soon for catering.
- We are hosting the 2023 Odyssey ideas and volunteers welcome.
- National rally in Mandurah 2024. Start thinking ahead. Volunteers see Tony C.

Rides

As usual, we need ride leaders. There is plenty of support for new Ride Leaders with lots of (good) suggestions on where to go and how to get there.

See you out there!

Julie Dally

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<u>FREMANTLE BRANCH MEETING 7:30pm</u> <u>2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT</u> <u>CARRINGTON'S BAR AND GRILL,</u> <u>330 CARRINGTON ST, HAMILTON HILL WA.</u> The committee is the servant of the Group, not the Master

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<u>Note: Next July meeting,</u> <u>9th August 2022</u>

Plods and Saturday morning coffee

Wednesday morning Plods meet at The Health Freak Café, Cockburn Gateway Shopping City Shop G333/816 Beeliar Drive, Success Western Australia 6164 for a **9.00am** start.



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

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The Saturday morning coffee get together takes place at the **ECafé** situated near the eastern end of the E-Shed Markets commencing from **9.00am**.



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Some Odd Shots



On the way to Morawa (sent by Charlie Clarke of the Yerecoin Tavern)



Serpentine Dam Café toilet sign (utilised and sent by Andy Fotheringham)



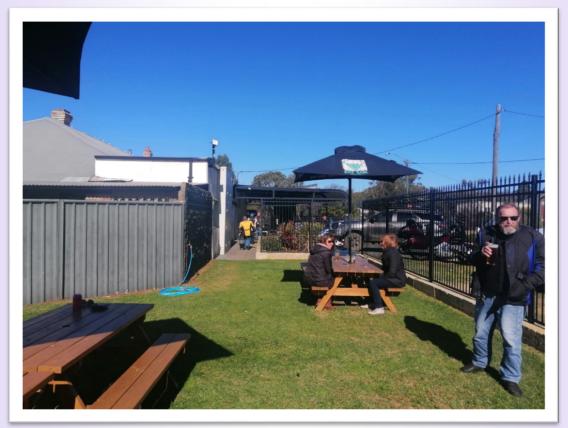
What a great looking bunch



Bloody Cold



Simon acting the goat

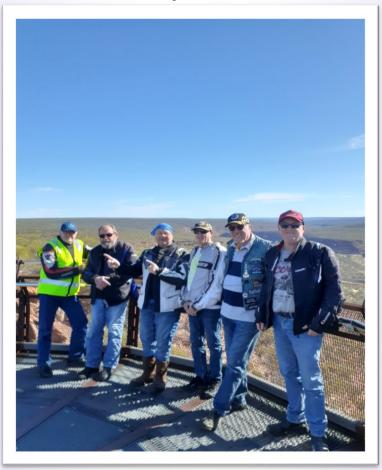


Cold but beautiful day ay Wandering Tavern

Some photos from the Kalbarri trip



Ready to leave



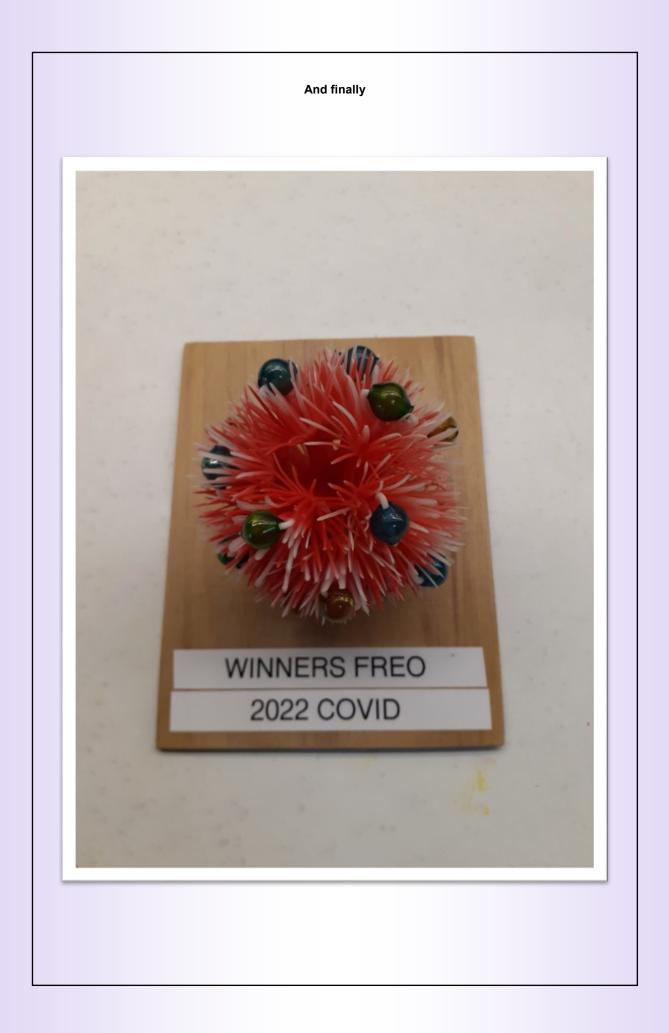
At the Skywalk



Above nature's window



Kalbarri coast

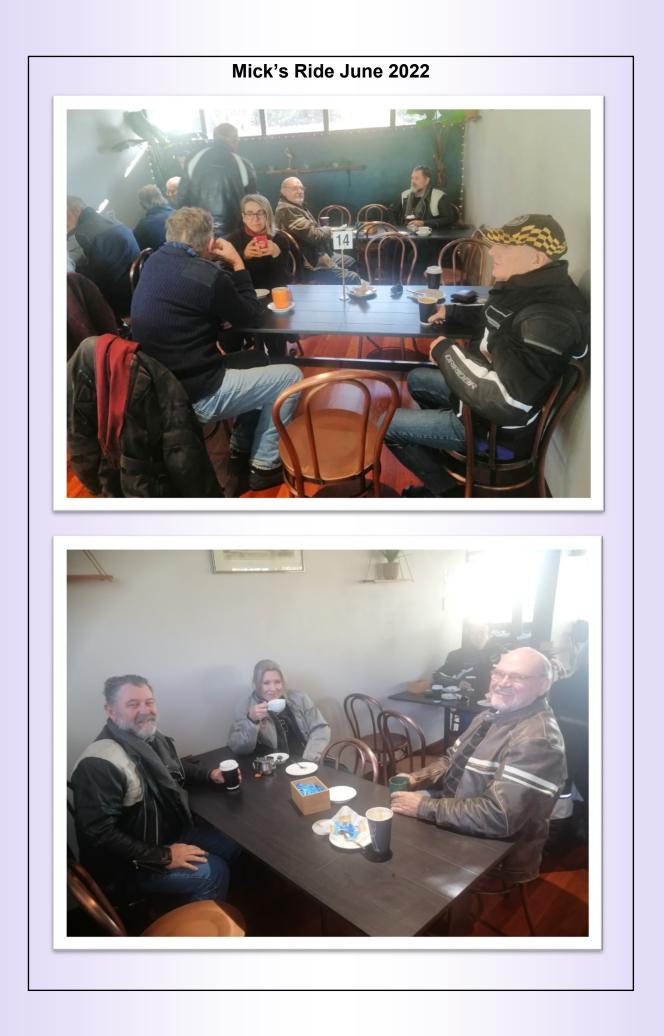


50 Fun facts about Australia

Check out these fun and interesting facts about Australia. How many did you know?

- 1. The Australian Alps get more snow than the Swiss Alps.
- 2. 90% of Australians live on the coast.
- 3. Tasmania has the cleanest air in the world.
- 4. The Great Barrier Reef is the largest ecosystem in the world. It is made up of nearly 3,000 individual reefs and can be seen from space.
- 5. Australia has over 60 separate wine regions.
- 6. Fraser Island is the largest sand island in the world.
- 7. The Indian Pacific train has the longest straight section of train track in the world.
- 8. The Great Ocean Road is the world's largest war memorial.
- 9. 80% of Australian animals are unique to Australia.
- 10. 5 km of Uluru is underground.
- 11. Australia has the world's longest golf course measuring more than 1,350kms long.
- 12. Australia is home to 21 of the world's 25 most venomous snakes.
- 13. Perth is the only city in the world which can have aircraft land in its CBD.
- 14. Australia is bigger than we realise, it's almost the same size as mainland USA.
- 15. The largest cattle station in the world is located in Australia, Anna Creek Ranch in South Australia, and it's bigger than Israel.
- 16. The first Police Force in Australia was made up of the most well-behaved convicts.
- 17. It would take around 29 years to visit one new Aussie beach every day there are 10,685 of them!
- 18. AFL invented to keep cricketers fit in the off season, there are claims that the game may have been influenced by Indigenous Australians.
- 19. The world's largest rock is not actually Uluru, but Mount Augustus in Western Australia, and is actually twice the size of Uluru.
- 20. Australia is the 6th largest country in the world.
- 21. There are 1 million camels that roam wild in Australia's deserts, the largest number of purebred camels in the world, they are exported to the Middle East.
- 22. You can fly from Perth to Melbourne faster than you can fly from one end of Western Australia to the other.
- 23. There are over 60 different types of kangaroos, and a baby kangaroo when born is only about 2 centimetres long.
- 24. Aboriginal culture is the oldest on Earth it is estimated that the continent's original inhabitants, the aboriginal people, have been in Australia for between 40,000-60,000 years.
- 25. Australia has 19 World Heritage Listed sites.

- 26. 91% of the country is covered by native vegetation.
- 27. 33% of Australians were born in another country.
- 28. Over 300 different languages and dialects are spoken in Australia including 45 Indigenous languages. In fact, 21% of Australians don't speak English at home!
- 29. WA is home to what is believed to be the oldest evidence of life on Earth the Stromatolites.
- 30. Australia is the only continent in the world without an active volcano.
- 31. In Australia, sheep out number people 2.5 to 1 (in 2020).
- 32. Australia was the second country in the world to give women the right to vote in 1902.
- 33. Per capita, Australians spend more money on gambling than any other nation, with over 80 percent of Australian adults engaging in gambling of some kind.
- 34. Canberra was selected as the capital because Sydney and Melbourne could not stop arguing which city should be the capital.
- 35. Australia is home to the longest fence in the world, the Dingo Fence. Originally built to keep dingos away from fertile land, the fence is now 5,614 km long.
- 36. The Australian dollar is considered to be the most advanced currency in the world it's waterproof, made of polymer and notoriously hard to counterfeit.
- 37. Australia is the only continent covered by a single country.
- 38. The world's oldest fossil was discovered in Australia 3.4 billion years old.
- 39. Australia has around 600 varieties of eucalypt trees.
- 40. Australia was one of the founding members of the United Nations.
- 41. Stonemasons in Australia instituted the 8-hour working day back in 1856.
- 42. In Aboriginal culture women are not allowed to play to the didgeridoo.
- 43. The venom of the elusive platypus can kill a small dog.
- 44. Australia's most deadly marine animal is the Box Jellyfish, and is responsible for more deaths per year than snakes, sharks and saltwater crocodiles.
- 45. The only two mammals in the world that lay eggs are found in Australia the echidna and platypus.
- 46. Before the arrival of humans, Australia was home to megafauna, three-metre tall kangaroos, seven-metre long goanna's, horse-sized ducks, and a marsupial lion the size of a leopard.
- 47. Both kangaroos and emus lack the ability to walk backwards. This was the reason they were chosen for Australia's coat of arms to symbolise a country always moving forward.
- 48. The termite mounds that can be found in Australia are the tallest animal-made structures on earth.
- 49. Australia is home to more than 1,500 species of spiders.
- 50. The Great Victoria Desert is bigger than the whole of the United Kingdom.





Off to Bakers Hill via York, Northam and Clackline



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Great weather ahead



Wet weather actually held out for most of the ride



Aermacchi / Harley Davidson 1972 350 TV 344cc ohv single frame & engine

Formerly known as Aeronautica Macchi, the company was founded in 1912 by Giulio Macchi at Varese in north-western Lombardy as Nieuport-Macchi, to build Nieuport monoplanes under license for the Italian military. With a factory located on the shores of Lake Varese, the firm originally manufactured a series of Nieuport designs, as well as seaplanes. After World War II, the company began producing utility three-wheelers and motorcycles as a way to fill the post-war need for cheap, efficient transportation. With the Japanese motorcycle invasion taking hold, Harley-Davidson needed something competitive in the small bike segment. The options: further development of their 165cc two-stroke single or a completely new design — or buy a turnkey business. Aermacchi fitted the bill to a tee: they built a sturdy and competent 250cc bike (derived from Alfredo Bianchi's futuristic 175cc Chimera of 1955) with good performance and lots of development potential. Better yet, Aermacchi's parent company, Aeronautica Macchi, wanted to focus on its airplane business and was keen to divest its bike operations so in 1960 Harley bought a 50 percent share. The American factory assumed complete control in 1974 but sold Aermacchi to Cagiva in 1978.

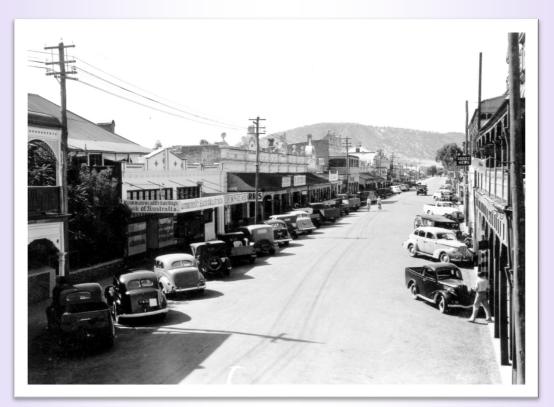
In 1969 the new GTS was brought out with bore x stroke dimensions of 74x80mm, giving 344cc. This model had a four speed gearbox and developed a maximum power of 25hp@7,000rpm. For model year 1971 a more sporty version was presented, the 350TV. This machine had a five speed gearbox and came to 30hp @7,200rpm. A larger 30mm Dell 'Orto carb was fitted and the TV's top speed was near to 160km/h, with a dry weight of only 135kg. The TV was sold from the end of 1970 till mid-1972. The road-registered TV we present here is fitted with two-leading shoe front brake, clip-ons and speedometer plus rev counter. She has been well-restored and runs fine.



Photos compiled courtesy of Lost Perth and SLWA (Facebook)



Old Chapel, Rottnest Island



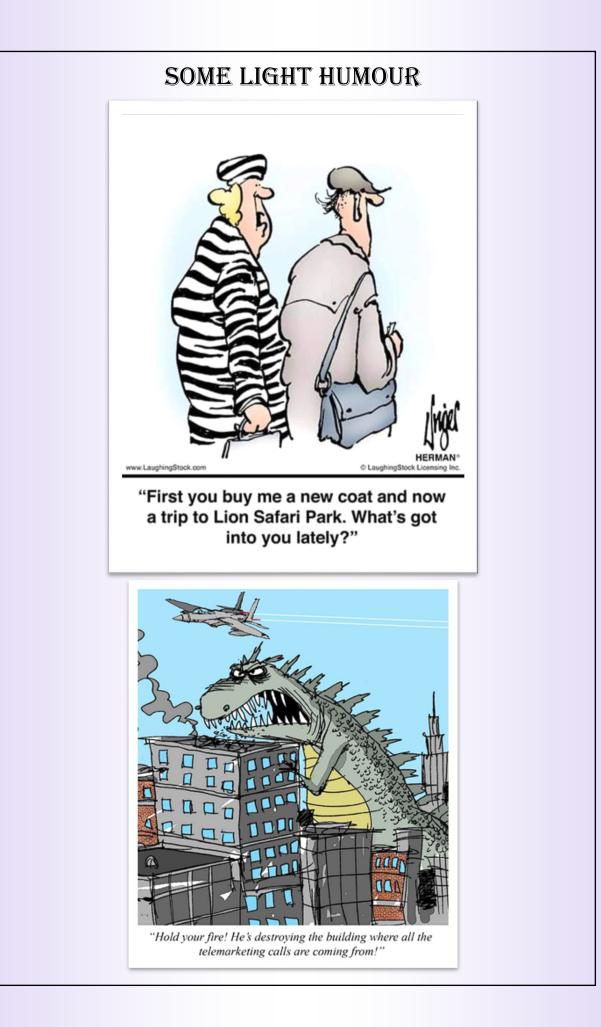
Avon Terrace, York



Part collection of tip rubbish in Coolgardie



Cottesloe Beach 1907



HAVE YOU EVER BEEN GUILTY OF LOOKING AT OTHERS YOUR OWN AGE AND THINKING, SURELY I CAN'T LOOK THAT OLD? WELL.....YOU'LL LOVE THIS ONE!

MY NAME IS ALICE SMITH AND I WAS SITTING IN THE WAITING ROOM FOR MY FIRST APPOINTMENT WITH A NEW DENTIST.

I NOTICED HIS DENTAL DIPLOMA, WHICH BORE HIS FULL NAME.

SUDDENLY, I REMEMBERED A TALL, HANDSOME, DARK HAIRED BOY WITH THE SAME NAME HAD BEEN IN MY SECONDARY SCHOOL CLASS SOME 30-ODD YEARS AGO.

COULD HE BE THE SAME GUY THAT I HAD A SECRET CRUSH ON, WAY BACK THEN?

UPON SEEING HIM, HOWEVER, I QUICKLY DISCARDED ANY SUCH THOUGHT.

THIS BALDING, GREY HAIRED MAN WITH THE DEEPLY

LINED FACE WAS FAR TOO OLD TO HAVE BEEN MY CLASSMATE. AFTER HE EXAMINED MY TEETH, I ASKED HIM IF HE HAD ATTENDED MORGAN PARK SECONDARY SCHOOL

YES, YES I DID. I'M A MORGANNER! 'HE BEAMED WITH PRIDE.

'WHEN DID YOU LEAVE TO GO TO COLLEGE?' I ASKED

HE ANSWERED, IN 1965.. WHY DO YOU ASK?

'YOU WERE IN MY CLASS!' I EXCLAIMED.

HE LOOKED AT ME CLOSELY. THEN THE UGLY, OLD, BALD, WRINKLED, FAT ARSED, GREY HAIRED, DECREPIT, BASTARD ASKED..

'WHAT DID YOU TEACH?'



Ponderisms

How important does a person have to be before they are considered assassinated instead of just murdered?

Why do peanuts float in a regular coke and sink in a diet coke. Go ahead and try it..

I used to eat a lot of natural foods until I learned that most people die of natural causes.

Why do you have to "put your two cents in" but it's only a "penny for your thoughts"? Where's that extra penny going? (Taxes)

Once you're in heaven, do you get stuck wearing the clothes you were buried in for eternity?

What disease did cured ham actually have?

How is it that we put man on the moon before we figured out it would be a good idea to put wheels on luggage?

Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up like every two hours?

If a deaf person has to go to court, is it still called a hearing?

Why are you IN a movie, but you're ON TV?

Why do people pay to go up tall buildings and then put money in binoculars to look at things on the ground?

Why do doctors leave the room while you change??? They're going to see you naked anyway.

Why is "bra" singular and "panties" plural?

Why do toasters always have a setting that burns the toast to a horrible crisp, which no decent human being would eat?

If the professor on Gilligan's Island can make a radio out of a coconut, why can't he fix a hole in a boat?

If corn oil is made from corn, and vegetable oil is made from vegetables, what is baby oil made from?

If electricity comes from electrons, does morality come from morons?

Why do the Alphabet song and Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star have the same tune?

Why did you just try singing the two songs above?

Did you ever notice that when you blow in a dog's face, he gets mad at you, but when you take him for a car ride, he sticks his head out the window?

How did the man who made the first clock, know what the time was? Are you still pondering?