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Hi All

VERY cold lately and soooo difficult to predict weather. Why is it every time we figure that the rain is imminent, so we do breakfast instead of a ride, it clears up and becomes a beautiful day!! Sorry – we will go online and order a new crystal ball.

We have had the AGM – thank you so much for those who are stalwarts of the committee plus the new member – welcome Andy F. We are so fortunate in Fremantle that we have plenty of participation whether on the committee, or others who volunteer and contribute so much. This is what keeps our branch vibrant and fun.

A great day was had at RAAFA in Meadow Springs as we joined a show and shine for a Men's Mental Health Week event for residents. There were very interesting chats with some old boys telling stories about their misspent youth! Unfortunately, we did have some issues with following corner markers and keeping together on the way down... But we all made it eventually.

Another great dinner at the Spearwood Bowls Club (thanks Mick for the regular invites), and a lovely Breakfast Club at the Steel Tree in Baldivis. My turn to win the bottle of wine! Remember that Tony C is still collecting second-hand gear for RFDS fundraising, so if you are looking for some kit or have something to donate, speak to Tony. Time is running out to get your gear in.

As always, a big thank you to our ride leaders for leading us around our beautiful countryside. Remember to **check the calendar** to see where we are going and if there is a change in starting point. If the forecast is awful, we will be having brekky instead.

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 – even if you are not out and about you are still part of our Ulysses family.

Upcoming events

Keep an eye on emails and the calendar for details:

- **July 16:** Night at Dandaragan for Christmas in July – organised by Geraldton. *Please let me know ASAP if you plan to come – they need to book the accommodation.*
- **Last Saturday of the month:** Breakfast Club. Watch WestOz Riders Facebook page and your emails for details.
- **September 22 – 25 2023:** We are hosting the Odyssey. Seaspray Beach Holiday Park in Dongara. They are now fully booked. There is also the Dongara Hotel just a kilometre up the road, plus the Old Mill motel.

- National rally in Mandurah 2024. Start thinking ahead. Volunteers see Tony C.

Rides

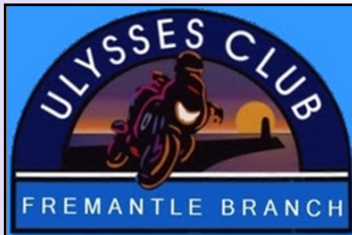
As usual, we need ride leaders. Even if it goes wrong, it is still fun!

See you out there!

Julie Dally

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2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE
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The committee is the servant of the Group, not the Master

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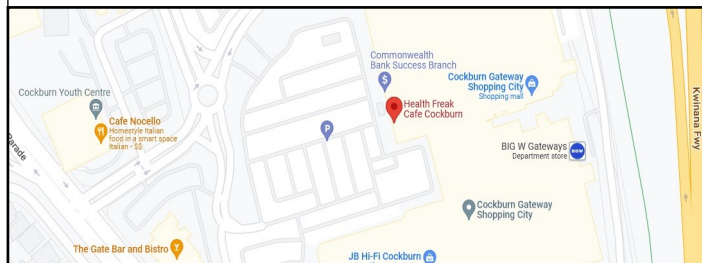
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Fremantle Ulysses site: www.ulyssesfremantle.com

Note: Next August meeting,
8th August 2023

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.



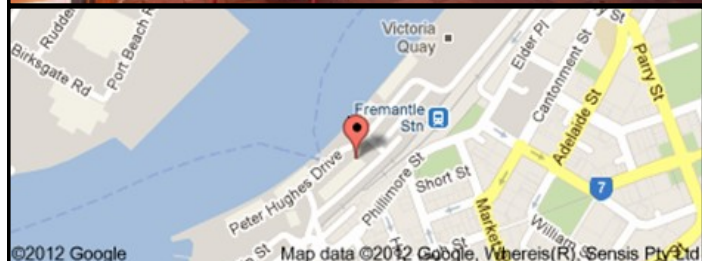
Any enquiries regarding plods can be directed to any of the following:

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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 pics from the Rally in Carnarvon



On the way up



Only red bikes in Carnarvon please



Simon at the blow-holes



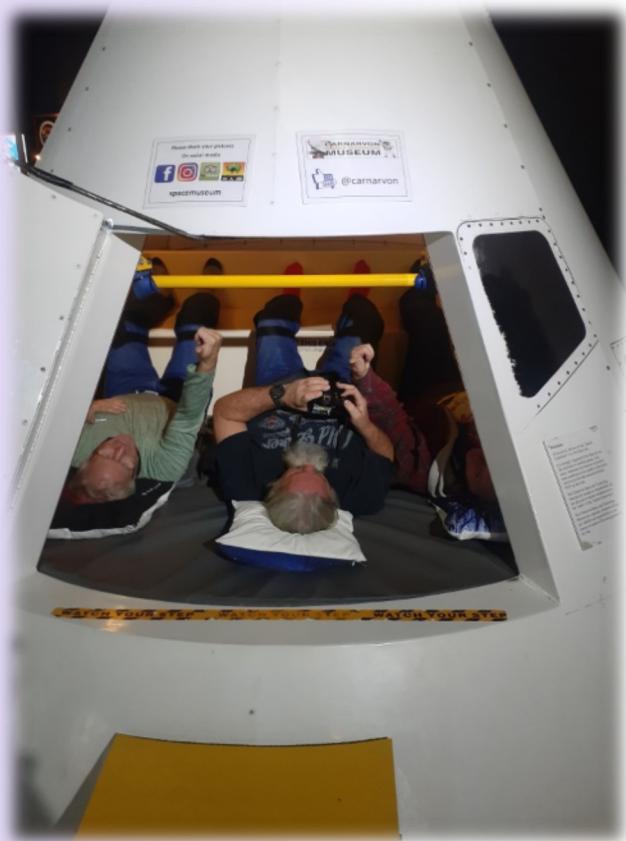
Someone's gear lever came off



Paul contemplating at the blow-holes



Simon and friend Carnarvon Space Museum



Tony, Chris and Di ready for lift-off in Apollo



Waiting for the bus overnight in Geraldton

Pics from Mick's ride to Mandurah via Serpentine Dam



Pics from June ride to RAAFA Meadow Springs for a show and shine



On the way (Pinjarra)









Full after a sausage sizzle

The Following is an excerpt from www.yesterdays.nl

DOUGLAS 1948 T35 MKIII 348CC OHV



Douglas 1948 T 35 Mk III 348cc ohv transverse twin frame & engine

Although the first details of an entirely new Douglas twin were already announced during September 1945, it was not until July the following year that pre-production machines were available for a road test by the motorcycle press. "Torrens", pen name of Arthur Bourne, editor of The Motor Cycle, took the new ohv twin for a spin and wrote favourably about it in the magazine's July 11, 1946 issue:

"What impressed me right from the outset was the excellence of the riding position. It is one of the best ever and of a type to suit just about everyone. The handlebars fitted were of the almost straight type, with the ends exactly at the right angle for comfort and full control (...). It does not need me to extoll the horizontally opposed twin as an engine type. This engine would rev and would pull. Changing up, with a gentle deliberate press on the pedal, was knife-into-butter. The engine-speed gearbox has an excellent gear change – better than that of any horizontal opposed transverse twin I have handled. The road steering too, was of a type to make any normal being say "Very good indeed", but no, Douglasses think it may be possible to improve the bend-swinging at medium speeds and have developed a special test rig. This is one of the things which impressed me so much. "Good", and the steering is already good, is not good enough for them – they are going to see if they cannot do better still. Full marks!"

Innovative features of the T35 are its swinging arm rear suspension controlled by torsion bars, and leading-link Radiadraulic front fork. Its advanced running gear endowed the Douglas with excellent handling and steering characteristics, while the willing engine could nevertheless propel the 'Duggie' at up to 110 km/h and return 20-plus km per litre. The T35 was produced for little more than one season before being superseded by the updated Mk III in 1948. Improvements were made under supervision of Freddy Dixon and included new cylinder heads and a stronger frame. In 1949 the Mk IV was introduced with its distinctive triangular toolboxes, frame-mounted pillion footrests and un-sprung front mudguard. The machine we present here is a road-registered and well-sorted older restoration that is fitted with a Smiths speedometer.



Photos compiled courtesy of Lost Perth and SLWA (Facebook)





SOME LIGHT HUMOUR



A lady goes to the doctor and complains that her husband is losing interest in sex. The doctor gives her a pill, but warns her that it's still experimental. He tells her to slip it into his mashed potatoes at dinner, so that night, she does just that. About a week later, she's back at the doctor, where she says, "Doc, the pill worked great! I put it in the potatoes like you said! It wasn't five minutes later that he jumped up, raked all the food and dishes onto the floor, grabbed me, ripped all my clothes off, and ravaged me right there on the table!" The doctor says, "I'm sorry, we didn't realize the pill was that strong! The foundation will be glad to pay for any damages." "Nah," she says, "that's okay. We're never going back to that restaurant anyway."

Why did I get divorced? Well, last week was my birthday. My wife didn't wish me a happy birthday. My parents forgot and so did my kids. I went to work and even my colleagues didn't wish me a happy birthday. As I entered my office, my secretary said, "Happy birthday, boss!" I felt so special. She asked me out for lunch. After lunch, she invited me to her apartment. We went there and she said, "Do you mind if I go into the bedroom for a minute?" "Okay," I said. She came out 5 minutes later with a birthday cake, my wife, my parents, my kids, my friends, & my colleagues all yelling, "SURPRISE!!!" while I was waiting on the sofa... naked.

