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Hi All

I hope you are all keeping warm lately. I even have a heated throw at work as those Fremantle heritage buildings have such high ceilings that the aircon is not very effective (however the office is lovely and cool in summer).

I was lucky enough to go riding around Margaret River and surrounds recently. We really do have stunning roads in our southwest. It was also very interesting to see a Goldwing having a little lie down to trial the effects of mud pack therapy... hmmm...

We have had a dinner at Milano's – I really love their food! And of course, the great company. Breakfast Club was at Pasta in the Valley – another beautiful location and great to catch up with other branches.

The September Odyssey is fast approaching. We are putting together some goodie baskets to raffle as MND fundraisers. Donations of non-perishable items can be passed on to me. Think of what YOU would like to win in a basket. If you have not yet booked accommodation, everywhere is now full – ***BUT the Shire will open overflow camping on the Thursday leading up to the long weekend. Contact the Irwin Shire for details.***

The second-hand gear sale fundraiser for RFDS will be on 29<sup>th</sup> October in Dwellingup. Tony C is still collecting, 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:

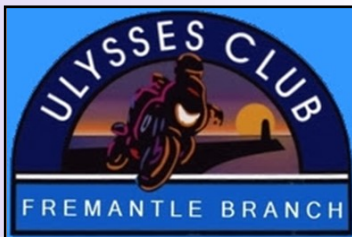
- **Last Saturday of the month:** Breakfast Club. Watch WestOz Riders Facebook page and your emails for details. We are hosting at Beach Point this month.
- **August 5 (Saturday):** Odyssey planning meeting at my place 2pm
- **August 18 (Friday):** Cheap and Cheerful dinner.
- **August 20 (Wednesday):** Dowerin field day
- **September 22 – 25:** We are hosting the Odyssey. Seaspray Beach Holiday Park in Dongara. Register online through our webpage.

- **October 7 (Saturday):** Celebrity Night at Café of Note in Wongan Hills
- **October 21 (Saturday):** Cunderdin Hot Rod & Classic Car Show
- **October 29:** Second-hand gear sale in Dwellingup for RFDS.
- **November 5:** Mosman park Men's Shed annual event
- 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!**



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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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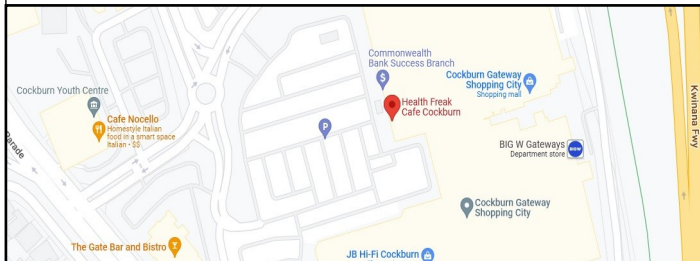
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**Note: Next September meeting,**  
**12th September 2023**

**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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Saturday 7th October 2023

Wongan Hills



Pics from Reg's ride to York via Beverley





Pics from Tony's ride to Myalup





**Tony drinking Coke (No Sugar), Reg just sticking to water**



## **32 Strange things to get your mind off politics...**

- 1. A Kangaroo rat can last longer without water than a camel.**
- 2. Your stomach has to produce a new layer of mucus every two weeks or it will digest itself.**
- 3. The dot over the letter "i" is called a tittle.**
- 4. A raisin dropped in a glass of fresh champagne will bounce up and down continuously from the bottom of the glass to the top.**
- 5. A female ferret will die if it goes into heat and cannot find a mate.**
- 6. A duck's quack doesn't echo. No one knows why.**
- 7. A 2 X 4 is really 1-1/2" by 3-1/2".**
- 8. During the chariot scene in "Ben Hur," a small red car can be seen in the distance (and Heston is wearing a watch).**
- 9. On average, 12 newborns will be given to the wrong parents daily!  
(That explains a few mysteries...)**
- 10. Donald Duck comics were banned from Finland because he doesn't wear pants.**
- 11. Because metal was scarce, the Oscars given out during World War II were made of wood**
- 12. The number of possible ways of playing the first four moves per side in a game of chess is 318,979,564,000.**
- 13. There are no words in the dictionary that rhyme with orange, purple and silver.**
- 14 The name Wendy was made up for the book Peter Pan. There was never a recorded Wendy before.**
- 15. The very first bomb dropped by the Allies on Berlin in World War II killed the only elephant in the Berlin Zoo.**
- 16. If one places a tiny amount of liquor on a scorpion, it will instantly go mad and sting itself to death. (Who was the sadist who discovered this?)**
- 17. Bruce Lee was so fast that they actually had to s-l-o-w film down so you could see his moves. That's the opposite of the norm.**
- 18. The first CD pressed in the US was Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the USA"**
- 19. The original name for butterfly was "flutterby."**
- 20. The phrase "rule of thumb" is derived from an old English law which stated that you couldn't beat your wife with anything wider than your thumb.**
- 21. The first product Motorola started to develop was a record player for automobiles. At that time, the most known player on the market was Victrola, so they called themselves Motorola.**

22. Roses may be red, but violets are indeed violet.
23. By raising your legs slowly and lying on your back, you cannot sink into quicksand.
24. Celery has negative calories. It takes more calories to eat a piece of celery than the celery has in it to begin with.
25. Charlie Chaplin once won third prize in a Charlie Chaplin look-alike contest.
26. Chewing gum while peeling onions will keep you from crying.
27. Sherlock Holmes NEVER said, "Elementary, my dear Watson."
28. An old law in Bellingham, Washington, made it illegal for a woman to take more than three steps backwards while dancing!
29. The glue on Israeli postage is certified kosher.
30. The Guinness Book of Records holds the record for being the book most often stolen from public libraries.
31. Astronauts are not allowed to eat beans before they go into space because passing wind in a spacesuit damages them.
32. Bats always turn left when exiting a cave!

**SEE? NOW WASN'T THAT CALMING AND NICE FOR A CHANGE? ... not to mention how much smarter you've now become!**



"I was thinking about retirement, but then what would I do?"

The Following is an excerpt from [www.yesterdays.nl](http://www.yesterdays.nl)

## BENELLI 1977 SEI 748CC 6 CYL OHC



**Benelli ca. 1977 "Sei" 748cc transverse six cylinder OHC**

Despite a racing heritage second to none, the Benelli company was in trouble by the late 1960s; the ailing firm was bought by Argentinian industrialist Alejandro De Tomaso in 1971.

It was precisely in the '70s when he acquired many quite prominent brands: including the Moto Guzzi, the Maserati a few years later, and Innocenti (the Italian chapter of the British Mini manufacturer).

The companies, despite having iconic and legendary names were bought quite cheap as most of them had huge debts on board.

De Tomaso also owned the Vignale and Ghia design studios.

The Benelli 750 Sei was the first production motorcycle with a 6-cylinder engine.

De Tomaso intended it to become Italy's premier sporting motorcycle.

On its launch, it received tremendous publicity overshadowing all other Italian bikes of that year.

It started the trend of angular designed motorcycles moving away from traditional round forms.

The engine was based on the four-cylinder Honda CB500, but with two extra cylinders.

The cylinder head fins of the Sei were squared off to provide a cosmetic individuality, but otherwise the engine design in most respects obviously was inspired by Honda.

The "angular, bold design" was by Carrozzeria Ghia. The Sei produced 76 bhp (57 kW) at 9,000 rpm, had a top speed of around 127 mph (204 km/h) and was one of the smoothest European tourers.

The Sei's width was kept to a minimum by siting the alternator (which, on the Honda, is at the left-hand end of the crankshaft) behind the cylinders.

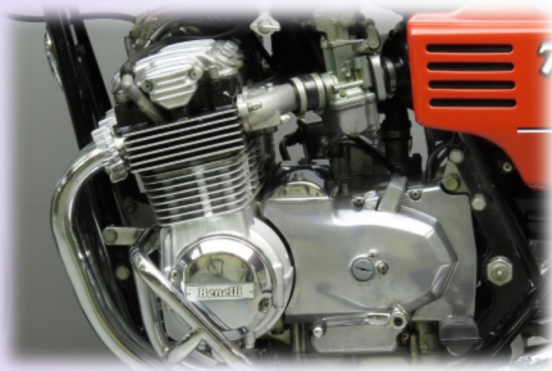
Cooling was improved by having air passages between the cylinders; the Sei had three Dell'Orto VHB 24 mm carburettors.

The bike appeared to reviewers as heavy and cumbersome but handled surprisingly well, and had a unique signature exhaust note from its six mufflers.

Production proper began in 1974, but the Benelli was soon overshadowed by Honda's own CBX1000 'six', forcing the Italian company to respond with the 900 Sei in 1980.

In total, about 3200 of Sei 750 models were produced.

The iconic Sei we present here has been restored to as-new condition and has an odometer reading 18.001 km.



Photos compiled courtesy of Lost Perth and SLWA (Facebook)



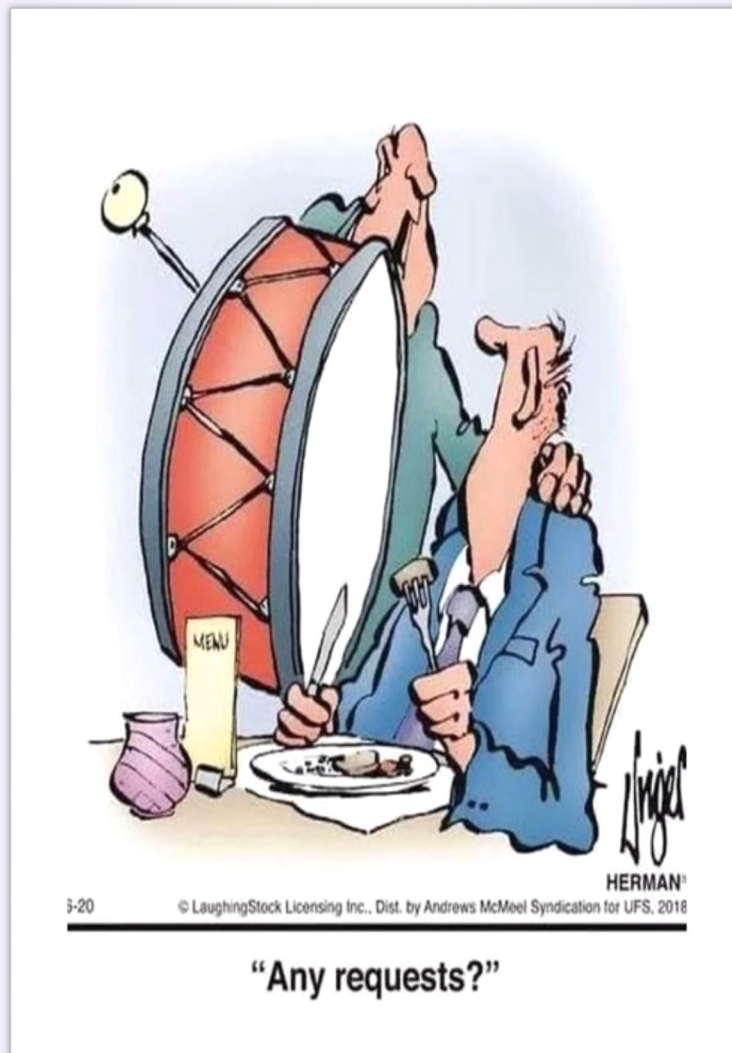
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## SOME LIGHT HUMOUR



A drunk staggers into a 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'.

***This is something to think about when negative people are doing their best to rain on your parade.....***

***So remember this story the next time someone who knows nothing, and cares less, tries to make your life miserable.***

A woman was at her hairdresser's getting her hair styled for a trip to Rome with her husband.

She mentioned the trip to the hairdresser, who responded....."Rome? Why would anyone want to go there? It's crowded and dirty. You're crazy to go to Rome. So, how are you getting there?"

"We're flying BA," was the reply. "We got a great rate!"

"BA?" exclaimed the hairdresser. "That's a terrible airline. Their planes are old, their flight attendants are ugly, and they're always late. So, where are you staying in Rome?"

"We'll be at this exclusive little place over on Rome's Tiber River called Teste."

"Don't go any further. I know that place. Everybody thinks its gonna be something special and exclusive, but it's really a dump."

"We're going to go to see the Vatican and maybe get to see the Pope."

"That's rich," laughed the hairdresser. You and a million other people trying to see him. He'll look the size of an ant. Boy, good luck on this lousy trip of yours. You're going to need it."

A month later, the woman again came in for a hairdo. The hairdresser asked her about her trip to Rome.

"It was wonderful," explained the woman, "not only were we on time in one of BA's brand new planes, but it was overbooked, and they bumped us up to first class. The food and wine were wonderful, and I had a handsome 28-year-old steward who waited on me hand and foot. And the hotel was great! They'd just finished a £5 million remodelling job, and now it's a jewel, the finest hotel in the city. They too, were overbooked, so they apologized and gave us their owner's suite at no extra charge!"

"Well," muttered the hairdresser, "that's all well and good, but I bet you didn't get to see the Pope."

"Actually, we were quite lucky, because as we toured the Vatican, a Swiss Guard tapped me on the shoulder, and explained that the Pope likes to meet some of the visitors, and if I'd be so kind as to step into his private room and wait, the Pope would personally greet me.

Sure enough, five minutes later, the Pope walked through the door and shook my hand! I knelt down and he spoke a few words to me"

"Oh, really! What'd he say?"

He said: "Who on earth did your hair???"