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Hi All

We did It! A HUGE thankyou to the entire team of planners and helpers who made the Dongara Odyssey such a success. I heard plenty of positive feedback about our branch and the team efforts that were so obvious. Pats on the back all round. Also, a big thank you to Di and Chris from Warnbro for advice and the loan of so much gear.

Our Odyssey raffle baskets brought in over \$500 for MND – there are some final sums to do but we are delighted to be contributing to a cause so close to our hearts.

The second-hand gear sale fundraiser for RFDS will be on 29th 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.
- **October 7 (Saturday):** Celebrity Night at Café of Note in Wongan Hills.
- **October 14 – 15:** MACA Cancer 200 Ride for Research. Volunteers required.
- **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.
- **December 16:** Christmas party at TC's.

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

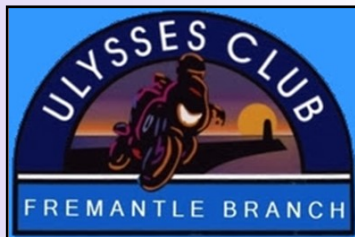
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2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE
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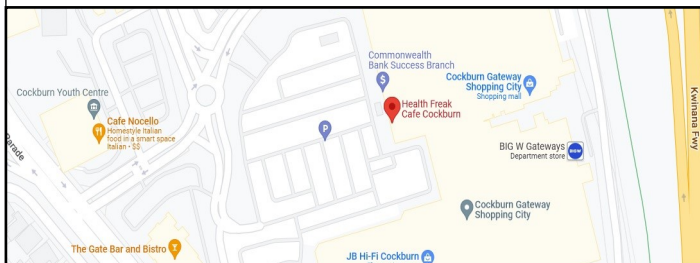
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Note: Next October meeting,
14th November 2023

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.



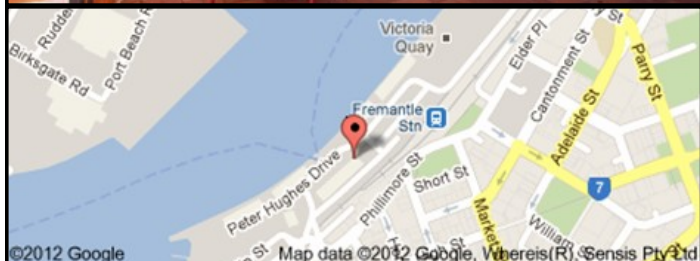
Any enquiries regarding plods can be directed to any of the following:

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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

SATURDAY 7TH OCT 23

CELEBRITY

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LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
2 COURSE MEAL

AT CAFÉ OF NOTE

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2023 Dongara Odyssey Report



This year the WA Odyssey was held in Dongara 351km north of Perth. Located at the mouth of the Irwin River, the area is marketed as the 'Rock Lobster Capital of Australia'. Hence the logo! Members were able to either ride up the coast and enjoy ocean panoramas, or come up the midlands roads with the last of the seasons wildflowers still on display.

Seaspray Beach Holiday Park made us very welcome lighting up the fire pit at their beach gazebo on the Friday night at sunset (being WA that means sunset over the ocean - stunning). A great start catching up with friends from various branches.

Our Saturday ride headed up to the Sydney Memorial in Geraldton. This monument commemorates the 645 service personnel who died when H.M.A.S. Sydney was sunk on the 19th November 1941. It is a very special place and gave us an opportunity to reflect. Then inland to Walkaway Tavern for a great pub lunch in a classic country pub.

Afternoon games saw Ulysseans bring out their competitive natures tossing bean bags into 'cornhole' boards, or tennis balls into numbered chutes. Watching how people managed their throws made it very obvious who the darts players were! 'Gold' medals were awarded at the Sunday BBQ.

The formal Saturday dinner was catered at the Dongara Hotel. Nearly 80 people enjoyed an alfresco evening with quite a few carrying on to listen to the live band in the next courtyard.

Sunday saw a ride inland then south to Jurien Bay on the coast. More rolling terrain, twisty roads, and wildflowers. And another filling pub lunch.

Those who didn't ride went to the Pt Denison Sprint (just the other side of the Irwin river). This is an annual event for classic cars incorporating time trials and a massive show and shine on the foreshore. The petrol heads were in heaven reliving their long lost youth!

We had a BBQ dinner on the Sunday night where we tested Ulyssean brains with a quiz, and then drew the door prizes. Having lost our regular TEC (who was a Telemachus Medallist) to MND this year, we also raffled baskets of goodies and raised over \$500 for MND support and research.

A huge thank you to all the Fremantle Branch members who put so much work into planning and running an event for nearly 90 people. Whether it was setting up marquees and tables, carting gear, ordering food, planning rides and activities, cooking breakfasts, making salads, or a host of other jobs, everyone stepped up with a smile and contributed to a fun weekend. Also many thanks to Di and Chris from Warnbro who were invaluable with advice and the loan of gear.

And most of all, thank you to all those Ulysseans who turned up and brought their spirit of camaraderie to make for another successful WA Odyssey.

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Dongara Odyssey Pics



On the way at Jurien Bay Bakery



Registration and MND Raffle



Great accommodation at the Seaspray





Around the Fire Pit



Cornholing Champions???



Saturday Night meal at the Dongara Hotel





Home cooked breakfasts and barbeque





HMAS Sydney Memorial





Lunch at the Walkaway Tavern





Port Denison Sprint Event





Many thanks to Adrian and staff at the Dongara IGA for supporting and providing fresh produce for the 2023 Dongara Odyssey as well as use of their overflow car park for ride starts



Lexophile

Lexophile (yes it is a real word) is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless."

A competition to see who can come up with the best lexophiles is held every year...

This year's winning submission is posted at the very end.

... When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.

... A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.

... When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.

... The batteries were given out free of charge.

... A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.

... A will is a dead giveaway.

... With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.

... A boiled egg is hard to beat.

... When you've seen one shopping centre you've seen a mall.

... Police were summoned to a day care centre where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.

... Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.

... A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.

... When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.

... The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.

... He had a photographic memory which was never developed.

... When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.

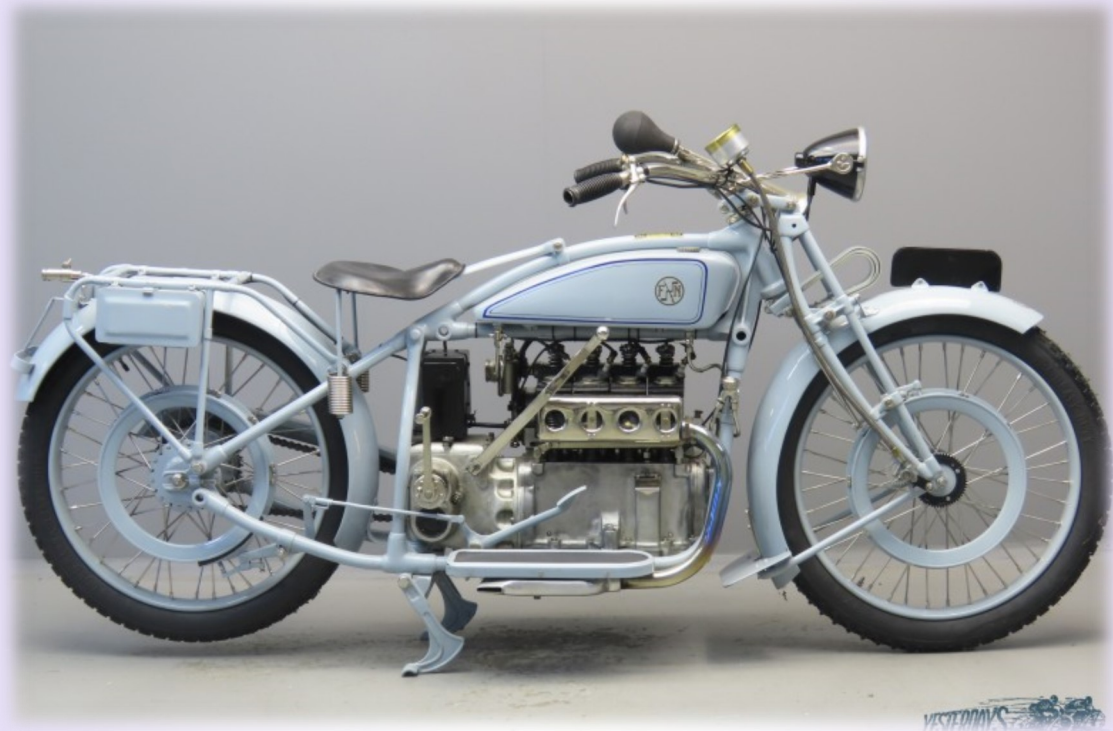
... Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.

And the cream of the twisted crop:

... Those who get too big for their pants will be totally exposed in the end.

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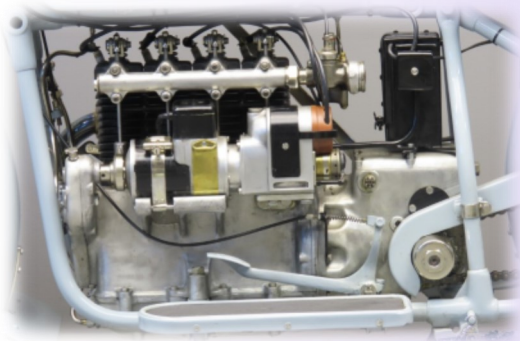
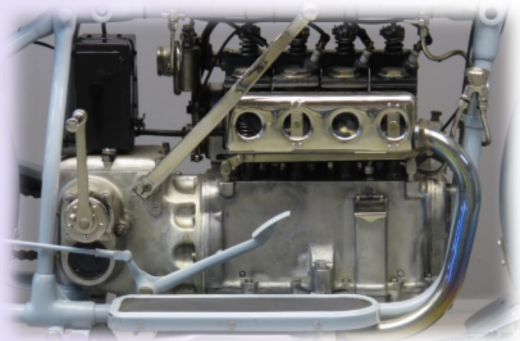
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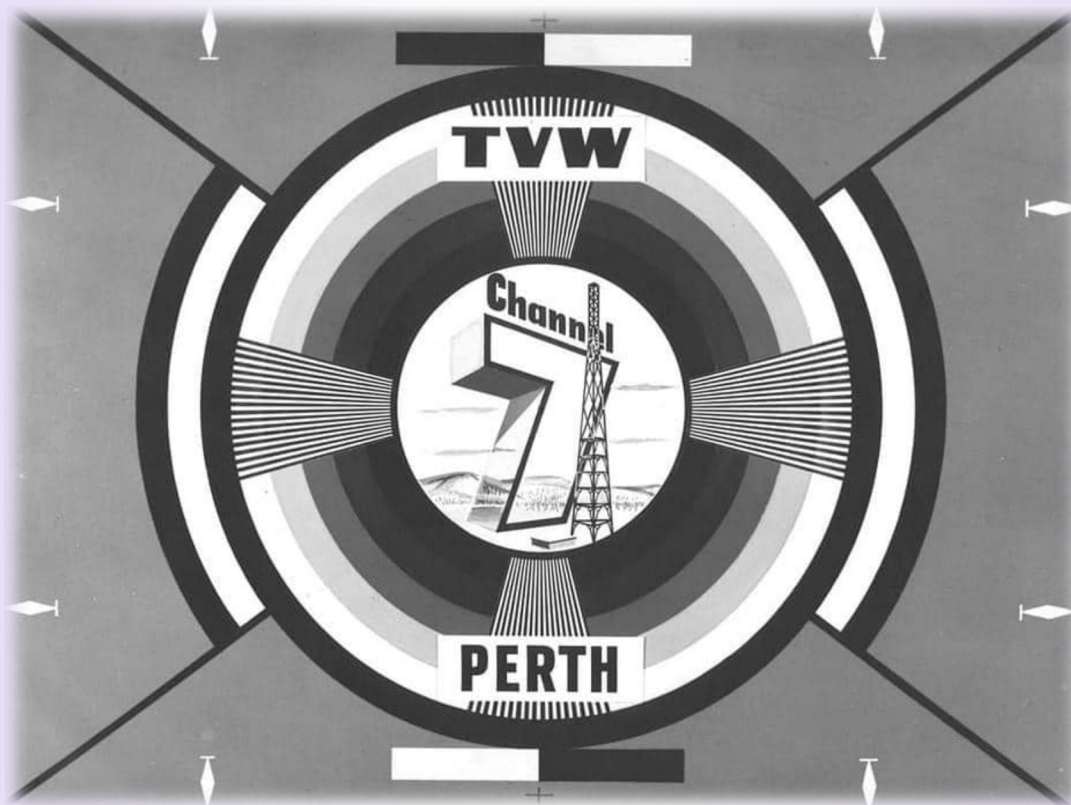
FN 1924 M 50 748 cc four cylinder overhead inlet valve

To many enthusiasts the FN four has always been one of the most appealing machines of veteran and vintage times. Its production runs from 1905 till 1926. The earliest type has a 362 cc engine with automatic overhead inlet valves and side exhaust valves. The machine is single geared, has shaft drive and the top speed is about 60 km/hour. The FN four is an immediate success and finds customers all over the world; FN sells its machines in more than 40 countries. The company finds many customers in the U.S.A. and makes Americans interested in the four cylinder concept: Percy Pierce purchases a 1908 model on one of his trips to Europe and the FN becomes a point of reference for the first Pierce Four in 1909. The design is developed to 493 cc and the machine gets a proper clutch and gearbox in the years before World War One. In 1914 the engine is completely redesigned: it grows to 750 cc with mechanically operated inlet valves. Both inlet and exhaust valves are now side valves. The new model has a sturdy clutch and a three speed gearbox. Shortly after the first world war we see another design change: the side valve inlet system changes to overhead again. In the autumn of 1923 the model M 50 is marketed: the machine gets chain drive and the flywheel is enclosed by the crankcase, to name a few new technical features. The unit engine four cylinder has bore x stroke of 52 x 88 mm and the tyre size is a robust 28x3.

More important perhaps for the customer is the design change in the rolling chassis: the Four gets the same modern looks as the new 350 OHV machine, with shorter frame and graceful petrol tank. But the days of the FN four are almost over now: the new and successful 348 cc OHV single M 60 is much cheaper and almost as fast. At the end of 1926 M50 production comes to an end. Only some 780 units are produced during the model's lifespan. The M50 we present here left the factory in Herstal on August 11, 1924. She has been carefully restored and comes with full Bosch electric lighting, AT speedometer and Lucas bulb horn.



Photos compiled courtesy of Lost Perth and SLWA (Facebook)





Remember pulling the string to signal
bus driver that you wanted to exit bus?



SOME LIGHT HUMOUR

An old man was eating in a truck stop when three rough-looking bikers walked in. As they passed the old man, the first biker pushed his cigarette into the old man's pie, then laughed and took a seat at the counter. The second biker picked up the old man's milk and spit into it. The third biker turned over the old man's plate before joining the others at the counter.

Without saying a word to the laughing bikers, the old man put his money down, got up, and left the diner. One of the bikers said to the waitress, "Not much of a man, was he?"

The waitress replied, "Not much of a truck driver either. He just backed his big rig over three motorcycles!"



Who is the Cuckoo now?

The other night I was invited out for a night with the 'girls..' I told my husband that I would be home by midnight, 'I promise!' Well, the hours passed and the margaritas went down way too easily. Around 3 a.m., a bit loaded, I headed for home.

Just as I got in the door, the cuckoo clock in the hallway started up and cuckooed 3 times. Quickly, realizing my husband would probably wake up, I cuckooed another 9 times.

I was really proud of myself for coming up with such a quick-witted solution, in order to escape a possible conflict with him. (Even when totally smashed.. 3 cuckoos plus 9 cuckoos totals 12 cuckoos =MIDNIGHT!)

The next morning my husband asked me what time I got in, I told him 'MIDNIGHT'... He didn't seem angry in the least.. Whew, I got away with that one!

Then he said 'We need a new cuckoo clock.' When I asked him why, he said, 'Well, last night our clock cuckooed three times, then said 'oh shit.' Cuckooed 4 more times, cleared its throat, cuckooed another three times, giggled, cuckooed twice more, and then tripped over the coffee table and farted.

