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Hi All

I trust everyone was able to take some time out over the Christmas New Year break. For many it is a time to reflect and take stock, then think about the year ahead. I hope that good things are in store in 2024.

Some of us did a motorcycle trip through North Vietnam in the lead up to Christmas. An amazing adventure!! What happens in Vietnam stays in Vietnam but let me just say that I was one of the few who did NOT have an 'off'. Neither did Susi and her daughter, although Susi and I were certainly kept busy as wound care nurses... But all in all it was a wonderful trip – so much to see and absorb. Also, great to go through the Platypus charity as money raised goes to supporting education in poorer areas. A small amount can make a massive difference.

We were back in time for the Christmas party – lovely to catch up and have some fun with our friends. Secret Santa was a hoot with some interesting presents...

As always, a big thank you to our ride leaders for leading us around our beautiful countryside. Especially those who put their hand up on the spot when there is a 'free ride'. Remember to **check the calendar** to see where we are going and if there is a change in starting point.

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.
- Jan 26 Australia Day details TBA
- March 18 24 National Rally in Mandurah.
- June 1 3 Exmouth Rally. RAC Exmouth Cape Holiday Park (accommodation will fill fast at that time of year book now!).

NOTE: We are back to normal social meetings now the new year has started.

Rides

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

See you out there!

Julie Dally

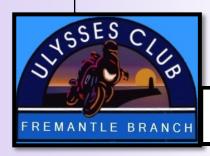
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Note: Next February meeting, 13th February 2024

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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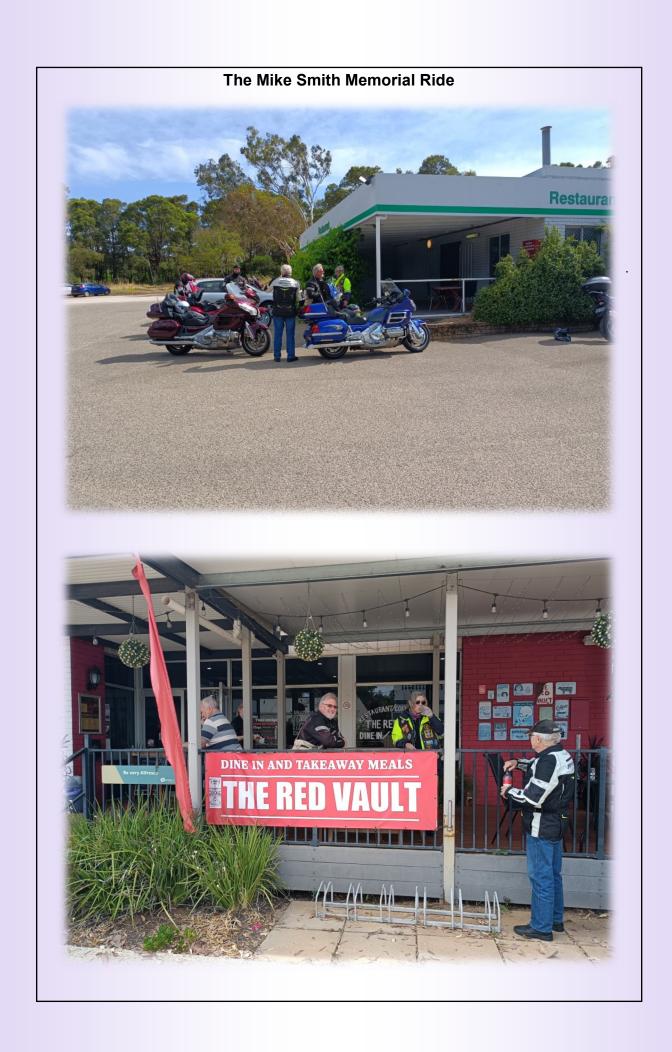
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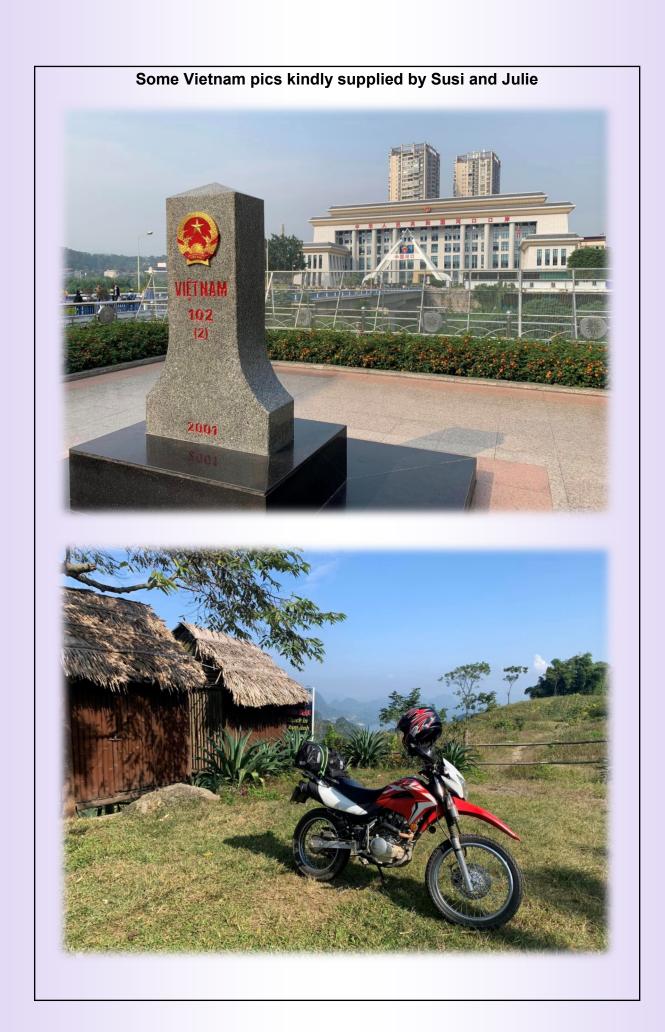






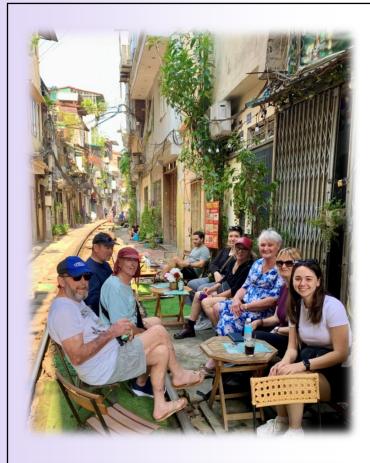








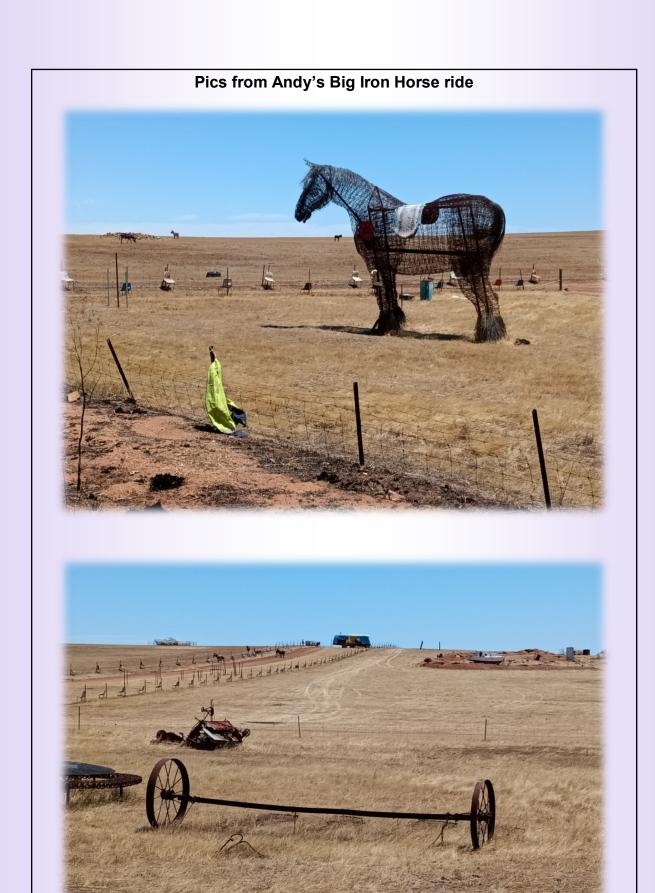
















Some Christmas Party Pics







Breakfast Club December 2023





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HENDERSON 1914 MODEL C 1065CC 4 CYL

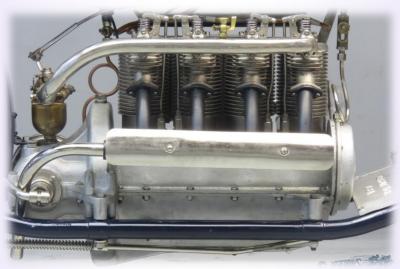


Henderson 1914 "Model C" 1065 cc I.O.E. four cylinder engine

Scottish-born brothers William G. and Thomas W. Henderson founded their motorcycle company in Detroit, Michigan in 1911. Their aim was to manufacture a luxurious, reliable four-cylinder machine that was substantially better than anything else available. The first production models were announced in November 1911 and christened "Model B"; the 1911 prototype was Model A. To underline the machine's qualities Carl Stevens Clancy made a journey around the world with a Henderson four, covering a distance of 18,000 miles. From the 1913 model on yearly improvements were made in the design: in 1913 the cylindrical petrol tank was changed to a flat one, the saddle position was lowered and the rear brake improved. The 1912 and 1913 models were single speeders with drip feed oil system, Eclipse clutch and hand crank start. In 1914 the oiling system was still of the splash type but a two speed hub gear was introduced as an option and 1915 saw the introduction of a shorter frame; the early frames had a wheelbase of no less than 65 inches, the 1915 Model E had a frame that was shortened to 58 inches though a long frame model was still available that year as Model D. The idea behind the long frames of the early models was that it gave the possibility to place a roomy aluminium footboard with foot pedals in front of the engine. The factory claimed that this gave a better riding position and made sure the rider got no discomfort of the hot engine because of the position of his legs and feet. Another advantage, so claimed the sales folder, was that a longer wheelbase machine would "rock" over road unevenness, while a machine with a shorter wheelbase would rather "jump" it. Both foot pedals operate the external band rear brake.

This Model C is a single speeder, the Eclipse clutch is operated by the long lever to the left of the petrol tank. According to the factory the engine delivered 10hp, good for a top speed of around 65mph. Starting is by foldable hand crank and a chain guard was not deemed necessary. This very rare early Henderson has been restored meticulously, both mechanically and cosmetically. Accessories include an Overland speedometer, Miller head light and Ero rear light.







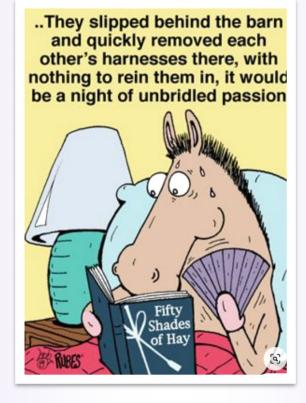
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SOME LIGHT HUMOUR



Husbands are husbands

A man was sitting reading his papers when his wife hit him round the head with a frying pan.

'What was that for?' the man asked.

The wife replied, 'That was for the piece of paper with the name Betty on it that I found in your trouser pocket.'

The man then said 'When I was at the races last week, Betty was the name of the horse I bet on.'

The wife apologized and went on with the housework.

Three days later the man is watching TV when his wife bashes him on the head with an even bigger frying pan, knocking him unconscious.

Upon re-gaining consciousness the man asked why she had hit him again.

Wife replied, 'Your horse phoned!'



"Don't mention our password in front of him. He'll repeat it to anyone who comes to visit."

