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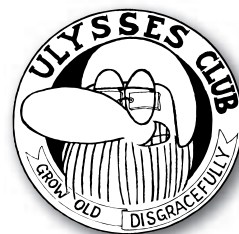
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TIM (TINY) STEWART #8959
NATIONAL PRESIDENT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi team and welcome to the SPRING EDITION of the Ulyssian!

As always, the winter months have been fairly quiet for a lot of us and you all know by now that I'm a fair weather biker. The way I see it, riding is for enjoyment, not endurance, so the Vstrom has stayed in the garage for the past couple of months awaiting the warmer weather. I can see from the Facebook posts and the branch newsletters that many of you are braving the conditions and getting out there. I can see that more of you are joining in on the social side of the club and, like me, leaving the bike inside.

Around the time you receive this magazine, many of us will be attending the North Island Remembrance service in Taupo. As always, I'm sure it will be a well-attended meeting and our thanks go to Auckland branch for their dedication to organising this event, ably supported by Taupo Branch. In particular, thanks need to go to Peggy O'Neal #2849. Peggy is a dedicated life member and a friend to all and I genuinely believe that her job of keeping the remembrance register must be the most satisfying, and also the most emotionally difficult job in the club. The whole club thanks you for your work Peggy.

As we have had an influx of new members over recent months, there are going to be a few who don't get what this is all about. I didn't when I joined and missed the first one because of this. So if you were in two minds and missed this one, you are not alone. I went along to the next one and haven't missed one since, other than when the snow was too heavy. For most of our members, this is an event to catch up with old mates, meet new mates, have a ride out, remember our mates who have passed on (we all have them) and have a drink to them later on if you stay in Taupo for the evening. The event is a very important one in our calendar; meetings like this rekindle friendships and let us know how strong and dedicated our members are. So, if you were undecided this time, I strongly urge you to give it a go next year, I don't think you'll regret it.

Talking of new members, so far this year we have picked up over 100 new members. This is fantastic news for the club and it is great to see a period of growth, especially through our quieter months. We are always losing members for one reason or another, some of which we can fix, some we can't, but the

trend is still moving forward. Whilst some of those new members are in the younger demographic, as a club our average age is still 66.4, so it is clear that there is still more work to do to attract younger members.

For those of you who have joined this year, welcome to the club. I think you will find that despite our average age, most of us are younger at heart and enjoy the many aspects of the club for lots of different reasons, not least the friendship and camaraderie.

The growth of the club is dependant on new and fresh ideas and this, luckily, is what new members bring with them. After 35 years, the club is firmly rooted in tradition and history, but in a changing world we need to change to keep up whilst making sure we respect our history and traditions. So, if you are a new member, don't be afraid to step up and share your ideas; there will always be a need for new branch committee members and National Committee members. From experience, I have found this to be one of the most rewarding things I have done. Granted it has been as frustrating as all hell at times, but I would have regretted not doing it and missed out on the satisfaction it has brought

me. Give it a go!

As some of you will know, I'm stepping down from my role at the 2023 AGM. The freshness of ideas and inspiration needs to be maintained and although I will pour all my effort into helping the club grow, I feel like I am coming to the end for now. I want the club to continue for many years to come and it's time for some new ideas.

Memsahib is already planning the trip to Christchurch and has a long list of places to visit on our three-week break; equally she has a list of places we won't be going to, namely one or two of the camp sites we visited last time. There is already a list of jobs for me to take care of before we leave and we are still seven months out. I think secretly she's excited and looking forward to it, but I'll never get that verbally!

Spring is coming, see you all out there.

Ride bikes, have fun and look out for each other.

**'TINY' TIM
STEWART #8959**
National President
Ulyssian Club NZ Inc



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Ride bikes, have fun and look out for each other.**

SECRETARY 2022 REPORT

2023 NATIONAL RALLY AND AGM

The 2023 National Rally and AGM is being run by the Canterbury branch, from Friday, March 17 to Sunday, March 19 at the Papanui Club, Harewood, Christchurch.

The “22 in 23 The Forgotten Rally” could potentially be one of our biggest in years as I’m hoping many members will make the most of us getting back to “normal” and come along. I know there has been and continues to be a lot of effort going into the organising of this AGM by the Canterbury branch, so let’s all make the effort and reward them with a big number of attendees. See you there!

NATIONAL COMMITTEE POSITIONS

National Committee positions are open for nominations each year, and at this coming AGM we have President Tim (Tiny) Stewart and Treasurer Stuart Burns resigning. The Treasurer position needs someone who fully understands the “financial side” of things, so give Stuart a call if you are interested to find out more.

To be eligible, you need to be a financial member of the club, and be nominated and seconded by members – the form is in this *Ulyssian*. Feel free to contact all current NatCom members for more information about

the roles.

Nomination forms for the National Committee can be sent by email or mail and must be received by the National Secretary by Friday, November 4, 2022. (Mail must be postmarked no later than this).

All nominations for the National Committee will be published in the December *Ulyssian*.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Our club rules state that there can be only 15 living Life Members at any one time and currently there are two vacancies. It is an award for valuable and meritorious service to the club – particularly at a national level. Nominees for Life Membership need to have been a continuous financial member for at least 15 years.

ODYSSEY MEDALS

Up to four Odyssey Medals can be awarded each year. Nominees must have been continuous financial members for at least 10 years, not a Life Member, and given valued and meritorious service to the club, particularly at branch level.

Nominations must come from the branch coordinator and secretary and are limited to one per branch per year.

The election of Life Membership and Odyssey Medal recipients will be

discussed and voted upon at the Coordinators’ Annual Meeting on Friday, March 17, 2023. Nominations will be confidential and will not be disclosed prior to the Coordinators’ Annual Meeting.

To be successful, the nomination must be supported by not less than 80% of the coordinators and National Committee members present. The vote will be by secret ballot.

All nominations for Life Memberships and Odyssey Medals must be accompanied by:

- A Nomination form (available on the national website or from the National Secretary). Couple nominations need to be submitted on separate forms, but clearly noted to be a couple nomination.
- A detailed justification setting out why it is believed that the nominee deserves the honour
- A photograph of the nominee.

In addition to this, the proposing branch must be able to send someone (preferably not the current coordinator) to address the Coordinator’s Meeting held the afternoon before the main AGM in support of the nomination.

All forms, justifications

and photos for Life Membership and Odyssey Medal nominations are to be sent to the National Secretary by email or mail no later than December 18, 2022 (mail must be postmarked no later than this).

REMITTS FOR CHANGES TO RULES

The 2022 Rule book is available on the national website or from the National Secretary. Have you had a look recently? Do they make sense? Are they still relevant? Can we make them simpler? If you have any ideas about how to change the rules of the Ulysses Club of NZ Inc., remits must be submitted to the National Secretary by Tuesday, November 1 for publication in the December 2022 *Ulyssian*.

If you plan to mail any of the AGM items above, please post to the National Secretary, The Ulysses Club of NZ Inc., PO Box 40218, Upper Hutt 5140. The email address is secretary@ulysses.org.nz

WEBSITE UPDATES

Have you checked your branch details on our club website recently? If there are changes to be made, your coordinator or secretary should contact the web person directly.

Please email Greig at greig.neilson@web21.nz and he will update the details as required.

SUZIE PENTELOW #8532

**BRANCH 2023
AGM NOTICES**

These will be advertised in the December *Ulyssian* as required by our club rules. I have not yet received AGM information from the following branches, Auckland, Gisborne, Hawkes Bay, Manawatu, Marlborough, Otago, Southland, Tamarunui, Taupo, Tauranga, Waikato, Wellington and Whakatane. Could I ask the coordinator or secretary of each of these branches to send me their branch 2023 AGM details ASAP.

Thanks

SUZIE PENTELOW #8532

**FUTURE
NATIONAL AGM
INFORMATION:**

2024 North Harbour
2025 Taranaki
2026 South Island (TBC)
2027 Taupo

AGM

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ULYSSES CLUB OF NEW ZEALAND (INC)

Notice is given that the
Annual General Meeting will be held on
**Saturday the 18th of March 2023, commencing at
10am at the Papanui Club, 302 Sawyers Arms Road,
Harewood, Christchurch.**

In addition to the normal business of the AGM,
the meeting will elect the National Committee
members for 2023-2024.

Nominations are invited for all positions
(President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer,
and three Committee members).

**These can be emailed to secretary@ulysses.org.nz or
mailed to the National Secretary, The Ulysses Club of
NZ Inc., PO Box 40218, Upper Hutt 5140 and must be
received by Friday 4th November 2022.
(Mail must be postmarked no later than this).**

All nominations for the National Committee will be
published in the December *Ulyssian*.

NOMINATION FORM

FOR NATIONAL COMMITTEE POSITION 2023/2024

Name _____ Ulysses Number _____

Position _____

Nominator _____ Ulysses Number _____

Seconded _____ Ulysses Number _____

Nominees Consent Signature _____

ADMINISTRATOR'S SEPTEMBER 2022 **REPORT**

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS SOON

It's spring already and with that hopefully comes the warmer, drier weather; we could certainly do with drier weather!

It's a timely reminder that subscription renewals will be due soon.

All members who have an email listed in the database and whose subscriptions are due by the end of the year will receive an email in

early October.

The amount payable for a one-year subscription is \$70, or three years is \$190. Family membership discount remains as one-year joint renewal of \$66 each or three years at \$180 each. Those members who do not have an email address will receive a letter by post with these same details.

NB: If you have moved throughout the year, and not sure if you have advised your change of address, please contact me via email admin@ulysses.org.nz, as I need

your up-to-date details so I can post your renewed membership card to you.

For all coordinators accepting new membership applications, please hold these until 1 October for processing, so your new member can join from then until the end of the following year. Again, for coordinators, please be aware that all expressions of interest received through the club website still require an application form to be completed and signed to satisfy the criteria to be a member.

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Although a number of items have been very limited, I am pleased to advise that more stock of the small logo short- and long-sleeved T-Shirts can be obtained at a slightly higher price. These are ordered on an as required basis, so there will be a delay in receiving your items.

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to see if we have your size in stock.

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NATIONAL RALLY.**

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Talk soon...

Debby Morgan

SITUATIONS VACANT

SITUATION VACANT AT 2023 AGM

The Ulysses Club Nz Inc needs its next National Treasurer

Stuart (Smokey) Burns will be stepping down from his caretaker position in this role at the 2023 AGM in Christchurch.

The club needs someone skilled to take charge of this important position.

The Position

It will be necessary for you to come from an accounting or financial background

You will need to be conversant with Xero, be able to produce spreadsheets, present and report our financial position to the National Committee and members and be able to answer questions from our membership

The Commitment

12-15 hours per month.

In person National Committee meetings twice a year, normally a full day (Saturday).

Online Zoom meetings with National Committee 3-4 time a year normally half day (weekend).

Be available to attend coordinators workshop every second year, normally a full weekend.

The Team

You will work closely as part of the National Committee, liaise regularly with Debby Morgan, our club administrator, and be a point of contact for our membership

The Reward

You'll be working with a great team of volunteers who have a passion for the club while having a laugh along the way.

You will be contributing to the long-term wellbeing of the club and all that goes with it.

Good Looks

Not important (photos of previous treasurers can be provided).

In all seriousness, we cannot underestimate the importance of filling this position and the vital contribution it will make to the club's future.

***Is this the position
for you?***

***Can you make the
commitment?***

***Do you want to work
with a solid team and
help the club through
its next chapter?***

If you would like to discuss this position or have any questions you can contact myself or Stuart Burns directly, our contact details are in the front of this *Ulyssian*.

Nomination papers will be coming out soon, but if you feel you could fill this position sooner we would be happy to look at getting you involved with the National Committee prior to the AGM

**TIM (TINY) STEWART #8959
NATIONAL PRESIDENT
president@ulysses.org.nz**



NATIONAL TREASURER'S

BRIEF FINANCIAL UPDATE

I am providing this brief update on the financial position of the club for our first six months of 2022.

The unaudited accounts for the six months to 30 June, 2022, show a surplus of \$6819.

Part of the improvement in the half-year result is due to their being no “special projects” expenditure. In the June 2021 result we had \$3,876 in costs for our promotional video.

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership subscriptions received so far for the full 2022 year of \$87,121 are well ahead of that received at the same time last year (\$77,936).

Gear Sales: Net gear sales to 30 June 2022 were \$3,134, which is significantly lower than \$5,514 for the same period last year. We are continuing to offer discounts to the sale prices of some stock items

while the quartermaster and NatCom are continuing to work on stocking a range of gear which is of interest to our members and as part of our gear refresh.

NATIONAL RAFFLE:

This year's raffle was again successful, resulting in a surplus of \$3,253. This has been added to the Rider Safety Reserve, which currently has a balance of \$21,090 to support rider safety and training initiatives.

AGM:

The cancellation of our 2022 Annual Rally and AGM meant that we had to introduce short-term rule changes to enable us to put into effect a “postal ballot”. While this went well, we did incur costs of \$5,979. However, these were less than what we would have normally expected. The cancellation also meant that we were called upon to use \$737

from the reserve to meet costs that could not be carried forward to 2023.

POSTAGE:

As these costs continue to escalate, we as a club have moved towards using digital communication via email as our primary means of member contact. As such, members need to provide current email addresses to us so that we can get club notices and subscription information to them.

MAGAZINE:

From the start of 2022, we changed the *Ulyssian* format and recommenced sending the magazine to all members, with the hard copy being included in the membership subscription. The magazine costs for the first half of the year (after advertising income) were \$10,292, compared to \$12,186 in 2021. The improved advertising income over the previous year is due to the splendid

work done on this by Georgina. Magazine advertising helps reduce the cost to the club and I urge you to let Georgina know of any advertising opportunities.

The Biennial Coordinators meeting, which reverted to a Zoom meeting in 2021, will be held in Wellington in October, which I anticipate will incur a cost of approximately \$12,500. Despite this, I anticipate a surplus for the club of around \$8,000 for the full year to 31 December, 2022. This will go some way to restoring our reserves, which have been impacted by rising costs and declining revenue over recent years.

As usual, if any member requires further information on any matters raised above, please feel free to contact me.

**STUART (SMOKEY)
BURNS #3703**

NATIONAL TREASURER

REPORT

STUART (SMOKEY)
BURNS #3703

INCORPORATED SOCIETIES ACT 2022

The Bill to replace the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 was signed into law on 5 April 2022.

The changes resulting from the new Act will impact the Ulysses Club as it operates as an Incorporated Society.

The new Act puts in place a modern framework of basic legal, governance, and accountability obligations for incorporated societies. While the Bill has been enacted, many of its provisions will not take effect immediately and the Registrar of Incorporated Societies will be putting in place the necessary processes to enable incorporated Societies to meet their obligations under the Act.

THE MAIN CHANGES ARE: -

• Reregistration:

All Incorporated Societies will need to reregister.

• **Consent:** Every person needs to consent to be a society member (Ulysses requires this already to become a member).

• **Minimum number of Members:** (Ulysses exceeds the minimum number).

• **Committee:** Need for a governing body of at least three officers who are members. Each person will have to confirm their consent with the Registrar. (Ulysses currently has

provisions for a national committee of up to seven members).

• **Officers Duties:** Some existing common law duties of society officers have been codified and have been modelled on the Companies Act 1993.

• **Financial Reporting:** Societies will need to prepare their financial statements in accordance with new accounting standards. (This will impact on the way in which the Ulysses Annual accounts are formatted).

• **Dispute Resolution:** Societies will need to have procedures for resolving disputes and other grievances between members and between members and the society set out in their constitution. (Ulysses has procedures in the rule but these are outdated, and a review process will commence at the October Coordinators meeting).

• **Enforcement:** The Act provides new civil law enforcement provisions which clearly state who can apply to the court for orders and the type of orders the court can make.

• **Offences:** The Act sets out several criminal offences and also several serious offences.

As mentioned above, the Act affects the Ulysses Club and National

Committee will be working towards the development of a new Constitution (Set of Rules) to be put to the membership for approval to enable the reregistration of the Club under the 2022 Act.

At this stage, I would anticipate the rule adoption by members being undertaken at the 2024 AGM.

If any member has comment or requires further information on this matter, please feel free to contact me.



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RIDER SAFETY FUND

As NatCom, we are constantly asked, “What is the Rider Safety Fund used for and how can we access the funds?” Hopefully this article will make the information readily available to all members.

TO START WITH, THE RIDER SAFETY FUND SITS AT APPROXIMATELY \$21,000 AT PRESENT.

From this, the Club covers

- \$50.00 Ride Forever Course fee if paid by members.
- \$110.00 to join IAM (Institute of Advanced Motorists) and test fee to gain Advanced Riding certificate.
- \$50.00 per person up to \$1000.00 for a branch to hold a Crash Scene Management or First Aid courses. These must be instructed by accredited providers.
- Newly added \$50.00 per person for Off Road skills courses by accredited instructors.
- **these will be limited to 50 members annually (to gauge the uptake between AGMs)**

We are also trying various local manufacturers to get the high-quality hi-vis vests again to subsidise for members.

A lot of the previously subsidised First Aid kits will now be out of date, so we will look at another run of these if wanted by the membership.

We have put together a form to apply for funding for branch-organised training. Don't be shy; fill one in and apply. We want to help facilitate courses, but we must accommodate the whole club as to where the funds are used. An accredited course provider is one of the checks we need so that we are using the fund responsibly.

But any good ideas, such as skills training on drag strips or go kart tracks (cheaper than hiring racing tracks), are ideas to put courses together. **WE WANT TO HELP.**

There are also a few other ideas to be discussed at the co-ordinators' meeting in October, such as defibrillators and other training ideas. So have your co-ordinator or branch representative primed with your suggestions. Or send them to me: vice.p@ulysses.org.nz or give me a call on 027 779 7766 and have a chat.

ANDY WILSON #7169 Vice President
Ulysses Club of New Zealand Inc

APPLICATION FOR RIDER TRAINING GRANT

FROM RIDER SAFETY FUND

BRANCH: _____

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CONTACT DETAILS: _____

DATE OF TRAINING: _____

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TRAINING PROVIDER: Are they accredited YES / NO _____

PROPOSED VENUE: _____

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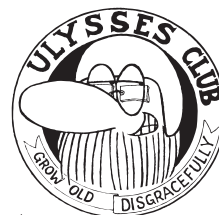
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Pass on your application to your branch representative,
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NICK GRBIN #1688

Isle Of Man

TT Motorcycle Racing 2022

My trip to this iconic event, departing New Zealand on 3 June, returning 15 June.

I'm still buzzing from this trip of a lifetime on my bucket list. It went without a hitch on the way over and back, which is nothing short of a miracle when you consider all the connections involved i.e.

1. **Plane from Whangarei to Auckland,**
2. **Auckland to Singapore,**
3. **Singapore to Heathrow,**
4. **Train from airport to Paddington station,**
5. **Taxi from Paddington to Euston station,**
6. **Rail to Liverpool,**
7. **From hotel stay in Liverpool to ferry by taxi,**
8. **Ferry crossing to IOM with a gazillion of bikers on board,**

9. **Bus from port to Sefton Express Hotel.**

Throughout all this I was hoping that my luggage turned up at the next connection. All the above was crammed into three days!!! Phew ... The same in reverse on the way back, and without a hitch. Wow, thanks to Anne and our travel agent working miracles. It took months of planning for this to happen with perfection, so a big thanks again to Anne, especially.

Several people asked who else was going with me and when I said only me, there was a look of disbelief on their faces. I came across a lot of people who were on their own, so to speak, but you're never on your own when there are people all about and you're willing to talk to them, I have

found. I came across a lady from Nelson, Amy from New Mexico, an Irishman who was over on his 34th visit, just to name a few ... Our tour guide from Pole Position Travel told us five Kiwis has cancelled their trip to IOM. Boy, did you miss a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

How fast the riders could go on normal ordinary streets and roads is just incredible. At one spot where I sat on a rock wall with my feet over the edge, I was told by a marshal to get my feet back unless I wanted my toenails clipped by a racer, that's how close they got at 220km/h.

FACTS about the IOM TT:-

1. It's been going since 1907, and over 100 years,
2. The track is 60km per lap, with the main race six laps long, taking about 17min per lap,
3. Don't know the figures for this year, but the last time they raced in 2019, there were 47,000 visitors,
4. Michael Dunlop was the winner of the 600cc class and Peter Hickman the 1000cc,
5. 265 racers have died over the 100-plus years, five of them this year. You do go in knowing the odds, so you take your chances knowing.

The Isle of Man is an amazing island to visit even if you don't give a sh.. about motor bike racing; it's so steeped in history.

Among the attractions are:

- a. The medieval castle at Peel.
- b. The great Laxy Water Wheel that drove the old mines.
- c. Two steam trains from yesteryear ply the Douglas and Ramsy routes.
- d. The oldest hotel on the island called Creg-Ny-Baa.



A dinner on the Tuesday night with the tour group had a couple of very interesting speakers. One was James Hilier, who's one of the top-five racers, and the other was Steve Parish, who was a past winner of various races over the years and a teammate of Barry Sheen, plus Truck racing winner. Well, is he a comedian and prankster or what! He had us in fits of laughter with his jokes and stories from the good old

days. Get hold of his book, *Parish Times*. What a crack up ... I'm so glad I went; I'll remember it as a highlight of my life. If you get a chance, just do it! You won't regret it.

PS: Yes, I did come back with a lot of memorabilia, including a jacket, special Arai IOM helmet etc to annoy people with ...

NICK GRBIN #1688





NICK BENFELL #9873

Stuff

Motorcyclist seriously injured in Mid Canterbury crash

Hanna McCallum - 17:59, Jul 04 2022



A motorcyclist has been seriously injured in a crash in Mid Canterbury.

St John was called to respond to State Highway 77, Rakaiia Gorge Rd, about 2.55pm on Monday, a spokesperson said.

The motorbike was the only vehicle involved in the crash, and one person was taken to Christchurch Hospital in a serious condition.

"Motorcyclist seriously injured in Mid Canterbury crash"

No doubt, we have all read similar headlines in the past. This time it was me! The above was an item in the 'Stuff' news column. My sister Carol has asked me to explain what happened when I crashed my motorbike.

Despite the almost lurid article, the crash was comparatively minor. My injuries were considered serious

(because of possible spinal injury) and were a broken shoulder blade, four broken ribs, two with two breaks, a bruised and grazed elbow and a bruised and grazed knee. Believe me, broken ribs are painful and eight days after the accident I still take painkillers every six hours.

SO HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

THE BIKE

2007 Triumph Tiger 1050. That 1050 stands for 1050CCs, so it is a bigger bike. I have had the bike since April 2021. The photo shows the bike after the crash – it did not sustain much damage. The other photo shows the crash site; note grit on road.

THE RIDE

My riding mate Dave Armstrong, a fellow Ulyssian, on his Yamaha 660, and I set off from Pegasus, riding

through Rangiora to Oxford, where we had a coffee, and then on to Methven for lunch at a cafe owned (?) by the Topp Twins, a distance of about 120 kilometres. After lunch, we made a last-minute decision to ride to Lake Coleridge Village, a fantastic ride with the snow on the tops of the mountains glistening in the afternoon sun. Then it was on to Windwhistle, another 75km. In Windwhistle, we fuelled up before back-tracking 400 metres to the turn-off to Hororata.

THE CRASH

Dave was some way ahead of me when I went to turn left into Leaches Road to go to Hororata. Sometime in the recent past the road was gritted for ice and the front wheel of the bike skidded out from underneath me on the grit and I crashed to the deck. When I became aware of what happened, I had excruciating pain in my left back, my left leg was trapped



This photo above shows the bike after the crash, luckily it did not sustain much damage



Above is the crash site, note the grit on the road



underneath the bike and for some reason I was desperately trying to get my helmet off. I was in so much pain I could not move and lay there for what seemed like minutes.

WHAT HAPPENED NEXT

Two women in a 4WD arrived. Then it is a bit hazy as another woman arrived and said she was a paramedic or something. Then Dave arrived – he turned around because he could not see me in his mirrors – then the police and an ambulance arrived. A guy who was an off-duty medic took over, even instructing the ambulance staff what to do. The bike was lifted off my leg and the police arranged for it to be taken to a Methven motorbike shop and I was loaded into the ambulance to be taken to Christchurch Hospital 8km away. I was given an analgesic inhaler, which gave me a desperate need to share my life story! Dave rang my wife, Chris, to tell her I had crashed and was startled to get the reply “I have been waiting for this call for the last seven years”.

AT THE HOSPITAL AND THE AFTERMATH

Into the Resuc Bay of Christchurch ED. My riding gear was cut off (sob) and I went for a scan. No spinal injuries. By this time my wife Chris arrived on the scene. She is a retired nurse. Then I was taken to Ward 10. Eight days of pain, pain killers and excellent care. I was discharged on the 11th and Chris collected me and took me home. We celebrated with a naughty dinner. Broken ribs are notoriously painful and slow-healing (eight weeks) and I am finding that out for myself. I am still on painkillers every six hours, wearing an arm sling and discovering a few bumps and bruises I did not notice before.

RIDING GEAR

If nothing else, this accident emphasised the importance of wearing adequate riding gear. Starting from top to bottom. I wear a Shoei full face NXR RF1200 helmet. The helmet undoubtedly saved me from

facial, if not head injuries. Sorry, guys, an open face helmet would not have “cut the mustard”. Gloves were a pair of Alpinestars – I imagine they saved my hands from grazing. My jacket and trousers are Alpinestar tech-touring, the jacket with an after-market back protector. Both show abrasion marks but did not tear. Surprisingly, I received grazes in the areas of the knee and elbow protectors. Boots are calf-height Alpinestars. The left boot shows abrasion marks and the toe is damaged (repairable?). I am convinced if they had been ankle boots or shoes the left one at least would have been torn off. I am satisfied with the level of protection my riding gear offered.

THANKS TO...

AT THE SCENE: police officers Emma and Blair; ambulance medics Oliver and Keri; members of the public who stopped and assisted and my riding buddy Dave.

AT THE HOSPITAL:

Christchurch Hospital ED staff, including Kat; Ward 10: Helen, such a good nurse; Jenny, so efficient; Sita and P..., the two Nepalese nurses; the ever-smiling Ron; Kate Within Temptation Faster – she will understand; Brittany, the blonde bomb; Jessica, so helpful; my doctor; the physio and the social worker. My apologies to those I have missed.

We are lucky to have the services we do have from the police, ambulance and hospital. I was offered home help (which I did not need), and the ACC claim was made on my behalf, as was district nursing and physio.

Last, but not least, thanks to my wife Chris who went into nursing mode, and who always encourages me, although I know she worries when I ride my motorbike. No criticism, just help beyond what I would expect. A heartfelt thanks.

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A GREAT EVENT EMERGES

MIKE SHAW #9061



From small ideas great events emerge. The time was 2014, not long after daylight saving had started. Tim Stewart thought we could meet somewhere on a Tuesday evening during daylight saving to enjoy a short ride and look forward to some fellowship over a drink and meal, within 30-45 minutes riding of our stands-up point. It was agreed to meet for stands up at 6:30pm. There were five participants on the inaugural ride: Tim Stewart, Chris Hughes, Mike Shaw, Jim Coyle and his wife Julie as pillion.

We had a short ride, heading towards the Puketapu Hotel for the drink and meal.

When we were mulling over the menu, discussion commenced on what we should call our regular

Tuesday daylight saving rides. Many names were bandied about: Pie Club, Knitting Club, Fat Bastard Club, Horribilis Club, Chocolate Éclair Club, Custard Square Club. All rejected by the assembled intelligencer due to "already used" or "offensive to small children and those of a delicate disposition".

Discussion went back to focusing on the menu. Jim Coyle asked his wife Julie what she was going to have for her meal. Julie suggested she better stick to the salad to support her diet. Wolla eureka, exclaimed Shaw, "The Diet Club", what a great name.

Tim agreed it was a fine name considering the overall portliness of members likely to come on the Diet Club rides.

The rides commence the first

Tuesday after daylight saving starts and finish the late Tuesday of March. The present rides start from Motoland in Napier, stands up at 6:30pm sharp and the destination venues alternate between a Napier or Hastings venue. If it's raining, we revert to "The Diet Club TTT", or "The Diet Club Tin Top Tea".

We carry on through the winter months, meeting every second Tuesday for The Diet Club TTT. Some records have been set at some of these events. The most memorable being a not-to-be-named participant who had nine plates of smorgasbord food and a dessert and wondered who wanted to go for an ice cream on the way home. (No, it wasn't Tim).

MIKE SHAW #9061

KRUSTY'S KORNER

GRUB #5457



*Motunau Island
A MUST VISIT place if you're in
North Canterbury*



*Motunau Beach carpark after some recent
heavy seas*

Unfortunately, I don't have a great deal to contribute to this issue, mainly due to succumbing to the dreaded Covid.

I can confirm that whatever variant I contracted wasn't particularly pleasant and laid me out for three weeks. Having a grandson at high school in the household it was inevitable the war department and myself would eventually succumb.

The other Krusty Coaster has been deep into a bathroom renovation, which has had its challenges. He also missed a few Canterbury Knitting Club midweek rides.

However, after being cooped up for so long, on Wednesday, June 1, I decided to get the trusty Triumph out from its hibernation and go on a ride.

After contacting the other Krusty Coaster, it was all on. The weather in Amberley was fine, quite warm, with just a scattering of light cloud and the weather forecast was favourable for the day.

What could possibly go wrong?

We arranged to meet at the normal destination point in the city, fuelled up, stand up and off I went. Things were great until, oh bugger, my speedo stopped working. Nevermind, I'll just keep up with the flow of traffic and it'll be okay.

As I was going through Leithfield, I noticed a few drops of moisture on my visor. Trusting the weather forecast, I continued my journey. How

wrong could one be as barely another kilometre further on the heavens opened up. Having trusted the forecast, I never felt the need to put on my wet weather gear before I left and I was totally drenched. Bugger. Nevermind, I'll just continue and I'll probably ride through it.

On reaching Woodend my spirit was broken, I had a wet arse I was cold. I made the decision to ring the other Ol' Krusty and tell him I was turning back. He reported it was also raining heavily in town and had decided he wasn't going either.

Fortunately, he hadn't left home and didn't have the luxury of getting a wet arse. On arriving back home, the war department had what could only be described as a cheeky smirk on her face as I dragged my drenched body inside, where I disrobed and put my riding gear in front of the log fire to dry.

The day in North Canterbury continued to disobey the weather forecast and got colder, while raining on and off. Apparently, we missed a great ride to Pigeon Bay, in Banks Peninsula. To make matters worse, the Knitting Club experienced no rain at all. Roll on next Wednesday.

I checked all the long-range weather forecasts and things were looking good, fingers crossed.

The following Wednesday came around quite quickly



due to the Queen's Birthday holiday. Seems funny, being retired one doesn't look forward to nor plan for public holidays anymore; neither the less even though the day dawned fine and the forecast was good I still rugged up warm and headed off to meet the other Krusty Coaster at Avon City Suzuki, where the Knitting Club meet to decide on the day's destination.

That week, the chosen destination was Wainui, another bay in Banks Peninsula and a really enjoyable ride on some hills and cool twisties.

On arriving at Wainui and unpacking for the picnic lunch, I had to hurriedly drop everything and rescue the trusty Triumph as the stand was sinking into the ground. After repositioning the bike on firmer terrain, I settled with the others, soaked up the atmosphere and enjoyed lunch. All good things come to an end, and it was time to pack up and begin the return journey back home to Amberley. The weather behaved all day and I even managed to give the bike a good wash before putting the cover on until the next ride.

We missed the following Wednesday ride as my Krusty offsider was again into his bathroom renovation, so decided to go to Motunau Beach on the Thursday, a great choice as neither of us had been there before. I've got to say the day was perfect; blue sky, a warm light breeze, and Mister Yellow was shining brightly

again. A great ride, especially the 15km of winding road to Motunau from State Highway 1. On arriving, we noticed that recently there had obviously been some high seas as the carpark area and even some of the road had considerable debris on it, from driftwood to kelp.

Once we found ourselves a picnic table, we enjoyed our lunch whilst being mesmerised watching the tide come in; very serene and soothing.

We kept looking in awe at Motunau Island, which prompted us to read the information panel. Some very interesting reading, but the fact of it being perfectly flat on top was an amazing sight. After lunch we packed up and headed to the Greta Valley Cafe for a posh coffee and a bit of their very moreish ginger crunch; probably not needed but Krusty Ol' pensioners deserve a treat every now and then.

All 'n all a great day out. We thoroughly enjoyed the day and are now looking for other magic spots Canterbury has to offer that we can explore.

On that note, I'll sign off and hopefully have another report of our travels in the next mag.

Above: Krusty Ol' coaster taking in the scenery



*SELFIE!
Bad hair day at
Motunau Island*

**Keep safe
and keep
the shiny
side up!**

GRUB #5457



WELLINGTON'S

GRUMPY TUTUS

JIM FURNEAUX #2098

and the Tranz-Alpine Scooter Safari 2022

About a year ago, I convinced fellow Wellington Branch members Mike Payne and Steve Klau that they should do a Tranz-Alpine Scooter Safari – that is, we would each ride a small capacity scooter across the Southern Alps in late autumn or early winter to raise funds for the Cancer Society.

Fast forward to this year, and Steve had purchased a Suzuki Burgman 200, aka the White Ghost; Mike was getting in some practice with the auto-clutch transmission on my NBC110, aka the Postie; and I was running in the engine of a highly modified 1979 Honda Cub, aka the Blue Lady. Ferry and motel bookings had been made, and our wives, Sandy, Cheryl and Colleen, were signed up as our support crew. The three

of us would be riding as individuals, but collectively we would be Team Grumpy Tutus.

The date for this year's ride – limited to 250 scooters – was announced for 22 May and when registrations opened in March, all 250 slots were snapped up in just 45 minutes. We all managed to get a slot and our respective fundraising began. Steve put his artistic skills to excellent use and produced individualised team Grumpy Tutu shirts for the lads. Fellow branch member Kevin Billows obtained for us the loan of his son-in-law's three-bike motorcycle trailer, and so everything was in place for what promised to be an epic ride.

Friday, 21 May – an early start to be down at the ferry to catch the 9:15

sailing. As we load the cars and hitch the trailer, it's pitch black and raining with heavy thunder and lightning, which I took to be a blessing from the weather gods ... my colleagues were somewhat more sceptical about whether we were being blessed or about to be cursed and peed upon with the weather.

By the time we sailed, the weather had cleared, and it was a smooth sailing into Picton, though emerging from the bowels of the ferry, it became obvious that the weather was not so flash in the mainland, with dark clouds and showers. Quick stop for a pie and a cuppa in Ward (nice pies, right Sandy?) then on to Christchurch, though there was one more stop just past the Cave tearooms south of Kaikoura to reposition the Blue Lady and strap

everything down a bit tighter after all the bumpy roads.

We gassed up the cars just around the corner from our motel units and then off for a quick Thai, before getting an early night. It was still drizzling with light showers, so we were expecting a cold and wet ride the next day.

Up early again to get out to the event start and registration at McLeans Island. We were the second and third riders' cars in the gate at the car club grounds, which was just as well. Although unloading the bikes was quickly achieved, it was a very different story with the Blue Lady. She has a very prominent oiled foam air filter that sticks out in the breeze, and which had been out in the rain for the

previous 24 hours. At that time of the morning, it was only around 3 degrees and there was a light frost on the seats of our scooters.

Needless to say, the Blue Lady took a lot of kicking and alternating between using choke and wide-open throttle to get her roaring into life ... and to keep her running I had to hold the throttle open so that she was running at about 3500 RPM. A quick lap of our cars and a few trees showed that the parking area was filling fast. After five minutes, she was idling reasonably well, so I switched her off for a team photo, only to find that more kicking was required to get her started again.

When she was running again, I rode her over to the start line to form up behind about 10 other scooters. Once I was joined by Mike and Steve, all six of us wandered over to register and then look at all the scooters and costumes before the ride started.

As far as scooters were concerned, there was everything from old to new, small Chalys with 10-inch wheels through to a Yamaha jet-ski body mounted to a scooter chassis – this was subsequently sold on Trade

Me for less than \$1600. There were scooters towing miniature horseracing sulkies, and the costumes included cows, Care Bears, Batman and Robin, Darth Vader, tigers with matching tiger scooters, Mrs Christmas and her sister, CHPs.

I had previously done a Safari with John Ryan and he was there this year with an Easy Rider-styled scooter and matching helmet, and another four lads I know from Wellington, Hamish, Richard, Roger and Rod, had ridden down to the event on their early Cub rat-scooters all dressed in shark suits. There was even a lady dressed as Fred Flintstone riding a scooter that looked just like Fred's car.

After the briefing, the support crews were sent on their way to keep the road clear for the scooters. Ten minutes to go I set about getting the Blue Lady warm ... more kicking, about six kicks this time and she was purring nicely, but it was still too cold for a nice smooth idle, so I held her at about 3500 RPM until the flag dropped and we were away. There were so many scooters jostling for position

that I needed to keep the revs up and slip the clutch to keep the Cub moving in the pack. I was in third gear doing about 45 km/h before I had completely released the clutch and by then she was running sweetly. A quick twist of the throttle once we got on to the straight Old West Coast Road and I was easily passing slower riders on our way to our first stop at Sheffield.

However, my first stop came about 10km from the waiting pies, as the Blue Lady coughed and spluttered to a gradual halt – out of gas. The combination of flooding the carb and idling at high RPM in the cold had taken its toll on the already very limited range. Rod, one of the aforementioned Wellington shark boys, stopped and kindly gave me a top up that got me to Sheffield, where our support crew were waiting with our pies in hand.

It was an absolutely beautiful day by then, still a bit cold, but a bright warming sun and not a cloud in the sky. We had indeed been blessed by the weather gods. A top-up with gas and a decision was made for Mike and Steve

to each carry a can of gas in case I ran out on the remaining legs, given the Blue Lady's limited range and no carrier.

The second stage was over the long steep climb and descent of Porters Pass, which is the third highest on the South Island's State Highway network. Riding out of Sheffield, I wondered why our support crew was still parked on the side of the road rather than on their way to Arthur's Pass. As I was to find out later, the Odyssey needed a jump start, which was kindly supplied by two other riders and their support crew.

Lunch at Arthur's was a tasty, generous-sized burger; free barista coffee and water were also available. While the sun was still shining, we could see the dark clouds over the hills ahead, and there were occasional spits of drizzle to go with the now freezing temperature. Most of the riders started putting wets on over or under their costumes.

All too soon we were off on the third leg to Kumara Racecourse. The lead vehicle, a camper van, had gone on five minutes earlier to wait partly up the hill so

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Wellington's Grumpy Tutus and the Tranz-Alpine Scooter Safari 2022

the scooters could get a good run at it. As I was the bike parked immediately behind the camper before it left, and the Blue Lady was running sweetly, I powered away with Mike sitting close behind. That got us ahead of the pack, which soon started to catch up on the downhill ride to Otira.

Once over the top, the rain started, though not too hard, thankfully. The sky was no longer bright and sunny. It was dark and moody. Ominous, perhaps, but the Blue Lady and the Postie were both purring along well ahead of the slower scoots.

Except that there was another unplanned stop for the Blue Lady about 10km out from Kumara. At first, I thought that there was black ice or oil on the wet road as the Blue Lady started to slide about under power, but as became soon became apparent, the rear tyre was losing air, and we coasted to a halt.

I told Steve and Mike to carry on and finish the ride for the Grumpy Tutus, as there was not much we could do with Blue Lady and I would wait for the end of the ride to go by and get picked up by the rescue team.

I waved on the riders that started to slow down to help and started walking along pushing the Cub as there was not much else to do, and it was going to be a long wait otherwise. Almost all the scooters had gone by when a couple of utes and a trailer stopped to help. They tried inflating the tyre, but it was clear it wasn't going to hold air for long enough to be of any practical use. We loaded it on to the trailer and I jumped into one of the utes. It turned out that this was

the support crew for Mrs Christmas and her "sister", who had ridden past us as we were checking the tyre.

We passed the Christmas ladies, and shortly after came across three small scooters all stopped within a few metres of each other. Two riders managed to get their problem scooter, a Yamaha V50, going just as we got out of the utes. The V50 sounded rather sick and was being assisted by the rider of the other bike. The third bike was a small Chaly and while it would start, it would not continue to run. Checking the spark plug and using points cleaner as starter fluid down the carb didn't keep it running, so the Chaly was also loaded on to the trailer.

Just as we were doing that, the rescue team stopped, with two scooters on their long flat deck trailer. They carried on, only for us to catch them again as they were about to load the aforementioned V50 on to the trailer. It had struggled a further 2km up the road before giving up the ghost.

At Kumara racecourse, we loaded the Cub on to our trailer and along with our support crew, we motored into our motel in Hokitika.

No point going to the finish as that famous Hokitika welcome was well over by then.

We had passed about a dozen scooters struggling down the last

straights to town, and the final scooters would have finished about 45 minutes after we arrived in town.

Steve and Mike arrived at the motel about 30 seconds after us, and while the ladies sorted the rooms, we loaded the scooters on to the trailer for the return trip before a quick tidy up and a cuppa before heading off to the evening meal.

A celebratory drink and a roast meal with dessert rounded off the event for us while the prizegiving took place. By that time, over \$350,000 had been raised, so a damn fine effort all around. However, we had an early start as the Interislander had swapped us from the 20.45 sailing to the 14.15 sailing.

With the earlier sailing altering the logistics, Steve and Cheryl, who were towing the trailer with the scooters, elected to stay on for a couple of days. For the rest of us, there would be no leisurely lunch in a winery as originally planned, but nonetheless

a very good breakfast in Reefton at the Broadway Bakery kept us nourished for the trip to the ferry. We made good time and even managed a quick stop at Makana Chocolate factory, followed by a coffee in Picton, with my third pie of the trip at the London Quay Café, sitting outside in the lovely weather.

A quick stroll around the town, and down to the ferry to wait. The crossing back home was reasonable and then we were off to Ammu in Upper Hutt for a curry before unpacking.

It was a real blast. Special thanks to the lovely ladies of our awesome support team and we would all like to thank all those who kindly helped us raise a collective \$4500. So, who's up for it in two years' time? A large range of photos and videos of this year's event can be found on Facebook pages such as <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ScooterSafariChat>.

JIM FURNEAUX #2098



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Your sweetie says, 'Let's go upstairs and make love,'
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'OLD' IS WHEN...

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shoes and you're barefoot.

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Going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles
out of your face.

'OLD' IS WHEN...

You don't care where your spouse goes,
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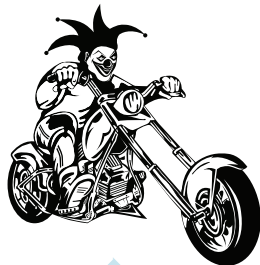
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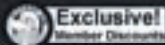


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Canterbury

CHRIS CAREY #3497

by 'Captain Carefree'

Greetings, fellow Ulyssians. If you're not reading this it's because I've missed the deadline to get it to the editor in time.

And that is because I've been a frightfully busy old chap and as much as I'd like to say the Ulysses branch takes precedence, I'd be failing in my duty as a husband, Papa and friend to put these matters before family and friends, moving house, planting 30-odd shrubs and trees, concreting in a clothesline, sorting out my man cave, and shifting planter pots by myself when I should have asked for help, but didn't, and spent days walking round like a half-opened pocket knife with comments like "you silly old fool" echoing around the place.

But before I go further, I have a huge thank you to Geoff "Scruff" Young, who sent me a large number of remembrance badges, which I have finally incorporated into a plaque. The photo doesn't really do it justice. Rather than have this sitting in my garage 364 days a year, we've decided to leave it on display at the Papanui RSA where we hold our monthly branch meetings. On the 24th September, the 365th day, it will travel to Kaikoura for the annual

remembrance service. So, thank you Scruff for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

Speaking of which, the South Island Remembrance Service is on Saturday the 24th of September. It's open to ALL Ulysses members and if the past years are anything to go by, a damned good time will be had by all. If you haven't already, I'd suggest you register and get your digs sorted quick smart! The details are all on the Ulysses website. The Kaikoura Top 10 allowed us the use of facilities there and last year after the service most of us wandered into town, grabbed a feed, a few bevies then wandered back to watch the footie ... over a few more. I can't remember who won.

August the 10th saw our branch have its usual mid-winter dinner, although this year it wasn't quite in the middle but close enough. The RSA really welcomes our contribution because, like a number of clubs or associations, it is suffering from a drop in membership and patronage. Although it may not be as central as our previous venue, it's a damned sight cheaper to use and, besides, we feel the RSA deserves our support.

Later in September, we will be presenting a cheque for \$1500 to the rescue chopper, the result of a fundraising event organised by Maree and Bruce Vincent. The Helicopter Hunt is a seek and find-type ride where answers to questions are sought from obscure places, plaques and landmarks scattered around the mainland. It's a lot of fun and, once again, thank you to the Vincents for organising this. I wonder where the hell they'll send us on the next one?

Thea Turner will be organising this year's 1000km Longest Day ride, to be held on the first weekend of

November, and although this is the "official" weekend for it, as in the past, we've allowed those undertaking the ride to do it when they can as long as it's done in 24 hours. With eight routes to choose from, starting when and where you like and in whatever direction tickles your fancy or weather window, it's a great way to find out

- what long-distance riding is all about,
- is your riding gear any good
- how about your bike set up,
- if this is all it takes, I think I'll give the TT2000 a crack next February!

The 2023 National AGM is ticking over and Steve Parr, Mike Dew and Chris Groube, with their team of helpers, have everything pretty much covered and are waiting for more registrations.

Lastly, I'd like to thank my team, the Canterbury Committee, for all their help and for the gentle reminders Debbie, our secretary, sends me, our branch would be all the poorer without these guys and gals. We have a lot of fun in the process and I firmly believe our branch is in good hands.

Oh, and before I forget, after a decade of abstinence, absinthe, incense ... not being on, the Chatto Creek ride is on again. Called the 1000 Mile Resurrection, it is to be held on November 19th. Here's the link if anyone's interested. Give Ken a bell and he'll send you all the guff: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1v7dOSKGLIUG3tjgVMrwzPtnGo_8lklp7w_M6lcZ1tDQ/edit?usp=sharing

Regards,

CHRIS 'Captain Carefree' CAREY
#3497

Canterbury Coordinator



Wellington

ROSS #8542

Witterings

Like the rest of you, we are getting heartily sick of the rain. Fortunately, we have been able to get together for few club events and rides.

Our “coffee and catchup” rides have proved popular. We meet at a local café, have a bite to eat, a bit of a chin wag, and then decide who wants to go where.

Many members attend who normally couldn't afford the time to go on a longer ride due to family or work commitments. Other members choose to make a longer day of it.

As with several other branches, we are trying to make better use of social media to keep members informed (and entertained), and also to encourage prospective members to see what they are in for if they join the branch. We now have 127 members on our Facebook Group and, like the National Facebook group, we encourage non-members to join and see what happens in the branch. We think this

has contributed to more people showing an interest in joining. The video on the National website also helps to answer the question, “What is it to be a Ulyssian?” It is good to see Wellington members joining other branch Facebook groups – hopefully we will see more inter-branch meetups.

We have been fortunate to get a few fine Sundays for our longer rides. The ride out to Castlepoint in late May was well attended with dry roads and not too windy (it can blow out that way!).

It was a very cold start for our recent long ride to Pongaroa, with lots of dashboards flashing snowflake warnings as we gathered in Upper Hutt. We had organised to catch up with the Manawatū-Whanganui branch at the

Pongaroa Pub and it was an impressive sight to see around 30 bikes parked up. It's a great venue – and of course a fantastic ride to get there (up through the Wairarapa and back over the Pahiatua track).

Our annual Go Karting event was held in June – this year at the Indoor Raceway in Porirua. As always, it didn't take long to get very competitive. Mike Payne was presented with the trophy this year (although a few of us – including me – were sceptical

about the timing. Maybe it's time to just let it go!).

Monthly branch meetings have been well attended, with the branch AGM in May, and a well-received presentation from Predator Free Wellington at our June meeting.

Keep safe out there.

ROSS #8542

Chilly Tiger!



Makara Café coffee and catchup



Marlborough Musings

KELVIN WATSON #3602

The Marlborough Branch has been chugging along quite well since the last report, even though quite a few of our members have now had Covid.

Our Mid-Year Dinner held at The Clubs of Marlborough was a very enjoyable night for the 70-odd members who were there and a couple of trophies were presented on the night. One was for the highest mileage on their motorbike in a year, which went to John Sinclair. Ali Windleburn was presented with the Hip To Be Disgraceful Trophy for some disgraceful behavior earlier this year. Service badges were presented for 25 years to Ivan Stewart; 20 years to Malcolm Taylor and Colin Simpson; 15 years to Nicky and Kevin Bright, and Craig Bird and Peter Beckett; 10 years to Sandra and Andrew Stewart, Gisela Schulze, Gerald Satherley, Pam Neal, and Julie and Alister McLeod. Congratulations to you all and well done. I would like to welcome new member Adrian Byrne to our branch. He rides a fairly big Moto Guzzi. I am

looking forward to The South Island Memorial Service being held at The Kaikoura Top 10 Camp Conference Room on Saturday, 24 September. Anyone wanting to stay overnight can get a 10% discount at the camp by mentioning "Ulysses" when booking. Our winter weather this year has been like a lot of other places in the country: wet, wet, wet, with local roads flooded, road closures and slips. Hopefully it perks up a bit for spring. If any members from further afield are in our area, come join us for coffee at The Runway Café on Saturdays or join one of our Thursday and Sunday Rides.

*Till Next Time,
"Keep the Rubber
On The Road".*

KELVIN WATSON #3602
Marlborough Branch
Coordinator



SEE MAD HATTER'S TEA PARTY EVENT INFO ON PAGE 55

Westland Coordinators Discourse

KERRY CHAPMAN #3443

Well, here we are again, always busy but doing what? Supposed to be retired but still getting called to fill gaps in the work force. But it is an excuse to get up and get motivated.

The club is doing well considering the cold, wet weather. Coffee mornings are still small numbers, but regular every Saturday at various venues around town.

The weekly rides are low on numbers, but if like me the bike is in the shop getting a birthday as it just ticked over 200,000km, or you just do not want to catch the Covid thingy.

We are planning the yearly Ross Rally (theme The mad Hatters tea party) date for September 30 to October 2. If interested, give the Ross Empire a ring and book a bed; it should be a great night or two. But in the meantime, plans for the Cold Kiwi are getting sorted

and hopefully a couple of our members will make the pilgrimage to the north for another great weekend of riding and talking about how we can change the world, maybe.

I also had the pleasure of presenting Ken Reece and Mark Walsh via Ken with their 30-year Badges.

It is a sad moment when another member of the group passes; we lost Kelly Darling #6256 due to a long illness. Some of the group managed to get along to the funeral to support the family in their day of grief.

As I am a man of few words, I will say good bye for now.

KERRY CHAPMAN #3443
Westland Co-ordinator

Gisborne News

STEVE ROGERS #9812

Winter Weekend Blast

Our destination – Awakeri Hot Springs

We left on a fine and frosty morning, a fresh start for the day as we headed off. As we dipped into the Waioeka Gorge, the corners were wet but cheeks gripped the seats as we tipped our bikes into the corners as we could still see the white from the frost. Out of the gorge and onto the Opotiki straight there was nice sunshine to warm us up as we headed to Awakeri.

We took a back road through Taneatua to Awakeri for a nice soak in the lovely hot pools after a butt-clenching ride.

Local takeaways for tea and breakfast were even better at the Hub in Whakatane the next morning. Back through the Waioeka Gorge and home. Thank you to the great team of people we were with; it made for a fantastic weekend with lots of laughs and great comradeship.



Parked at the Hub in Whakatane for Breakfast...



We enjoyed a well deserved soak in the Hot Springs

Rotorua Rumble

SMILEY #10243

What an exciting adventure my biker life has been, and adding a new role as the coordinator for the Rotorua Branch has been awesome.

I first met Hartley in October 2021, and he said I should come along to the coffee group. I went along the first couple of times, sat in the chair and did the polite chit chat while I was working out names, faces and how they rolled.

Appeared to me that, yup, they were a pretty cool bunch, so I rocked up at the next coffee group with a new hairdo of reggae colours, set in braids and let my personality shine on through! This bunch of old skool riders have many stories to share;

motorbikes, business and lifetime experiences are what life is about, and trips down memory lane and reliving their lives, it is so heart-warming.

This made me think that we should do something a little bit different for our Welcome Back Rally in August. It will be designed for those who have been to other Rotorua rallies and want to reconnect with ole mates and share memories. Good times will be had by all; no strippers for this event but some pretty awesome sounds to

encourage singing, dancing and drinking. A Saturday ride to the hot pools and lunch is also on the agenda, so be sure to pack something more than your birthday suit.

As a group, we have been doing regular rides on alternate Sundays, Saturday impromptu rides, and the best vibe with our group is that those who aren't riding anymore still turn up at the cafes in their cages. Such a great community where we try to get everyone involved. Our coffee group on Saturday mornings is getting

raucous and the energy is perfect. From a gurlz cocktail evening on the calendar to an aerial dance session, which could end, well who knows how, but we are keen to give it a go.

We are also organising a fundraising event with the Wahine Riders for the Ronald McDonald Retreat homes here in Rotorua on October 1. Looks like there will be a great selection of bikes and cars attending; everyone is welcome to

Southland "Scribbles"

ROSS L #1177

Hi to fellow members! The Branch events held since the last report have had a strong indoor focus, which is normal for this time of the year.

However, even though riding opportunities have been rather limited due to road conditions, I am aware that some of our branch members who are "real motor-cyclists" have continued to get their bikes out; well done to them. The other less hardy members (myself included) have opted to place their bike registration on hold until the warm weather returns.

The Branch Annual General Meeting was held in May; regrettably the attendance was once again much lower than what was hoped. The results of the Election of Officers

saw the 2021/2022 Committee being re-elected to office. That these members are willing to continue in office is truly appreciated. During the meeting, Service Awards were presented to two branch members, Margaret Peake, 30-year badge, and David (Ross) Fox, 10-year and 15-year badges. Warmest congratulations go to those members.

Our indoor events have continued to receive reasonable support; they have included monthly dine-outs at various restaurants and coffee mornings at the Motorcycle Mecca Café on the last Sunday of the month. These

occasions have continued to provide an excellent opportunity for members to socialise and chat about important "stuff".

At the time of writing this report, our programme will continue to be pretty much based around indoor events, but hopefully we are not too many weeks away from being able to organise and actually hold branch rides.

In closing, regards from the Deep South, keep safe.

ROSS L #1177

join us.

We attended the Lake Hop in Mangakino; it was rather damp underfoot but great to meet some of the other bikers from Taupo. Assisted with a fundraiser of parking cars at the Rotorua Swap Meet; a cold morning start but we were there to do our job and help out. We have ridden to many cafes the longest way to get there, and the weather has been mainly cold and wet but the ride is so worth it!

Our rides' committee has been busy working on rides and an overnighter is on the cards as well. If you join our Ulysses Rotorua Branch Facebook page all our

information is there and if you would like to join us on a ride, well, don't procrastinate, gear up and join us.

I have even managed to twist Navman's arm (Hartley Gray) to join me in the 800km race in October with Eugene and Colin in Ohakune. Navman needs some time to get in the zone and he should be sorted by October, I reckon. Said something about having his arm twisted, I just smiled and gave him my sincerest encouragement. Wahooooooooo! There are only 52 weekends in a year and some of those involve winter months, but to ride at every opportunity, is what I strive to do.

On a more sombre note, we had two of our members pass away. It just reminds

us that life is precious and relatively short.

Peter Riddell and Tony Baker passed away in July. Tony was an active, weekly, coffee drinker at our Saturday morning get-togethers and had such a beautiful wairua about him. He was kind, considerate and had lived an amazing life. I feel a bit cheated that he left us too soon but the lessons learnt is to connect with others, learn about them, share their memories with them.

Everyone has their own story, everyone is on their own journey, make time to listen and get to know fellow Ulyssians.

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Let's Ride!



North Harbour Notes

WAYNE PAINTER #1756

The past three months have been up and down with bad weather and Covid affecting rides and club nights.

Having said that, we are still getting 40-50 members and their partners to our club night at the Hobsonville RSA, who are great hosts and Chef Billy spoils us with lovely meals. If you are a branch member and haven't been to a club night lately, come along; the weather must improve soon and we miss your company.

Our Mid-Winter Christmas Dinner at the RSA was enjoyed by 45 happy people, unfortunately, others couldn't come due to Covid. Seems we are going to have to accept this as part of life. Once more, Chef Billy put on a fabulous three-course meal; the variety of different foods was astonishing and

I'm sure we all went home a couple of kilos heavier. The fun part of the evening was a prizegiving where everyone got a lucky dip gift ranging from a block of chocolate to a glass and decanter set. Even those who were unable to come because of illness got a prize. Sonia puts a lot of time into these functions and we really appreciate her efforts.

Our Christmas Social is on 26 November and if you are an Auckland or North Harbour member or travelling in our area you would be most welcome to join us.

It has been disappointing that over the past two years most fundraising/charity rides have been cancelled

because of Covid restrictions. As I said in the last NatMag, our Ronald McDonald House Charity ride was cancelled twice, but we are back up to speed now with the "Ronnie Run" scheduled for the 6 November. Once again, we will start at the Africa Bar on William Pickering Drive with an interesting ride, and lunch back at the RSA. Because of Covid restrictions we cannot go to Ronald McDonald House as most of the children are immune compromised. We would love members from other branches to join us so we can raise funds for the families staying at the house while their children get

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hospital treatment.

I have always wanted to make the trip to the South Island for their Remembrance Weekend, so this year Dale and I are going to Kaikoura to help them remember our past members and celebrate their lives and their contribution to our great club.

WAYNE PAINTER
#1756NZ L/M

North Harbour Branch
President

Auckland Actions

CRAIG MOODIE #8602

One of the highlights of the past couple of months has been our now annual combined lunch with North Harbour branch, which we hosted on June 25 as a mid-winter Christmas theme.

Despite it being a long weekend (Matariki) and some people away, we had a good 60 people at our place for some wonderful food, disgraceful games and lots of laughs and big stories.

The weather held out again, as it has each year, so a

number of people brought their bikes and trikes. Auckland has been plagued with a lot of wet days during July, so not much riding, but we have had a good social dinner at The Landing and we are hoping for some drier weather over the next couple of months.

At the time of writing this, we are looking forward to the Remembrance weekend in Taupo, August 12-14, where we hope to catch up with many of you as we remember those who have passed on.

Our rally is filling up but we still have some spaces

left for November. This is a highlight of our calendar year where we have good food and good times with our fellow Ulyssians from all over the North Island. If you've never come to one before, put November 11-13 in your diary. The rego form is in this magazine and you

Tauranga Branch

LEE WHITE #5925

It's been a very quiet three to four months here in the Bay of Plenty. Rides have been few and far between; and as we all know the weather doesn't play ball on the weekend, but gives you the best weather during the week.

We had no committee as such for a short time due to no office holders being nominated at our AGM; We did have three for committee, though.

But after a SAGM a month later, success. I would like to welcome aboard our new committee for 2022: a good cross-section from our branch with a couple of new members standing, a couple of seasoned members, and a couple of committee members from days gone past who have returned. Many thanks to Kevin Beagley, who stepped forward to take the reins during the absence of a full committee.

Congratulations to Paul Carson for his silver Odyssey Medal award after 33 years' service to the Tauranga branch. Robyn, his better half (wife), was awarded the medal last year. They've both worked hundreds of volunteer hours and still seem to enjoy it! They are our camp Mother and Cook and have been more than part of the family doing this since ... forever. They are also the first to volunteer if anything needs doing. They have also been

permanent committee members for years.

The remembrance ride and service are coming up in a week's time and a number of our members are heading down for the weekend.

On the subject of our rally, we have planned and booked our Rally at Waihi for 2023. You will find the registration form in this edition of the *Ulyssian*. Book early as we are limited to 75 persons.

Fred Gunst #226 passed away recently. Fred joined our branch on the 9th September, 1988, and up until a few years ago, attended branch nights and events very regularly. It was only due to health he stopped coming. RIP Fred.

That's all folks, so keep the sunny side up

LEE WHITE #5925

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Cheers,

CRAIG MOODIE #8602

Auckland Branch Coordinator



Kapiti Capers

PAUL NEES #6782

Social activities are very important to our branch and our members. None more so than our monthly coffee mornings.

These are a chance for members to get together, talk bikes or other things, relax in each other's company, and generally set the world to rights. We alternate Saturdays and Sundays so that more of our membership can participate. For the past couple of years our café of choice was a certain Otaki establishment, named after a colour.

Recently, however, we have been made less than welcome at this café. Even without restrictions on party size (as there were during Covid), we have been taken to task for the size of our group and for moving tables together (we always put them back when we leave). There was one employee who has been unpleasant to us on the past couple of occasions we have been there.

Things came to a head the last time we were there. One of our members arrived early and heard the same employee criticising us in a loud voice for other patrons to hear before we had even arrived. And again, during our stay, she continued to berate us. The outcome was that we made an executive decision to no longer patronise this café. The owner has been subsequently informed of the reasons for our decision.

We decided we would share our custom among many cafes – one month in the southern part of our branch area, and the other month in the north. We recently supped at 180 Degrees Café in Paraparaumu Beach and had a great time. We look forward to getting to know other cafes in our area.

We also had a mid-winter dinner event at ANZIL restaurant in Lindale, Paraparaumu. We went there last year and were treated like royalty, so we promoted this year's event as

Return to the Scene of the Crime.

The restaurant is Hungarian style and offers a buffet. Plenty to eat and drink and the restaurant catered superbly for different dietary requirements. It is a pleasure to patronise businesses like these

At our May AGM, we celebrated Alan Stevenson's 10 years of continuous membership, awarding him his 10-year badge. It is great to have longer-term members of the branch as they bring a wealth of experience and expertise, which is hugely valuable. Alan is currently our rides coordinator and leads quite a few of our rides. Vice-coordinator at the time, Barry Brown, presented Alan with his badge – I was unable to attend as I had Covid.

Speaking of Barry, he agreed to organise slow (technical) riding sessions every two months for interested members. We recently had the first one, held in the Paraparaumu Railway Station car park (yes, we had permission). Nine riders turned up and had a wonderful time riding as slowly as possible in a straight line, slalom through cones, figure 8 riding, riding the keyhole and full lock left and right take offs. These are skills everyone gets rusty at without practice, and it was fantastic to see everyone improving and gaining confidence over the two-hour session.

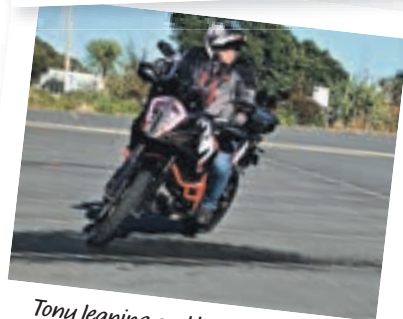
One of our Kapiti members is a star! Simon Margrett, who owns an electric motorcycle, also converts petrol vehicles to fully electric from a Lower Hutt workshop. He starred recently on *Seven Sharp*. The show featured a converted MG and the latest project, a Lamborghini. The Lambo, once completed, will have better acceleration than the petrol version. A great initiative



Members enjoying 180 Degrees hospitality



Awarding Alan Stevenson his 10-year badge



Tony leaning and looking where he wants to go



Martin is all concentration for the Figure 8

Waihi & Thames Valley

TREVOR BIRCHALL #4060

What's been happening in our branch? Sitting writing this it is hard to remember, although we seem to have been quite busy.



I have had to cancel a few rides because of adverse weather, although if we do, we always organise a venue to either meet up for morning tea or lunch, even with very short notice, on Facebook. This particularly relates to our Thursday rides as these are growing from strength to strength

Yes, Thursday rides seem to be the mainstay and saviour of the branch as people seem to come out of the woodwork to join us. You may well think they are all old farts like me, no, that's not correct, we have had several join us who are still in the workforce, either shift workers, or their own boss, etc. I must admit though they are in their 50s and 60s and it would be nice to attract younger members still.

One Thursday ride that comes to mind: the weather forecast was lousy and I

was in two minds to cancel it, except I had cancelled the week before so made an executive decision to still go ahead with it. Damn, 12 bikes turned up and, yes, we rode on through showers and not a complaint amongst them. Not sure if they all just wanted to do 110km an hour as it was advertised that was what they had to do to go on that ride as we were going on the New Express Way heading South, bypassing Hamilton.

Our dinner nights through the winter months are only once a month and although I don't attend every one, I think I am the one missing out as I hear nothing but positive comments from them. The numbers at these are growing steadily and it is great to see most have their partners with them. I wish the partners would share the enjoyment on some of our rides.

Sunday rides, even though they are only once a month prior to our monthly meetings, struggle to get great numbers. However, those out there joining in always come to the meeting with a smile on their dials. Our last Sunday ride we started at the L&P Bottle in Paeroa and rode through to Kopu to pick up a member from Kaiaua then over the hill to pick up more members in Whangamata before riding back to Paeroa the long way for lunch. This worked really well, only next time they should come via Ngatea to pick up me. (I will have to think about how I take the ride then?)

An Important event is coming up for all members in neighbouring branches to put in your diary.

BEACH HOP is coming back to Thames on Thursday,

November 24 and, yes, we will be providing parking and storage for all your gear for a paper donation, be it a \$5, \$10 or \$50 note as all money is going to a local charity, St Georges Church in Mary St Thames.

It does pay to come early as the traffic from Kopu to Thames from 10:30am onwards can be a real hassle. If coming early, it is great to take very short stroll into Pollen Street and stand and watch the cars coming into town, with your latte in your hand of course.

If our members are reading this, I will be calling for volunteers soon to help park the bikes and sit in the hall to register all coming in or going out. If we have enough, it will be like shift work so all of us get a chance to visit the best Art Show in NZ.

That's it from W/TV Branch scribe for another quarter.

BRANCH NEWS



'Naki News

MARTIN PEYERL #9483



At the time of writing this, I am on the other side of a bout of Covid. I hope that not many of you have had the “pleasure”. It’s not been fun.

During May, there was still plenty of opportunity to go for rides and we did our best to take advantage of the long summer – now a long distant memory!

We did a club ride to the ever-popular Whangamomona, which was a good day out with different back roads used and a good mix of bikes and members along.

Our club nights are now alternating between the new Plymouth Club and Fern Lodge in Inglewood, as both these venues prove popular for different reasons

Our First Sunday of the Month lunch remains ever popular and is always well enjoyed!

Although the remit to lower the age entrance to Ulysses did not quite reach threshold to pass, we felt this should not make any difference to encouraging

new members to our branch. As of 21 July, 2021, there were 690 motorcycle-licensed holders aged 35-39 in Taranaki and 13,783 over 40. I know which pool I would go fishing in!

As we entered the winter months, riding always becomes different and pleasing all riders can be challenging. There are different risks and rewards associated with winter riding that can catch us out or delight us. The thing with risk is that it increases the chance of accidents, which are always unexpected. Please take care over this period.

The Raglan Overnighter was a great success ... 22 people and 17 bikes. Two more members travelled by car and joined us in Raglan. It was the best overnight attendance for a long time, with members and prospective members having a great weekend.

Certain riders did the day ride only and turned back at various points. The rest went on and had a fun-filled afternoon and evening in Raglan, with good riding along the way there and back.

We had a great experience at a well-attended monthly ride in June to visit the Opunake Fire Station and learn about what the fire service does and how they do it! The station is run by volunteers, including our own members – Andrew and Suzie Pentelow – who organised the visit. We have to be grateful for the dedicated volunteers who are out there for us when we need them. Thank you!

A few Ulyssians sometimes partake in the BMW club ride. There are joint members but a few of us who are not, also tagged along. This is another avenue for riders to get out there and enjoy.

The Whangamomona overnighter had a really nice turnout. Unfortunately, Gemma and I could not attend. This is the first overnighter we have missed since joining Ulysses – and the ABs lost a series on the same night – both sad events, I believe! I am sure a great night was had but as I was not there, I have nothing to report. As they say, “what goes on tour ...”.

Our current membership is 57, which is one short of where we were last year, which is great considering the number who did not renew this year. There are another 10 or so possible new members informed about upcoming events to encourage them to attend and hopefully join up.

MARTIN PEYERL #9483

President
Ulysses Taranaki Branch



Cheers!
from the 'Naki branch



Manawatu Murmurs

MURRAY CROSS #7908

The Manawatu Branch has had a quiet start to winter. Unfortunately, it is a time when many members put their bike registration on hold.

This means that they miss out on some great days of cool, crisp, haze-free riding. It is also a great time to go touring, as there are no overseas tourists and the local businesses really appreciate your patronage.

If we are not doing so much riding it must be a good time for more social functions, and this has been the case. Our Mid-Winter Dinner at the Manawatu Golf Club was a great chance for everyone to get dressed up and enjoy each other's company. The dinner on the 1 July was a big success, with a record 52 members, partners and guests attending. As usually happens, the staff were cleaning up around us as no-one was in a rush to go home.

While the weather was still okay, the May ride was to Ngawi on the South Wairarapa coast for the famed fish and chips. Unfortunately, on arrival, the caravan chippie was closed and some hungry bikers had to resort to finding sustenance in Martinborough, which was also a challenge as the town closed at 3pm and the team arrived at 2.59pm. The ride home was pretty spirited as the day was getting

long and dark was approaching.

As part of our June branch meeting, we had Paul Nees (Kapiti Branch Co-ordinator) come and speak to the group about IAM – Institute of Advanced Motoring. After the presentation, he presented Murray Cross with a certificate of full membership of IAM after he had successfully completed his theory and practical assessments.

The June branch ride was led by Ray Stephenson (his first RIC) after being postponed for a week due to dodgy weather forecasting. The route was a tour of less-travelled backroads in the Hawkes Bay, with a visit to Stephenson's Transport in Waipawa (Ray's brother's company) and on to the Patangata Tavern for lunch. The return trip was fragmented as people selected different routes home, but there were lots of smiles at the end of the day.

The July branch ride was a Tiki Tour around the Tararua district, led by Les Maddaford. The route included the Pahiatua Track, Mangaone Valley Rd and Route 52 to lunch at the Pongaroa Pub. Route 52 had its usual

challenges of slumped verges, damp patches and pine needles. Thankfully, everyone made it okay and some of the Wellington Ulysses members joined us for lunch as part of their own ride. The return route was either direct to Mangatainoka or the longer route via Weber and Dannevirke. The groups encountered strong wind and light rain on the way home, but not enough to dampen spirits. The mid-week Retreads Rides have had slightly better luck dodging the weather fronts and the destinations generally involved a café with hot coffee and a good heater.

The overall membership of the branch is steadily increasing, especially with members coming over from Whanganui. This is being noticed with new faces at rides and our social coffee mornings. If the rain ever stops, we are looking forward to a variety of planned rides and events through to spring.

Be safe on the roads.

MURRAY CROSS #7908
Manawatu Coordinator



Hijinks at coffee morning



Ray's ride briefing



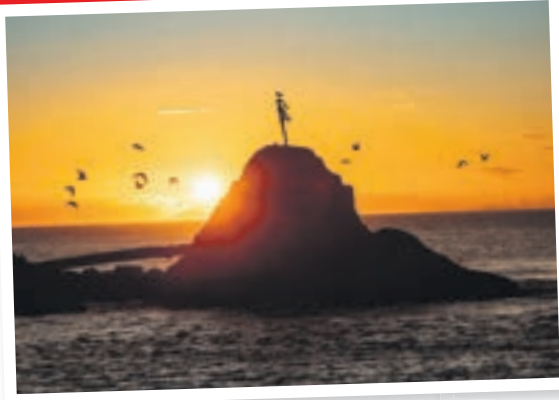
Mid-year dinner



Branch ride lunch at Pongaroa



Retreads Rain ride to Waverley



A couple of pics of some of that Eastern Bay sunshine we all love, but need more of!

Whakatane Tide...ings

GREG EVANS #5572

Winter has been a bit crap for us up here in the Bay, limiting ride enthusiasm to a few hearty souls.

Fortunately there is always someone waiting at the Columbus cafe ready for a ride despite the forecast weather.

Having our Sunday Ulysses rides supplemented by the TLR (Thursday Lunch Riders) rides provides our members with an alternative to dodge any real bad weather. The Thursday rides are great and usually well attended by our members but also draw in a number of other local riders.

It works well for our branch, with a possibility of attracting new membership and providing a continuity of involvement.

Our Rider Training this year is being organised by Theo Duyvestyn, a new member who has joined our Branch Committee and taken on this challenging role.

The training kicked off again with a Gold level rider training day held on one of the worst days (weather wise) so far this year. Severe thunderstorms, rain and strong winds challenged the riders. (It's a hard road we ride when the weather is this bad!). Still, it all went ahead as scheduled and despite getting totally soaked, all the riders proclaimed a positive experience from the day, attributed to the professional

instruction provided by Chris Smith of Passmasters Rider Training.

Theo's second rider training day provided the next six riders with a significantly more subdued weather experience, much to their relief. It's all worth the effort though, regardless of what the weather throws at us. We're likely to strike crap weather on any ride, so getting some competent training in beforehand is always a good thing.

Another new member and now Committee Member, Jerry Newell, has volunteered to take on the branch Quartermasters job. He's jumped right in and begun purchasing Ulysses gear from NatCom to be raffled at branch activities. This helps get Ulysses gear out there amongst the members whilst providing more significant and relevant raffle prizes. We usually raise more than the item value so there is no cost to the branch. A real win-win!

Our social evenings during the winter season help maintain strong club relationships and the folks from our branch always seem keen to meet up for a meal. We try to do this monthly and usually select a

different venue each time to add variety.

One of these social events was held at the home of Mike and Linda Mexted.

They opened up their home for a pot luck dinner for us. This was a really great evening and provided members with a huge variety of kai to choose from and lots of varied conversation.

A great night was had by all and a really big thank you to Mike and Linda for hosting us.

Our mid-year "Ulysses Year Badge dinner" was held at the Whakatane RSA in July. As with the best laid plans, it didn't go quite the way we thought it would.

We had nine badge recipients and all were planning to attend, which would have made it a significant event for our branch. Unfortunately our two 30-year badge recipients had to pull out. Fortunately, the remaining seven badge recipients were present on the night and receive their badges.

Whakatane Ulysses is an old (ish) branch. It has eight current members with more than 30 years of membership, another 17 with over 20 years membership

and 31 with more than 10 years of membership. Lots of history here!

Our Annual Mountain To Sea Rally will be run again this year on the 13th November. A relief for many members after the first ever cancellation of last year's event due to Covid restrictions.

The decision was made to run the event this year but without trying to raise major funds for a charity (any money collected above costs will go to a local charity, though).

The rally this year will be run as in previous years but without the usual big raffle and auction. A BBQ lunch will still be provided at the conclusion of the ride.

The hope is that next year our local business partners will be in a much better position to provide the necessary sponsorship to allow a return to normal, and to once again raise substantial funds for a selected charity.

Ride Safe!

GREG EVANS

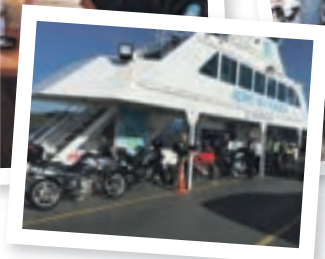
Whakatane Ulysses
Coordinator

A Far call from the **North**

STEVE GRAY #9627

Wow, what a busy month we've had of late; it seems to be all work and play and little rest, with Wednesday and Sunday rides continuing to be well supported. Thanks to all those who support and attend these events and rides.

Our last Sunday ride saw us riding up to Kohukohu, a small Northland township of around 200 residents, for lunch in the Hokianga region. After some great man food and coffee at the town's hotel, we set off for an impromptu tour of a local member's collection of old bikes and cars whilst we waited for the next Rawene ferry to start our way home. Thanks Keith. A big day out with some riders stopping off for further refreshment at the Old Parakao Store Café and Bar on the way home.



In mid-July we held our mid-winter Christmas lunch at the Northland club, again, very well supported by club members. Lots of food and laughs; everybody seemed to enjoy themselves, especially Santa, judging by all the smoochie photographs.



We recently had our St Johns ambulance ride from Whangarei to Maungaturoto ambulance station through some interesting back roads. Earlier this year, we found that another club had organised a "Ride of Respect" for Anzac weekend; and rather than clash with their event and others in our region, we moved our proposed ride out to July. We later chose 24 July as being our preferred event date, which also reflects the 24/7 availability of our ambulance service. Those plans were dashed again when we found out that the group of catering volunteers at the ambulance station could not accommodate us on any Sunday, and so with some reservations we settled on



Saturday, 23/7. The ride, led by RIC Peter Groves, went well and using the Cornerman system and TEC Neal Searle, nobody got lost or left behind. Once at the ambulance station, we were fed and watered by the volunteers of the Rapid Relief Team (RRT), another great volunteer, non-profit, organisation that serves communities in times of need (see www.rapidreliefteam.org). Fundraising all round, a great outcome.

Whilst rider numbers and badge sales were down on previous years, due to a whole raft of reasons outside of our control, we were still able to present a donation to St Johns from the proceeds of the ride. A bonus for all the riders was that the weather stayed dry.



St John *If you would like to donate, go to the St John website*
www.stjohn.org.nz/support-us/donate/hsjuly_appeal_2022/

Another mid-July event for the Far North Branch was the birthday of our oldest active member, Gary Woolbury #5967. At 87 years young, Gary holds our Oldest Active Rider Award and is truly an inspiration to us all.



Congratulations Gary!

Looking ahead...

This month we have our hot pool weekend away in Matamata coming up to soak away some aches and pains.

Later, too, our branch has been invited to participate in a Motorcycle Awareness display, funded by ACC/ Northland RoadSafe, facilitated by a large motorcycle dealership in Whangarei. This will be our first opportunity to actively promote our club regionally and create interest that might lead to growth in membership.

*Until next time,
Ride Safe, Stay Safe!*

STEVE GRAY #9627.

BRANCH NEWS

Otago Opus

MIKE #7808

A winter programme of coffee mornings in May, June, July and August, along with a mid-winter lunch and monthly club nights, maintained social contacts among members.

The summer ride list is prepared and it would be great to see more members turn up for these day rides.

We are all looking forward to good summer weather with warm, dry days to enjoy our riding.

Ride safe everyone.

MIKE #7808
Otago Branch President



RE-FUEL WITH THIS DELICIOUS RECIPE...



Blueberry crumble cake

Start to finish:

1 hour 20 minutes
(20 minutes active)

Servings: 10

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 °F (175 °C). Line a 9-inch square cake pan with parchment paper.
2. In a medium bowl, combine the dry crumble ingredients and then add the butter. Mix and set aside.
3. In another bowl, combine flour, white sugar, baking powder and salt.
4. In a third bowl, cream the butter and brown sugar. Gradually mix in the vanilla, eggs and milk until smooth.
5. Add a third of the flour mixture at a time, gradually combining the ingredients until you have a uniform batter. Add the blueberries and stir.
6. Pour the batter into the prepared cake pan and top with the crumble.
7. Bake for about 1 hour, or until a tooth pick inserted in the middle of the cake comes out dry.
8. Serve as is or with a scoop of vanilla ice cream.

INGREDIENTS

CRUMBLE

- 1/2 cup rolled oats
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup melted butter

CAKE

- 1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup white sugar
- 1/2 tablespoon baking powder
- Pinch of salt
- 1/2 cup melted butter
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2/3 cup milk
- 1-1/2 cup frozen or fresh blueberries

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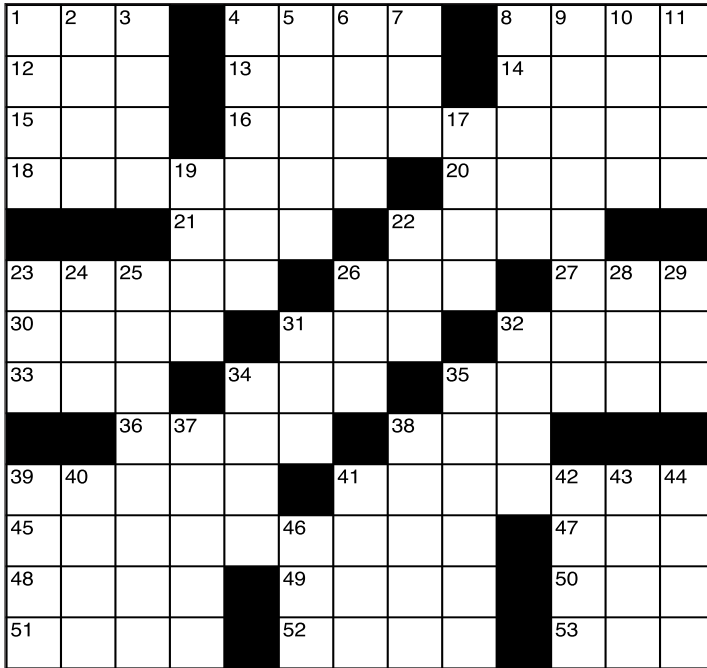
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PUZZLE NO. 150



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ACROSS

1. In favor of
4. Crib cry
8. Flourished
12. Unburden
13. Sign of the future
14. Audition goal
15. Former
16. Luxury suite
18. Move downward
20. Had
21. Sale notices
22. Marketed
23. Turns
26. Moisten
27. Male child
30. "____ No Sunshine"

DOWN

31. Trim the lawn
32. Martial art
33. Retrieve
34. Neutral color
35. Believed
36. Amend copy
38. Cathedral seat
39. Binge
41. Bedtime song
45. Exercise machine
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53. Witness

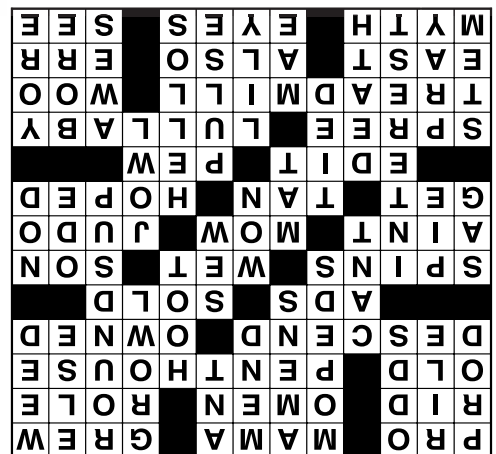
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3. Probability
4. Motorbikes
5. Hymn finales
6. Rectify
7. Picnic pest
8. Dog's warning
9. Gathers: 2 wds.
10. When all ____ fails...
11. Tidy a garden
17. Owl's comment
19. "You ____ Hurry Love"

22. Embroider
23. Hang down
24. Pizza ____
25. Curiosity
26. Came in first
28. Verse form
29. Doze (off)
31. Gymnasium pad
32. Cheek by ____
34. Tethered
35. Greetings
37. "____ of a Salesman"
38. Heart rate
39. Glass part
40. Say grace
41. Tiger ____
42. Intimidates
43. Dig
44. Time long past
46. Actress West



ANSWER TO PUZZLE NO. 150



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PUZZLE NO. 886

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LEVEL: ADVANCED

HOW TO PLAY:

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: you must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column or 3x3 box.

ANSWER TO PUZZLE NO. 886

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Food for thought from the June 2022 Ulysses Nelson Newsletter...

In case you feel bad about missing your exercise today, ponder this:

- The inventor of the treadmill died at the age of 54
- The inventor of gymnastics died at the age of 57
- The world bodybuilding champion died at the age of 41
- The best footballer in the world - Maradona, died at the age of 60
- James Fuller Fixx, credited with helping start America's fitness revolution by popularising the sport of running, died of a heart attack while jogging at age 52

— Just for a giggle —

What do you call a laughing motorcycle?

A Yamahahaha.



Adams girlfriend, Ruth, fell off the back of his motorcycle. He just rode on. Ruthless.

BUT...

- The KFC inventor died at 94
- Cigarette maker Charles Winston died at the age of 102
- The inventor of opium died at the age of 116, in an earthquake
- The Hennessy Liquor inventor died at 98

How did smart people come to the conclusion that exercise prolongs life? The rabbit is always jumping up and down, but it lives for only 2 years - but the turtle, who doesn't exercise at all, lives 400 years.

Get some rest, chill, stay cool, eat, drink and enjoy your life! Be happy!

GROUP CHAT

OPINION PIECES & GENERAL DISCUSSION

Spotlights

CHRIS CAREY #3497

Greetings fellow Cantabs,

In answer to a message from Gavin Baker about me fitting some spotties to Charlotte, I thought I'd share it with everyone.

I can't remember if I bought these off Ali Express, Litebox or some other site because there are dozens of similar type lights for sale on the interweb.

I do know they cost \$60 P&P and arrived pretty quickly. Claimed to be 6000 lumens each and waterproof, although I see one has condensation inside the lens if it's pissing down. Small price to pay for the light they throw out.

I had two brackets made up so I can fit them next to my mirrors, which is the best place for my bike set up, but if you have crash bars, they bolt straight onto them. The brackets have a slight radius, allowing me to adjust the spots in and out, L and R and up and down, and are made of alloy, so very light ...no pun intended.

I thought the lights came with a switch. They didn't. I bought a simple, waterproof, marine-grade switch from Jaycar Electronics.

I have an American-made, six-outlet fuse block with built-in ballast, etc, under my pillion seat for all my accessories ...TPX, heated grips, USB and Euro power outlets, Scott Oiler and these lights. Because the fuse block does everything, it's a simple job of red to red, black to black.

I did not make the error of clipping any accessories into the lighting loom, as many do. The fuse block protects both my accessories and the bike because should any have a hissy fit and short out, you will almost always lose your entire lighting system ... or worse. The

fuse block prevents this.

The waterproof switch (feeding from the fuse block) was fitted to a small bracket I made and mounted next to my LH switch block on the bars and within easy reach of my thumb for on and off.

Between the switch and the lights, I did this because I wasn't sure if these lights would be okay for a WOF, but because they're not switched to the bike's system, i.e. are separately powered, they've passed two WOFs no problem.

All I had to do initially was find a dark, narrow country road to set them up to shine and fill in where I wanted them to. And bright they are. Normally, you can see the loom of the lights approaching you before they round the bend. With these blasting out the candles, cars have actually come round a corner and before you know it, subjected to full blast, so while TT-ing with them on, I rode with my thumb near the switch so I could flick them off. Worked well.

I know there are some really good lights (Darlas, Clearwaters, BMW, etc) but you can pay \$100s for these, some as high as \$1400 or more. Shiite, if these last a year or two I'd say \$60 was money well spent.



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Some Ramblings...

IAN DAVISON #440

Way back in the 70s and 80s I used to travel to work from Ohope to Kawerau by car, a distance of 41km each way, and when the first oil shock increased the price of petrol I decided to buy a bike, not having done any homework on how to ride, or get a licence, etc.

First bike was a Honda CB350. I later found out that the 250cc was the biggest I could use on a learner's licence. I borrowed a friend's CB90 and fronted up for the test. The cop was interested only in the WOF. Told me to do a couple of figure 8s in their car park, and because I didn't put my foot down, gave me my licence.

Them were the days.

The CB350 gave good service, but was very hard to start if it got wet. Moved on to a CX500 Shadow, a great bike, no problems, then a CB750 Bol D'or.

My first long-distance ride was to Havelock North to see an old friend, and on the Sunday, I toyed with the idea of going through Wairoa-Gisborne but heavy rain put paid to that, so went to Napier-Taupo instead. Just as well, as Cyclone Bola tore up Gisborne and I probably would've been blown off the road somewhere.

Next, I saw a Magna VF700c at the Auckland 1988 Motor Show. That was for me.

Not long after I went to the Brass Monkey on it and really saw what a great country for riding we have. One of my mates told me about a gathering of bikes in Taupo and the idea of forming a club; that's how I first heard about Ulysses. A few weeks later a number of us rode down to Taupo and met a large group of riders at Wharewaka, on the shore of Lake Taupo. The next day I sent off my membership form and so started many happy trips all over the country.

SOME STANDOUT MEMORIES...

Amberly Park, Auckland, sitting in an empty stadium with Pat Smiley and Sandy Henery having a long debate about whether women fart; never laughed so much.

Watching an early morning call between two mates, one backed his Harley with shotgun pipes into a tent and revved the thing full out, waking up the whole camp site.

I was part of the Tauranga Ulysses Club at the beginning; a monthly ride to Tauranga after work into the low-setting sun along the Matata Straight. Trying to find a place to park among all the bikes at the meeting hall, sitting at the back of the clubhouse, hearing what Brian and Bob had to tell us.

The many runs that Tauranga put on stay in my memory. Coming back from Auckland, I pulled into a cafe at Huntly opposite the Power Station, with about 20-plus bikes. A bus of retired grey-headed people followed us in and you could see they were hesitant to get off the bus. But by the time we got back to the car park, they were lining up to have a ride around the car park on a bike.

A number of us guys held a meeting on the mezzanine floor of Pat's garage in Ohope and formed the Whakatane Branch, headed by Gary Wilson, who is still to this day the Sheriff. Gary and partner Glennys organised many rides and rallies. The Pig Inn at Rennies farm was a hit, the annual ride around the East Cape, stopping at almost every pub. Te Kaha, Te Puia and Gisborne were stopovers.

The ride to Te Anga to challenge the locals to 8 ball. The McLaren Falls annual rally with sods opera ... did I really take part in that? Freezing nights at the Okataina Rally and aptly named Frozen Pines will always be remembered, when the shelter roof

caught fire, and watching new arrivals at the site negotiate the mud hole just before the gate onto the camp site. Always a big cheer when someone falls off.

The auction at the Far North Rally was always the best entertainment, listening to Monty reciting poetry in the kitchen of a motor camp while we fell about laughing.

The Remembrance Ride each year; sitting listening to the names brings back so many memories and a big sigh of relief that my name is still not listed.

The first rally I went to was in Napier, the 1989 AGM, and being assigned to share a unit with Alf and received a pair of earplugs – never heard a thing. The Thursday rides started off with small numbers but over time it was best to go early as the queues of hungry bikers would be out the door.

Over the years I have met so many really great people and have done things few have a chance to do, like riding a motorcycle over the Bridge to Nowhere, flying over Fiordland National Park and around Mt Aspiring. Doing the Southern Cross Rally three times, and being skitted in Taupo, the 1200 Goldwing written off, but completing the trip on old faithful VF700C. I rode from Picton to Bluff in about 10-and-a-half hours, had to be helped off the bike and spent 1-and-a-half hours the next day on a picnic table having a massage on my shoulder from Mandy to bring out a huge bruise, and that shoulder still troubles me today.

The rallies at Mary and Frank Foster's place near the Motu outlet were a must-do in their day. His homebrew and friendly, outgoing personality were legendary. His handshake was so vigorous than when my wife met him for the

first time her ring left a red mark on her finger so she preferred to give him a kiss in future meetings.

The ride-ins to the many retirement homes around Tauranga were memorable; seeing their eyes light up when they see the bikes and hearing many stories of trips they had done, and one special lady of 101 years getting onto my trike with difficulty, telling me she hadn't spread her legs so wide in years. She booked me for a ride the following year.

The Irish band at the AGM at Lincoln in Christchurch was great. It really stirred Dermott's Irish roots into a frenzy, dancing until his Achilles tendon gave up and ruptured – the second one that night. It took six of us to lift him on to a stretcher and the Ulysses movement had to get into top gear sorting out his wife to fly back to the Bay of Plenty, his bike into storage and his luggage shared around to different bikes to be taken home

I was coordinator for Whakatane for a number of years and when I moved to Tauranga was diagnosed with Meniere's disease, which really upset my balance. Found out that riding and poor perception of where UP is don't mix, so I stopped riding for almost nine years until Frank Foster talked me into looking at a trike, which I did. First was a 1500cc, followed by an 1800cc three-wheeler Goldwing which I enjoyed very much. Now I'm waiting for a hip replacement, I can't get a leg over, and even a step through would be a challenge.

So, not riding but my membership is still up to date and will be until they read out my number.

Regards

Ian Davison #440

PS, Still have the VF700 sitting in the garage with rego on hold since 2003. Had it repainted to original candy apple red. Looks good but needs work to get it going again. One day.

GROUP CHAT

OPINION PIECES & GENERAL DISCUSSION

Costs of belonging to a club

TREVOR BIRCHALL #4060



Whanganui Branch closing. I was really sorry to read that in the last *Ulyssian*.

I have been in the Ulysses Club for a few years and have made many friends along the way. Some I have lost touch with, however, then I read or see their name appear in an article or on Facebook or somewhere and it always brings back fond memories. I remember back in 2002, meeting with several Wanganui members when the Auckland branch passed through their area. Then, when we met at a Remembrance Service in Taupo or an AGM, we always said hi to each other.

So, yes, sad to see any branch fold. On the hand, I am just another poor pensioner. Probably not poor in many people's minds as we have a

freehold house and own a few toys, however, we struggle to live on the pension month to month without going into our savings. Insurances, rates, vehicle registrations, and I could go on, are a struggle. Our savings were meant to be for that new car when required and perhaps even some overseas travel. Not for living day to day.

My point is, I haven't attended a Ulysses AGM for some years or several other events on the Ulysses calendar, I don't even go to all our branch dinners as I prefer to save the pennies, you might say, to have some pounds, so when I hop on the bike and ride for a few days, I do it without worrying about every penny. To me, it is about priorities. What would I rather have, a great ride with mates for five or six days on the

road, or go and have a fancy dinner? The ride wins every time.

Yes, our subs are enough to pay, especially with everyday costs going up. Petrol is beyond a joke now and the price of bike tyres seems to have gone through the roof. Soon, it will be cheaper to buy a new bike than buy new tyres for your old one. Yes, I am joking. Only we do have to face reality; our membership is getting older and a high percentage are living on a pension, so I ask our national committee to look seriously at anyway we can to save money as I would hate to see more branches fold like Wanganui as I do understand just getting together with mates and going for a weekly ride would be a lot cheaper. (Yes, I spelt Whanganui above without an H as that

was how it was spelt when I last visited that branch.) I know our national committee is trying hard, only I am asking them to try harder. By the way, the new *Ulyssian* is a good start, only black print would be easier for this not so young fella to read.

Happy safe riding guys and girls; don't forget to give me a wave when you pass me out on a ride.

When you are reading this, I am hoping to be having lunch with some Ulyssians in Perth as we have to go there to visit family. So, yes, I love the Ulysses Club and love being a member. Youngsters today want everything. At my age, I know we have to go without some things to do or have something else.

TREVOR BIRCHALL
#4060

Mentors MUMBLING

Big Brother Knows Best

TONY ALLEN #08420

Okay, so I missed the last issue ... no surprise to me if I'm unaware of the deadline ... sorry 'bout that folks.

This column is about road safety, about us all keeping our butts safe out on the road.

There is a government agency trying to do the same on our behalf, Waka Kotahi, the NZ Transport Agency. I'm glad we do a better job than they do.

In fact, these guys are really pissing me off! Where do I start ...

According to NZTA, waka kotahi means "travelling together as one" although a perhaps better meaning is one vessel or single vehicle.

I prefer single vehicle because it portrays a solo entity going on its own way in its own environment ... in its own little bubble of Big Brother Knows Best.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency has a key role in delivering Road to Zero, New Zealand's road safety strategy. The strategy adopts Vision Zero with the goal that no one in New Zealand is killed or seriously injured in road crashes. Big Brother Knows Best.

Road to Zero is a fine theoretical aspiration. It is also utter bollocks. Let's set up an unattainable target, get single-minded about it, ignore all other considerations. Big Brother Knows Best.

Michael Wood, Transport

Minister in charge, is in print saying that the focus "...can be unpopular, but it's more important to focus on safety ..." Big Brother knows Best.

So, by "unpopular", he means it is ok to dumb down the whole road safety environment to the lowest possible denominator (speed) and then tack on some other shite like wire rope barriers and hundreds of speed humps masquerading as pedestrian crossings. And yes, they will "consult" on their enhancements ("cos they have to) and then happily ignore all negative feedback. Big Brother Knows Best.

The major issue that seems to be annoying most people is the inappropriate changing downward of speed limits. 80kmh on the open road is often nuts. The Napier Taupo highway is an excellent example. The locals don't want it, local politicians don't want it, it's driving the regular users nuts, but Big Brother Knows Best.

To be fair, they are doing some good things like new roads and the redesign of existing roads.

However, the dumb is way outstripping the good IMHO.

Why is this? NZ has developed a culture of blame. Someone or thing must be blamed for whatever bad happens. Something bad happening

to someone on our roads isn't their fault, it is the road's ... nasty, dangerous road. Some may think that if the dumb &\$\$@ hadn't fallen asleep at the wheel they would still be alive. But no, it's the road's fault, so let's change the speed limit and chuck up more wire barriers.

Please!

What's wrong with most of our roads is that they are badly surfaced and designed. Fix them properly. Don't claim there is not enough money, there is! Just start putting income received from the transport network back into the network, not nicking it for general funds. Improve the quality of the fixing as well.

The quality of driving is another issue that slower speed limits are trying to address (although this is skated around because it's not PC). What's wrong with many drivers is they have not been trained properly. There are massive holes in the training of new drivers ... no basic accident-avoidance techniques taught nor emergency braking for example.

Many "experienced drivers" have had no training at all since they got their licence (that's most of us as well folks). At one end of the spectrum, why can't training like Ride Forever be set up with suitable inducements? At the other end, why can't drivers be forced to refresh themselves with the road code when they

renew their licence?

The answer is that there is no political will to do it, such sensible changes will cost money and lose votes, not gain them.

In the past three years the NZTA has increased its staff numbers from some 1300 to some 2300. These are mainly back-office staff, not front line. How many potholes could be fixed with 1000 salaries?

And yes, I have missed a lot out through brevity. Cellphones, drug/drunken driving, improperly licenced drivers, drivers with hats, the plethora of different speed limits in built up areas, inane TV commercials etc etc.

There is no substitute to being responsible for your own safety. It is a shame that the NZTA doesn't see it this way and empower that behaviour instead of dumbing the whole system down.

These articles are my own opinion, and you may not necessarily agree. That's a good thing, discuss it with your mates. If you come up with something that works better for you that you have consciously considered, that can only be good. Just don't get sucked into bad habits.

Tony is a Club Mentor and has been since the mentor system was first established. He is also a full IAM member and one of the NZ Distance Rider nutters.

TONY ALLEN #8420



RE-FUEL

WITH THIS DELICIOUS

RECIPE...



Pulled pork sandwich and homemade coleslaw

Start to finish:

9 hours (1 hour active)

Servings: 8

The savoury aroma of slow-cooked pulled pork will have your mouth watering long before you take your first bite.

INGREDIENTS

For the pulled pork

- 3/4 cup ketchup
- 1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
- 1/4 cup brown sugar
- 2 Tbsp tomato paste
- 2 Tbsp soy sauce
- 2 Tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 2 Tbsp Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp onion powder
- 1 tsp garlic powder
- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- 1 pork shoulder (about 1 kilogram)
- Salt and pepper, to taste

For the coleslaw

- 1 small green cabbage, finely chopped
- 1 small red cabbage, finely chopped
- 2 large carrots, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup Greek yogurt
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 2 Tbsp sugar
- 2 Tbsp apple cider vinegar
- 1 tsp celery salt
- 1 tsp mustard powder
- Salt and pepper, to taste

For the sandwich

- Hamburger buns or a bread of your choice
- Cheese slices
- Pickles cut into slices

DIRECTIONS

1. In a bowl, mix all the ingredients for the pulled pork except the meat. Place the pork shoulder in a slow cooker, and season generously with salt and pepper. Add the sauce then cover and cook at the lowest setting for 8 to 10 hours.

2. In the meantime, mix the cabbage and carrots in a large bowl. In another bowl, mix the other ingredients for the dressing. Pour the dressing over the vegetables and mix well. Adjust the seasoning as needed and set aside in the fridge.

3. When the pork is done cooking, gently remove

the shoulder from the slow cooker and place it in a large bowl. Using two forks, shred the pork. Pour some of the liquid from the slow cooker over the meat as you go to adjust the consistency.

4. Pour the remaining liquid into a small pot, and bring it to a boil. Lower the heat and simmer for about 10 minutes or until the sauce thickens.

5. To assemble the sandwiches, spread a bit of sauce on each bottom slice of bread. Add a slice of cheese and two pickle slices, then place about 1/2 cup of shredded pork on top. Garnish with coleslaw, then finish assembling the sandwich with the top slice of bread.

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OBITUARIES



Shane Kelso
#5273 Gisborne Branch
22nd Nov 1960-12th May 2022

Shane, was given 12 months, eight weeks ago. Sadly taken to soon.

Shane joined the Gisborne Ulysses Branch on the 23/11/2001.

Motorbikes were his passion, riding all over the country to various events and rallies and club rides.

Awesome mate to all within the Gisborne Branch and wider Ulysses community.

Sadly missed by all.

*Riding those windy
roads forever*

IN
Memory
OF A LIFE
SO
Beautifully
LIVED

Andrew Brian Montgomery
(Monty) #40
8th Oct 1949-13th Mar 2022

First Co-ordinator of Wellington Branch of Ulysses Club Life Member of New Zealand Ulysses Club

*A man for all seasons, a traveller,
Monty was a leader and a gatherer.*

Monty and myself (#44) both joined the club while it was still a branch of Australia. In those days, tenting and camaraderie around the campfires was the norm and many a tall tale was told!

We appreciated and enjoyed the many rallies he hosted, along with Pam's input – inclusive of all the original Ulysses regalia that were printed in their back shed. All their efforts have made many a motorcyclist a better person and rider.

Kia Kaha Monty and may all our aroha go with you.

— GARY (GUS) RANDALL #44



**Ron "Moggie" Mogford
#4867 Gisborne Branch**

5th Dec 1945-21st Jul 2022

Loved Husband of the late Jan Mogford #7508.
Ron joined Ulysses 6 July 2000.



**Jan Mogford
#7508 Gisborne Branch**

10th Nov 1953-23rd Jan 2022

Loved wife of Ron Mogford, #4867
Jan joined Ulysses 12 June 2008



At peace, together

OBITUARIES



THE LAST RIDE

*We stood and watched as Tony rode by
It wasn't the way it should be*

*He rode not his bike,
but in a long black cage
And rode by himself, not with me*

*Marlene, the love of his life
will be blessed to have Tony back with her
the unconditional love he had for his wife*

*We will all miss you Tony you
touched the hearts of many
A beautiful man whose heart never mended*

*Now at peace, with his loved one,
just as death is intended*

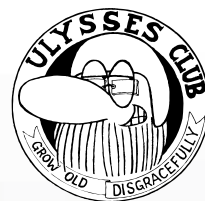
Anthony (Tony) Baker #2436 Rotorua Branch 26th May 1935-24th Jul 2022

Tony Baker had been a member since 26 July 1993 and received his Odyssey Medal 16 March 2013 in Rotorua. Tony and Marlene were dear friends of mine and I often stayed at the house. They were very gracious hosts all the time.

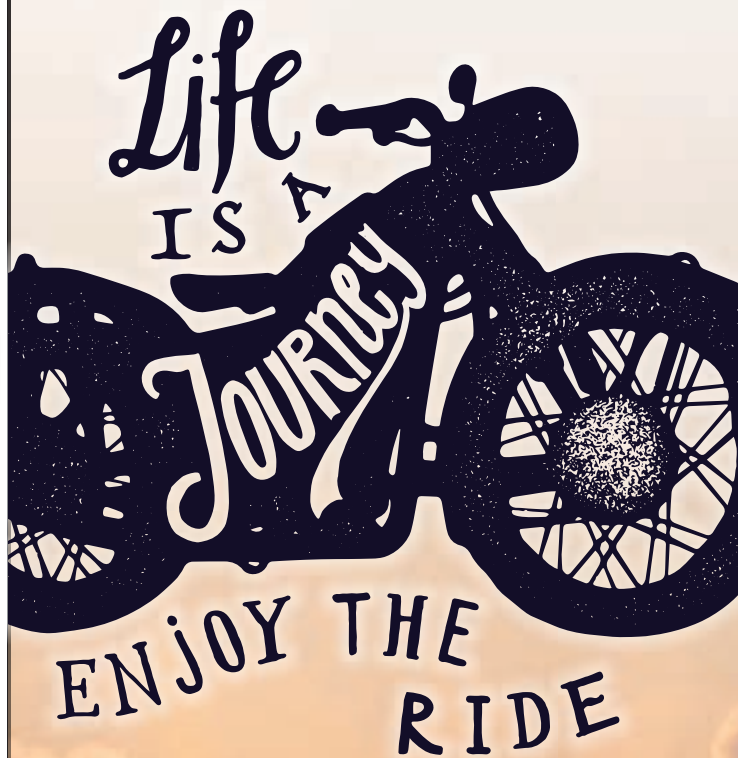
I remember a lovely ride from Nelson, down West Coast then to Oamaru with Tony, Marlene and Lorraine. At one morning tea stop (and there were many food stops) Tony announced he loved riding with the girls, and coffee and cake.

*God Bless you Tony,
you are now with your beloved Marlene,
may you both rest in peace*





Grow Old DISGRACEFULLY



*Such sad news, Fly high Tony Baker
By far the nicest man we have ever known
He hono tangata e kore e motu; kāpā he
taura waka e motu*

*Connections between people cannot be
severed whereas those of a canoe-rope can*

— Sherean Hayman

*End of an era. Nelson Rally en route to a Sth
Is AGM in happy times. RIP Tony.
Sandy & Graeme.*

— Sandy van Praagh

*A farewell toast to our old mate Mr Baker
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— Stuart Burns



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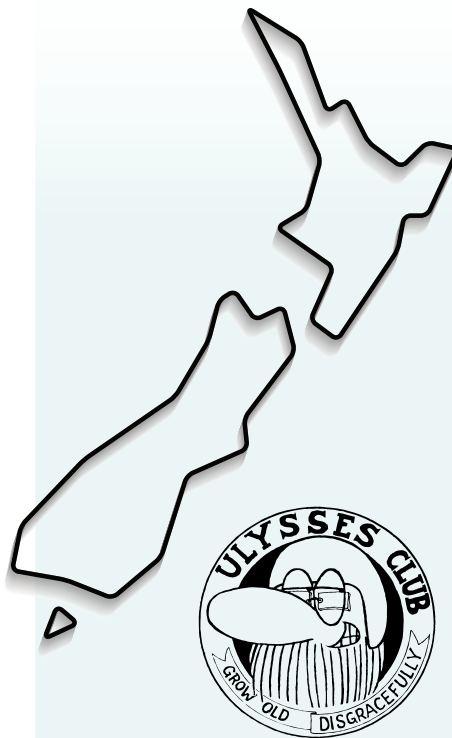
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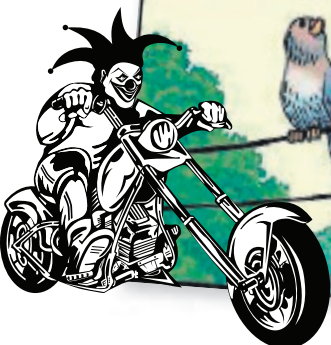
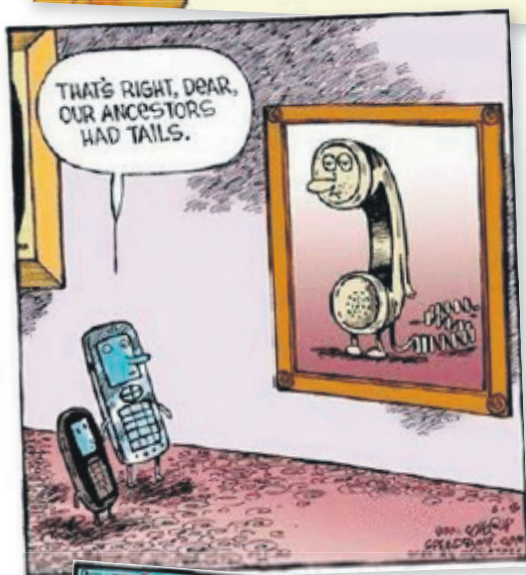
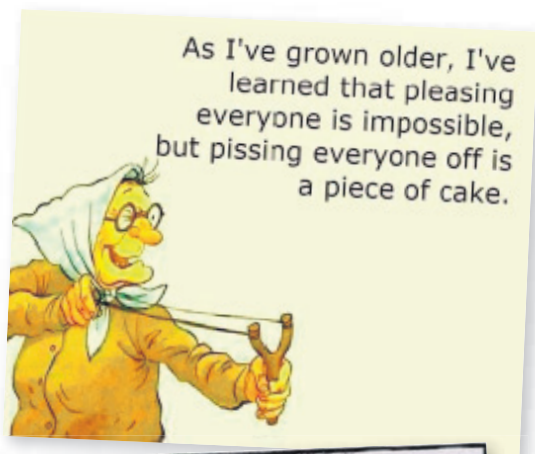
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AT AGE 50 SUCCESS IS...
having money.

AT AGE 60 SUCCESS IS...
going all the way.

AT AGE 70 SUCCESS IS...
having a driver's licence.

AT AGE 75 SUCCESS IS...
having friends.

AT AGE 80 SUCCESS IS...
not peeing in your pants.

FARTING IN CHURCH

An elderly couple are attending church services. About halfway through, she writes a note and hands it to her husband.

It says, "I just let out a silent fart, what do you think I should do?"

He scribbles back, "Put a new battery in your hearing aid.."

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UPCOMING RALLIES

ULYSSES TAURANGA RALLY

Sea Esta Camp & Lodge

48 Seaforth Road, Waihi Beach

5, 6 & 7 May, 2023

Limited to
75 people.

Venue: Sea Esta Camp & Lodge, 48 Seaforth Road, Waihi Beach

Date: **May 5, 6 & 7, 2023**

Cost: \$75 per head, Bunk room accommodation and mattress (BYO Bedding)
Friday Night Meal, Saturday breakfast and evening meal & Sunday breakfast all included

ON SITE Check in from 2pm

Name _____ Ulysses Membership # _____

Pillion _____ Ulysses Membership # _____

Email _____ Ph _____

ENCLOSED ENTRY FEE \$ _____ CLOSING DATE: APRIL 16, 2023

Confirmation Email will be sent once Payment and Registration form received.

I agree to abide by the rules and regulations for the rally and will hold blameless all organisers and officials associated with the rally, for any injury or damage while participating at the event or travelling to or from the event. Please no BYO.

Signature Rider _____ Signature Pillion _____

Email completed form to paulrobyn7@xtra.co.nz

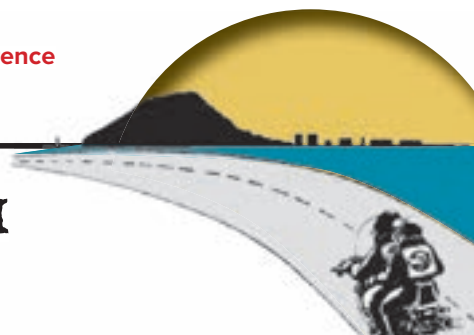
Direct credit to 01-0434-0208650-00

and please put "your name" as particulars
and Ulysses membership No. as "code" and "Rally 2023" as reference

Queries to 075433042 or 0275862121.

ULYSSES TAURANGA BRANCH

Live the experience





Ulysses Auckland Rally

"River meets the sea"

Friday, 11th - Sunday, November 13th, 2022

PORT WAIKATO SCHOOL CAMP

**WAIKARETU ROAD,
PORT WAIKATO**

On site registration opens 4pm

NO PETS ALLOWED ON SITE

FACILITIES: Bunk rooms, tent/camper etc, hot showers
Toilets, tea, coffee and baking available at no cost
Eating utensils, cups, plates and cutlery supplied
BYO bedding and alcohol/mixers please

**SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR ENTRY FORMS
AND MORE INFORMATION**

www.ulyssesauckland.org.nz



Pureora Forest

35th Waikato Branch

Annual Rally

4-5 NOVEMBER, 2016

Entry Fee: \$10 per person per night
Tea, coffee, hot water, gas rings - all Free
BYO food, utensils, refreshments &
accommodation. Tin tops and caravans OK

THE ULYSSES CLUB'S FIRST
BACK TO NATURE RALLY
AND STILL GOING AFTER 34 YEARS.
No bands. No organised entertainment.

DIRECTIONS:

From Whakamaru, travel south on SH32
(Western access) for approx 24kms
Turn right into Kakaho Road
(Look for Ulysses sign) then 3km to campsite.

ENQUIRIES TO:

N Tyler (07) 828 8230 or 027 494 3506
nevtyler@xtra.co.nz
Registration and payment (cash) on site
please.

ULYSSES MEMBERS, FAMILY
& DEAREST FRIENDS ONLY

PLEASE NOTE: By joining our Annual Rally you agree to
hold the organisers blameless for any injury or accidental
damage while attending or travelling to or from this event.

WHAKATANE ULYSSES

mountain

TO THE
sea

rally

2022

Sun, Nov 13th



Sign in from 10am - Ride out at 11am

Place: Kawerau New World Car park (coffee and tea available when you arrive!)

Registration Fee: \$10

Route: Approx 60-70kms

Finish: Thornton Beach Holiday Park

(BBQ and Sausage Sizzle available to purchase after the ride)

Proceeds: Women's Refuge

Enquiries to: whakatane.sec@ulysses.org.nz

For out of towners: Various accommodation options are available at Thornton Beach Holiday Park

Phone (07) 304 8296 or www.thorntonbeach.co.nz

ULYSSES CLUB 2023 NATIONAL RALLY

Friday 17th to Sunday 19th March



22 in 23 The Forgotten Rally Canterbury. Hosted by the Canterbury Branch

Registrations Close Friday, 24th February

Note if registered for 2022 Rally no need to register again

Registrations will be acknowledged via Email. For any queries, please email: ulysses.canterbury@gmail.com

More info at: www.ulysses.org.nz or post to Steve Parr 11 Eleanor Lane ChCh 8051

Venue: Papanui Club, 302 Sawyers Arms Road, Papanui, Christchurch Theme: Canterbury Pioneers, 1920-1930

Name _____	Address _____
Ulysses Membership # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Tick if Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/> and/or Natcom member	_____
Email _____ Ph _____	_____
Partner Name _____	Branch _____
Ulysses Membership # _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Tick if Coordinator <input type="checkbox"/> and/or Natcom member	

Options and payment	Number	Per person	Amount
National Rally/AGM Registration Fee - only payable by registering Ulysses members		\$25	
Canterbury badge 2022 x 1 (limited stock available)		\$10	
22 in 23 The Forgotten Rally Canterbury badge x 1		\$10	
Meals and drinks available for members and partners			
Friday evening - Asado sandwich station / from the fire pit from 6.30pm. Bar opens 1pm		\$20	
Saturday evening - full buffet meal from 6.30pm. Bar opens 1pm. Live band and dancing to follow.		\$30	
Sunday morning breakfast - full buffet breakfast from 8.30 to 11am at the Papanui RSA, 55 Bellevue Ave, Papanui.		\$20	
Rally T-Shirt Active Wear (Circle your choice of size) <i>CUT OFF DATE FOR ORDERING IS JANUARY 20TH, 2023</i>			
MEN: S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL		\$30	
WOMEN: 8 10 12 14 16 18 20		\$30	
CAMPSITE for self-contained motor homes / caravans only at the Papanui Club. Friday and Saturday only. Must be off site Sunday 19th.			
Per night		\$10	
TOTAL (add total \$ here)			
DEFERRED PAYMENT OPTION: Register now, defer payment until January 20th, 2023. Please tick here if this is your preferred option >>>>			

Please list any **DIETARY REQUIREMENTS** for all meals:

Payment by bank deposit or online banking to Westpac account number:
03-1594-0041946-017 Please include your surname and Ulysses number in the details
 Scan and email registration form to: ulysses.canterbury@gmail.com
 Cancellation Policy: In the event of a COVID or similar related Regional or National Lockdown, any payments made will be refunded unless the purchase of items ordered has been committed in which case the items will be shipped and the refund reduced accordingly.

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