



# *IPSWICH ULYSSES BRANCH*



*Monthly Newsletter #63 Dec 2019*



**Information nights:** First Friday of every month, held at Ipswich Country Club, 1a Samford Road, Leichhardt. Meeting starts 7:15 pm, come along for Dinner beforehand if you like.

**Branch Rides are held** – First and Third Sunday of each month with Social rides anytime, check the club website for details. [www.ipswichulysses.com](http://www.ipswichulysses.com)

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Welcome to the December Branch Christmas Party/meeting. It's been an eventful year with a new committee taking over from the Branch's original founding Committee, I would like to thank all of the new committee for their efforts during the year, it hasn't always been easy but I think we have made some changes that will make things easier for the Branch to operate.

We are also continuing to get new members joining the Branch which is great to see.

Some of us attended the Mount Lindesay Toy run, I think numbers were down on previous years, whether it was due to the hot day or the possibility of a storm I don't know but definitely not as many people/bikes. Some very well decorated bikes on show and as

normal some photos on the Branch web page.

As you will see in Fox's report, we have a number of rides already pencilled in for next year, the Talent Night we will hold at Knights Soccer Club if the other Branches we invited all come along, should be a good night.



## My Man Bun

### The Shave

for a cure run to Gatton I am not sure about yet as I have had no information from Gatton Branch as yet, if need be we can always hold a shave event at the club on an info night. I can't wait to have my unruly mop shaved off as it's a mess, I have never had hair this long even as a kid, it's so long now that I have a man bun. LOL!

We shall have our AGM in April as the National Rally is being held in the first week of May, this means that if you wish to nominate for a committee position, you will have to put in your nomination form at the March info meeting, forms will be available at February and March meetings. All positions are up for nomination.

The Branch will also need 2 volunteers to lay a wreath at the Anzac Day Service, so have a think and if you want to do this on behalf of the other members please let the committee know.



Our next Branch meeting will be the February meeting so there will be no Newsletter in January so please keep an eye on the blog and keep this Newsletter for details on some rides in January.

That's about all I have for this month, hopefully in the New Year we can put all the recent upsets behind us and move on as the Great Branch that we are, other than that, I wish everybody a safe and Happy Christmas and a Great new year from Sue and I.



Erik must have been going at some speed to get his bike that far up the Deer's backside!

Just a reminder in regards to the Lockyer Toy Run

Ipswich Police have asked us to pass on this message regarding the 2019 Ipswich Toy Run:

“Be aware that the Annual Ipswich Toy Run will be filmed, and all videos can and will be reviewed to identify any rider and/or their pillion that participates in throwing lollies or high-fiving children and spectators during the event.

Any rider or pillion identified as throwing lollies or high-fiving can and will be issued with a traffic infringement notice.”



Take it easy and be careful out there.

Chopper



# *Sheriff's Office*

I missed the last committee meeting so my report wasn't put in to ensure you don't miss out on what I have to share we have two reports from me this newsletter.



From November:

A great night for our 6<sup>th</sup> birthday , it seems it seems like only yesterday that the Ipswich Branch was formed . The older we get the quicker life seem to pass us by.

We had decorations, lollies and chips and my favourite cake which was made by Dinky Di, boy can she cook up a storm.

We had 3 namings on the night

Allan – Grizzly

Sam -Goldilocks

Erik – Hi-Tower , he is 6'4"

Birthdays on the night – Speedy, Dinky Di and Mad Dog

Fines and yes we had a few:

JAFFA – left indicators on for 22kms

BRENDA- Indicators left on, knocking the Queens crown off

KAUSSIE- Had his vest on inside out “ what the “

CRASH – Forgot where he lived , gave his wife a second hand card for her birthday

ANGRY – Had \$1 on the table . Guilty

GRONK – For being himself

GRIZZLY – Indicators left on

LUIGI – Indicators left on

TIGER – Riding without a helmet

SILVER – FOX – Touching the Queens boobs, you had to be there.

ERIK – Passing the ride leader

Kylie – Special K has a new bike.. yes a Harley.. Thank heavens Gronk has a trailer

Looking forward to the Toy Runs of Mt Lindsay and Lockyer. Hope everybody wears their Ipswich shirts on these days to let people know who we are.

Now into Dec:

Birthdays celebrated at our Nov meeting

Spook and Bam Bam

Steve Savage was named “Doc” cause as far as we know he works for a proctologist. It’s good to see the girls are getting into the spirit of things . As you know Kylie has a new bike.. a “Harley Street 500” , and Dinky-Di has a “Vulcan 650, and now it’s good to see Brenda has a “Harley Street 500”. It’s great to see the girls riding with us. What’s scary is they can ride better than me.

Our next meeting will be held in January but if your reading this we will be at our Xmas party. The rides we have been going on have been absolutely fantastic and in the New Year there are more fun rides to have.

I hope every member has a good Xmas , If I don’t see you at the Xmas party I will see you in the New Year.

STAY SOBER “crap”



Windsucker

James McColm #50255

# *The Fox's Den.*

Hi Fellow Ulyssians,

December is upon us and Toy Runs are on the agenda for all Ulyssians with the time to share and think of others less fortunate . In no time it's Xmas and New Years Eve and 2020 is here, enjoy the festive season



What's On this month

## **Friday Dec 6<sup>th</sup>**

Ipswich Ulysses Info night and Xmas party at the Ipswich Knights Soccer Club 7pm start. Fancy Dress is optional.

## **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec :**

Ipswich Toy run, depart Yamanto 8.30am for Brassall toy run start point. Decorate your bike

## **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec - Xmas Day Enjoy**

## **Current upcoming rides.**

## **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec**

Nights Xmas lights ride depart Yamanto 6.30pm

## **Happy New Year 2020**

## **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Jan**

Just a quick short ride to start the year off to Marburg Girls Café for a coffee and a chat. Depart Yamanto 9.00am.

## **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan**

Mt Cootha and back to Ipswich to Carl's Jnr for a hamburger lunch. Depart Yamanto 9.00am.

## **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb**

Eagle Rock Café at Toogoolawah. Depart Ippy Club 9.00am

## **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> Feb**

Info night . .7pm

*Safe riding and ride within your capabilities.*

*Bob, the Silver Fox #63410*





## **lumberjack Web-talk**



Hi all,

Once again, it's the last newsletter for the year and I have to buy last minute Christmas pressies + plenty of overtime at work.

I do make it a priority to get on the club rides. Otherwise I would have been working on those days too.

In my line of work, Christmas time is busy time so there's no holiday for me during Christmas. That's ok because Christmas and Easter time are the two periods where I don't want to ride as I have experienced some near misses with cars at those periods.

December is Toy run month and the Mt Lindsay one is done and dusted. Sunday is Lockyer's toy run which is always attended by many riders and I'm sure it will be a good one.

As I haven't got much to write about regarding the website, I will just finish, wishing you all a very good Christmas. Hopefully I will see a lot of you at the remaining two rides before Christmas.

Have a good and virus-free month. And see you all on the rides.

Cheers,

Lumberjack

## Crash's Monthly Mouthful

Greetings in this festive season.

It's been a couple of months since my last mouth full as myself and Sue have both been unwell, however we are back on deck and looking forward to enjoying the company of all you wonderful people of the Ipswich branch.

Well Christmas is almost upon us again, I can't believe how fast this year has gone. I am looking forward to the Lockyer valley toy run on Sunday, I missed out last year as Sue and I were on cruise, I hope the weather is kind and they manage to break the record for rider numbers, don't forget to proudly wear our branch shirt. I was hoping to find a new Kawasaki Z900 in my stocking this year, but Sue or she who must be obeyed has said, I can have bottle of rum instead, as we need a new lounge couch and my car needs fixing, and our miniature poodle ate one of my hearing aids and my reading glasses, so I will just have wait until next year.

That's all from me, so to everyone, have wonderful Christmas and an exceptional new year.

From someone who knows how to crash.

Crash.





"HONEST, HOW'D I KNOW WHEN I BOUGHT HIM A HARLEY LAST CHRISTMAS THAT WE'D BE OUT OF A JOB THIS YEAR?!"



## Brenda's Welfare Check in.

Hi Everyone and welcome to the last edition for the year.

Christmas can bring a lot of happiness and love but it can also bring a lot of sadness for some. It's this time of year that lending a hand or just taking a moment to listen and help however you can would mean the world to someone.

Remember to share the love and hold your families close as we see the end of another year.

From my family to yours, I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a safe New Year. look forward to seeing you all in 2020😊

Safe riding, 😊 xx Smurfett









## Mystery Fish & Chip Run

3<sup>rd</sup> of November 30, 2019

With the threat of rain, and a distinct possibility of getting a wet. We gathered under the sails of Yamanto Shopping Centre car park.

Fifteen bikes with three pillons, I was really happy with the turn out.

After smashing a Bacon and Egg muffin, and waiting for Gronk to go tinkle, We took off to our morning pit stop I revealed as Canungra, the group stayed in tight formation as we made our way along the Centenary motorway and got off at Augustine Heights, past the Springfield train station and out Greenbank Arterial rd. at Jimboomba we took the Mondoulin rd into Canungra via Wonglepong. I think Silver Fox said he knows how to play that game 😊

All the corners were marked well. Kermit, acting as Tail End Charlie was in my mirrors nearly all the time.

We pulled into the Outpost Café and filled a long table inside and had a relaxing refreshment together.



As we mustered around the bikes I disclosed the final destination as Charis Seafoods on the water at Labrador.

Our route was fairly simple, we took the Nerang rd and to add something different we turned at Maudsland rd to come out just north of Movieworld on the service rd.

That was a nice stretch of road, the scenery was of rolling hinterland hills and hobby farms.

We turned into the M1 for a short time and I was sure everyone had made it through the lights, but Chopper and Kermit got stuck and due to the danger at the Helensvale exit I didn't place a marker. This caused them to miss the turn and go another exit.

As we went through the various lights toward Labrador I was getting worried as the group had split up, but at the last set of lights most of the group had got through. We headed into the boat ramp carpark next to Charis to find a slightly illegal park, the group nearly fitted into one car and trailer park. Engines were turned off and then Chopper and Kermit arrived.

It was my fault the M1 turn wasn't in my plan, but it was still an opportunity to poke Chopper's sense of direction.



Lunch was as fresh as the sea itself, after i was keen for a swim. the weather was perfect. It was pointed out that the 500 plus Pelicans may have the monopoly on the waters.

At 1:30pm every day, Charis feed the pelicans for the public. There were no shortage of the usual suspects, Seaguls and the Bin Chickens vying for punters scraps as well.

We left to head back up the M1 as some needed fuel we went our separate ways from there.

Thank you to Kermit for your services as Tail End duties, and to all those who corner marked.

It was a great day for my first as ride leader.

Thanks for coming everyone.

Regards Scalesy #68696

## **The Ride to Meringandan**

On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Nov, it dawned with smokey skies and very little wind. The heat was to be turned up as the day wore on. But 18 brave Ulyssians fronted up to challenge the elements that nature was to throw at us. With Silver Fox as ride leader and Windsucker as Tail End Charlie, we set off. Smurfette and Dinky Di on their new bikes, both looking spectacular in their black .

Walloon , Rosewood, Marburg, Glenmorganvale, Lowood, Plainlands and Gatton were passed through and we made it to the Floating Café at Grantham for a liquid refreshment. Wal greeted us as he had ridden up from Laidley. Well done Squire.

Onwards to the highway and onto the new bypass. Although there were dual lanes and 80-90km speed limits it was smooth with easy gradients. The view was spectacular and the earth works to make the road were mind boggling. Easy off ramp signage and then onto Mort St and Griffith St, left onto north bound New England highway to Highfields , and onto The Meringandan Pub.

Lunch was under the shady trees and the meals were absolutely huge and beautifully presented. No complaints here.

Struggling to move after a big lunch, the weather and storms were the top topic. Fingers crossed as we took off to Highfields to refuel for some. Down to Murphy's Creek and a big pocket of hot air met us at the Warrego with tail winds and then back towards Ipswich. No rain, so home ,hot and dry..We made it.

See you all on the next ride.

Bob "Silver Fox"  
63410





## Regalia Report

New products coming in to promote the club and make our Branch more Unique



Long Sleeve \$40



Short Sleeve \$35

Shoulder Bag \$25







The Ulysses Club Inc. –

**Lockyer Branch** invite you to attend the  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Ipswich Toy Run**  
**Sunday, December 8, 2019.**

**In aid of:**

- Salvation Army Christmas Appeal
- Ulysses Club Arthritis Research Fund (UCARF)

**Open Invitation:**

The Lockyer Branch invites you, your family and friends to join us in raising much needed funds and donations for the causes we support by either:

- Participating in the ride
- Making a donation of a toy or non-perishable food item or
- Showing your support of Santa and the motorbikes as we follow the parade route.



**Ride Details:**

**Start:** Brassall Shopping Centre,  
Hunter St, Brassall.

**Finish:** Ipswich Show Grounds,  
Greyhound Pavilion

**Registration:** 8:00 am – 10:15 am

**Depart:** 10:30 a.m.

**Cost:** Free OR  
\$20 per person  
(Payment of \$20 p.p. entitles you  
to a BBQ Breakfast, Toy Run Patch  
or Pin & a Perpetual Draw Ticket)

**Parade Route:**

Brassall Shopping Centre, Workshops St,  
Vogel Rd, Gregory St, Arnold St, Grace St,  
Wulkuraka Railway Bridge, Dixon St, Aspinall St,  
Toongarra Rd, Old Toowoomba Rd, Lobb St,  
Warwick Rd, Ash St, Whitehill Rd, Cascade St,  
South Station Rd, Robertson Rd, Chermerside Rd,  
Salisbury Rd, Ipswich Showgrounds

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# CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH



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# **IPSWICH BRANCH TALENT NIGHT FEBRUARY 15<sup>TH</sup> THE IDPY SPORTS CLUB**



**2 Acts from each Branch , 1<sup>st</sup> , 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Prizes for the Best Acts as decided by 3 totally impartial Judges. Ipswich Branch, Brisbane West Branch, Logan Branch, Mount Lindesay Branch and Lockyer Branch.**







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*Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year*

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