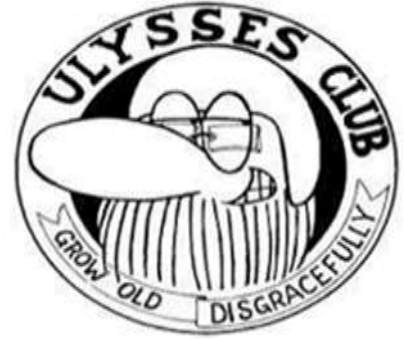




IPSWICH ULYSSES BRANCH



Monthly Newsletter #62 Nov 2019



The guys hamming it up and everyone enjoying the brekky on our brekky ride to Boonah... a great feed and great company

Information nights: First Friday of every month, held at Ipswich Country Club, 1a Samford Road, Leichardt. 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

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Welcome to the November Branch meeting.



A big Congratulations to Julz and Doogie who got married on the 19th, what a great day and full of surprises, not least Doogie turning up to the ceremony on a ride on mower, best wishes to them both.

The Branch Birthday meeting last month was a great night, once again Crash had some entertainment and as usual it was a good bit of fun, thanks to Tom, Tom, Kylie and Kathy for being good sports.



I tried to up the Tempo with the Quiz but the Trivial Pursuit questions may have been a bit difficult as it was hard work giving the Chocolate away.

Some of us met up on the Saturday night at Raceview Tavern and again we had a lot of fun, Sue and I left early as we had a family Birthday party to go to, but from what I have heard some guys stayed quite late at the pub, Grizzly blaming Gronk and Bernie for his drinking too much, however I am also led to believe there was a lot of encouragement from Big Erik. Because of these festivities we only had the one ride this month, I led the Branch to Cabbage Tree Point, it will be alleged however that I managed to get us lost, that is not the case it was a Branch Navigation assessment and fair play to Bernie, he passed the test with flying colours and we made it to Yatala Pies. A quick feed and a smoke for those who indulge and we made our way to Cabbage Tree Point. Crash and Sue were already there having set up and taken the food and drinks down. It was blowing a gale at the Boat Ramp and quite cold, but that didn't stop Tank going in for a swim, not sure if that was bravery or stupidity, but good on him anyway. The turnout for the ride was good and as usual we had a bit of a laugh. We didn't end

up taking the BBQ trailer as Crash's car spat the dummy so they loaded everything into Sues car and took that down, so many thanks to them for doing that and buying the stuff for the BBQ. Also a great thank you to Brenda and Fletcher for picking up Wheels and bringing him along, it was great to see him along for a day out with the Branch.

Some of us also went to Eat Street Markets for an afternoon, what a great place to visit, food, bands and a great atmosphere, well worth an afternoon.

There has been some confusion over Branch Shirts apparently, I would like to stress that our Branch shirt is and always will be the Purple shirt with Ipswich colours on it, for all Inter Branch gatherings and rides this will be the shirt that Ipswich Branch members should wear, however as an option for social rides and normal Branch riders we are looking at shirts of another colours and styles, available from Regalia.

Talent Night is scheduled for 15th February and we have a couple of Acts ready to go, we have also invited, Brisbane West, Logan Mt Lindesay and Lockyer Branches to attend and put in a couple of acts, should be fun.



From NATCOM.

Dear Members

There has been extensive discussion over many months relating to the adequacy and functionality of the existing Ulysses Club website. The National Committee had sought advice and proposals from suitably qualified organisations to provide comprehensive, modern web access for our members. A contract has now been signed by the National Committee for the creation of a new website for the Club.

Members may be aware that the current website has software cleverly developed to link the membership database register and the website together. As time has passed this software has become outdated and prone to fail when updates are applied to either the website or the database. Recently when upgrading the membership database register we experienced one example of this problem when for several weeks, members were not able to login.

The proposed new website will connect directly to the members database without the need for additional software to create the link between website and database. The new website will provide efficiency in management of content and easy reliable access for members.

The Gear Shop will be given a major overhaul and will be presented in a friendlier, easier to use manner. The design of the Gear Shop pages will provide easier navigation to find the item you are looking to locate.

Provision of Branch websites will be discontinued. The provision of a generic website for each branch has been problematic due to the nature of our branches where a new webmaster can potentially be voted in annually although it is more likely every few years. Members often find the current provided generic branch websites difficult and restrictive to use. Information is not updated, and branch websites are left in an often parlous state. Many branches already have their own separate website, and many branches use a Facebook page only. Being able to use a separate website gives more options to branches should they wish, and there are many options available.

The current Branch websites will be available until the end of December.

The new website will include a map, contact information and a link to branch provided website and Facebook pages, much as happens now.

The Chatroom will not be included in the new website. In the future a Forum is possible and will be considered if there is enough interest from a large, broadly representative number of members.

The project to create the new website is underway, although members will not see changes until around the end of November.

We have had the 2020 National Rally Website developed, and the Registration portal is being developed to have ready to accept registrations for the Lismore Rally from the 1st January 2020.

The 2020 National Rally website is already live and will be updated to provide information which will enable members to get on with planning and plotting for the rally in Lismore.

The 2020 National Rally website is at

<http://agm2020.ulyssesclub.org/> so please check out all the news. The website will be updated as information is available.



Take it easy and be careful out there.
Chopper

October Meeting Birthdays and Namings



The Fox's Den.

Hi Fellow Ulyssians,

November is here and the year is flying by. Weather is fantastic for riding so no excuses for not getting out and joining in the rides

Get your act together and come out an about in the great south east.

What's On this month

Friday Nov 1st

Info night at the Ippy Club.

Current upcoming rides.

Sunday 3rd Nov

Fish n Chip lunch ride . Bernie (Scalesy ride leader) Where he takes us , only he knows. Depart Yamanto 9 am

Sunday 17th Nov

Merangadan for lunch. Heading up the new Toowoomba bypass (before the toll starts) and return via Murphys Creek. Depart Ippy Club 9am . Silver Fox – ride leader



An extract from the most recent e newsletter from the Ulysses Club Road Safety Committee.

Well now we are moving well into spring. Some of us ride all year around, some like to put their bikes away over winter. Whichever category you fall into, it is probable riding time will increase over the warmer months.

We need to consider our trusty steed which has been stored in the garage over the colder months and ourselves!

Motorcycle:

1. How fresh is the fuel? Did you put in a stabilizer? Petrol does deteriorate over time o it is not as combustible as it was when we put it in the tank. Check inside the fuel tank looking for rust or

condensation. Get some fresh fuel to liven up the old stuff.

2. Batteries. Batteries can only handle a few drains before they can be problematic. If you have a voltmeter you should be getting at least 13 volts at the terminal. Check connections and cables. I will not get too technical, but it is relatively easy to clean corroded terminals and protect them. I would highly recommend a smart charger that maintains battery condition.
3. Tyres!!! Make sure you check pressures when the tyre is cold. At the same time check the condition of the rubber/tread for cracks and other issues. There should be caps fitted over the valves. Replace a tyre or tyres if any doubt exists. They are so important in keeping your shiny side up.
4. Oil and filter. Chances are you may have changed both prior to putting your bike away. If not, then they definitely need to be renewed. I personally believe you cannot do too many oil and filter changes.
5. Controls, do they function? Check lights, horn, brake, gear lever, clutch and throttle. Are they all working smoothly and correctly?
6. Clean and polish. Great way to make the bike look immaculate but it is also important in allowing you to notice if any other maintenance needs to be done. It also gets you excited about getting out there.

Rider:

1. Training!! Have you done any? You may have been doing things right but the human being that thinks he or she knows it all perhaps should give it away before it's too late.
2. Take it easy. Give yourself time to get reacquainted with your bike and the environment. Remember other road users are not that smart! Consider that you want to be around for the long term. Take the steps that you need to get back in the groove.
3. Do you need to replace any gear? Helmets really only have a life of about 5 years. As the old Bell advert used to say "if you have got a \$10 head wear a \$10 helmet" It may be comfy but seriously consider whether it needs replacing. Other safety gear may also need some renewal. Sites such as www.motocap.com.au can assist you in making wise and safe decisions regarding safety gear.
4. Stay visible! Other road users are notorious for not seeing 2 wheelers, now as the season gets under way there are even more of us on the road. Use positioning on the road to see and be seen. If you are only using part of the road, you need to look at point 1. If it makes you more comfortable high visibility gear is useful.
5. Look, look, look!!!! Your eyes need to be up and looking where you want to go. If your eyes drop it can get painful very quickly. Every bit of awareness when riding is critical. More so when returning after a break. Remember it is not just our eyes that give us information.

Hopefully this will give you some ideas to think about or reinforce the knowledge you have. Remember safe riding doesn't happen by accident

Safe riding and ride within your capabilities.

Bob, the Silver Fox #63410



lumberjacks Web-talk



Hi all,



As usual, there's not much to report from our website.

Unfortunately I haven't been able to put the October newsletter on the website due to transition problems as we now have a new newsletter editor, but I'm hopeful that the November newsletter will be there soon.

I have made a description of how to put pictures on our photo gallery just in case that you want to put some pictures on our website and you can't. You may have noticed that there is a link on the front page. This will take you to a page, describing how to overcome the problem with "Flash" that is blocked by default. If that doesn't make sense then you are welcome to ask me and I may be able to explain it to you.

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

Cheers,

Lumberjack

Brenda's Welfare Check in.

Best Types of Exercise for Older Adults

1. Swimming. There's a reason swimming is called the world's perfect exercise. ...
2. Yoga. ...
3. Pilates. ...
4. Bodyweight Training. ...
5. Resistance Band Workouts. ...
6. Walking. ...
7. Cycling. ...
8. Strength and Aerobic Classes.



Is walking good for seniors?

The biggest health **benefits** to **walking** for **seniors** are in terms of cardiovascular health. Countless studies have linked regular **walking** with heart-health **benefits**. **Walking** has been linked in men and women with lower risks of high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, heart disease, stroke, and cardiac arrest.

IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL WEB SITE PROVIDE A WIDE RANGE OF ACTIVIY INFORMATION, THESE ARE JUST A COUPLE. TAKE A MOMENT AND HAVE A LOOK 😊

Active and Healthy Ipswich

The Active and Healthy program showcases free and low-cost physical, sport, recreation and wellness activities on offer across Ipswich, to help connect you with a healthier lifestyle. Updated annually, the program helps connect the community with a healthier lifestyle through a range of exciting activities.

Free Heart Foundation walking group. Meet at Mary St. zebra crossing at the entrance to TAFE.

Suburb	Bundamba
Address	<u>Mary St. BUNDAMBA QLD 4304</u>
Venue	<u>Mary Street, Zebra Crossing near Ipswich TAFE</u>
Activity	Active Seniors, Walking Group
Cost	\$0
Category	Fitness

Target Audience Adults, People with disabilities or chronic conditions, Pregnant women, Seniors

Suburb	Ipswich
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Address	<u>42A Chermside Rd</u>
Venue	<u>Limestone Park</u>
Activity	Walking Group
Cost	\$0
Category	Fitness
Target Audience	Adults, Mums and Bubs, People with disabilities or chronic conditions, Pregnant women, Seniors
Email Address	<u>noleandjenny@bigpond.com</u>
Website	<u>www.heartfoundation.org.au...</u>

PILATES

Suburb	Woodend
Address	<u>1 Martin Street, Woodend, 4305</u>
Venue	<u>Swim Factory</u>
Activity	Yoga and Pilates
Cost	\$12.50
Category	Fitness
Target Audience	Adults, Seniors
Email Address	<u>iepilates@bigpond.com</u>
Website	<u>iepilates.com.au</u>

These are just a couple of ideas to help us all stay healthy so we can enjoy life to the fullest.

Please let me know if I can help if you with any further information.

Stay upright and enjoy the ride XX Smurfett



When you break up with ur girlfriend and you can finally decorate the apartment the way you want to



Regalia Report

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



Long Sleeve \$40



**All Glasses \$5.00
\$4.00**



Short Sleeve \$35

Shoulder Bag \$25



Something to make you laugh -

Honda vs Harley

A 10-year-old girl was walking down the street when a big man on a big-old motorcycle pulls up beside her and says, "Hey little girl, do you want to go for a ride?"

"NO!" says the little girl as she keeps on walking.

The motorcyclist pulls up beside her again and says, "Hey kid, I will give you \$10 if you hop on the back."

"NO!" said the little girl and proceeded down the street a little quicker.

The motorcyclist pulls up to the little girl again and says, "Okay kid, I will give you \$20 and a BIG bag of candy if you hop on the back of my bike for a ride."



At this point the little girl turns to him and screams angrily, "Look Dad, YOU bought a Honda instead of a Harley, so, YOU ride it!"

Attempted theft of my motorcycle

I've just pulled up on my driveway to see some thieving lowlife leg it and jump over my back fence. Think the piece of shit was after the bike!

My wife must have put up a good fight though because she's lost most of her clothes, is drenched in sweat and can hardly walk.

Tell your friends and help us grow our members..

Ulysses Club Inc.

Membership benefits

138 Branches throughout out Australia and within **11 overseas countries** to participate in their activities that include

- Rides
- Social gatherings
- Friendship and fun
- Diverse memberships with lots of other interests and many different motorbikes

Subsidised training once completed for

- First Aid Course
- Rider Training

Quarterly Magazine – Riding On – Also available online

Each member receives a copy of our Riding On magazine. Articles included are:

- National Committee reports
- Upcoming events
- Ride reports
- New bike reviews
- Members letters

Website – access to Members only sections (<http://www.ulyssesclub.org>)

- Information on events
- Ulysses gear shop – purchase Ulysses Club Inc. gear
- Opportunity to buy and sell everything motorbikes
- Information on membership benefits
- And much more



Annual National Rally Event

- Meeting and rekindling old friendships as well as making new ones
- Perfect excuse to plan a trip
- See a lot more of Australia
- Test rides and trade displays
- Social dinner
- Organised rides
- Join the grand parade
- Opportunity to attend the Annual General Meeting

Odysseys and Rallies

- Hosted by branches
- Relaxed atmosphere

Discounts for

- Motorbike Insurance
- Motorbike shops
- Historic bike registration

Costs: Joining Fee \$40

- One year subscription \$40
- Three year subscription \$100

How to Join: Log onto the Website (<http://www.ulyssesclub.org>) and click the button - join – found at the top of the page



Eat St Markets ... enjoying the evening



Greek Gods

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IPSWICH ULYSSES BRANCH CHRISTMAS PARTY 2019

Venue :- Ipswich Knights Soccer Club Bundamba

Date :- Friday 6th December 2019

Time :- 7pm till late

Dress :- This will be a themed Party , theme is yet to be decided...Watch this space.



Waitress served savouries and a main meal Smorgasbord.

Entertainment will be a 2 piece band called 'Twins'





IPSWICH BRANCH TALENT NIGHT FEBRUARY 15TH THE IDPY SPORTS CLUB



2 Acts from each Branch , 1st , 2nd and 3rd 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.





LOGAN ULYSSES JANDOWAE BOWLS WEEKEND

LAWN BOWLS | BEER SCULLING | QUILTS | DARTS

NEED TO KNOW MORE? Sounds pretty good doesn't it!

BIKERS & BOWLS

for
CHARITY EVENT
SATURDAY 14th MARCH



Weekend of the 13th - 15th March 2020 - Charity Event on Saturday 14th
JANDOWAE BOWLS CLUB - Jandowae, QLD

Cheap CAMPING AVAILABLE - Jandowae Showgrounds

South end of Warra Street, Jandowae. - 5 mins walk to the Bowls Club

Site fees collected on weekend by manager

Clean Amenities & Hot Showers

Powered Sites \$15 per night | un-powered sites \$10 per night

For EARLY BIRDS

There will be a BBQ Friday night and breakfast Saturday morning

(Numbers required for catering, please phone Anne and advise if you will be arriving Friday)

**Come along and JOIN US for a weekend
packed with FUN, GOOD times and GREAT friends!**

Charity Event Cost

\$45 Per Person

Price Includes

Lunch Saturday
Afternoon Tea Saturday
Bowls
Dinner Saturday Night
Breakfast Sunday Morning

Local Bowls Club Members
on hand for expert advice
Drinks at club prices
Barefoot bowlers welcome

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Please RSVP by 29th Feb 2020

Anne - 0452 275 976



The Ulysses Club Inc. –

Lockyer Branch invite you to attend the

23rd 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, Chermiside Rd, Salisbury Rd, Ipswich Showgrounds

For further information contact:

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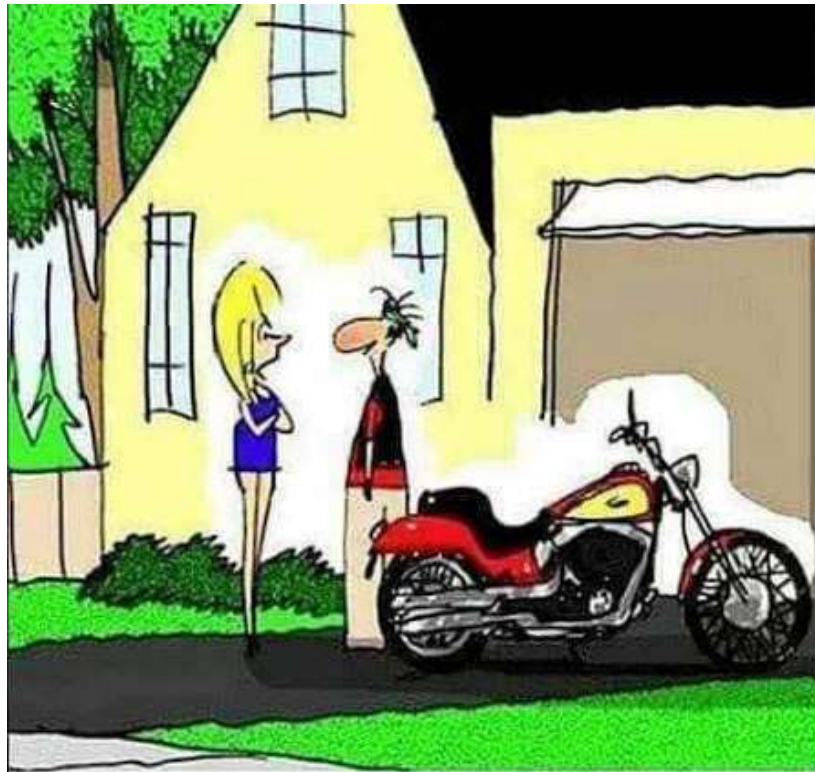


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Our Trailer... thanks again to our sponsors



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"What do you mean you were having so much fun riding your new bike you lost track of time? You've been gone for over a year!"

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