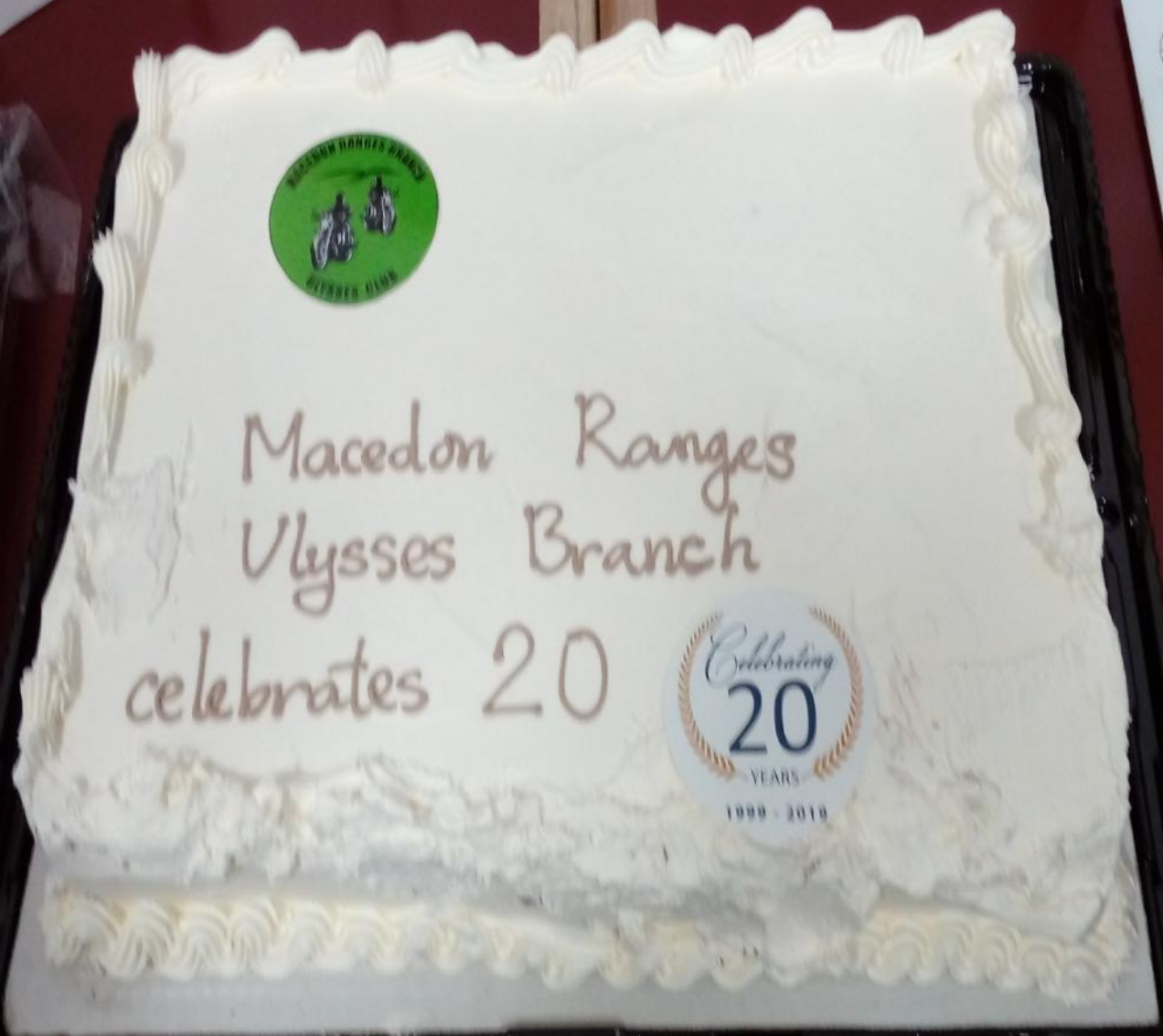


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Macedon Ranges Newsletter

Social Nights are held on the Third Monday of each month at the Sunbury Football Club Rooms “Clark Oval Riddel Rd Sunbury from 6.45 pm onwards. Come along and enjoy a great nights chat and a nice meal.

Saturday Morning Coffee’s are at the “Jolly Miller” in the Gisborne shopping centre, Brantome St Gisborne from approx 10AM onward till about 12.00 noon. Just look for the Bikes and Foxy’s happy smile or even Michaels (yet I doubt it).

Midweek rides are from the Caltex Servo in Station Rd Gisborne on each Wednesday Morning at 10 AM. (Gentlemans hours) Usually arranged on the day

Calendar Rides Sunday rides leave from Mac Donalds Horne St Sunbury at 9.30 AM unless otherwise organised. see ride calender on www.mrug.net for dates
Saturday rides leave from Jolley Miller about 11-ish and end up somewhere for lunch,yumm.....

Please read this

Some jokes may be deemed to be offensive to some people. However, it should be recognised that most jokes, if not all jokes, would be deemed to be offensive to some people. Let's face it; just about every joke ever told contains something offensive that will get right up the nose of someone.

Just because jokes offend some people it is no case for censorship. Humour, of all varieties, exists for those who enjoy it.

Never forget how to laugh!

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On the 21st of October the Macedon Ranges lot
one of our well thought of members Wilfred
Better known as the “Little Bear”
He will be sadly missed by all that knew him



R. I. P.
Wilfred Erben



A Word from your President.....

Hi everyone,

And just like that the end of the year is upon us, and as we get older we think shit where did that go, well unfortunately we can't get it back so make the most of your time.

Now the warmer weather and the holidays are with us it's time to take a little longer getting to places on your bike because the "in a hurry", "phone distracted" car drivers are going to be out everywhere so ride safe, it will be good to see you all again next year.

The branch Xmas BBQ is held on 7th December with about 30 people turning up, this was lower than the last couple of years and I suppose the problem with have a function in December is that it will more than likely clash with other functions so maybe we need to think about holding our function on the last weekend of November, anyway just a thought.

I had a good time and the food and company was good and that was all that mattered to me.

The other thing I wish to discuss is the branch intends to hold a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings in Sunbury on Saturday 1st Feb 2020 to raise funds for the branch, now before you ask no the branch is not going broke we have money in the bank but its fair to say that the revenue the branch gets from the Admin Fee and Raffles is declining and this is another way for the Branch to receive funds. The money raised will be used for branch subsidised functions that will benefit all affiliates.

So on that day we will need volunteers to operate the BBQ and collect money etc

You will be teamed up with 2 others so we can get each group to work in a 2 or 3 hour shift, Bunnings have strict rules to operate the Sausage Sizzle and these will be made available to all volunteers before the event.

So if you would like to volunteer please email me on president@mrub.org.au



Ok that's about it for me so I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Michael Bevan (Trump)
President
#50364
(Build the Wall)

A Word from our Secretary



MINUTES

MRUB Committee Meeting 18/11/19
Sunbury Football Club 6.05 pm

Present: Michael Bevan, Mark Behan, Moira Burgess, Vicki Cronin, Sylvia Behan, Andy Brady, Steve Clark, Mark Freestone, Jim Alley

Apologies: John Barry

• There has been a problem with fragmented ride information and incorrect / complete information reaching Ken Hager. To improve the quality of information Andy will email members directly.

• If there are more than 5 riders on a run it is now compulsory to appoint a “tail end Charlie”. How this will work (i.e. especially for new riders) must be explained at the pre-ride briefing. An email explaining this will also be sent out to all members.

• It was agreed that the Phillip Island trip next year will be on the 14th & 15th of March. Those wishing to go will need to inform Vicki and book their own accommodation.

• The club assets list is with John Barry who will also know where it is kept.

• In regard the Xmas BBQ (Hanging Rock on Saturday 7th December), it was agreed that the club will supply all meat and that a list will be handed around the meeting to allow people to nominate their willingness to bring along other food. It was further passed that Moira can spend \$400 on the Xmas raffle.

• John was unavailable at the meeting so it was agreed that the Secretary would contact John and include the amount held in these minutes. *[Post meeting John confirmed that at the time of the meeting the Branch held \$1763.70 in the bank].*

• Vicki reported that she was well organised for the Coles BBQ and only required the club (Ulysses) banners and at least three volunteers behind the counter at all times. It should wrap up around 2 o'clock.

• Vicki spoke against our participation in the Bunnings BBQ due to the paperwork, manpower and demands placed on the endeavour by Bunnings. It was agreed to go ahead but to keep an eye on Health Department requirements etc. to ensure the enterprise does not become too onerous.

• Wilfred's funeral will be held this coming Friday – President will keep members in loop.

• Events calendar is now full for 2020 and Ken Hager will be informed prior to meeting night (so he can do his web page thing!). There was also a request for access to a club laptop to couple with the projector. Mike will look into it.

• Toy Run. TabCorps has declined the use of their facility this year due to “burnouts on the track”. Hence the date has been changed to Sunday December 15th with the new venue being MCAS 16A Keilor Park Dr, Melbourne. Mark Freestone will lead the ride with Sylvia Behan as tail end Charlie.

Meeting closed at 6.45



From Your Friendly Editor.....



And so we have celebrated our 20th anniversary of the Macedon Ranges Ulysses Branch formation. Great night was had with some of the foundation members being there and I personally really enjoyed catching up with them.

It was a lot of sadness that we learned of one of the clubs loyal and long serving members riding on. Wilfred Erben (or as he was better known Little Bear) passed away on the 21st of October the same night as we celebrated our 20th. Kind of took a little gloss of the party. RIP Wilfred

Also we learnt that our Foxy Lady Moira lost her mother the other day. Me, and I'm sure all the members thoughts go out to her at this sad time

The ride to the Cross was held on the 10th of November. We were a little disappointed with the crowd that turned up but I guess the weather would have had a lot to do with that. Rev Barry handled the service while Smokey read out the members Australia wide who had ridden on. Its always a little sad a day up at the cross but the atmosphere changed when we all gathered down the bottom of the hill and had a good chat over a snag in bread.

Well all went well at the Sausage Sizzle morning at Woodend again. A small profit was gained and will be used to subsidise members on events and purchase gear for club use. It also spreads the word of our club to the world and let them know that not all bikers are trouble.

Xmas party at the Rock went well again even though again the numbers were small. Strange that as the venue is great, the food tops and the weather was OK on the day. Still those there had a top day.

The midweek rides continue successful and so do some of the weekend rides with good numbers turning up to both. Nice to see. Well that's about it for this edition from me

As always...

Keep upright

Meow





A Word from our Quartermaster

With Summer upon us, we're all looking for ways to keep cool when riding, or just standing around checking out the bikes at the tyre kick. Ulysses Gear Shop offers a variety of items to fit the bill and yes, you can order directly from them, but if you give me an order I can do it for you.

Here's a selection:

'Ugly Fish' multifunctional sunglasses/goggles Glide large sell for \$40.

Ladies sleeveless polo in magenta size 8, 10 and 20 are only \$14.50.

560ml stainless steel water bottle is just \$9.

Men's singlet with small logo in size S, M, L and 2XL are \$15 each.

Black bandana 62cm is \$8.



From your friendly Quartermaster Sylvia (blondie)





20 Years Young

And so it was a packed house at the football club that seen us celebrate our 20th Anniversary.

Members from many years back turned up to help join in the festivities and it was real good to catch up with them.

Our president Michael (Trump) Bevan presented a well thought out recollection of the clubs history, mentioning the contributors to the clubs history in serving committee places and then the list of members who had ridden on.

The night was finished off with the cutting of the cake and a rousing toast and three cheers.

Hope you enjoy the pictures taken during the nights festivities.
Meow







Many of the newer cars have a "**Back-Up Sensor**" that warns the driver before the rear bumper actually comes in contact with something. Who invented this sensor? I'll bet you think it was Ford, maybe GM; how about Chrysler?

No? Then how about Mercedes Benz, or possibly the French or Italian car manufacturers?

No, it was a Japanese farmer by the name of Kawasaki. His invention was simple and effective.

It emits a high-pitch squeal before the vehicle backs into something.

See last page to see this great invention in proto type

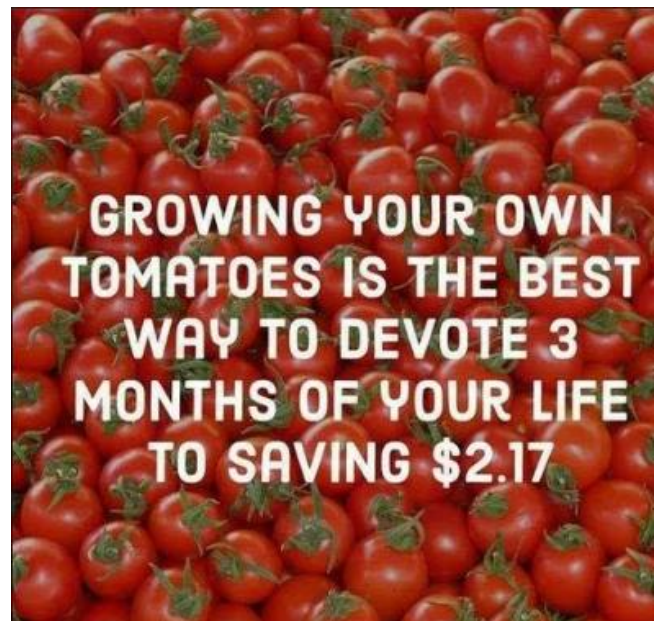
20191023 Wednesday Ride

The sun must be out. Wednesday warriors and others. l/r Henry, Terry2, Ivan, Rod, Jim, Dennis, Bill, Dean, Macca Colin, not in photo, Tony & Ken, Wally on camera. Glorious day to be on a scooter in the company of a great bunch of blokes. Redesdale for smoko, Strathfieldsaye for lunch, return via Sutton Grange, Kyneton





A husband was a bit embarrassed and told the doctor he had trouble getting an erection with his wife and she was getting frustrated. The doctor checked the man's blood pressure and other vitals, then after a thorough examination said he wanted to check with the wife. He took her to another cubicle and asked her to disrobe. Then he told her to turn all the way around slowly. She did as instructed. He then told her to raise her arms above her head, then bend over, touch her toes and cough. Finally he said, "OK, good. You can get dressed now, and I will talk to your husband." The doctor went back to the other cubicle and said to the husband, "Well, you can relax, there is nothing wrong with you. I couldn't get an erection either."



BBQ Sausage Sizzle at Woodend

Another great morning at Woodend. Cub came out in front and moneys gained will be put back to the members. Thanks all that helped.

Cheers



Xmas 2019 Hanging Rock

Lovely day for our Christmas to celebrate another wonderful year for the Macedon Ranges Ulysses Branch. A much smaller turnout than usual but never the less a great day was had by all. A big thank you to Michael for all of his efforts during his time as President. Michael will be stepping down as President at the next AGM in Feb

Cheers
Vicky







Midweek 2nd December

Another great day on the scooters with the Wednesday warriors. L/r Ivan, Colin, Annie, Macca, Ken, Phillip and Wally on camera. Toobarac for smoko, Nagambie for lunch, return via Seymour, Pyalong, Lancefield.



When Charles de Gaulle decided to retire from public life, the British ambassador and his wife threw a gala dinner party in his honour.
At the dinner table, the Ambassador's wife was talking with Madame de Gaulle:

"Your husband has been such a prominent public figure, such a presence on the French and international scene for so many years....!
How quiet retirement will seem in comparison....?
What are you most looking forward to in these retirement years....?"

"A penis," replied Madame de Gaulle.

A huge hush fell over the table.
Everyone heard her answer..... and no one knew what to say next.
Le Grand Charles leaned over to his wife and said:
"Ma Cherie,
I believe ze English pronounce zat word,
"appiness...."

The Tale of Tecci

Several millennia ago there was a man (as the story goes-it could have been a woman) who wandered and explored the countryside of his world. A land with forests, deserts, mountains and lush meadows. Tecci enjoyed meandering and going wherever his whim took him, but his was missing something. He was not sure what it was but also did not worry about it.

After several years, he discovered a group of travellers. After the necessary introductions and mistrust of the new guy the group told him he could travel with them as long as he stayed at the back of the group and kept up with them. He agreed as the worst that could happen is he would be left behind and on his own again, nothing new. So, the next day Tecci and his new group of friends started wandering around the countryside at a surprisingly quick pace. After a few days of this pace, some of the group grew tired and started to slow down. As Tecci was told to stay at the back and didn't want to trouble with the group leaders he slowed and traveled with the people who were tired.

Upon stopping for some rest, water and food, members told Tecci that this is the way of the group. The slow get left behind and are not to be seen again. They encouraged Tecci to go on as he was strong, but he wouldn't leave them behind. After they rested, they continued on with Tecci still in tow. After many hours they caught up with the main group, did all of the necessary things for the evening and went to sleep.

This pattern of events went on for several days. Tecci always staying with the stragglers and assisting them to get back to the group. Then one day, something happened, Tecci didn't know what it was but something was different as the stragglers didn't catch up with the main group. Thus, they became their own group. Tecci insisted on staying in the rear of the group against the wishes of the group who wanted him to lead.

After several years, Tecci's group grew in numbers and ability. They didn't travel at the speed of the original group but no one was left behind. The leaders had learned to mark a trail so that others could follow and meet up at the end of the day.

One day Tecci fell ill and died. His group was very saddened by this event as he had always been there to assist those who needed it. The group moved on over the next few days and one of them decided to follow and assist. The group gave him the name Tecci to honour the man they helped them over the years.

Several millennia later, around the middle 1800s Tecci was still be honoured by groups of travellers. Some of these travellers were opening the West of the USA, some were exploring central Australia and beyond, some had a Tecci and some didn't (Bourke & Wills is a good example). Leaving trail markers is also noted in fairy tales, i.e, Hansel & Gretel.

The twentieth century arrives and for the first time, group travel becomes mechanised with the advent of the automobile and motorcycle. The use of trail markers becomes difficult as it would require stoppages along the way. Fortunately, Tecci's successors were an intelligent and considerate lot. They developed the corner marker system where a leading vehicle would stop at the corner and wait until Tecci showed up with his vehicle.

Tecci thought this was a good thing as only one vehicle needed to stop and the others could continue on their travel. Tecci knew he could stop and assist his fellow travellers and not get left behind or lost, just as the original Tecci would have done.

But, there is always a but, as in the original group Tecci was in so many millennia ago, some people still want to go at a faster pace and leave the slower travellers to their own situations. Tecci, of course, still stops and offers what assistance he can to the travellers, and, unfortunately, sometimes finds that the corner marker has failed to stay at his corner marking position until Tecci arrives.

So, what is the modern TEC to do? Well, for one, get the ride destination/s from the ride leader. A route map would be helpful, but not all rides are, or should be, that organised. A few common corner marker comments on why he left early are: 'I got tired of waiting.' 'You should ride faster.' 'Don't worry about the stranded biker, he will figure it out for himself.' The new TEC thinks not much has changed in the several millennia that have passed since Tecci found that group and stopped wandering and exploring his world by himself.

For the record. A recent ride had a corner marker leave with not one, not two, but three fellow riders still to get to the corner. Since there was no corner marker there was no way for those following riders to know where to turn. So much for a group ride. The TEC can only travel as fast as the slowest bike. If a corner marker has to wait for awhile, so be it. On the other hand, it gives that go fast corner marker the opportunity to catch up with those riders ahead of him.

Hey Yu



20191030 Wednesday Ride



Wednesday warriors. l/r Bill, Ian, Dean, Ken, Jim, Colin, Phillip (unfortunate puncture), Richard, Macca, Deet and Wally on camera. Hepburn Springs for smoko, Maldon for Lunch

Philip Bouchier Don't you hate it when you get a puncture! Home safe and sound. Had RACV Total care they came, pick me up... took the bike to Kyneton Bike Shop. They fixed the puncture. Many thanks to Ken for giving me his sun cream. I am sure that saved some sunburn. I was able to find some shade under a big green Vicroads direction sign at Carlsruhe. See you next Wednesday

20191204 Wednesday Ride



Another great scoot with the Wednesday warriors. L/r Macca, Ivan, Colin, Bill, Terry2, Rod, Daryl, Henry, Ken, Jim and Wally on camera. Harcourt for smoko, Dunolly for lunch, return via Maryborough, Daylesford, Glen Lyon. Good day, great ride with great company



Cherry Coles article for the Riding on Mag.



A fine 20 year vintage from the Macedon Ranges!

The Macedon Ranges in Victoria are not only renowned for fine wine vintages, old bikers of the Ranges mature well too!

Our Macedon Ranges Ulysses Branch (MRUB) has just celebrated a significant anniversary. It was 20 years ago in October that a splinter group from the Melbourne branch got together and formed the Macedon Ranges Ulysses Group (MRUG). This later became a branch of the national Ulysses club. <http://mrub.org.au/> [Insert Branch logo here]

With a Branch membership of around 120 and a core of active members, MRUB is well known for its regular social nights, midweek, Sunday and Saturday lunchtime rides as well as occasional over-nighters. Additionally, we have annual "meet and greet" rides with other Victorian clubs most notably the "Mt Franklin/Vaughan Springs" get together and the "Ulysses Victorian Memorial Ride" held on a Sunday in November around Mt Macedon and its Memorial Cross. This annual ride remembers our friends who have ridden on.

Our recent monthly social night in October was turned into a celebratory evening when 50 members and partners enjoyed a great night and the best company, whilst toasting the next 20 years! A number of our "founding" members attended and so we say thanks to those founding members and the various Presidents who have led the club since 1999: Ron Weste, Trevor Barnard, Cliff Yeo, John Petschauen, Stephen Draper, Mark Freestone and our current leader, Michael Bevan Congratulations MRUB! Looking forward to the 25th anniversary (and perhaps a little "silver" bauble for our bikes?).

Michael Bevan, President #50364

Cherry Cole, Writer #55146

Vicki Cronin, Paparazzi & Events #63980

Macedon Ranges Ulysses Branch (MRUB)

Murphy's Motorcycle Laws

- 1. A motorcycle cannot / will not fall over without an audience.***
- 2. The fact your keys are still in your pants pocket will become apparent after you put your gloves on.***
- 3. Motorcycles are to yellow bugs what aircraft carriers once were to Kamikaze pilots.***
- 4. Quick fixes are named for how long they stay fixed.***
- 5. The only part you really need will also be the only part on permanent backorder.***
- 6. Nothing is harder to start than a used motorcycle being shown to a prospective buyer.***
- 7. You will never suffer a punctured tire on the road until you leave the repair kit at home.***
- 8. "Universal" accessories are so named because that is where you must search to find the bike they fit.***

Be Smart. Ride Safe.

A soldier ran up to a nun

Out of breath he asked, "Please, may I hide under your skirt. I'll explain later."

The nun agreed.

A moment later two Military Police ran up and asked, "Sister, have you seen a soldier?"

The nun replied, "He went that way."

After the Military Police ran off, the soldier crawled out from under her skirt and said, 'I can't thank you enough Sister You see, I don't want to go to war to Syria. .

The nun said, "I understand completely."

The soldier added, "I hope I'm not rude, but you have a great pair of legs!"

The nun replied, "If you had looked a little higher, you would have seen a pair of balls....I don't want to go to Syria either!

Once upon a time ... the Women Riders World Relay (WRWR) came Downunder!

For 13 days in late winter 2019, Australian women motorcyclists assembled in their hundreds to accompany and protect one very well-travelled relay "baton". Starting from John O'Groats, Scotland, this baton had been carried symbolically since February 2019 by thousands of women riders across half the world's countries. And it's journey wouldn't be complete until it had traversed the other half of the world and arrived at its final destination in the United Arab Emirates, one year later!

So what's it all about?

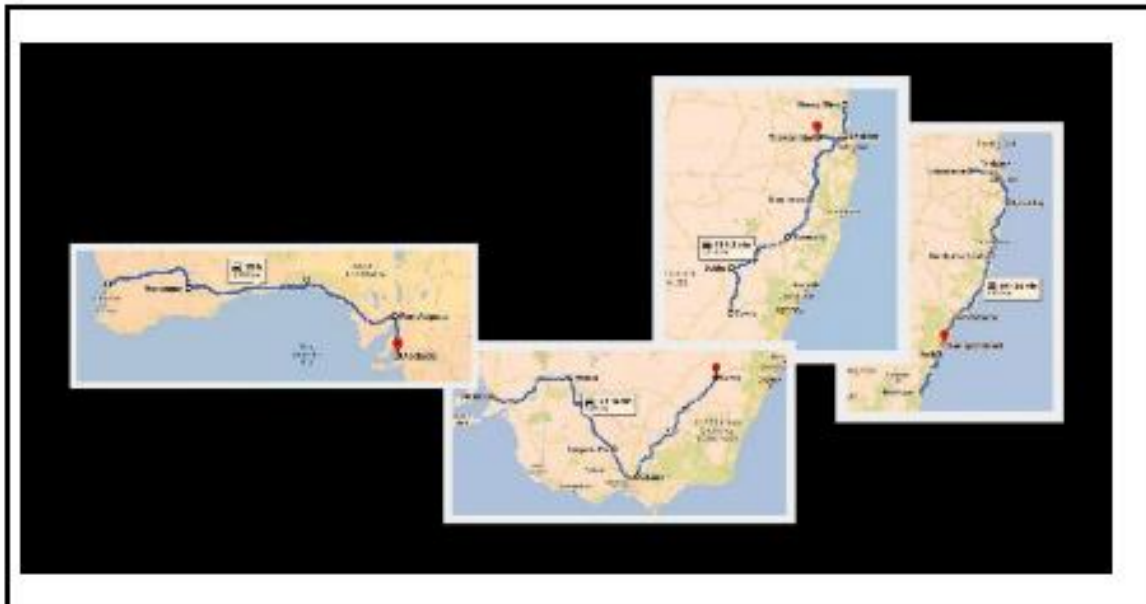
The beginnings of Women Riders World Relay (WRWR) had its origins in the vision of founder Hayley Bell, a motorcycle enthusiast from England. Hayley's aim was two-fold: to stir the global motorcycling community and industry into realizing the extent and depth of the market for women in motorsports as well as to inspire women riders world-wide. And so, the Women Riders World Relay (WRWR) was born (<https://womenridersworldrelay.com>).

The WRWR global "team" is large and purposeful, with over 19,000 members across the world and an over-arching objective to promote courage, adventure, unity and passion for biking among women. And as the logo states, "Unite us. Excite us". Ahead of the baton relay, WRWR used a small team from numerous countries worldwide to collaborate and organise the 2019 event.



The Australian contingent

In Perth Western Australia, women riders welcomed the relay baton on its arrival from Bali, Indonesia in late August 2019. It had already travelled through 50 European and Asian countries to get to Australia. From Perth, the baton traversed the Nullarbor to Adelaide went on to Mildura, then travelled across the middle of Victoria before heading north and then south around New South Wales and Queensland. Having journeyed across the midriff of Australia over 13 days, in early September the WRWR baton was farewelled from Ramsgate Beach, NSW as it headed across the ditch to Waitangi, New Zealand and its journey beyond to another 30 countries.



Throughout the baton's Australian journey, it was accompanied by hundreds of women riders many of whom were Ulyssians. Whilst an exhaustive list of Ulysses women riders was not compiled, our Victorian connections made contact with women "guardians" and accompanying riders from many Australian Ulysses clubs including the following:

Women Members from Australia Ulysses' Branches participating in WRWR			
WA	Qld	Vic	NSW
Armadale Heritage Geraldton Joondalup Mandurah Murray	Cairns Ipswich Gatton Lockyer Redlands Townsville	Albury Wodonga Central Victoria/Bendigo Geelong Macedon Ranges Mildura Westgate Wanderers/Melton Yarra Ranges	Central Coast Riders Poortenga South Coast
SA	NT	Tas	ACT
Fleurieu Lower Murray		Tamar Tourers	Canberra

The "funny tales" ...

Of course with an event such as this, funny tales abound. These were the anecdotes and reminiscences of the road plus stories which captured the detail and passion of the guardians, riders and supporters of this mammoth undertaking.

Take for example, Joanna Barthorpe's police-related anecdote:

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"My funniest was on arriving in Adelaide. Several girls said that the cops wanted to see the woman riding the Royal Enfield Himalayan. I wondered what I had done wrong and as there was only one Himalayan in the huge pack of riders I went and presented myself to the cop who had been looking for me. Turns out he had been following me and my Himalayan on Instagram and wanted to try it out for himself so he swapped his BMW for my little bike and took it for a spin around the parade ground☺"



Or this one from Tracey Byrne which was all about sharing the moment and having fun ...



This photo was taken at Glenn Innes just before the baton arrived. Frankie, Jenny, Kerry and myself were setting ourselves up for a group shot when the 2 ladies in black behind us did an awesome photo bomb. We don't know who they are but this is one of my favourite photos of the trip 📸 📸 AU📸

And of course, there's always the potential for disaster on road trips as recalled by Kim Reddy!

"A story.....I happily took on the task of being ride leader from Nambucca Heads down to Wollongong to help out my good friend Helga. (aren't I a good little helper ☺) Anyway we're all cruising down the freeway, being good guardians an all, everybody together, the view of all the ladies on their bikes in my mirror had me feeling fantastic ☺ WRWR is great!!.....Until it suddenly dawned on me "Who's got the Baton? ☺ , not me! I'll have to ask at the next servo so somebody else gets a go".... Servo stop #1. Forgot to ask.☺ Off we go again.... S**t, I'll have to ask at the next servo stop....Servo stop #2, S**t forgot to ask again!! ☺Servo stop #3, I Finally remembered to ask ☺ "does anybody have the baton?".....NUP, NUP,

NUP.....nobody had the baton 🏏OMG..... It's been left in Nambucca.....I bloody hope it's with Helga, and it was, THANKFULLY. 🙌 "

And the inspirational women participating in WRWR, were a joy to meet. Take for example, the story of Colette Tindall Edeling.

"What a lady that we have met. Formally from South Africa living in Brisbane. Sells her home...flies to Scotland buys a motorbike...rides through Europe and Asia. HD provides her a bike to ride on Oz. Indian provided a bike for her to ride New Zealand. Buys a bike while in Lilydale in Canada and is currently riding through Canada and will head to USA and Sth Africa." (Yvonne Barker)



Ah and a visual memory of our police riding colleagues ...

Taken on a Victorian leg of WRWR, Yvonne Barker and Vicki Cronin (Macedon Ranges Ulysses) took possession of an accommodating constable's two-wheeler, complete with bells and whistles operating!

And PR benefits all-round!



And sometimes, what happens on the ride ... stays on the ride! So we will never know, unless we were lucky enough to be there!

Snapshot of the Victorian WRWR journey.

As with many states and indeed countries, some days on the road were notable for significant distances and multiple legs of the relay on the same day. Across Australia, overnights were characterised by celebratory dinners or social events and during the days, some stops featured sponsor activities at bike shops or raceways. All planned by a series of "Ambassadors" and "Guardians" of the baton.

In Victoria, two key roles were assumed by several members of the Macedon Ranges Ulysses Branch (MRUB). The Victorian Ambassador was Vicki Cronin and the Victorian Road Captain was Yvonne Barker. You can see Vicki and Yvonne (behind or on) the police bike shown above! And Vicki taking on the road, at right!



In the following paragraphs, Yvonne shares her diary and memories of the 511kms journey she rode with Vicki as they shepherded the WRWR relay baton across Victoria.

"Our club paparazzi Vicki was selected as the Victorian Ambassador. She put in endless hours to make the Victorian leg enjoyable and with myself being the Road Captain, we hit the road.

The baton exchange from the South Australian ladies happened on Day #183 at around 8.00pm at Quick Fix Harley-Davidson in Mildura. Where Gavin put on food and a hot fire for the girls to thaw out and dry off from the cold and rain before the group headed off for dinner.

Day #184 started next morning Thursday 29th August, with Gavin receiving his certificate of appreciation before the relay headed south from Mildura.



Harley Central in Kangaroo Flat, Bendigo worked tirelessly to make sure their new Café "Barr & Wells" opened to receive the girls for lunch. Then it was on-wards to Lilydale about 50kms east of Melbourne.

Day #185 departure point was Lilydale Lake with stands up at 8.15am for the ride to Yea ... then through to Seymour before the morning stop in Nagambie.



From Nagambie it was off to the Motor Museum at Kialla (sheppartonmotormuseumandcollectibles.com.au) where the local ladies from the Country Women's Association provided lunch for us all. Both Vicki & I were interviewed by WINTV which made the evening news.

Next stop was the BP servo at Glenrowan where even more girls met us to participate on the ride. Followed by the next fuel stop at Lavington before leaving Victoria and heading straight to Wagga Wagga.

Still on Day #185, we arrived in Wagga Wagga just before dusk to be greeted like rock stars by the young girl with her sign on the outskirts of town.



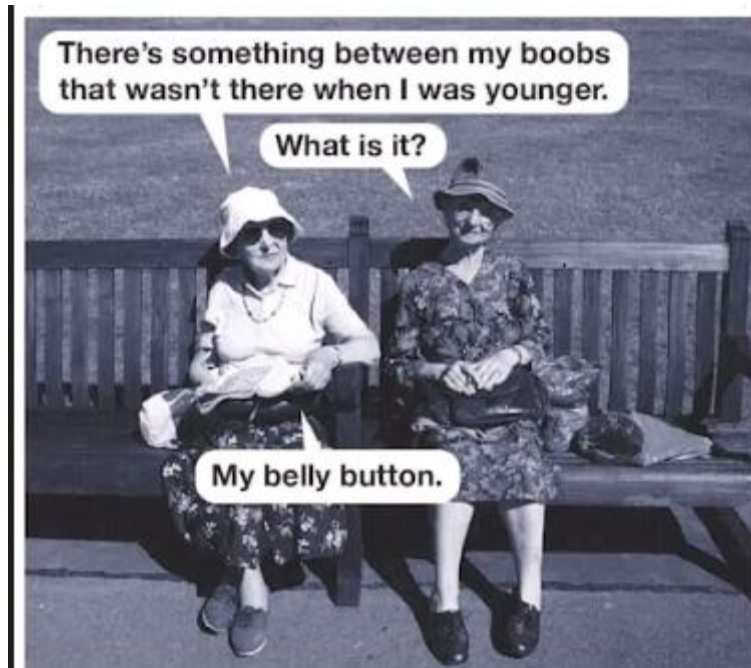
We all arrived safely without any incidents and arrived before night fall with a total of 94 riders behind me....what an experience and so glad to have shared it with my fellow MRUG member Vicki...that's a wrap of our 511kms journey together."

So look out for the next iteration of this epic global two-wheeling journey. This one's a sure bet for the Guinness Book of Records.

Yvonne Barker WRWR Victorian Road Captain #57038

Vicki Cronin WRWR Victorian Ambassador #63980

Cherry Cole Writer #55146



Saves \$100's from not going to specialists!

A simplified urine test that may be relevant for all of us !!??

Go outside and pee in the garden.

If ants gather:- diabetes.

If you pee on your feet:- prostate.

If it smells like a barbecue:- cholesterol.

If when you shake it, your wrist hurts:- osteoarthritis.

If you return to your room with your d*** outside your pants:- alzheimers

20191120 Wednesday Ride



Life's hard on a scooter. Gorgeous weather, great company, and a lot of lies told. Anakie for smoko, Bannockburn for lunch, return via Meredith and Ballan. Some rough roads that weren't too kind on the family jewels, thank Christ I've got nothing planned for tonight.

L/r Daryl, Terry2, Jim, Rod Ken, Ivan, Tony, Henry, Bill, Colin, Bruce Macca and Wally on camera.

20191117 Sunday Ride to Geelong

Thanks Andy for leading us on another great ride today. Smoko was at Ballan then onto Geelong for lunch. I sure all the guy's appreciated the extra effort you put in showing us how to fix a flat tyre. Well done



Remembering those who have ridden on ...

On 10/11/19, we joined other motorcycling colleagues on the annual Ulysses Victorian Memorial Ride remembering those Ulysses members who have ridden on during the year. Approximately 100 bikes participated in the run from Centennial Park to the service at Mt Macedon's Memorial Cross. Our Branch lost four valued members in 2019: Christine Cameron, Wilfred Erben, Lucy Freestone and Ron Weste. May they Rest In Peace.

Our next en masse ride will be the annual Christmas Toy Run on Sunday 8/12/19. So join with our great club and come loaded with new toys for those less fortunate families amongst us. Details on our website Ride Calendar.

Or meet us for a coffee, meal and friendly banter at:
Tyre Kicks: 10am+ every Saturday morning,
Brantome Street, Gisborne;
Wednesday rides: every Wednesday 10am servo
4 Station Road, Gisborne;
Branch Social: 7.30pm 3

rd Monday every month at

Sunbury Football Club; and
Special rides/events such the Xmas Toy Run
(9.30am Sunday 8/12/19 to Melton Tabcorp stadium).

A comprehensive Calendar of Events is at
www.mrub.org.au or search Macedon Ranges
Ulysses Branch on Facebook for updates,
Committee contact information and the Ride
Calendar.

Come riding with us sometime!

Cherry Cole



20191106 Report



Another great day on the scooters with the Wednesday Warriors. L/r Terry2, Daryl, Macca, Colin, Phillip and Wally on camera. Harcourt for smoko, Heathcote via Strathfieldsaye for lunch. Good weather, good company, good riding

Wife

--"Where the hell have you been? You said you'd be done with golf by noon."

Husband

--"I'm so sorry Honey....but you probably don't want to hear the reason."

Wife--"I want the truth, and I want it NOW!"

Husband--"Fine. We finished in under 4 hours; a quick beer in the Clubhouse. I hopped into the car, and would have been here by 12 noon but on the way home, I spotted a girl half our age struggling with a flat tire.

I changed it in a jiffy, and next she's offering me money. Of course I refuse it, then she tells me she was headed to the bar at the Sheraton and begs me to stop by so she can buy me a beer. She's such a sweetie, I said yes.

Before you know it, one beer turned into three or four, and I guess we were looking pretty good to each other.

Then she tells me she has a room right there at the Sheraton, less than 50 steps from our table. She suggested we get some privacy while pulling me by the hand.

Now I'm in her room....clothes are flying...the talking stopped and we proceeded to have sex in every way imaginable. It must have gone on for hours, because before I know it, the clock says 5:30. I jump up, throw my clothes on, run to the car, and here I am. There. You wanted the truth... You got it."

Wife--"Bullshit! You played 36 holes, didn't you?"

20191211 Wednesday Ride



Life's hard on a scooter. Another glorious day with the Wednesday warriors. L/r Ken, Ivan, Colin, Macca, Henry, Tony, Ron and Wally on camera. Hepburn springs for smoko, Buninyong via one of the best scenery roads we've been on for lunch, return via Ballan, Greendale.

A man walks into a Parliament office and says to the receptionist, "I would like to put my name forward for the forthcoming elections to be a Green M.P."

The receptionist replied, "Certainly sir. Please fill in this form."

He was filling the form OK until he came to the question - "Are you circumcised?"

So he asked the receptionist, "Is this question necessary?"

She replied, "If you are circumcised you are not eligible."

He then asked, "What difference does it make if I am circumcised?"

She replied, "To become a Green MP you have to be a complete dick."

**THANKS TO THESE MEMBERS THAT MADE THE LETTER
WHAT IT IS.....**

Dennis (Dutchy) Holland (Great Jokes)

Ken (Hey – you) Hager (Always puts in)

Vicky

Wally Fieldler (ride reports)

*Not that many out of a club of 100 plus
So.....Where the hell are you ALL*

So what about it.....

Where's your bit.....

E MAIL TO ME AND SEE YOUR NAME IN LIGHTS

Or are you just like the rest and do Bugger all.....

