



# TUESDAY NIGHT NOTES

16<sup>th</sup> June 2009



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A very good turnout tonight... it must have been the prospect of those two shiny Victory's making an appearance.

## Snacks

The wonderful bar staff from the RSL provided the snacks tonight as we didn't have a volunteer for this week.

John and Glenda have volunteered for next week.

## Sunday Rides

The Sunday Ride last week was to Bark Hut, and even though I couldn't make it, I saw the mob before they left BP Palms and it was a very good turnout.

This Sunday's ride will be to the Litchfield Tourist and Van Park for the AGM. Leaving BP Palms at 8.30am and Morning Tea will be provided by the Branch at the venue.

## Birthdays

No birthdays this week, but it is John and Glenda's 39<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary this coming Saturday. Wow! I hope you have a wonderful day.

### 15<sup>th</sup> Birthday



The Major Raffle tickets are selling well. Please see Pauline if you haven't got yours or would be willing to flog a few books.

This will be drawn on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July and we will invite all those kind folk who donated prizes along to the event. More details closer to the day.

## Visitors

We have a few visitors tonight. Awb made one of his infrequent appearances and Neil &

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Pam, a couple of Ulysseans from Down South, dropped in to say “G’day”.

The other visitors were Tim and a lady from Precision Motorcycles and they brought along a couple of shiny new Victory motorcycles for our viewing pleasure. I think the comment most heard was about the size of the rear wheels. They certainly are BIG!

So, I wonder who will be the first in the Branch to order one?

## Other stuff

- We’re up to 1,419 unique hits on the website. I’ve redesigned the “Photo’s” page added a Mystery Ride album and some more photos to existing albums. It’s a simple process to add photos, so please keep them coming! I’ve also added a page for the 2010 Ulysses AGM in Albany which has Rays “Draft Trip Plans” for your viewing pleasure – great job Ray! Please pass any ideas, comments or suggestions directly to him. ☺

## Mid-week Advanced Riding Course

Mick Brennan has been kind enough to chase-up info on the Advanced Riding Courses and sent us this info:

I have been in contact with Andrew Kains, Senior Instructor of the Darwin MVR Advanced Riding Course.

Andrew has kindly stated he is available for a mid week Course during July 2009.

**Andrew has recommended a day Course during the week 13th - 17th of July 2009.**

*The maximum attendance number is eight (8) persons.*

However, Andrew has suggested he could conduct the Course *for Ulysses if we could provide a minimum of 4 members* & he would open the Course for others - or we could provide all 8 members.

***The return date for advising Andrew of Ulysses attendees is Wednesday the 1st of JULY 2009.***

- FYI - For distribution to Top End Members please.
- July Cse Ulysses coordinator may also be appropriate.

Yours Sincerely,

Mick Brennan  
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Thanks for that Mick. As I understand it, they need to be booked by attending an MVR office in person and enrolling for the course.

## Top End Branch AGM

Nominations for Office Bearers for the Top End Branch Committee have now closed.

The list of nominations is:

President	David Alford #48719
Secretary	Pauline Buxton #50779
Treasurer	Graham Buxton #40663
Ordinary	Vicki Hulands #40990
Committee	Fred Vanda #48600
Members	Anthony "Gramps" Pearson #24140
	John Allwood #9438
	Ray Swann #30605

If you intend over-nighting prior to the AGM and want decent accommodation, please book ASAP. If you're camping (and can put up with the karaoke) you don't need to book. Just bring earplugs....

Litchfield Tourist and Van Park's 'phone number is **8976-0070**

Please e-mail Pauline ([pbuxton59@gmail.com](mailto:pbuxton59@gmail.com)) to let her know you're coming so we can organize the catering.

## Reminders

- Please ensure that **ALL** correspondence relating to Branch matters is sent to Pauline in the first instance. She is the official record-keeper in her capacity as the Secretary and will record the communications before forwarding them on to the relevant person(s). Her e-mail address is [pbuxton59@gmail.com](mailto:pbuxton59@gmail.com) and this address can also be found on the "Contact Us!" page of the website.
- If anyone has any photographs they'd like to see "published" on either website (Top End Branch or the Renner Springs site), please get them to me via e-mail, memory-stick, CD or DVD and I will upload them to the relevant album.
- Please make sure that you check the Ride Calendar periodically as there are occasionally changes to the schedule.

## Upcoming Events

- Night Ride – The first Night Ride for 2009 will be Thursday the 25<sup>th</sup> of June, leaving at 6.30pm from the RSL. We'll probably end up at the Cool Spot, but Fred is going to check to see how crowded it gets due to the Mindil Beach Markets just down the road.
- 28<sup>th</sup> June – Hayes Creek.
- 4<sup>th</sup> July – RANT Night Ride to Corroborree Park. More details closer to the time.

- Jabiru Overnighter with Pom is on 11/12<sup>th</sup> of July, so if you're interested, you need to book your accommodation **now!** Don't forget; Tourist Season is starting. Please don't be too shocked at the accommodation costs – it will be the height of the tourist season!
- 23<sup>rd</sup> of August – Top End Flying Club Open Day (MKT Airfield – just before Noonamah on the right). See information below.

## TEFC

The Top End Flying Club is holding an Open Day on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August, and Rob Hall (the Senior Flying Instructor) has invited Branch members along to show off their bikes and talk about them and the Ulysses Club. Apparently there will be other static displays and it should be a good day.

## Update on some Members

- Chris and Keren are still in Brisbane recovering from their accident. Keren has had her left should, arm and wrist pinned and has to keep the arm still for 8 weeks! They're both out of hospital, but still attending as outpatients. Chris is much better, but still not particularly well. They still intend being back in Darwin at the end of this month. They have asked me to pass on their gratitude to all members for their support. It would be nice to have some pre-prepared meals that we could place in the freezer for the Bell's so they don't have to muck about with cooking when they get back. If you can assist, please let Ray know so he can coordinate getting them to their freezer! ☺
- Kerry-Ann and Andy are still in Adelaide. Kerry-Ann is fine, but Andy still needs a couple more operations.
- Poor Ron Leete is back in hospital, but this time it looks like he might need a hip-replacement. He's in ward 4B and I'm sure he'd enjoy some visitors.

## Newsletter

Ray will be editorializing madly in the Newsletter that he promises us will be out before the AGM.... or maybe just after....

If you have any articles, items for sale, funnies, etc. for the Newsletter, please get them to Ray ASAP.

See you all next week!

Take care and Ride Safe,

***Dave Alford #48719***  
***President***  
***Top End Branch***  
***Ulysses Club Inc.***