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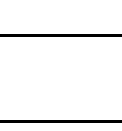

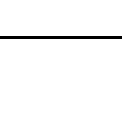
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**Mike Dew presenting the final fund raising cheque to St John Lyttelton Division recently**

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## Co-Ordinators Comments

On behalf of all the Canterbury Branch members I wish to welcome Darren Merchant, Andy Gorst and Peter Jackson to the Ulysses Club. I hope you enjoy your time in the Club and remember to uphold the Club motto "Grow Old Disgracefully".



Our Branch membership is now at 237 WEF 10 August 2010 and the Club Administrator has just sent out 114 invoices to Branch members whose subs are to be paid by the 31st December 2010. If you are one of those members please pay by the due date to receive a \$30 early payment discount. If you're unsure when your subs are due please see Bob or myself, as we have all that information.

The raffle for the two (2) nights' accommodation plus breakfast for two at a NZ Millennium, Copthorne or Kingsgate Hotel & Resort of your choice was drawn at the Remembrance Service in Murchison and the winner was Steve and Pam Orpwood (ticket number 209).

The Ulysses Club South Island Remembrance Service held in Murchison on 7 August attracted approx 90 to the service. Although numbers were down from last year we were very happy to see so many turning up considering the bad weather forecast predicted for the weekend. To me it just goes to show how important this event is to a number of us Ulyssians and I thank you all very much for attending. Photos from the service are on the Branch website at - [www.ulysses.org.nz/canterbury](http://www.ulysses.org.nz/canterbury)

Please keep an eye on your emails, as some of our Sunday rides are being rescheduled due to the adverse weather conditions on the day. You can also contact the rider in charge (RIC) to confirm if the ride is still going ahead. The rides committee have now organised the rides and functions up until March 2011 and they will be shown on the website, along with the dates for all the rallies that we know about.

This month's social evening will be held on Wednesday 18 August and we won't have a guest speaker this month, as I've got a five-minute DVD from Stephen Dearnley (Australia) # 1 that I'd like to play.

Until next time take care and keep the shiny side up.

Mike Dew # 2415



## Monthly Social Evening.

The Branch Social is held on the **3rd Wednesday** of the month, in the Heathcote Room of the Cashmere Club (off Hunter Terrace or Colombo St Sth) starting at 7.30pm. Meals are available from 6pm

## **Subject: Words for Women to Live By**

1. Aspire to be Barbie - the bitch has everything.
2. If the shoe fits - buy them in every color.
3. Take life with a pinch of salt... A wedge of lime, and a shot of tequila.
4. In need of a support group? - Cocktail hour with the girls!
5. Go on the 30 day diet. (I'm on it and so far I've lost 15 days).
6. When life gets you down - just put on your big girl panties and deal with it.
7. Let your greatest fear be that there is no PMS and this is just your personality.
8. I know I'm in my own little world, but it's ok. They know me here.
9. Lead me not into temptation, I can find it myself.
10. Don't get your knickers in a knot; it solves nothing and makes you walk funny.
11. When life gives you lemons - buy some Coronas.
12. Forget about the perfect man - he's living in Bondi with his boyfriend.
13. Keep your chin up, only the first 40 years of parenthood are the hardest.
14. If it has Tyres or Testicles it's gonna give you trouble.

## **A Hug**

I decided to give my beloved a hug. Then I thought I could give 'her indoors' one too. If it were the '80s one could be excused for thinking I was a SNAG; a Sensitive New Age Guy. I'm not; never been one of them and for those who know me I'm more the Caring Understanding Nineties Type...but, hey that's so last century!

With a half day on Friday and no homework I decided to head home for the weekend. The ride through the Lewis was one of those memorable ones; snow capped mountains, dry roads, seriously stunning scenery and the only hand brake to a comfortable pace the climb up and over the Pass where the remnants of ice grit had turned many of the shaded corners and hairpins into muddy, easy does it, careful cornering.

So what's this got to do with hugs? Well, sick of cleaning chain lube throw and clinging road grime off the underside of the VTR after every ride I'd decided to splash out and buy a rear hugger. The numerous websites proved pretty unhelpful with many of my queries going unanswered. So I asked Greg at Casbolts who did he recommend and he put me on to Glenn at Just Fairings. I emailed Glenn, told him what I wanted, he had one in stock, I paid my dues and a few days later a high gloss black Venom hugger arrived by courier. 45minutes to fit it and it looked pretty damned good too but yet to be proven.

Pulling to a stop at no.33c, I got down and my hands and knees and had a good look at Alison's undercarriage. The rear exhaust header, cylinder and mono-shock area were relatively clean. Not bad, not bad at all.

Heading back up SH1 on Sunday I rode out of the Canterbury sunshine into howling gales and heavy rain north of Kaikoura which lasted right through to Nelson. Crossing the bridge over the Clarence the wind on the straight was horrible. Coming up on a Telecom van who was having an even worse time of it than me tucked down behind my screen; he indicated and pulled over or rather was pushed over to let me wobble past. It was bloody hard work fighting it; not at all enjoyable as I struggled to hold my lane on sodden roads. By the time I'd climbed the hill from Wharenui I'd had a guts full. An all day brekkie while sharing a really good coffee at the Ward Café with my mate, Phil the engineer and unofficial Lord Mayor of the place brightened my mood considerably.

But after an hour in the warmth it was time to head out into the crap again. The wind was buffet- ing badly past the salt works. A friend of mine was on the ferry about that time and I couldn't help thinking they must be having a lovely crossing. Thank heavens my skins waterproof 'cause noth- ing else was. I rang me old disgraceful mate John later that evening who said the Nelson Branch's Sunday ride to Top House at St Arnaud was just as miserable.

Anyway, back to the whole hugging thing. In the dry of the garage in Nelson I had a chance to give Alison another good look over as I do after every ride and despite the wet conditions which had been a real test, the only shite up around the back of the motor, the shock and under the forepart of the seat was spray from the front wheel and there was bugger all of that too. Aside from wrapping her in shrink film and conveying the bike to Nelson in the enclosed comfort of a U- haul trailer, nothing really was going to keep any part of a bike pristine in that weather but overall the whole underside was pretty damn clean considering; nothing a light hosing wouldn't shift. Definitely money well spent.

So, if you have a chain driven bike or one whose stock rear mudguard isn't as good as it could be have a serious think about fitting a rear hugger. They not only tidy up the area, they look good too and do the bizzo. Thanks to Glenn for being so prompt in getting one to me. Check out the website [www.justfairings.co.nz](http://www.justfairings.co.nz)

Oh yes, my dearly beloved got a hug too...Friday; and Saturday...even if she had to wait until af- ter the footy!

Captain Carefree

#3497

#### A THAILAND LOVE STORY\*

A man was lying in bed with his new Thai girlfriend in a hotel in the Thai resort of Phuket.

After having great sex, she spent the next hour just rubbing his testicles - something she loved to do

As he was enjoying it, he turned and asked her, "Why do you love doing that so much?"

"Because", she replied, "I really miss mine."

## 2010 St John Ambulance Ride

The Order of St John has been providing medical aid, solace and shelter since the days of the crusades and for the most part, by volunteers. Over a thousand years old, it originated during the crusades in the Holy Lands where Knights of the Order established hospices on the routes to protect and provide medical care to pilgrims. Based on Christian beliefs, the Order was reinforced by military skill and history is full of tales of the escapades of the Knights and their fortified Priors and fleets of armed galleys based first on the Island of Rhodes and later Malta. The Order bestowed its emblem, the white 8-pointed cross of St John to the Island of Malta (now known as the Maltese Cross) to mark its thanks for the island's hospitality.

The Canterbury Branch of the Ulysses Club of NZ has been supporting local St John branches around our area since 1991. For the past two years, monies raised have gone to the Banks Peninsula Branch of St John.

Why? Well I guess there's an element of self interest here because who else is going to pick me up off the road? Come to that, who stands on the side line rain, hail and shine waiting for a looser to put his neck out or is there when Grandma falls and breaks a hip. St John, that's who and they've been a part of our lives attending every sporting or community activity from school fetes to sporting events; for what seems forever! And as much as we



hope we never have to use their services, the fact is one day if not us then someone close to us is going to need their help due to a motor vehicle accident, sports injury or for medical reasons.

"There has been a St John Ambulance Service ambulance station at Lyttelton since the early 1900s. The first Lyttelton ambulance was an 'Ashford Litter', a cart with two large wheels and a detachable stretcher that was pushed or dragged around the hilly streets of Lyttelton by volunteer first aiders" said Pete Dawson, Area Chairman for St John Banks Peninsula. "The sick and injured were loaded into the goods wagon of the Lyttelton-Christchurch steam train for transport to Christchurch where they were collected and taken to Christchurch Public Hospital by a horse drawn St John Ambulance."



Pete stressed how important training is and some of the money raised goes towards training. "We had one paid up-skilled paramedic as a Team Manager who worked Monday to Friday 09:30-18:00hrs. Nights and weekends were 100% manned by volunteers in order to provide 24/7 emergency response capability which means we need a team of around 40 dedicated volunteer staff to keep the ambulances on the road."

All this because the Lyttelton ambulance station vehicles responds to an average of 2,500 ambulance call-outs every year covering a very large area from the eastern suburbs of Christchurch and most of Banks Peninsula which is an extremely high response rate; one of the country's busiest, what was until last month a volunteer ambulance station.

Lyttelton St John has 2 frontline Mercedes ambulances. There is an ambulance first response unit operated by St John volunteers based at the Akaroa Fire Station. They also have operational relationships with a Prime Doctor (St John trained for pre-hospital emergency medical care in the field) at Akaroa, a Lyttelton qualified Ambulance Officer attached to the Little River Fire Station, and a Prime Nurse based from the Diamond Harbour medical centre.



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Over the past two years, the Banks Peninsula Branch of St John has received \$9100 from the fund raising made up from the profits of ride badge sales, raffles (prizes donated by local businesses and club members) and barbeques and I thank those individuals, bikers and businesses who gave their time and donated goods towards this cause.

Chris Carey  
Ulysses #3497

## Ride to Terrace Downs

The majority of club members attending this ride must have been listening intently to our leader, at our monthly club meetings whilst he has been educating new club members, regarding the subject of the club not being a motorcycle club, but rather a social club of like minded individuals.

Upon arrival at the Curletts road service station, there appeared to be an excess of four wheeled and a dearth of two wheeled vehicles.



By approximately 1005hrs we had managed to amass a total of four of the two wheeled variety. The bikes then led the way, followed by twelve or so cars on route to Terrace downs.

The roads were a little damp for the first couple of kilometres; thereafter we encountered mostly dry conditions all the way to our destination, which proved to be a very pleasurable ride. At one point the sun threatened to grace us with its presence, but

soon changed its mind.

The bikes arrived at 1055hrs and the four wheeled entourage some fifteen to twenty minutes later. Everyone appeared to enjoy the time we spent in the clubhouse, light liquid refreshments and meals were ordered and enjoyed by all.

Peter Maynard. 7119





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# The Preparation Long Ride 2010

*By Lubo and Trouble*

Terry and Kathy Lubomirski

In March 2009 I looked into taking the Blackbird to New Zealand. I suggested to Kath (Trouble), that we do the trip that we had both been wanting to do for a long time. Almost on the same night, I saw a link to the "Long Ride" on the internet. A ride for Prostate Cancer to Darwin...starting 01 May 2010. The way people wrote it up, it sounded like a lot of fun. When we tossed it around, we decided that raising money for Prostate Cancer would be more worthwhile cause than the NZ trip.



My Dad passed away from Bowel Cancer, but in his time with us he also suffered from prostate issues. I thought that given the age group of the branch, the message of testing and Prostate Cancer needs to be put out there and discussed. If you recently saw the pictures of the EasyRider star, Dennis Hopper, you will see what this horrible disease can do to us men. So we decided to go for it.

I have never been involved in serious fund raising before, so I was a bit lost. Being the creative one of our life together, Trouble was coming up with all these fantastic ideas. Not knowing any better, I pushed many of them aside as too involved and too hard to organise... (sorry Babe I should have listened to you!). I was happy to go with pay our registration of \$50 and talk to family and friends about donations. (I am not one for asking for money and felt very uncomfortable doing it). Well, many people squashed my thought very quickly. People were coming at us from everywhere to offer advice and donations. We were amazed and very humbled. We set a target of \$10,000 (Pffft...yeah right!!!) on our fund raising website. Our very observant Web Master, Howza, noticed that on this website, there was a cut taken from any donation entered on the site (Thanks Howza!!) We very quickly stopped promoting this way of arranging donations, and went to receiving the funds and banking them. More time consuming for us, but at least ALL the money went where it was intended to.

Time rolled on and lists of things to do were made and donations started to accumulate. Barbeques happened out of the blue and the proceeds donated. This was all done without our knowledge. TAE personnel donated part of their Xmas present from the company, and the company matched it. Soon we were at approx \$7,500. I approached the Ipswich Mayor.....he arranged \$500 from the council. It just kept happening. We may have set a goal of \$10,000, but never imagined getting anywhere close to it. We started to learn of other people that were interested in joining us. Lloyd and Margaret, who have been big supporters of cancer research fund raising, announced they were coming. John and Jackie from Esk also enlisted and decided to bring along the support vehicle...a converted 22 seater bus and trailer. I still think they did this to support the trike!!! J Grasshopper also put his hat in the ring. Unfortunately this wasn't to be due to medical issues not long before we left. He was still with us in spirit and was at Toowoomba to give us a send off.

At around this time I had some members starting to ask....have you worked out how much this is going to cost you personally. "Hmmm yeah sort of" was my reply. Well, this got me thinking about the major service that was due on the bike, as well as tyres to last the trip. Our funds were sufficient to prep the bike, do the trip and have a holiday afterwards. Then the worry started.....within a 6 week period, we had our Fridge and Washing Machine gave up. This put a very big dent in the bank account. I was looking at around \$1600 to prep the bike. Then Lloyd and Margaret suggested that I start approaching Companies etc for donations of tyres and service. No answer from any of them! I then approached Two Wheel Tyres at Blacksoil. Darren was only too happy to donate a set of Metzlers for the Blackbird. In appreciation we got their logo and made up stickers for the trailer. The service was an easy one. I contacted Pro Honda and asked for a similar donation...Yep once again not problem...Ashley from the service department organised it all..... so our thanks goes out to these businesses for their assistance. If they hadn't helped we would have been back home in a very short period of time.

We attended a photo call in the Roma Street Parklands which was put into the Courier Mail. It was a very wet day but we were once again getting the word out there about getting tested. (Did I mention that it is only a blood test to start with??) We met about 10 other riders and, straight away, we knew this was going to be an adventure! They were lovely people...all ages and backgrounds. Ulyssians, HOGS, Far Riders....All types of bikes..... Some had done the previous Long Rides and were only too happy to share their experiences with us virgins, and give us ideas on fundraising, and how the ride is run.

I got in contact with Peter McNabb, who is the Queensland Co-Ordinator, to discuss the ride. We ended up doing a ride to Toowoomba to plan out a meeting point. He and his wife were lovely and little did I know that we were about to begin a friendship that will last a lifetime. The point was sorted as Charleton and we also arranged to have a "Pre Long Ride Coffee Run"....." Woodford next weekend...we'll invite all the SE QLDers". The following week we met up at Woodford. There were bikes everywhere! Trouble and I felt like we did when we first started at Lockyer.....lost. That changed very quickly. We were welcomed in and introductions were done.....I advised all of them that they would all be "Mate" to me because I would not remember their names. They agreed! They did remember the name "Trouble" though....dunno why! By the end of the "Long Ride" Trouble would be well known across the 280 riders that participated!

At about 2 weeks before the start, our fund raising had achieved \$9,200. An amazing result considering I was not expecting any more that \$1500. I contacted our local council member David Phalke. I asked him to suggest any businesses in Rosewood that may be able to assist us in achieving our goal of \$10,000. Shortly after I received message back advising me that he was putting the \$800 forward from the council to make it up. I must admit that a tear come to my eye knowing that we have so many generous people in this world. This was going to make a difference to someone's life!

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2010, I finished work and headed out the front gate of the RAAF Base, knowing that the time had arrived...we were leaving on the Long Ride on Saturday!!!!

**The time was here.....**

**Next month.... The Ride!**

## Ulysses Remembrance Run

Last weekend was the annual Ulysses Remembrance Run. If you recall, the weather was a bit intimidating for a lot of riders, including myself, but I was determined I was going to attend this year's service. I woke up about 7, listening to the rain on the roof and wondered why I was doing this, but slowly managed a nice hot shower and several layers before moving the bike out of the garage. It was then that I realized, it was raining harder than I thought and it might be prudent to put the bike back in the garage. Too late, the garage door was slowly falling so I turned and headed to the "Peg". Stopping for fuel, to save the fine that was sure to occur several times today, I arrived at the "Peg" to see Bill Kidney, the Otago Ulysses Co-ordinator already waiting. We parked our bikes under the canopy and out of the rain and made the introductions. We agreed to keep the speed down, and either bike could back off to set a slower pace.



The first members to arrive (and the last) were Chas and Karen. They looked so warm and cozy in the car they had chosen to drive to Murchison. I was surprised to see it wasn't a BMW, but glad they had opted to attend as well. They left a bit early although Chas wanted to follow me in case any of my Harley Davidson parts fell off. Personally, I think he is hoping to own a Harley, piece by piece – free of charge. No luck on this trip though.

We allowed a few extra minutes for stragglers then headed onto the motorway. It was a nice ride since the rain had slowed to

a moderate or light sprinkle. About Leitchfield, we found ourselves riding in sunny skies and dry roads. We had a very pleasant ride and made it past Hamner before we struck the rain again. It rained hard for a short time just to remind us that it could and then slacked off considerably. As we were riding through Lewis Pass, we had the most beautiful snowfall that added to our scenery and I remember thinking at the time, it didn't seem that cold. Riding in the snowfall, and seeing wet roads are comforting to bike riders, but it does remind us it could be ice at any moment. I guess wet weather gear and riding gear in general have come a long way.

We arrived in Springs Junction for a quick petrol stop and Bill surprised me by saying, "I couldn't see a bloody thing!" as he took off his fogged glasses. I quickly volunteered to lead to the cafe where we were greeted by a few Ulysses members that had opted for riding over in their cars but happy to see their smiling faces. Neither Bill nor I had heated grips, so we really wanted to hold a hot pie or hot cuppa. We met up with Chas and Karen and they informed us it was about 2 degrees in the pass. Like we really wanted to know how cold it was...



The ride from there was wet and cold but luckily it didn't take too long. We stopped at the pub in Murchison and were greeted by several bikers that had actually ridden over; most had ridden over the day before. After a short break and warming ourselves, we headed over to the RSA and the program was better than expected. It was pretty short in length, about an hour, and allowed us time to mingle with others before starting back that afternoon. We met some really nice people and you could tell a lot of effort had gone into getting it organized by several people and it went off without a hitch, except for a motorcycle audio effect in the wrong place. But, we would have never known, if it hadn't been pointed out.



Bill was staying in the north for a few days work, so I was glad to hear Geoff was looking for someone to ride back with after the service and Ray and Mei were happy to join us as well. We left and met up across from the petrol station and began our very wet trip back. We met a few police officers in unmarked cars and two in marked police cars before we had made it back to Springs Junction. But being the law abiding soles we were, attracted no attention from them and had a very nice ride back to Christchurch.

OK, I wasn't going to put this in, but if it had happened to anyone else, I would have included it. So, in all fairness, I must admit there was a slight mechanical problem getting back. My gear shift lever has been stripped for a while now, and although I had some tools to fix it, I ended up shifting gears by hand. And before you ask, no, it didn't fall off the bike and yes, it has been ordered. So again, Chas would have been empty handed had he been behind me; except for the fine, which I am sure I will be getting.

It was very nice riding with Bill on the way up and experiencing yet another experienced riders riding style. It was equally enjoyable riding back with two Canterbury Ulysses riders as well, and observing how they ride. And to finish off, it must be said... The All Blacks beat that team from across the ditch. What a great day!!!

David Moore # 6998





# Ulysses Canterbury 1000k Longest Day Endurance Ride 2010



Way of Life!

Avon City Suzuki

**Saturday 6 November 2010**



Depart between 6.30 and 7.30am from –  
Pit Lane Motorcycles, 65 Manchester Street, Christchurch,  
Caltex Fuel Stop Hope, Nelson

**\$30 Per Person (Includes badge, lunch and BBQ tea)**  
**Entries Close Mon 25 October 2010 Late entries - \$35**

## Route 1

Nelson, Murchison, Punakaiki, Greymouth, Kumara, Christchurch, Blenheim to Nelson.

## Route 2

Christchurch, Kumara, Greymouth, Punakaiki, Murchison, Nelson, Blenheim to Christchurch

Note:— There is an unofficial start point at the Blenheim Railway Station.

This is an endurance ride organised by the Canterbury Branch of The Ulysses Club of New Zealand Inc.

**IT IS NOT A RACE.** Your participation is conditional on you agreeing to ride according to the current road rules and posted speed limits.

Complete the entry form and post to

1000K Ride, PO Box 4611, Christchurch Mail Centre Christchurch 8140

Note – Please include a stamped, self addressed envelope.

Cheques to be made out to ULYSSES CANTERBURY. Email enquiries to [Murray@prodec.co.nz](mailto:Murray@prodec.co.nz)

Disclaimer — By completing this entry form, I/We acknowledge, that this event is NOT a race and agree to abide by all current road rules/regulations and speed limits. In addition to the above, I/We acknowledge that the organisers shall not be held responsible for any mishap or injury/damage incurred as a result of my/our participation in this event.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pillion : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Start Point: \_\_\_\_\_ Bike Make /Model \_\_\_\_\_

Signed Rider: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed Pillion: \_\_\_\_\_



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## ***GROUP RATES QUOTED FOR***

### ***Ulysses Motor Cycle Club***

Group Booking Reference: **FA5310**

The below rates are based on return travel, prices to date, inclusive of GST and subject to availability.

<b><u>Off Peak Fares:</u></b>	<b><u>Each Way</u></b>
Adult	\$38.00
Children	\$23.00
Motorcycle	\$35.00
Car/Van up to 5.5 metres	\$120.00 each
Each half metre over 5.5 metres	\$15.00

<b>Off Peak Dates:</b>	<b>Peak Dates:</b>
26 January – 31 March 10	01-06 April 10
07 April – 21 October 10	22-26 October 10
7 October – 15 December 10	16 – 31 December

<b><u>Peak Fares:</u></b>	<b><u>Each Way</u></b>
Adult	\$45.00
Children	\$23.00
Motorcycle	\$45.00
Car/Van up to 5.5 metres	\$138.00 each
Each half metre over 5.5 metres	\$20.00

Think before you speak...

As someone who suffers from foot in mouth syndrome these other examples made me laugh and it was nice to know I not the only one who puts my mouth into gear before I engage the brain!

Have you ever spoken and wished that you could immediately take the words back... or that you could crawl into a hole? Here are the Testimonials of a few people who did....

#### FIRST TESTIMONY:

I walked into a hair salon with my husband and three kids in tow and asked loudly, "How much do you charge for a shampoo and a bl\*w job?" I turned around and walked back out and never went back My husband didn't say a word... he knew better.

#### SECOND TESTIMONY:

I was at the golf store comparing different kinds of golf balls. I was unhappy with the women's type I had been using. After browsing for several minutes, I was approached by one of the good-looking gentlemen who works at the store. He asked if he could help me.

Without thinking, I looked at him and said, "I think I like playing with mens balls"

#### THIRD TESTIMONY:

My sister and I were at the mall and passed by a store that sold a variety of candy and nuts. As we were looking at the display case, the boy behind the counter asked if we needed any help.

I replied, "No, I'm just looking at your nuts."

My sister started to laugh hysterically.

The boy grinned, and I turned beet-red and walked away.

To this day, my sister has never let me forget..

#### FOURTH TESTIMONY:

While in line at the bank one afternoon, my toddler decided to release some pent-up energy and ran amok.

I was finally able to grab hold of her after receiving looks of disgust and annoyance from other patrons.

I told her that if she did not start behaving "right now" she would be punished.

To my horror, she looked me in the eye and said in a voice just as threatening, "If you don't let me go right now, I will tell Grandma that I saw you kissing Daddy's willy last night!"

The silence was deafening after this enlightening exchange.

Even the tellers stopped what they were doing.

### FIFTH TESTIMONY:

Have you ever asked your child a question too many times?

My three-year-old son had a lot of problems with potty training and I was on him constantly. One day we stopped at McDonalds for a quick lunch, in between errands. It was very busy, with a full dining room.

While enjoying my burger, I smelled something funny, so of course I checked my seven-month-old daughter, she was clean.

Then I realized that Danny had not asked to go potty in a while.

I asked him if he needed to go, and he said "No".

I kept thinking "Oh Lord, that child has had an accident, and I don't have any clothes with me."

Then I said,

"Danny, are you SURE you didn't have an accident?"

"No," he replied.

I just KNEW that he must have had an accident, because the smell was getting worse.

Soooooo, I asked one more time, "Danny did you have an accident ? This time he jumped up, yanked down his pants, bent over, spread his cheeks and yelled

"SEE MOM, IT'S JUST FARTS!!"

While 30 people nearly choked to death on their food laughing, he calmly pulled up his pants and sat down.

An old couple made me feel better, thanking me for the best laugh they'd ever had!

### LAST BUT NOT LEAST TESTIMONY:

This had most of the state of Michigan in America laughing for 2 days and a very embarrassed female news anchor who will, in the future, likely think before she speaks.

What happens when you predict snow but don't get any!

We had a female news anchor that, the day after it was supposed to have snowed and didn't, turned to the weatherman and asked:

"So Bob, where's that 8 inches you promised me last night?"

Not only did he have to leave the set, but half the crew did too they were laughing so hard!

## **Happy Birthday to our August Members!**



Luigi Robinson  
Matthew Ahern  
Bill Hood  
Lyndon Adams  
Chris Mullan  
Simon McVie  
Bruce Sparks  
Geoffrey Hawke  
Murray Craig  
Michael Harding  
Alan Edwards  
Warren Duder



## 20th Anniversary BEAVERTOWN RALLY



**Blenheim 2010  
8th, 9th, 10th, October**

**FRIDAY 8th:** 3pm to 7pm Registration at the Grove Tavern, Grove Rd, Blenheim.  
Evening socialising at the Tavern.

**SATURDAY 9th:** 9am Registration at Central Rugby Club Rooms, Landsdowne Rd, Blenheim.  
11am Poker Run departs. 6.30pm Dinner and Entertainment at the Rugby Club rooms.

**SUNDAY 10th:** 8am Breakfast at the Rugby Club rooms.

**ACCOMMODATION—make your own bookings**

Blenheim Bridge Top 10 Holiday Park –phone: 0800 268 666  
Grove Motels on Grove Rd—phone: 0800 100 948

Name:..... Ulysses No:..... Pillion.....

Address.....

Email:..... Phone:.....

	Number	Per Person	Amount
Beavertown Rally Registration	_____	@ \$10.00	_____
Badge	_____	@ \$10.00	_____
Saturday, <i>Dinner, Entertainment, Prizes</i>	_____	@ \$35.00	_____
Poker Run, <i>includes lunch</i>	_____	@ \$10.00	_____
Sunday, <i>Breakfast</i>	_____	@ \$10.00	_____
	TOTAL:		_____

Please make cheques payable to Marlborough Ulysses and post with this registration form to:  
**Nicky Bright, Secretary Ulysses Marlborough, Hawkesbury Heights Vineyard, 47 Kahu Way,  
R.D.2, Blenheim 7272.** Email: fiveoaks@xtra.co.nz

If you require a paper receipt, please include a stamped, self addressed envelope.

All registrations with email addresses included will be confirmed via email.

Signed Rider:..... Pillion:..... Date:.....

In signing this form, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations for this event and hold blameless all organisers and officials connected with the event, for injury, damages, loss of body or property while at the event or traveling to or from this event.

*Open to Ulysses members and partners only*



## Calendar of Rides Rallies and Events

**Note** --- unless stated below, ALL rides will leave from **Shell Curletts Road**, or from the **Belfast Hotel (usually known as The Peg)**. Sunday rides leave at **10.30am**, OR as stated below.' **Note**  
 -- RIC = Rider in Charge .... TEC = Tail End Charlie

***Any Time Saturday Mornings 9am-Meet at Dennys for a chat over Coffee/Tea, Breakfast - Stay as long as you want, drop in by car or bike.***

Any time you eat/drink here, say you are from the local Ulysses Branch and you will earn reward points for the Club!

For a full up to date list of future rides and events go to:-

<http://www.ulysses.org.nz/canterbury/>

Date	Event	Remarks
Every Saturday Morning 9 am onwards	Morning Coffee	Denny's 382 Moorhouse Ave. Drop in for a coffee and a Chat. -Close to all the Motorbike shops
Wed 18 Aug	Social Evening	Cashmere Club 7 pm
Sat 21 Sun 22 Aug	Kaikoura overnigher	The Peg at 9.30 am see website for details
Sun 12 Sept	Little River	Curletts Rd at 10.00 am see website for details
Wed 15 Sep	Social Evening	Cashmere Club 7 pm
Sat 18 Sun 19 Sept	Hari Hari Rally	Details to be advised
Sun 26 Sept	Leader Valley	The Peg at 10 am
Sun 3 Oct	Jacksons	Curletts Road at 9 am
Fri 15 Oct	Race meeting and meal	Addington Raceway, see website for details and tickets

Wed 20 Oct	Social evening	Cashmere Club 7 pm
Sat 23 Sun 24 Oct	Blackball overnighter	Curletts Road 9 am (Labour weekend)
Sat 6 Nov	1000k longest day	Endurance Ride top half South Island Manchester St, Nelson, Blenheim Start from 6am

A married couple were on holiday in Jamaica . They were touring around the market-place looking at the goods and such, when they passed a small sandal shop.

>From inside they heard the shopkeeper with a Jamaican accent say, 'You foreigners! Come in. Come into my humble shop.'

So the married couple walked in. The Jamaican said to them, 'I 'ave some special sandals I tink you would be interested in. Dey makes you wild at sex.'

Well, the wife was really interested in buying the sandals after what the man claimed, but her husband felt he really didn't need them, being the Sex God that he was.

The husband asked the man, 'How could sandals make you a sex freak?'

The Jamaican replied, 'Just try dem on, Mon.'

Well, the husband, after some badgering from his wife, finally gave in and tried them on.

As soon as he slipped them onto his feet, he got this wild look in his eyes, something his wife hadn't seen before!!

In the blink of an eye, the husband grabbed the Jamaican, bent him over the table, yanked down his pants, ripped down his own pants and grabbed a firm hold of the Jamaican's thighs.

The Jamaican began screaming: 'You got dem on de wrong feet!'

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The man said to the dentist, "Doc, I'm in one hell of a hurry.! I have two buddies sitting out in my car waiting for us to go play golf. So forget about the anesthetic and just pull the tooth and be done with it. We have a 10:00 AM time at the best golf course in town and it's 9:30 already. I don't have time to wait for the anesthetic to work!"

The dentist thought to himself, "My goodness, this is surely a very brave man asking to have his tooth pulled without using anything to kill the pain."

So the dentist asked him, "Which tooth is it sir?"

The man turned to his wife and said, "Open your mouth Honey and show him."

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