

Sydney Branch Ulysses Club Newsletter

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Branch Meetings are Held on 1ST Tuesday of every month (4 November 2025)
Gladesville RSL 4-6 Linsley St, Gladesville NSW 2111
New members and guests welcome

Branch Meeting - 7:30pm 4 November 2025
casual dinner from 6pm

Rides and other activities regularly posted on our Facebook page:
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Thoughts for the Month

- My bike doesn't have a reverse gear, and neither do I!
- My bike and I have a long-distance relationship.
- Keep your friends close and your bike closer.
- I'm not lost, I'm just exploring a new shortcut.
- Good things come to those who ride.
- Motorcycles: cheaper than therapy and twice as fun.

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Location: Gladesville RSL

Meeting opened at 7:35pm.

Committee members present: John Robertson, Kate Robinson, Michael Clarke,
Roger Bates, Kevin Fleming

Number of members present: 27

Acknowledgments: Peter, David Reeves, John Osbourne

Minutes from previous meeting: No matters arising.

Apologies: Nick Williamson, David Browlow, David Williams & Joy

New Members: none

Visitors: Louis

President report: 74 registrations for Odyssey

Ride reports: Roger's picnic ride had 9 attendees
Phil Motbey drove and rode to Tallebudgera, Gold Coast via Murwillumbah
on a 1998 Honda VF1000
Michael - end of month ride to Myrtle Cafe, Wollombi
Michael - Saturday Sojourn to Bilpin
Martin spoke of his rides in Europe, specifically, Germany, Serbia and
Austria with another 1000 scooters.
Tim (Eastern Creek) 22 riders went from Deux cafe to Hawksbury river
Aaron (Napean) travelled via ferries to St. Auburns
Kate reported there was a big group on the Memorial ride (14 September)
Kevin spoke of his participation in the Wall to Wall ride

General business: none

Odyssey: 74 paid registrations at time of meeting.

Raffle Prize: Collected the usual fare of wine, chocolates, Bike Biz voucher

Meeting closed: 8:25 pm

Next meeting: Tuesday 4 November, 7.30pm. Gladesville RSL

Rides and Other things:

Saturday Sojourns

Happily, the Sat. October 18 th Sojourn left the Gladys RSL at 9:30, with Nick (on his brand new 1,000km Tracer), Pete & Lily plus Michael proceeding through some unfortunate traffic to McDonalds at Dural (to check for any additional travelers), before getting some breathing room on the road beyond Glenorie, turning left at Maroota, down the Sackville Ferry Rd, then turning right on to the super highway known locally as River Road.

The weather was just superb and we arrived at the Paradise Café just a few minutes before opening. We'd luckily just ordered our coffee, burgers and nachos, when a merry band of Hills Branch members arrived to liven up proceedings and clog up the kitchen with pizza orders!

As reported in FB, Lily surprised Nick and Michael with a story about her sliding around on sheepskin when dressed in leather! Our Saturday regular, Kevin, was a late cancellation after not feeling equipped to venture out!

We all headed home in separate ways, but all got home safely after a great day.

Rides to Lunch

Our ride on the 26 th September was to Wollombi. Our meeting point was the PITS at Cowan, from where Don, Bruce, Dave R & Michael had a really nice ride up the old highway to Calga and then stopping at the Ampol at Peats Ridge for Bruce to refuel. A phone enquiry to Pete H as to his and Lily's whereabouts revealed a mis-communication resulting in them being at McDonalds in McGraths Hill! They decided not to join us and had a separate but equally enjoyable ride around Grose Hill, Colo etc.

The run to Wollombi was really good, very little traffic, lovely weather and no pot holes sighted! Forewarned by Kwaka John about the pub not being what it used to be, food-wise, we had a booking at Myrtle Stone café just 200 metres up Wollombi Road, which proved to be very enjoyable, with a lovely ambience, good food and great service!

As often happens, the ride home ended up with everyone doing their own thing at various stages, but everyone made it home without mishap

Thirsty Thursday

Our Thursday catch up was held on the 16th October at On Cowell café in Gladesville. The weather was a cracker but we kept with tradition and sat at the big table indoors.

Don was the sole motorcyclist, turning up on his immaculate Honda VTR Firestorm, which not only looks great in red, but sounds great due to Staintune 'silencers'. Nick would have been there but was getting the first 1,000km service on his Tracer!

Bruce R, John, Dave F, Michael joined Don for a good dose of laughs, stories, reflections and good old BS.



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