

THE UPPER HUNTER GROUP OF THE ULYSSES CLUB INC.
MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD
AT THE ALBION HOTEL JOHN ST.
SINGLETON.

The meeting was declared open at 6:05 p.m. On the 2nd August 2008.

Present:- Kevin & Wendy George, David Stibbard, Bill & Joan Tindale, Donna McIntyre, Bear, Ray Addison, Julie Bright and Rod McLennan, Janet Jacobs, Barbara & John Williams, Max & Lyn Cherrie, Jill Gollan, John & Gai McGee, George & Sandie Robinson, Tony Hernando, Terry & Sandra Davies, Mick & Raylie Barrett, Carole & Gary Knight, Barry Fong, Ron Thomson, Steve & Louise Wordsworth, Barry Thomas.

Apologies:- Phil Hedley, Buzz & Valmai Pascoe, Maurice & Sue Kramer, Mick & Beth Mantle, Wayne & Shireen Smith, Keith & Sylvia Smith, Lucy Drew.

Welcome to new members & Guests. Sharon & Gary Laycock, Chris Garrod, Mick Yule, Frank & Royalie Sciani, Ernie Gillies (Hunter Coalfields).

Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 5th July 2008 were read and accepted.

Moved by: Bear

Seconded by: Bill Tindale

Carried: unanimously

Business arising:

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Correspondence In:

- Change of email address for Kerry & David Moffitt
- Email message from Vic & Leanne Barnett expressing their enjoyment and concerns (Bear!) from the Townsville AGM.
- Email from Chris Garrod concerning her attendance (with others) tonight.
- Correspondence from Elizabeth Gates Nursing Home suggesting a visit on 30th or 31st August.
- Email from Joan Tindale on a fund raising initiative for breast cancer through the collection of bras. BRAMAN, as he is known, is trying to collect 120,000 as a way to raise funds. (Se General Business).

Correspondence out:

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Treasurer's report:

No treasurer's report for this month

Was read and accepted as correct for meeting held on 2nd August 2008

Moved by:

Seconded by

Carried:

Welfare Officer's report:

- Sandie Robinson progressing well after her illness.
- Simmo is not showing any affects after his mouth surgery. Still talks too much and doesn't look like Brad Pitt. (Mind you he would probably like to be Brad Pitt after Brad and Angelina got \$15 million for photos of their first children).
- Bear has his cast of his leg and his bike has been written off. His tattoos seem to have survived the accident OK (that's a relief!).

General Business:

- Bear is interested to hear from anyone interested in doing the Route 66 trip in September 2009. Trip goes for 21 days and costs about \$7,000 (plus airfares) for a single (\$10,000 plus airfares for rider & pillion).
- Simmo requested that three badges be purchased for the new committee members. Moved Donna McIntyre, seconded Barbara Williams, passed unanimously.
- Joan Tindale raised the matter of fund raising by BRAMAN to collect money for breast cancer. He is attempting to collect 120,000 bras. (Simmo will forward the email on his efforts to all members). For the next two meetings (September and October) bras to be brought along and given to Joan Tindale. They are to be transported free of charge by Linfox to BRAMAN in Queensland.

The representatives of Newcastle / Lower Hunter and Coalfields Branches also offered their support. The club will consider a cash donation to this cause following feedback on the success of BRAMAN's fundraising.

- The club decided on the recipient of their mid-year donation (\$500). It was moved by Graeme Lothringer that the recipient be the Singleton Cancer Appeal Committee who are raising funds to improve the Palliative Care Ward at the Hospital. The motion was seconded by Steve (Freefall) Wordsworth and passed unanimously. It was suggested that the donation be accompanied by an article in the Argus. (No probs Simmo!)
- Lyn Cherrie requested that deposits of \$100 for accommodation at the Penrith AGM be given to her by the end of this week.
- Lyn also needs to know how many nights people will require accommodation for at the Albany AGM.
- Chris Garrod gave an update on the 2011 AGM for Newcastle. In brief:-
 - They are expecting 7,000 attendees.
 - They are seeking several event co-ordinators as given on the list already circulated.
 - The most likely venue is the Newcastle Jockey Club who have been very supportive. The Newcastle Showground, to date, has proven too costly to use.
 - Registrations will be on site as will most of the events.
 - The AGM is to be held around the end of March 2011. Final dates are dependant on the race program.

- Chris will send out up-date emails on a regular basis.
- Simmo to be the contact point within Upper Hunter Group.

Newsletter:

- Wayne Smith was absent on the night however Simmo reinforced the message that all articles go to Wayne and all photos go to Mark Walmsley so they can be posted on the web..

Ride Calendar:

- Elizabeth Gates Nursing Home on 30th August. Meet at Allan Bull Reserve at 9:45a.m.
- Ride to Gloucester on 3rd August. Depart Singleton Macca's at 9:00 a.m.
- Ulysses Memorial Ride on 14th September. Meet with the other groups at Hexham Macca's at 8:30 a.m. After the memorial service proceed to the broke Fair.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 6:45 p.m..

The next meeting will be held on the 6th September 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Albion Hotel, 2 John Street, Singleton.

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Jim Simpson

President.

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Graeme Lothringer

Secretary